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## Horticulture Center construction begins

By Jennie Treadway / staff

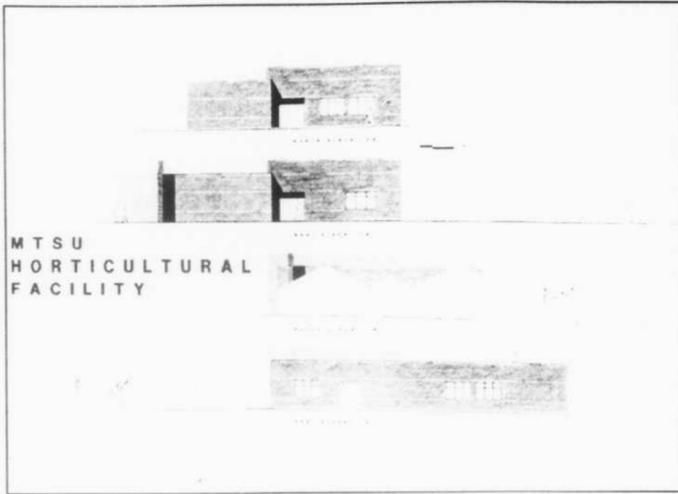
"The construction on this campus is a reflection of the progress we are making at MTSU," said Harley W. Fouch yesterday morning at the Horticulture Education Center Groundbreaking ceremony.

Fouch, the director of the School of Agribusiness and Agriscience, opened the ceremony by welcoming the guests, which included Congressman Bart Gordon and President Walker, and giving a brief history behind the agriculture department and its development.

In 1909, when Middle Tennessee State Normal School was designed, agriculture courses were already offered. As Fouch put it, the agriculture department has "deep roots dating back to the origin of the university."

When the school opened two years later, a two-year agriculture program was established and available for the students. In 1918, a four-year vocational training program for agriculture teachers was developed, while the school continued to be a two-year program.

In 1920, the first senior class who held a Bachelor of Science degree graduated with a total of seven



Brian G. Miller / staff

A rendering of the completed Horticulture Education center can be found in the Stark Agriculture Building Room 100.

students, one being Clifford Stark, who is honored by the Stark Agriculture Building.

"Through the years, we've needed to adjust to the needs of the university," Fouch said.

The department had a change of name in 1993 from the Department of Agriculture to the Department of Agribusiness and Agriscience. This change meant that the university would not only offer education on the

production and farming aspects of agriculture, but it would offer classes on the economic and social influences as well.

This year, the department made a jump from being a department to becoming its own school. Now that the School of Agribusiness and Agriscience has established itself as a form of higher learning of the agricultural world, the next step is molding the program and facilities to fit the students.

"When an area becomes more urbanized, you need to change the environment to fit the needs," Fouch said, introducing the beginning of the MTSU Horticulture Education Center.

The idea for the \$628,390 center came in the mid-1980s. The 22-year-old greenhouse seemed to be getting smaller as the enrollment of agriculture students rose. The estimated cost at the time was approximately \$20,000.

A grant application was submitted in 1992 after Congressman Bart Gordon suggested the possibility of MTSU receiving money to build the center, which by then had evolved into more than another greenhouse.

The new horticulture was

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## OIT experiences technical difficulties

By Marquette Carney / staff

Several students and faculty have complaints after trying to log-on to Frank from off campus; however, the Office of Information Technology says the problem is minimal.

"The central problem is the dial-up from off campus," said Ron Bombardi of the philosophy department.

Stephen Schmidt, a professor in the psychology department said he believes "there are mainframe problems which is a result of increased usage."

Both Bombardi and Schmidt have experienced problems with Frank this semester.

Other professors, such as Jack Purcell, in the philosophy department, base classes on information from the world wide web, "but (we) can't access (the internet) from home," Purcell said.

Some courses, such as Recent Continental Philosophy and Philosophy of Science, are being held up until the dial-up problems are fixed. The syllabi for these classes are located on the world wide web, and some assignments depend on information obtained from various web pages.

Classes that utilize the web in the psychology department are also experiencing these problems.

"There was an operating system upgrade from UNIX 9.04 to UNIX 10.01," said Kendall Greg, a representative of OIT.

Due to this upgrade to the operating system, students and faculty have experienced a downgrade in services, according to those registering complaints.

According to Lucinda Lee, OIT director, the reason there is a dial-up problem is that demand is high for

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## Academic master plan to be presented in 1997

By Ann Repasy / staff

The fast-paced 21st century is approaching quickly, and MTSU has begun to attack the challenges with a proposed Master Plan.

The Academic Master Plan is a document that will be developed over the next year "to use as a guide for the future of the university," explained Faye Johnson, assistant to the provost and vice president for Academic Affairs.

Specifically, "it is to guide the direction for the next 10-15 years (of the university)," added Barbara Haskew, provost and vice president

for Academic Affairs.

Most of the planning is based on the surrounding region. Haskew explained how birth rates, where the economy is going, and what fields are becoming more popular help determine where the university should be in the year 2010 in order to play a "larger role in lifelong learning."

Haskew went on to say that because of the "long-range strategic planning for MTSU, industry will remain competitive."

One way of achieving this goal is to, in the future, train students off-campus via computers.

James Walker, president of MTSU, has appointed a steering committee to help create this document for future academic excellence. Faculty, alumni, students and business professionals are all represented in the 21-member committee.

Peter Heller, chairman of the Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work, heads up the steering committee.

The planning officially begins Thursday with a press conference at 9 a.m. at the President's Conference Room. There will be a series of meetings throughout today and

tomorrow; including an open student forum at 10 a.m. at the Keathley University Center.

Robert Shirley, retired president of Southern Colorado University, is a nationally known expert in future planning, and will "facilitate the process," Johnson said.

"This [Master Plan] is the major goal of academic affairs," Haskew said. "We are anxious to involve all faculty and students."

So, when will MTSU have this guide for the future?

"We will put the proposed Master Plan on Dr. Walker's desk on June 30, 1997," Haskew said.

## House meets, turn-out low

By Jennie Treadway / staff

The "call to order" came at 4:35 p.m. last Wednesday evening for the first SGA House of Representatives meeting for the year. There were a few late comers and several empty seats, but for Susan Guin's first meeting in office, she's rather pleased with the 55 members that attended.

"I expected more response, but I'm going to have to understand," she says. "It was the first meeting. Maybe people didn't get the message."

After the five-minute roll call, the representatives got "right down to business," as House Speaker Guin put it.

First on the agenda was to elect the Sergeant-at-Arms, who keeps the meeting in good conduct, and the Speaker Pro Tempore, who presides over the meeting should the Speaker be absent. After the "heads down, hands raised" voting, Thomas Hailey was elected Sergeant-at-Arms and Bryan Lewis the Speaker Pro Tempore.

Also, the nominations for five Election Commissioners resulted in the voting in of Richard Brown, Tristan Gordan, Michael Guess, Corbett Hunt and Tony Matthews.

Following the elections were announcements by Dean of Student Life Tom Burke about the Emerging Leaders Institute programs beginning Sept. 10. He discussed the importance of participation and encouraged each

representative to tell other students about it. The programs consist of developing time management skills, strong leadership qualities, and teamwork expertise.

Guin returned to the podium to announce upcoming fall events, such as Family Day on Sept. 14 and the football games she encouraged everyone to attend. Boosting attendance at all MTSU activities is a huge goal for the SGA this year.

There are a few changes this semester for the House. For example, should a representative miss three unexcused meetings, his or her vote is no longer valid. Also, mailboxes in the SGA office are soon going to be available so that there will be direct contact between the representatives and the SGA. The House is trying to eliminate the possibility of miscommunication about meetings, announcements and other forms of business.

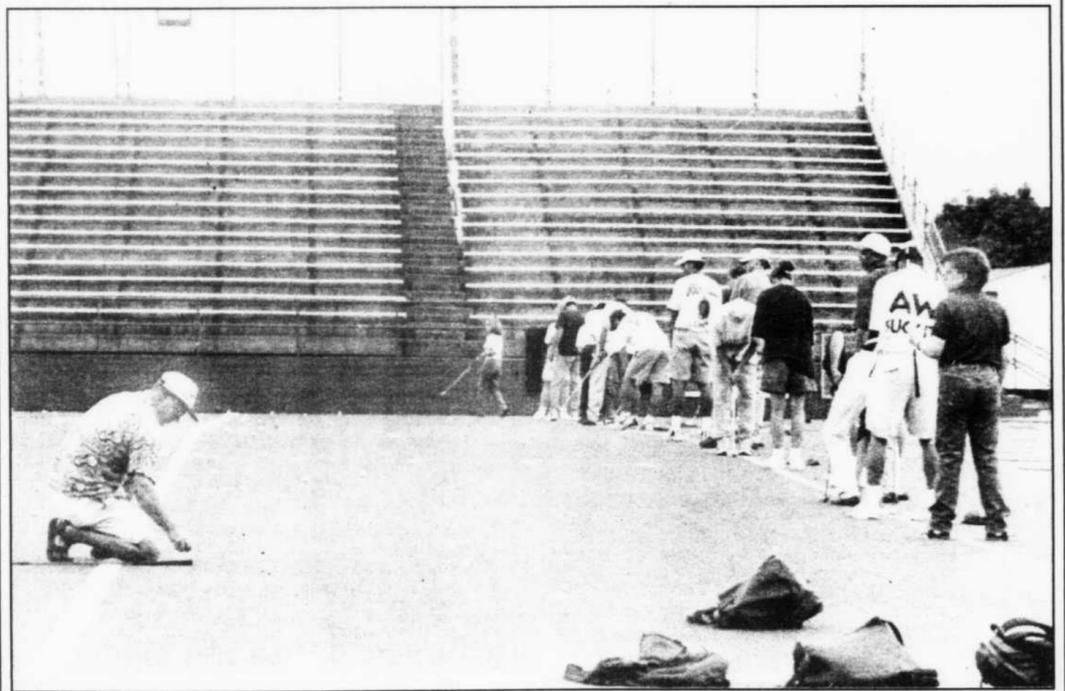
By 5:05 p.m., the floor had been opened to the students for questions, and the meeting adjourned within a few minutes.

Following her first meeting, Guin was still smiling.

"I'd like to see more enthusiasm about issues that concern the SGA and the campus," she says. "But I'm still excited about this year."

The House meetings are scheduled in the KUC as the following: Sept. 18, Oct. 2, 16, 30, Nov. 20 and Dec. 4.

## On the green



Brian G. Miller / staff

About 20 students in James Barnes' Golf course, offered through the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Department, practice their putting on Horace Jones Field, Wednesday. Their targets are small aluminum cups, which are often missed by beginners.

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**Omega Chapter of the Gamma Iota Sigma Insurance Fraternity** will hold a meeting on Thursday, Sept. 5 in KOM 226 at 1:15 p.m. Members will have fraternity picture taken. For more information, call Marcus Pipkin at 849-6919.

**Pi Sigma Epsilon** will hold an interest meeting on Sept. 5 in the KUC 322 at 5:30 p.m. Pi Sigma Epsilon business fraternity encourages all majors and ages to join them because there is life after college. For more information, call Angela York at 893-6766.

**Seniors and Graduate Students:** Get help with you job search at the Career Placement Orientation, sponsored by the MTSU Placement Center. Orientation begins at 3 p.m. in KUC Room 322.

**MONDAY, Sept. 9**

**Alpha Kappa Psi Professional Business Fraternity** invites men and women with a major or minor in the college of business to attend a Fall 1996 rush meeting in the Alumni Center at 5 p.m. Invest in your future today.

