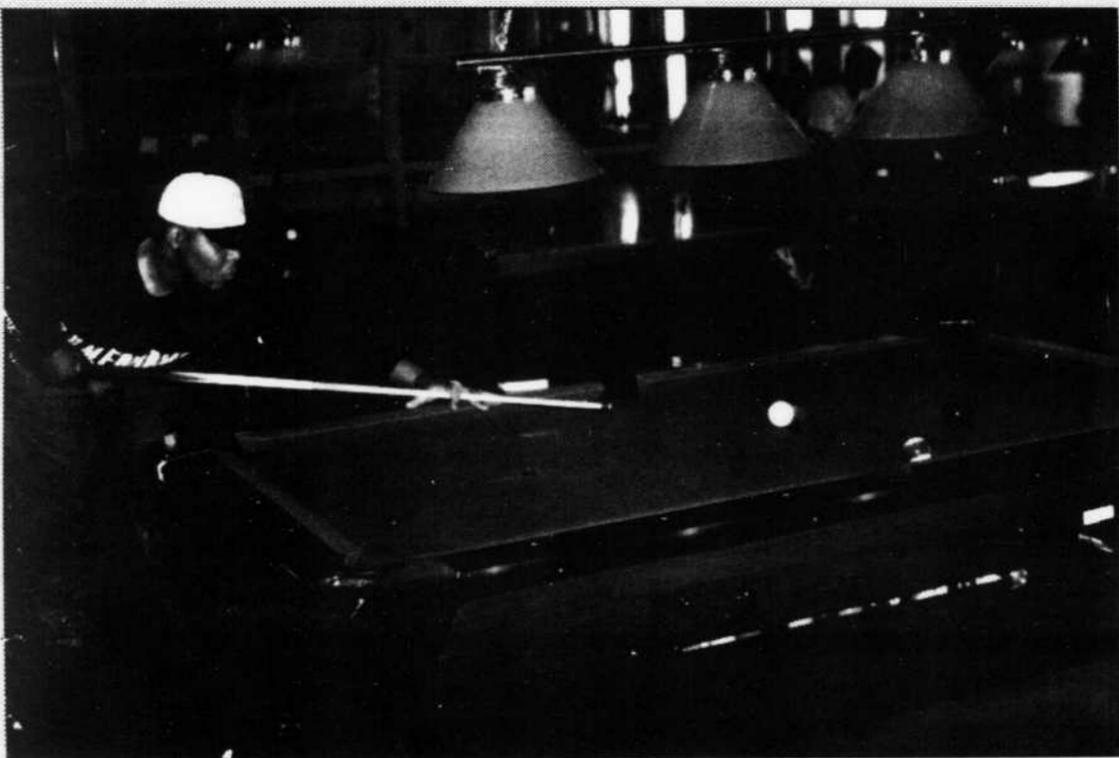


# SIDELINES

MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY'S STUDENT VOICE

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**IN THERE!** Jarrod House takes time out to shoot some pool in the revamped gameroom/minimart located on the third floor of Keathley University Center yesterday.

## Convenience store, gameroom offers students entertainment alternatives

**CORRIE CRON**  
Assistant News Editor

The grand opening of the new convenience store on the third floor of the Keathley University Center kicked off with a ceremonial cutting of the ribbon Tuesday.

However, students have been frequenting it for two weeks.

President James Walker, Student Government President Woody Ratterman and Susan Barnes of the Tennessee Blind Service were on hand for the event.

Students have wasted no time putting the store to good use. "People buy a lot of drinks, a lot of candy and snacks," said Junior Paul Van Beber, who works at the store.

Senior Susan Massengal, who was visiting the store and gameroom, thought the renovations were a big improvement.

"It's really nice," she said. "Every time I come up here there's always someone using the facilities."

Junior Hazel Rucker was already thinking ahead.

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*The free trade question:*

## NAFTA debate fires emotions

*In an atmosphere of contention, Gore, Perot discuss free trade on 'Larry King Live'*

**JOHN KING/  
STAFF REPORTS**  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In a contentious, finger-pointing debate, Vice President Al Gore asserted Tuesday that Ross Perot will profit from defeat of the North American Free Trade Agreement. Perot dismissed the charge as "propaganda" to defend a deal that would punish American workers.

The prime-time showdown was combative from the outset, reflecting the high stakes in an extraordinary fight in which President Clinton is about 25 votes short and the pivotal House vote just a week away.

Dr. Bill Ford, who holds the Weatherford Chair of Excellence in Finance at MTSU, expressed his feelings about passing the NAFTA bill.

"I hope that Congress

decides to pass the NAFTA proposal because of the opportunities it will provide," Ford said.

"NAFTA could help raise the standard of living for our Mexican neighbors, it could create more jobs for them at home instead of promoting illegal immigration into the United States, it could mean more exports of American products into Mexico, and it could promote free trade for us in other parts of the world," Dr. Ford said.

Hours before the debate, the White House got a much-needed boost — NAFTA endorsements from five House Democrats who had been undecided. A sixth, Rep. Jim Bacchus of Florida, announced his support just as the debate got under way.

Looking to win even more converts, Gore went after Perot and his anti-NAFTA arguments from the outset, surprising even NAFTA supporters who worried the vice president was too stolid to hold his own against the feisty Texan.

The debate on CNN's "Larry King Live" was but a minute old

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### IN THE NEWS...

#### **Bobbitt acquitted in sexual assault case**

MANASSAS, Va. (AP) — John Bobbitt was acquitted Wednesday of sexually assaulting his wife after a jury rejected her argument that she sliced off his penis to retaliate "at the very thing that harmed her."

"I'm thankful to the jury. They believed me," Bobbitt said. "I just want to get on with my life."

Bobbitt's wife, Lorena, will be tried on Nov. 29 on a malicious wounding charge. The same prosecutor will handle that case and wants to

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## New laws force Pell grants down as much as 20%

**YVONNE BARTHOLOMEW**  
Staff Writer

New laws governing Pell grants and the reauthorization of the Higher Education Act have caused a decrease in grant funding with the amount of aid available to students dropping as much as 20 percent at some colleges.

According to Beth Parker, assistant director of financial aid, "Single independent people used to getting Pell grants may be getting less or none."

Two factors that contribute to this reduction are the new formula used to determine eligibility and the new definition of independent

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BECKY WILSON, JUNIOR

status for students under the age of 24. The new formula is not as beneficial for those students who are completely financially independent of their parents and who have outside incomes.

The stricter definition of independent status is Congress' answer to students who claimed eligibility but still received support from their parents.

While the Pell Grant eligibility has decreased, Stafford Loan eligibility is now open to all

income levels.

Students may be eligible for either a subsidized or unsubsidized loan according to financial need.

A subsidized loan means that the government pays the interest on the loan, where as the student must pay their own interest on an unsubsidized loan.

"Students who waited late to come in and assumed they would get a big Pell Grant were shocked to find they didn't have the

eligibility," Parker said.

Student Becky Wilson, who received less for her Pell Grant this time, said, "If tuition keeps going up and the amount of my grant gets any lower it will affect me a lot. I'd have to take out more loans to finish school."

Students must fill out the application for the grant to determine their Stafford Loan eligibilities, however there is no longer a charge for applying.

"We always want to encourage people to at least apply," Parker said.

"January is the time to start thinking about applying," Parker emphasized, "Apply early."



**George L. Walker IV/Staff**  
**LET'S GET FIRED UP!** Julie Cripps, MTSU cheerleader, paints a sign yesterday in preparation of the Blue Raider's game against Eastern Kentucky University Saturday at 12:30

# CAMPUS CAPSULE

## TODAY

**MTSU STUDENT AMBASSADOR APPLICATIONS** are available in the Public Relations office, Cope Administration Building 205. Student Ambassadors serve as hosts and hostess for university activities. Students must have been on campus for at least one semester and have a GPA of 2.5. Deadline is November 15. Contact Gayle Robinson at 898-2919 for more information.

**THE ART BARN GALLERY PRESENTS "ACCOUNTS SOUTHEAST: YURIKO YAMAGUCHI"**, an exhibition of five sculptural installations organized by the Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art. The exhibit runs through Nov. 18 and hours are M-F 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sat 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Sun 1:30-4:30 p.m. Call 898-2455 for more details.

**ALL MTSU WOMEN WHO ENJOY SINGING** are encouraged to join the MTSU Women's Chorale. No audition is required. For more details call 2487.

**ASSOCIATION OF RECORDING MANAGEMENT STUDENTS** is hosting an A&R Panel at 7 p.m. in Mass Communications 101. Contact the ARMS office at 898-2088 for more details.

**THE WOMEN'S POLITICAL ACTION GROUP** will be selling and making buttons outside Phillip's bookstore 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. You can also make your own. Contact Melissa Davenport at 898-4168 for more information.

**THE MTSU CHAPTER OF AMERICAN CRIMINAL JUSTICE ASSOCIATION/LAMBDA ALPHA EPSILON** is having a mandatory meeting for all members who are attending the Regional Competition at 5 p.m. in Keathley University Center room 316. Contact Wyla M. Posey at 893-1502 for more details.

## FRIDAY, NOV. 12

**THE INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES OFFICE IS SPONSORING THE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT COFFEE HOUR** from 9:30 to 11 a.m. in the 2nd and 3rd floor lobbies of the KUC. All are welcome. Contact George Pimentel at 898-2238 for more

information.

**THE INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES OFFICE IS SPONSORING THE FIRST ANNUAL STUDY ABROAD FAIR** for students and faculty interested in opportunities to study internationally. The fair runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Tennessee Room of the JUB and is free and open to the public. Contact George Pimentel for more details.

**THE INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES OFFICE IS SPONSORING "FACULTY FULBRIGHT PROGRAMS,"** a lecture on faculty opportunities in the Fulbright programs at 2 p.m. in JUB room 202. Dr. Rolater from the History Department will be the lecturer. Contact George Pimentel for more details.

## MONDAY, NOV. 15

**THE BLACK STUDENT JOURNALISTS' ASSOCIATION** will meet at 5:30 p.m. in the upstairs lobby of the Mass Comm Building. Contact Michelle Duke at 895-3686 for more details.

