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Fraternity faces misconduct sanctions

By Lindsey Turner
Editor in Chief

At least one fraternity will find itself unable to participate in any Homecoming activities this weekend due to sanctions placed by the university for behavioral misconduct.

Kappa Alpha has been placed on social probation, according to Gene Fitch, dean of Student Life, until May 15, 2003. During this time, the fraternity loses its eligibility to compete in Homecoming activities, hold social events or participate in intramural sports.

"There's been some things going on that we need to get a handle on," Fitch said. "We're working with their national offices to try and figure out

what we need to do."

According to John Dickerson, assistant dean for Judicial Affairs, Kappa Alpha was found responsible for conduct dangerous to others, disorderly conduct, obstruction of or interference with institutional activities or facilities, alcohol consumption on campus and other general violations of campus rules and regulations.

"We ... decided that the best thing to do was to kind of back them off, restrict their privileges, let them focus on getting their leadership in place and [determine] what direction they should take their chapter before they should get involved with having any other activities," Fitch said.

Part of the fraternity's mis-

conduct that led to their probation occurred Sept. 15, when an MTSU Public Safety officer was hit with an object while investigating loud music coming from the Kappa Alpha house at approximately 2:20 a.m.

According to the police report, the officers followed loud music to what was apparently a party at the Kappa Alpha house. The report says that, as officers entered the property surrounding the house, they could see members of both Kappa Alpha and Kappa Sigma throwing objects. Officers also found alcohol, which is not permitted on campus.

The officer who was struck with an object wasn't seriously hurt, but was treated for a cut over her eye.

Officers of Kappa Alpha could not be reached for comment, despite repeated attempts to contact their house.

Fitch said the organization is facing leadership problems, which, in turn, result in out-of-control behavior.

"It wouldn't necessarily be one individual," Fitch said. "It's just leadership in general. They weren't focused on what Kappa Alpha is all about."

Director of Greek Life Kim Godwin declined comment on the fraternity's behavior, but said leadership is a problem.

"I don't know that they're doing the best they can to recruit the best guys on campus," Godwin said. "And the fact that, in a year-and-a-half, I am the fourth person to hold this

title is a problem."

The Greek Life office has had several interim directors in the past year and, this semester, Godwin was chosen to fill the position permanently.

"They're very used to being on their own and they're very used to people not telling them what they can do and very used to doing things they shouldn't do," she said.

Godwin said she has been planning various leadership activities to help with the situation.

"They really have been out there kind of by themselves for a long time and that's hard to lead a group that has such an impact on campus without any support," Godwin said.

Kappa Alpha is still allowed

to have its weekly chapter meetings, and they can still host non-alcoholic alumni functions. In addition to the sanctions, the fraternity is being asked to complete training involving alcohol awareness and other issues raised by their misconduct.

Two other fraternities, Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Kappa Sigma, are under investigation for similar behavioral offenses. Neither Dickerson nor Fitch could comment on the status of those allegations.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon can't participate in this year's Homecoming due to sanctions placed on them in the spring, after an incident that occurred in their house in April. ♦

Jason Cox contributed to this story.

KUC hosts carnival



Photo by Amy Jones | Chief Photographer

Freshman physical education major Napoleon Smith rides a mechanical bull at Tuesday's Homecoming carnival in front of the Keathley University Center.

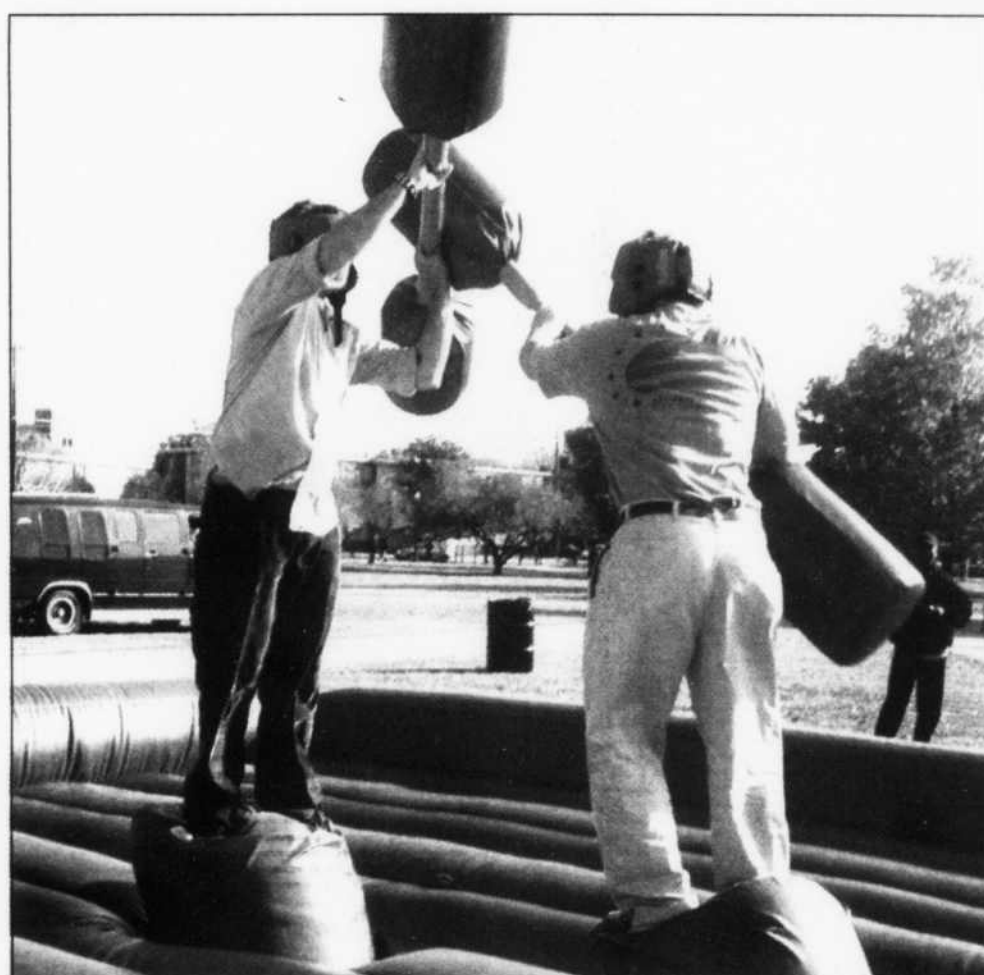


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MT rugby Mooseman Chris Redd, left, beats up on teammate Jonathan Atkinson at the Homecoming carnival Tuesday on the Knoll.

Recording industry majors face difficulties registering

By Patrick Chinnery
Assistant News Editor

When Jonathan Arnold, a junior recording industry major, went to enroll in spring courses on the fifth day of priority registration, all he found was a surprise.

Every production and technique course, save one, was closed.

This is a perennial problem for the recording industry department, which must deal with an ever-increasing student population and a stagnant amount of studio space.

"There are not enough studios for the number of students that have made candidacy," said Cosette Collier, acting chair of the recording industry depart-

ment.

"Enrollment has jumped from 1,500 [students] to 1,700."

As of Nov. 7, all sections of principles and practice of electronic music, applied digital audio and techniques of recording were full, leaving many recording industry majors to face the possibility that they may have to stay in school for an extra year or two.