**TUESDAY, Sept. 10**

**Alpha Kappa Psi Professional Business Fraternity** invites men and women with a major or minor in the college of business to attend a Fall 1996 rush meeting in the Alumni Center at 8 p.m. in the James Union Building Tennessee Room.

**Public Relations Society** will hold a meeting on Septemeber 10 in Mass Comm 104 at 5:00 p.m. For more informaton, contact Brian Howell at 867-1049.

**WEDNESDAY, Sept. 11**

**Pi Sigma Epsilon** will hold an interest meeting on September 11 in KUC 315 at 5:30 p.m. Pi Sigma Epsilon business fraternity encourages all majors and ages to join them because there is life after college. For more information, call Angela York at 893-6766.

**WEDNESDAY, Sept. 18**

**MTSU Dames Club** will hold their August Reception on Wednesday, Sept. 18 in the President's Home from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Dames Club is open to any female employee of the university as well as wives of employees (both active and retired). For more information,

call Leola McClure at 898-5490.

**SATURDAY, Sept. 28**

**Alpha Delta Pi** will host a 3-on-3 sand volleyball tournament benefiting the Ronald McDonald House of Nashville. For more information, contact Jennifer Russell at 890-4298.

**ONGOING**

MTSU students who need hearing testing, hearing therapy, speech testing or speech services should call the **MTSU Speech and Hearing Clinic** at 898-2661 for an appointment.

**MONDAYS**

**The Canterbury Episcopal Campus Ministry** meets Monday evenings at 7 p.m. for dinner and program at St. Paul's Church, 315 E. Main Street. Contact Andrew Wright at 898-3780 for more information.

**TUESDAYS**

**MTSU LAMBDA Association** is one of the largest campus groups providing supportive, social and political programming for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered students and their friends. Meetings are every

Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the LRC Amphitheater. For more information, call the LAMBDA Infoline at 780-2293.

**WEDNESDAYS**

**The Presbyterian Student Fellowship** will cookout and worship every Wednesday starting at 6 p.m. at 615 Middle Tenn. Blvd. Contact Micheal Malone at 893-1787 for more information.

All horse enthusiasts are invited to attend the **Horseman's Association's** weekly meetings on Wednesdays in the Sales Arena in the Livestock Center at 7 p.m. Upcoming topics include roping clinic and equine denistry. Call Mary Calvatti at 893-6992 for more information.

**THURSDAYS**

**The Canterbury Episcopal Campus Ministry** meets for lunch on Thursdays between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the KUC Grill. Contact Andrew Wright at 898-3780 for more information.

**Ayn Rand readers** meet every Thursday to discuss the philosophy of Objectivism. For more information, contact Lee Sandstead at 898-4048.

**Judge rejects lawsuit against Va. Tech players**

College Press Service

ROANOKE, Va.—A judge dismissed a woman's lawsuit against two Virginia Tech football players, declaring unconstitutional a federal law that allows rape victims to sue their attackers. U.S. District Judge Jackson L. Kiser ruled July 26 that Congress overstepped its constitutional authority by passing the Violence Against Women Act. The act, part of the 1994 crime bill, allows rape victims to seek damages in federal court for assaults motivated by gender.

Christy Brzonkala, a former Virginia Tech student, alleged that Antonio Morrison and James Crawford had raped her in their college dormitory suite in 1994. She became the first person to sue in federal

court under the act.

Her attorney, Eileen Wagner, told reporters that they will appeal Kiser's ruling and proceed with lawsuits in state courts. The Justice Department has defended the law, arguing that rape deprives a woman of her civil rights and reduces her ability to stay in school or hold a job.

In dismissing the lawsuit, Kiser wrote that Congress could not use the Constitution's equal protection or interstate commerce clauses as the basis for the Violence Against Women Act.

The act's authors had argued that gender-based violence violated the interstate commerce clause because it discouraged women from full participation in the national economy—an assumption that

Kiser stated was too remote. He also wrote that the equal protection clause could not apply because rape was an act committed by an individual, not an action by the state.

"Without a doubt, violence against women is a pervasive and troublesome aspect of American life which needs thoughtful attention," Kiser wrote. "But Congress is not invested with the authority to cure all of the ills of mankind."

In May, Kiser dismissed another lawsuit Brzonkala had filed against Virginia Tech. In the suit, Brzonkala claimed that the university's judicial board mishandled her case and treated her differently because of her gender.

The judicial board had cleared Crawford of all charges in the spring of 1995, citing a

lack of evidence. But the board had found Morrison guilty of abusive conduct, and suspended him for two semesters.

Morrison appealed, and his suspension was reduced to probation. Both students, who will be juniors this fall, continue to play football for Virginia Tech.

Larry Hincker, a university spokesman, said Kiser's decision to dismiss the lawsuit justified the board's actions and underscored a university's right to use its own judicial system.

"The university never intentionally or unintentionally discriminated against Ms. Brzonkala," he said. "We believe that publicity and not legal issues have always been at the center of this case." •

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to house new classrooms, new labs and more office space.

The United States Department of Agriculture awarded the school a sum of \$278,390 two years later, while MTSU added on an extra \$350,000 to the collection.

The center will have a large general classroom, work area and lab space, and six

"independently environmentally controlled greenhouses.

The research and education available will help to offer other options than tobacco production.

Now that the Horticulture Education Center is underway, the school is sure that the agriculture program will continue to grow.

"Our facility will direct more people to the university," Foutch said. •

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the number of lines available.

"There are 80 modem lines, and we can't afford to have enough lines to support everyone logging in," Lee said.

"Campus MCI is being used so there won't be a busy signal when dialing up," she said.

Campus MCI is fee-based network used off campus for dialing from modems to telephone lines. The fee is \$12 for 60 hours of service to graphical networking and web-browsing programs such as Netscape.

"The update and place of the upgrade didn't work at the beginning, but OIT is working on problems as they arise," said Jim Adams, another OIT spokesman. •

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# College Democrats hold opening meeting

By Gregg Mayer / staff

Voter registration and voter education are top priorities for College Democrats this fall, said Doug Wells, the unanimously elected new president of College Democrats.

Wells replaces Mary Cummings, who is in Washington, D.C., working on an internship.

College Democrats held an orientation meeting last Thursday, Aug. 29 in the KUC to elect new officers.

Six campus organizations had representatives among the 34 people in attendance, including Alpha Kappa Alpha, LAMBDA, and Alpha Gamma Rho. All of them were enthusiastic and preparing to "kick some (Republican) butt."

"Politics gives me a rush," Wells said. "Get out there and just get them!"

Wells urged College Democrats to get out and register students to vote. He believed the more students who are registered to vote, the more votes would swing to the Democrats.

Wells also cautioned College Democrats against "throwing dirt." He said that College Republicans will "throw dirt," and that College Democrats should stay "positive, and keep going in the right direction."

In an interview following the meeting, Wells said College Democrats do not have a "good political temperament" with College Republicans, and Republicans saying such is a

"facade."

Brian Lewis, chairman of College Republicans, had said one week ago in Sidelines that College Democrats and College Republicans do have a "good political temperament."

Wells also said College Democrats will not give up when College Democrats' fliers start to mysteriously disappear. "For every flier that comes down, we will put two more up," he said.

Wells didn't directly accuse College Republicans of taking down the fliers, but he did say, "I don't know for certain it is (College Republicans). It could be the Oklahoma City militia, but I doubt the Oklahoma militia will drive all the way out here."

Lewis denied subtle

accusations that College Republicans have taken down College Democrats' fliers.

"A policy we have always stressed is that we are both organizations on campus, and that we must respect each other," Lewis said. "If they have (fliers) up there, leave them up there. We have never taken down anything as far as I know."

Wells agreed to participate in debates with College Republicans over various issues throughout the semester on campus, as Lewis suggested last Thursday, Aug. 22.

"Sure, why not," Wells said. "When they finish telling their half-truths, I will tell the whole truth."

No dates for debates have been set yet.

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# Women's Clinic open for testing men

ByChristi Underdownk / staff

The doors of the Women's Clinic reopened at 8 a.m. Wednesday Sept. 4 and welcomed for the first time the men of MTSU.

Located in Carson-Newman Nursing Building Room 109, the clinic provides the services of a nurse practitioner, as well as an OBGYN. In addition, officials from the VA Hospital have agreed to help out the program by performing various tests on the first Wednesday of every month.

On that day, from the hours from 8 a.m. until 10 a.m. are strictly devoted to male patients. Men can get the newly offered PSA for prostate cancer, or blood chemistry tests. These services are \$10 each.

The afternoon is devoted to the women. Various services, such as breast exams and pregnancy tests which are offered at that time and can be performed other times as well.

Appointments are preferred, but walk-ins are accepted, if they can be scheduled. Patients can e-mail for appointments at LLeague@frank.mtsu.edu or call Linda League at 898-5950.

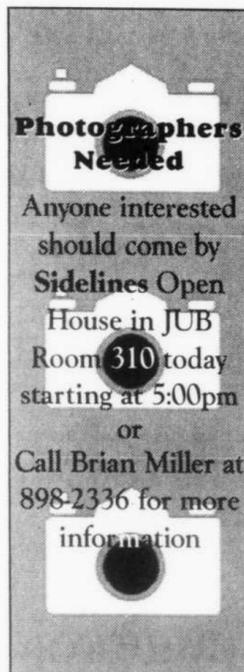
Women and men are welcome to make appointments on the specified Wednesday, but they are also welcome any other Wednesday from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m.

Eighteen different types of tests, including kidney and sugar levels exams, are given regularly. AIDS testing is not available, due to the fact the clinic does not have adequate facilities.

Professionals within the center not only can give examinations, but can also give prescriptions. The patient must first be examined before receiving any medication. Patients must be MTSU faculty, students, or their families.

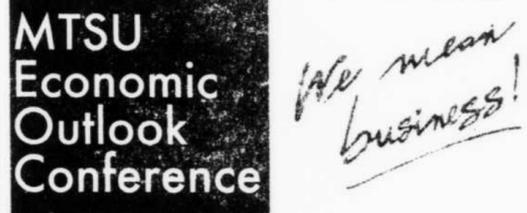
Exams, including medical records and family history, cost around \$15. Pap smears are an additional \$27.50. According to Linda League, the coordinator of the Women's Clinic, one can pay up to \$80 at other institutions for just a physical. A small price to pay compared to private clinics.

Although the clinic will not contact patients' insurance companies, it will give clients receipts and other necessary paperwork for them to file on their own.



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# Academic Master Plan

The Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs is kicking-off an Academic Master Plan initiative September 5 and 6. The Academic Master Plan will guide the academic future of MTSU to the year 2000 and beyond. Dr. Robert Shirley, retiring President of the University of Southern Colorado and a nationally known expert in planning, will serve as the consultant for planning. Dr. Shirley and Dr. Barbara Haskew, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, would like to meet with students to discuss the importance of an Academic Master Plan to the University and receive suggestions from students about MTSU's future at the forum. All MTSU students are invited to attend.



**Student Forum**  
Friday, September 6, 1996  
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.  
KUC Theatre

## Organizational Fair rescheduled for Thursday

By Jason Hollick/staff

The SGA organizational fair that was scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 4 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. has been rescheduled for Thursday, Sept. 12 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., due to rain.

The purpose of this fair, according to SGA President Christin Baker, is to allow organizations to see what kind of organizations are available here on campus in a fun and non-threatening way.

A few of the organizations scheduled to be at this fair are: the Presbyterian Student Fellowship, Tao Kappa Epsilon, the MTSU Debate Team, Association of Recording Management Students (ARMS), Alpha Kappa Psi and Raider Assistance Project (RAP).

"I think it is a great thing that the university is having this organizational fair," said Mike Malone of the Presbyterian Student Fellowship.

Scott Pejaver from the MTSU Debate Team said, "We want to make the university aware of our presence, to increase support for our team and to get some new members in the process."

