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## Accreditation renewed by SACS committee

By Lee Murphy / staff

Your degree will still be worth something when you graduate.

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), the regional accrediting agency for colleges and universities in the southeastern United States and Latin America, awarded MTSU with a "re-affirmation of accreditation" on Dec. 11, 1995.

As part of the re-accreditation process, the university is required to undergo a comprehensive self study every ten years.

Entitled "Commencement for the 21st Century, 1993-2003: Traditions, Realities and Opportunities," the

recent SACS re-accreditation entailed a campus-wide, cooperative effort. The process, from beginning to end, encompassed two-and-a-half years of reviewing, planning and implementing on two separate levels - the institution as a whole and the individual

"MTSU's re-accreditation really speaks well for the whole academic community, and it represents a lot of hard work on the part of hundreds of people," said Faye Johnson, assistant to the provost and vice president for Academic Affairs and assistant professor of Sociology and Anthropology

Johnson, who served as director of

MTSU's Institutional Self Study for SACS, said that the comprehensive evaluation called for every department to conduct a self evaluation of itself. Hundreds of faculty, students and alumni personnel participated in the "lengthy and detailed study," according to Johnson.

"We were really using this (reaccreditation) as a self-evaluation and planning process for the next ten years, which is essentially what you want to do in an accreditation process," Johnson said.

SACS conducted a peer review on site last March and produced a report of its findings to the university and the Southern Association's Commission on

Colleges. MTSU was given an August 30 deadline in which to respond with a follow-up plan of action to the specific areas addressed by the peer review. The re-affirmation of accreditation was awarded by the Commission based upon an evaluation, which encompassed the university's written response and original self study and SACS' on-site peer review report.

The library

An integral area of focus addressed by SACS was the university's library facility and library support.

"As part of the follow-up plan, the university made a commitment to pursue additional space, for which the

library planning money has already been allocated," Johnson said.

"We are optimistic that we will receive funding from the legislature to build a new library." Additionally, in its follow-up plan, the university included a commitment of resources for the library, in the form of books and periodicals.

"It is basically a commitment to additional resources over the next five years to enhance the support for the overall library," Johnson continued.

> Other areas addressed Other areas for improvement

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### **UEC** renews campaign to promote awareness

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**Michael** 

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**UEC Chair** 

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By Kris Wetzel / staff

The Uniform Equality Committee (UEC) held its first meeting of the semester Tuesday night to renew their campaign to promote "an open dialogue of equal and civil human rights," according to UEC chairman Michael Grantham.

Organized last June, the UEC was formed to facilitate the adoption of a

sexual orientation statement in the university's nondiscrimination clause. The UEC proposal will not affect ROTC and Affirmative Action non-discrimination policies.

UEC The renewed campaign on Monday night after the Martin Luther King Candlelight Vigil, passing out flyers and explaining their new slogan, "Equality is Civility.'

"It's something that everyone can agree with unless they have some kind of discrimination," Grantham said. "It doesn't mention anything racial or sexual. People looking at the poster would have to identify their prejudice in order to even try to dispute the

"The way it stands in people's mind is that this is a homosexual issue. It's not. Sexual orientation is

as much a heterosexual issue as it is a homosexual issue."

The UEC plans to publish their report the week after Spring Break that assesses the campus atmosphere towards gays, lesbians and bisexuals. The report will include anonymous testimony collected from members of the university community that argues for the inclusion of a sexual

orientation statement in the university's non-discrimination

According to Grantham, the UEC report will also include the impact statements written by the five students who made harassing and threatening calls to the Lambda information line last semester.

Rodney Bennett, assistant dean of students. required students to write statements considering the

implications of their actions as part of the university's discipline action.

'What we did was meant as a stupid prank and there was never any harm intended but because of the way they choose to live the lifestyles they live, they are subject to ridicule without us adding to their problems,"

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### And the winner is . . .

Whitney Jones is crowned Miss MTSU by Steven Laughlin, the director of the Miss MTSU/USA pageant, last Thursday night in Tucker Theatre. Tammy Burton received first runner-up, and Julie Capps was voted second runner-up. The Miss MTSU/USA pageant was sponsored by the Kappa Alpha Order and is a preliminary contest for the Miss USA pageant. KA plans to sponsor Jones in the Miss Tennessee pageant.