"I had full intentions to graduate early. Now, I'm looking at a much longer stay here at



Campbell

MTSU. I know one student who has been here six years, and I wouldn't be surprised if there were others like him," Arnold said in a letter to President Sidney McPhee, College of Mass Communication Dean Anantha Babbili and many recording industry professors.

According to interim Executive Vice President and Provost Bob Eaker, the biggest problem is two-fold — a lack of studios and an incredible amount of time required per student in the studio. The Bragg Mass Communication building currently houses one studio that is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

"The problem is that the

See Registration, 3

Students vote 'no' to plus-minus

By Amanda Maynard
News Editor

Student Government Association election results are in and, according to the Student Government Association, an overwhelming number of students voted on the referendum to abolish the plus/minus grading system.

"The turnout was so impressive," said Willie Nelson III, SGA election commissioner. "We were very excited about it."

More than 2,000 students voted in the election, with 1,364 of those voting to get rid of the grading system.

Under the current policy, teachers may choose whether or not they want to use the system. The current system allows

teachers to give students a plus or minus on any grade depending on the quality of work. Without the system, students would receive only a letter grade.

The system was voted into policy by the Faculty Senate a few years ago and they must reevaluate the policy if it is brought back to the Senate this year.

"It is not an issue; the Senate has already addressed that issue," said Jennifer Dooley, Faculty Senate president.

President Sidney McPhee has also addressed the SGA, expressing his support for the Faculty Senate's original policy, according to Dooley.

"The issue may be brought to the Senate by a faculty mem-

ber, faculty groups or Senate," Dooley said.

Though voter turnout was impressive, the SGA received a few calls concerning the voting procedures. Nelson said there was a small computer glitch early last Monday morning that might have inhibited students from casting their vote. Many students were unable to even reach the SGA voting link through WebMT.

"We are fair and non-biased," Nelson said. "Less than 10 people had a problem."

Accusations of unfair voting procedures were put to rest later that afternoon and students were able to resume voting.

The plus/minus system was

See Election, 3

Game ball gets soaring introduction

By Stephanie Hill
Staff Writer

Students will get to see a treat on Saturday at the Homecoming game against the University of Louisiana-Monroe Indians, weather permitting.

The 101st Airborne Division Command Parachute Team's "Screaming Eagles," based at Fort Campbell, Ky., are delivering the gameday ball at 2:31 p.m. — five minutes before the Sun Belt Conference game, just before kickoff.

"The four-member team will be carrying the United States flag, the MTSU flag and the game ball to an area between

the 40 and 50 yard lines," said Major Chuck Giles, assistant professor of military science. The team will make the jump if the weather is right.

"They will jump if the winds aren't too high and it's not raining hard," Giles said.

The predicted weather forecast for Saturday is temperatures in the 40s and a slight chance of rain.

The Federal Aviation Administration has also given its clearance, saying the jump is a go.

"The parachute team's appearance at the game is a thank-you for inviting Fort Campbell to be part of the veterans' salute in late September,"

Giles said.

The team and all accompanied support personnel have been invited to stay for the festivities.

In addition to the 101st Airborne being at the game, MTSU's Army ROTC will have a climbing wall for anyone who wants to participate near the tennis courts.

The game is also going to be televised regionally on Comcast Sports South cable channel 27.

MTSU's military science department, which was ranked No. 1 in the nation in 2000, slipped to No. 8 in 2001.

For more information on the military science department, call 898-2470. ♦



WORLD BRIEFS

Compiled By Patrick Chinnery - Assistant News Editor



Taped voice sounds like bin Laden, U.S. official says

WASHINGTON (AP) — Counterterrorism officials pored over the audio recording believed to be from Osama bin Laden on Wednesday, seeking clues about the terrorist chief's whereabouts and his intentions to strike America and its allies.

Officials said they were treating the tape as a real message from al-Qaida's missing leader, even as the CIA and National Security Agency conducted a technical analysis of the tape aimed at further authenticating it.

President Bush said he was taking the message "very seriously."

"Whoever put the tape out has put the world on notice yet again that we're at war," the president said after a Cabinet meeting at the White House.

Many intelligence analysts have concluded the audiotape almost certainly was made by bin Laden, said a senior law enforcement official, speaking on condition of anonymity. Other U.S. officials were more conservative, saying it probably came from bin Laden.

Bishops approve sex abuse policy in nation's capital

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. Roman Catholic bishops overwhelmingly approved a compromise sex abuse policy Wednesday after the Vatican demanded they make changes to balance fairness to priests with compassion for victims.

Weary of scandal, bishops hoped the new plan would restore their credibility after 10 months of revelations that church leaders have sheltered molesters in the clergy. Victims and some rank-and-file Catholics were dissatisfied, and pledged to fight on for greater accountability from bishops.

The Vatican still must approve the policy to make it church law, and therefore binding on the bishops, but the revisions were worked out with offi-

cials from the Holy See. U.S. prelates are certain the document will receive Vatican approval.

The bishops voted 246-7 with six abstentions to adopt the Vatican-demanded changes, which were developed to ensure due process protections for accused priests.

Iraq agrees to return of weapons inspectors

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Claiming Iraq was seeking the "path of peace," Saddam Hussein's government agreed Wednesday to the return of international weapons inspectors, accepting a stringent U.N. resolution two days ahead of a deadline.

Although Iraq accepted the tough terms, President Bush warned he had "zero tolerance" for any Iraqi attempts to hide weapons of mass destruction and said a coalition of nations is ready to force Saddam to disarm.

Iraq's nine-page letter of acceptance was laced with anti-American and anti-Israeli statements as well as stern warnings for U.N. weapons inspectors.

In contrast, Iraq's U.N. ambassador, Mohammed Al-Douri, said his government had chosen "the path of peace" and its acceptance had "no conditions, no reservations."

Still, the harsh tone in Iraqi Foreign Minister Naji Sabri's letter to U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, and its warnings about how Baghdad expects inspectors to behave, raised questions about Iraq's plans to cooperate with the resolution.

Hard-hit Tennessee declared a disaster area

MOSSY GROVE, Tenn. (AP) — President Bush declared 16 Tennessee counties disaster areas Wednesday, freeing millions in federal aid for a state that lost 16 people in weekend tornadoes that cut a deadly path across five states.

Federal Emergency

Management Agency Director Joe Allbaugh brought the news to still-dazed victims in this mountain community 40 miles northwest of Knoxville.

"You are brave souls," said Allbaugh, who spoke with Bush by telephone as he walked amid the mud and smoke from burning debris in what was once a neighborhood of two dozen brick houses and trailers. The tornado demolished half of them.

State and federal assessment teams were also checking damage in Alabama, Mississippi and Ohio, where the storms also claimed lives. In all, 35 people were killed in the storms.

Supreme Court considers sex offender laws

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court considered Wednesday whether some states unconstitutionally punish convicted sex offenders twice, first with jail time or probation, then by putting their pictures on the Internet.

Many justices seemed to support the online registries as the court reviewed its first challenges of what are known as Megan's laws, although some questioned whether the statutes stigmatize non-dangerous convicts as predators.

In a companion case, justices will decide if states should give offenders a chance to prove they aren't dangerous to avoid having their picture and address put on the Internet.