Along with booths from a myriad of campus organizations there are also going to be refreshments, a D.J. for student entertainment, carnival games, and information about many campus organizations.

All students are welcome to come out to see if these or any other school organizations appeal to them. •

## Local gospel singers perform at Tucker Theatre



David Grissett/staff

Local gospel talent was recognized Saturday, Aug. 31 at Tucker Theatre during the Gospel Music Connections Summer '96 Concert. *New Beginning* was one of several gospel acts featured in the concert, given to bring community withing groups, choirs and individual singers. The concert was sponsored by Warren Jackson Enterprises. A portion of the proceeds raised from ticket sales were donated to the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Funds Foundation of Rutherford County.

## Hibbard first speaker in Honors Lecture Series

By Sarah Way and Gregg Mayer/staff

"Living in the Arab World" is the first topic in a series of Honors's lectures to be presented throughout the semester on campus.

Allen Hibbard will present "Living in the Arab World" Monday, Sept. 9 in Peck Hall 109A beginning at 3:30 p.m.

Hibbard, who received his Ph.D. from the University of Washington in Seattle, lived in

the Middle East for six of the past 12 years. From 1985-89 he lived in Cairo, Egypt, where he taught at the American University in Cairo and wrote his dissertation. From 1992-94 he was a Fulbright lecturer at Damascus University.

"One of the reasons I went (to the Middle East) was I imagined it to be quite different from the West," Hibbard said.

"I wanted to go farther than Paris or London, where culture is much the same." Middle Eastern religions,

customs, and history are "vastly different" from the West, Hibbard said. However, people in countries such as Syria, Egypt, and Iraq are not entirely different from the West, but are also very heterogeneous, much like the United States.

Hibbard also noted the smell of jasmine hinting about the streets of Cairo, which he described as "intoxicating."

Hibbard has taught at MTSU off and on for the past 12 years. He is the author of

Paul Bowles: A Study of the Short Fiction. He has also published numerous articles, reviews, stories and literary translations (from Arabic to English). He is currently collecting material for a biography of writer Alfred Chester, author of *The Exquisite Corpse*.

All lectures sponsored by the Honors Lecture series are free and open to the public.

The series topic this semester is "Cultures and Customs." •

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## News Odds and Ends

WASHINGTON (AP) — To the members of her fan club, first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton is a doll. Literally.

The group presented Mrs. Clinton with a Hillary doll on Wednesday during a reception at the White House. They also sang "You've Gotta Have Bill (And Hillary Too)," an adapted version of "You've Gotta Have Heart."

"A song, a doll — I am overwhelmed," Mrs. Clinton said. Glancing at the doll, she quipped: "I like that hair style."

The doll, clad in an aqua suit and sporting a bouffant hairdo, was encased in a clear plastic box and surrounded by two U.S. flags and flags from the foreign nations where the First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton Fan Club has chapters.

The doll was created by Jordan Pokrinchak of Sarasota, Fla., who has been collecting Hillary memorabilia with his wife. Mrs. Clinton said she would display the doll in her office, "and then it will be part of history forever."

Mrs. Clinton greeted about 200 fan club members in the East Room. Members waved sheets of paper reading "We Believe in You Hillary" as the first lady entered the room.

She told them that she appreciated their efforts to counter the immense public criticism she and her husband have endured.

"For many of you, when you joined the fan club, it was really to stand up for civility," Mrs. Clinton said. "That's a positive statement about what it means to be an American."

The club, organized in 1992, now has 22,000 members in 72 chapters. Its members, who vary in age and political affiliation, cheer Mrs. Clinton at her public appearances and write letters, call talk radio shows and talk up their heroine in every way they can.

This year, the club is working to help President Clinton in his bid for re-election, said Ruth Love of Silver Spring, Md., who founded the club with her husband, Eugene.

"We are not a fan club of screaming, teen-age swooners," Mrs. Love said. "We are working very hard to get out the vote." •

FISHKILL, N.Y. (AP) — An animal rights group says this Hudson Valley village has a cruel name and might do well to change it to something more compassionate, like Fishsave.

Mayor George Carter won't take the bait.

"I'm not going to change the name of Fishkill. It's been such a long, outstanding name," Carter said Wednesday.

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals asked Carter in a letter last month to consider changing Fishkill's name. But the mayor noted Wednesday that the name has stood since the late 1600s.

Fishkill, about 65 miles north of New York City, traces its name to the region's original Dutch settlers. "Kill" translates to "stream" in Dutch.

"I think if they would look the word up, they would find out what it means," Carter said.

PETA said most people aren't aware of the name's origins, and instead associated Fishkill with the slaughter of fish.

The push for a name change is part of PETA's latest campaign, the "Save Our Schools" anti-fishing crusade, Davey Shepherd said Wednesday from the group's headquarters in Norfolk, Va.

"Fish are able to feel pain, and therefore to use them for your enjoyment is wrong," said Shepherd.

The Hudson Valley is dotted with towns, villages and streams with names ending in the Dutch suffix "kill." The village of Catskill and the nearby Catskill Mountains aren't being targeted for a name change, despite their feline connotations, Shepherd said.

Does PETA really expect a village or town to change its name because people might confuse it with slaughtering fish?

"Who knows," Shepherd said. "We have to try. If we don't, there's no possibility of them changing it." •

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. (AP) — The freshmen engineering students had their assignment, and ate it too.

The 45 students in an introductory engineering course at West Virginia University were asked to build small cars capable of coasting

down an incline.

One catch, though: The design had to be edible.

There were some creative entries, such as a squat bell pepper with pepperoni for wheels. Another car was fashioned from a block of sharp cheddar cheese and had Oreos cookies to keep it rolling.

"It's patterned after a Lamborghini Diablo," Brent Criser said of the cheddar car.

Professor Bill Miller said the students were graded on the cars' speed, design and innovative use of materials. And he was serious about eating the projects Wednesday, saying students who failed to consume them would receive no grade.

Some cars were more palatable than others. Edward Mottern noted that there might be a problem with the footlong salami that was the centerpiece of his team's creation.

"It's a week old, man," a teammate pointed out.

Somehow, they managed to get it down. •

PARIS (AP) — Less than a week after asking Washington to stop sending monkeys into space, Brigitte Bardot has a new cause — freeing two U.S. Navy dolphins named Buck and Luther.

"Buck and Luther should be a symbol of recovered freedom after years of imprisonment. The dolphin center industry has decided otherwise," the actress-turned-activist wrote to President Clinton on Wednesday.

In the past, the Navy has used dolphins to retrieve torpedos, locate mines and detect enemy swimmers.

In May, Luther and Buck were released into the Gulf of Mexico. But the dolphins apparently didn't fare well in the wild. They begged for tidbits from boaters and suffered gashes probably caused by boat propellers.

Luther was flown by the Navy back to California. And Buck was at a dolphin research center, fighting an infection.

Last week, Bardot appealed to U.S. senators to stop funding the joint U.S.-French-Russian Bion project, which sends monkeys into space to study the effects of weightlessness. •

## AmeriCorps program mission includes combating illiteracy

College Press Service

President Clinton has proposed expanding AmeriCorps mission by having its national service workers sign on as reading specialists to combat illiteracy.

"Today I am giving AmeriCorps a new charge: make reading central to your mission," said Clinton, during an Aug. 27 campaign stop in Wyandotte, Mich., a Detroit suburb.

The proposal to expand AmeriCorps is part of a larger literacy initiative unveiled by Clinton that is designed to get all children reading by the end of the third grade.

Clinton's national literacy campaign, the latest in a pre-convention blitz, would offer 30,000 reading specialists and volunteer coordinators to select communities. This would be coupled by an effort to develop programs in local communities that teach parents, especially

those with low-level reading skills, how to make their children better readers.

The initiatives would cost \$2.75 billion, but \$1 billion would be redirected from the current AmeriCorps budget. The rest of the money would be paid under a new Clinton plan to repeal 11 business subsidies.

AmeriCorps, often called the domestic equivalent of the Peace Corps, allows about 25,000 students to earn money for college by working in communities.

The 2-year program has been under much fire from Republicans in Congress, particularly since a General Accounting Office audit last fall criticized the program as too costly.

Republican presidential nominee Bob Dole has promised, if elected, to eliminate the program and use the savings to increase college-aid funds for Pell Grants and Work-Study. •



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# OPINIONS

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SIDELINES

Thursday, September 5, 1996

## In our view

### Parking for dorm residents

Parking is tough on campus for everyone, but it is especially tough for those students living in the dorms.

Dorm residents should be given reserved parking spaces to ensure that they can at least park close to where they live. In addition, more parking spaces surrounding the dorms should be given to the residents.

As the university moves closer to "perimeter" style parking (where parking surrounds the campus), the green parking spaces seem to be drifting away from the dorms.

Many dorms like Corlew, Cummings and Wood/Felder are losing their parking lots due to construction. Residents at Wood/Felder have resorted to making makeshift parking spaces in front of the fenced off area where the new library will soon be.

Dorm residents should not have to fight for parking spaces outside their dorm. The MTSU campus is home for these students, this is where they live. How many of you must fight to park in your own driveway?

One reason for more designated dorm spaces would be safety. Students who live here must walk sometimes lengthy distances at night from their car to their dorm. As the campus grows larger and crime rises, dorm residents become increasingly concerned about their safety on campus at night.

Out of all of the concerns that dorm residents deal with, roommates, peeling paint and cramped living quarters, parking becomes one added stress. It shouldn't be that way. Dorm residents should be able to park near their home.

### Ideals are difficult to achieve

Seeking the ideal is a frustrating pastime. It seems so impossible. We have idealistic visions of how to treat others, how to live, how to love, and more, but the implementation of these is filled with problems. No one has ever met a morally perfect human. No perfect system of government exists. No ideal way of administering justice has been found. We are an imperfect people in an imperfect world.

Some would say that since we can't achieve the ideal, we should not strive for it. They would put forth that those who reach for the unreachable are fools, deserving whatever undesirable treatment they receive while seeking after their silly notions. Their focus is not on the improvement of the world they live in, but on satisfying their every desire, even if those desires are detrimental to the fabric of society.

Why should anyone be concerned for a society bent on running itself into the ground? Why not use and abuse the system to get what we deem important, and let the rest fend for themselves? This is the type of thinking which causes us to be so far away from the ideal in the first place.

Then there are occasions when knowing the course to take is difficult. We have all experienced the times of confusion when the influencing factors of our lives tell us to follow different paths. Deciding which direction to take is not easy. To top it off, the ideal sometimes lies away from fulfilling our selfish desires, making the decision to move in that direction seem, on the surface, to be more costly for us. Yet, if we look to the future, the ideal is the better bargain.

Sometimes a concept we see as ideal, may appear less than that to others. If something is important to you, seeing others disregard it can hurt. Watching ideologies I which hold dear trivialized in popular culture is most annoying to me. Yet in a society based on freedom differences in opinion are inevitable. We must remember that personal freedom brings great responsibility. We cannot let us down from friends or enemies dissuade us from seeking our worthy goal. The trick is holding to your view of that which is ideal while allowing opposing positions to exist.