### Speaker to address disabilities

By Charles A. Harrington. Jr. / staff

The Office of Disabled Student Services will be kicking off their semester of events beginning Monday with motivational speaker Jim Smith. Smith will present "The

Creativity of Stress" to an open audience in the KUC Theatre at 11:00 "I would like more than just the

disabled to be a part of the audience", said John Harris, director of Disabled Students Services. "Speaking about the disabled to the disabled is like preaching to the choir." Harris said he stresses the point

that there is definitely a need to educate society on the skills of the disabled to create better opportunities for them. A native Tennessean from

McMinnville and a MTSU alumnus Smith is a professional motivational speaker living in Chicago, Illinois.

During a successful fifteen-year retail management career, Smith lost his sight and experienced more than four years of blindness

Coaxed by ophthalmologists, psychologists, family and friends, Smith left the retail profession to write his book and develop his speaking career. His sight was eventually restored in 1981 through newly developed techniques of

The Office of Disabled Student Services will continue their semester of events on Feb. 2 when they host the Fifth Annual Wheelchair Quad-Rugby Invitational held in the MTSU Recreational Center. Disabled Awareness Month will follow in April with the Special Olympics Track and Field Events on April 19 as well as

Dr. Jim Burton, assistant dean of Conferences and External Affairs, helped bring Smith with funding by the Adams Chair of Excellence in HealthCare Services, the National HealthCare Chair of Excellence in Nursing and the Jennings A. Jones Chair of Excellence in Free Enterprise.

For more information, contact the Office of Disabled Student Services at 898-2783. **●** 

### Lecture series to debate communication

By Susan Burns / staff

What single course offers lecturers from disciplines across campus? It's the Honors Program's Spring Lecture

Although the series is an upperdivision Honors course, the lectures

are open to the public. The lecture series will focus on how the topic of communication relates to different areas of study, including archaeology, free speech in the workplace, languages of animals, and actor/audience communication through presentations made by department staff members.

The more diverse the perspective, the richer the course will be, according to Director of the Honors Program John Paul Montgomery.

different Professors from departments are invited each semester by Montgomery to participate in the series.

"The objective is always to show different departments' points of view on a single topic," Montgomery said. "There's more to the world than Murfreesboro, and there is more to learning and knowledge than a classroom.

Monday, Jan. 22, the class will have orientation with the first lecture to begin on the following Monday, Jan. 29.

#### Honors Lecture Schedule

January 22 Orientation J. P. Montgomery, Honors

January 29 Money Talks Bill Ford, Business

February 5 Archaeology: Speaking for the Ancestors Kevin Smith, Sociology, Anthropology and

Social Work

February 12 Free Speech in the Workplace Geoff Hull, Communication

Framing Issues of Controversy: Media Coverage of Reproductive Rights Julie Andsager, Journalism

February 26 Persuasive Communication Whiteside, Terry Psychology

Political Communication Mark Byrnes, Political Science March 18

Dialogues with Dr. Doolittle or the "Languages" of Animals Alice Mills, Biology

March 25 Genderlect Russell Church, Speech

April 1 Apollo and the Cross: Myth as Means of Communication

Tom Strawman, English April 8 Cultural Communication and the

Hill/Thomas Hearings Jennifer Bailey, Journalism

April 15 Interpreting Multi - Cultural Communication and Stereotypes

> Ralph A. Metcalf, Multi-Cultural Affairs

April 22 Thesis Presentations, TBA

April 29 Actor/Audience

Communication Deborah Anderson, Speech

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THUR rain High: 59

Low: 42



FRI part sun High: 42



SAT part sun High: 47 Low: 28

### **Sports** Basketball team

sweeps Tennessee State Page 9



Brian G. Miller/staff

#### Dare to dunk

A Bud Light Dare Devil slams a shot during the half-time show at the Tuesday men's basketball showdown between MTSU and TSU. MTSU won the game 86-74.

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### SACS: MTSU implements SACS plan

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addressed by SACS and included in MTSU's follow-up plan included: additional support for the graduate program, space/structural needs, the advising system and faculty work load.

"The university has already made a commitment to increasing support for the graduate program over the next five years," Johnson said. "Space, of course, is a general concern all over the campus and has been, and is definitely a long term consideration. They (SACS) did recognize, however, that we do have a master's facilities play.'

"We are looking into the advising system to make sure it coordinated comprehensive, and are also reviewing faculty work load as well," she said.

According to Johnson, various committees have been appointed and implemented to address these areas of improvement.

"The kinds of things you need to do, if you are really going to make a difference in enhancement, cannot be done overnight," Johnson said. "But, we are at the stage where we're implementing the plan, and will continue doing so until the goals are met.