**GAMMA BETA PHI** is having a meeting for all members at 6:30 p.m.

## TUESDAY, NOV. 16

**A LEADERSHIP SIMULATION** will be conducted by Dr. Tom Burks at 2:30 p.m. in Kuc 314.. Reservations are required. Sign up in KUC 122 or call 898-2454.

**GAMMA BETA PHI** is having a meeting for all members at 4:30 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY, NOV. 17

**GAMMA BETA PHI IS HOSTING A SPAGHETTI DINNER** fund raiser from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Tennessee Room of the JUB. Pick up tickets outside the bookstore Tuesday between 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tickets are \$5.00.

## THURSDAY, NOV. 18

**PSY CHI/PSYCHOLOGY CLUB** will be having their meeting from 4:30-6:00 in Peck Hall 201. The topic will be Admission to Graduate School with Warren Jones, Chairman of Psychology at UT, as the guest speaker.

**ARMS IS HAVING A GENERAL MEETING** at 7 p.m. in MComm 101. All members are urged to attend. Contact the ARMS office at 898-2088 for more details.

**A PARENTING WORKSHOP** on "How to survive Christmas with your children still in tact" will be held at 7 p.m. in the Family Housing Lounge. Contact the June Anderson Women's Center at 2193 or more details.

## ONGOING

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**THE PRESBYTERIAN STUDENT FELLOWSHIP** meets from 9 to 10 p.m. at the PSF House every Wednesday. Anyone interested should contact Bryan Hume at 849-3490.

**THE SGA SENATE** will be in session at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in KUC 316. Attendance is mandatory.

**THE BHAKTI-YOGA VEGETARIAN CLUB** meets from 6 to 8 p.m. every Wednesday in KUC 314. The meeting is open to all students. Contact Jonathan Maxwell at 898-3801 for more details.

**STUDENTS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION** meets every Monday at 7p.m. in KUC 305. New members are welcome. Call Andrew Welug at 890-5097 for more details.

**THE EQUESTRIAN TEAM MEETS EVERY TUESDAY** at 7 p.m. Contact Hannah Walker at 896-7839 for more details.

**THE SOCIETY OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROFESSIONALS** meets the first and third Thursdays of every month at 5 p.m. in the Wiser Patton Science Building Room 201.

**A WOMEN'S ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** is meeting at the Camels Group, 1231 NW Broad St., Murfreesboro at 5:30 p.m. on Thursdays.

**MTSU STUDENTS WHO NEED SPEECH TESTING OR SPEECH THERAPY SERVICES** should call the MTSU Speech Clinic at 898-2661 for an appointment.

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Charles Hogue/Staff

**CAN I HELP YOU?** Minimart cashier Steve Probst gives Todd Faulkner (left) his at the new convenience store on the third floor of Keathley University Center Wednesday.

## Store offers new opportunities...

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"I hope this leads to bigger things," she said. "My dorm needs a TV like this one!"

The big screen TV in the gameroom seems to have made a big impression on students, especially Monday Night Football lovers.

Wednesday night is usually a big entertainment night. Last

Wednesday a live band performed and last night students enjoyed a fashion show.

"So far, it's been pretty successful," Van Beber said. "It was slow around here when it first opened." Eventually, students realized it was open, and business picked up.

"We usually get busy from eleven to two [during the day]. Then it picks up again around

seven," said Geoff Eldridge, a sophomore who also works behind the counter.

The most often heard quote about the convenience store? "People come in here all the time and say 'cool'."

But what does the staff say about the store? Eldridge answers that question. "The popcorn is the best," he insists. "Buy it!"

## NAFTA debate heats up...

### From Page 1

when Perot chafed that Gore was interrupting him. Tension crackled throughout the 90-minute program as the two traded a barrage of charges, some of them substantive, others more personal.

Early on, Gore said Perot supported NAFTA in 1991 but flip-flopped as a presidential candidate last year "to bring out the politics of fear." Later he upped the ante, saying a Perot family business in Texas stood to make huge gains as a trade center should NAFTA be defeated.

Dr. John Vile, chairman of the MTSU Political Science Department, observed some of Perot's weak points.

"Perot came across as not really listening," Vile said.

"Perot sounded particularly vague when it came to why he changed his mind and what he would do to change it," he said.

"If NAFTA is defeated, then this free-trade zone that he has is still in business," Gore said. "If it's good enough for him, why isn't it good enough for the rest of the country?"

Perot was quick to fire back, denying his opposition to the agreement was motivated by any

personal or family financial stake.

Ford said that virtually all economists he knows who are not directly involved with labor unions agree that the Free Trade Agreement is a good program to enact.

"I think Mr. Perot is definitely wrong on this subject," Ford said. "President Clinton and Vice President Gore are right about the NAFTA program," Ford added.

Seated side-by-side, and often glaring at each other, Gore and Perot answered questions from King and from viewers in the United States and abroad, including one from Croatia.

The Gore salvos were part of a strategy that was evident from the outset — personalize the NAFTA fight in hopes of convincing wavering Democrats to choose their president over Perot.

But for all the theatrics, Gore and Perot broke no new substantive ground, trading familiar arguments over whether the trade deal with kill or create jobs and raise Mexico's labor and environmental standards.

Perot was first to use a prop — a photograph of slums in the shadow of a Mexican factory. The

striking picture, he said, proved that low-wage Mexico was interested only in taking away American jobs.

"You will hear the giant sucking sound" of jobs flooding to Mexico if the agreement becomes law, Perot said.

According to Dr. Vile, "Gore's projections on how many jobs we're going to gain, and Perot's projections on how many jobs we are going to lose were exaggerations. Truth was a casualty on both sides."

In 1991, the average manufacturing wage was \$15.45 per hour in the United States and \$2.17 in Mexico, according to the U.S. statistics.

Gore had a chart — and photograph — of his own for his rebuttal.

The chart showed the United States has gone from a \$5.7 billion trade deficit with Mexico in 1987 to a \$5.2 billion surplus in 1992. "They are buying a lot of products," Gore said.

"He started off as head of United We Stand," Gore said — invoking the name of Perot's political organization. "I'm afraid he is going to end up as head of Divided We Fall."

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# Politician's class causes uproar in academia

**KAREN NEUSTADT**  
College Press Service

A member of the House of Representatives who teaches a course beamed to 150 sites around the nation from a public Georgia college has raised questions about mixing politics and academe.

House Minority Whip Newt Gingrich, a conservative Republican who represents Georgia's sixth district in suburban north Atlanta, teaches a course titled "Renewing American Civilization" to 150 undergraduate and graduate students at Kennesaw State College at Marietta. The course, which began Sept. 18, is being broadcast by satellite to various sites around the nation.

The format involves a series of lectures by Gingrich on his vision for saving the country's moral and economic structure. Gingrich, co-founder of the Conservative Opportunity Society, is widely known for his conservative ideas and opposition to what he terms "the welfare state."

The Gingrich-Kennesaw State joint venture raised objections among students and faculty who were concerned about a state-funded school offering classroom space and support services as a platform for a politician. Criticism intensified when it was discovered that some funds for the class were received from GOPAC, a Washington-based Republican political action committee which is chaired by Gingrich.

Supporters of the course accuse course detractors of attempting to muzzle the outspoken politician under a cloak of "political correctness."

In addition to funds from GOPAC, the 10-week class is bankrolled by foundations and private companies that have contributed to Gingrich's various political campaigns. There was more concern when it was revealed that GOPAC was involved in the planning of the curriculum of the course.

Among the corporate contributors to the course are Turner Broadcasting Co., the Employer's Policy Institute (EPI), and Cracker Barrel restaurants. The restaurant chain has been boycotted by gay rights groups for its policy that it won't hire



**Todd Fleeman/The Sentinel, Kennesaw State College**  
**SETTING THE RECORD STRAIGHT:** U.S. Rep. and House Minority Whip Newt Gingrich teaches a course at Kennesaw State College.

gays and lesbians. Documents have revealed that the EPI gave \$25,000 to Gingrich, and praised him for including in the curriculum promotion of minimum-wage jobs.

"If the Sierra Club did exactly the same thing for their values that (would be considered) wonderful, and it would be a positive story, warm and glowing and fuzzy, but the fact that somebody who believes in the private sector and believes in jobs wants to make sure that if they're going to support it, that the course is talking about the private sector and jobs, that's somehow dangerous," Gingrich said.

When Kennesaw State announced the course in July, a public outcry sent the State of Georgia Board of Regents scrambling to investigate the ethics of the course.

Forty faculty members wrote a memorandum to Kennesaw State President Betty L. Siegel demanding a meeting to air their

concerns, and newspapers throughout the state were deluged with letters to the editor championing both sides of the issue.

"This raises serious concerns," said Josh Goldstein, of the Center for Responsive Politics in Washington, a watchdog group that monitors the finances of public officials. "The real concern, from our standpoint, is that people who contribute to this non-profit organization set up by the university is that this is just another avenue to get access to or to get influence from a congressman."

Ann Ellis, chair of the department of history and philosophy at the school, is concerned that the faculty is being misrepresented as objecting to Gingrich's political philosophy, when in fact they are objecting to the appropriateness of a politician teaching there, she said.

"This is not an issue of academic freedom," she said. "My objection is that the

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U.S. REP. NEWT GINGRICH

congressman is getting a platform to seek a higher office, and it is not appropriate."

Timothy S. Mescon, dean of the school of business administration who will be co-teaching the course with Gingrich, said he had no idea of the GOPAC involvement in funding the course when he decided to offer the course through the business school.

"This was a dean's dream. For someone to help identify financial supports to support an academic initiative instead of beating the bushes and having doors slammed in your face..." Mescon said. "In that regard, I was totally naive. I had never heard of GOPAC before this started. I consider myself a learned person. I read a lot, so that it's a little embarrassing and we're paying the price for it."

Gingrich caused a furor when he told the *Sentinel*, the Kennesaw State newspaper, that he would allow Democrats, but not liberals, into the class. He recently stated that the teaching the course "is the most important thing I'll do in my life."

"I'm not going to engage in a long debate with the multiculturalists about whether or not America exists. There are thousands of courses offered in America every year by liberals who believe in multicultural philosophy, and liberals who believe the welfare state is working," he said. "If I called them and said you must let me come into your classroom and debate you, they'd be offended."