Then, after we identify an ideal to

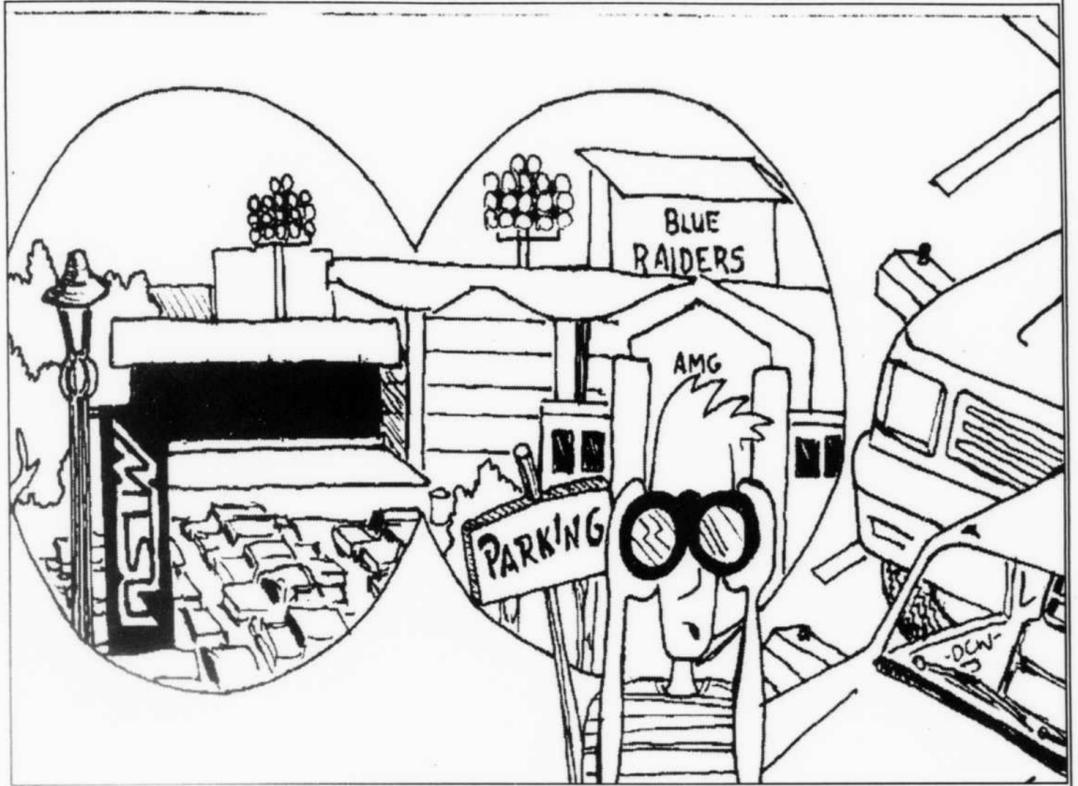
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From Where I Stand

Scott Link

### Now where did I park my car?



### Letters to the Editor

#### Time to eliminate the 'because God said not to,' sex-negative attitude

By contrast to religious moralists like Scott Link, sexual libertarians have promoted sex free of all responsibility, ethical values and social consequences. But genuine freedom carries with it a set of responsibilities to the others with whom we live in community. Because sex almost always involves at least a minimal of human interaction, sexual libertarianism is unrealistic—and especially so in this age of AIDS and other sexually communicable diseases.

However, I take issue with Mr. Link's comments in the last edition of *Sidelines*: "the most important reason to wait [until one is married to have sex] is that God said to." With this language, Mr. Link seeks to widen the perceived chasm between sexuality and spirituality, and to further a heteropatriarchal society which insists on standards of masculinity and femininity that have

severely deformed human potential.

Eros is a spiritual urge. There are several options open to all of us: monogamy, celibacy, or a general openness to sexual relationships (which, for many in a sex-negative society is considered promiscuous). Each of these sexual options has a history of alienation, but each also holds possibilities for transformation. Whatever ways we may choose to express ourselves sexually, we are obligated to approach each other's lives with a profound sense of tenderness, respect and learning with each other of how we might become more faithful friends—in relation not only to each other but to the larger world as well, to helping make it a more just and peaceful resource of pleasure for all living creatures. Sexualized spirituality is not a substitute for seeking a more just society. Rather, eros empowers us to care about every body, and motivates

our holy and sacred work on behalf of human justice.

More specifically, if indeed sexual will to live, most contemporary Christian churches and many synagogues have passed a death sentence upon the many single people who are not celibate. Their number includes heterosexuals who may remain unmarried for a variety of reasons, and bisexuals, lesbians and gay men, for whom marriage is not possible. Perhaps if we live long enough, the will to live more fully and to recognize the sacredness of our own bodies and that of our partners will triumph over the abstract doctrines and the "because God said not to" sex-negative mentality of today.

Sincerely,  
Trey Hall  
Senior English major

#### Livestock Center parking lot provides more black, green, blue spaces

Did You Know? I sure didn't

All over campus, one hears complaints about the limited number of parking spaces. Well, has anyone taken the initiative to find out what the heck is going on, and what the students can do about it? I have not heard anything useful from my fellow students. Therefore, I set out to do some research. My first stop was the Public Safety Building, where I discovered something very interesting:

Several students received tickets for parking on the grass near the Recreation Center when there were no parking spaces left. When these students complained to the Parking Authority office, they were informed

that parking in the grass was not necessary. There is an entire parking lot on campus that is not being used.

Evidently the "Parking Authority" did not feel it was their obligation to let everyone else know about this 614-space parking lot. The lot is on all the maps of the campus, but it is easy to overlook. It is called the Tennessee Livestock Center Parking Lot. It is open to all permit colors: black, green, white and blue.

The Tennessee Livestock Center Parking Lot is on Greenland Drive, a few blocks down from the Greenland Drive Parking Lot. The Livestock Center Lot is no further from the heart of campus than some of the other perimeter lots. A woman

employed at the Parking Authority office said that if the Livestock Center Lot was being used by enough people, the Raider Express would stop there. The lot is also easier to get in and out of than the Greenland Lot, especially if one comes in from Rutherford Boulevard, then turns down Greenland Drive.

I am now satisfied that there is an adequate amount of parking spaces on campus. If any of the students have further complaints, then they should get off their butts and do something about it, or SHUT-UP!

Leslie S. Rippey  
Senior, Advertising major

#### University 101 class asks administration to solve the parking situation

To the Editor:

We feel that the parking situation on campus is ridiculous. As anyone with a sense of sight can easily notice, there is almost nowhere to park during the week. This poses a problem for the students living on-campus, but it is an even larger problem for the students who commute. If you try to find a good parking place after 8:00 a.m. you are SOL. With this problem addressed, we'd like a concrete answer. How does the administration of this university plan to fix this situation? With enrollment up a few thousand students a year, parking will not simply work itself out and is

definitely not getting any better. For these reasons we propose that the university spend some money, which they certainly have, on one or maybe two parking garages to contain vehicles. As we witness the massive construction of the new aerospace building worth millions and millions of dollars and the preparation and upcoming construction of the new state of the art library, why not build a garage for students also? A parking garage has no Internet lines, cable outlets, telephone wires, or any of those expensive additives our two new buildings will have. Surely this institution can afford to build a few garages to help with the parking.

After all, the cost of one garage isn't anywhere near to 1/4 the cost of one of the new buildings. If one of the new buildings is supposedly a problem, why not use some of the money from parking passes? Or better yet, use some of the money from the parking tickets that seem to reproduce on our windshields, and begin a fund for parking? These could be a few simple solutions to the ongoing dilemma we students must face daily as we search for an empty space at MTSU.

Thank you,  
Doug Carriker, and his University 101 class

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Be kind, try not to run over your fellow students crossing the road!

Perspectives

Sidelines interviewed four students to find out: "Should the government legalize the growing of industrial hemp?"



Richard Gregory, Junior Mech. Engineering Major

"If it would be helpful to the environment I'm all for it."



Kelly Gass, Junior Criminal Justice Major

"If it doesn't affect your body in any way, or your mental state, then it should be legal."



Lowie Stone, Freshman Art Major

"I figure if they are going to make it in other countries and sell it in the States, then we should grow it here and save ourselves some money."



Tanisha Eudell, Freshman Mass Comm Major

"If it's going to do more harm than good, then no. If no one can harm themselves with it, then we should."

Ideal:

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ideal to reach for, we fail. Falling victim to the human condition, perfection remains out of reach. We fall short of our good intentions. These falls range from not doing what we should, to doing what we shouldn't, to having improper motives at the base of either action.

"I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate," penned Paul in his letter to the Romans. He knew, as we do, that seeing the better path does not insure we

will follow it. We must acknowledge that we will fail, and then, when we do fail, keep going even if it means crawling.

We do not have to wait until an ideal is reached to measure improvement. The mere process of trying to attain the ideal brings social improvement. To finally achieve a goal which, individually or collectively, improves the world we share is a wonderful thing. When we seek the ideal we move toward it in increments. Every step toward the ideal is a step in the right direction. When we move in that direction we only improve our lives.

Seeking a social ideal is not fun or easy. Sometimes it means denying your personal desires for the betterment of those around you. It means putting the welfare of others ahead of your own, even when they have no care for your welfare or their own. It means really trying to treat people you meet in the way you want to be treated.

Whatever ideal you have, strive for it. Do not succumb to apathy. Do not be discouraged. Think beyond yourself. Try to influence society, to better it. We may never reach our ultimate goal, but the progress toward it is worth the effort. •

Practical inventions that will improve your lifestyle

By Dave Barry/syndicated

People often ask me how America became the world's greatest economic power, as measured in Remote Control Units Per Household (RCUPH). My answer is: "Inventions."

Americans have always been great inventors. To cite one historic example: Back in 1879, a young man named Thomas Alva Edison was trying to develop a new light source. One day he was messing around in his laboratory with some filaments, when suddenly a thought struck him: The letters in "Thomas Alva Edison" could be rearranged to spell, "Do Have Salami Snot." This made him so depressed that he invented the phonograph, so he could listen to B.B. King records.

A more recent example of American inventiveness is "Buffalo-style" chicken wings. For many years, nobody ate chicken wings, and for a good reason: They are inedible. They are essentially meat-free bones. You might as well chew on a plate of toe-nails. But one day a shrewd restaurant owner came up with the idea of serving the wings "Buffalo-style," which means "to people who have been drinking beer." It is a known fact that beer-drinkers will eat pretty much anything; Exhibit A is "Slim Jims." You could put a dish of salted mothballs in front of beer drinkers, and they would snork them up. So chicken wings were an instant hit. Today, "Buffalo-style" chicken wings are served in restaurants all over the nation: The waitperson brings out a plate of bones, the customers gnaw on them for a while, and then the waitperson takes them back to the kitchen, where they're run through the dishwasher and placed on a plate for the next set of customers to gnaw on. A restaurant can sell the same set of "Buffalo-style" wings hundreds of times; this provides a big boost to the economy, and it is easier on the chickens.

And speaking of modern inventions, let's talk about the incredible convenience of

cellular phones, especially for motorists. Years ago, when you were driving, you wasted your time on such non-productive activities as listening to the radio, steering, etc. But now, using your cellular phone, you can engage in productive conversations ("Hello Ted? Can you hear me? Hello? Ted? Can you...Hello? Ted? Can...Hello?") As a safety bonus, you can also use your cellular phone to call for an ambulance after you rear-end somebody (Hello? 911? Can you hear...Hello?).

were stuck in, for example, a company meeting wherein your boss was droning away about improving product quality, you could pass the time productively by watching your fish swim around and poop.

Another one of Demers' friends, Richard Jeanne, had a fine idea for improving the quality of the motoring experience. You know those irritating drivers who leave their turn signals blinking, sometimes all the way from New York to Cleveland, slowly driving you insane? This irritation would be eliminated by Jeanne's idea for a new, improved turn signal: "After 15 seconds, the car will automatically turn in the direction indicated by the signal." Wouldn't that be great? It would remove at least 200,000 drivers from the road in Miami alone.

