



# Middle Tennessee State University SIDELINES

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## In the News

### Civil rights tour offered

MTSU officials are hosting a special tour of the National Civil Rights Museum in Memphis on Friday, Feb. 13.

The tour is limited to 90 MTSU students, faculty and staff. Reservations are \$5 and can be arranged through the Student Government Association office at 898-2462.

### Charles Davis to lecture

In celebration of African-American History Month, Charles Davis will speak to Ben Austin's Race and Ethnic Relation class at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11 in the BAS S118, according to an interoffice memorandum.

Davis is a former NBA basketball player who earned his B.S. in Special Education from Vanderbilt. Seats are still available for this open event. To make reservations call 898-2764 or e-mail at ARAY today.

### BRAA needs workers

The Blue Raider Athletic Association is in need of organizations to work concessions at the TSSAA State Basketball Tournaments, according to an interoffice memorandum.

Organizations of six people or more can earn a percentage of sales for each session they work. The tournaments run from March 2 through March 21. For further information contact George Zimmerman at 898-2210.

### Honorarium available

Nominations are being accepted by the Faculty Research and Creative Activity Committee for the MTSU Distinguished Research Award, according to an interoffice memorandum.

The recipient will receive a \$1,500 honorarium from the MTSU Foundation. Nominations should be sent to the Graduate Office in Cope 114 by Friday Feb. 6.

### SGA holds fund-raiser

The Student Government Association will be sponsoring an elections fund-raiser Wednesday and Thursday in the KUC.

Students will be able to apply for credit cards and receive T-shirts and other free gifts to do so. For every credit card acquired the SGA will receive 50 cents to go towards the elections campaign.

### Rape class offered

Public Safety is offering a Rape Aggression Defense Systems class for women Feb. 16 through 18.

The class will take place 6-10 p.m. in the Murphy Center Auxiliary Gym 2.

The 12-hour course is open to MTSU students and employees at a cost of \$15 for the RAD manual. Registration will be at the Public Safety office in the Haynes-Turner building. For more information contact Public Safety at 898-2424.

### Student awards available

Three new Student Recognition Awards have been established and applications are being accepted as of today, according to the office of student life.

The James E. Walker President's Award, the Barbara S. Haskew Provost's Award and the Robert C. LaLance Jr. Achievement Award have a submission deadline of March 6.



**Know something noteworthy happening on campus?**  
Call the Sidelines news desk at 898-2336 or fax us at 904-8487. Information can also be mailed to box 42.

## KOM labs to expand, upgrade

□ Adam R. Smith/staff

Following a brief relocation during the summer session, the computer labs will be returned to the Kirksey Old Main building and will be expanded and upgraded for the fall semester, said the lab director, according to John Schmidt, director of the computer science labs.

The labs, located on the third floor of the KOM, received money for upgrades from the technology access fee, which was increased from \$15 to \$50 last semester. The upgrades will replace 486 PC computers with Pentium II computers, Schmidt said.

In addition, the current labs will be recarpeted and repainted, and the lab will be expanded into two adjoining rooms.

These rooms will also serve as a new teaching and demonstration facility, with 37 new computers added to the new area, including a teacher's terminal. The teaching facility will be similar to the master classrooms, with multimedia capabilities, a sound system, ceiling-suspended monitors and video projectors, Schmidt said.

The new area will connect to the current open lab through a new double doorway, but the main entrance to the

labs, in room 351, should remain the same, Schmidt said. The central aisle of the open lab also will be widened to better accommodate handicapped students.

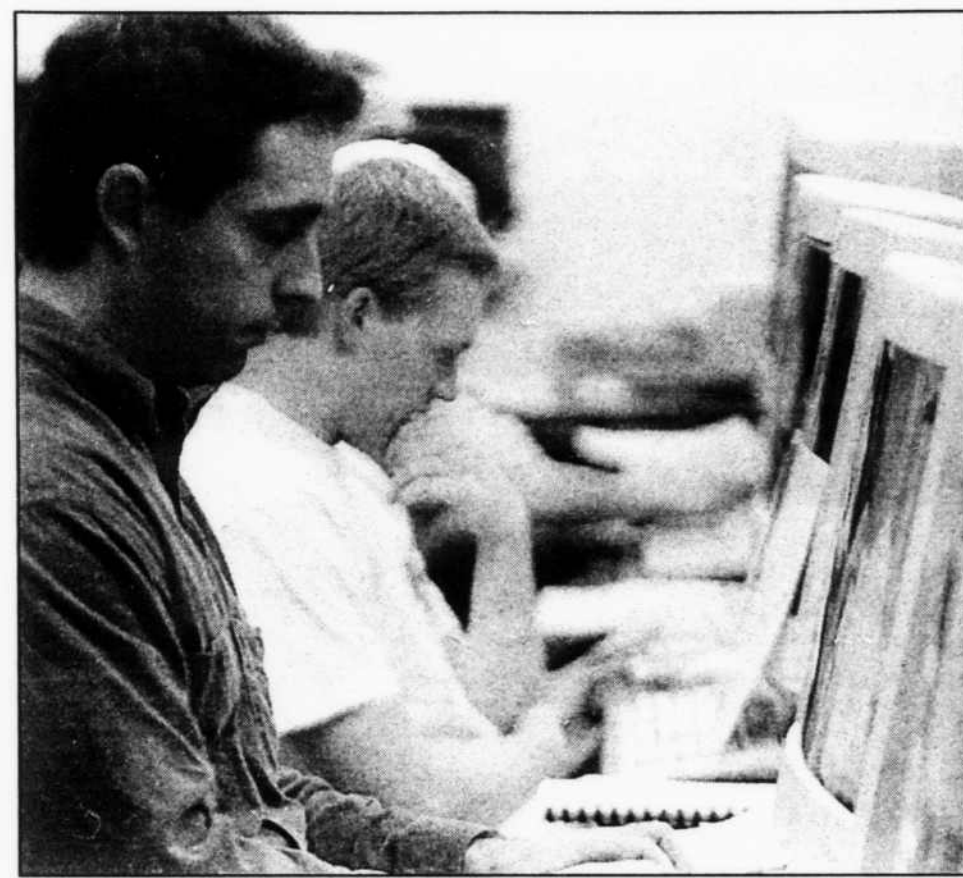
Renovations for the labs will take place over the summer, when the KOM will be closed to repair the foundation. A recently discovered crack in the heating and air system of the KOM caused the ground beneath the building to dry out, resulting in settling of the building's foundation, Schmidt said.

During the summer, the air conditioning will be turned off and disassembled, and the foundation will be dug out, repaired, then filled back in. The repairs are scheduled to last about eight weeks, during which time the building will be closed to student and faculty use.

This does not mean that the computer science labs will be shut down, however. Instead, they will be moved to the Business and Aerospace Building.

"The gory details [of the move] are not totally finalized," Schmidt said. "We will be relocating our mission ... to one or two of the classroom environments in the Business and Aerospace Building."

The temporarily displaced labs will



Vickie Gibson/staff

Senior Chris Damm, computer science major, types a paper at the third floor KOM computer lab. The lab will be upgraded and expanded this summer.

take up two rooms, one for full-time teaching, and the other for open lab use, Schmidt said.

The new computers, which are to be ordered in April and should be shipped in early May, will be placed in storage over the summer and set up for use by the beginning of the fall semester. They will be wired into the campus network and have Internet capabilities.

"[The addition of the computers] updates us further," Schmidt said.

"That becomes increasingly critical, because we originally had two labs in the KOM, and now one of those has moved to the Business and Aerospace Building, so this is now the only major lab on this side of campus."

Schmidt added that students from many disciplines—not just computer science—use the labs for word processing, basic computing and web browsing.

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## SGA wants stall doors

□ Jamie Evans/staff

The Student Government Association has passed a bill to have doors put on all the bathroom stalls across campus that currently are without doors.

"It is in the interest of basic human dignity that one be able to carry out natural biological activities in a private manner," according to the bill.

The house and the senate want the university to immediately install doors on all the stalls and put up petitions between all urinals in the men's bathrooms.

In order for this bill to go into effect, it must be signed by SGA President Ryan Durham and Vice President for Student Affairs Robert LaLance.

However, according to Don Zlotky, director of building services, the order to remove some of the stall doors in the Keathley University Center came directly from LaLance's office.

Zlotky said the doors were removed because there were "extra curricular activities" occurring in the stalls and it was disturbing the normal

## SGA in Action

The house and the senate of the SGA reviewed seven pieces of legislation last week.

### -HB-1-98S

A bill defining the Cosga delegates and their selection process.

### -HB-2-98S

A bill to regulate the stations which can be played on the KUC House system. The bill passed the house but did not pass the senate.

### -HB-3-98S

A bill to initiate campus wide renovations to campus restrooms.

### -HR-3-98S

A resolution requesting the extension of the operating hours of the on-campus daycare.

### -HR-4-98S

A resolution requesting that the university place a crossing guard at the bus stop between the library and Peck Hall.

### -SR-1-98S

A resolution requesting a change in the PALS system in Todd Library.

### -SR-2-98S

A resolution Requesting that the Todd Library change from the Dewey Decimal System of cataloging to the Library of Congress System of cataloging.

Source: Student Government Association

Jamie Evans/staff

occupants of the building.

He also said if it was decided to reinstall the doors, it would be a simple process of getting a work order and putting the doors back up.