"And, by the way, in terms of re-election, I can tell you from having done this before, it is very dangerous for a public official to throw out ideas such as the ones I'm sharing with you."

The board of Regents has not discussed the matter publicly, though it was the subject of a recent meeting, and the president of Kennesaw State College has met with Chancellor H. Dean Propst to discuss it.

Michael Baxter, a spokesman for the Board of Regents, said his

offices have received numerous phone calls and letters about the Gingrich course, and that several of the regents have expressed concerns.

"We've had more phone calls than letters, and there were callers with concerns on both sides," Baxter reported. "A couple of the board members say we need to look at our policies."

He said board's Organization and Law committee is planning to discuss it in the next few months.

Some college administrators were critical of the way the course has been handled by the media, and are concerned about the effect the furor is having on the reputation of the school.

"I don't think the press coverage has been fair or accurate. Each newspaper has a particular orientation or slant it will take. It's not very clear what the long term impact will be on Kennesaw's reputation. There have been as many positive as negative reactions," said Edwin A. Rugg, vice president for academic affairs at the college. "In this situation, there has been substantial political conflict, and this course and the college has been the battlefield for the conflict. Much of that political conflict has little to do with academics of the course."

Gingrich's course will highlight lectures on topics such as private enterprise and saving the inner city. He also said that the course will spotlight politicians such as U.S. Rep. Jack Kemp, R-N.Y., William Bennett, former secretary of education and drug czar under former President Bush, Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas, and others.

Students in Gingrich's first class report that many of the "guest professors" taking part in the course are from CNN newscasts that are aired in the class.

*Tom Brooks, editor in chief of the Sentinel at Kennesaw State College, contributed to this story.*

## ATTENTION STUDENTS! WANT TO KNOW YOUR GRADES?

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# Kappa Alpha Order to build home for needy

TODD SHELTON  
Special to *Sidelines*

Members of the Kappa Alpha Order have set a goal to help build homes for people in need on Nov. 13.

KA, a member of the MTSU Interfraternity Council, plans to help "Habitat for Humanity" build a home for a Murfreesboro family.

"Habitat for Humanity" is an international organization which uses the manpower of volunteers to build homes for those people who would not otherwise be able to afford one.

The original volunteer date was set for Oct. 30, but was rescheduled due to bad weather.

"We had about 40 people show up at 7:30 in the morning in the rain and cold to help," said Joey Davenport, KA public relations and community service chairman.

"The house we were going to work on was ready for the roof, but they were afraid for us to be up there in the wind and the rain," Davenport said.

**'All too often MTSU students expect things from the community and give nothing back'**  
JIMMY CRAIGHEAD, KA PRESIDENT

According to Davenport, the people in charge of the operation were amazed at the support and turnout during the bad weather.

KA president Jimmy Craighead expressed the importance KA puts on community service.

"All too often MTSU students expect things from the community and give nothing back," Craighead said. "We feel that it is important to give something back," he added.

In addition to working with "Habitat for Humanity", KA has helped with a benefit at the Belle Meade Country Club, they volunteer at the Oakland Mansion, pick up trash and debris along 3 miles of state Highway 231 for the Adopt-A-Highway program and raises funds for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

# New leaders selected for Development Office and Foundation Stars Division

SUZANNE MOORE  
Staff Writer

The Development Office and Foundation Stars Division are pleased to have new leaders who are expected to be tremendous assets to the University.

After a national search to fill the directorship of the Development Office, the university has chosen Deborah Ann Wells, formerly director of development and alumni affairs for the University of Kentucky's College of Law, in Lexington.

While serving on the development staff of UK, Wells coordinated the College of Law's largest individual solicitation of \$1 million scholarship endowment, the largest in UK's history.

"Debby has the background and knowledge which will enable her to assist the Foundation in its efforts to solicit private support from alumni and friends to benefit MTSU's students, faculty, administrators and staff," said Sandra Taylor, Foundation president.

At the top of Well's agenda, is to meet with the deans and department heads.

"I want to look at where the university is in its academic plan, and what the president's priorities are, and start working at that end," Wells said.

The former director of development, Boyd Evans, resigned last June and has returned to full-time teaching in the College of Business.

The MTSU Foundation would also like to welcome Howard D. Wall as the new Chairman of the Stars Division.

The Stars Division is currently heading up a \$7 million Challenge Campaign, which will solicit



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HOWARD WALL

funds to meet the needs of students as identified by the university's deans and department heads.

Wall, a '63 alumni graduate, is co-owner of Snow & Wall Realtors in Murfreesboro. He also served as president for the Blue Raider Athletic Association (BRAA) and worked on the board of BRAA for the past 6 years. He was the top fundraiser for the organization last year.

"Howard always has MTSU's best interests at heart, and he will go the extra mile when you ask him to," said David Cullum, general chairman of the Challenge Campaign. "We are fortunate to have an alumnus like that, he'll do a wonderful job," Cullum said.

Howard Wall expressed his gratitude and interest about his new position.

"I consider myself to be the fortunate one," Wall said. "It is a privilege to work for and serve a University that has given so much to this community over the years," he said.

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# Accessibility a problem for disabled students

**BRENT ANDREWS**  
Staff Writer

Continuous surges in growth over the past 10 years have created problems in all areas of the university, including accessibility of classrooms for some disabled students.

"The Alumni Memorial Gym has some classroom areas on the second floor that are not accessible to some disabled students," said John Harris, director of Disabled Student Services.

"The inaccessible areas contain classrooms, which, due to campus overcrowding, were located in the Memorial Gym. The greater part of the building is accessible," Harris said.

Harris pointed out that three other buildings, Forrest Hall, Stark Agriculture Center and the Industrial Studies complex, do not have elevators to the second floor areas.

But these problem areas are not necessarily in violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act, Harris said.

The ADA states that a student should not be denied access to a public service because of inaccessibility, but the service can be relocated to suit a disabled person's needs, Harris said.

## 'This university is probably the most accessible in the state for disabled students'

PAUL CANTRELL  
DEAN OF STUDENTS

"Relocation is what we are stressing right now," Harris explained. "If a class is offered there [the Alumni Gym] and a disabled student wants to take it, the class can be moved. The disabled student will be accommodated."

"Right now, with the new recreation center under way, we are not making any plans to make these areas [in Alumni Center] accessible," Harris said.

"The Alumni Gym is basically a recreational facility, and Alumni is accessible to the gym floor," Harris said.

"This was OK until things became so crowded, and we had to put classrooms everywhere," the director said.

"The classrooms on the second floor of the old gym were once weight rooms or used for other nonacademic purposes," he said. Developmental Studies and other disciplines classes are being held there now.

Harris said most of the accessibility problems can be worked out with professors by

making them aware that a student has a problem getting into and out of the classroom.

"Often they will just swap classroom sites or switch the student to another section," he said.

"We've never had any problems with professors not trying to help us out once we've made them aware of the situation," Harris said.

"The university also allows disabled students to preselect their classes which alleviates many of the the problems," he said.

Dean of Students Paul Cantrell said the university is "committed to making the campus accessible" for all students.

"MTSU made a commitment 15 to 20 years ago to accommodate disabled students," he said.

"This university is probably the most accessible in the state for disabled students," Cantrell said.

Harris said automatic doors had recently been installed at

Alumni Gym "to make it easier to get in and out of."

Under the ADA, the university had until July, 1992 to develop a transition plan which identified all inaccessible areas on the campus, detailed a plan and set a target date for completion.

The government has allowed three years to correct these deficiencies, Harris said.

Campus planners and construction officials assisted Harris in reviewing the structures on campus and evaluating the university's needs to improve accessibility for its disabled students. The cost of the needed improvements was about \$400,000, Harris said.

The Tennessee Board of Regents officials asked each school in the system to submit the plans and the costs so they could determine how to fund the improvements, Harris said.

"But some things we are going to try to undertake with funds the university might have available," he said.

Construction of a new ramp on the north side of Murphy Center will begin later this month, he said.

"This is being done with money the university already has," Harris said.

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use the testimony against her. She faces up to 20 years in prison if convicted, as her husband had on a charge of marital sexual assault.

The jury of nine women and three men deliberated about four hours before clearing Bobbitt.

### Brady bill passes the House of Representatives

WASHINGTON (AP) — Responding Wednesday to public fear of street crime, the House approved the Brady bill requiring a five-day wait and a background check on people who want to buy handguns.

The House voted 238-189 for the bill and sent it to the Senate.

The House also approved Brady two years ago only to see it fail after being attached to a larger crime bill blocked by Senate Republicans. This time, it is being kept separate in the hope the Senate will send it to President Clinton, who has promised to sign it.

The Brady bill is named for press secretary James Brady who was shot during a 1981 assassination attempt on President Reagan.

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THE ETHERAL FLAME

A word from the Editor...

## Let's set the record straight

No one, and I mean no one, has ever accused me of avoiding controversy. On the contrary, I live for it. When I find someone that disagrees with me, I want to debate them. In fact, sometimes I even take up an issue that I might not understand fully or even believe in whole-heartedly, just for the sake of argument.

Earlier this semester, I took up the cause of our late mascot, General Nathan Bedford Forrest. A figure many students and faculty alike see as racist. I saw the issue as worthy of debate since so many students knew little, if any, factual information on the topic. I wrote that I believed the mascot to not be racist and called for its reinstatement or for a new mascot to be voted in by the student body. I wrote that although Ole' Blue is a nice old hound, he doesn't represent the spirit and determination we need at MTSU.

After a series of articles, I soon found that my writings had created many fans, as well as many enemies; and as expected, I didn't care. While many accused me of having some dark, racial motivation, for bringing up the issue of our mascot back to the forefront of discussion, I didn't worry. After all, I knew that I had no racial motivation for running the articles.

In addition to the articles on the mascot, I also found myself including articles both for and against the flying of the Confederate flag. I assumed that this was a worthy, RELATED topic to that of the mascot issue.

Throughout all of the articles, many Southerners, both Democrats and Republicans, men and women, liberals and conservatives came to me to say, "Thanks." They were glad to see that someone finally made the case that being proud of one's Southern heritage doesn't mean being racist.