Speaking of irritations: Have you noticed that more people seem to be paying for everything—EVERYTHING—with credit cards? Last winter I waited in a long ticket line outside a movie theater near Detroit on a bitterly cold night for what seemed like hours because many people were charging their \$3.50 movie tickets. Each of these purchases had to be approved by a central computer; meanwhile, the movie was starting, and people in the ticket line were keeling over from frostbite and being dragged off into the parking lot by wolves. I have invented a way to prevent this kind of thing: For credit-card purchases under \$20, the central computer would add an Annoyance Charge, which would be based on the number of people waiting in line, air temperature, and other factors. ("OK, that's two tickets to Flipper; with your senior-citizen discount and your Annoyance Charge, it comes to \$237,000.")

I'll bet you have some good invention ideas, too, and I'd love to hear what they are. But please mail them in; we cannot accept phone calls. We're keeping the line open for margaritas. •

A more recent example of American inventiveness is "Buffalo-style" chicken wings.

The exciting thing is, at this very moment, Americans are thinking up inventions that could improve our lifestyles EVEN MORE. For example, a while back I received a letter from a research scientist (unfortunately, I lost the letter, so I can't give you his name) who told me that he and some other research scientists were working on developing a system for—I believe this is how he worded it—"transmitting frozen margaritas over ordinary telephone lines." I speak for Americans everywhere when I say: Let's track these scientists down and give them a large federal grant. I received another letter, which I managed not to lose, from alert reader Dick Demers, who told me about some inventions that he and his friends had conceived of. For example, his friend James Cathey thought up the long-overdue idea of a "briefcase aquarium." I assume this would be an aquarium that had a handle so you could carry it around with you; thus if you

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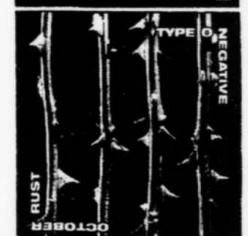
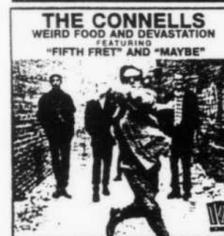
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## Bulldogs blank Raiders in the Bayou

By Keith Russell / staff

The defense never rested. Unfortunately for the Blue Raiders, however, the case was closed on the MTSU offense last Saturday, as Louisiana Tech broke open a tight game mid-way through the third quarter and coasted to a 20-0 home victory before 17,912 in Ruston, La.

In the season opener for both schools, Middle Tennessee proved to have trouble early and often in generating any type of offensive momentum, spoiling a stellar performance by the Blue Raider defense, which held one of Division I-A's most intricate and explosive offenses without a touchdown for nearly three quarters.

"I thought we would have moved the ball better than we did," said head coach Boots Donnelly after the game. "They did not do a great deal to us, other than what we did to ourselves."

The Raiders' offensive woes began right out of the starting blocks, as Louisiana Tech's defense forced MTSU

to punt three plays after receiving the opening kickoff.

Taking advantage of excellent field position following a short punt, the Bulldogs promptly drove down the field, setting up a first-and-goal situation inside the MTSU 10-yard line. From that point, however, the Raiders' defense stiffened, eventually stuffing Tech on a fourth-and-goal play at the 4-yard line, and setting the tone for much of the contest.

The Blue Raider offense, meanwhile, continued to tread water, prompting Donnelly to replace starting quarterback Jonathan Quinn with senior Vanderbilt transfer Ronnie Gordon early in the second quarter, shortly after Louisiana Tech took a 3-0 lead following a Marty Kent 34-yard field goal. Quinn, who had secured the starting duties in preseason practice, was lifted in the midst of a dismal performance in which he completed only four of 16 passes for 32 yards, including one interception.

Moving the more mobile Gordon (10-of-17 passing, 96 yards) under

center appeared to be just what the Raiders needed, as Middle Tennessee immediately drove to the Bulldogs' 8-yard line with a blend of option runs and short passes. The drive was quickly dashed, however, when Lebrion McGill fumbled on first-and-goal, ending what would be MTSU's best scoring opportunity.

In all, the Raiders' sputtered for a meager 206 yards in total offense, including only 78 net yards rushing on 38 carries. Six quarterback sacks and four lost fumbles also added to the offensive frustrations.

This cost the Raiders dearly, despite an opportunistic Raiders' defense that intercepted five Jason Martin passes, forced three fumbles, and held Tech's explosive wideout Chad Mackey (90 catches a year ago) to just two catches and 24 yards receiving.

"Five (interceptions) ought to keep you in the ballgame," said Donnelly.

Highlighting MTSU's defensive performance was cornerback Typail McMullen, who intercepted two passes

and recovered a fumble, as well as leading the team with seven tackles in his first game since transferring from Texas A&M. Defensive end Anthony Hicks also helped the cause with seven tackles and an interception of his own.

The efforts eventually proved to be not enough, however, as Louisiana Tech scored the game's first touchdown on a 20-yard pass from Martin to Josh Bradley with 7:04 remaining in the third quarter, and put the game out of reach with another Kent field goal with 1:02 left in the third and another Martin touchdown pass in the final quarter.

"We really tried our best," said defensive end Anthony McCord afterward, "but things didn't go our way in certain situations."

MTSU (0-1) next faces Tennessee St. (0-1) on the road this Saturday, while Louisiana Tech (1-0) hosts Baylor (0-0) in Shreveport, La.

The last time Middle Tennessee was shut out occurred last season on Sept. 23, when Murray St. blanked the Raiders 34-0 in Murfreesboro. •

## Backpacking: The best way to get away



Brent Spicer

### OUTDOOR CORNER

The soft rays of the early morning sun slowly eased me out of my slumber that had been so peaceful, due to the pitter patter of the waterfall which accompanied the campsite. My reluctance to slip out of the warmth of my sleeping bag into the crisp, clean morning air was overcome with the anticipation of the day ahead.

Waking up to a new dawn in the wilderness is an experience that everyone should enjoy at least once, and backpacking is a great way to get there. There is also something special in knowing that you are carrying everything you need to survive on your back, as well as being miles from civilization.

The wilderness purifies your mind from all the things in the modern world that clutter and pollute it and opens your senses to a new level of awareness and appreciation of the outdoors. I took a couple of backpacking trips to the Virgin Falls Pocket Wilderness and to the Savage Gulf Natural Area this summer, and I thoroughly enjoyed both.

Virgin Falls Pocket Wilderness is located just east of Sparta, TN. This area has three excellent waterfalls, two interesting caves, a great overlook, and the upper Caney Fork River. There is an eight mile trail loop that visits the three falls, plus several additional trails to the caves, the overlook, and the Caney Fork.

My cousin and I hiked about fifteen miles there in a couple days, which was humping it, but still allowed us to stop often, enjoy the scenery, to wait out a two hour rainstorm at Virgin Falls (the largest waterfall), and to enjoy all the main sites as well as some of the out.

The area is blessed with rhododendron and mountain laurel, the latter of which were blooming quite nicely when we were there. I found it especially interesting that at two of the waterfalls the creeks disappear underground and do not resurface until they meet the Caney Fork a mile or so away. As a word of warning, the dirt road immediately before you reach the area is tough to travel when it has been raining a lot unless you have a four-wheel drive vehicle.

The Savage Gulf Natural Area is most famous for The Great Stone Door near the west side of the area, but the best backpacking is found on the east side. This area boasts almost limitless hiking, with trails that will take you anywhere. These trails are best known for their overlooks along the "gulf" or canyon, but there are also a couple of old pioneer cabins that have been restored, a few waterfalls, numerous rock formations and overhangs, and a few small caves.

The thing I found most interesting is that it is a totally natural area, meaning that nothing is allowed that would alter its natural state, including logging, fishing, hunting, or even management of the wildlife. It is one of the few true wild areas left in this state, in the country.

My cousin and I got there just in time to hike a couple miles in to camp that night, and hiked the next day until about 2:00 p.m. for a total of about ten miles. We enjoyed imagining the Native Americans using the same overlooks centuries before us, and relished the thought that the area still looked exactly like it did back then.

A great way for you to experience backpacking is to go on one of the trips that Campus Recreation offers to students. They will provide transportation, gear, and food, all for a good price. They have a couple of trips planned this fall. The first will be the Sipsey Wilderness Weekend Trip on Sept. 27-29 and the second a week long trip to The Grand Canyon in Arizona from Nov. 26-Dec. 1.

For more information on the trips this fall, contact the Campus Recreation Department; and for information on the Virgin Falls Pocket Wilderness or the Savage Gulf Natural Area, contact the Tennessee Recreation and Parks Association. •

## Quinn out, Gordon in for clash with rival TSU

### QB's to split time running Raiders offense: Boots

By Doug Malan / staff

A loss in the first game of the season is a good indicator of what a team needs to work on to improve. For the Blue Raiders, several deficiencies were exposed in Saturday night's 20-0 loss at Louisiana Tech.

Head coach Boots Donnelly was "extremely disappointed" with the offensive unit after it gained 2.9 yards per play while rushing for 78 yards and passing for 128 yards against the Bulldogs. The defense kept the Blue Raiders in the game by forcing three fumbles and intercepting five passes, but Donnelly feels that area can be improved upon as well.

Because of the inept offense displayed in the season opener, Donnelly finds himself with the familiar job of quarterback juggling. Last year, Jonathan Quinn and Shelby Parker platooned for half of the season before Quinn became the number one starter, a spot he took into the season opener. The junior quarterback went 4-for-12 against Tech with 32 yards and an interception, thereby opening a door for senior Vanderbilt transfer Ronnie Gordon, who completed 10 of 17 passes.

Gordon's versatility and elusiveness changes the Blue Raiders offensive scheme to include more option plays, a stark contrast to Quinn's play-calling. The ex-Commodore rushed for 31 yards Saturday, but his total yardage plummeted after being sacked six times.

Donnelly isn't ecstatic about



Brian Miller / staff

The Blue Raiders will have their hands full with Jarrick Hillery when MTSU travels to 'the Hole' this Saturday.

shuffling quarterbacks every few series. "I'm a one quarterback coach, but I'm not afraid of change," he said. "If we have to use two quarterbacks to win, then that's what we'll do. Personality and age are out of the picture. We're here to win."

The quarterbacks' differing styles force the coaching staff to assign a separate offense to each signal-caller, which makes the offensive linemen's jobs a lot more difficult. "Two quarterbacks creates a continuity problem for the line," Donnelly said. "They have to alternate their blocking schemes according to the quarterback

in the game while still picking up the blitzes."

This Saturday, Ronnie Gordon will be the starter against Tennessee St. in a 6 p.m. game at TSU. The Tigers enter their first OVC game of the year 0-1 after losing to Florida A&M, 35-20, last week in L.C. Cole's first game as head coach.

Donnelly feels his team matches up better with TSU than Louisiana Tech. "Tennessee St. runs out of shotgun formations with three receivers and they do other things that we're familiar with," he said. "It will be a simpler adjustment for our team."

He's also aware that the Tigers used fake punts, an on-side kick for the opening kick-off and other trick plays against FAMU and has prepared his team accordingly.

Judging from last week's performance, quarterback Todd Valentine will be a concern for the Raider defense. Against the Rattlers, the redshirt freshman completed 20 of 38 passes for 301 yards and a touchdown. However, Cole believes the running game will be the key to his squad's success. "We have to establish

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## Lady Raiders volleyball struggles at UMass tourney

By Keith Russell / staff

The MTSU women's volleyball team both literally and figuratively limped out of the starting gate last weekend, finishing 1-3 in a tournament hosted by the University of Massachusetts.

In the first match of the weekend against Providence, MTSU stormed out to an early lead, but were ultimately edged out in five games, 15-7, 15-3, 10-15, 5-15, and 11-15. "We were on fire those first two games," said junior middle blocker Tammy Eichholz. "But then we fell apart in the next three games."

