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Late night arrives on campus

RICK JENNINGS News Editor

Effective Oct. 1 several Middle Tennessee State University student service offices will remain open until 6.30 p.m. on Tuesday.

The change is part of an ongoing effort by the administration to meet the needs of as many students as possible.

MTSU President James Walker mentioned during an interview in August the need to "expand the service units in the evenings to meet expanding needs and to make available for adult learners, or anyone with a

daytime job, the same services as traditional students."

"We are going to start with Tuesday nights because it has the largest number of students," said Dr. Robert LaLance, vice president of Student Affairs.

"This is an effort to serve that student who doesn't have an opportunity to be here during regular operating hours," he said. "Even if they are not on campus Tuesday for class, it would be easier to come on Tuesday night, though they have got to come back Wednesday for class, than it would be to miss work."

Selected offices in the Cope

Administration, James Union and Keathley University buildings will remain open. The student affairs offices to stay open include Financial Aid, Student Life, Women's Center, Minority Affairs and Guidance and Counseling.

The bookstore hours will not be affected because the current hours are until 6 p.m. Monday and Tuesday.

The Adult Academic Services Center is one of those offices already staying open to accommodate night students. The AASC office is Peck Hall Room 203 and is open until 6:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

"The business office and some or all components of the administration, records and registration will also be open," LaLance said.

"To do this we are having to use a 'flex time' concept for employees," LaLance said.

Because of the swing shift work schedule, keeping the offices open later on Tuesday will not cost the university.

"We want to be open-minded and as flexible as our resources permit, "LaLance said. "If it goes well, you might conclude that you're doing what you need to do."

These changes are among recommendations from the Non-Traditional Student Advisory Committee formed by Dr. Walker earlier this year.

Also on the list is extended library hours for Todd Library. "I have been in meetings for several different topics—the weekend activities, adult learners and other forums where that topic has come up," LaLance said. "It seems to be supported, at least looking carefully at, extending library hours."

Students demand new radio station

SAM GANNON Assistant News Editor

The Department of Radio-Television has given approval for the university to have a studentrun radio station, WNAR (We Need A Radio).

The decision came Thursday after a group of students proposed the idea, with much help from John High, manager of WMOT, Middle Tennessee State's current station run by hired staff. "The group came to me looking for some advice," High said.

Programming for the station has not been fully set, but the mainstays will be alternative and heavy metal music.

"No rap yet and no Top-40," said Doug Jones, the voice of WNAR. "There will also be special programs for RIM (Recording Industry Management) writers."

Programming for the station will be from 8 to 11 p.m. Sunday to Wednesday.

The station hopes to be on the air soon. "We're shooting for November," operations man Clay Carrahan said, "but it may be more like January."

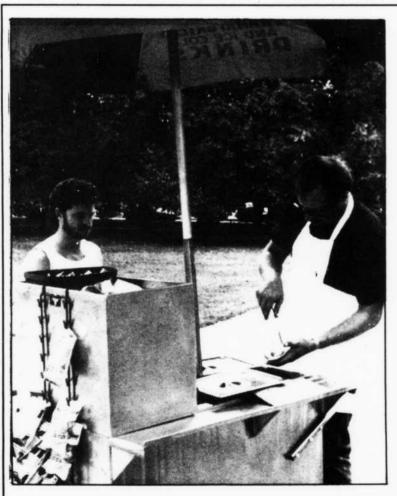
When WNAR begins operating, students will not be able to find it on the FM or AM dial but on Cable channel 36, the Housing station. Messages will be on the screen, and the station will be in the background.

The station cannot get on FM or AM dial because of Federal Communications Commission's standards. The students are not professionals and do not have their licenses.

The station's plans include having a license within five years, although the students must reach the professional level first.

The station will have a low budget to start. "We missed out on SGA (Associated Student Body) activity funds this

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Shelley Mays/Photographer

GRILL GOES MOBILE: Cal Seneca picks up a dog between classes from server Mike Wardell.

Grill hits the road

SAM GANNON

Assistant News Editor

Beginning this semester the university's grill has gone mobile, covering the campus in a vending cart.

"We realized that a lot of students don't have the opportunity to go to the cafeteria and eat," said Jim Ruhr, head of the mobile grill program.

The mobile cart, placed by Peck Hall in the mornings and by Todd Library in the afternoons, is trying to find a market among the passers-by. "It is a convenient way to help the students on the way to class, and it really helps the commuters," Ruhr said.

For now the mobile grill's success depends on its customers. "It's doing very well with the lunch crowd.

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Pedestrians watch out!
'Park Sharks' on the prowl

EKU takes early OVC lead with win over Raiders

Campus Capsule

Tau Omicron is having a meeting on Sept. 24 in KUC 324A. Habitat for Humanity will be the guest speaker.

Homecoming week is soon approaching. For all organizations or groups who would like to participate, a meeting will be held Sept. 24 at 5 p.m. in the KUC, room 324. Homecoming promotion packets will be distributed and discussed at this meeting. For further information, call the ASB office at 898-2104.

The Fall Honors Lecture Series features Brian Miller of the Biology department speaking on "Serendipity: Discovery and Creation in Biology" at 3:30 in Peck Hall 107 on Sept. 23.

Campus Interview Deadlines: State Farm Insurance; Sept. 24 and Castner Knott; Sept 25.

The Murfreesboro Bicycle Club is organizing bicycle rides especially for MTSU students, beginning Sept. 23. Rides will leave the Greenland parking lot at 5:30 p.m. each Monday. Experienced ride leaders will be provided; speed and distance will

898-2688 or 890-6051.

MTSU's Horusemans Association is having a meeting Sept. 25 at 7 p.m. in Stark Agriculture Building, room 206.

Career Day will be be Sept. 24 from 10 a.m.-3:00 p.m. on the Murphy Center track. Approximately 100 employers and graduate schools will participate. All students and faculty are invited and encouraged to attend. For additional information, contact the Placement Office.

The MTSU College Republicans will meet at 5 p.m., Sept. 24 in KUC 305. All students are welcome.

War Persian Gulf Symposium: How It Really Was will be held at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 24 in KUC 322.If you took part in Desert Shield or Desert Storm and would like to share your experiences, contact Bob Hunt at 898-5519 or Steven Sage at 898-2629. The symposium is open to the public.

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vary. For more information call The Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) will hold its first meeting of the semester at 4 p.m. Sept. 24 in Peck Hall 204. Patty Stillman, college coordinator for SHRM, will speak on management information systems in the human resource departments. The meeting is open to any interested persons.

> The Society of Professional Journalists will initiate new members, elect officers and hear how to effectively interview news sources when it meets Set. 25 at 7 p.m. in KUC Room 313. Cost to join is \$37.50. Call Dr. Glen Himebaugh at 898-2205 for more information.

