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Shelley Mays/Photographer

**GUITAR MAN:** Fletcher Moore, a music theory major, takes advantage of the warm weather to practice his guitar.

## Students want voice in parking fee hike

**SAM GANNON**  
News Editor

If the price for parking decals goes up it may be without any representation from students, the Student Government Association said.

While checking into parking decal rumors earlier this month, SGA Speaker of the Senate, Larry Beaty found that no committee had been set to decide on the matter.

"This means there is no student involvement," Beaty said.

Each standing committee on campus must have student input, university guidelines mandate.

"This idea is not even on committee. It's only in the Finance and Administration and Business Office departments, meaning no student involvement at all," Beaty said.

"Right now we're just getting data, including surveys from other schools," Bob Adams, assistant vice president said.

"When I called Bob Adams and complained about students not getting representation he said, quote, 'it's not my problem,'" Beaty said.

SGA President Shawn Burgess said that a meeting has been scheduled between himself,

### *Parking at other universities*

**Austin Peay State University:** Parking in open lots, like MTSU, \$10 per year.

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**Tennessee Technical University:** Parking in open lots, \$12 (pro-rated), parking lots for dorms residents

**University of Tennessee, Knoxville:** Parking in open non-commuter lots, \$134 per year. Parking in open commuter lots, \$86 per year.

**Vanderbilt:** Parking in open lots, \$45 per year (pro-rated). Parking in a reserved garage, \$65 per month. Parking in open lots, reserved spaces, \$45 per month.

Beaty, Dr. Robert LaLance, vice president for Student Affairs and Dr. Jerry Tunstill, vice president of Finance and Administration today

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## Black History Month to kickoff Saturday

**NICOLE M. SIKORA**  
Assistant News Editor

The theme of this year's African-American History Month is "A Tribute to Our Fallen Warriors."

Activities will begin at 10 p.m. Saturday with a dance sponsored by the Foot Frat at the E.A. Davis Elks Club. Guest speaker will be Lucius Wallace of the Bradyville Road Church of Christ. Admission is \$3. Ladies are admitted free until 11 p.m.

Other events scheduled throughout February include seminars, films, an art

exhibit, a banquet and a theater performance. Some of the activities will be held on campus and others off.

"I think that Black History Month provides an opportunity to enlighten not only African-American students, but the entire student body as well," MTSU President James Walker said.

Student Government Association President Shawn Burgess expressed similar ideas. "I think it benefits everyone in knowing America is diverse, and this is a way of understanding that,"

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### **HIPPIES, FAERIES, OR TROLLS??**

Karen Overton, an undeclared major, observes photographs by Lee Steenhuis in her presentation Monday in the Keathley University Center. A crowd of more than 300 was in attendance for the show, which featured slides from three different communities in Middle Tennessee. Steenhuis is a graduate of Vanderbilt and MTSU.

Shelley Mays/Photographer



### **OPINIONS**

#### **R-E-S-P-E-C-T:**

Without it, issues such as the parking fee increase and condom machines go against us.

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Wheelchair rugby players exhibit more than just physical strength.

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### **SPORTS**

#### **COLONELS POPPED:**

Blue and Lady Raiders move up in the OVC standings with victories over Eastern Kentucky.

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**Dance**

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Burgess said.

Director of Minority Affairs Ralph Metcalf said that African-American History Month is observed "not to assuage white guilt or to engender black pride but to replace racist myths with a truer understanding of history."

Metcalf said that traditional history does not always include African-American history.

"We feel that one month out of the year we can take the time and opportunity to make sure that everybody knows the entire picture in terms of the contributions of African-Americans throughout world history, and that's what we try to do during Black History Month," Metcalf said.

**Parking**

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to discuss the possibility of student representation about the parking decision.

"We are in the process of looking at the price of parking, streets, roads, lots, that will determine a parking increase," Jerry Tunstill, vice president of Business and Finance, said.

"Right now we're just getting data, including surveys from other schools," said Bob Adams, assistant vice president.

"When I called Bob Adams and complained about students not getting representation, he said, 'It's not my problem,'" Beaty said.

If there is student representation about the decision, many fear that it will be too late for the students to make an informed decision.

"What we're worried about is that they're going to have all

the research and information and the student representatives will have no idea as to what's going on," Beaty said.

"We'll have no way to be prepared," Beaty said.

"We're pushing to get student representation on the data side, so they won't snow us," Burgess said.

"We don't want them to come down in the end and drop a bomb," Beaty said.

As to the SGA position about the parking price increase, Beaty said the SGA is not likely to sponsor the increase at this time.

"We are against it at this point," he said. "We don't have enough information to make a decision. Plus, with no student involvement, we won't know what's going on."

"We want them to open up. This directly involves students and they should have a say in the matter," Beaty said.

Many on campus see the decal price increase as just a tuition increase in disguise, should the money be put into the general fund, Beaty said.

"Everybody I know is up in arms about this," Beaty said.

"I encourage students to contact the SGA office, Sidelines, the vice president of Finance and Administration and Dr. Walker and let them know what you students feel," Beaty said.

# Campus Capsule

**Today**

ARMS (Association of Recording Management Studies), general member meeting, 7 p.m., COMM 103, call Chevy Nash ext. 2088.

English Honor Society, Sigma Tau Delta, organizational meeting, 4:30 p.m., Peck Hall 108.