After losing another five game marathon in the second match versus Southwest Texas, Middle Tennessee battled back to defeat Tulane in four games, 15-11, 9-15, 16-14, and 15-7.

In the final match of the weekend, the Lady Raiders fell quickly to the host UMass team, getting swept in three games.

"They weren't that much better than us," said Eichholz of UMass. Kissee agrees. "I felt the level of competition was comparable to the teams in our conference."

To whatever degree the women

from Murfreesboro were challenged by the competition they faced outside of Boston, however, the team was forced to overcome an additional obstacle when it learned that it would have to do without the services of junior setter Nidza Castillo due to a back injury.

The loss of Castillo, who will be out indefinitely, was of extreme importance to the team because head coach Lisa Kissee had installed a new lineup scheme for the coming season that featured two setters on the floor at the same time. Without Castillo, the Lady Raiders were left with only junior Jaemi Clayton and freshman Jamesea Emerson at the position, making the new system unfeasible.

As a result, Kissee was forced to quickly scrap the new system and install a new one (which uses one setter at a time) that the team had practiced only sparingly, and with less than fortuitous results. "It was a disaster!" recalled Kissee of the half-hour session with the 5-1 lineup.

And looking at the Lady Raiders performance in Amherst, it's apparent that there is room for improvement.

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## Sports Shorts

### OVC FOOTBALL RESULTS

Louisiana Tech 20, MTSU 0  
Florida A&M 35, TSU 0  
E. Illinois 28, W. Michigan 20

Four OVC Football teams remain in Top 25 in the latest Sports Network I-AA Top 25 poll. Murray State is ranked 9th, Eastern Kentucky is 10th, MTSU is ranked 18th, and Eastern Illinois is 24th.

### SEC FOOTBALL RESULTS

Florida 55, Southwest Louisiana 21  
Auburn 29, Alabama-Birmingham 0  
Louisville 38, Kentucky 14  
Tennessee 62, UNLV 3  
Southern Mississippi 11, Georgia 7

This week's schedule of games and events of local interest (all times are Central):

### OVC FOOTBALL

Saturday, Sept. 7  
MTSU at TSU, 6 p.m.  
Austin State at Arkansas State, 6 p.m.  
Pittsburg State at E. Illinois, 7 p.m.  
Troy State at E. Kentucky, 6 p.m.  
W. Kentucky at Murray State, 7 p.m.  
UT-Martin at S. Illinois, 1:30 p.m.  
Tenn. Tech at Appalachian St., 6 p.m.

### SEC FOOTBALL

Thursday, Sept. 5  
Tusculum at LSU

Saturday, Sept. 7

UCLA at Tennessee  
Georgia Southern at Florida  
Houston at LSU  
Fresno State at Auburn  
Southern Mississippi at Alabama  
SMU at Arkansas  
Kentucky at Cincinnati  
VMI at Ole Miss  
Mississippi State at Memphis  
Central Florida at South Carolina

### WOMEN'S SOCCER

Saturday, Sept. 7  
Eastern Illinois at MTSU, 2 p.m.

### LADY RAIDERS VOLLEYBALL

Friday and Saturday, Sept. 6 and 7  
Memphis Tournament at Memphis  
SW Louisiana, Memphis, Davidson, and Ole Miss

### INTRAMURALS

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# First women's soccer team suffers shut-out

By Marcy Eibel / staff

The MTSU women's soccer team, coached by Collette Gilligan, has officially begun their first season with a 5-0 loss against Mississippi State last Saturday.

This is the first year MTSU has had a collegiate women's soccer team. The players seem highly motivated and skillful, and most of all they have the drive to be quite successful this year. Although the team gave up their first game to Mississippi State, the team has high expectations for this year.

"We could have done a lot better with more subs, but we did well considering the team

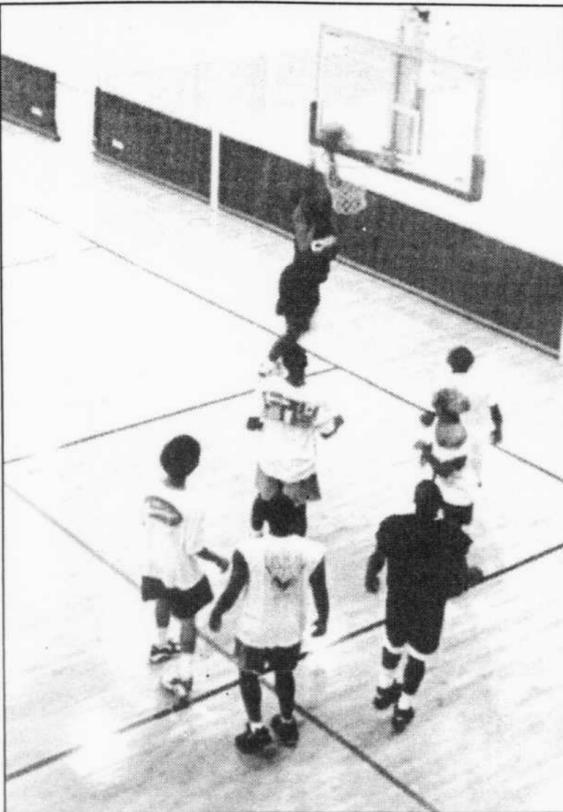
we played was so much bigger than ours and had a lot more experience with collegiate play," said striker Stephanie Bellis, a criminal justice major from Franklin, Tenn.

Goalkeeper Tory Martin and left full-back Yolanda Henderson also agreed that the team did well for their first game.

"We played really well for our first game. However, I think there is room for improvement, and we are working towards that," said Henderson.

MTSU's next game will be played at home at the airport field on Saturday, Sept. 7 at 2 p.m. against Eastern Illinois. •

# Shooting some hoops



David Grissett/staff

There are all sorts of activities open to MTSU students at the Rec Center. Admission is free with an MTSU ID.

# Vandy opens against Fighting Irish on ESPN

Associated Press

Eric Vance wishes the Vanderbilt schedule makers would pay attention to how other teams ease into a new season.

Vanderbilt, coming off its 13th straight losing season, hosts sixth-ranked Notre Dame Thursday night in an ESPN-televvised game.

"I wish we had a preseason game, a scrimmage or something. I don't think there's a tougher way to start the season," the senior safety said.

"It always works out to your advantage to have a lesser quality opponent. I see teams like Florida and Tennessee doing that. If you look at our record, that's what Notre Dame's doing with us."

The gap is huge between Notre Dame, winner of eight national championships and home to seven Heisman Trophy winners, and Vandy, whose Southeastern Conference accomplishments include never having been on probation and frequent nominations to the SEC's All-Academic team.

"You never know," said Irish coach Lou Holtz. "More upsets occur in the first game of the season than any other time." Like in 1995, when Northwestern beat Notre Dame.

Still, a down year for the Fighting Irish is not playing for the title. Last season's consolation prize was a trip to the Orange Bowl. Vanderbilt coach Rod Dowhower kept busy recruiting after a 2-9 season.

"We all know what this is about. We all know who we play," Dowhower said.

Notre Dame has made some last-minute switches on offense. Holtz wants to expand his offense with more passing, but he switched his second tailback Autry Denson to

flanker just days before leading rusher Randy Kinder pulled a quadriceps.

Vance doesn't buy the talk that the Irish might struggle to receive.

"Notre Dame's a great school. The guy listed as third-team receiver ... could play (here). They have a lot of talent at Notre Dame," Vance said.

Vanderbilt's timing with the Irish hasn't been good. The Commodores fell 41-0 to a team emotional in the first game after Holtz's neck surgery last September. The 'Dores now face a team determined not to repeat last year's opening loss to Northwestern.

That's not likely to happen this year with a Vandy team relying on newcomers to lift an offense that managed 230 yards a game in 1995.

The backup to quarterback Damian Allen is freshman Duce Reeder. But that's no problem. If he gets in the game he'll have five freshmen receivers as his targets, including starters Todd Yoder and Tavarus Hogans. The line starts four sophomores.

"I think they're obviously very good athletes and good competitors who've done a good job in practice, but they haven't teamed up against a crowd like Notre Dame," said Dowhower, in his second year after being hired to pump up the offense.

When Holtz looks at Vandy, he sees a defense that held Tennessee to 12 points in its final game last year. Vandy has 10 defensive starters back with the only loss James Manley who's now with the Minnesota Vikings.

"I know they feel that they're going to stop the run, and they can do that by putting nine men up there. If they do that, the question I have is can we throw the ball successfully?" Holtz said. •

# TSU:

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the run first off, and that won't be an easy thing to do," he said. "I think MTSU has the best defense in the conference."

Also on the attack for T-State is wide receiver Jerome Hurd, who caught two passes for 63 yards on Saturday and returns as the team's leading receiver from 1995.

From a defensive standpoint, Cole thinks his team may have difficulty dealing with the changing face of the Blue Raider offense. "Defending the two-quarterback system is challenging because the quarterbacks are so different,"

he said. "It makes you wonder what will happen from series to series."

No matter the outcome of State's games this season, Cole will enjoy his first season as head coach thanks to his family. Offensive coordinator Johnnie Cole, L.C.'s brother, was one of the first to be hired on to the Tiger coaching staff. "It's fun working with my brother because we grew up with seven other brothers and we work well together," L.C. said. "Johnnie's a guy I know and trust and have supreme confidence in."

MTSU won last year's game 11-7 and leads the overall series 9-7. This is the second game of the series to be played on TSU's campus. •

# VOLLEY:

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The team put up a minute .142 hitting percentage, well below the accuracy put forth by last season's squad. "We had a tremendous amount of hitting errors," acknowledged Kisse. "And there were a lot of miscues that won't show up when you look at the stat sheet."

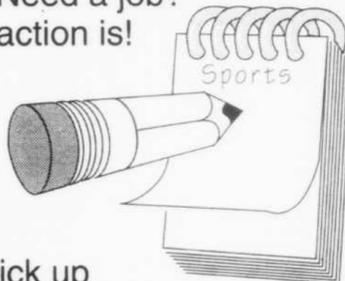
Still, the team feels confident it can regroup in time for their next challenge, when they will travel to a tournament at the University of Memphis that also includes Southwest Louisiana and Ole Miss this weekend. "We're still learning how to play with one another," says Eichholz. "But we're coming together as a team. And this team has a lot of character." •