Despite this unflattering quality of stirring up controversy, I do have a heart. In fact, as many of my friends will tell you, while I hardly ever back away from a good argument, I often see the other side. Sometimes this other side is so persuasive, I take a minute to review my own thoughts and feelings. Rarely ever though, do I change my view. This time, however, the other side has had come crashing in all around me.

In the last issue of *Sidelines*, I ran an article entitled "Patriot sees South as 'occupied territory'." The article claimed that the South is still occupied and, in a sense, only part of the United States by force through "Yankee fire and sword." The writer made many questionable remarks and even called the NAACP "a hate group." The article said that Southerners do not have free will. It called "Yankees" arrogant and insinuated that Northern government has caused "the rape of our populace." The writer even referred to the United States as "your country." To my understanding, the article even went so far as to insinuate that minority opinion be completely ignored - as if the majority could do as it pleases with no regard for the minority. In a militant tone, the article went on to state that "Whether you like it or not, the South is rising again, even as we argue."

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## Vice President Gore shows true colors of Ross Perot

During the 1992 presidential elections, Ross Perot gave the electorate something to talk about. With his flamboyant six-shootin' style, Perot offered an alternative to the bickering between the two parties. Even as a staunch Republican, I soon found myself looking forward to Perot's speeches if for nothing else than to laugh at his tenacity as my conservative friends and I talked politics.

Many other Americans saw something as well in Perot's defiant spirit which drew them to him. Both Democrats and Republicans loved to see Dana Carvey imitate Perot on *Saturday Night Live*. He was a cartoonist's dream. At school and at work



JASON WHATLEY  
Editor

people talked about "the Perot factor" as wild scenarios were dreamed up about the election being thrown into the House of Representatives. Many wondered, "Could Perot actually win?"

While many, like myself, did not and never would have voted for him, we respected Perot. He was willing to take on the establishment. He was willing to take a stand against overwhelming odds; something

very rare these days.

Perot was seen as everybody's colorful uncle. He was seen as down to earth. Many believed that he actually understood what we were going through. He was seen as one of us; at least until last night.

Throughout the 90-minute debate on the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) aired on *Larry King Live* last night, Ross Perot went from sound bite to sound bite in a vain attempt to keep from facing the issue at hand.

His "from the cuff" style was much the same as it was during the elections. He came impressed with a number of impressive charts and photographs as well.

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## Generation X says lead or leave

In the time it takes you to read this column, your elected representatives will allow your government to go on a \$10 million shopping spree while leaving you the bill.

All the while, politicians will pretend nothing is happening. There will be heated debate about health care and protectionism, but the issue, our national debt, will be largely ignored.

Sure, there will be much discussion of deficit reduction, but that is merely a reduction in the amount of over-spending. The credit card is still being used, just a little less. The bill is still



CHARLES ALY  
Staff Writer

accumulating and if it came due today it would read \$4.3 trillion.

A figure that large is pretty hard to comprehend, but I'll try to put it in perspective for you. For \$4.3 trillion, the Dallas Cowboys could pay Emmitt Smith's salary for the next 1.2 million years (if only Smith would last that long, the Cowboys would have a real

dynasty on their hands).

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The word "generation" describes a set of stereotypes and assumptions that do not really do justice to today's young adult. The national debt, however, transcends every boundary between us and more than any other factor unites us as a

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## **Witch says the Christian life is not the only peaceful one**

Your "All Hail the Weird" opinion in the Thursday, Nov. 4 edition of *Sidelines* was deeply offensive to me. I have always appreciated your candor about your belief system; now I ask you to respect mine. I am a witch. I was quite shocked to be lumped into the category of the violent and the "perverted", considering that the most fundamental underlying tenet of the wiccan faith is to harm none and to help the world in any peaceful way we can. The *Nashville Scene's* attempt to properly represent a beautiful religion which has been grossly misunderstood for centuries (we don't even believe in Satan!) is admirable- I only wonder how many people really read the article.

Furthermore, I have a unique perspective on what it is like to be raised in an "alternative" household, for, unlike many witches, I was born and raised a pagan. As a child, I was taught to respect myself, to respect others, to respect the environment, and above all, to love the divine forces of the Universe in ALL their manifestations. "Love thy neighbor as thyself" could not be more descriptive of wicca! "...If one tries to live their life with some semblance of moral decency, raise a family, work hard, send their kids to school, and all in all add to our society's moral fabric," it seems to me that wicca is an exemplary tradition in which to be brought up, especially in these times of ever-increasing violence, environmental degradation and racial tension. Witches seek the path of tolerance of the ways of others, again provided they harm no one. So you see, just because a system of belief is not mainstream Christian does not mean that it does not teach a positive, peaceful, loving way of life.

I am a great believer in the freedom of

the press and will firmly support and defend your right to print your opinions. I respectfully request that my opinion is also given this opportunity. Furthermore, I am open to the calm, free exchange of ideas, so if you would like to discuss this further, even face to face, please feel free to contact me at Box 5769. I would welcome any correspondence.

I sincerely thank you for your attention.

MELISSA GAY  
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## **Bible should be taken literally - even concerning homosexuality**

We are told by people, who at first glance appear to be somewhat wise, to interpret the Bible liberally. I'm referring to an article in the Oct. 28 publication of the *Sidelines* entitled "Is Homosexuality Really A Frightening Thing?". The writer of this article states that the Bible supports and even blesses homosexual relationships. Nothing could be further from the truth. Whether or not you believe the Bible is not the issue here. The issue is that people are misrepresenting the Bible and twisting it to fit their abominable lifestyles. I am all for someone drawing their convictions and beliefs from the Bible, but people today are doing exactly the contrary. Sadly enough, people are not interested in what the Bible says. Instead they spend their time telling God what he said or what he meant by what He said. In other words, people are interpreting the Bible "responsibly" not literally. To interpret the Bible responsibly one must take what the Bible has to say literally.

As long as the Bible is being used to debate a subject wherein no debate really lies, let us look responsibly at what the Bible really has to say about homosexuality. The Bible says in

Leviticus 18:22, "Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is abomination." What was the last word of that verse? Those words are not my words. They are the words of God Almighty. I challenge you to interpret that "liberally" for me. Even the most liberal interpretation would have to agree that God calls homosexuality an abomination. Any other interpretation of that verse would be an irresponsible interpretation. How many different ways can one interpret a speed limit sign that reads 55 miles-per-hour?

The Bible makes many references to homosexuality, and I have not found one that even hints that God supports much less blesses homosexuality. The Bible also says in Jude verse 7, "Even as Sodom and Gomorra, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire." May I again ask how liberally can that be interpreted? God is not a liberal. In fact, God destroyed the cities of Sodom and Gomorra because of the sin of homosexuality.

Suppose I were driving 70 miles-per-hour in a 55 mile-per-hour zone, and a police officer pulled me over. Let's even suppose that as that officer was writing my ticket that I explained to him my liberal interpretation of the speed limit sign. I am confident that the officer would understand that I had liberally interpreted the 55 mile-per-hour sign as granting me the luxury of driving 70 miles-per-hour. No, he would probably at that point give me a breathalyzer test. Wake up folks! That is not the way it works. Just as foolish as it is for me to think that a police officer would let me off the hook because of a liberal interpretation of a speed limit sign, it is even more foolish to think that God supports and blesses homosexuality.

If the Bible does support

homosexuality, why are some denominations having to rewrite passages which refer to sodomy in order to allow homosexuals into their churches? The reason is that the Bible has always been and always will be against homosexuality.

Whether or not the American society believes and accepts the Bible does not matter. Truth is always truth no matter who believes it or who doesn't. The Bible says in Romans 1:22, "Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools." I believe there are many people in this "90's society" who consider themselves to be experts, but in all actuality they are merely ignorant novices. As for the writer of the article "Is Homosexuality Really A Frightening Thing?", it does no good to use the Bible for support material if you don't know what the Bible says. That would be like using a U.S. history book to prove that George Washington wasn't the first President of the United States. I'm sorry, but you will have to find another source to support your argument. Good luck in your quest of material which "responsibly" not literally supports your agenda. As for me, I will continue to rely on a book written by the oldest and wisest author. That book is the Bible, and the author is the very Creator of this universe, God Almighty. Lastly, to the readers of such articles as "Is Homosexuality Really A Frightening Thing?", when considering the authors of such articles always remember - If it looks like a snake and slithers like a snake, it's probably a snake.

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## **NAFTA served well by Gore...**

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However, there was something very different about his style. He was on the defensive.

Steering clear of substantive debate, Mr. Perot relied instead on short sound bites and what Vice President Al Gore called "scare tactics." At one point, Mr. Perot brought out a picture of a shanty town surrounding a U.S. owned factory in Mexico. Expressing his belief that NAFTA would cause more of this poverty, Mr. Perot, glaring into the camera with eyebrows raised and a stern look of desperation, clipped in with, "Is this what you want?"

The response was short, simple, yet resounding with common sense. These poverty-stricken peasants exist today - WITHOUT NAFTA.

In the fall of 1990, H. Ross Perot predicted that at least 40,000 Americans would die in the Gulf War. In 1992, the same Texas billionaire predicted that no less than 100 banks would fail not

long after Clinton took office. As Al Gore pointed out last night in the much publicized debate, Mr. Perot was wrong about those predictions. He's also wrong about the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Mr. Perot went on to describe how the 85 million citizens of Mexico lived in poverty and that "36 elite families own half of Mexico."

Mr. Gore, in response, correctly pointed out that the accusation was false and that the Mexican poverty rate is only about 14%; much less than the vast majority claimed by Perot.

In fact, throughout the debate, the Vice President never stopped spouting facts. He remained unusually calm while Mr. Perot, showing almost no substantive, factual rebuttal, called Gore a liar.

When Perot said he could never support NAFTA in its present form, Gore responded with "...then how would you change it?" Perot, after pausing

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and looking a bit confused, suggested, "I might tell you if you would be quiet long enough to let me." Despite his colorful response though, he never offered a viable alternative to NAFTA.

Mr. Gore then went on to say that American-owned companies were moving south of the border without NAFTA. They were doing so to sell products to the some 85 million people in Mexico without paying the 30% tariff that the Mexican government imposes on imported goods. Perot later said, speaking of the Mexican population, "We don't need them - they need us."