Every state and the federal government have sex-offender registry laws. Information in more than 30 states is available online.

"What is irrational or unconstitutional about warning people about categories of people who may be dangerous?" Justice Antonin Scalia asked the attorney for two Alaska sex offenders who served time for sex crimes before the Alaska registration law was passed and contend they've been punished once already.

Lott re-elected Senate Republican leader

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republicans on Wednesday elevated Tom DeLay, their most effective advocate for conservative causes, to the position of majority leader, joining Speaker Dennis Hastert at the head of a Republican Party fortified by election gains.

Senate Republicans, fresh from an election victory that put them back in the majority, also re-elected Sen. Trent Lott, R-Miss., as their leader, and chose Kentucky Sen. Mitch McConnell, the party's leading foe of limits on campaign spending, to be Lott's deputy, the Senate whip.

Rep. Deborah Pryce, R-Ohio, was elected to be the House GOP's Republican Conference chairman, the highest position a GOP woman lawmaker has ever

held. The conference chairman, responsible for communicating the party's message, is No. 4 in the leadership hierarchy.

DeLay, who succeeds fellow Texan Dick Armey as majority leader, said he would "work hard to bring Republicans and willing Democrats together."

British hacker case largest ever against U.S. military

WASHINGTON (AP) — The chief suspect in what U.S. authorities are calling the largest ever successful hacking effort against American military networks is an unemployed British computer administrator who worked from his home computer.

Gary McKinnon, 36, of London was indicted in federal courts in Virginia and New Jersey on Tuesday on eight counts of computer-related crimes. These included break-

ins over 12 months at 92 separate U.S. military and National Aeronautics and Space Administration networks across 14 states, including two at the Pentagon. McKinnon also was accused of hacking the networks of six private companies and organizations.

McKinnon, known on the Internet as "SOLO," remains free although he was briefly held by British authorities, U.S. Attorney Paul McNulty said.

He said the Justice Department will seek to extradite McKinnon, an exceedingly rare move in international hacking cases.

McKinnon was charged in "the biggest hack of military computers ever, at least ever detected," McNulty said. He estimated the damage, including the cost to reinstall software on the affected computers, at \$900,000. ♦



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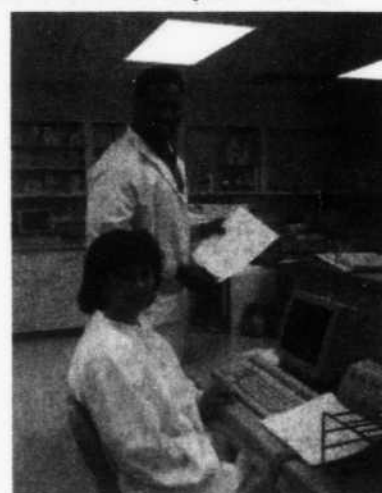
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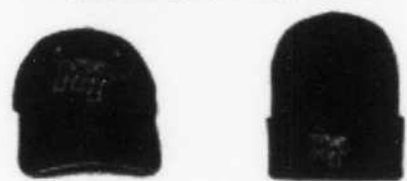


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(Top) Lavergne High School students Danyelle Gore, Lauren Hill and Stephanie Erny, left to right, look over data about their adopted country, Iceland. (Bottom) Paige High School students Sarah Keely, Caroline Hatcher and Amy Wheeler, left to right, crunch numbers concerning Nicaragua, the country the students represented. The students gathered as part of the International Economic Summit held on campus Tuesday.

Registration: Creative solutions needed for RIMs

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course that uses that lab requires students to do projects in that lab. Multiply that by the number of students that have to do their project in the lab ... it means that the lab can't handle everyone," Eaker said.

"We are victim of being such a popular program," Callier said.

Other mass comm programs, such as journalism, are not facing a similar space crisis, however.

Richard Campbell, director of the School of Journalism, said this year's registration process has been no more hectic than past years.

"This doesn't feel any different to me ... than it has any other semester," Campbell said. "The classes that tend to close are the specialized writing classes."

Campbell said he has had to meet with less than five students who were suffering from scheduling problems so far this year.

He also said that he was concerned with getting seniors into necessary classes so they can graduate on time.

Eaker and Collier said discussions were underway regarding ideas to solve the space problem. To help some students, an extra session of techniques of recording will be offered in the summer. A long-term solution to the problem remains elusive, however.

"We need to look at our facility to see if we have squeezed enough use out of them," Callier said. "We have to see how much more creative we can get with access to the studios to make something happen."

"Obviously, we need another lab," Eaker said. "But even if we started now, we couldn't have it by January." ♦

Amanda Maynard, Jason Cox and Lindsey Turner contributed to this story.

Election: Homecoming court announced

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not the only campus issue voted on. The Homecoming court was also announced.

Homecoming Queen potentials include Kristi Allen, Britney Denny, Jessica Heim, April Little and Laura McGregor.

King potentials include Samuel Adams, Luke Burke, Adrian Edsall, Cal Majure and Michael Shirley.

The winners in each category will be announced at Saturday's Homecoming game against Louisiana-Monroe, to kick off at 2:30 p.m. ♦

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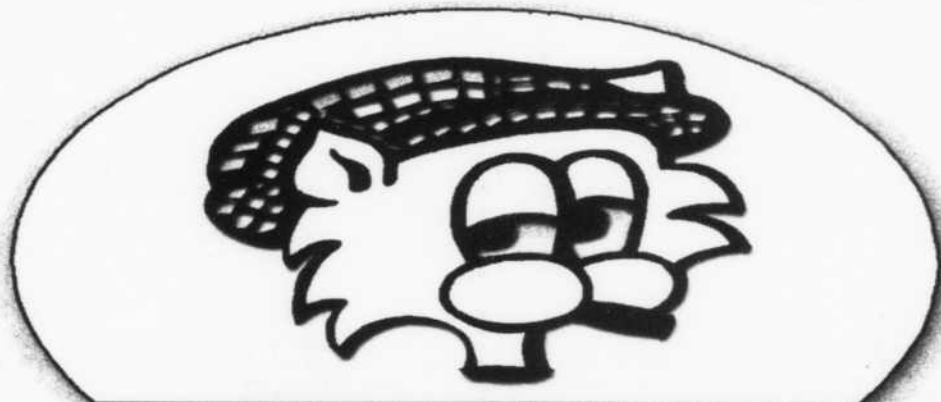


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From the Editorial Board Innovation needed to help RIM majors

For many students who would rather not have classes before 9 a.m. or after 5 p.m., registration time is often hectic and frustrating.

It is particularly trying for recording industry management majors, who very often spend five or six years trying to get out of this university – and some of that time is spent waiting around for required classes to be available.

A huge problem for the program is that there is only one studio for them to use. While it is accessible 24/7, students and staff alike report that the massive length of time required to complete class projects puts the studio in constant demand.

It is obvious that work on a second studio should begin as soon as possible. The inevitable bureaucratic paper-pushing that would have to occur for this to happen might slow things down a bit, but – assuming the projects are necessary and are conducive to the student learning experience – education should not be compromised due to a lack of facilities.