> MTSU's Criminal Justice Society will hold its' next meeting on Sept. 25 at 7:30 p.m. in KUC 316.

> Looking Forward, an on campus support group for the survivors of childhood sexual abuse and rape, is having a meetings every Tuesday at 3 p.m. in KUC 311. For further information call Jo Ann at 898-5989.

Student Health Services will issue measle shots to people who pay a \$26.00 fee in the Business Office of Cope Administration Building and bring the receipt to Student Health Services. The shots will be given Sept. 27 beginning at 9 a.m.

The first meeting of the Mathmatics Organization for the fall will be held on Sept. 25 at 5 p.m. in KOM 307. If you wish to join but cannot attend the first meeting, contact Ms. Kimmins at 2396. Dues are \$3.00.

The ASB will hold a Luncheon Forum for all students and administration to be held from 11:50 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the JUB Tennessee Room. This will be the first of many forums for students to address administrators with any questions, problems complaints.

The Associated Student Body would like to announce the MTSU 1991 Homecoming Parade to be held Oct. 26 at 9 a.m. Any groups or organizations who are interested in participating in the parade Should come by the ASB office in the KUC, room 304 to pick up entry forms. For more information, call 898-2464.

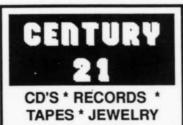
MTSU Wellness Center's Blood Analysis Day for faculty, staff, students and spouses will be Sept. 26 from 6 a.m. until 9 a.m. in the Blue Raider Room under the stadium. The charge will be \$14. The Chem-Scan test will analyze 25 blood fractions, including complete cholesterol profile. Individuals must fast 11 to 12 hours before blood is drawn.

Executives of Japanese companies in the Middle Tennessee area will discuss management styles at MTSU Sept. 26 at a seminar entitled "Management Styles of Japanese-Owned Companies in Middle Tennessee," which is jointly sponsored by the Jennings A. Jones Chair of Excellence in Free Enterprise and the Middle Tennessee Japan Club. The seminar beings at 2:45 p.m. and is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Earl Thomas at 898-2880 or Kiyoshi Kawahito at 898-5751.

The MTSU Student Catholic Center is welcoming all Catholic students or those interested in learning more about their faith to join them for a question and answer session at 6:30 p.m. at the Catholic Student Center. For details call: 896-6074.

Tennessee Association Dance Conference will be held Oct. 12-13 in Murphy Center. Contact Dr.

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The Love Without Pain seminar will be Oct. 12 from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Learn to love yourself first so you can choose healthy relationships with others. For more information call Sarah Todd at 386-3618.

The Seventh Day Adventist fellowship welcomes students to campus and invites anyone interested in seeking a well rounded education that provides not only spiritual needs but also health needs, to contact call the fellowship president Eugene Rankins at 898-3924 (work) or 890-7452 (home) or Frank Michello at 898-2491 (work) or 898-3896 (home). Outreach activities will be based on health principles, diet and natural remedies.

If you enjoy playing soccer, join MTSU's Soccer Club. Practice is held at 6 p.m. every day behind Family Student Housing. There's a good chance you can become a member of the varsity club team. For more information call Marvin Carson at 898-3039 or Fred Long at 898-3237.

Middle Tennessee Christian Student Center will host a devotional followed by a Christian Fellowship every Monday at 7 p.m.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes will meet every Wednesday night at 8:30 p.m. in the Blue Raider Room under the home side bleachers of the football field. For more information call 895-0827 or write to FCA box 20.

MTSU Dance Club will meet Tuesdays from 6:40-9:30 p.m. in Dance Studio A in Murphy Center. Jazz artist Lisa Lewis will direct the club. No former experience is necessary to participate.

YWCA is sponsoring a support group for women of color. The group will deal with domestic violence problems. The group meets on Thursdays at 6 p.m. For more information call 297-8833. Meetings are confidential.

Intervarsity Christian Fellowship would like you to join us Thursdays, 5:30 p.m. at

The White Beret Female Precision Drill Team would like to invite you to enjoy our organization this semester. You do not have to be in ROTC to join. Our meetings our every Tuesday and Thursday at 4:30 in Forest Hall.

Murfreesboro needs adult volunteers to serve as Girl Scout troop leaders. Free training is available to adults interested in sharing their time and talents with Girl Scouts. For more information, call 890-2451.

You can prevent child abuse! Parents Anonymous of Tennessee, a state-wide nonprofit child abuse prevention agency, is seeking volunteers for the Parent Pathway program and the Parent Helpline. A Parent Pathway volunteer assists parents of newborns, by offering emotional support, discussing infant care and development, modeling parenting skills, and linking the family with community resources. The Parent Helping is a 24-hour toll free support line for parents under stress. Volunteers answer the line in their own homes. Volunteer training will be held in the fall. For an application of further

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USSA opposes Thomas nomination

(CPS)-The U.S. Student homosexuals, the elderly, Association recently teamed with the National Abortion Rights Action League in Washington to oppose Clarence Thomas' Nomination to the U.S. Supreme Court.

"There have been instances where he could've helped historically black colleges and he didn't," said USSA President Tajel Shah, as the Senate Judiciary Committee began hearings on Thomas' nomination. "Obviously, as an educational organization, that is against everything we stand for. We want everyone to have access to higher education."

The lobbying group for students also was concerned about the American Bar Association's "qualified" rating "that's the lowest rating they've given anybody nominated," Shah said - and cited Thomas' handling of Equal Employment Opportunity Commission cases that they say show he does not believe in helping people traditionally discriminated against such as women and minorities.

Although dissent was scattered on campuses, Thomas' nomination was a frequent topic of discussion.

"Most people I've spoken to are against him," said Megan Thomas, a senior at the University of Minnesota and a member of University Young Women.

"We haven't really taken a stand as a group," Thomas said, "But I'm personally opposed to his nomination because it's obvious he's against a woman's right to choose. And, I oppose his views of natural law."

Clarence Thomas was questioned at length about both issues. He told Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.) on Sept 11 that he has not pre-judged the issue of abortion and did not intentionally write in support of an anti-abortion article he is claimed to have praised.

As for his well-documented view of natural law, a theory that says certain individual rights are independent of all

government authority, Thomas said "the question for me was from a political theory standpoint...I would maintain that I do not feel that natural rights or natural law has a basis of has a use on constitutional adjudication."

Orlando Robinson, codirector of records for the University of Wisconsin Black Student Union said, "The way the court has gone with affirmative action and civil rights, it's turned back the other way. They're reverting back to the 1800s mindset and we see (Thomas) as another setback.

"We aren't sure if he's qualified...We think he was nominated because of his race and are concerned he's just a Republican puppet," he added.