In other words, Mr. Perot believes that we should build an imaginary wall between the

United States and Mexico. That's seems strange since Japan and the European Community are doing all they can to establish trade agreements with Mexico and every other country in Cenral and South America. Who are the real capitalists anyway?

When Gore asked Perot how he could be against NAFTA today while he spoke out in favor of it in 1991, Perot had no response. Instead, Perot tried to change the subject. He also continued assaulting the character of Gore.

"Concentrate, just concentrate on trying to listen to me," Perot said. "Can you do that?" - That's some etiquette to show toward our vice president.

Last night, the American

public finally saw the real Ross Perot. Behind all the money, sound bites, and spunky personality, we saw a man who was out of place, uninformed, and scared. I almost felt sorry for Mr. Perot as Al Gore, in his calm yet confident manner, showed the public why this entrepreneur was not meant for the White House.

In his closing arguments, Gore pointed out that Ross Perot's scare tactics should not prevent our nation from capitalizing on such a golden opportunity. He mentioned how our competitors, Japan and the European Community, were lobbying hard against NAFTA. Even as a Republican, I have to say that all in all, Vice President Gore called it like it was. In his closing remarks, Gore remarked that Mr. Perot was no longer seen as the kind hearted, sincere man the public once knew. Perot had gone from being head of "United We Stand" to the leader of "Divided We Fall."

While it pains me to say it - Good show, Mr. Gore; a most splendid show.

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## Southern heritage is sometimes misrepresented...

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In times past, I have agreed with my good friend who wrote the article; but now, I must oppose him. While I'm sure that he meant no ill feelings among the races, I feel I must now allow this "Southern patriot" to stand alone.

I will always be a strong Southerner, but I am first an American. I believe that I speak for most Southerners when I say that we want unity among the races for all Americans, not division.

We are part of the United States. Most Southerners do not believe that we are occupied. Neither do we believe that the South, as a nation, is rising again.

The articles that I have written on race and Southern

pride have been from the heart. In no way have I wanted to foster hatred. On the contrary, I want, as many Southerners want, to explain that our heritage is just as important as that of other Americans. We all need a greater understanding of each other.

In this world of political correctness, it has become a taboo to be proud of one's Southern heritage. We are often taught, whether through word or deed, to view Southern history with disdain and remember our forefathers, the farmers, ranchers, and blacksmiths, as racists.

On the other hand, I understand how many Blacks on campus could take all this talk of "Southern pride" with suspicion of racial overtones.

Please understand, the vast

majority of Southerners, don't want to oppress anyone. We aren't racists. We aren't elitists.

Many Southerners are simply worried about how revisionist history remembers their past.

Please don't misunderstand me. I am not saying that the writer to which I have referred is racist or mean spirited. On the contrary, I know him to be sincere and dedicated to his beliefs. His words, at times though, have a way of being misrepresented.

Let's work together to ensure that in the future, the history of all people in our great country is respected. Let's respect each other's differences and be proud of the unalterable bond that brings us together: We are all Americans.

## 'Lead or Leave' is the message to send our leaders...

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generation.

How we deal with this incredible problem will say more about us as Americans than any silly book or label ever could (i.e. "Generation X" or "Twentysomethings"). It is our legacy.

I have written, ad nauseam, about the national debt on these pages and many of you have approached me and told me of your concern. We all care about this; we have to, but what can we do?

How can we voice our concerns to our leaders? Is there an organization that will represent our interests in Washington as well as the American Association of Retired Persons represents the interests of older Americans?

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Generational Equity means that no generation should be asked to suffer at the expense of another. Social Security has become a vehicle for shifting wealth from the young to the old and need is not even a consideration.

The federal government spends \$12 on the elderly per \$1

on children, while 25 percent of young Americans live below the poverty line versus only 7 percent of the elderly.

When you consider that 5 million American adults are functionally illiterate and 500,000 kids drop out of high school each year, you begin to realize how misguided our government is in paying \$75 billion each year to households with cash incomes over \$50,000.

I'll bet you never knew that. I didn't either. You see, it's all about education. If you want things to change you have to understand how things are right now. That is what Lead...or Leave is all about—educating young people about our government. Once we are aware of what is going on, we can't help but act as a cohesive political force that our leaders must reckon with or risk their careers.

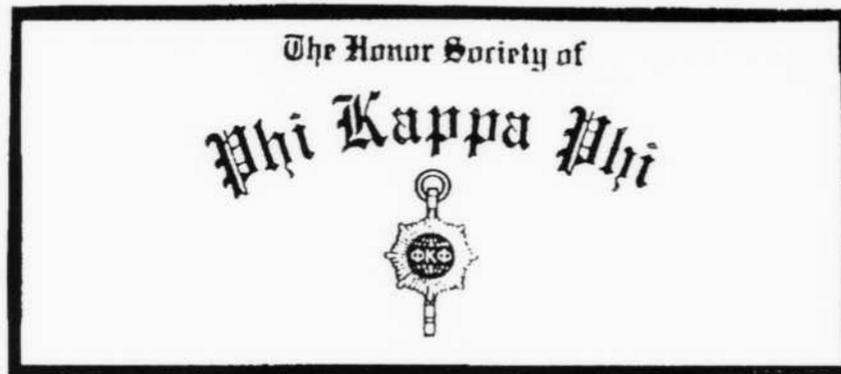
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*"I firmly believe in divine Providence. Without belief in Providence I think I should go crazy. Without God the earth would be a maze without a clue."*

WOODROW WILSON

Message to Congress asking for Declaration of War, April 2, 1917



The Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society is pleased to announce that the following MTSU students, faculty, and administrators, on the basis of superior academic scholarship, have been invited to join its membership, with initiation ceremonies to be held on Monday December 6, 1993 in Cantrell Hall of the MTSU Alumni Center.

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# LIFE!

## Dating tips for the love forelorn

### Annie's dating tips

Everybody has a problem with dating. Men and women hate the thought of asking for a date. Your hands get clammy and your stomach ties itself in knots. You feel as if this is the most stressful situation you've ever been through, and it probably is. However, with a few tips, this procedure may keep you from having a heart attack.

1. When calling someone of the opposite sex and asking them out on a date, always be precise as to where the date will take place. When you are vague about where you are going on the date, the other person doesn't know what to wear or whether to eat before they leave. It can be very embarrassing to be dressed appropriately when out on a date.

Also, some men probably think most women eat like birds. We order salads when we go to dinner, so we must be watching our weight. Wrong. The simple fact is, we didn't know whether to eat before we left and we don't want to starve. So, we scarf a big meal and, we can't eat anything bigger than a salad.

2. Do not talk about ex-boyfriends, ex-girlfriends, or ex-lovers. If your date really likes

you, they will not want to hear about you and someone else.

3. If you are going to one of your usual hangouts, do not leave your date in a corner while you mingle with other people. Make sure you drag them around and introduce them to all your friends.

These are a few tips to get you started. When worse comes to worse, tell the person you need to study for a test and you need to go home early.

Next week: The female mind; a quick guide for men.

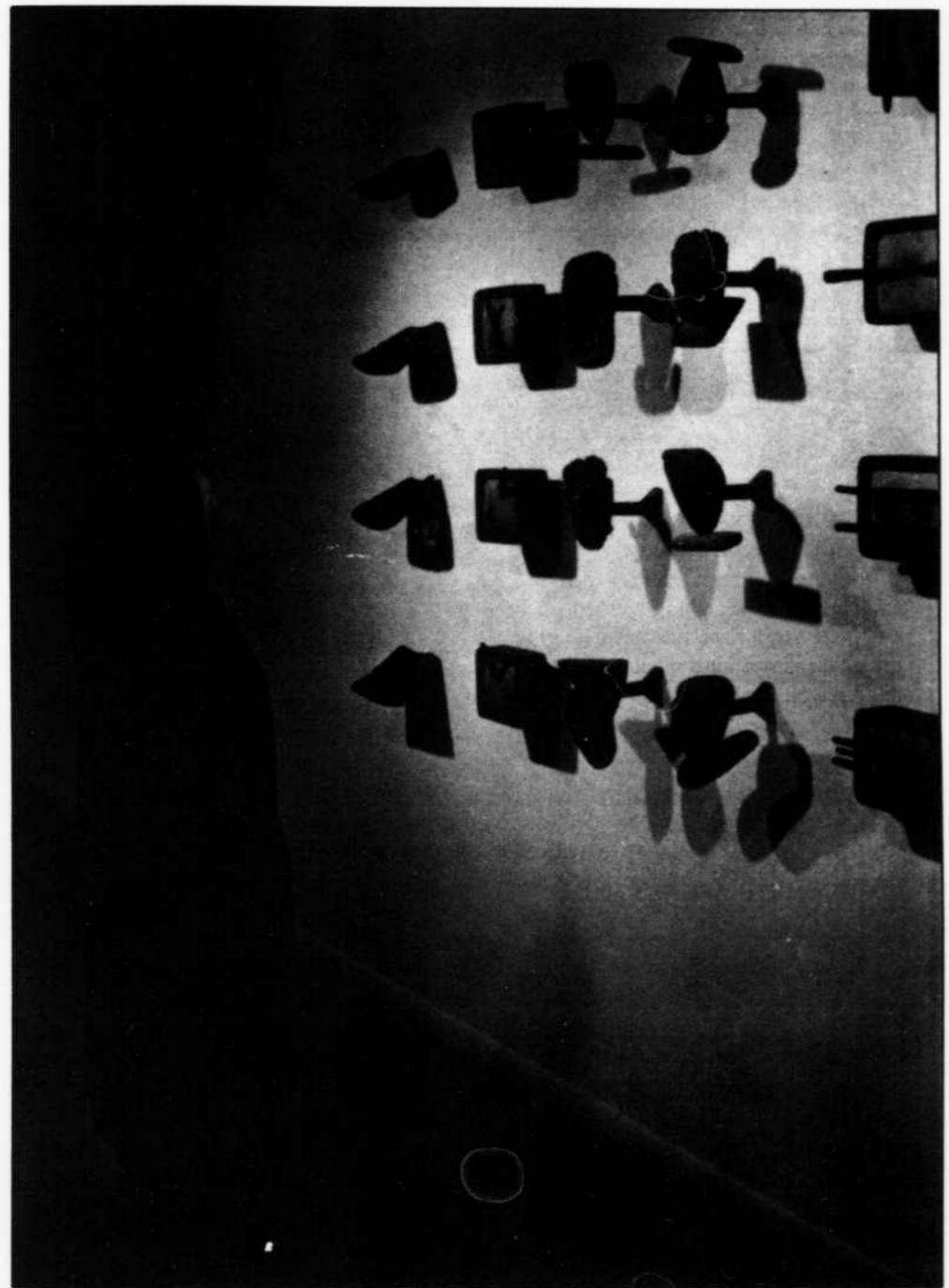
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### Annie's dating tips

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CHARLES HOGUE/staff

yuriko Yamaguchi's wall-mounted sculptures serve as visual poems displaying a deep respect for nature and a struggle to find the answers to the mysteries of our physical and spiritual existence. Yamaguchi uses her art to accentuate the mutual concerns shared by all people regardless of their racial differences or nationalities. Such concerns include basic needs such as food, air, water, and shelter as well as security, self-esteem, and freedom of expression. Through contemplative methodical activity Yamaguchi searches, as she has put it, for the "divine nature that is behind the myth of life."