King-Hampton Award Luncheon, honoring Dr. Ayne Durham, 11:30 a.m.- 1:00 p.m., James Union Bldg., Dining Room B, call June Anderson Women's Center ext. 2193, cost \$ 8.00.

Omega Chapter of Gamma Iota Sigma bake sale, 7:30 a.m.- 4:00 p.m., main lobby of Kirksey Old Main, call Dr. Kenneth Hollman ext. 2673.

Ideas and Issues Committee and Sigma Xi, "Rays, Rads, and Risks," Dr. Kelly H. Clifton, 7:30 p.m., Davis Science Bldg. 100.

Hare Krishna Club, meditation and discussion, 6:00 p.m., Keathley University Center 312, call Adi-Purusa das 896-3425.

Women's Political Action Group, organizational meeting, 5:00 p.m., KUC Grill (Smoking Section), call Lucy ext. 3154.

Placement Center, Senior Orientation, 3:00 p.m., KUC 324, call Martha Turner ext. 2500.

Pi Sigma Epsilon, orientation meeting, 7:00 p.m., KUC 322.

**Other Campus Events**

Student organizations applications for Activity Fee Funds, 126 KUC, deadline: Friday January 31, 4:30 p.m.

Campus Capsule is a service provided by Sidelines for non-profit campus groups. If you have a notice that you would like to run in Campus Capsule, please submit typewritten or printed information to our office in the James Union Building, Room 310. Items must be received by Tuesday at noon for Thursday's publication and noon Friday for Monday's publication. Inclusion is not guaranteed and is based on available space.

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# News Briefs

## Governor's new plan cuts budget

Governor Ned McWherter's proposed 1992-93 state budget includes \$248.2 million in cuts to state departments and agencies, leaving next year's spending \$63.9 million less than the current year.

"I still hope the General Assembly will enact a package of education reform and funding that will provide students with a quality education and keep our schools from being taken over by the courts. My recommendations on these matters remain before the legislature, and I am open to responsible alternatives.

"This budget anticipates no new taxes and a conservative growth rate in existing revenues. It places priority on funding our most vital state services, such as education, public safety, mental health and protection of the environment, within the revenues that are available," McWherter said.

The 9.553 billion budget is 0.7 percent less than this year's budget of \$9.617 billion. It presumes a growth rate of 1.98 percent for total state revenues in the coming year, with sales tax growth of 3 percent.

The budget includes funding of K-12 education and higher education at current levels. Money is included in the K-12 budget to pay for projected

growth in enrollment.

The budget calls for a net reduction of 1,058 positions in the General Fund, many of which are vacant due to the state's hiring freeze. In meetings Friday and Monday with his Cabinet, the governor has instructed that every effort be made to achieve these reductions without layoffs as in the past.

This brings to more than 5,000 the number of positions eliminated by McWherter since 1987 through his programs to improve economy and efficiency in state government.

Small increases in state funding are recommended in the budget.

Funding for most other state agencies will be reduced in order to balance the budget.

"These reductions are being made in an orderly fashion. We have placed top priority on required services and a lesser priority on services that are desired," said David Manning, commissioner of the Department of Finance and Administration.

Included in the \$248.2 million in budget cuts are the cancellation of \$17.4 million in capital projects.

"This budget will challenge all three branches of state government to improve their management and maintain services for Tennesseans during these recessionary times," McWherter said.

## Former hostage is back in classroom

Former hostage Alann Steen is back in the classroom this semester, teaching an advanced news-writing class at Albion College.

On Jan. 13, Steen told his students about news writing and editing, but ended his first lecture with anecdotes about Beirut University College and his experiences while being held hostage for five years by Shiite Muslim extremists.

Steen's captors released him Dec. 3.

Steen will spend the semester teaching photojournalism and advanced expository writing as well as news writing.

## Progressive frat gathers members

Delta Lambda Phi, a fraternity that declares itself open to men of all sexual orientations, recently started a chapter at the University of Arizona.

About a dozen students have joined the fraternity, which has

chapters at 24 other U.S. campuses. Donald D. DeCarlo, a pre-med senior and president of Delta Lambda Phi, started the fraternity after he was asked to leave two other fraternities at the University of Arizona.

DeCarlo says that the new fraternity will have songs, colors, pledges and secrets just like other fraternities. The only difference, he says, is that the club is open to all men, regardless of sexual orientation.

## Student golfers die in auto accident

Three University of Texas at San Antonio golfers died Jan. 10 when their car collided head-on with a pickup truck.

The three golfers, Mark Bruchmiller, Derrick Steinbruck and Lance Mullins, were traveling on a south central Texas highway on their way home from a preseason tournament.

The driver and passenger of the truck also died.

Steinbruck and Mullins both earned all-conference honors in gold last season.



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# Opinions

## Consensus

### Students deserve R-E-S-P-E-C-T

What's the difference between Cuba and MTSU? At least the Cuban people don't have to pay tuition to get screwed over by their leaders.