The bill states that half of these installations should be completed by next fall. The remainder of the installations must be done by the 1999 spring semester.

## Author Golden to speak Thursday

□ Marcus D. Leslie/staff

Renowned author Marita Golden will visit MTSU this week as a participant in the ongoing "Paths to Empowerment" focus for African-American History Month.

Golden is the author of several works including her autobiography, "Migrations of the Heart," novels such as "And Do Remember Me," "Long Distance Life" and "A Woman's Place" along with an anthology, "Wild Women Don't Wear No Blues."

Her most recent non-fiction work is "Saving Our Sons: Raising Black Children in a Turbulent World," which speaks of her struggles to provide her son with a solid family and community upbringing in the midst of racism and the violence and crime among African-American men in their community.

"She will address some issues in her new book, 'Saving Our Sons,' and share some readings from her other books," according to Bonnie Shipp, professor of English literature, who

played a key function in sponsoring this event.

Golden's works have been published in several European countries and topped as best-sellers here in the U.S. They are widely used on college campuses in English literature, African-American studies and sociology courses.

In 1994, Golden won the Washington Dateline Award for a journal essay published in "Washington Magazine," and her other works of journalism have appeared in "The New York Times," "Washington Post" and "Essence" magazine.

Holding an M.S. degree from Columbia University and presently the senior writer in the graduate M.F.A. Creative Writing Program at predominantly Caucasian-American Virginia Commonwealth University, Golden teaches workshop classes to students in fiction and non-fiction writing.

"I am intensely interested in my students as people," said Golden in a press release. "And in my classes, I

respect all genres, all subjects. There is no essay I won't read."

Golden also says that she expects of her students "only the best writing they can produce" because she expects no less of herself. In addition to teaching her students writing, she says that she also encourages students to expand their views of what they read as a reflection of who they are and their potential capabilities.

As the president and founder of the Zora Neale Hurston/Richard Wright Foundation, which gives the only national award for African-American college writers, Golden also founded the Washington, D.C.-based African-American Writers Guild, a networking organization which sponsors conferences, workshop seminars and a newsletter for the support of African-American writers.

"I would encourage students to come to this event," Shipp said, "because [Golden] has a 'finger on the

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## Alcohol served, not sold

□ Jamie Evans/staff

MTSU President James Walker has signed a policy to allow alcoholic beverages to be served on campus at approved events.

According to The Tennessee Board of Regents' (TBR) general policy on alcoholic beverages, the president of an institution is authorized to designate a place where alcoholic beverages can be served by alumni and foundation organizations.

Thus, this policy is not intended for events where students are the target audience—like concerts in the Murphy Center—and has nothing to do with the possibility of the Tennessee Oilers moving to MTSU, according to Earl Thomas, vice president of executive affairs.

"I don't think the president would allow the use [of alcohol] at large events," Thomas said.

Instead the policy is intended for events where alcohol—like wine—is more commonplace and socially acceptable.

"The serving and consumption of alcoholic beverages in approved events," according to the MTSU's policy, "is to be an amenity to well planned and structured programs; it is not to be the indispensable and essential program element."

"Adequate proportions" of non-alcoholic beverages and food must also be served and no state funds or state accounts can be used to purchase the alcohol.

Even though alcohol can now be served at special events, it still cannot be sold on campus according to TBR policy.

The "sale" of alcohol includes the selling of tickets to any events where alcohol will be served or any other means of transfer, trade, exchange or barter.

The organization which is sponsoring the program where alcohol is served must also appoint an individual at the event to ensure the event is within MTSU's policy, TBR policy and any state or local laws that apply to the serving of alcohol.

The alcohol must also be confined to the area of the event.

Sponsors and organizations which plan to serve alcoholic beverages have to submit an approved application along with a formal request to serve alcohol within two weeks before the event, according to MTSU policy.



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# MTSU

## On Campus



To have information placed in the On Campus section of the paper, come by the "Sidelines" office, located in JUB 310, and fill out a form located on the table by the door. Information must be submitted in person. The deadline for Monday's paper is Thursday at 5 p.m. The deadline for Thursday's paper is Monday at 5 p.m. A new form must be filled out for each edition or the information will not be run.

### Feb. 10

Alpha Delta Mu will have an initiation and short meeting at 6:00 p.m. in Peck Hall room 317. Attire is informal, and refreshments will be served. Guests are welcome; for more information, contact Debbie England at 867-2661.

The Golden Key National Honor Society has announced that this is the deadline to qualify for scholarships. The criteria for membership is a junior or senior status with a GPA of 3.3 or higher. For more information contact Paige Parker at 360-3734.

Music Women International (MWI) will meet to discuss future panels and showcases at 6:30 p.m. in Mass Comm. 104. Everyone is invited to attend. For more information call Sarah Gunter at 898-3373.

### Feb. 11-12

Omega Phi Alpha is sponsoring a Blood Drive from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. in KUC rooms 322 and 324.

### Feb. 11-14

MTSU Theatre will present "An Evening of One Acts" at 8 p.m. in the Studio Theatre, BDA room 101. MTSU students are admitted free with ID, while general admission is \$5 with a discount for faculty and staff. For more information contact Brandon Reece or Jeff Gibson at 898-2181.

### Feb. 17

Walt Disney World's information meeting for summer and fall 1998 internships will be in KUC 322 at 5:00 p.m. Attendance at the information meeting is mandatory to be eligible for interviews on Feb. 18. Contact Temple Bennett, Assistant Director of Placement at 898-2500, KUC 328, for more information.

### Feb. 24

The Golden Key National Honor Society will have an Induction Reception at 6 p.m. in JUB's Tennessee Room. Juniors and seniors with a 3.3 GPA or above are invited to join. Send in your profile form by Feb. 10. If you did not receive one, contact Dean Burke, KUC 126 or 898-2750. For more information contact Burke or Paige Parker at 360-3734.

### Feb. 24-25

A seminar for students to learn a study plan to make it possible to prepare for exams and to help them avoid using cramming as their only study techniques will be held in KUC 320. Two separate "Five-Day Study Plan" presentations will be held. One will be Tuesday, Feb. 24, from 12:30-1:30 p.m. The other will be Wednesday, Feb. 25, from noon to 1 p.m. The seminar is free. For more information or to sign up, call 898-5989.

## KOM

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This is not the only recent upgrade of the computer lab, Schmidt said. Over the winter break, 16,486 computers were replaced with Pentium II machines, and 17 were replaced last spring. Currently, every computer in the teaching and demonstration lab in KOM 350 is a Pentium.

In the past, the computers in the lab replaced by upgrades were turned over to the dean of the College of Basic and Applied Sciences, who would then find labs, offices or individuals with need of that equipment.

"Our computers are truly recycled ... there may be some labs and offices which still have 386s or 286s."

The replaced computers will likely go to them first, Schmidt said.

The KOM computer labs are located in rooms 350 and 351. They are open from 8 a.m. to midnight Monday through Thursday, from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday, from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, and from 1 to 9 p.m. on Sunday. Lab assistants are available at all times, and can be reached at 898-2144.

## GOLDEN

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pulse' of the concerns of our students today. I think many who come will find her knowledge of today's America life interesting ... not just for African-Americans only, but for all."

Golden will be speaking from 3-5 p.m. Thursday in the Alumni Center with a reception immediately afterwards from 6-8 p.m. Both events are free and open to the public. For more information, contact Shipp at 898-2655.

# You're majoring in what?

□ Sunni DiNicola/CPS

Imagine telling your relatives at the next family reunion that you are majoring in crafts-arts entrepreneurship, antique auto restoration, adventure sports, or horses.

Yep, it's true. A handful of colleges around the country are breaking with tradition by introducing these types of unusual subjects into the mainstream curriculum. While these studies do not eliminate core courses like English and math, they do help those looking to turn a hobby into a career.

Teaching small business skills seems to be a vital part of most programs. Trinity College in Vermont might just squelch that "starving artist" image with their major in crafts-arts entrepreneurship.

The interdisciplinary program teaches students how to make not only bowls, quilts and rocking chairs, but also some

dough. It requires students to take art classes, four business classes, design a business plan and complete a semester-long internship.

In most cases, these programs were spawned from industry demands. Many of these professions are hurting for new employees and managers who not only have specialized talents, but understand the "big picture" and are versed in business and communication skills. Some also wanted to lure people back into trades that have faded.

To ensure he "can find a machinist under 60," comedian Jay Leno, an avid vintage car collector, endowed a scholarship at McPherson College's antique auto restoration program. In fact, it was another car buff that started the program in 1976 with a donation that included his \$250,000 car collection.

The four-year college in Kansas, offers an associate's

degree in restoration.

Students learn metal finishing, painting, machine work, engine rebuilding, trim and upholstery while also tackling courses in small business management. Actual restoration work is done on a wide assortment of cars from 1920 Model T Fords to 1965 Mustang convertibles. According to the school, the program differs from vocational programs in that not only is the craftsmanship vital, but so are skills like "pride in workmanship, problem solving, logical thinking and attention to detail."

Working closely with the industry through internships is key to the success of these programs. Students in Laramie County Community College's popular equine studies program intern with ranches, stable managers and equine breeders. They also help produce a

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# Students choose favorites

□ Jamie Evans/staff

Nominations for the 1997-98 Outstanding teacher awards are now being taken.