- Jeff Fleming  
Curator of Exhibitions

The exhibit is now being show until November 18 at the Barn Gallery on campus. Above: Emily DeFrees admires the "Accounts Southeast: yuriko Yamaguchi" art exhibit.

## Alpha Phi Alpha takes first place

During the recent Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. District of Tennessee Convention, the MTSU undergraduate chapter won the District Step Show with a choreographed bevy of moves that left six other step teams in their wake.

This special event was held in Memphis at the Ramada Inn Hotel on November 5 through November 7. They dethroned the mighty Mu Beta Chapter of the University of Tennessee at Martin, which had won the step show for at least the past fifteen years

in a row.

Coordinator of the step team Brother Reggie Mason and eight other members won with dress, coordinated effort and showmanship. As a result of the win, they will represent MTSU and the State of Tennessee at the Alpha South Regional Conference against six other state winners. This will take place in Nashville during the weekend of February 24-27, 1994.

Members of the Step Team include Nichols Alfred, Michael Bennett, Dameon Blue, Carl Edmonson, Damone Gardner,

Danny Lewis, Reggie Mason, Nekerral Polk, Chris Price, Robert Smith and Ricardo Warfield.

The MTSU Miss Black and Gold Pageant winner Miss Kenya Beverly, a Junior Chemistry/Pre-Med major, did not place at the state competition but did represent Kappa Xi Chapter and MTSU. She competed against eight other contestants in a beautiful pageant held at Christian Brothers University.

Also at the conference, Dameon Blue, a sophomore pre-law major and brother of

Miss Beverly, was appointed Assistant Area Director for the Middle Tennessee District of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. He will be liaison to the District of Tennessee Administrative Board, representing college brothers interests at all board meetings. We also congratulate him on his appointment.

Murfreesboro and MTSU were chosen to host the 1994 Tennessee Association of Alphas District Conference to be held in November of 1994.

# Scenes from a mall

**Guinnevere's  
Fashion Corner**  
Cosette Joyner  
Staff Writer

Time and time again women attempt to drag a brother, boyfriend or husband to the mall to shop. And time and time again, these trips invariably end in frustration and bewilderment.

Most women are finicky, indecisive, loony and hairbrained - uncharted territory - unfamiliar beasts. (and I mean that in the most positive, peaceful way) Being that I AM a woman, I feel I am capable of forming a fair opinion. Men are simple. For these inevitable reasons, men and women are meant to shop by themselves.

When a woman reaches the mall, she has her own agenda. Her feet scurry across the tile, eyes shifting back and forth, searching fearlessly for that "one" thing she has been looking for. She is not sure what that "one" thing is yet, but when she finds it, she is confident that was "it".

"Dorothy, Dorothy," she yells to her

shopping buddy," I have been looking for this forever!" Yanking the garment from the rack, she hastily pulls it to her in front of a mirror.

She then asks for an "honest" opinion. This opinion will not in any way affect the purchasing decision, but it is needed merely for moral support.

After analyzing every good and bad point of the garment, the fitting room is next. In the tiny space congested with magnifying mirrors and bright lights, depression sets in. "My face is breaking out. I need to go on a diet TOMORROW. I am so pale. My hair is turning gray," the woman rattles off a humiliating inventory.

To survive this test, the garment must be able to temporarily relieve the acne, graying hair and cellulite. If the garment delivers an emotional comfort, she must have it.

While standing in line at the register, a woman, God willing, is pressed to make a decision: cash, check or charge. She must choose only one.

After much contemplation, the garment is paid for. She turns to leave. It is not yet over. She must walk, passing racks of clothing to the front

entrance. A legion of times she will find something her radar had not picked up on and another trip to the fitting room becomes necessary.

Whether a woman is shopping for herself or someone else, she is always shopping for herself. She may purchase an item for a friend, however, her ghoulish, evil personality claim, "If so-and-so doesn't like it, it's mine."

A man has a completely different attitude in the mall. He knows what he wants, when he wants it and usually has an effective plan on how to get it.

A man is not fickle. He does not try on outfit after outfit, criticizing himself under the revealing beams of the dressing room. He does not demand "his" color or what accents his skin, make-up and hair. He is not looking for emotional relief. He's looking for something to cover his butt and keep him cool or warm, depending on the season.

The most agony a man experiences is when he is shopping for a woman. A man seems to think any two garments that match are excellent gifts for his female companion. To hell with size, pattern, color, tailoring or

personality.

"Yo lady, does this match?" a man yells blindly, waving a skirt and top in the air like a flag. A simple "yeah" from the sales associate is all that is necessary. A childish smile lights up his face as he sprints to the register to pay for the garment, avoiding any more complexity. The sales person is not thoughtless, but cares enough to avoid humiliating him in public with confusing questions about who he's shopping for.

Unfortunately, he will pay the consequences upon returning home. "What is this? This is not my color! Have you ever seen me wear anything like this?" shrieks fill the air. A man, once again, pays the price for being humble.

When men hit the mall, they are looking for something they can see and touch, something materialistic. Women are looking for a life transformation: a jacket or earrings to expose the "new me". Neither sex is good or bad because of their silly ways. Shopping habits are only the tip of the iceberg that make men and women more aloof and peculiar in their own special light.

Do you find body piercing repulsive? Or, do you enjoy making a statement with your pierced belly-button or nose? Guinnevere wants to know. Drop a line stating where you stand at Box 6253, Cosette Joyner.

## Middle Tennessee Symphony showcases wind, brass section

**ELAINE WINTERS**  
Special to *Sidelines*

Works depicting skeletons, a wolf and a fool shared the spotlight with a major piano concerto at Sunday's Halloween Concert by the Middle Tennessee Symphony.

The program opened with the symphonic poem "Danse Macabre," written in 1875 by French composer Camille Saint-Saens. The inspiration behind the work was a poem by Henri Cazalis describing the allegorical figure of Death playing the violin in a nocturnally eerie graveyard while skeletons performed a ghostly dance. The work opened with a clear striking of midnight by the harp. A dance followed, involving an intricate interplay between a solo violin and string section, finally encompassing the entire orchestra.

Concert master Stefan Petrescu showed great versatility as the solo violin moved from the gruff introduction into the broad, forceful melody of the dance itself and eventually ending with a

gentle, almost melancholy passage, depicting the arrival of dawn. This was an excellent example of the full, rich string sound which has become synonymous with the Middle Tennessee Symphony.

In "Peter and the Wolf," composer Sergei Prokofiev created a masterpiece with appeal for sophisticated adults as well as children. The children learned to recognize the instruments of the orchestra as each character was represented by an instrument. Each character was also given a special melody which reappeared throughout the work.

The narrator told the simple story, which was written by Prokofiev. This composition was an excellent choice for the Middle Tennessee symphony because it showcased many of its talented members, especially in the wind and brass sections. The symphony's dialogue molded marvelously, to the delight of the audience.

The narrator, Lawrence Honsel, who has an extensive background in both

vocal performance and narration, gave an animated account of the story with a few modern twists (let's take the wolf to the zoo in a pickup truck - cool!)

The overall effect was one of charm and fun, which set well with the festive theme of Sunday's performance.

Featured soloist for the afternoon was internationally acclaimed pianist Andrei Deleanu. A native of Romania, Mr. Deleanu has recorded widely and won several international prizes. He is a graduate of the Music Academy of Bucharest and soloist of the Symphony Orchestra of Constanza.

The work, the "Concerto in G" by Maurice Ravel, came along in the last flush of the 1920's craze for jazz in symphonic context. Although it employs jazz harmonies and rhythms, it is full of classical allusions in structure.

Mr. Deleanu's interpretation showed both strength and sensitivity. The first movement was played at an appropriately brisk tempo and did justice to the composer's jazzy idioms.

Deleanu applied a fluid hand to the

beautifully lyrical second movement, which also featured several members of the orchestra. The last movement is a fast and a furious chase, which Deleanu and the orchestra played with a sense of strength and deliberateness.

Not a decibel of humor was missed in the execution of Strauss' "Till Eulenspiegel's Merry Pranks." The famous poem was inspired by an old German legend about a picturesque roque. The theme of Till was introduced by the horns and swaggers, coarse and comical, throughout the work. This piece was demanding and could collapse unless it was technically well executed.

Harvin proved equal to the challenge and established firm tempos and a broad range of dynamic for highly varied themes. Especially noteworthy was the first violin section that showed off its skill in the difficult passages with aplomb.

For more information on season tickets and future performances of the Middle Tennessee Symphony, call the Symphony office at 898-1862.

# X is back after 4 year sabbatical

**DANIELA GOPFERT**  
Assistant Life! Editor

"You want a new life/ Better than this one/ Ain't so bad/ Just want it different," X, "New Life."

"That song was about wandering," explains X singer/ songwriter/ bassist John Doe about one of the tracks from *hey Zeus!*, the band's first album in four years and debut for hip Brit indie, Big Life Records. "It was about the desire to see life from another perspective, to feel what it would be like to get inside someone else's skin, which is both fascinating and unattainable."