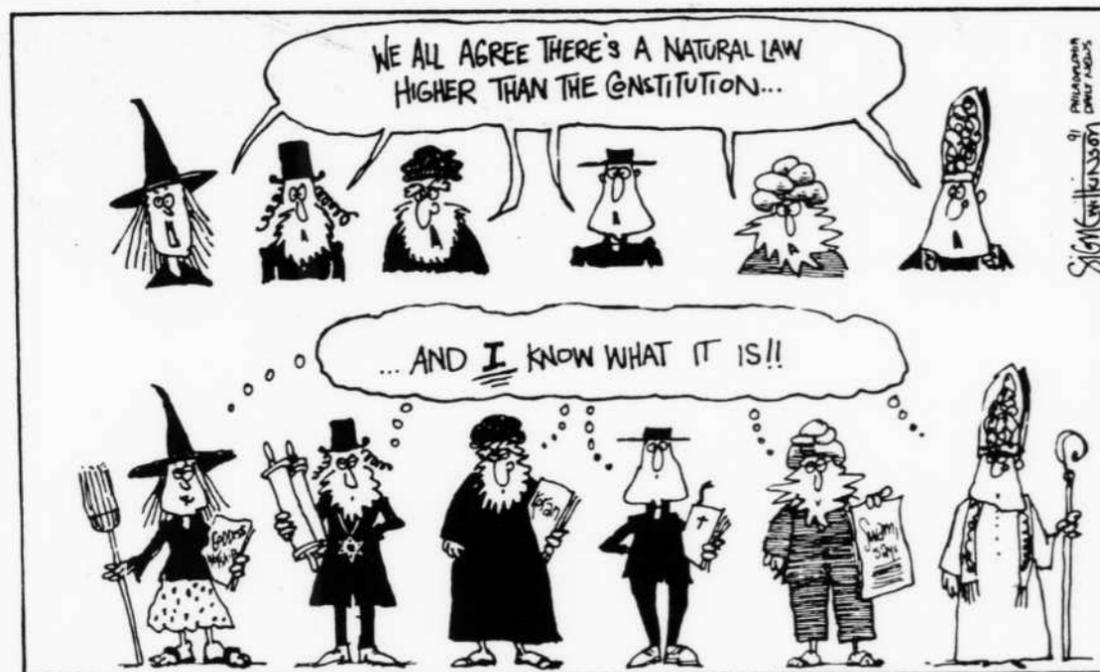
If anything has become apparent this semester, it is that the amount of respect the administration has for the students is somewhere between little and none. We wouldn't make that claim if there wasn't overwhelming evidence to back it up.

Case No.1 — The powers-that-be have decided to drastically increase the cost of the student parking sticker. SGA leaders were outraged over not being allowed input into this decision and requested representation on the committee in charge of this matter. They were informed that there was no committee addressing the issue, thanks anyway. So basically, the decision is being made without input from the very people the price increase will affect - the students.

Case No.2 — The SGA bill calling for the installation of condom machines in the dormitories was unceremoniously struck down by Dr. LaLance. Despite the overwhelming support of the students, the administration felt it knew what was best for us and overruled the decision.

What does this say about our position on this campus? It's more than \$45 and a few contraceptive vending machines. The issue is all about respect. As adults who pay tuition to this university, we have a right to access and influence the decisions that affect us and our campus. When we are denied these things, it is either the result the administration being uncaring or having a lack of respect for us. We do not believe the former to be true, but the latter is right on the money.

This is not intended to be a threat, just good advice taken from the responses we have seen and heard. Give us, the students, the respect that we deserve or we will have to seize it.



## Letters to the Editor

### Education needs higher standards, not taxes

It is amazing to me that Education McWherter and other state legislatures believe that increasing taxes will "reform" the education system in this state. Money is necessary in order to operate and maintain a school. Money can buy material to build educational facilities, pay teacher and administrator salaries, and buy textbooks and necessary educational supplies. What it can not buy are competent teachers and a desire to learn - two essential elements in educational reform.

I graduated from a small, urban high school thirty miles east of Atlanta. The teachers motivated the students through a hands-on approach and old-fashioned values such as discipline and diligence. The students had pride in their school and strove to take care of it. That is the kind of pride that I have not seen in rural McMinnville, Tennessee and other small Tennessee towns. Let me explain. The school I graduated from was well over thirty years old, but it looked clean and lively. The high school in McMinnville is barely thirtyfive years old, but it looks worn-out, decayed, and dilapidated. Now the McMinnville/Warren County Board of Education wants to spend 24 million dollars on a brand new high school.

It is past time for "educational reform". It is time to use taxpayer money wisely and frugally in school budgets. We should use school budget money to buy updated textbooks, copier machines, and computers instead of spending thousands of dollars on outdated material, babysitting services, and sports equipment. It is time for parents to take an active interest in their children's lives and teach them the values and benefits of a good education.

It is also time for the schools to stop acting as substitute parents. True learning begins in the home, not in a classroom environment. It is time for teachers to want to teach and instill within their students a desire to gain knowledge.

I do applaud the teachers, parents, and students who are striving to reform the education system by their examples. I applaud the state officials and legislatures who are deeply concerned and deeply divided over the education crisis. However, it is my belief that the system must be changed from the inside-out, not vice-versa as with Governor McWherter's tax reform plan to save the failing education system.

Jeanetta Ware  
MTSU Box 372

### Parking garage should not take top priority

This letter is in response to the article concerning parking permits in the January 22 Sidelines. The article states that we may possibly be charged fifty dollars for a parking permit.

First of all, I can't see the justification in raising the fee this at one time. Secondly, Mr. Adams says that these funds may possibly go to the construction of a parking garage. Now I don't want to pay fifty dollars, but if I have to I don't want the money going to a parking garage. I don't think we need one. I think we should put the money toward expansion of the library, or toward improving the dorms.