"Most recommendations have already been addressed and are facts accomplished. The follow-up plan we submitted included deadlines for which we have made certain commitments, and we are right on target with all of those, and in fact, are slightly ahead of schedule," she continued.

Johnson attributes MTSU's successful self-study and subsequent SACS accreditation to those people who dedicated countless hours and hard work during the

"I had the advantage of working with everybody on campus, and discovered a real strength [at MTSU)] because there are so many really fine people here who do their jobs

re-accreditation says is that our programs are of high quality, and they have academic integrity.

**Faye Johnson** Assistant to the Provost and Vice President for Academic **Affairs** 

day in and day out. The things I learned about the university really made me appreciate it more, and I just cannot say enough about the people who work here, as well as the students," Johnson said.

"James Brooks, chair, Speech and Theater, did a truly phenomenal job of chairing the steering committee, which was the faculty committee that was in charge of planning and implementing the various selfstudy committees at the institutional level. It was an intense faculty contribution, and he did a spectacular job,' Johnson said.

The faculty division, which looked at the academic programs, was the major area of focus during the reaccreditation process. Other divisions of the program included areas of finance administration, university relations and student services.

The re-accreditation really is a commendation to a lot of hard work and I think it's so important to congratulate everyone who participated," Johnson said.

re-accreditation The process is no easy task, but it benefits everyone within the academic environment, from the university and its faculty to staff to the students.

"What the re-accreditation says is that our programs are of high quality, and they have academic integrity. Our peers have come in and said that, and that's why it is such a grand accomplishment for university," Johnson said.

SACS, which is comprised of peer institutions within the southeastern region, allows the university to perform "self regulation, self guidance and self governance," according to Johnson. SACS is made up of colleges and universities that recognize the need to have an agency which will ensure the quality of higher education, in terms of the academic

"The accreditation process was developed, implemented and overseen by member institutions. It signifies to the academic community, and to the public at large, that the university has met certain standards of excellence," Johnson said.

These standards serve the benefit of MTSU students in that an accredited institution automatically guarantees an accredited degree. "When a student leaves MTSU with an accredited degree, other institutions recognize this and do not question the degree.

"Because we have met that standard, the student's degree is transferable to other institutions who recognize that as meeting that same academic standard, and that's pretty important," Johnson continued.

According to Johnson, SACS' standards are considered very high and "on the cutting edge" as far as accreditation is concerned.

"Even though we were doing very well as an institution, if you perform a good self-study, there are always ways to improve, and here at MTSU, that's what we're looking for. We want to be the very best, continue to be the very best and nothing short of that is acceptable, so we use the process (self-study) to get there," Johnson said.

MTSU will come up for SACS re-accreditation again during 2003-2004. •

#### MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY Department of Campus Recreation

Spring 1996 Intramural Schedule

SPORT	REGISTRATION	CAPTAIN'S MEETING	PLAY
Basketball (M,W,CR)	Jan. 10-24	5:30, Jan. 25	Jan. 29-March
Spades	Jan. 11-17	5:30, Jan. 17	Jan. 18
Dart	Jan. 11-16	5:30, Jan. 16	Jan. 20
Badminton (S/D) (M,W,CR)	Jan. 12-22	5:30, Jan. 22	Jan. 23-31
Racquetball (S/D) (M,W, CR)	Jan. 12-22	6:00, Jan. 22	Jan. 22-30
Water Polo (Innertube) (Open) (Iimit 20 teams)	Jan. 15-23	5:30, Jan. 24	Jan. 25-March
Indoor Soccer (M,W,CR) (Sunday League)	Jan. 16-30	5:30, Jan. 31	Feb. 4
Wallyball (Open) (Ilmit 20 teams)	Jan. 30-Feb. 12	5:30, Feb. 13	Feb. 14-March
Wrestling (weigh-in February 11-12)	Feb. 1-8	5:30, Feb. 12	Feb. 13
Tennessee State Extramural Basketball	Feb. 1-29	9:00 a.m., March 2	March 2-3
3-Point Contest	Feb. 19	5:30, Feb. 19	Feb. 19
Horseshoes (M,W,CR)	Feb. 29-March 18	5:30, March 19	March 20
Softball (M,W, CR)	March 4-20	5:30, March 21	March 25
Sand Volleyball (Open)	March 18-27	5:30, March 28	April 1
Flag Football (5-on-5) (Open)	March 25-April 16	5:30, April 17	April 18
Ultimate Frisbee	April 18-23	5:30, April 24	April 25-May 1
Bowling (Open)	April 22-29	6:00, April 29	April 29-May 2
Billiards	April 22-29	6:00, April 29	April 29-May 2
NBA Basketball-Atlanta Hawks		12:45, Jan. 22	Jan.22

12:45, Jan. 22

6-8 p.m., Jan. 21-22

6-8 p.m., March 18-19

7 p.m., Tuesday, April 30

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Officials Appreciation Social

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What a great way to earn a little spending money for Spring Break!