While many are voicing opinions against Thomas, others favor him.

"So why does everybody have to bitch about the political stand of Clarence Thomas? He's conservative," wrote Iowa State

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"I really like the convenience of it," said Alysha Perrault, a psychology major.

The cart features many items such as coffee, sausage, biscuits and muffins for breakfast and hot dogs, chips and Cokes for lunch. "Everything on the cart is under \$1," Ruhr said.

The mobile grill's breakfast times are from 7 until 9:45 a.m. Lunch times are from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.

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have a low budget to start. "We
missed out on SGA (Student
Government Assiociation)
activity funds this semester,"
WNAR President Reza Bakkar

To help make due, the group is taking donations in exchange for airtime at a later date.

"I think this will give them important elements of their broadcast education," High said about the benefit to the students.

WNAR will broadcast from the Learning Resource Center, using some of WMOT's equipment as well as some equipment from the Radio-Television department, High said.

Anyone interested in getting involved or suggesting shows or music can reach WNAR at P.O. Box 8407.

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Daily columnist Chris Romans. "So that's really all that matters. George Bush likes him and we elected George Bush to make the decision."

Political analysts expect Thomas' nomination to receive a little opposition at the judiciary committee's final vote.

Enrollment reaches high

For the fifth consecutive year, Middle Tennessee State University enrollment has reached an all-time high.

Enrollment this fall is 15,673 students, up 5.43 percent from last fall.

"MTSU is the fastest growing four-year institution in Tennessee, and we continue to be the higher education institution of choice for middle Tennesseans," said Cliff Gillespie, dean of Admissions and Records.

The new enrollment maintains MTSU's position as the third largest university in Tennessee and the second largest in the Tennessee Board of Regents system. The University of Tennessee and Memphis State University are larger.

MTSU enrollment has grown 37 percent since the fall of 1986, Gillespie said.

Almost 90 percent of MTSU students, or 14,101, are enrolled as undergraduates, and 1,572 are in the university's graduate program.

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state funding, is 13,346.

"While the freshman class experienced steady growth, we also see significant growth in our transfer population," Gillespie said. "In fall 1991, 6,291 of the 14,101 undergraduates, or 44.6 percent, are transfer students."

MTSU can expect its transfer population to continue to grow as two-year institutions, which act as feeders to MTSU, continue to show enrollment increases, Gillespie said.

Another significant note about MTSU's freshman class is its average ACT score of 20.25, the highest average recorded at the university for a fall class, Gillespie said.

Female students make up about 54 percent, or 8,348, of MTSU's enrollment.

Almost 10 percent of MTSU students are black, and 13.6 percent of this semester's first-time freshmen are black students.

The university has 3,642 new undergraduate students, and of the students, 1,923 are first-time freshmen and 1,639 are transfers.

Almost 9,500 undergraduates return to MTSU after attending in Spring 1991.

Enrollment statistics are compiled using a new computer program that tabulates statistics as students register, Gillespie said

Strong mind goes with a strong body

E.J. "Doc" Kreis believes that strong bodies and strong minds go together.

"If you have a strong mind without a strong body, you've only done half the job," said Kreis, strength coach at Middle Tennessee State University.

Kreis will speak about the subject during "Creation and Discovery," a part of the Fall Honors Lecture Series. The talk will begin at 3:30 p.m. Sept. 30 in Peck Hall 107.

Kreis said it is important for students to have a strong mind in an academic situation, but he said many students defeat their own purposes by not maintaining a strong healthy body as well.

"If you're fit, you're more sensitive, more aware, and more able to prevent bad health. The objective is to promote good health," Kreis said.

For more information about the series, contact the Honors Program office at 898-2152



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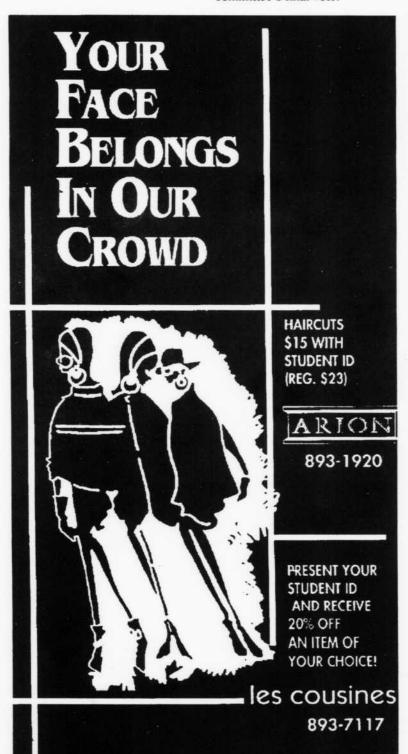
The car breaks down. It needs a new gizmo.

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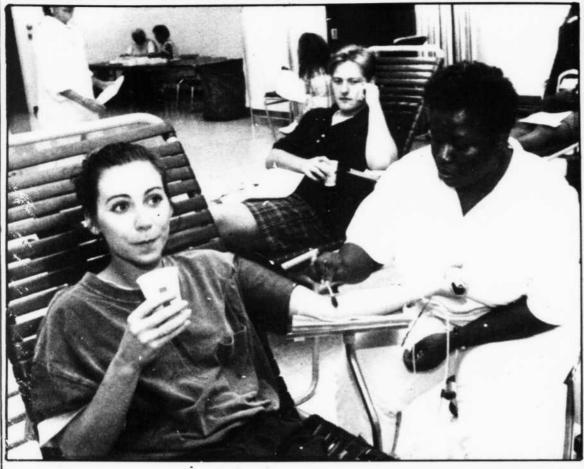
In the college world of the 1990's, students are equipped with more than mom's chocolate chip cookies and clean sheets when they arrive on campus. Most have discovered they they shouldn't leave home without a major credit card.

"We've found that students go on to be some our best customers," says Gail Wasserman, American Express

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GIVING BLOOD: Cynthia Morrical, a Special Education major, sips some juice as she gives blood at the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority blood drive.

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Appearing on this ballot will be:

(1) candidates for 1991 MTSU Homecoming Queen and court, and; (2) candidates for two (2) Sophomore class Senate positions and candidates for two (2) Graduate Senate positions.

All students with a valid MTSU identification card are eligible to vote in this election. Petitions for Senate positions and Homecoming Queen may be picked up in Room 304, Keathley University Center, beginning Monday, September 23, 1991 Deadline for fitting petitions will be Thursday, October 3, 1991 at 4:00 P.M. Candidates meeting will be Thursday, October 3, 1991 at 4:00 P.M. in Room 304, Keathley University Center.

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Credit -

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perform no differently than our

other chargeholders."