With this added availability, however, should a price come with it? Perhaps recording industry majors should pay a little bit more than those of us who would not be able to use the studio. This might seem unfair to some, but many recording industry students already use the studio for their bands and other non-academic purposes – a practice allowed by the department that we think should continue. It shouldn't be anything exorbitant; it'd certainly be much cheaper than if these guys had to buy studio time elsewhere.

As for the five or so recording industry students who do not have their own band, they would at least take comfort in the lesser amount of time required to graduate. After all, this fee would not be anywhere near that of another semester's tuition.

The recording industry program at MTSU is one of the few that truly draws students from across the nation and even the globe (not to mention its close proximity to Nashville and that many RIM people actually get jobs.) Let's keep it at the top of its genre. ♦

From the Editor In Chief If you want a friend, buy your own newspaper



Lindsey Turner
Editor in Chief

Apparently, there's a misconception about what this newspaper is for.

Let's clear it up now.

This week, while researching a story regarding misconduct by a fraternity (see page 1 for the story), I ran into the usual roadblocks – some administrators were reluctant to talk about anything that might result in negative press.

But I got the distinct pleasure of being questioned by Kim Godwin, the Greek Life director, as to why I was asking questions about the group's wrongdoings.

"Are you going to put us on the front page of the newspaper – that everybody's in trouble?" she asked me Tuesday.

"We're trying really hard to improve our [public relations]," she said.

For some reason, the Greek community seems to have this irrational fear that *Sidelines* is out to get them and ruin their image. Every time a *Sidelines* staffer identifies him- or herself as being so to a Greek or in the Greek office, there's this unnecessary tension that

develops because there's an overriding fear that we're going to publish something negative about the Greek community.

Greeks usually explain this weird relationship by saying that all *Sidelines* ever does is publish negative stories about them.

I know this isn't true, so I automatically discount it.

We recognize that Greeks contribute to the community and work hard for their philanthropies and the university.

We also recognize that lumping all Greeks into the same stereotypical category is wrong.

However, such a large campus group – which markets itself as community-oriented and the best of the best – is going to incite criticism when it breaks rules all students must obey.

In short, we're not here to do anyone any favors, and we're not here to help with anyone's public relations campaigns.

We are obligated to cover the news no matter who it involves.

My advice to Greeks: if you want to improve your P.R., stop screwing up. Don't rely on the media to make you look better than you actually are. ♦

Joe tries politics, ends with sheep

Bathroom Stall Graffiti



Nick Fowler
Staff Columnist

From Joe's political journal, page 78:

I fear politics has corrupted me, along with hookers, drugs and money. In an effort to become Homecoming king, I have compromised my morals. I've even been accused of selling out. I must admit, that's not far from the truth.

The campaign started out mysteriously enough with a letter in the mail. It

was addressed to me, which is why it was in my mailbox. It read:

Dear Mr. Joe,
I hope you are enjoying the pleasant autumn weather. I'm sure it gives you a chance to get out more often, as I've been told your condition keeps you indoors during the humid summer months.

You may have noticed from the letterhead that I am from The Party. I'm sure you are familiar with our organization and its political interests.

The Party has nominated you, sir, as our nominee for Homecoming king. We have assumed you will accept our nomination and have already begun campaigning. You had best stay

out of the public eye until we call for you, which will be soon enough.

Sincerely,
The Party

Next thing I know, my face is plastered all over campus.

The Party's campaign was simple enough. "Vote Joe," the signs read.

Then my competitors got jealous, I suppose. Their attacks were vicious. "Don't vote Joe. He doesn't love MTSU," "Joe stole my girlfriend," "Joe knocked up my sister and sold the baby for big profits" and "Joe sniffs dry-erase markers."

My personal favorite was, "Joe eats babies."

It was all true enough, but they took all those sit-

uations out of context. Besides, my personal life has no bearing on my ability to rule as Homecoming king.

Then there was what has become known as the Safari Inn incident.

I was out drinking one night at the Boro and the next thing I remember was waking up at the Safari Inn with three busty blondes and a sheep in the bathtub.

Somebody must have put something in my drink. I grabbed my pants and the sheep's leash and ran for the door. I was greeted by a camera flash.

The next day I'm on the front page of *Sidelines*. I was set up.

I soon received a letter from The Party asking me

to throw in the towel.

Dear Mr. Joe,
We regret that we must ask you to drop out of the race for Homecoming King. We feel you no longer represent the values of The Party. Your actions at the Safari Inn are disgraceful. Had we been aiming at the drug-abusing zoophile vote, you might still be our candidate. However, as drug-abusing zoophiles don't get out to vote much, we must terminate our relationship.

Sincerely,
The Party

So ended my political career. ♦
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Online tests take thought from life

Filler



Brandon Morrison
Staff Columnist

It's amazing what's on the Internet these days.

Besides all of the junk mail and porn, there are sites that prevent Internet junkies from soul searching.

That's right, soul searching. Instead of contemplating on what kind of person one might be, these sites take the thought out of life. They can tell you your personality, what kind of a boy/girlfriend you would like, your likes, dislikes and even how slutty you are.

Oh, brave new world, with such absurdities in it.

One site, emode.com, has a personality test backed by doctors from Yale, Duke and Northeastern University. According to the Web site, "it accurately measures what many psychologists consider to be the central components and fundamental dimensions of personality."

Translation: it does the thinking so you don't have to.

Curious as to how valid the test is, I took their personality test. Thirty minutes and fifty questions later, the test told me I was a skydiver.

A skydiver? What the crap is that supposed to mean?

"That means you're open minded, extroverted, free-spirited and independent. Chances are you're pretty liberal. You're like a magnet for love and affection. People adore you. And, thanks to that healthy dose of self-confidence, you're super-flexible."

Right ... After getting a good laugh out of the test, I went to another site for further investigation.

At thespark.com, users can take more than just personality tests.

It offers tests that measure sluttiness, dateability, gayness and a few other

fun tests.

I took their personality test, hoping to get a more accurate result. Each question was more probing than the last.

Thankfully, these guys didn't think I was an extreme sports kind of guy. Instead, I am a mentor.

"Like just six percent of the population, you are a mentor. Some would call you the most powerful and influential of all people. Those people are wrong."

"The reality is that you don't really want to impose personal views or beliefs on others. Yet, you are extroverted, intelligent and you like to get involved. So you help others with the pursuit of knowledge."

"You're the reason that people say 'teachers are also students.' You are as much a learner as a master, and this satisfies you."

"You won't die a lonely death but, toward the end, you'll grow introspective and begin wondering if your life meant anything. This will last for decades, and you'll die after your spouse."

Wow, thanks, I think. I'm looking forward to my lonely twilight years. Sometimes its better not to know what's coming.

Even more depressing than the personality test was the dateability test. After years of thinking it was everyone else's problem that I couldn't get a date – man, was I wrong. The test told me that I'm only 68 percent dateable. That's a failing grade by most standards. Even worse, compared to everybody else that had taken the test, my results were worse than 60 percent of them.

To make myself feel better, I took the slutty test. I'm only 10 percent slutty. According to their statistics, there are two percent of the population who are less slutty than I am.

That's got to be wrong. My clients will tell you that. ♦

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Letters to the Editor

Progress far surpasses illustration

To the Editor:

The full-page color illustration of Lightning about to "stomp" an Indian used on the front of the Homecoming Insert in the November 6, 2002 issue of the *Sidelines* was a wonderful piece of artwork. Fortunately and unfortunately, it also provides me an opportunity (as creator of and faculty advisor for the MTSU Native American Studies program since 1997) to raise some issues of awareness about the use of Native American mascots in collegiate sports – particularly during November, designated as National Native American History Month.