It could also describe the fresh slate and new start represented by the latest, eagerly awaited effort from a band which has become practically synonymous with the '80s punk-rock explosion in L.A., a seismic event that produced acts as different as Los Lobos, the Red Hot Chili Peppers, Jane's Addiction and Guns N' Roses. From their initial recordings for the Dangerhouse and Slash labels and their performances at the legendary Masque, X served to create and define a post-punk musical community which is just now hitting its commercial stride with such acts as Nirvana, Pearl Jam, Sonic Youth and others.

"People aren't as separatist or close-minded as they were when we first started out," agrees band vocalist Exene Cervenka. "These days, they don't care if you're old or young, what kind of music you used to play or what label your on. There's now a context and we're part of it."

"We realized there was an audience out there that wasn't just left over from 1980," adds John. "And you didn't have to meet their expectations by only playing fast and loud."

And while X's history is illustrious, the band — which includes, aside from John and Exene, guitarist Tony Gilkyson and drummer D.J. Bonebrake — refuses to live in the past. When they came back together two years ago for a series of New Year's Eve shows, it was like they'd never stopped playing, which in a sense, they hadn't. Individual members continued to collaborate in various formations, such as the acoustic-oriented Knitters, while John and Exene each



EXENE CERVENKA-TONY GILKYSON-D.J. BONEBRAKE-JOHN DOE

recorded solo albums and became involved in such side projects as movies and spoken word performances.

"There's more to this band than a relationship between two people or a relationship between the band and its original audience," says John.

"Taking a sabbatical was a good idea," chimes in D.J. "Everyone came back with stronger will, stronger personality and more confidence. When we worked on the material, there was more of an equality and an interplay than ever before."

"We just had more breathing room and time to try different things," adds guitarist Tony Gilkyson, who produced both of Exene's solo records.

"Everyone going off and playing different types of music helped, too," says Exene.

Under the guidance of producer Tony Berg, who has produced such acts as Michael Penn, Squeeze, Edie Brickell & the New Bohemians and PIL, the band vowed not to take the easy way out, but challenged their old working methods at every turn. And while X fans will

immediately relate to the darkness lacing the domesticity of "Big Blue House," the anxiety of "Someone's Watching" and the poetic surrealism of "New Life," the group has stretched out musically and thematically. Their turf is no longer just their home base of L.A., but the world at large.

"We has a lot of work to do to make this record," says Exene. "A great deal to discover and re-discover about ourselves as musicians, songwriters and performers. Our goal with this record was to do what Los Angeles first did, and that is to surprise people with something they weren't expecting."

"At once a celebration of survival and a full-fledged step into a brave new world, the still hard-edged *hey Zeus!* updates the groups cry of "We're Desperate" for the '90s.

"This is more direct than we've ever been about political issues," admits John. "We were faced with the task of writing songs that made good on the group's promise and took us to the next step."

"It's kinda nice because our place in

history is already established, so now we don't have to worry about it," says Exene. "But ultimately, none of that stuff matters. You can't be responsible for what's going on around you. The past is not a burden. It's great we can put that away, though, and just do stuff now."

"But if it weren't for this new crop of bands, I don't think I'd be as enthusiastic about doing this. I like the fact it's not weird to have your hair dyed red, to be a political activist or to listen to a band like Nirvana. For me, it's like getting out of Jail."

If you're an X fan, you'll enjoy their new album and be happy to know that they are out on tour. If you're not too familiar with X, listen to a copy of *hey Zeus!* before you buy it. Either way — give *hey Zeus!* a chance to prove that its a great listen.

After completing a successful summer tour of the U.S., X will once again hit the road, starting at the end of October. The band pulls into Nashville on Thursday, Dec. 2 to play at 328 Performance Hall.

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## Ready or not - here we come!

### Raiders head to Eastern Kentucky battle with playoff hopes intact

**TONY J. ARNOLD**  
Sports Editor

It's like the North rooting for the South but when Middle Tennessee travels to Eastern Kentucky on Saturday, Tennessee Tech will be cheering for the Big Blue.

"There's no question who'll I'll be rooting for," said Tech mentor Jim Ragland. "I'll be pulling for Boots Donnelly and the Blue Raiders."

And for good reason. Ragland's Eagles stand a game behind ECU in the Ohio Valley Conference football race. With a MTSU win, Tech stands to tie for its first OVC crown since 1975. If Middle wins, Eastern slips to Morehead next week and Tech deals with MTSU in the final regular-season game for both teams, Tech wins it outright.

But first things first and Donnelly's squad is preparing for a rugged road trip. The 23rd ranked Raiders have not won in Richmond since 1984 but they'll have to Saturday in order to keep their play-off hopes alive.

"If we beat Eastern Kentucky and Tennessee Tech, they're going to have to consider us," Donnelly said referring to the

play-off committee. "But we've got to beat those people first starting with Eastern.

"We dug a hole for ourselves early in the season and we're trying to salvage our season and get the bitter taste out of our mouths."

Eastern's Colonels enter the game with a spotless 6-0 mark. It is 6-3 overall including two losses (Youngstown State and Western Kentucky) at home. The third loss came at Northeast Louisiana.

"They've lost to three good teams this season, but that was early," Donnelly said. "Right now, they are a very sound football team that isn't making many mistakes."

"They're just a typical Eastern team. They line the ball up, run it down your throat and dare you to stop them. Defensively, they are still a very physical bunch."

While MTSU will enter the game sporting the leagues best tailback in Kippy Bayless, the Colonels take a back-seat to no one.

Both Leon Brown and Mike Penman are averaging over 100 yards per game. But the Raiders have the second rated rush

defense giving up only 155.7 yards per game.

"They have two outstanding running backs who are both averaging over 100 yards, so it's not a matter of being bale to concentrate on containing one back," Donnelly said.

Eastern renders only 166.9 yards per game on the ground meaning whoever establishes the pass best may open it up for the touted running games.

EKU quarterback Greg Couch is last in the league just as MTSU's pass defense. Raider general Kelly Holcomb is second in the league with a 142.8 yard average and ECU ranks seventh in pass defense.

And another key is injuries that have nagged several blue Raiders throughout the season.

"We're still a banged-up team and we're not going there with all our guns," Donnelly said. "The problem is they will have all of their guns."

"But if we want to turn our season around, we need to win at Eastern, as tough an assignment as that might be."

Saturday's game will be televised live on SportSouth television network at 6 p.m.

## Division I-AA Top 25

*The Top 25 teams in the 1993 Sports Network Division I-AA poll.*

Team	W-L-T	Pts.	Prvs.
1. Youngstown	8-1-0	1501	1
2. Marshall	7-2-0	1459	2
3. Ga. Southern	7-2-0	1378	3
4. Troy State	8-0-1	1353	4
5. Montana	9-1-0	1334	5
6. NE Louisiana	7-2-0	1214	7
7. McNeese State	7-2-0	1142	8
8. Boston U.	9-0-0	1107	9
9. Howard U.	9-0-0	999	10
10. William & Mary	7-2-0	964	11
11. Idaho	7-2-0	937	6
12. Central Florida	7-2-0	879	13
13. North. Iowa	7-3-0	792	15
14. Southern U.	9-1-0	684	17
15. Alcorn St.	7-2-0	615	18
16. West. Carolina	6-3-0	515	20
17. Pennsylvania	8-0-0	509	21
18. NC A&T	7-2-0	458	12
19. Steph. F. Austin	6-3-0	443	22
20. E. Kentucky	6-3-0	431	23
21. Massachusetts	7-2-0	317	25
22. Delaware	6-3-0	294	14
23. MTSU	5-4-0	181	-
24. Princeton	7-1-0	176	16
25. W. Kentucky	6-3-0	133	24

### Blue Bits

#### Robinson joins 1,000 kill club

Senior volleyball standout Priscilla Robinson topped the 1,000 kill mark for her career at Eastern Kentucky last weekend. She has been the Lady Raiders top percentage hitter this season and is the career leader in that category. Robinson now has 1,031 kills. She joins Mary Rickman (1,301) and Lisa White (1,114) as the only players in MTSU history with more than 1,000 kills.

Not only did she go over a 1,000 kills, Robinson also set a MTSU record with 14 services aces in a conference win over Tennessee State a week ago. She had 11 aces in the first game and a string of 10 in a row.

Junior setter Becky Tumblin has also amassed 2,874 assist over her three-year career at MTSU. She is now just 547 assist away from the OVC record for assist in a career which is 3,421 by Monica Dimmett of Tennessee Tech.

#### Lady Raiders sign two early

It's official!

The MTSU Lady Raider basketball family has two new members. They are Teneka Burrell and Julie Eve.

Burrell is from Athens, Ala. The 5-10 guard-forward averaged 16.5 points and 11.5 rebounds last year. Eve, a 5-11 forward from Cleveland, Tenn. is noted for her shooting touch and excellent fundamentals.

## To Richmond we march....

### Do the Blue Raiders have the guts to compete with ECU?

To Richmond we march.

When the schedule was made, it was certain that when week 10 rolled around, it would be the biggest game of the year. For Eastern Kentucky, it's a championship game but contrary to earlier belief, it is a game the Raiders are playing to stay alive.

Year in, year out, it always comes down to MTSU and ECU battling it out for the OVC title. Since 1987, the schools have not finished one and two in the conference race. Not since 1980 has one or the other not won a share of the conference title.

The possibility that this holds true again is almost certain because ECU will have to suffer a major lapse to lose its title. However, MTSU is certainly going to have a tough time



**TONY ARNOLD**  
Sports Editor

finishing second and lightning will more likely strike us than will Middle win the OVC.

Nevertheless, this is the game of the year.

Middle Tennessee has struggled and it's not the game everyone anticipated it being, but that doesn't make it any less important. Somehow, someday, the Blue Raiders are still breathing. After a heartbreaking loss to Tennessee State followed by an embarrassing loss to UT-Martin, the Raiders are still breathing. After losses to

Division I-A school Tulsa and Hawaii, the Blue Raiders are still breathing!

With a 44-10 win over Austin Peay this past weekend, MTSU crept back into the Division I-AA poll at the 23rd spot. That means with a win at Eastern and a win the following week at Tennessee Tech might earn the Blue Raiders a trip to the I-AA play-offs.