College Track, Inc., a New York research firm that specializes in the college financial market, estimates that about 68 percent undergraduates possess a general credit card, according to March 1991 figures.

An estimated 4 million students are cardholders, according to estimates by banks, card companies and Credit Card News, a trade magazine. Figures from June 1990 show that about 40 percent of all students own a specialized credit card such as department store and gas cards.

The 68 percent figure shows a 7 percent increase since 1988, and College Track vice president Jim Knepper says that increase "is almost exclusively because of the (marketing) push" by creditors.

Although 7 percent many sound like a lot, that figure represents an increases o 1.3 million people, according to Credit Card News.

Some of the most common held by students are Discover, Visa, Mastercard, and American Express.

"What we did about a year ago was start a nationwide directmailing campaign and a 'Take One' display campaign for students," says Amy Sudol, spokeswoman for Chase Manhattan Bank, one of the largest student Visa and Mastercard creditors nationwide. "It was an excellent move for Chase to expand into the student market. "We made credit available when need it the most."

Chase isn't the only one. American Express has enticed students for a couple of years now with a bonus for card membership- airplane ticket vouchers that give students significantly discounted airfare

rates. "We figure students travel a

great deal so this is a way of giving them a benefit that other members receive, such a purchase protection, extended warranties and insurance on rental cars.

In addition, Chase, American Express and others also send student cardholders quarterly magazines and other publications that give them crèdit and money management tips.

"In school you're learning to budget a lot of things- time, expenses and credit- for the first time. We think (American Express) is a good first card because it's a pay-as-you-go system," Wasserman said.

American Express charges cardholders an annual fee(\$55) to have the card and members avoid interest by paying their entire balance at the end of the month. Visa, Discover, and Mastercard sometimes charge a smaller annual fee, but they always offer cardholders the option of paying off their balance at their own pace at a varied monthly interest rate. The rate is currently estimated at about 18 to 20 percent.

Students "have been very responsible users of credit," Sudol says.

Not only have students proved to be a stable short-term credit risk while in school, students also tend to pay off in the long run.

"Students, as they come out of school, will be making more money," Knepper says. "If (companies) can influence them now, they will most likely have a customer for life."

College Track estimates a student's monthly average bill is \$94. Knepper says students have the approximate default rate on credit cards as other adults.

Still, some worry about the temptation first-time cardholders face. Many students offer testimony to back-up those

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<u>Opinions</u>

Pedestrians: Beware of 'park sharks'

Just when you thought it was safe to walk across

Concerns for pedestrian safety led to the university's posting of signs reminding motorists to yield to people at the crosswalks, but the situation has not improved. We have heard complaints from several students that feel they are risking life and limb to cross the streets.

The problem can most generally be attributed to speeding and a lack of common courtesy. However, there is one practice that is on the increase that presents a real danger to pedestrian safety - park

sharking.

Park sharks' is a term used to describe the school of cars that lurk around the parking lots preying on the first available space to come open. The species is higher concentrated the closer you get to campus and feeds mostly during the daytime. They trail pedestrians in the hope that they might lead them to food, and once a space opens up, they converge and attack their prey.

The practice rises partly out of necessity caused by the unavailability of parking, but it can be very dangerous. The predators can be motionless at one moment and then break into a full burst of speed which can be hazardous to the health of nearby pedestrians. The creatures have also been known to

challenge each other for territory.

If you're a 'park shark,' please curtail your habits and watch out for innocent by-standers. If you're a pedestrian, be on the look out; its unknown whether or not park sharks can read.

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Real Diversity

"Diversity" is the new shibboleth of the self-appointed campus race monitors. They demand "diversity" of almost every kind-race, gender, sexual orientation, even physical ability. What these folks won't countenance, however, is diverse

As a black college student at the University of Maryland I learned this truth the hard way. As a black conservative, I was ostracized by the very people who claimed to value difference because I was, well, different. They didn't mind that I was black, of course, but College Park's politically correct student leadership seemed to prefer ideological lockstep within their "diverse" student body.

Fortunately, I was never subjected to the kind of overt intolerance that many black conservatives endure, but there was always a palpable disdain for me and my views among other minority students. One black sophomore, for example, explained to me that "white people are puttin' those ideas in your head." Another of my peers wrote in the student newspaper that black conservatives must be "neutralized" (whatever that means). Still another person once complained, "you just don't understand." It came as no surprise, then and when the president of Maryland's Black Student Union refused to work with me and the other black College Republican when we wanted to bring conservative black speakers to campus.

Like many black college students, I found the student leadership's attempts to insulate me from diverse opinions condescending and antithetical to the idea of a university education.

DAVID BERNSTEIN Collegiate Times

Black collegians should learn to appreciate the rich heritage of intellectual debate and dissent that has defined the black American experience. Men like W.E.B. Du Bois, Frederick Douglas, Booker T. Washington, Malcom X, and Martin Luther King, Jr., did not share a single set of ideas. Each came to his own conclusions through study and honest reflection. If any of us hope to understand the "black thing" referred to by those popular T-shirts, we must try a little study and reflection of our

In 1905, W.E.B. Du Bois scolded a young black girl when he explained that, "there are, in the U.S. today, tens of thousands of colored girls who would be happy beyond measure to have the chance of educating themselves that you are neglecting." He further warned her that, "ignorance is a cure for nothing...every time a colored person neglects an opportunity, it makes it more difficult for others of the race to get such an opportunity. Do you want to cut off the chances of the boys and girls of tomorrow?"

The campus diversity mongers should ponder Du Bois' words. Each time we refuse to consider diverse opinions, we are "neglecting an opportunity" to learn. Each time a minority student leader demands "solidarity" from his peers he makes it more difficult for others of the race to get such an opportunity. And ignoring or extinguishing "western culture" in the curriculum is truly a cure for nothing.

Perhaps more important, this

desire for intellectual unanimity and separation threatens to undermine more that twenty-five years of civil rights gains. Black Americans are closer that ever to being treated by white society simply as individuals, but now many minorities themselves assert that race is the defining characteristic of every person.

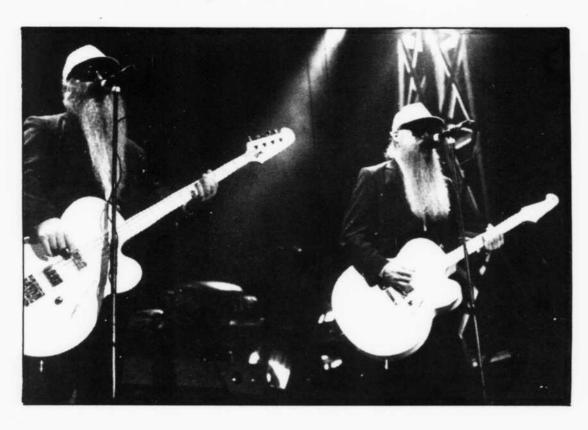
How quickly we forget that this was the very attitude that made slavery possible, that has kept apartheid alive in South Africa, and that delivered Jews into the Holocaust. I, for one, would rather the average American didnot believe that all blacks act a particular way because they are black!