The MTSU Foundation has sponsored Three Outstanding Teacher Awards per year for the last 31 years. These awards are worth \$1,500 each.

There are two parts to the process of selecting the award recipients.

First, they have to be nominated by three groups—alumni, faculty and students. Then the nominees enter into final selection.

A committee made up of representatives from the Foundation, alumni, Student Government Association, administration and faculty will review each nominee to make

sure they meet the guidelines for nominations.

Then the nominees will be evaluated by their students, department chairs and tenured colleagues using the teacher performance checklists.

In determining the final rating of each candidate, the student checklists constitute 75 percent of the overall rating while the tenured faculty checklists constitute the remaining 25 percent.

These ballots will be sent to students and faculty in their post office boxes. Interested individuals can also cut the ballots out of "Sidelines."

The ballots must be returned to the office of academic affairs in Cope Administration Building 119 by Feb. 27.

## Guidelines for nominations

**A.** Faculty need only receive nominations from two of the groups, but must receive more than one vote from one of them.

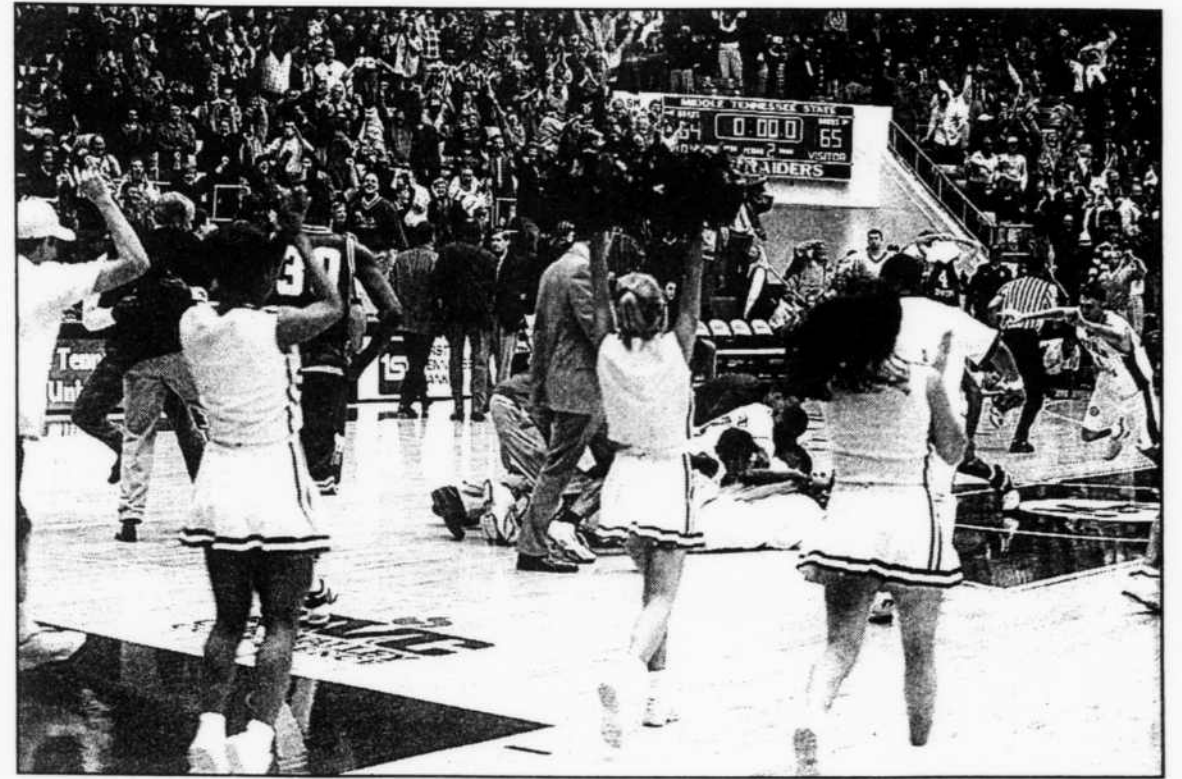
**B.** A faculty member may nominate only one person.

**C.** Faculty may not be nominated unless they are full-time faculty and teaching at least eight semester hours.

**D.** Faculty nominated must be in at least their fourth year at MTSU.

**E.** Previous award winners are eligible to complete when five years have elapsed since they last received the award.

# Buzzer beater!



Chad Gillis/staff

A crowd rushes the court after Freddie Martinez's game-winning three-pointer at the buzzer on Thursday night against Eastern Illinois. The scoreboard had not yet been changed to reflect the shot.

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professional horse show.

These offbeat programs can also be a stepping stone into a four-year program. At Garrett Community College in Maryland, students earning a two-year degree in adventure sports often move on to get a bachelor's degree in physical education, health, physical education and outdoor recreation. Others go on to become guides, rangers, sports program directors and managers in the outdoor retail industry.

The adventure sports program is not only physically rigorous, but physically demanding as well. "I've done white water canoeing, ice climbing, ropes, rock climbing, skiing, snow boarding, winter camping, search and rescue and wilderness survival," says graduate Crystal Shaffer, who loved the program so much she has stayed on as program secretary.

At first, Shaffer just wanted to find an outdoor activity to share with her husband. "I picked a rock climbing class and I was absolutely petrified since I am

afraid of heights!" says Shaffer, who successfully completed the class. "It became a catalyst for change in my life."

Shaffer says she relished the personal relationships with fellow students as they faced challenges together, such as in wilderness survival class. "We learned about survival skills— not like eating worms and stuff like that— it was more about your mental attitude and logical things you would do in a survival situation."

While most of these are skill one-of-a-kind programs, some pioneering majors eventually catch on. Mississippi State University says that in 1971 it became the first institution to offer a degree in landscape construction. Now that curriculum is the model used by the Associated Landscape Contractors of America in certifying college programs.

At the University of Arizona, Race Track studies worked its way into the Bachelor of Science program. Students majoring in Animal Science can specialize in either animal industry, pre-professional training or the race track industry. Students study the breeding, production, marketing and use of animals

in agriculture, entertainment and companionship. They also learn equine genetics, nutrition and reproduction as well as the business aspects of racing and livestock management.

Again, industry demands prompted the addition of this program. "There were not a lot of higher ed people working in racing," says Doug Reed, program coordinator. The industry was changing and needed more savvy business strategies to keep up the popularity of the sport. The use of new technologies, such as simulcasting (races being broadcast from one track to another) also created a demand for new skills. "I tell my students that is one thing they really have going for them; it's not like there are a lot of people out in the industry already with experience in this."

Today, UA boasts an impressive list of successful alumni, including Bob Baffert, the trainer of 1997's Kentucky Derby and Preakness winner, Silver Charm.

So, although these programs are not likely to obliterate the liberal arts tradition, it would seem that some careers do require some plain old horse sense.

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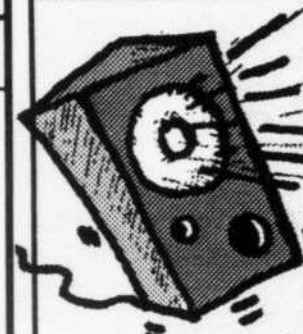
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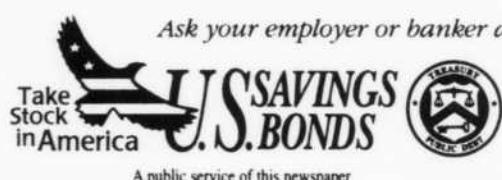
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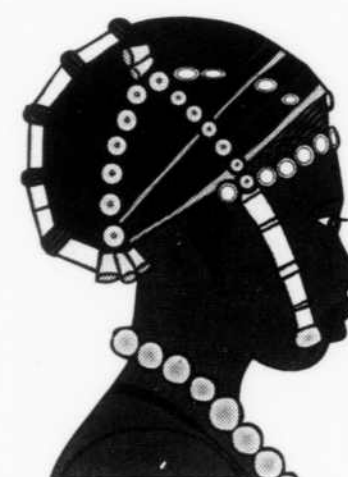
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# OPINIONS

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## Editorials

### MTSU should sell alcohol at games

Considering all the steps taken by university officials and various campus organizations to promote MTSU to the "next level," it would seem that serving alcohol at sporting events would be the next logical step.

Although many people at this university seem to believe that serving alcohol would uproot all moral values, let's be reasonable.

Selling beer at sporting events would promote under-age drinking and DUIs no more than selling it at an average convenience store.

An education is supposed to provide experiences that prepare young minds for the "real world." The "real world." What a redundant, redundant phrase.

College is the "real world." And once again, what better time to educate people on how to drink responsibly—or even just say no—than their junior and/or senior year.

If MTSU is going to have any chance of getting the Tennessee Oilers or any other professional team to play even one game at Floyd Stadium, we are going to have to sell beer.

Attendance, attendance, attendance. Those words ring through the ears of all fair-weather Blue Raider fans. Selling beer could not possibly hurt attendance, especially at rapidly expanding Johnny "Red."

Bottom line is that it would not mean the end of the world. Campuses around the country have a layout of bar-building-bar-building. And though this publication is not promoting under-age drinking, drunken driving or drunkenness at all, it is promoting choice.

It seems that denying of-age students the choice of whether to drink or not, especially in a living area for which they pay rent, is treating them as children still in K-12.