I appreciate the fact that the illustration was neither intentionally racist nor intended to promote ethnic stereotypes. Nonetheless, it remains offensive to many and does serve to caricature an ethnic minority.

In 1968, the National Congress of American Indians launched a campaign to address stereotypical images of Native Americans in the media, including sports mascots. In 1991, the National Education Association passed a resolution denouncing the use of ethnic-related sport team mascots, symbols and nicknames. In 1996, the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga discontinued use of their "Chief Moccannoga" mascot in response to protests of that caricature. In 1998, the Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee of the National Collegiate Athletic Association concluded that mascots promoting Indian caricatures and mimicking ceremonial rites did not comply with the NCAA's commitment to ethnic student welfare. In 2001, the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights issued a position statement calling for educational institutions to avoid use of ethnic nicknames and mascots. I could cite many more examples.

In recent years, MTSU has begun to establish a state, regional and even national reputation with many individuals of Native American descent as an institution that respects and promotes awareness of Native American heritage, values and issues. While small (but growing), our interdisciplinary minor in Native American Studies is one of the few such academic programs in our region. The now annual MTSU Native American Heritage Festival and Powwow held on campus in March has received more than a little praise as a vehicle for promoting awareness of the native heritage of Tennessee.

One unintentionally insensitive piece of artwork in *Sidelines* will not greatly affect the progress that we have made in recent years to promote and recognize Native American heritage at MTSU. In fact, I appreciate the opportunity it provides for me to raise the issue of sensitivity during Native American History Month. But I will leave readers with a question: how would you have felt had the cowering mascot in the illustration had been African-American, Latin-American or Asian-American?

Kevin E. Smith
Professor of sociology and anthropology

Love, family doesn't require 'formula'

To the Editor:

I don't normally comment on student journalism, which I regard largely as a conversation among students, but Wesley Jackson's column ("Nevada right to defend family," Nov. 7) was a personal attack on me and many people I know.

Jackson equates same-sex unions with horror movies and sees no difference between unions between two people and those between a person and an animal. Talk about faulty analogies!

I encourage Jackson to get to know lesbian or gay couples who have joined their lives in a union. If he did, I doubt that he could so cavalierly dismiss these people's love for each other as a horror movie.

Nor could he dismiss the loving relationships that many same-sex couples enjoy with their families. Yes, there are plenty of gay men and lesbians who have children. I urge you to ask those children if they do not consider their families real and if they think of themselves as any less loved.

Finally, Mr. Jackson rests his argument on the feelings of poor Timmy being picked on by his friends from school. No doubt there are children who are harassed because of their parents' situation. This is wrong, and instead of defending the bigotry of the harassers, as Mr. Jackson does, he should work to teach children that they have no right to harass or bully other children for any reason.

Families are based on love. There is no magic formula required of one penis and one vagina, two white people or two black people, two young people or two old people. Families come in all shapes and sizes, and that's what is so beautiful about it.

James H. Williams
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Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Football team looking forward to rest of season

By Erich Heinlein
Staff Reporter

The Blue Raiders are out of contention for the Sun Belt Conference championship, but they are still excited about the rest of the season.

"You always want to finish strong so you have something to look forward to for the upcoming season and send the seniors out on a good note," said running back Reshard Lee. "That's our goal, to play the best we can and win the last three games."

Blue Raider head coach Andy McCollum was glad for the off week.

"Coming into last week it was a really good time for an off week for us, especially health wise," McCollum said. "We're like every other school in the country as far as injuries go, and it's kind of knocked us down on some key people at crucial times. We got some fundamental work done, plus we got some time to conduct a lot of meetings and walk-thrus to get our guys healthy, so it's been good."

Blue Raider defensive back Will Martin

has similar thoughts.

"We're getting healthy and staying positive," Martin said. "It's been a tough year. We've got three more games and we want to finish up strong."

This game is only the Blue Raiders' third home game of the season. The Blue Raiders appear happy to be able to finally play at home.

"We want to take each game, one at a time," linebacker Randy Arnold said. "It's good to be home after playing seven of the first nine on the road. It seems like we've been on the road all year. We want to go out on a winning note. It's important for our team and important next year, and for the seniors."

Although the Blue Raiders have not had the best of luck this season in terms of winning, the University of Louisiana-Monroe has also had very little success. ULM has only won two games coming into this one. Last week the Indians received a 52-17 thrashing from Auburn.

"I think our defensive front has got to get better," McCollum said. "I was disappointed

in them a week ago. I think they have had a great week this week because they have to be more of an impact for us. The biggest thing on defense is not giving up the big play.

"In every game we've given up one big play, and that's what we can't do. Against New Mexico State, you play your tail off and play with great effort and do the things that they were doing and then one play, and in this game it's a big play. That's what we can't do. We've got to keep working to be a better tackling team and we've got to create turnovers."

Regular quarterback Andrico Hines has been out the last two weeks with a groin pull. It is anticipated he will play this weekend, but nothing definite has been set.

"He is better," McCollum said. "He practiced this week, but as far as running goes, we'll find out as we go on in the week. But we're planning on him playing if he's full speed, but if not then we'll go with another quarterback."

This leaves the possibility that Lee may

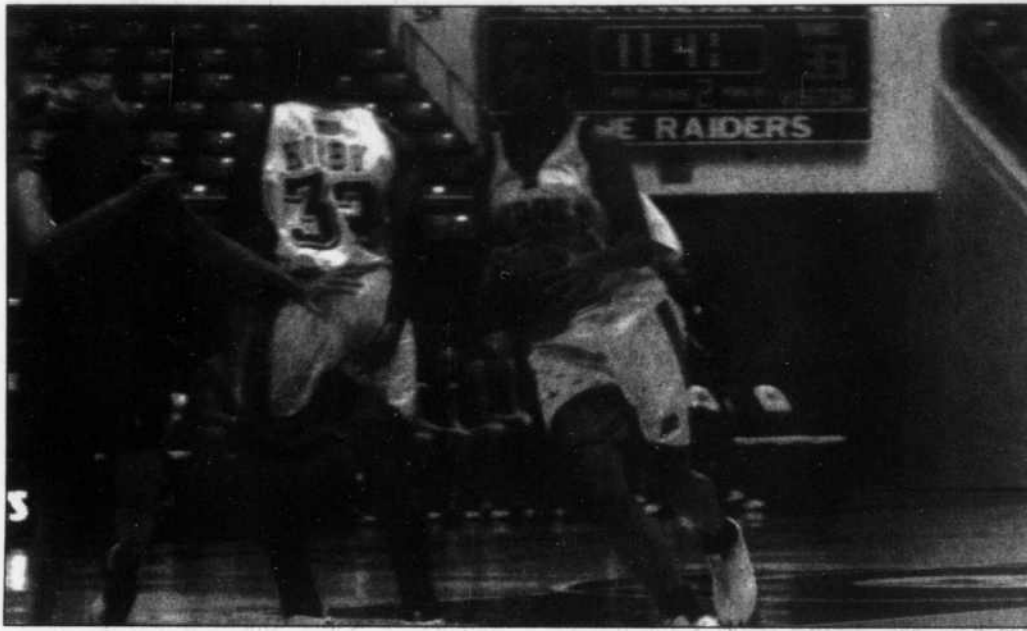
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File Photo

Running back Reshard Lee could be QB Saturday.