Similarly, I would rather not toss aside many of the great works of science, philosophy, and literature just because their authors were white. Black collegians can understand and appreciate James Madison, John Milton, and Charles Darwin—just to mention a few examples-as well as any white student. To suggest otherwise is racism in its pristine form.

My college experience has not left me as discouraged as it might have because I believe there has been a quiet reawakening of independence among most young minorities. During the past year I have met several other young college graduates who agree that we need more genuine diversity-diversity of thought. Together we have begun a magazine, appropriately entitled Diversity, which will explore issues of race and culture free from pressures to conform to the new, self-imposed stereotype. I hope this modest effort will spark other young minorities to break free from the orthodoxy as

Features

ZZ Top rocks Murphy Center



On September 18, ZZ Top's Recycler Tour rolled through MTSU's Murphy Center with a show that would have make any man's beard grow longer. HA! Known for their imaginative stage productions, ZZ Top's current tour definitely lives up to their fans' expectations. The crowd got two great bands for the price of one as Extreme - the "Raunch funkin', rhythm and rollers" from Boston opened the concert. Go Nuno!

ZZ Top, the power trio from Texas, was formed in 1969 by Billy Gibbons, Dusty Hill, and Frank Beard. Their career has produced a string of gold and platinum LPs including their first album, Rio Grande Mud, Tres Hombres, Fundago, Deguello, Eliminator, Afterburner, and the current Recycler. Their style of music has proven itself over a seventeen year period of recordbreaking tours.

Their stage show was pretty

impressive with hydraulic cranes, tones of metal, elaborate lighting, and a laser show. Love that Green Woman. They played all their classics from "Gimmie All Your Loving" to "Legs" and back to the "Tube Steak Boogie." They even had some very impressive lady dancers to emphasize the point. I might also add that the show ended on quite a bangthose who were there probably experienced quiet a shocker of decibels.





Photographs compiled by Shelley Mays



Extreme's Nuno

Karate instructor has fists and feet of fury

FERN GREENBANK Features Writer

"I always wanted to know what it would be like to take a full blow to the face and to deliver one."

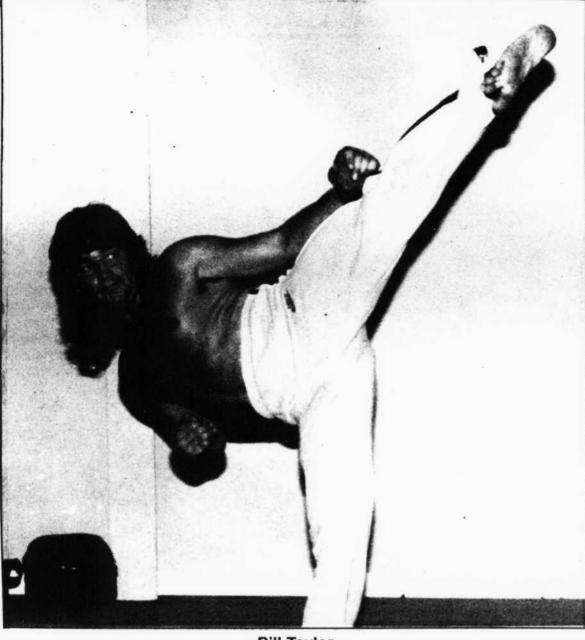
Meet Bill Taylor, instructor of karate and self-defense for Middle Tennessee State University's Health and Physical Recreation Department. With this quote in mind, you won't be surprised to learn that Taylor achieved a rank of #2 in the world in the field of full contact karate (better known as kickboxing).

Taylor didn't set out to be a fighter. "I wasn't big enough to play football or tall enough for basketball," he admits. "So I wanted to do something where I could compete with myself."

"I competed in amateur karate tournaments for over seven years," Taylor explains, "but we didn't hit hard. It was controlled sparring more or less." This is when Taylor began to wonder what full contact karate would be like. He fell in love with the sport because it presented a greater challenge (and a three-time broken nose.)

A 1985 graduate of MTSU, Taylor possesses a 5th degree black belt in Wado-Ryu (Japanese style karate) and has trained with Nanchaku (Japanese Weaponry). He spent two years on the Sheriff Fate Thomas Boxing Team, and once ranked #4 in the world in bantamweight full contact karate. He then went on to achieve a rank of #2 in the world in the flyweight division.

Seven years ago, Taylor became the owner of the Bushido School of Karate and president of the Bushido School of Karate, Inc., following which he constructed a state-of-the-art studio in Woodbury. Plans are in the works for further expansion to the Smithville or Smyrna areas.



Bill Taylor

Although Taylor teaches more than twenty classes weekly, he somehow finds the time to train and sponsor amateur kickboxers. His star pupil, Thomas Chesterfield, is ranked #1 in the world in the Light Welterweight full-contact Division. If all goes well, Chesterfield will be defending his title in Las Vegas in October and in London in November. Two of Taylor's competing pupils are

MTSU students. Todd Reed, green belt, and Todd Rooker, black belt and part time instructor for Taylor's studio, both study under the Bushido School of Karate.

While most kickboxers have a strong karate background, the two sports are quite different. "There's so much more to karate than just fighting," explains Taylor. "It's an art." Kickboxing, on the other hand, is "as close to

street fighting as you will ever come," believes Taylor.

"I think it helps me teach because I know what it feels like to actually be hit in the face," Taylor proposed. "Most karate instructors have a good grasp of theory, but the last time they were beat up was in the schoolyard twenty years ago." In other words, he's practiced what he's preaching.

Taylor rarely smiles or jokes

in front of students. The karate instructor, or "sensei" must command respect. You won't find Taylor revealing personal data about himself to students either. He can't afford to lose the respect that comes with too much familiarity. It would be like "partying with your parents."

To an average person, martial arts create an impression of mysticism and spirituality so perhaps Taylor's interests will seem in keeping with those themes.

One room of his home is devoted to his herpetology hobby (the study of exotic animals.) This hobby began with the acquisition of a boa constrictor and now includes an Iguana and monitors (lizards.) The snake has only roamed loose twice.

In the realm of "normal" interests, Taylor plays the bass guitar, paints, writes poetry and short stories and admits he's a die-hard Stephen King fan. He is also an avid fisherman, hunter, camper and hiker. Makes most of us look kind of lazy doesn't he?