And does prohibiting alcohol from campus not direct students to bars that require a considerable drive? This problem is of great concern, especially if their blood-alcohol content is well above the legal limit.

Face it, as long as alcohol is legal people are going to drink. But they don't have to drive—unless their favorite watering hole is miles away.

Who knows, one change such as this might eventually lead MTSU away from that dreadful title of "suitcase college."



## From the Mailbox

### Student presents positive side of activity fee increase

To the editor:

I would like to add a comment about the ongoing debate concerning the student activity fee. As a graduating senior I do not feel it appropriate to speak for or against the issue as I do not have a financial risk at stake; however, I do feel it necessary to point out a benefit of the fee itself.

During the fall 1997 semester I served as president of the Student

Nurses Association here at MTSU and as chairperson of one of the charities we sponsored: the Derrick Jackson Bone Marrow Donor Drive. Last October the response from the campus and community was tremendous. Without funding from the SGA (student activity fee) disbursement the drive would have been severely crippled. It may not have even been able to take place. But it did.

For those of you who do not know Derrick, he is an African-American nursing student. He should be graduating this semester with his classmates (who miss him very much). Fate had other plans for him. He was diagnosed with leukemia between his junior and senior year. In order to survive he needed a bone marrow

transplant. He has found a donor now! Although the information is confidential as to whether a person that we tested is the match, we do know that a match was not to be had at the time of our drive (otherwise the drive would not have been needed). In addition there are 270 more potential donors on the national registry directly due to our drive funded in a large part by the student activity fee. I wanted every student at MTSU to feel the pride that they deserve for contributing to this success. Thank you.

Jack Hydrick, II  
senior  
nursing

## Thank God it's election time

Philip Crabtree

columnist



Pass out the flyers, pin on the buttons and hang the banners. It's time for Student Government elections once again.

It seems that once this time of year rolls around, student participation becomes less and less. Well, this year things need to be different. This year we have a lot to bitch about, and the only way to bring about a change in student government is to get our hands dirty by getting involved.

The SGA president, Ryan Durham, told me only a month ago that he feels the Student Government Association's very existence is beginning to come into question. Why is that, I wonder?

I'll tell you why SGA's very life is threatened. It's because SGA has lost sight of what its purpose is: being a voice for the student body. I am qualified to comment on this because I don't only write this column. I am also the Election Commissioner for the SGA, and I have been very observant over the last two semesters.

The problem is that many students get involved with SGA in an effort to beef up their resume' rather than in an effort to do any real work. I'm not saying this about every member of SGA. Some great things have come out of Senate and House of Representative legislation this year.

For instance, the parking problems on campus, increased daycare hours for student family housing and making

the library work more efficiently for students continues to be worked on by these two bodies.

There is, however, fat that needs to be trimmed from SGA. This comes in the form of "yes men" who intend to nod their heads, smile big cheese eating grins, and say yes to whatever the administration wants them to do regardless of how it will affect students. Should we blame them? After all, the all important administrators of MTSU and the Tennessee Board of Regents are going to give these SGA officials wonderful recommendations for state bureaucrat jobs and law school. Yes, we should blame them, because those aren't the type of students that we voted for last year.

TGIET. Thank God it's Election Time. Now that election time is upon us, what can we do? We can start asking the probing questions into the activities of our fellow students who are involved with SGA. We can ask questions like, "What, about your office, do you not understand?" Why are you selling me out for free tuition, free books and a white parking pass," and "How did you gain such a great understanding of student opinion when you don't ever ask for it outside of your circle of cohorts?"

What else can you do? You can find out who the candidates are, you can ask them what they plan to do for you, and then start campaigning for the ones you think should be in office. Then on election day, March 9-10, you and 18,000 of your close personal friends can go to the polls and pick your student leaders.

That's right. This year's Spring Election will be on Monday and Tuesday, March 9-10, at the Keathley University Center student lounge and

on the ground floor of Peck Hall. You must bring your student I.D. card, and if more polling places can be made available, the election commission will update this information.

Now that you know when and where to vote, how do you become a candidate? That's very simple. Candidate qualifying packets are now available in the SGA office, Room 208 of the KUC.

Packets are available for president, speaker of the senate, speaker of the house and election commissioner. Packets are also available for senators from each of the following colleges: Basic and Applied Sciences, Business, Education, Liberal Arts and Mass Communication. In addition, packets are available for senators to be elected to represent students who have not yet decided their major and graduate students.

These offices are not the only things that can be voted on during the election. There is also such a thing as a referendum. This is a vote on a particular issue such as should smoking be banned on campus or not. To get issues like this on the ballot, a petition of 150 or more students must be submitted to the election commission with the referendum as it should be stated on the ballot. The election commission will, however, reserve the right to edit the referendum so that it does not force students to vote yes or no to more than one issue. This is to ensure proper student opinion.

Again, the call has been sounded to retake what is yours. On March 9-10, you will have that opportunity. Vote in the Spring Elections in an effort to keep the word "Student" in Student Government Association.

## Global warming concept being challenged

Robert W. Tracinski/CPS

Like other national leaders, President Clinton is promoting the premise that the carbon dioxide released by such fuels is causing a dangerous global warming. This is no longer a hypothesis, we are repeatedly told by our politicians and journalists, but a fact accepted by an international consensus of scientists.

This contention, however, is the product not of scientific judgment but

of political considerations. The chilling reality is that the scientific evidence does not support the global warming case and there is no scientific consensus maintaining that it does.

Patrick Michaels, for example, professor of environmental sciences at the University of Virginia, points to the data from the worldwide network of weather stations. They show a 0.9 degree Fahrenheit rise in average global temperature since 1880—but

all of it before 1940.

That is, while industrial activity has exploded and CO2 emissions have almost tripled since 1940, no warming has occurred during that time.

Fred Singer, another climatologist from the University of Virginia and the former head of the National Weather Satellite Service, confirms that satellite measurements of

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Muffin

By Nora McVittie



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atmospheric temperature reveal no increase over the past 18 years the entire period for which such data have been collected.  
Even if there is some warming, adds Hugh Ellsaesser, a meteorologist at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, there is no evidence that it is man-made. There was a well-documented warm period 900 years ago—long before the Industrial Revolution—when the global temperature was one to two degrees higher than today (incidentally, without any apocalyptic consequences).  
The renowned computer models on which much of the fear-mongering is based are fallacious, says MIT meteorology professor Richard Lindzen.  
He notes that they cannot account for cooling factors like cloud cover and, had the models been applied to the past century, would have overstated the rate of warming by more than 100 percent.  
At least 80 climate

scientists have now signed the 1995 Leipzig Declaration, stating that "we cannot subscribe to the so-called 'scientific consensus' that envisages climate catastrophes and advocates hasty actions."  
Why is the content indeed, the very existence of such viewpoints largely ignored? The answer is that while genuine scientific debate does not require the suppression of dissenting voices, a politically motivated crusade does.  
Environmentalists have created a bogus consensus, in order to further the movement's ideological goal of expanding government and constraining industry.  
The process of an honest, objective search for scientific truth is being abandoned for political ends.  
This approach was starkly illustrated by the recent summoning of television weathermen to the White House. Is there any doubt that science was being subordinated to politics when President Clinton treating the weathermen like servile propagandists of some totalitarian regime exhorted

them to mouth the party line on global warming during their broadcasts?  
There is a persistent effort by environmentalists to get the public to believe that global warming is a scientifically accepted fact. The 2,000 scientists who contributed to a 1996 report of the U.N.'s Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) are often cited as the core of this supposed consensus. But many of those names were included, not as recognized climate scientists, but merely as official representatives of their governments. A number of actual climatologists are on the list only because their data were cited or they were asked to review parts of the report not because they endorsed its conclusions. In fact, the list includes outspoken critics of the global warming claims, such as Michaels, Lindzen and Robert Balling.  
This "consensus" was manufactured primarily by a small number of policy-makers and politically ambitious scientists. They were the ones who wrote the report's summary, which

declares that global warming is an uncontested truth. According to Robert Reinstein, the State Department's chief negotiator at the 1990 Earth Summit, the wording of the summary was hammered out by diplomats and "must be considered purely a political document, not a scientific one."  
Just as the Environmental Protection Agency banned DDT despite the conclusion of its own scientific panel that the pesticide was safe just as Congress, in response to the acid-rain campaign, enacted massive restrictions on industry in defiance of the major scientific study Congress itself had commissioned so do today's environmentalists pursue a political agenda in militant indifference to the objective evidence.  
As December's summit nears, there is indeed a catastrophe that our leaders must act to avert. But the catastrophe is not global warming; it is environmentalism's growing success at politicizing science.

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## After Hours

**Monday, February 9**

The paintings of local artist Brian Smith are in the Center for the Arts gallery for the month of February.

The Albert Jelly Band plays the 3rd & Lindsley Bar and Grill at 9 p.m.

Eddie King plays the Bourbon Street Blues & Boogie Bar from 8:30 p.m. till 1:30 a.m. \$5 cover.

Dynaflow plays the Springwater tavern, located at 115 27th Ave., N. in Nashville, at 9 p.m.

Tennessee artist Kenny Jones brings his "Elastic Orbits and Distinguishing Marks" exhibit to Lipscomb University's John Hutcheson Gallery, located in the lower level of Sewell Hall, 3901 Granny White Pike in Nashville, through Feb. 19. The exhibit is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Admission to the event is free and open to the public.