Lady Raiders rally 85-48 to win over Georgia State



Photos by Amy Jones | Chief Photographer

Tiffany Fisher, above, runs down the court in the Lady Raider romp over Georgia State. Eboni Kirby, right, jumps to nail a two-pointer.

By Erich Heinlein
Staff Reporter

Fifty second-half points by the Lady Raider basketball team helped lift them over Georgia State University 85-48 Tuesday night.

The Lady Raiders did not score their first field goal until 17 minutes into the match on a Patrice Holmes jump shot. Paula Penttila scored the first points for the Lady Raiders on a pair of free throws about a minute earlier.

"We are trying to play tempo," Lady Raider head coach Stephany Smith explained. "However, I told them at halftime that I wanted to be a tempo team, not a run and gun team. I thought that in the first half that we looked like run and gun. We were really sloppy."

The Lady Raiders had a period of 4:56 in the first half when they did not score. After a jumper by Jennifer Justice with 17:15 left in the first half, the Lady Raiders did not score again

until almost the midway point when Keisha McClinic hit a jumper.

Although the Lady Raiders went that long without scoring, they never fell behind more than five points.

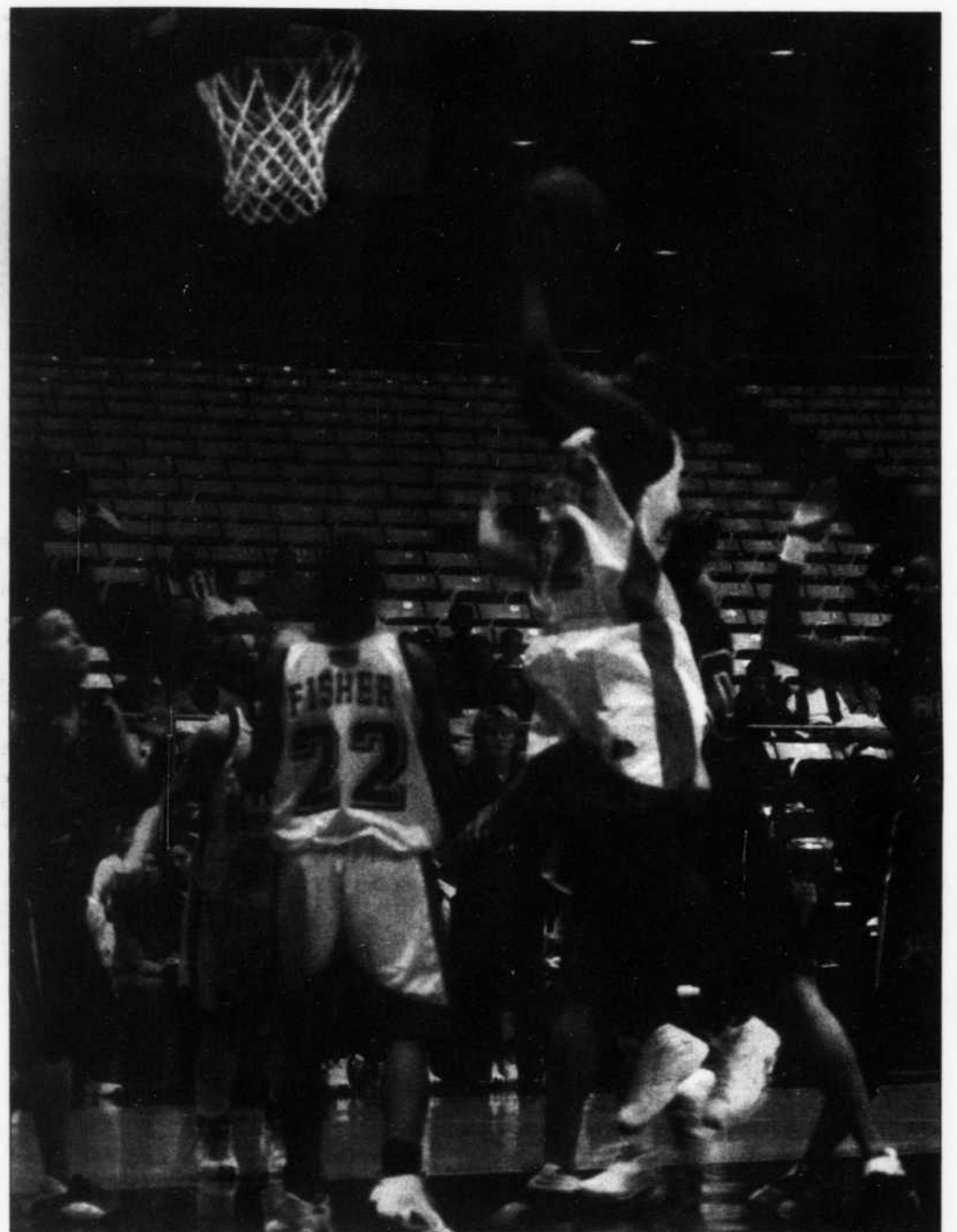
"I think I played OK," Holmes said. "I was nervous at the beginning, and I pushed some things that weren't there."

At the start of the second half the Lady Raiders caught fire. These seven points featured two Eboni Kirby free throws, accompanied by two three-pointers by Cartia Bailey to put the Lady Raiders up 31-18.

This was Bailey's first game back as a Lady Raider after sitting out last season with a knee injury. Bailey scored 10 points, including two three-pointers and also grabbed five rebounds.

"I was really pleased with the people coming off the bench, specifically with Bailey and Schluter," Smith said. "I thought, that all-in-all, it was good."

The Lady Raiders 40.5 shooting percentage



in the game was hurt primarily by their first half performance.

The Lady Raiders shot only 32.6 percent in the first half, including missing the first three shots, all of which were layups.

However, the Blue Raiders managed to pull up their percentage with a second half shooting rate of 48.8 percent.

In the second half, the Lady Raiders were 6-

for-11 from three point range. The top three point performer was forward Mia Parvianen.

"I have to take my chances whenever my defender allows me to shoot the three pointer," Parvianen said. "As a team, we just have to control our fast break and play better defensively."

While their field goal percentage was dismal

See Basketball, 7

Western Kentucky demolishes Middle Tennessee volleyball team



Photo by Amy Jones | Chief Photographer

Katie Thiesen reaches down low to get the dig while Lady Raiders look on.

By Amy Jones
Staff Writer

The Middle Tennessee volleyball team took a 3-0 loss to number one seed, Western Kentucky University, Tuesday to give the Lady Hilltoppers their 15th straight win of the season.

The Lady Raider loss also gave WKU a 10-0 perfect record at home and a 24th consecutive win at home, dating back to Oct. 15, 2000 with a 3-2 win over Denver.

"That was our poorest match of the season," MT head coach Lisa Kissee said. "I think we made it very easy for them. We didn't serve or pass well and that is unfortunate."