While attending MTSU as a major in biology and pre-law, Taylor didn't anticipate transforming his love for karate and boxing into a business, but he's managed to remain enthusiastic about the sport after all these years. Karate has taken him from student to competitor, from private teacher to business owner to college faculty, from trainer and sponsor to event coordinator, and now....

The only area left untouched — film. On October 12, Taylor will meet with Fincannan & Associates, a North Carolina based film company responsible for such films as The Ninja Turtles and Cyborg. Encouraged by his long time friend, Dale

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The Wizard of OZ completes casting

SUZANNE NORMAND

Features Writer

The Wesley Foundation of Middle Tennessee State University will present L. Frank Baum's classic *The Wizard of Oz* on November 7, 8, 9 and 10.

The play's cast includes Kelly Pepper as Dorothy, Brent Hodge as Scarecrow, Brian Conrad as Tinman, Lance Alvis as Lion, Dellan Harris as Auntie Em, Jeff Back as Uncle Henry, Kim Clift as Glinda, Carolyn Vojt as the Wicked Witch of the West, and David Stallings as the Wizard. The cast will also consist of approximately 30 children as munchkins. The play

is being directed by Michael McGee.

"We're looking forward to a lot of involvement and a good production, " says Bill Campbell, Wesley Foundation Minister. "Last year we had such a good turn out with "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" that we extended the performances an extra night.

The Foundation will feature a Dinner Theatre on Saturday, Nov. 9 at 6:30 pm. An audience of 125 to 250 people are expected. The play will show at 8 p.m. on Nov. 7 and 8 and at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m.

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Student concerned about mass exodus

Empty streets and abandoned buildings are the only spectators of the silent drama played out by the wind and tree branches. An occasional movement can be seen, so subtle it almost needs to be felt. What was that?! False alarm. Just the buzz-saw sound of another insect. Desperately I decide to act. After all, the solitude could lead to insanity. No one around to do the nothing there is to do. I get in my car and leave MTSU.

There is concern about the mass exodus of the student body every weekend. It's almost as if there is a migration that happens on a weekly cycle. We have the reputation of being a "suitcase school". Being one of the people who stay here most of the time, I

GARRY ESTEP Feature Column

decided to look into what is available around MTSU in between weeks of classes.

First, let me tell you that I ignore the club scene (I don't do clubs) and leave the popular music beat to someone else. What else is there you ask? That's a good question, and I don't have a good answer.

Here's a brief synopsis of my last weekend's search for life after classes. Looking at my Campus Highlights calendar was no help. Blank. Checking out the brochures I got from the various arts organizations I noticed a few (key word:few) events on the weekends, but none this one. The Art Barn Gallery is open all week, so I looked at the exhibit. I tried to get into Keathley University Center, but the guy who unlocks the doors must have gone also. Even the grill was closed.

So much for "cultural" recreation.

In desperation I went to the Learning Resource Center to get an episode of "Nova" to watch. Wrong! They're only open from 8 a.m. until 11:45 a.m. on Saturday. (Who in the world wants to be up at 8 a.m. just to go to the LRC on Saturday morning? Not me.) The library! Of course. The old stand-by. They close at 5 p.m. on

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Taylor -

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Frye, world light-weight kickboxing champion, this Murfreesboro talent will hopefully begin a new phase of his career. Although he admits that competition is stiff in the film industry, Taylor admits that challenge is one of his motivators.

Despite his 5' 6", 135 pound frame, karate has given Taylor an air of self-confidence. (Wouldn't you be confident if you knew you could kick someone to death?) It's the kind of charisma typical of accomplished athletes and artists.

Like most university faculty, he has remained a mystery to most of his students. Some teachers like it that way. Others might prefer that students had some insight into their psyche.

some insight into their psyche.

In the case of Bill Taylor, it might help to know that the person teaching you eastern karate philosophy, to defend yourself from an attacker, and respect yourself and others actually earned the right to do just that. At least, I wouldn't want to be the one to tell Bill Taylor that

he didn't have the credentials for teaching. Would you?

Wizard

on Nov 10. The cost of admission will be \$2 for students, \$4 for adults and all Dinner Theatre tickets will sell for \$10. The funds will be used to support the Wesley Foundation Drama Program.

Student

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Saturday. (We all know that academic activity stops on Saturday evening doesn't it? Too bad the budget won't allow for extended hours.)

Now I understand why everyone leaves on the weekend. As a matter of fact, I've got my car keys in my hand. I heard that there is a recital in Nashville.

On Thursday I will give you a schedule of "things to do for the rest of the semester, taken from the information the various departments have given me. There are a few things happening on the weekends. Maybe it'll be enough to keep you here once in a while.

Bye!

Senior hired to aid production of national cable broadcast

Many organizations conduct tests to protect the consumer from fraud and unsafe merchandise. One such consumer protector is a national television show called "Road Test Magazine." Producers to the show, which airs on a cable network and reaches 52 million households, test and evaluate automobiles and automotive related products.

Middle Tennessee State
University student Derrick
Holderby has served as a
production assistant for the
broadcast since January, 1990.
The show's producers met the
public relations major at the
advertising agency where he
worked part-time. They were
impressed by his work and

asked him to assist in the production of the Franklin-based show.

This summer he traveled with the rest of the crew to Road Atlanta Speedway to aid in the taping of a tire evaluation edition of the show.

Special attention to detail was required in the collection and evaluation of data to rate the tires tested. The MTSU student helped collect the required information. Holderby clocked the speed of vehicles, changed tires, measured tread to determine the best quality tires, and performed other tasks to help the production run smoothly.

The 22-year-old asserts the best part of the job was "having

access to all the new cars and the chance to drive them while gaining experience working with a professional television crew."

"The worst part is that it's only a part-time job. This is something I am really interested in and enjoy doing, so I'd like to be a full-time employee," said the Mt. Juliet native.

The MTSU senior plans to graduate in the spring of next year. Then he will pursue a career combining his public relations and broadcast knowledge.

"My ultimate goal would be to produce my own television show and promote major motorsport events," said Holderby.

Rowe to give lecture

Middle Tennessee State University associate history professor David Rowe had been thinking about a question one of his students asked.

"Why can't we get the story straight and find out what happened?"

His response — that everyone remembers history differently because they experience it differently — is the basis for his lecture entitled "Creating Time: A Sense of the Past" to be presented at 3:30 p.m. on Sept. 23 in Peck 107.

The talk is part of the Fall Lecture Interdisciplinary Series "Creation and Discovery" presented by the Honors Program.

"History is not an absolute. You can give two different historians the facts and get two different versions or results. Historians create history." Rowe said.

For more information on the series or the Honors Program, contact John P. Montgomery, director of the honors department, at 898-2152.