I have been on campus on pretty busy days and I have never seen all of the parking lots completely full, ever. I usually park in the lots behind Cummings Hall and I've always been able to find a spot.

These spaces may be a little farther out, but come on, they're not that far away, they're well within walking distance. Let's

face it, none of us want to walk any distance if we don't have to, but sometimes we just may have to.

I think we have an attractive campus and I don't want to see anymore of the trees and greenery gone if its not absolutely necessary.

What do I recommend? Get on campus ten minutes earlier and walk a little farther. Most of us need the exercise anyway.  
Bruce Langsdon  
P.O. Box 8130

### Dealing with the Hazelwood tragedy

I remember sitting in front of the television Sunday morning hearing but not believing the news of the sudden death of Larry Hazelwood. I had had classes with Larry, for four years, and although we weren't close friends, I was always glad to see him coming because I knew he would grin and say "hi" or maybe stop and talk for a few minutes. I had talked to him just a few days before his death, again glad to see that he was going to be in one of my classes this semester.

The tracks left by his truck in the weeds beside the interstate disturb me everyday I drive to school from Nashville. I can only imagine how his family and friends must feel. I'm very sad and sorry but most of all outraged that this happened. The stupidity of the "rock throwing idiots" amazes me. An innocent person was killed by what these fools considered a prank. I have many unanswered questions concerning the people involved. Did they not realize what a 20 pound rock could do to any vehicle much less a moving one or did they care? Were they so ignorant that they couldn't comprehend what the outcome of the "prank" might be or did they care? Do they care now?

Jackie Fulton  
P.O. Box 1144

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# Features

## Rolling Raiders place second in tournament

**NEDRA RICHARDSON**  
Features Writer

These guys can do more in a wheelchair than most of us can do on our feet. Watching them at work, you can see their inner strength as well as their physical strength. You feel privileged to share in their experience—that is, the opportunity to show that being a quadriplegic does not mean you have stopped living and growing.

The MTSU Handicapped Student Services sponsored a rugby tournament on Jan. 24-26 at the Alumni Memorial Gym for quadriplegic students. The game was free and open to the public. Teams from cities across the United States including Atlanta, Chicago and Tampa, FL. participated in this exciting event. Two students from MTSU, Michael Barer and Donnie Sweeton, also lent their athletic talents to the Tennessee Team—the Rolling Raiders.

John Harris, Director of MTSU's Handicapped Student Services, agrees that the tournament went very well. "Though it was only the first time MTSU has actually sponsored such an event, I was especially pleased with the turn out and the

number of volunteers from the special education classes that attended," Harris reported.

The game of rugby is a combination of soccer, football, basketball and hockey. There are four people from each team who actually play and the sport is divided into eight minute quarters. It's a very strenuous and aggressive activity that is played much like basketball.

"I think it's a great sport to play," says Sweeton, a starter for the Tennessee Rolling Raiders. "Most definitely it's a contact sport where you can be competitive against other people with the same disabilities," he adds.

Quadriplegic rugby is a relatively young sport. There are only 32 teams in the world who participate. But Harris notes that the number is growing.

The Rolling Raiders finished at a respectable second place in the rugby tournament. The trophy will be displayed in the Handi-capped Student Services office. The Atlanta Thunders and Tampa Generals came in first and third place respectively.

Several local pizza restaurants provided Sat-urday's lunch including Pizza Hut, Domino's, Sir Pizza, Mazzio's and J. Gregory's. Kentucky



Mark Miller/Photographer

**WHEELCHAIR BOUND BUT SPIRITS SOAR:** Tennessee Rolling Raider Lee Moore handles the ball against Atlanta during the MTSU hosted rugby tournament in the Alumni Gym.

Fried Chicken and Burger King also donated food for the players.

Although there was a great deal of support for the quadriplegic rugby team last weekend, Donnie wishes there was more financial sponsorship from local companies.

"It will help sometimes

because it's real difficult to travel to the games without money," Sweeton remarked.

Also, more university support, especially from the students, would help boost the player's morale and add excitement to the games.

Sometimes we need an

attitude adjustment, an example to live by. The Tennessee Rolling Raiders provide that example. When the game is over, you're attitude has been refreshed. The team helps you to see that adversity can be overcome and even turned into a positive experience.

## Local band joins forces with Tau Kappa Epsilon to benefit food bank



**MUSIC FEEDS FAMILIES:** Local band Political Funk doesn't just sing about political issues, it tries to pitch in and take action. Members from left to right are Jason Rawlings, John Christopher Wheeler and Brent Rawlings.

There are several local bands which play music with an unusual or different sound. From the Laughing Storm Dogs to the Butthole Surfer sound to Dr. Gonzo's hard-core parody, the area music scene is full of unusual acts.

One of the best and brightest bands in the area isn't just playing different music, it's carving out a completely new musical genre from which it derives its name—Political Funk.

Singer/guitarist/songwriter John Wheeler and bassist Brent Rawlings had been writing music together for several months when drummer Jason Rawlings moved to Murfreesboro to join the band.

With the line-up complete, the trio set out to produce an honest and musically inventive sound which is equally straight forward, energetic and socio-politically aware.

"The name Political Funk

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was chosen to emphasize both the nature and primacy of the product itself and to convey an attitude of pretensionless straightforwardness," Wheeler reports.