In game one, WKU (29-4, 13-0 SBC) led from the first serve. The Hilltoppers jumped on the Lady Raiders, 11-4.

MT gathered 13 errors on 34 attempts, and WKU took advantage of this. WKU took a 30-14 win over MT.

Lady Hilltopper Amanda Schiff had four kills in the first game and teammate Crystal Towler had three.

During game two, the Lady Raiders played a better game, taking

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—Lisa Kissee

MT volleyball coach

a 30-26 loss. With the game tied at 24-all, WKU came back to take the final points 6-2 and WKU wrapped up the win. Amanda Cecil finished the game with one of her three aces of the match. Schiff picked up three blocks.

"In game two we rotated three and flipped our middles and that gave us the confidence to play more aggressive, and we did," Kissee said.

"But then their hitters adjusted to what we were doing, blocking wise, and that's the game-constant adjustment. We didn't do that."

The final game, the Lady Raiders tied up the game at 7-all before WKU took total control and put the game at 27-13. They went on to take the final game and match, 30-13.

MT's hitting percentage didn't even register with a -.034 while

WKU prospered with a .417 average and only 14 errors in the entire match. The Lady Raiders doubled the error total with 28.

Senior WKU setter Sara Noe placed 40 assists in the three game set during her final home game of her career.

"Their setter — she's awesome," Kissee said. "She is so consistent. She sets to the exact same place every time."

MT Lady Raider Kelly Quinn led the Lady Raiders in assists with 15 and also pulled eight digs. Thiesen also had five blocks in the match.

The Lady Raiders will wrap up the regular season tomorrow with a trip to the University of Louisiana-Lafayette.

Match time is set at 7 p.m. ♦

Sports Briefs

Compiled by Angelica Journagin
Sports Editor

Football coach released

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. (AP) — Miami of Ohio defensive coordinator Jon Wauford was released on bond early Wednesday after he was arrested for allegedly shoving a fan who was celebrating Marshall's last-second win.

Wauford allegedly shoved Robert A. Flaughter, who then hit his head on the artificial turf and was taken on a stretcher to a hospital with a concussion, according to a report filed by State Police in Huntington.

Tejada earns AL MVP

NEW YORK (AP) — After leading Oakland to the AL West title, Miguel Tejada easily defeated Alex Rodriguez for the AL Most Valuable Player award when he received 21 of 28 first-place votes from a panel of the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

While Tejada hit a career-high .308 with 34 homers and 131 RBIs, Rodriguez batted .300 with 57 homers and 142 RBIs.

Phillies offer big contracts

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — The Philadelphia Phillies started off the free-agent season by making offers to Jim Thome, Tom Glavine and David Bell. The three offers are believed to be worth more than \$100 million.

U.S. all-stars lose to Japan

OSAKA, Japan (AP) — Barry Bonds homered again but the major league all-stars lost 8-6 for their third straight defeat to their Japanese counterparts at Osaka Dome.

Colts owner kicks habit

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Indianapolis Colts owner Jim Irsay acknowledged that he had become dependent on prescription painkillers, and said he has overcome the problem since undergoing treatment this past summer.

Irsay, 43, responded to a report by Indianapolis television station WTHR, which said Irsay has had at least three overdoses of prescription drugs.

Giants recruit receivers

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — The New York Giants came up with a quick fix for their depleted receiving corps, agreeing to contract terms with Herman Moore, the Detroit Lions' all-time leading receiver. Moore hasn't played since being put on injured reserve by the Lions early last season with a hip injury.

Grizzlies get new chance

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — The Memphis Grizzlies brought

back 69-year-old Hubie Brown from the broadcast booth, picking him to coach the NBA's only winless team after Sidney Lowe resigned. Brown last coached in the NBA in the 1986-87 season with the New York Knicks.

B-ball player defends self

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — Defense lawyers described a distraught Jayson Williams calling for help and diving toward a limousine driver he accidentally shot to counter prosecutors' portrayal of the former basketball player cursing the other man and showing off with a shotgun.

In a filed brief, the defense said prosecutors have given a one-sided account of the shooting and failed to refute arguments for dismissing manslaughter and other charges against Williams.

NBA suspends Samake

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Los Angeles Lakers reserve center Soumaila Samake was suspended for five games by the NBA for violating the league's steroids policy. Samake said he had taken a dietary supplement that contained the banned substance nandrolone.

Pistons player suspended

NEW YORK (AP) — Detroit

Pistons guard Chauncey Billups was suspended for one game without pay by the NBA for throwing a basketball at an official in a game Saturday.

Frat boys face wire fraud

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (AP) — Three former fraternity brothers were accused of using telephone betting accounts and a computer to manipulate a bet that paid \$3 million at the Breeders' Cup last month.

Derrick Davis of Baltimore, Glen DaSilva of New York and Chris Harn of Newark, Del., all 29, were charged in U.S. District Court with conspiracy to commit wire fraud. All were released on \$200,000 personal bond.

Parker earns 8,000th win

MONTICELLO, N.Y. (AP) — Billy "Zeke" Parker Jr. became the 10th North American driver in harness racing history to win 8,000 career races, by guiding Pass On The Right to a win in the third race at Monticello Raceway.

Hewitt tries for repeat

Augusta, Ga. (AP) — Lleyton Hewitt struggled past Albert Costa 6-2, 4-6, 6-3 at the Masters Cup, beginning his bid to win consecutive season-ending championships.

In the opening match of the

weeklong tournament, Carlos Moya upset Marat Safin 6-4, 7-5, avenging a loss to the Russian two weeks ago. Roger Federer had a 6-3, 6-4 win over Juan Carlos Ferrero.

Vicario retires from tennis

BARCELONA, Spain (AP) — After winning four Grand Slam titles and once holding the No. 1 ranking, a sobbing Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario retired from tennis.

Tourney makes settlement

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — The RCA Championships in Indianapolis and Legg Mason Tennis Classic in Washington reached an out-of-court settlement with the ATP Tour in a dispute over control of when and where players compete.

In the settlement, the tour agreed that Indianapolis in 2003 will be able to reduce its prize money fund from \$800,000 to \$600,000 and scale back its player draw from 56 players to 48, to help attract top talent.

Knight sues for wage loss

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) — Bob Knight is suing Indiana University, alleging he lost more than \$2 million in income since being fired by the school two years ago.

Knight contends he was fired

without cause, without a proper meeting of university trustees and without a chance to defend himself.

UNC players unsuspended

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) — North Carolina appealed the one-game suspensions of Will Johnson and Jonathan Holmes due to their participation in a campus charity event.

Yachting team takes cup

AUCKLAND, New Zealand (AP) — Oracle of San Francisco and Alinghi of Switzerland won close races as the protest-filled America's Cup challenger quarterfinals began. Top qualifiers Alinghi beat Prada of Italy by 1 minute, 18 seconds, after leading by only eight seconds at the final mark. Oracle beat OneWorld by 12 seconds.