In all honesty, we'll be lucky to do so. Not in the sense that MTSU can't beat both these schools, but we really don't belong in the polls.

After MTSU dropped that game to UT-Martin they remained in the polls and they had no business being there. They can attribute the fact that they

# Baseball squad to play a round of 'Marathon Golf' for indoor facility

'Building to be the Best.'

That's the theme Blue Raider head baseball coach Steve Peterson has come up with in an ongoing effort to take his program to the next level. As you read, Peterson and his ban of players and supporting staff are gathering pledges for a new indoor training facility for the baseball team's use.

This facility is going to be divided into two phases. The first consists of a 5,400 square foot training facility which will consist of two indoor batting cages and four pitcher's mounds.

Peterson is hopeful that this first phase will be completed within the next year.

The second phase will be an addition that will house the baseball offices, locker rooms and all other necessities a clubhouse requires.

Currently, the baseball team uses a locker room facility located under the football stadium. Also, due to the season starting in February and practice in January, the team often has to resort to using an auxiliary gym since the Tennessee weather isn't always fitting.

"We're trying to build everything by the baseball field," Peterson said. "We've got a program and university that is on the move and we need an indoor facility. With university growth and academic schedules and everything else, we need a facility where the baseball players can go and work out when they can."

Currently, the team has to work in cooperation with the women's softball team, as well as academic courses the players are in or those that are being offered that may occupy any indoor facility.

As is usually the case, the university cannot afford to fund this facility and Peterson is spurring on the funding with the first ever 'Blue Raider Baseball Golf Marathon.'

"It'll be held Dec. 3 out at the Indian Hills Golf Club and the players, coaches and supporting staff of the 1994 team will play marathon golf," Peterson said.

Marathon golf means 100 holes, and that's a

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Carl E. Lambert/ Staff

Ohhhhh: Roger Burahm checks out his OVC championship ring as teammate Mudcat Brewer looks on. The baseball team was presented with the rings prior to Saturday's football game.

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## Aly extends 'Line' lead with three weeks left

"I think the pressure is getting to him."

So says Tony Arnold who witnessed 'Line' leader Charles Aly virtually break down in tears when he saw the *USA Today* left out the recent spread yesterday.

"He was left without a clue as to what to do," Arnold said. "But you think that was bad, you should have seen him when he found an old spread and saw Vanderbilt was actually favored."

Aly's 8-2 mark last week moved him ahead of everyone and he enters the week with a two game lead over the combined total posted by the guest picker. Tripp Ballard also went 8-2, Arnold went 7-3 while Coley Jackson and guest picker John Stanford brought up the rear with a 6-4 marks.

"Pressure, what pressure?," Aly said as he swallowed a bottle of aspirin and continued to hold his head. "There is no pressure. What pressure? WHAT PRESSURE?!!!!!"

Down in the basement, Jackson took a step back slipping three games behind Ballard, whom he vowed he wouldn't be beat by.

"We'll, I guess he's just lucky," Jackson said. "He may be ahead but at least I'm better looking."

"Does he even know what a mirror looks like?," Ballard responded.

This week's guest is Lewis Bivens. Bivens is the head basketball coach of the Lady Raiders.

Line Standings				
Name	Win	Loss	GB	Pct.
Charles Aly	69	31	-	.690
Guest Picker	67	33	2	.670
Tony Arnold	65	35	4	.650
Tripp Ballard	62	38	7	.620
Coley Jackson	59	41	10	.590

On The Line	Tony Arnold	Tripp Ballard	Coley Jackson	Charles Aly	Lewis Bivens
MTSU at ECU	MTSU 24-21 I think we're the better team	MTSU 30-20 Big Blue Upset!	MTSU 34-24 Bring on Tech!	MTSU 30-10 Backs to the wall	MTSU 28-21 Improving
Navy at Vanderbilt	Navy 35-10 If they can scare ND, they'll kill VU	Vandy 21-7 Vandy wins two in a row!	Vandy 99-0 Gotta go with the 'Dores	Vandy 21-17 I hate picking Vandy	Vandy 21-7 Must win
Florida at S. Carolina	Fla. 21-17 This one will be close	Fla. 28-10 Hope not!	Fla. 35-21 Cut that hair!	Fla. 35-19 Spurrier out-whines Taneyhill	Fla. 40-10 Great offense
Auburn at Georgia	Aub. 17-14 'Dawgs give it away	Ga. 35-28 War Eagles suck!	Aub. 17-14 A Classic - that we can't watch!	Aub. 37-13 Unlike gators, Auburn has 'D'	Ga. 28-21 Auburn's due a loss
Fla. State at Notre Dame	ND 38-35 Never bet against 'em in Sth. Bend	FSU 21-14 Seminoles #1 for sure	FSU 38-35 Ohh,OhhOhhOhh, Ohh, OhhOhhOhh	FSU 27-26 Only if it isn't wide right	FSU 35-24 If Charlie's healthy
Indiana at Ohio State	State 24-14 Buckeyes on the rebound	State 14-3 Buckeyes are mad	State 28-10 Buckeyes do it to it	State 38-3 State rebounds	State 35-21 Woody's smiling
Arizona St. at UCLA	UCLA 35-31 Ariz. State can put up some pts.	UCLA 30-3 Offense like octane	UCLA 35-21 Bruins too much for ASU	UCLA 28-6 Headed for the Roses	UCLA 21-10 Rose Bowl Bound
Arizona at California	Cal. 28-24 Bears embarrassed last weekend	Ariz. 17-7 Wildcats still weak	Ariz. 28-10 Desert defense prevails	Ariz. 17-14 Too close for comfort	Ariz. 10-7 Who are these guys?
Virginia at Clemson	Vir. 21-7 Clemson stinks like Coley	Vir. 3-0 Get serious!	Clem. 2-0 Tigers tough at home	Vir. 26-17 Playing it safe	Clem. 28-14 Keep Ken
Kansas at Colorado	Col. 35-17 This isn't Nebraska	Col. 7-3 Put these guys in jail!	Col. 14-7 Yawner	Col. 24-20 Protecting my lead	Col. 22-14 Snow and cold

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## MTSU tennis squad closes out fall schedule

TONY J. ARNOLD  
Sports Editor

Dale Short took some of his men to the Rolex National Qualifying Tournament in Nashville over the weekend to see how they would compete with some of the nations best. And while the Raiders didn't do quite as well as they hoped, they didn't come home disappointed.

"I think we had some good performances and they're were 128 players there from our region which is the toughest region around," commented Short.

Shane Scrutton led the

singles attack making it to the third round before falling in a three set duel.

Paul Goebel and Fredrick Niemeyer both fell in the second round while three other MTSU performers were dealt losses in the first round.

In doubles action, Goebel and Niemeyer teamed up and made it to the quarter finals before losing to the eventual champions.

Both Middle Tennessee's men and women's tennis teams have now completed their fall schedule and will resume play in January.

## March to Richmond....

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remained to the Mike Caldwell's, the Joe Campbell's, the Walter Dunson's and many more. It's a game of respect.

MTSU was tabbed to win the I-AA National Championship during the pre-season and now they're battling to finish above .500. That prediction was probably formulated around the past history of this program. This is a different team and this is different situation.

This Blue Raider team has struggled throughout the year. There have been some bright spots but as head coach Boots Donnelly has pointed out, when you're looking for bright spots, you're grasping for something positive.

Facts are facts and the Blue Raiders of 1993 have not lived up to their billing. Granted, the billing was probably too high anyway, but there are no excuses for losing to UT-Martin. There's no excuse for letting Tennessee State come back and win. There is no excuse for Tulsa getting frequent flyer miles with its passing game.

But, grasping for those bright spots again, there is still hope and there is a lot to play for Saturday. Now it's a question of which Blue Raider team will show up.

Will it be the one that plays for a quarter and then takes a lunch break? Or will it be the one that's leaves its guts on the field after battling to the bitter end?

I guess we'll see Saturday.  
To Richmond we march....

## Baseball project....

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minimum. Sponsors make donations for each hole played or they may donate special gifts.

"We'll start at daylight and finish in the dark," Peterson said. "We've ordered special glow-in-the-dark balls so we can finish."

To date, the team has already raised close to \$15,000 and there are still nearly three weeks left before the tournament. Although there is no actual cost that has been set, Peterson admitted that they were going "to take a sizeable bite out of the cost with this event."

Not only will this facility serve as a training place for Peterson's squad, it will also add a new dimension to the campus and should help in recruiting efforts.

"It will be a nice facility and

it will be one this university will be proud of," he said. "It might not be the biggest but how it looks and for what it will serve, it will be the best. It will fit our baseball program to the tee.

"Any recruit that comes, no matter who else they are being recruited by, will see that we won't take a back seat to anybody. Academically, we can compete with anybody. It's apples to apples. When we get this facility and we have everything else, we'll be as good as anyone."

Anyone interested in sponsoring the golf marathon may fill out the form provided in today's sports section and send it to MTSU, Attn. Blue Raider Golf Marathon, Box 90, Murfreesboro, TN. 37132 or you may call Peterson at 898-2984.

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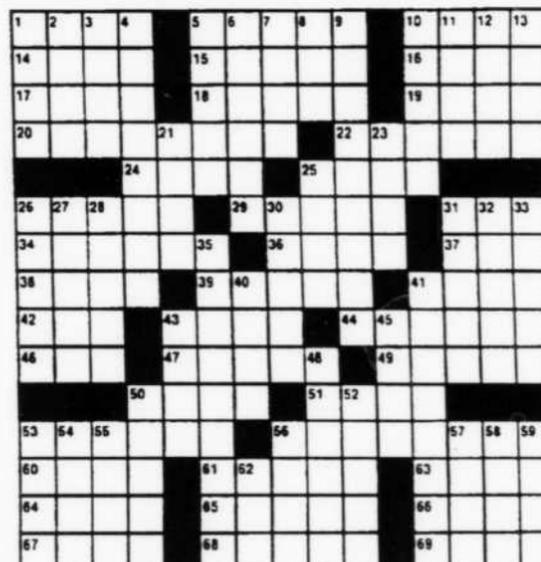
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