These qualities are evident in the groups' live performances. Playing with intensity and passion, the trio is able, through a combination of Wheeler's thought-provoking lyrics and the bands tough-edged music, to convey feelings of anger, joy, sometimes even melancholy, but always honestly and without gimmick.

Lyrics like "Heads of state in the ivory tower, build an economic wall around the power" and

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### Black History Month calendar of events

- \* Feb. 1 Dance at the E.A. Davis Elks Club. Dance begins at 10 p.m. Admission is \$3. Sponsored by the Foot Frat.
- \* Feb. 4 Financial aid workshop, 6:30 p.m., KUC 322. Sponsored by the MTSU Office of Financial Aid.
- \* Feb. 5-6 Film presentation - "The Life and Times of Malcolm X," 6:30 and 9 p.m., KUC Theatre.
- \* Feb. 6 African American History Lab, Military Science Dept, 10:50 a.m. at Forest Hall.
- \* Feb. 6 A night of jazz with Michael P. Smith. Lecture and slide show with black and white photos of African-American freedom celebrations. Show begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Learning Resources Center, Multimedia Classroom. Reception to follow.
- \* Feb. 11 "Health and Sexuality in the African-American Community," - lecture presented by Dr. Cheryl Ellis of the HPER Department. Learning Resources Center, Multimedia Classroom, 7 p.m.
- \* Feb. 14 Eagles Gospel Quartet in concert, 7 p.m. at Wright Music Hall. Free and open to the public. Sponsored by MTSU Center for Popular Music.
- \* Feb. 15 Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Annual Sweetheart Ball. Dance will be held at the Smyrna Town Center. Tickets are \$20 for singles, \$36 for couples. Contact Richard Smith, MTSU family housing for information at 898-2858 or 898-5504.

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## Deadline: Tomorrow, Jan. 31, 4:00 p.m.

For further information contact Patricia Tenpenny at 898-5927

# Black History Month calendar of events

- \* Feb. 16 Art show - The works of Sammy Nicely of Knoxville will be exhibited at the Art Barn Gallery through Feb. 29. Free and open to the public.
- \* Feb. 17 Half-time tribute (MTSU v. Tenn. St) to African-American History, 7:30 p.m., Murphy Center Gyn. Sponsored by MTSU Sports Information Dept. Call Athletic Ticket office at 898-2103 for ticket information.
- \* Feb. 20 Ebony Achievements Award Banquet- by invitation only. MTSU Alumni Center at 6:30 p.m. Sponsored by MTSU African-American Student Assoc. and Student Government.
- \* Feb. 26 Grand Finale -- "A Dramatic and Musical Tribute to African-American Literature" featuring Black Treasures, a theatre group from Atlanta. Performance will be at 7 p.m. in Wright Music Hall. Free and open to the public.

## Funk

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"In the name of the father, in the blood of the son, packaged with a flag, wrapped around a gun," show the honesty and passion with which Wheeler writes and the origin of the political side of the music. The "funk" side of the music is created by the Rawlings brother's tight energetic rhythm section.

The success of the combination of these two elements is evident in the large fan base which the band has developed through frequent live performances in all of the major area clubs and through extensive radio airplay.

The groups' biggest hit to date, "Defending Wealth," spent six weeks at No. 1 on Vanderbilt's radio station WRVU 91.1 FM.

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## Now we're contenders

*Raiders move to first with emotional win over ECU Colonels*

SCOTT HASSLER  
Sports Writer

Eastern Kentucky and Middle Tennessee have always had some great rivalries, and Monday night was no exception for the schools.

The Raiders came into the game tied for second in the Ohio Valley Conference and had a chance to move into a tie for first if they could defeat the Colonels.

They did just that, coming away with a 73-68 win and moving into a first-place tie in the heated OVC race.

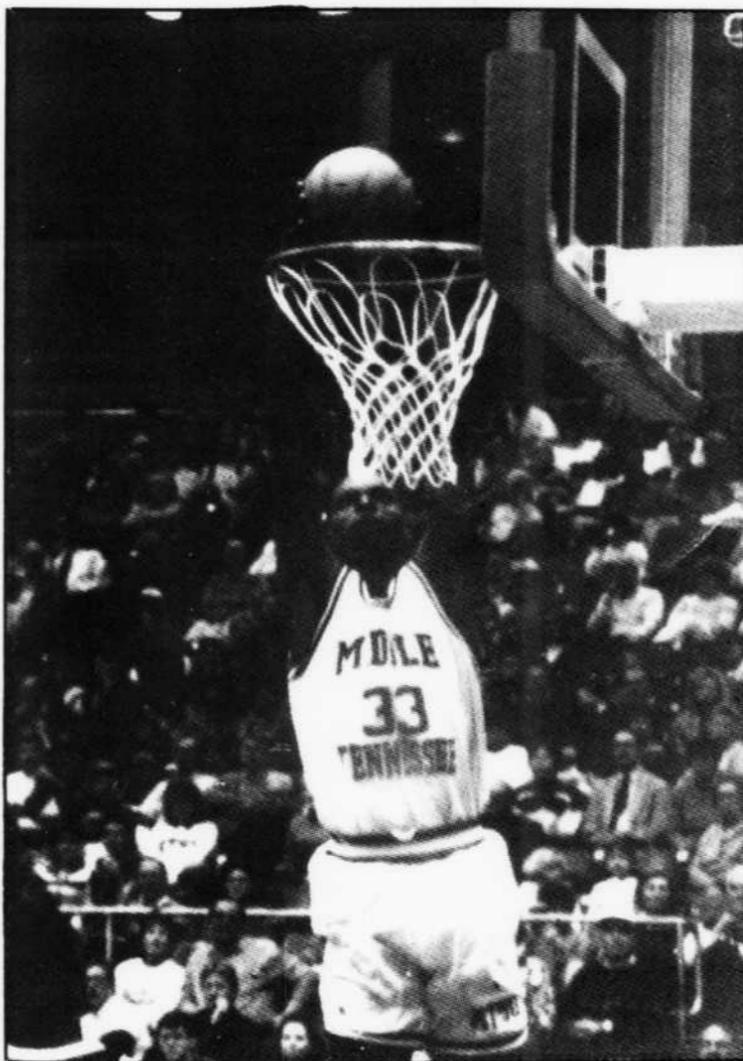
And thanks to the remarks of the Eastern coach, Mike Pollio, and the quality of play between players, the rivalry lives on.