"Chicago: Memories and Fantasies" by artist Robert Graham from Virginia continues through Feb. 27 at the Barn Gallery. The gallery is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Photographer Morrie Camhi will give a lecture/slide presentation at 7 p.m. in room 104 of Bragg Mass Communication Building. A reception will follow in the Baldwin Gallery of the Learning Resources Center, where Camhi's exhibit "The Faces and Facets: JEWS OF GREECE" is on display.

**Tuesday, February 10**

Carey Bell plays the Bourbon Street Blues & Boogie Bar from 8:30 p.m. till 1:30 a.m. \$5 cover.

Rachel Newman and Counterculture plays Springwater at 9 p.m.

A blue forum, an open stage/open mike jam hosted by Bob Kommersmith & The Roadrunners, will be held at 3rd & Lindsley Bar and Grill at 9 p.m.

The Jews of Greece photo exhibit continues through Feb. 26 in the Baldwin Gallery in the Learning Resources Center. The gallery is open from 8 a.m. till 4:30 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, 8 a.m. till 11:45 a.m. Saturdays and 6 p.m. till 9:45 p.m. Sundays.

**Wednesday, February 11**

The Carter Brothers play 3rd & Lindsley Bar and Grill at 7 p.m. The Wooten Brothers play at 9 p.m.

David Bennett and Friends play Springwater in Nashville at 9 p.m.

Burton Garr plays the Bourbon Street Blues & Boogie Bar from 9 p.m. till 2 a.m. \$5 cover.

**Thursday, February 12**

Nanette & The Fab Rays play the 3rd & Lindsley Bar and Grill at 9 p.m.

Stacy Mitchhart & Blues U Can Use plays the Bourbon Street Blues & Boogie Bar from 9 p.m. until 2 a.m. \$5 cover.

Please direct any entertainment information to the Sidelines Features Desk at 898-2917.

## The Bard comes to the Boro

□ Leah Waldron/staff

Sit back and buckle up as a cast of three actors tackles 37 of Shakespeare's plays plus the sonnets, on one stage, and all within an hour and 45 minutes.

The Murfreesboro Little Theatre (MLT) presents "The Compleat Works of Wllm Shkspr (Abridged)" at the Murfreesboro/Rutherford County Center for the Arts for six performances this month.

Begin with comedy, romance, murder and a pinch more comedy. Throw in a little cooking and some football. The result is definitely not what William Shakespeare had in mind.

If he were alive today, he would be "clawing at the inside of his coffin," director Joe Sturgeon declares.

"All of Shakespeare's works are covered to some degree," explains actor Derrick Buford.

With only three actors to carry out the Shakespearean slaughter, some of the scenes may not appear as authentic as the author might have intended. Now, Shakespeare comes fully equipped with a cooking show, rap and even instant replay.

"The comedy is very much like 'Saturday Night Live' and Monty Python," Buford explains.

The speed at which the production is performed and the fact that the play doesn't take itself seriously add to the comedy.

The three actors responsible for carrying out the performance are Mike Reed, John Seroff and Buford. Reed works in the MTSU public relations department and contributes his acting abilities to the MLT when he can. Seroff is an MTSU student with a double major in English and theater. Of the three actors, Seroff is the most energetic one of the bunch. Buford is not only an actor but the assistant director.

This rambunctious group is lead to the stage by Joe Sturgeon, a faculty member in the MTSU speech and theatre department and board member of the Murfreesboro Little Theatre. He appeared in the recent MLT production of "The Boys Next Door" and MTSU's "Macbeth." He feels



John Seroff, MTSU senior speech and theater major, left, Mike Reed of MTSU's News and Public Affairs and Derrick Buford (as Juliet) ham it up during rehearsal for the Center for the Arts production of "The Compleat Works of Wllm Shkspr (Abridged)." Vickie Gibson/staff

very optimistic about the play and its performers.

"I hadn't really planned on directing anything this season," Sturgeon explains while thumbing through the script. "But when I came across this play and I read it, I just kind of fell in love with it."

This hilarious production was spawned from three California actors in 1981. Adam Long, Daniel Singer and Jess Winfield joined forces and formed the Reduced Shakespeare Company. They received major acclaim for the production in 1987 at the Edinburgh Festival. Now, with the help of the MLT, the legacy continues.

"Shakespeare always had a good sense of what the groundlings [spectator's standing in pits] needed to keep them interested," Sturgeon

explains. "It wasn't long before he threw out a clown or a fight to keep the people on the ground interested."

It is the extreme use of this tactic that keeps the show going and makes it so entertaining to watch.

"The Compleat Works of Wllm

Shkspr (Abridged)" may appall the Shakespearean die-hard at first. Shakespeare himself may be somewhere, looking down, just as appalled. Or maybe he's having a hard time restraining himself from laughing at it all.

**"The Compleat Works of Wllm Shkspr (Abridged)" will run Feb. 12-14, and 20-21, at 8 p.m. and Feb. 15 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors and \$5 for students and children. Tickets are available at the Center for the Arts at 70 W. College St. For more information, call 904-ARTS.**

## Journalist/author Tobin not interested in awards

□ Susan McMahan/staff

James Tobin is a medical reporter with a Ph.D.—in American History.

Tobin made the switch from reporting on social trends and demographics for "The Detroit News" to medicine in 1994 in order to have time to write a book more closely tied to his academic past: "Ernie Pyle's War: America's Eyewitness to World War II."

"Early in '94, the 'News' medical writer left for a [public relations] job," Tobin said, "and the editor said, 'How'd you like to be the medical writer?' I didn't want to, but I was about to ask for a leave of absence to work on 'Ernie,' so I incorporated the medical beat with my request for a leave."

Pyle, the subject of Tobin's biography, was a correspondent who wrote a daily syndicated column for Scripps Howard about World War II. He was killed in 1945 by a Japanese machine gunner.

"New York Times" writer Malcolm W. Browne speculated in his June 1997 review of Tobin's book that the only other war correspondent who came close to being as famous as Pyle was Edward R. Murrow.

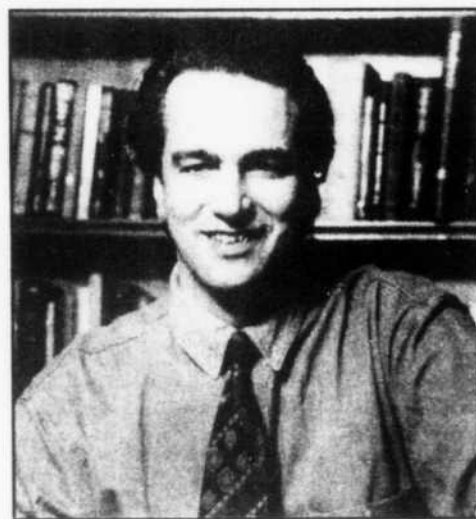
"At the age of 45, when he died, Pyle was a best-selling author, an object of almost universal adulation, the winner of a Pulitzer Prize," writes Browne. "He was the hero of a movie, 'The Story of G.I. Joe,' in which Fred Astaire, Gene Kelly and other actors were proposed for the Pyle role."

Tobin had been interested in history since childhood, especially the home front during the war years he had heard his parents talk about.

He discovered Pyle while doing a chapter on war correspondents in his dissertation.

"I found his daily column incredibly good—the stuff seemed amazingly fresh despite being 40 years old, and I liked the personality that came through the writing," Tobin recalled. "Reading about him, I found out he had had a fascinating and tortured personal life."

The subject stuck with Tobin, and



Tobin

after he got to look at Pyle's personal papers, he decided he wanted to do a new biography.

He credits his wife, an archivist who helped get crucial documents at the beginning of his research, as being key to getting the book done. In addition to the research help, he said she tolerated him spending "outrageous" hours away from his family, which includes their two daughters.

The result was his 312-page book published last year, which Tobin will be on campus lecturing about Monday from 3:30 to 4:30 in the Business-Aerospace building 328. The event is sponsored by the John Seigenthaler Chair of Excellence in First Amendment Studies.

The book, which was nominated for the National Book Award and the National Book Critics Circle Award, surprised Tobin with the reception he received from critics. The book received good reviews from "The Washington Post," "The Boston Globe" and the "Plain Dealer" in Cleveland, in addition to "The New York Times Book Review."

He's also been nominated for Pulitzer Prizes in 1993 and 1996, although he didn't win.

"I wish," he said.

Although he wishes he had won the Pulitzers and he would love to

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## Hallelujah!



graphic provided

The Gospel Singers Series are part of the Black Heritage Stamp Series which will soon be formally dedicated in recognition of African-American History Month. The stamps are on display in the Alumni Center through Feb. 20.

## Comedians Collins and Lord to keep it clean on campus

□ Laura Kizer/staff

Is laughter really the best medicine? Comedians Walli Collins and Leighann Lord sure think so. But do you?

Collins, an architecture-student-turned-funny-man, has appeared on such shows as NBC's "Showtime at the Apollo," MTV's "Half Hour Comedy Hour" and his own show, Comedy Central's "Stand-Up, Stand-Up."

In addition to his television appearances, the talented Collins has opened for performers like the Four Tops, Jerry Seinfeld, Sinbad and Natalie Cole.

With a record like that it's no wonder he has been asked to perform at hundreds of colleges and universities across the country and has become "one of the most popular comedians" on the college circuit.