Tournament raises money

SOUTHINGTON, Conn. (AP) — Organizers of the Greater Hartford Open have raised enough money to hold the golf tournament in 2003, Connecticut Gov. John G. Rowland said. Rowland has scheduled a news conference for Wednesday to announce the tournament has secured the necessary \$4 million to keep it operating. ♦

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2002 Sun Belt Conference football standings

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North Texas	5-5	.500	157	126	W4
Arkansas State	5-7	.417	221	332	L1
UL Lafayette	3-7	.300	176	294	W2
Middle Tennessee	2-7	.222	188	246	L2
Idaho	2-8	.200	225	355	L2
UL Monroe	2-8	.200	174	397	L2

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Idaho Vandals

The Vandals lost the game and starting quarterback Brian Lindgren to a broken right collarbone on Saturday. The first half was a toe-to-toe battle of defenses, a battle the Vandals were winning with a 208-43 advantage in total offense. The second half was much the same with the exception of the Mean Green's drive to open the second half-the drive that resulted in the only touchdown of the game. The offense, with Lindgren connecting on seven of his 10 passes for 107 yards before exiting early in the second quarter, struggled against the league's top defense. The Vandals finished with just 248 yards total offense. Backup QB Adam Mallette finished with seven completions in 23 attempts for 73 yards. The Vandals return to the Kibbie Dome for their final two games-next Saturday against Arkansas State and Nov. 23 against New Mexico State.

Louisiana-Lafayette Ragin' Cajuns

The Cajuns have not allowed a n y points in the fourth quarter in each of the last three games and five of 10 games this season. In the last two games, the Cajuns have allowed a total of 31 points in the first quarter, but just seven combined points in the second half. Senior defensive back Charles Tillman had seven tackles on Saturday vs. Arkansas State, giving him 267 for his career, trailing former teammate Kyries Hebert (270) by three total tackles. After snapping a five-year drought of not winning two consecu-

tive games last season, the Cajuns have won two games in a row for the second straight year. Both streaks began with wins against Idaho. Head coach Rickey Bustle's third victory is more than three of the previous five head coaches to make their season debuts with the Cajuns.



Louisiana-Monroe Indians

Saturday was Auburn's Homecoming game, the third consecutive week that ULM has played a Homecoming. The Indians' hosted their own Homecoming in a 51-48 win over Utah State two weeks ago, then were the Homecoming opponents of North Texas last week in Denton, Texas. It won't change this week either ULM will play at Middle Tennessee in the Blue Raiders' Homecoming, meaning the Indians will have played in Homecoming games for four straight weeks.

New Mexico State Aggies

Sophomore Travis Jones made his first start of the season at linebacker in place of Rich Glover (concussion). Dario Aguiniga's first quarter field goal gave him 68 points for the season, breaking the school record for most points by a kicker in a season. The previous record

was 67 points by Nick Cecava in 1998. Paul Dombrowski's touchdown run in the first quarter was his 8th of the season, tying the school record for most rushing touchdowns by a quarterback in one season. K.C. Enzminger ran for eight touchdowns in 1999. With snow showers beginning at the end of the first quarter, the direction of the

wind changed from the south to the north, forcing the Aggies to play into the wind in both quarters. QB Buck Pierce played the first series of the second quarter, his first action since the first quarter of the UL-Monroe game on Oct. 19.

North Texas Mean Green

This was North Texas' third shutout of the season, which is the first time since 1951 that the Mean Green has shutout three opponents in a season. The North Texas defense has not allowed a point in the last 12 quarters. This was the first time since 1986 that Idaho had been shutout. Kevin Galbreath rushed for his fourth-straight 100-yard game and moved into fifth place on the North Texas all-time rushing leaders list with 2,049 career yards. The North Texas defense held Idaho to more than 200 yards below its season average for total offense. North Texas has now held eight of its 10 opponents this season below their season average for total offense. ♦



Football: Lee could be quarterback

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take the helm at the team's offense once again. "Right now, Reshard will do both," McCollum said. "We're planning on seeing where Andrico is, and then we'll have our plan going from there. With the job he did (against New Mexico State), we're planning on him doing both for us." McCollum said he is

impressed with the Indians' style of play.

"They're very exciting on offense because there's no telling what they're going to do," McCollum said. "Defensively, they're very similar to our style, so it's going to be an exciting football game."

The Blue Raiders play Saturday at 2:30 p.m. The game will be televised on ESPN Regional Television. ♦

Basketball: Exhibition game Sunday

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in the first half, the Lady Raiders were a perfect nine-for-nine from the charity stripe.

In the second half, although it took 1:30 for the Lady Raiders to score their first basket, they went on a 27-6 run over a period of 7:50. During this period, the Lady Raiders led by as little as 12 and as much as 29, which was finished off on a jumper by Holmes.

The Lady Raiders gradually increased their lead through the remainder of the game to as much as 37 points.

"I was really glad that we

played the team that we did tonight," Smith said. "They are a very disciplined team. They run a very structured offense and defense. It helped us get better, way more so than a year ago."

Although Smith was pleased with her bench play, she still has not determined an eight-man rotation.

"Right now we only have 10 players because Tia Stovall and Ciara Gray are still sidelined with knee injuries," Smith said.

The next exhibition game will be Sunday at 2 p.m. when the Lady Raiders host Carson Newman College. ♦



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MT basketball team signs new players

Staff Reports

Before event the start of the 2002-03 regular season, the Lady Raider basketball team picked up three new recruits for 2003-04 yesterday.

As part of early signing day, the Lady Raiders recruited two new members from local high schools and another from Monroe, La. The two guards and forward will be used next season to replace senior guards Mia Parvianen and Paula Penttila.

"I believe this is a well-balanced class," Smith said. "It gives us a point guard, a pure shooter and a strong presence inside."

One of the local signers and the tallest of the bunch is 6-foot-2 Krystie Horton from Riverdale High School. Horton

was recruited by Alabama, Ole Miss, the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga and the University of Memphis.

Horton was named an Amateur Athletic Union All-American and Preseason Honorable Mention All-American by Streets and Smith magazine. In her three years at Riverdale, Horton has scored 1,200 points and scored 49 points in the AAU National Championships this past summer.

"Krystie is a well respected player nationally," said Middle Tennessee head coach Stephany Smith. "She played really well in the AAU Nationals this summer and garnered a lot of attention with her performance. She brings the same kind of ability that we have on the team now, but in a bigger package."

The other Murfreesboro native to be signed Wednesday was Oakland senior Jenne Webb. The 5-foot-9 guard averaged 16.3 points and 3.9 steals in her junior year at Oakland. She will be the third player to sign with the Lady Raiders.

"Jenne is a phenomenal shooter," Smith said. "She is a very good player with a great outside shot. She is the first pure shooter Middle Tennessee has had since Erica Lufkin was here."

Lufkin was another Oakland recruit who had a .353 three point percentage in the 1999-00 season. She graduated that year.

The last new recruit for the Lady Raiders is Chrissy Givens from Louisiana. Givens was ranked No. 89 in the All-Star Girls Report.

MT managed to steal her out

from fellow Sun Belt Conference schools the University of Louisiana-Monroe, the University of South Alabama and the University of Arkansas-Little Rock.

The 5-foot-10 guard was named to the All-State team for the past three years and averaged 18.2 points and 8.7 rebounds per game last season.

"My favorite thing about Chrissy is her strength of character," Smith said.

"She is a tremendous athlete with a strong presence. She can play the one, two or three. She has great vision and aspirations about what kind of player she wants to be at the next level."

The Lady Raiders 2002-03 season begins Nov. 25 against Tennessee Tech. ♦

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