MTSU coach David Farrar is new to the ECU vs. MTSU rivalry, yet he knows the importance of each game.

"This game was a typical game of significance. It definitely had the fans' interest," Farrar said. "The game had no flow, and it wasn't artistic. The more important the game, the less artistic they are. "The game was very competitive, and it was fun to watch, fun to be in, and fun to win."

At the beginning of the game, MTSU looked to be digging a hole for itself. With 15:26 left in the first half, Raider center Warren Kidd picked up his second quick foul. Immediately Farrar went to the bench.

While Kidd was out, Eastern's senior center Mike Smith scored 10 straight points to give Eastern a 17-14 lead. Kidd soon returned and played the rest



Shelley Mays/Photographer

**TWO FOR Q:** Blue Raider senior forward Quincy Vance sends a shot home with authority during Mondays 73-68 win over Eastern Kentucky. The Raiders host Murray State Saturday at 7:30.

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**Running Raiders finish strong at Murphy Center**  
*Men finish second, women take first*

DIANNE DEOLIVEIRA  
Assistant Sports Editor

The men's track team finished second to Murray State in Saturday's indoor meet at Murphy Center, while the Lady Raiders won their competition.

Although the men were edged by Murray State, 75-62, they had several outstanding individual performances.

After meeting National Collegiate Athletic Association qualifications in three events in his first collegiate competition, Micoh Otis jumped and sprinted his way to four first places. He won the long jump (23'-6"), 55 meter hurdles (7.33), 55 meter dash (6.37), the 200 meters (21.41) and also placed third in the triple jump (45'-11/2).

All-American Roland McGhee won the triple jump over

a Racer, with a jump of (51'-3/4") which is also his personal best by over a foot. He also finished second in the 200-meters with 21.44 seconds.

Brigham Lyons, a football member, placed third in the 55-meters (6.54) and second in the 55 meter hurdles (7.75).

Also, distance harrier Jeff Lingwall broke nine minutes for the first time in the 3,000 meters to finish sixth in 8:58.

The Lady Raiders defeated Southeast Missouri, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, Vanderbilt and Western Kentucky. They racked up enough points to almost double the score over SEMO and Murray State.

Sophomore Jacqui Brown

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*Lady Raiders send Eastern to first OVC defeat with 69-59 win*

SCOTT HASSLER  
Sports Writer

The Lady Raiders defeated Eastern Kentucky 69-59 in a key conference contest Monday night.

The Lady Raiders came into the game third in the Ohio Valley Conference with a 4-2 conference record and a 12-5 record overall. Eastern entered at 6-0 in the conference and 13-4 overall.

The Lady Raiders knew they had their work cut out for them against a tough Eastern squad.

The first minutes of the first half were very competitive with Eastern holding a slight edge. Eastern was concentrating on Priscilla Robinson's inside game, leaving the outside wide open.

When Raider coach Lewis Bivens saw the open space outside, he brought in sharp-shooter Kristi Brown. Within four minutes Brown had nailed three three-pointers to put the Raiders ahead 23-13.

"The first half, we shot the 3's very well, and I think that was the key," head coach Lewis Bivens said. "They were playing a zone but switched to a man-to-man, and then we went to our inside game."

At half time the Raiders' lead was 10, and Eastern looked a little frustrated. Brown led the Raiders at the half with 10 points on three of four shooting and one of two from the free throw line.

But being the championship contenders they are, the Lady Colonels came out in the second half fired up. Angie Cox, the Colonels' leading scorer, shot a lay-up and got fouled with 17 minutes remaining. After shooting the free throw, the Colonels had pulled to within three.

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Barbara Klemt/Photographer

**RACING FOR THE FINISH:** Lady Raider track stars Latonia Jackson (left) and Koko Rowley run ahead of the pack during their indoor meet Saturday.

**First** — continued from page 8 of the half while picking up just one more foul.

Robert Taylor was the answer for the Raiders from the

outside during the first half. Taylor scored 11 first-half points to keep the Raiders in the ball game. Kelvin Hammonds added 10 points in the half, and the Raiders went into the break with a 36-33 lead.

Both the Raiders and the Colonels shot 50 percent from the field in the first half to keep the game close.

In the second half the Raiders jumped out to a 10-point lead behind the shooting of Hammonds and Taylor. Eastern cut the lead to three with 9:41 remaining in the game with a jump shot by senior forward Jamie Ross.