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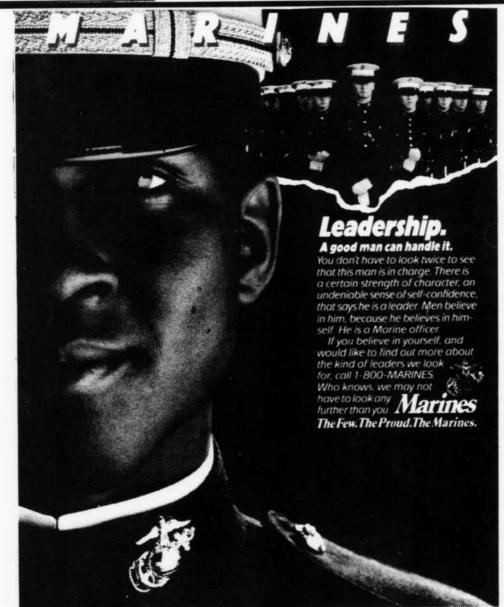
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"All right, you morons - no mistakes this time."

Sports EKU ground attack stops Raiders

MTSU falls 17-7 in key OVC contest

TONY J. ARNOLD Sports Editor

When MTSU went to Richmond, Kentucky Saturday night, they knew they had to stop the Colonel tailbacks in order to stand a chance.

It didn't happen, but somehow, the Blue Raiders stayed mounted on a determined trail and held close on the Colonels heels before falling 17-

"They ran the ball down our throat," MTSU head coach Boots Donnelly said. "They've just got great backs who are big and strong runners. As soon as we would stack it up in the middle and we'd think we had them stopped, they'd throw the ball

EKU's running attack, which tallied 219 yards on the evening, allowed quarterback Joey Crenshaw to slip several passes over the middle while the Raiders were concentrating on the backfield and the Colonels began marching from their opening possession.

However, it was the Raiders who struck first after their bend, but not break, defense held the Colonels scoreless with the benefit of two missed field goals.

MTSU's Walter Dunson lined up as a wide-out, scampered back across the middle and took the handoff from QB Kelly

Shelly Mays/Photographer

GIVE HIM SIX: MTSU's Walter Dunson celebrates after scampering 39-yards to score a touchdown in the second quarter Saturday night in Richmond. Dunson's score was the only one the Raiders could muster as they fell to Eastern Kentucky 17-7

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MTSU runs well at UTC Invitational

DIANNE DEOLIVEIRA Assistant Sports Editor

After running in the UT-Chattanooga Invitational last Friday, both MTSU's men's and women's cross country teams continue to show improvement.

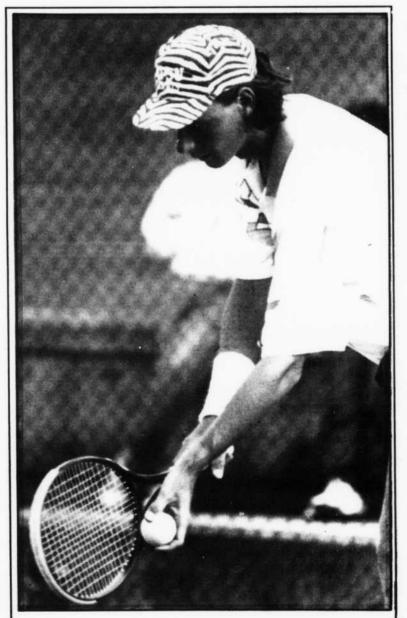
Although the men only finished 11th out of 15 teams, the Blue Raider harriers have been making a steady improvement each week and are getting stronger with experience.

"The main thing is to improve every week," said coach Dean Hayes. "We're just trying to see how we can do in the OVC. Hopefully the men will have enough confidence to keep it going.'

Jeff Lingwall led the Blue Raider pack with his 22nd place finish in 27:21, followed by Jason Welch, 44th-(28:31), Steve Ryan, 79th-(30:16), Mike Burkett, 96th-(31:33), Marty Plott, 104th-(32:36), and Terry Townsend, 110th-(33:24).

MTSU's Lady Raiders continue to remain solid while improving. The women finished third out of 11 teams, behind University of Texas and University of Tennessee.

"The University of Texas and



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SERVING IT UP: MTSU's Dominique Hannan prepares to serve during this weekends Fall Classic Tournament held at MTSU. For complete results, look in Thursday's edition of Sidelines.

Penalties hurt MTSU

But Raiders couldn't get job done

TONY J. ARNOLD Sports Editor

How many times have you heard a coach scream that penalties will kill you?

Well, head coach Boots Donnelly wasn't blaming Saturday's 17-7 loss on the five flags thrown against Middle Tennessee at Eastern Kentucky, but he did admit they came at unfortunate times.

"I thought it was a pretty good called game," Donnelly said. "There were a few tough calls but those are excuses.

"If your a good football team you'll play naked on 8th and Broad. A good team will make the plays and that's why we lost we didn't make the plays."

But still, one has to wonder "What if?" on two occasions Saturday.

After Eastern had taken a 10-7 lead in the third quarter, the Raiders appeared to be driving deep into Colonel territory.

Freshman Garth Petrilli was getting warmed up and ready to come in and boot the tying kick if the Raiders were unable to punch it in the endzone. However, both options failed.

Facing a third and five situation, Vince Parks came around from his receiver spot and carried the handoff to the EKU 20-yard line.

To his dismay though, when

he got up off the ground at the 20, he turned to see a flag near the line of scrimmage.

The officials called a controversial clipping call on a block that allowed Parks to get by several defenders.

"We ran a reverse and it takes us to a first down," Donnelly said. "Was it a clip or was it not a clip? The officials on our side didn't call it, but that didn't beat us.

"We still had opportunities and we just didn't execute - that's the bottom line."

After Eastern capitalized on a Raider turnover to take a 17-7 lead, the Raiders got the ball and were stopped on their own side of the field.

Joel Alsobrook knocked a high, spiraling punt that the EKU returner mis-handled. MTSU pounced on the ball at Eastern's 32-yard line with nine minutes left in the game.

A 30-yard pass completion from Holcomb to Campbell put the Raiders on the 2-yard line but when Campbell attempted to go over the top on the following play, the ball hit an EKU helmet and squirted loose. It was recovered by Holcomb, but not until it was at the 12-yard line.