That circuit is a perfect fit for



Lord

Collins, whose parents urged him to adopt a comedy motto of "keep it clean and clever" after seeing one of his early acts.

"My parents said I would last longer if I didn't rely on dirty jokes," Collins reminisces.

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# Nashville prepares for Extravaganza

□ John Kromer/staff

Are you sick and tired of the old stigma that Nashville only offers the best in Country music?

Well, you can take solace in the notion that Nashville's biggest celebration of rock-n-roll will pack Music City's clubs and bars for three days and four nights of live entertainment.

The 13th annual NEA Extravaganza is set to hit town Feb. 18-21, bringing with it some of the best unsigned talent in the country.

"The NEA Extravaganza has forged a reputation as the place to hear the hottest bands of tomorrow before they get signed," says NEA co-president James Zumwalt. "Unlike

similar events, which have changed their focus over the years, NEA is one of the only remaining showcase springboards for artists and songwriters seeking to solidify their careers with recording and publishing deals."

More than 300 acts will be "on display" for music industry and media professionals alike, looking to make better use of their marketability. But this isn't merely a shmooze-fest, it's an opportunity for Joe Public to check out some great live rocks from all across the U.S.

More than 25 different clubs will be host to a wide array of musical styles ranging from Americana and Fol to Alternative and Blues.

Beyond all the hype, perhaps the coolest thing about

watching the bands is being able to tell your friends, "I knew them when...."

As a result of past NEA Extravaganzas, acts like The Verve Pipe, Better Than Ezra, and Flemming and John have all secured major label record deals.

Notable featured performers of past Extravaganzas include Lisa Loeb, Jars of Clay and Jackpierce.

Not only is the NEA Extravaganza a great way to get in tune with the talent of the future, but it's also an opportunity to check out some of the music industry's more established performers.

Joining the extremely long list of performers will be a collection of seminars and

luncheons hosted by some of the industry's most influential personalities. Hootie and the Blowfish manager Rusty Harmon and Big Head Todd and the Monsters manager Chuck Morris are just some of the confirmed guests set to appear.

This is a fantastic way to learn about the music business from some of the people who run it.

For anyone who's ever whined about Nashville's lack of variety in music performance, this is your big chance to stop your complaining and check out some of the best new music around.

So put away your Stetson hats and Wrangler jeans, there will be no line dancing...

# Ready for the skinny on Chow Yon-Fat?

□ Ian Spelling/College Press Service

Chow is Asia's reigning superstar, Hong Kong's equivalent to Tom Cruise, Brad Pitt or Harrison Ford.

He's the hero of the ever-trendy Quentin Tarantino and beloved by cult movie fans across the planet who ooh and ahh at Chow's derring-do in the classic Asian action flicks he made with John Woo and Ringo Lam. His trademark move?

Firing two guns at once in slo-mo scenes of mayhem that play like violent versions of the world's best ballets.

Chow is pure poetry in motion. And now, he is bringing his special brand of poetry to America for his first U.S. production, "The Replacement Killers," an action film co-starring Mira Sorvino, who happens to be Tarantino's gal-pal, and produced by John Woo.

"The language was the biggest surprise," the friendly, self-deprecating Chow says in passable English during a

conversation at a New York City hotel.

He looks cucumber cool in a gray, Mandarin suit.

"By the first two weeks I was ready to pass out. I learned English for the film, word by word. It was very hard. The language got in the way of my acting for a while. Even though I have 22 years of acting experience, I'm still the new kid in town, learning a new language and performing in front of the camera. Everything was very confused."

In the film, Chow plays John Lee, an ace hitman ordered to kill a cop's son in order to pay off a debt to a ruthless Asian mob lord. When Lee, a family man himself, reneges, all guns-a-blazing hell breaks loose as the mob boss sends his goons after Lee and Meg Coburn (Sorvino), a document forger whom Lee had turned to for help in creating a fake passport.

Chow reports that he and Oscar-winner Sorvino got on just fine and that she actually

helped him a great deal on a number of fronts.

"She gave me a lot of advice and spoke better Mandarin than I did English," he says, referring to the fact that Sorvino had spent two years living in Hong Kong.

And, just as importantly, Sorvino brought Tarantino to the set a few times during the film's shoot, lending credence to the rumors that Tarantino is writing a script for a film held direct with Chow as his leading man.

"We've had several meetings," Chow confirms. "We're trying to set up a film that would be with John Woo. Quentin's wanted to do it for six years, I think. We keep on waiting for a script. I'd like to work with Quentin."

For those who only first discover Chow by seeing "Replacement Killers" and wish to catch more of his work, which encompasses some 70 films, the actor recommends renting "The Killer" and "A Better Tomorrow," both of

which are highly regard actioners directed by Woo.

"Those are my best films, no question," Chow says. "I would also say see 'City on Fire,' a drama like 'An Orphan's Tale' or a comedy-action-gangster movie like 'God of Gambling.' I do hope people see some of these other movies because of 'Replacement Killers.' That would be a nice benefit."

While Chow waits for that Tarantino picture to come to fruition, he's got a bunch of other projects on his plate. He's hoping to star in an upcoming remake of "The King and I" and is just about to begin filming "The Corruptor," which marks the first time he'll play a bona fide villain.

"I'm a dirty cop in New York," says Chow, who lives in Hong Kong with his wife, but has been spending a lot of time of late in Los Angeles. "Don't worry, though, the bad guy always has a big heart. The script is very good."

## COMEDY:

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Walli's special guest is another lord of the laugh who doesn't rely on dirty jokes.

Leighann Lord won the award for the most thought-provoking female comic at the fourth annual NYC Black Comedy Contest by wowing the

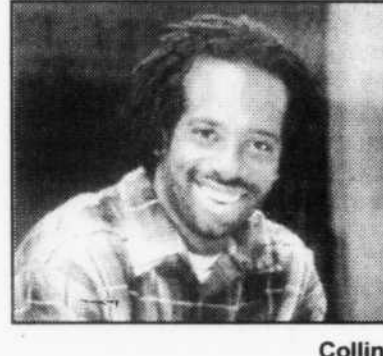
judges.

She continues to make people think with her appearances on shows like the "Apollo Comedy Hour," "Def Comedy All-Star Jam," Lifetime's "Girls' Night Out" and VH-1's "Stand-Up Spotlight."

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Collins

## TOBIN:

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win one in the future, he doesn't usually worry about winning awards.

"This is gonna sound fake, but I really have learned that it's a bad idea to pay a lot of attention to awards," he said. "My impression is that 'judges'—who are just editors trying to squeeze an unwelcome chore into their too-busy days—seldom take the job of judging very seriously, and it's so subjective anyway."

"I also know a guy who won a Pulitzer 15 years ago and has spent the whole time since worrying about how he can win another one to prove to everybody the first one wasn't a fluke. Ugh."

Tobin has wanted to be a

writer ever since he entered the University of Michigan as an undergraduate in 1974, when reporters Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein brought down then-president Richard Nixon.

"At the time, we thought it was a bad idea to major in journalism," he explained. "We thought, and I still think, the best way to go was to work at the student paper—in our case, 'The Michigan Daily'—and major in something else you liked, in my case, history."

Tobin decided to follow his childhood dreams, when history had been "my first love," and he had read a series of biographies called "Childhood of Famous Americans." He had read about

"Tom Edison, Boy Inventor" and "Wilbur and Orville Wright, Boys with Wings."

"Another, which I never read, partly because I didn't get the title, was 'Ernie Pyle, Boy from Back Home,'" Tobin said.

"But as a friend and fellow history major says, 'When I was in college, none of the big New York history firms were hiring.' It never occurred to me that anyone did history as a career."

So, after earning his degree in history and interning in the late 1970s at "Miami Herald," "Detroit News" and the Knight-Ridder Washington bureau, he went to work in 1986 in Detroit, covering general assignments and higher education before

moving to social trends and finally to medicine.

"I learn a lot of stuff I never would have known about otherwise," he said of his most recent assignment. "I always tell experts, 'I'm a medical writer who knows virtually nothing about medicine.' That's actually a good way to get sources to explain things to you in understandable terms."

With his first book behind him, Tobin has started doing free-lance writing for "Parents" magazine and "Business@Home" magazine. While not at work, he devotes most of his time to his family.

"Outside work, I spend about 90 percent of my time driving my 14-year-old daughter to and from soccer practice and trying to get my 3-year-old daughter to put on her coat."

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According to Mike Leahy, WAPB general manager, anyone interested in assisting with the campaign may call the station at 867-3366 or e-mail WAPB@mindspring.com.

Leahy also noted that people may pick up information or sign petitions to be presented to the Oilers by coming to the station, 107 S.E. Broad Street.

### Women's tennis results

The Lady Raider tennis team dominated Ball State 8-1 in a non-conference dual match Saturday.

Clair Sevier pulled out a 5-7, 6-2, 6-3 win at the No. 1 spot over Gena Tranquada at the Muncie (Ind.) YMCA.

Jennifer Bryans, Amy King and Alex Toelle followed suit with straight set victories.

Kim Glassman rounded out the singles action with another straight set win for the Raiders (4-3) after Michelle North lost a tough three set match to Ball State's Libby Geeding.

Toelle and Bryans won the first dual match 8-5. Sevier and North then followed with a tight 8-6 win before Liese and King finished the day with an 8-0 win.