Kidd seemingly took control down the stretch for the Raiders, scoring six points and grabbing several key rebounds to hold off Eastern's attack, yet it may have been the self neglect by an ECU player that took them out of the game.

With MTSU up 61-59, a Colonel touched the ball while Hammonds was trying to inbound

it. Since the ball was still in Hammonds' possession, it was whistled as a technical foul.

"You have a line of verticality," Farrar said. "You can't break that plane or touch the ball out of bounds, and evidently they thought he did that."

Taylor toed the free throw line and buried two shots before adding a layup seconds later to give the Raiders a commanding 65-59 lead.

"I thought we were going to win the game when they were up 61-59," Pollio said. "Then he (the referee) makes a ludicrous call like that. The fans had been getting on him and he goes and makes that call."

But controversial or not, the "W" is in MTSU column, and the Raiders have pulled even in the

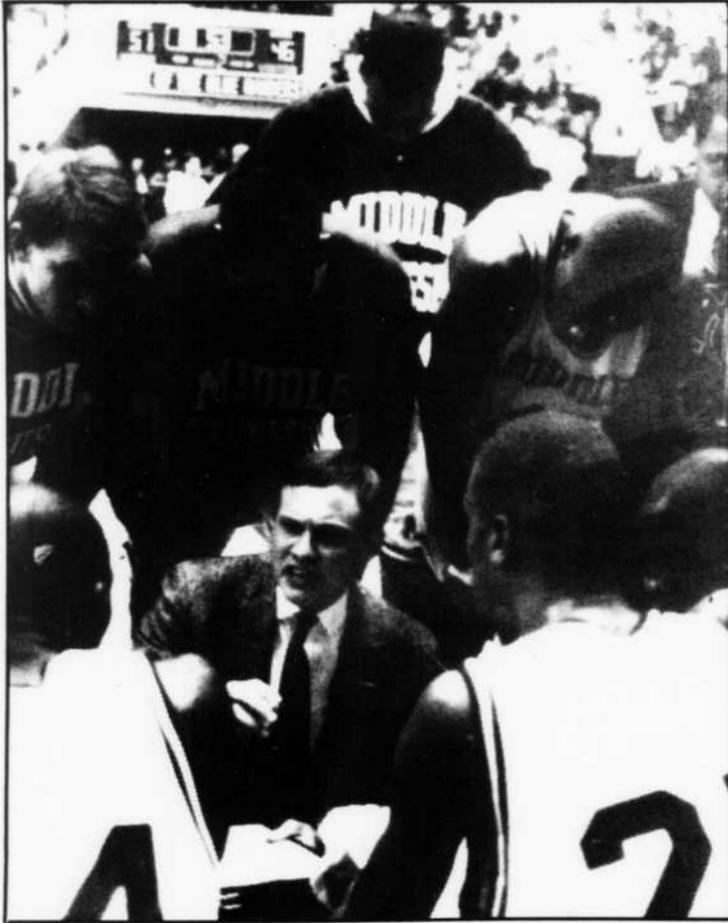
conference race with a 11-6 overall record, 5-2 in the OVC.

"It feels good to beat them," Kidd said. "Hopefully we can maintain first place. They are a physical team, and we worked to keep them off the boards."

Robert Taylor added, "We were really prepared for Eastern. We knew we had to keep our intensity and keep the crowd in the game. They didn't make their 3's down the stretch, and we made our free throws."

The Raiders take a couple of days off before being host to Murray State here on at 7:30 p.m. Saturday. The Raiders are looking to pay back Murray for an early season loss.

"We're fired up for this one," said Taylor, "It's payback time for Murray."



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**MENTOR AT WORK:** MTSU coach David Farrar diagrams the game plan during a break in the action Monday. Coming off the big win, Middle will have momentum going into its contest with Murray State.

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paved the way by winning the long jump (19') and triple jump (39'-6") events. Trevy Matthews also placed third in the triple jump (35'-6") and second in the 400 meter (58.71).

In the 55 meter hurdles, Latonia Jackson ran 8.07 to win

that event, and placed third in the 55 meter (8.07) and the 200 meter run, in which she clocked her best time of 25.63.

Veronica Tipton and Koko Rowley placed first (5'-6" and second (5'-4") in the high jump. Rowley also finished second in the hurdles (8.12), and fourth in the long jump (18'-4 1/4").

In the distances, Linda

Brewer ran a competitive race in the 800 meters and finished second in 2:22.20, just .5 seconds from first place. Also, senior Karen Barnes finished fourth (5.15) in the mile, and second in the 3,000 meters in 10:40.

Coach Dean Hayes was satisfied with the victory. "The women's performance was solid and methodical," Hayes said. "We were able to score some points in the different events because we have a lot of people."

Both the men's and women's track teams will be traveling to compete at Ohio State on Saturday.

**Win**  
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MTSU was not going to give this one up so easily, though. Robinson got into the action with some tough jumpers and free throws to put the Raiders ahead 60-55 with 4:16 left in the game.

"The guards really did a

good job of handling the pressure," Bivens said. "KB (Kristi Brown) really made the difference for us in the first half. In the second half we were able to get the ball inside to Priscilla.

"When you have to play man to man defense against us because of our outside shooting, Priscilla is really tough to guard."

The Raiders limited the Colonels to 36 percent shooting in the second half, and Eastern could get no closer than three the rest of the game.

The Colonels suffered their first defeat in nine games and their first in the conference.

For the Raiders, the win was a big one because it kept them in contention for the conference crown.