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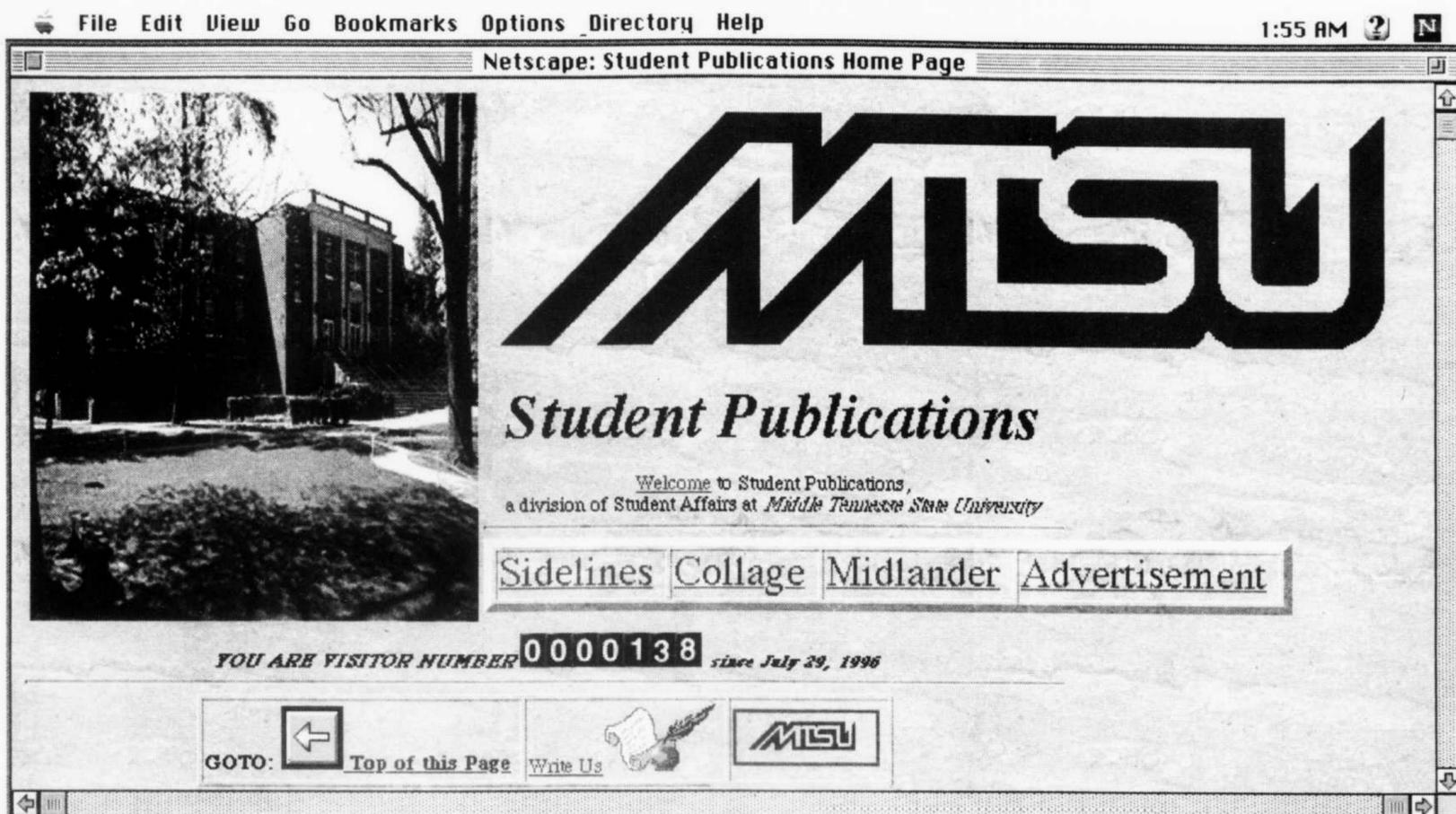
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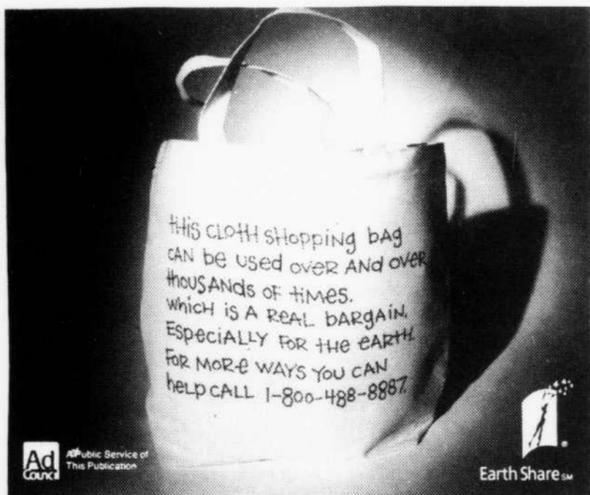
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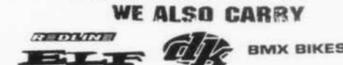
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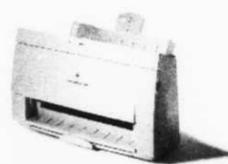
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It was September 11, 1911, when Middle Tennessee State Normal School opened its doors to 125 students. Four buildings stood on what previously had been hay and corn fields. On this 85th Founders Day, Wednesday, September 11, we invite you to join us for a long-awaited library groundbreaking followed by a birthday party. Although we now have over 80 buildings and more than 18,000 students, we're all still part of the MTSU family. Join in the events scheduled and watch for others to develop!

### Wednesday, September 11, 1996

1:30 p.m. Groundbreaking for new library at the site, southwest of Bragg Mass Communications Building. Rain location: Alumni Center.  
2:30-4:00 p.m. Birthday Party, shady grove between Cope Administration Building & Peck Hall. Birthday cake, balloons, buttons - all the things that make birthdays fun! Rain location: Tennessee Room, James Union Building.

### Saturday, September 14, 1996

1:45 p.m. Family Day - a day for our students and their families, includes door prizes, open houses, a cookout, pep rally, and football game against UT-Chattanooga. Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. at the Student Recreation Center.

### Saturday, September 28, 1996

7:00 p.m. The first President's Ball, Lowes Vanderbilt Plaza, 2100 West End Avenue, Nashville. This black tie event includes dinner, dancing, special entertainment, and an exhibition and silent auction of art. Proceeds go to the President's Academic Scholarship Fund. Call 898-2502 for reservation information.



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## Quality films on a budget

**From his backyard to the big time, Ed Burns chronicles family and relationships**

College Press Service

**E**d Burns was handed \$3.5 million to make his latest film, *She's the One*.

To most Hollywood filmmakers, that's pocket change. But it was a king's ransom to Burns, who made his 1995 sleeper hit, *The Brothers McMullen* at a cost of \$25,000.

"You clearly don't need to spend \$50 million to make a movie," the 28-year-old Burns says. "Sure, there were days on *One* where we said, 'Oh man, if we had another couple of million, we could get a few more takes or reshoot this.

"But you can make good-looking, quality films on a budget. And more and more actors now are willing to cut their fees to work in something interesting. That's what I've been experiencing, anyway."

Indeed. One stars Burns and his buddies—his real-life leading lady, Maxine Bahns, with whom he lives in downtown Manhattan, and McMullen vet Mike McGlone. But it also stars Hollywood commodities Jennifer Aniston (*Friends*), Cameron Diaz (*The Mask*) and John Mahoney (*Frasier*).

The film's plot goes like this: Manhattan cabbie and all-around decent guy Burns meets vibrant grad student Bahns and weds her instantly, to the chagrin of McGlone, his jerk of a brother. McGlone, who's married to the too-nice-for-him Aniston, is having an affair with former hooker and current social climber Diaz. Diaz was Burns' ex-fiancee until he caught her doing it with another guy. Acting as referee is Mahoney, who plays the brothers' advice-spouting father.

"The story's heart is, without a doubt, the relationship between the father and his sons," Burns notes. "It takes a look at family dynamics, at sibling rivalry. It looks at how two



Ed Burns takes a hands on role directing Cameron Diaz and Mike McGlone, stars of the upcoming movie, *She's the One*. Burns says he will continue to make movies that stray from the normal ultra-high budget films flooding today's market.

guys could grow up under the same roof, be influenced by the same father, but could go in totally different directions as people, how they could treat women differently, and how they end up on different ends of the spectrum."

Burns wrote the roles played by himself, Bahns and McGlone specifically for himself, Bahns and McGlone. When Fox Searchlight greenlighted *One*, Burns sought "names" to tackle the other roles. Mahoney and Burns belonged to the same talent agency, and Mahoney received the script. He asked to play the father, and Burns promptly said yes. Diaz auditioned, and while doing so, challenged Burns to humanize the character. She won the job. After interviewing numerous actresses for McGlone's neglected wife, Burns had nearly given up when Aniston expressed interest. She auditioned and nailed the part.

Was Burns intimidated by working with stars? "I don't know if intimidated is the right word," Burns says. "I was...how would I describe it? OK, with John I was definitely intimidated. I thought, 'How the hell am I going to direct John? But he was

great, totally open to ideas. He took Mike and me under his wing and helped us with our performances."

"With Jennifer and Cameron, I guess I was a little concerned. Would there be any Hollywood star-tripping nonsense? Both of them were great. Nobody had a trailer. Nobody made a fortune. Their attitude was, 'I'd rather have five minutes in hair and makeup if it means I can have another hour on the set.'"

The money also bought more than an impressive cast, says Burns. "There were things we did we didn't even begin to think about on McMullen. Moving the camera, for example," he says, laughing. "Or thinking about how lighting could affect a scene's mood. We were able to let locations further define the characters. We made Maxine's apartment this warm, cluttered world, where Cameron's apartment is cold and austere. We couldn't make those considerations on McMullen."

All in all, Burns sounds pleased with how *One* turned out.

"I got the film I wanted. When I sit back, look at it and think about the image I had in my mind when I was at my computer writing it, it's amazing,"

he says. "I got about 97 percent of it on screen. That rarely happens. I'm feeling pretty good about it."

The saga of Burns' rise to fame has been well-chronicled. He was born in Queens and raised in Valley Stream, N.Y., where he had "your typical, working-class, suburban upbringing." He got along with his parents, older sister and younger brother. He attended college at SUNY Albany, where he studied English, then at Hunter, where he majored in film. He departed Hunter six credits shy of graduating.

Never a film buff as a kid, Burns discovered the medium's power during his freshman year at college, watching films like *Annie Hall* and *Mean Streets*. He felt those films were far removed from the usual blockbusters he'd take dates to on Friday nights.

"So, I checked out the bodies of work by guys like Woody Allen and Martin Scorsese," Burns recalls. "That was about the time I was up at Albany and wrote my first screenplay. It all came together then. Both Allen and Scorsese are New York filmmakers. They write about their experiences. They cover similar characters and themes time and time again."

Then came the McMullen phenomenon," as Burns calls it. That happened when Burns' father, a retired cop, lent him \$20,000. Burns' mother whipped up sandwiches for the cast and crew as they shot around the family home. "I think a lot of people recognized themselves, their friends and family in McMullen," Burns says. "It was honest, and you don't get a lot of that kind of filmmaking now. I think that's what people were attracted to."

Now it's on to bigger—but not that much bigger—things. Burns intends to keep crafting intimate, character-driven films about relationships. He also plans to stay in the realm of modest-budget films. "I actually just finished the script for my next film," he says excitedly. "I don't have a title yet. We start filming in January. It's a comedy-drama about Long Beach, Long Island, which is your basic, working-class community. It revolves around a woman at the crossroads of her life. She's turning 30 and has to make a few big decisions."

"I can't wait to get started on it."

### Anne Rice to sign books at Davis Kidd

By Gregg Mayer/ staff

Fans of ghostly tails of blood thirsty-sex-crazed-creatures of the night will be overjoyed to learn that one of the premier high priestesses of the horror genre will be flying in for a book signing stop in Nashville.

Anne Rice, author of the *Vampire Chronicles* and the *Mayfair Witch* sagas, will appear at the 4007 Hillsboro Rd. Davis-Kidd Booksellers, tomorrow from 6 to 10 p.m. She will sign copies of her latest book *Servant of the Bones* (Knopf; \$26.00).

The highly successful author of 16 books, Rice lives out a romantic existence amidst the gothic architecture of New Orleans with her husband, poet Stan Rice, and her son Christopher.

Rice isn't making a special trip to Nashville to check out the newest rides at Opryland, the Hillsboro Rd. Davis-Kidd Booksellers is one of 40 American stops for Rice. "The Anne Rice *Servant of the Bones Interstate Bus Tour*" began in Rice's hometown of New Orleans on Aug. 1, and will conclude in Miami with a cemetery book signing on Halloween night.

But before fans begin forming lines of hair-sprayed, eye-lined, Sunday go to meeting capes and frocks, they should raid their treasure-troves for the \$26 cost of the book. In an effort to keep crowd confusion to a minimum, Rice will only sign copies of



The beautiful and adored Anne Rice.

*Servant of the Bones* purchased at Davis Kidd Booksellers. All copies will bear an official Davis-Kidd/Anne Rice red sticker.