### OVC Indoor Championships

The OVC Indoor Track Championships will be held at the Murphy Center Feb. 27 and 28.

Opening competition will begin Friday at 4 p.m. and will resume Saturday morning at 10 a.m.

### OVC basketball tournament

The OVC basketball tournament gets under way Feb. 24.

At the moment both the men's and women's teams for Middle will likely host a first round game for a chance to advance to the semi's and finals to be played at the Nashville Arena Feb. 27-March 1.

### Raider television schedule

"The Randy Wiel Show" airs every Sunday night on WNAB at 10 p.m. It is replayed 5 p.m. Mon.-Fri. on MTSU Ch. 8.

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at TSU 7:45 p.m. Feb. 14

**Women's Basketball-**

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**Women's Tennis-**

at Mississippi St. 2 p.m. Feb. 13

at SW Louisiana 1 p.m. Feb. 14

**Men's Tennis-**

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at H.E.B. Invitational March 6-8

**Indoor Track-**

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## Raiders end home winning streak

□ Keith Ryan Cartwright/staff

There's never a guaranteed victory when it comes to men's basketball in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Just ask the Blue Raiders after having their 15-game home winning streak snapped by Southeast Missouri 85-76 Saturday afternoon.

"We didn't play our best game tonight," said Raiders forward Aylton Tesch. "We have to be ready to play every single night."

SEMO was the last team to come into the Murphy Center and defeat the Raiders in the last two years.

Since Randy Wiel took over as head coach last season the Raiders have now lost just two games at home, both to the Indians.

The Raiders (17-5, 11-3 OVC) entered the game needing a win to maintain a share of the top spot in the conference with Murray State.

However, an 11 for 27 game from beyond the three-point line by the Indians (12-11, 8-7 OVC) made for a long afternoon.

"Defensively we didn't do as good of a job as we normally do out on the perimeter," Wiel said. "They didn't miss any of their open shots."

Five Indians had a hot hand throughout the game. David Montgomery finished with 21 and Calvert White had 20.

Cory Johnson added another 16 for the Indians while Nathan Owen and Matt Morris each scored 10 to round out the Indians in double figures.

After scoring the opening basket of the game, the Raiders never again would lead or tie the Indians for the duration of play.

Coming off an emotional buzzer-

beating win over Eastern Illinois on Thursday night, the Raiders played out of sync for much of the game.

"On defense, our players were getting pretty lost," Tesch said.

"I don't think Freddie [Martinez] was ready to play today," Wiel said. "There was some confusion on defense and anytime that happens I know he's involved."



Martinez wasn't the only Raider who had a "frustrating" afternoon. Tesch fouled out with just over five minutes to go and point guard Richard Duncan also had a tough game.

"We need Richard," Wiel said. "When he's in the game we have speed but he's an emotional player and sometimes he lets things get to him."

Despite fouling out Tesch still led the Raiders with 15 points. Martinez

and Mantia Callender each had 11.

Tesch's fifth foul hurt the Raiders in that they lost his on-court leadership when they were able to cut the Indians lead to three with 1:12 left on the clock.

Unfortunately, missed shots at the Raiders end of the court and a series of fouls gave the Indians the advantage.

"They ran their spread real well," Wiel said. "It seems like their plan was to spread us out and then penetrate."

"We really need to be sharp when we go up to Austin Peay."

The Raiders travel to Clarksville Thursday night for a matchup with the Governors and then it's on to Nashville for a game Saturday against the TSU Tigers.

"This is only one game but they all matter," Wiel said. "Now we have to win all our games because we want to contend for the regular season title."

"We cannot afford to not play our best."



Chad Gillis/staff

Malachi Allen has become a crowd favorite at the Murphy Center in large part because of dunks like this one against Eastern Illinois. "Blue" as he is referred to by his teammates, has the 11th best field goal percentage in the country at 63.6 for Division I.

## Lady Raiders trounce SEMO

□ Jerome Kent Mack/staff

The Lady Raider basketball team got exactly what they needed Saturday—a dominating all-around team effort.

Five players reached double figures in scoring and when it was all said and done, the Lady Raiders handed Southeast Missouri a 95-67 shellacking.

With a four-for-five night from beyond the three-point arc, Kelly Chastain led the way with 17 points for the Lady Raiders.

Bama Burrell added 14 points and Joanne Aluka dominated the paint with 14 points in just 15 minutes of play.

The Lady Raiders jumped out early and never looked back in cruising to their eighth Ohio Valley Conference win of the season. The win improved their overall record to 12-9

and 8-5 in the OVC.

"As a team we came out and played well together," Burrell said.

After shooting a blistering 54.5 percent from the field in the first half, the Lady Raiders didn't lose pace at all in the second half. As a team they finished the game at 60 percent.

The Lady Raiders were able to hit their shots from anywhere on the court.

"We were motivated," Burrell said.

Every facet of the Lady Raiders game was on. Aside from Burrell, Chastain and Aluka, Courtney Neeley and Carlita Elder also reached double figures in scoring with 10 each.

Reserve forward Cindi Ainsworth tallied up seven assists. Jonelda Buck and the sparingly used Sholey Locker both chipped in seven.

With such a large lead at an early juncture in the game the Raiders were able to give their entire available lineup quality playing time.

Locker's seven points and nine

minutes of action were both season highs for the Raiders led-on.

The Lady Freshmen walked at the half 45-26 with the help of their tenacious defense which forced the Indians into 23 turnovers and five blocked shots.

Unfortunately for the Indians, the Lady Raiders defense didn't leave much in the way of shot selection when they did get an opportunity to shoot.

Jamie Koester scored 20 and Moniek Campbell added 14 to lead the Indians.

"It would be nice to put some distance between us and the teams below us," Raiders head coach Stephany Smith said.

The Lady Raiders would like to stay in the top half of the conference in order to host a first round tournament game in two weeks.

Tonight the Lady Raiders play host to Eastern Illinois at the Murphy Center. Tip-off is set for 7:05 p.m.

## Tennis team keeps high hopes

□ Staff Reports

DALLAS, Texas—Three members of the Blue Raider men's tennis team are competing at the prestigious Rolex National Indoors.

The tournament is the third leg of the collegiate grand slam.

In singles, senior Anthony DeLuise (Melbourne, Australia) entered the first round seeded 5-8 and ranked ninth nationally, but he was upset in the opening round by

Harvard's James Blake 3-6, 6-2 and 7-5.

Blake is ranked 34th in the Rolex Collegiate Rankings.

In doubles, the tandem of David McNamara (Melbourne, Australia) and Juluis Robertts (Kempton, South Africa) are seeded second to match their current national ranking.

The pair won the second leg of the grand slam capturing the Rebok/ITA All-American title in October.

McNamara/Robertts fell to South Carolina's Jerome Jourdan and Vladimir Pavicevic 6-7(4), 6-4 and 6-4

in their opening match.

Ranked 22nd in the country, McNamara/Robertts will face Duke's Doug Root and Jordan Wile, ranked ninth, in the first round of consolation.

"It definitely was a disappointing day," Raider head coach Dale Short said. "We came down here with high expectations, but it is not over. David and Julius have an opportunity to make up some ground in the backdraw."

## Kiss me once or kiss me twice

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When the candy companies put their bite-size chocolates in red and silver foil for Valentine's Day, they make those little Hershey kisses pretty hard to resist.

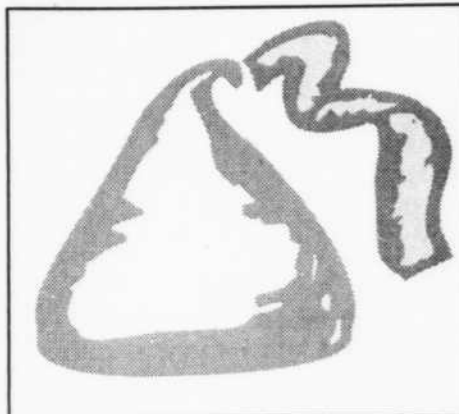
Some people avoid a lot of candy and chocolate because of the high fat and calorie content, not to mention the caffeine. A regular-size milk chocolate bar can range from eight to 14 fat grams and 200 to 300 calories—dark chocolate tends to have 10 to 11 grams of fat and about the same amount of calories. Although the five milligrams of caffeine in one ounce of chocolate is not much, it can affect those extra sensitive to caffeine.

While chocolate has no cholesterol, additives in chocolates like nuts, cream or coconut can make the nutritional content a little more sinful.

Too much chocolate, for some, can cause heartburn or an upset stomach or have a laxative effect.

In fact, chocolate contains phenylethylamine (PEA), a substance that has been thought to cause headaches and migraines because it dilates the blood vessels in the brain. While the substance raises blood pressure and heart rate, it has not been directly related to migraines.

Because of its physiological effects, PEA has been said to give people, especially women, a feeling of "falling in love." Theobromine, a substance abundant in chocolate, is like caffeine in the sense that it increases alertness while decreasing fatigue.