The Lady hoopers were led by Robinson, who had 19 points and 10 rebounds. The Lady Raiders also got a strong performance from Sherry Tucker, who contributed 12 points, 10 rebounds and 6 assists. Brown and Shana Wright each had 10 to finish off the scoring in double figures.

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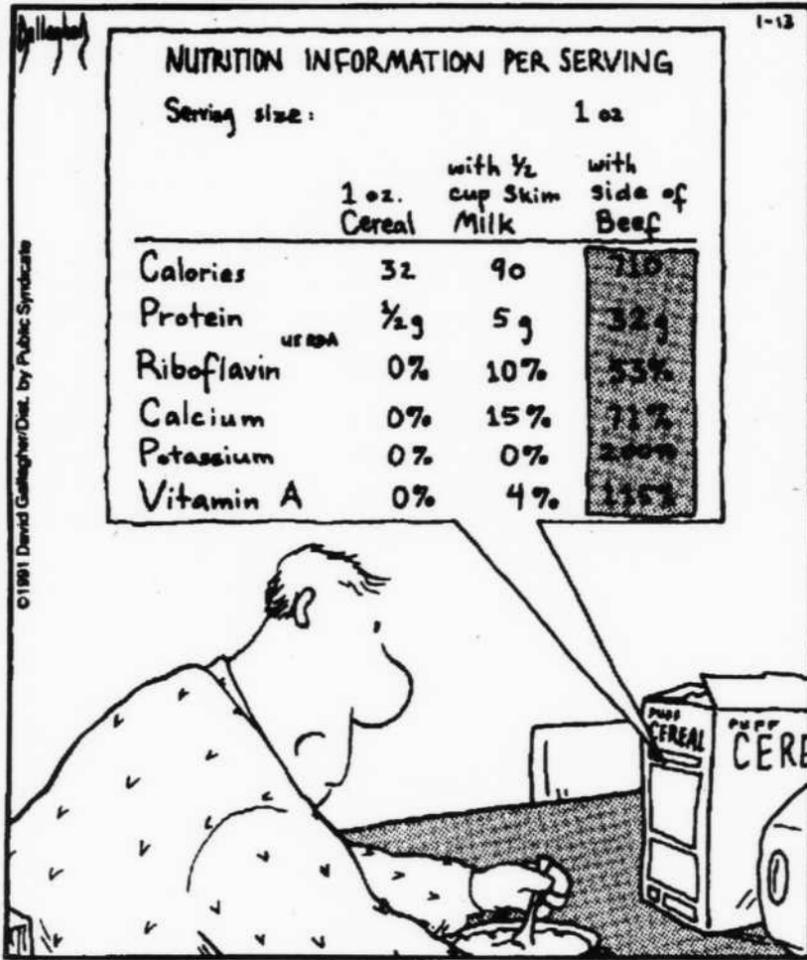
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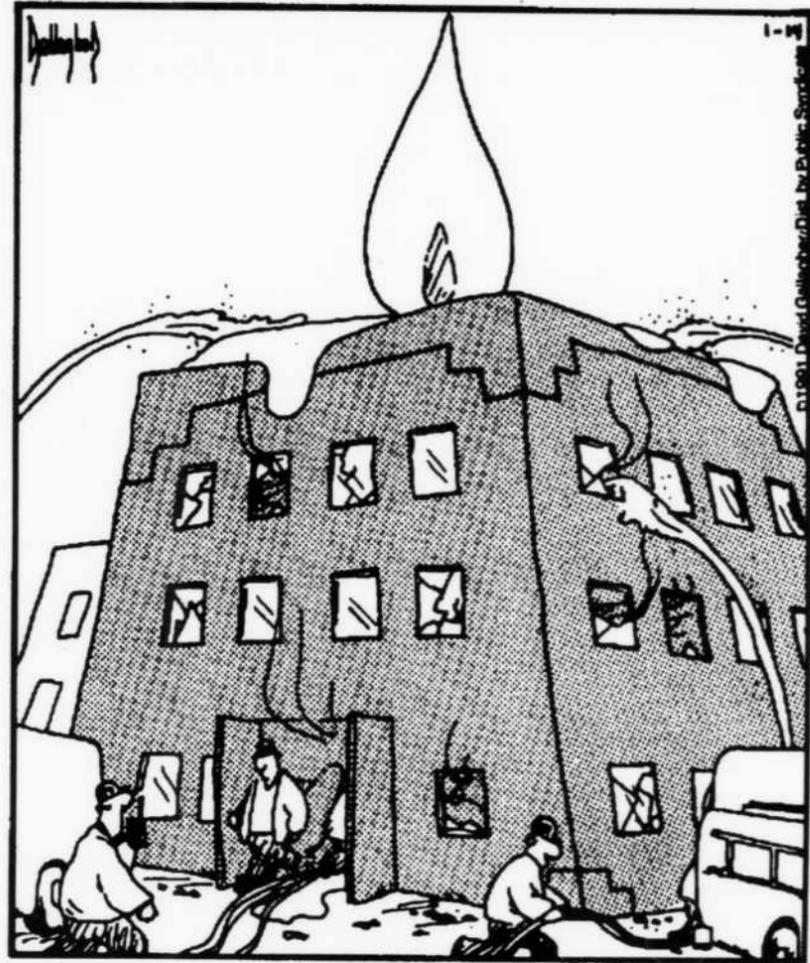
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