"Other hardback copies of her books will be signed along with *Servant of the Bones*," said Angie Howard, Davis-Kidd public relations and events coordinator.

"A lot of people like to get *Interview With the Vampire* or *The Witching Hour* signed," Howard said. "She will be happy to do that."

Davis-Kidd Booksellers will stock 1,200 copies of *Servant of the Bones*, and will bring in additional staff for the signing, said Suzanne Wolff, Davis Kidd retail manager.

### College students turned off by '96 election

College Press Service

It's been a quarter-of-a-century since 18-year-olds won the right to vote, and in the ensuing years, the youth vote has remained largely unpredictable.

Political scientists say 18- to 24-year-olds are less likely than any other age group to register with a party or show up in large numbers at the polls. In the 1992 presidential elections, only about half of that age group was registered to vote, and only 43 percent of that number actually voted.

In an age when more Americans say they no longer identify with a political party and profess a loss of faith in the electoral process, the youngest voters might be the most cynical of all.

"The theme for '92 was 'change' [and] that energized a lot of young people," explained Mark Nevins, communications director for the College Democrats.

An MTV poll conducted in March showed that nearly 70 percent of young people are turned off to the 1996 presidential

elections.

In 1996, it remains to be seen how many young people will show up at the polls. And the youth vote itself is up for grabs—by Clinton, Bob Dole or even a third-party candidate.

"As we've seen throughout this election year, young people are still very actively weighing their votes," says Gwen Lipsky, senior vice president of research and planning at MTV said.

While MTV's *Choose or Lose* campaign features a national bus tour and promotional stops to register voters, convincing a large number of young voters to turn out to the polls may prove a challenge. A recent poll by the cable music channel showed that about a quarter, or 26 percent, of young adults ages 17 to 29 said the mudslinging and bickering among the candidates was a major turn-off.

A majority of young people support having strong environmental protection laws, raising minimum wage and passing a balanced budget amendment. They were less in agreement, however, when it came to social issues such as

abortion rights, Internet restrictions and prayer in school.

Nevins, of the College Democrats, says the attitude of today's young voters about the elections is no different than past generations.

"There's always going to be that element of apathy. They're critical," he said. "I think young people are looking at politicians and saying, 'They should be able to sit down and work out their differences.' I don't think we'll see the dramatic increase that we saw from '88 to '92, but I still think we'll see an increase."

Statistics from a variety of sources indicate about 20 percent register as Republicans. The remainder, or 60 percent of college students, are independent.

Joe Galli, national chairman of the College Republicans, said he used to think young people were disaffected and cynical about politics.

But now he believes the main reason lots of young people don't vote or choose a party is simple.

"They're young, and they're newly exposed to it," he said.

# City of Angels straight out of hell

By Biff Petty

When previewing the new Crow movie, *City of Angels*, I had high hopes that it would be as good as the first, or at least decent enough to be worthy of a sequel, but unfortunately my hopes were dashed against the rocks.

*City of Angels* lacked all of the things that the original Crow had: creative and interesting story line, memorable scenes and memorable characters that you generally cared about. Instead it tried to substitute these things with black make-up, black candles and black leather jackets. The movie gave the feel of a video on MTV, dark, gothic, evil looking characters with an industrial death, destruction and despair sound track that almost never stopped.

The plot of the first movie stands true in the second. The hero dies, comes back in black, avenges his death by killing all the bad guys in a city of hell on earth and goes back to his eternal rest, even to the totally predictable death of his bird companion.

Set in L.A., some time after the original Crow, the sequel revives the character of Sarah, who is now older, depressed and tattooed.

Some guy and his son are murdered and, presto, you have a new Crow, who also for some reason is linked to Sarah, even though they have never met. The new Crow goes around killing and riding a motorcycle to avenge his son's death and preparing to go up against yet another black magic-wielding, drug-pushing crime lord and his demon witch gang members. Been there, done that.

Two good things can, however, be said about *City of Angels*. Iggy Pop was memorable as one of the gang members, though not enough to remember his name. But you just couldn't hate him—he was too funny and just too Iggy Pop.

The cinematography on the other hand, was wonderful. The costumes and sets were wickedly hot, and all the characters, minus maybe Iggy, were buff and beautiful. If not for this, I think the movie would have been an entire waste of time.

All in all, I didn't like *City of Angels*. It's definitely not worth six bucks. So if you're a die-hard fan of the original Crow and insist on seeing it, go to a matinee. •

# Responsibility is the key to a more perfect world

By Jeremy W. Stanley/ staff

A columnist should have something to say, and be able to say it in a way that doesn't bore the shorts off you.

Do you agree? It's a maxim of mine. What it means is, if what I say in this space does not enlighten, entertain or offend you, then I'm killing a tree for nothing and you need to tell me about it.

Otherwise I might sit down every week and ramble about the life of the Malaysian rhinoceros beetle, or the absence of small green aliens with large black eyes on *Star Trek*.

Believe me I can do it. But I won't. I won't because I've made myself accountable to you.

Does that sound strange? It shouldn't. Our whole political system is based on the premise.

The people we elect are supposed to look out for us, to be accountable for our needs. If not we have the power to boot them out. Neat system, huh?

Actually it is. Unfortunately there is a problem with it. It seems that people don't believe they're accountable for what they do anymore.

We can all think of examples: there is the rapist that blames his childhood; the rioter that blames society; the drug addict that blames the pusher; the tax cheat that blames the IRS.

Those are all common examples. I imagine we'd all agree on them, but what about the person that cheats on the exam because they feel that the professor didn't prepare

them enough?

What do you think about the guy who makes unwanted advances on a woman because he's too wadded to know any better, or the person that tosses their trash out of their car window instead of stopping and disposing of it properly? Isn't this the same thing? Many people say it isn't. I'm here to tell you that those people are fools. I warned you I might offend, didn't I?

If we are going to improve as a society, we can't think this way. We can't be a nation of moths fluttering around the light of truth and coming close only when it suits us. That way will only get us burned. We've got to face up to our responsibilities.

It's not easy. I know from experience because I've been grappling with the concept for some time now.

I can let you in on a secret though: start out small. Begin to recycle (that one took me a while), then move on to the less concrete things. Try to think about your fellow man first, or at least how your actions will affect others.

Your best efforts will often not be enough. Expect that, being a beacon to the world is seldom easy.

I, for one, am being held responsible for, smelling up my apartment with a nauseous foot odor and for a comment I made about MTSU's wonderful, stupendous, awe-inspiring library that spawned a nasty letter.

I keep trying however, as we all must. We have to stay focused on the point we want to reach if we're ever going to find ourselves in a better future. •

# MTSU's Livestock Center Hosts Exciting events in September

Staff report

Students looking for a way to entertain themselves without spending too much money or taking time out of their busy schedules for long road trips will find that they can find lots of horsing around to do around the MTSU Livestock Center.

September will provide students with five opportunities to enjoy some fun from the farm.

### Ponies

The first of these events is the Tennessee Pony of Americas Show on Sept. 7-8.

A common misunderstanding about this show regards the nature of a *ponie*. Ponies aren't just baby horses regardless of what we all learned in nursery school. The word *ponie* refers to horse breeds raised to be short. Ponies of

America range in height from 46 to 56 inches tall and sport Appaloosa coat patterns. Show times are at 8 a.m. on both days and the best part is that there is no charge for admittance.

### Wood-mizer

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On Sept. 14, The American Saddle Association of Tennessee Horse Show will be held.

### Seeing spots

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And for your last chance to impress a date with both your thrift and your down-home take on culture, is the Tennessee Quarter Horse Show and Futurity.

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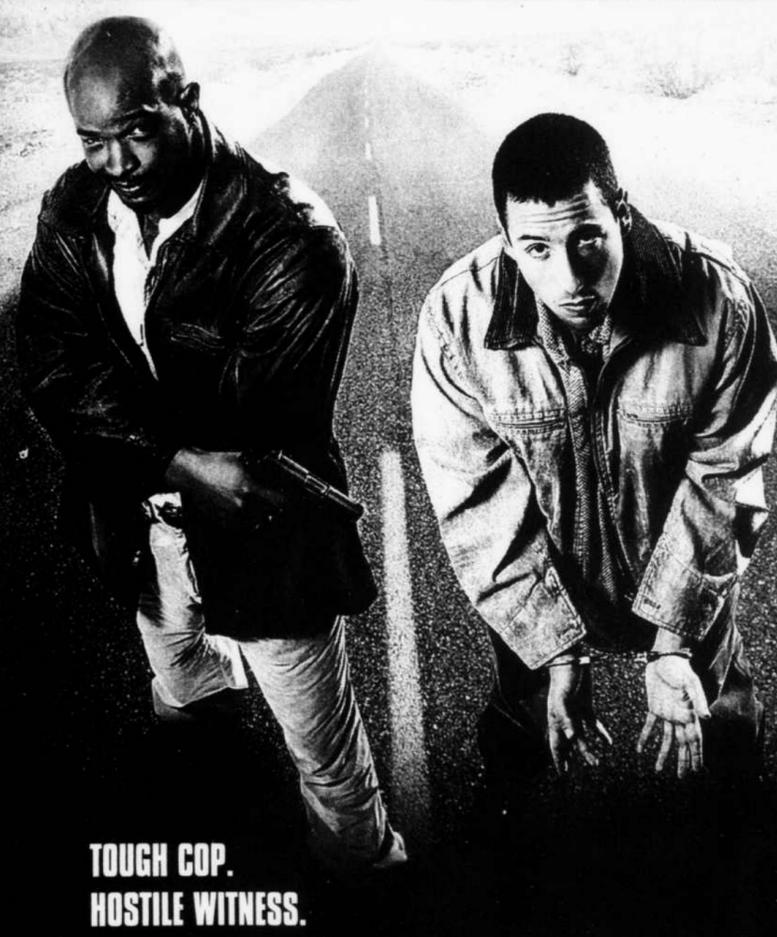
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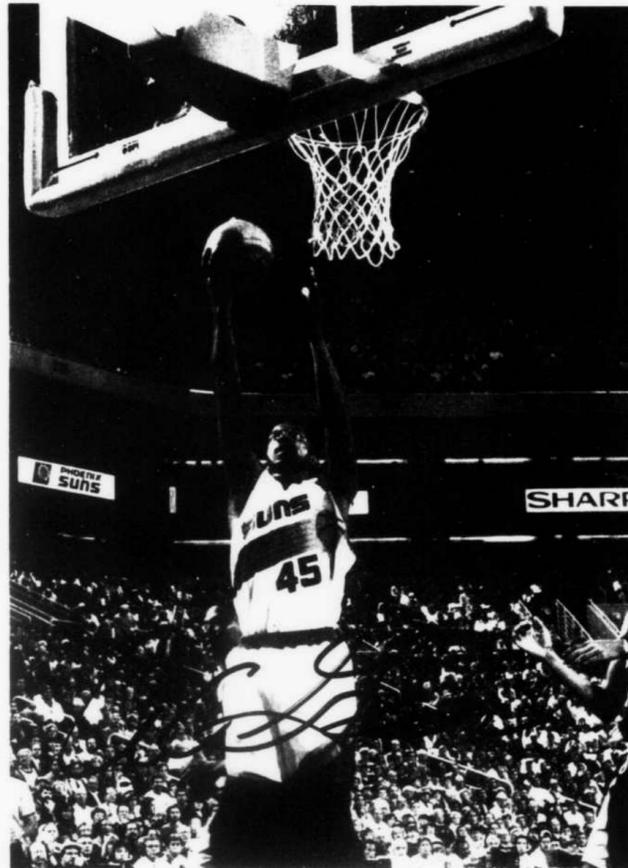
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