Chocolate stimulates the production of endorphins, a natural substance found in the body that responds to stress or trauma by sending signals to the brain to reduce pain. This is why chocolate is often used as a coping mechanism for sadness, a broken heart and even anger. Many women swear by chocolate as their solution for pre-

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Raiders win another tight game

Keith Ryan Cartwright/staff

No one ever doubted the mental toughness of Aylton Tesch. After Blue Raider basketball team's thrilling 67-65 come-from-behind victory, no one will ever doubt his physical toughness either. Tesch led all scorers with 34 points as the Raiders defeated Eastern Illinois to remain tied with Murray State atop the Ohio Valley Conference. With his team struggling from the field—the Raiders shot just 20 percent in the first half—Tesch single-handedly brought his team back from a 14-point deficit. His tenacious play resulted in everything from a powerful crowd-rousing dunk to being body slammed to the court and a record setting 23 foul shots. Eighteen of his 34 points came from the free throw line,

breaking a 41-year-old single-game record—the most free throws made and attempted in a single game. Tesch's all-out performance set up the heroic buzzer-beating three-pointer by Freddie Martinez. Martinez made only three field goals all night, but fortunately he made the one that meant the most. "Freddie made due," said Malachi Allen, a reserve forward for the Raiders. "He wasn't hitting anything all night." Trailing by one point, the Raiders got their final chance to score with four seconds remaining on the clock. Kent Ayer threw the inbound pass to Martinez who dribbled up over midcourt as the defense tried to avoid committing any fouls, which would have given the Raiders a chance to tie and possibly win at the charity stripe. Martinez finally broke free on the right side and hit the

"big three" to win as regulation came to a close. "That's the thing about shooters," Raiders head coach Randy Wiel said, "even when they're struggling they're confident enough to take that shot." The basket sent the Raiders players and coaching staff into a frenzied pile at midcourt along with the fans. For the Panthers, Jack Owens laid motionless under the basket face down for nearly 10 minutes in disappointment of the team's loss. Despite playing in front of a crowd of 4,037 fans, the Raiders seemed to come out and play uninspired basketball to open the game. As a team they made just five field goals in the opening half of play, digging themselves into a 19-33 hole at intermission. But 25 personal fouls by the Panthers, as a team, paved the way for a Raiders victory.



Aylton Tesch goes up for a powerful dunk against Eastern Illinois. The score helped change the tide of the game and set up Freddie Martinez's game-winning three-pointer at the end of regulation Thursday night.

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menstrual syndrome. Obviously, indulging in chocolate too often without compensation can lead to weight gain considering over half of chocolate's calories comes from fat—far exceeding the recommended thirty percent of a day's calories coming from fat. Despite popular belief, chocolate does not cause acne, clog arteries or make one hyperactive. Chocolate is not even addictive (although I am the one exception). Chocolate can be dated back to 200 BC when the Greeks found that mashing cacao beans into a liquid

produced a sweet drink. The fruit from the cacao tree was considered the "food of the gods." It was a delicacy. When the French got a hold of chocolate, they made it famous by adding sugar, butter and other goodies to create creamy chocolate sensations. In 1765, the first chocolate factory in the new colonies was built in Massachusetts Bay Colony. The colonists experimented with other ingredients, such as condensed milk and chocolate liquor (a non-alcoholic liquid found in the middle of the cocoa bean), and started producing a soon-favorite treat. The most popular chocolate company today is Hershey located in Hershey, PA. Began by Milton S. Hershey, the company first produced

chocolate syrup in 1894. By 1907, Hershey was nationally known for its rich milk chocolate bars. Among Hershey's products—Chocolate Bars, Hershey's kisses, Reeses' Peanut Butter cups, Kit Kats, Yorks, Almond Joys, and Twizzlers—the peanut butter cups are America's favorite. As for Valentine's Day, sweethearts are more likely to exchange the richer, more expensive chocolates like Whitmans, Russell Stouvers and Godiva, than they are a Hershey's kiss. While the small conversational hearts are sweet and sugary, you get a little more love out of chocolate. After all, one little kiss is only 25 calories. You might as well have a few more.

Olympic speed-skating record made on snow-covered day

Larry McShane

NAGANO, Japan (AP) — Nagano's first gold medal went to a Russian cross-country skier, but it was Dutch speedskater Gianni Romme who grabbed the Olympic spotlight with a record-shattering performance after the day's glamour event—the men's downhill—was postponed by snow. In a breath-taking performance at the M-Wave arena, Romme won the Olympic men's 5,000-meter speedskating gold medal in a world-record time of six minutes, 22.2 seconds—a staggering eight seconds better than his previous world mark. Romme, using the recently introduced clasp skates, skated hours after a snowstorm that threatened to dump 17 inches on the Japanese Alps idled World Cup leader Hermann Maier and the rest of the powerful Austrian Alpine skiers. The blinding snow later

wreaked havoc on the snowboarding competition. Before the storm turned intense, its softly swirling flakes provided a picture-postcard backdrop for Olga Danilova's victory in the women's 15-kilometer classical race. The Russian skier, in winning the games' initial gold medal, sailed through the snow in Hakuba to capture a tight race by 5.6 seconds. Danilova, whose last Olympic race came six years ago in Albertville, used a late surge to defeat teammate Larissa Lazutina. The downhill was rescheduled for Wednesday, when the snowstorm should be long gone. Accumulations of 16-17 inches were expected before the snow tapers off Monday night atop Mount Karamatsu. "It was impossible to ski today," said Tommy Moe of Jackson, Wyo., on a day when the United States collected no medals. "It was snowing unbelievably hard. Fog would come in and go out, then it

would be clear for a second. Then it would snow harder." With the downhill put off Sunday (Saturday night EST), two other medals were on the line in the first full day of Olympic action—snowboarding, where the Canadians took the gold, and speedskating, with Romme's record-setting performance. The weather has no effect on the first Olympic women's hockey game, a one-sided affair where Finland pounded Sweden, 6-0. MEN'S SPEEDSKATING: Three world records were set, only one gold medal was awarded. Winner Romme was in his own zone, but silver medalist Rintje Ritsma of the Netherlands and bronze winner Barteld Kamp of Belgium both bettered Romme's previous record of 6:30.63 as the clasp skates continued to revolutionize the sport. KC Boutiette of Tacoma, Wash., was the top U.S. finisher at 14th, setting an American record.

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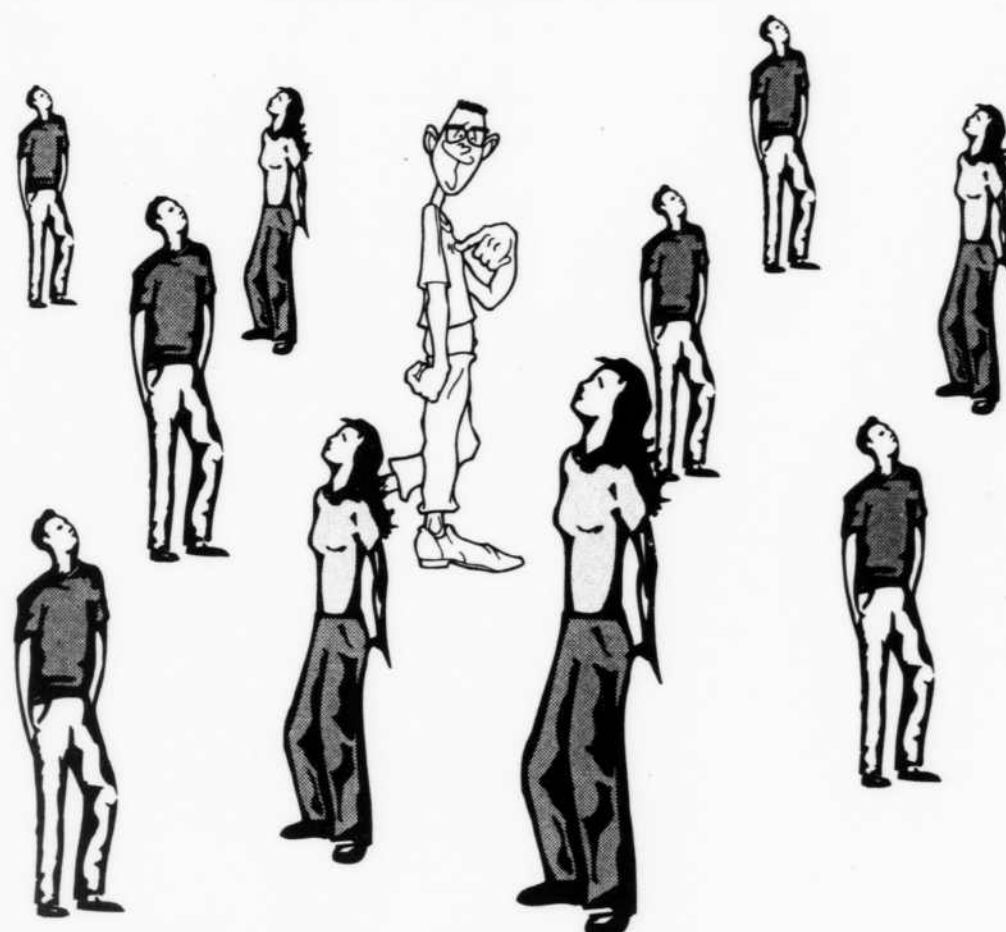
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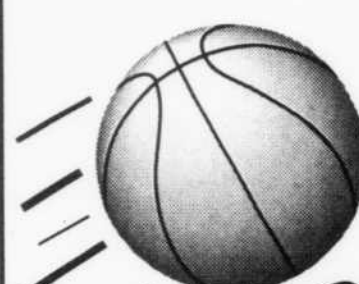


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