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Toronto	82	67	.550	_	3-7	Lost 2	42-33	40-34	
Boston	81	67	.547	1/2	7-3	Won 4	42-32	39-35	
Detroit	75	72	.510	6	3-7	Lost 5	44-28	31-44	
Milwaukee	71	75	.486	91/2	6-4	Won 2	38-34	33-41	
New York	62	85	.422	19	2-8	Lost 2	35-40	27-45	
Baltimore	62	86	.419	191/2	5-5	Lost 1	30-45	32-41	
Cleveland	50	96	.342	301/2	6-3	Won 1	26-47	24-49	
West Division									
	W	L	Pct.	GB	L10	Streak	Home	Away	
Minnesota	89	60	.597	_	4-6	Won 2	48-27	41-33	
Chicago	82	67	.550	7	6-4	Lost 1	43-30	39-37	
Oakland	78	70	.527	101/2	4-6	Won 2	43-30	35-40	
Texas	77	70	.524	11	5-5	Lost 3	42-31	35-39	
Kansas City	75	72	.510	13	5-5	Won 1	35-39	40-33	
Seattle	75	72	.510	13	7-3	Lost 1	42-31	33-4	
California	74	74	.500	141/2	5-5	Won 1	36-39	38-35	



East Division								
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Pittsburgh	90	59	.604	_	7-3	Won 1	46-28	44-31
St. Louis	76	72	.514	131/2	4-6	Lost 5	45-29	31-43
New York	72	76	.486	171/2	6-4	Won 2	37-38	35-38
Chicago	71	75	.486	171/2	3-7	Won 1	42-33	29-42
Philadelphia	71	78	.477	19	5-5	Lost 1	43-34	28-44
Montreal	64	82	.438	241/2	5-5	Lost 3	34-35	30-47
West Division					-			
	W	L	Pct.	GB	L10	Streek	Home	Away
Los Angeles	86	64	.573	_	7-3	Won 1	49-25	37-39
Atlanta	85	64	.570	1/2	7-3	Lost 1	. 45-30	40-34
San Diego	75	74	.503	101/2	4-6	Won 1	36-38	39-36
Cincinnati	71	78	.477	141/2	4-5	Won 1	38-37	33-4
San Francisco	69	79	.466	16	6-4	Lost 1	40-35	29-44
Houston	60	89	.403	251/2	3-7	Lost 1	35-39	25-50

Track-

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UT forced us to do good," said Hayes, "And we were able to see how we could do against top flight competition."

Kiya Thomas led the team with her 8th place finish in 18:19, followed by Dianne DeOliveira, 17th-(18:42), Karen Barnes, 19th-(18:59), Lea White, 25th-(19:07), Sharon Smith, 42nd-(20:25), and Linda Brewer, 48th-(20:49).

All of the women improved their times from last week.

" The top runners ran solid races and improved," said Hayes. "And that's the biggest thing if we're going to try to win the OVC, we need four solid runners instead of one star."

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Hurt

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the Raiders moved the ball to the six leaving Boots with a big fourth down decision with almost seven minutes remaining.

"I didn't think that we would be able to stop them as quick as we would and get the ball back later," he explained. "I contemplated on going for the field goal but if we were going to win then we were going to put ourself in the position to do it then"

A fourth down pass attempt failed and EKU had more than six minutes to run off the clock.

But the Raiders made a stand forcing them to punt with 4:09 left. They then drove all the way to the Colonel 24-yard line and it appeared that on a second down pass into the endzone was missed as a result of contact between Raider tight end Steve Dark and an EKU defender. No penalty was called.

On the next play, Holcomb tried to hit Joe Campbell in the endzone, but the pass was off a tad and the Raiders hope of an upset were diminished.

But on that same play, a pass interference flag was thrown. It was against the Raiders.

"You've got to make the big plays both halfs," Donnelly admitted. "I don't know if its youth, poor coaching or what but we just didn't come through.

"As far as the officiating goes, there were some tough calls

but that's not why we got beat."

In total Eastern received four penalties for a 25-yard loss. The Raiders five flags accounted for 67 yards.



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DOWN BUT NOT OUT: MTSU tailback Joe Čampbell sets and watches as time ran out on the Raiders Saturday.

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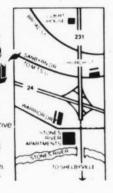
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EKU

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lined up as a wide-out, scampered back across the middle and took the handoff from QB Kelly Holcomb. He wasn't stopped until he was in the endzone 39 yards later with 7:54 remaining in the first half.

After Garth Petrilli added the extra point, the Raiders once again managed to stop the Colonels short of the endzone and were driving toward field goal range themselves with time running out in the half.

Holcomb stepped back, fired the ball to Vince Parks who caught it and then coughed it up. It was recovered by EKU who promptly drove into field goal range, knocked down the three and went in at the half trailing Middle 7-3.

"We should have gone up 7-0 at the half but we lay the ball down without getting hit," Donnelly exclaimed. "It was just raked out of his arms."

In the second half, the breaks got worse for Middle.

On their second series, Holcomb threw an interception giving the Colonels some momentum.

They drove down field and Crenshaw found tightend Dwyane Woods uncovered in the endzone as the Colonels took the lead for good.

Although the offense wouldn't score again, it didn't keep them from trying and the Raider "D" was able to keep the Colonels off the board as well.

On the next possession, MTSU was apparently in range for Petrilli to boot the tying filed

Facing a third and five situation, Middle got the ball in the hands of Vince Parks who carried to the EKU 20. But a controversial clipping call negated the run as well as put Middle out of range for the three.

On the next MTSU series, Holcomb tried top pitch the ball back to Campbell when an EKU defender swatted the ball far behind the line of scrimmage and Colonel recovered it at the MTSU 25 setting up the final

"When they needed to make the plays, they made them," Campbell said. "That's just the way the ball bounces. We just

made too many mental mistakes and Eastern was right on top of

"Their a good team without a doubt, and they'll go far. But I'd don't think it's a case of them being better than us. We just made too many mistakes."

Campbell, who was limited to 27 yards in Richmond a year ago, led the Raider attack with a 51 yard performance Saturday. He also caught the ball five times and picked up 63 yards receiving. In total, Middle picked up 98 yards on the ground.

EKU was led by junior Markus Thomas who grabed the spotlight with a 143 yard performance.

Head coach Roy Kidd was impressed by his tailback's performance but he was equally dazed by the show Holcomb put

on for Middle.

"I'm not looking forward to playing against him for three years," Kidd said following the freshman's 210 yard passing performance (18-30).

"I like Kelly Holcomb," Donnelly said. "He's a battler and a fighter. He made a couple of big mistakes but he hung in their.

"He's our QB and he's going to remain our OB." -

The loss dropped the No. 7 ranked Raiders to 1-1 overall and in the OVC. Eastern, which entered the game No. 3, improved their season mark to 2-1, 2-0 in the OVC.

"Eastern just beat us and did it soundly," Donnelly later said. "We had our chances, even fairly late in the game, and we just couldn't get the job done."



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WITHIN REACH: MTSU's Andre Boykin and Kenny Matison attempt to catch up with Eastern's Leon Brown during their contest Saturday.

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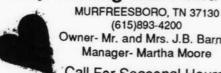
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