### Students spared financial aid cuts-at least for now

By Mark Blevins / staff

There has been no settlement reached concerning cuts (or no cuts) in student financial aid from the federal

However in December, Congress' last budget proposal to President Clinton showed none of the early, deeper cuts to student financial aid, according to Director of Financial Aid Winston Wrenn and U.S. Rep. Bart Gordon (D-Murfreesboro).

the majority Republican Congress set out to find ways to balance the budget, they first resolved to eliminate \$10 billion from student financial aid. But the December bill only showed \$4.9 billion in cuts.

There was no mention of ending in-school interest subsidies, the six-month grace period after graduation, limiting eligibility for Pell Grants, reducing the workstudy program or taxing loan volume at universities-all of which were earlier proposals or at least discussed by majority members in Congress.

#### Direct lending

The direct lending program was the main target this time, according to Wrenn.

And Clinton promptly vetoed the bill, hoping to protect the direct lending program from which most of the \$4.9 billion came, according to Wrenn. The bill limited the program from a present cap of 40 percent of total federally guaranteed student loans to 10

If the cap is placed at 10 percent, all schools which joined the direct lending program in the second year will be bumped off, Wrenn said.

That includes MTSU.

But Gordon said he "assumes" that eventually the cap will reach 20 percent which would keep MTSU in the program. He approaches the direct lending program with

	Pell Grant	+FSEOG	Work Study	Stafford Loan (Subsidized)	Stafford Loan (Unsubsidized)
Amount Allocated	6,420,465	288,803	249,855	23,401,721	9,179,959
Number of Awards	4,501	325	307	6,552	3,125
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much, too fast could cost the government a lot of money through default payments.

'I think direct lending should be a test program, and I think a ten percent test would be a fair way to go about it," Gordon said.

This is just what worries

"We cannot live with a program that we have to fear the politicians will cut every "year," Wrenn said.

#### The beauty of automation

Other than the possibility of political winds threatening to end the program, Wrenn has nothing but praise for direct

"You know, if you're a student walking up to my window [wanting a loan], and I start talking about crediting your account tomorrow afternoon, it would be hard to find anything wrong with that," Wrenn said.

computer Advanced automation allowed the 405 MTSU students who have used direct lending so far this year to apply for and receive their loans in about 24 hours, Wrenn said.

hesitation, worried that too He expects to have 500-1000 more direct lending applicants in the spring and a complete 50-50 ratio next year.

Quick service is one benefit. Knowing exactly when a student can get their loans is another, Wrenn said.

"When [a student asks] how long [a regular loan] would take, it could be a day or two or it could take a couple of weeks," Wrenn said. It is this inconsistency from bank to bank that makes it hard for financial aid workers to provide clear answers to students on loan arrival, he said.

But Wrenn doesn't have anything against private banks. "Banks have been good to

us, and I wouldn't want anybody to think we're taking slaps at them.

"I don't want anybody to think we don't understand the [argument from banks against direct lending] because the banks have been very good to MTSU students, but this is why you see such hard fighting up in Washington.

"If you can separate out the question of private enterprise versus the federal government, the federal government has done

a beautiful job of automating that process," Wrenn said.

#### Direct service

Within two years, the Pell Grant application will include a section for federal loans, Wrenn said. There are now separate

forms for the programs. "This is why it is such a winning system-all the data is in one place," Wrenn said.

And there's more to come sooner than that-before the politicians can take direct lending out of MTSU's reach.

Wrenn said sometime in February, students who are currently enrolled can consolidate all of their private student loans under one direct loan. There is no cap on this program, and out of school students have been offered the deal for the last six months, Wrenn said.

The financial aid office plans to advertise for the service once the federal guidelines come through next month

What are the benefits?

Besides consolidation, the program offers students a three different payment plans including: a minimum of \$50 a

month for thirty years, a graduated plan (smaller payments at first, then larger), and a plan that takes your income and develops a minimum amount.

#### No settlement, no assurance

Wrenn and Gordon are both concerned that an eventual budget compromise might cut back into some of the student aid that directly affects students-like Pell Grants and the post-graduation, six-month grace period on student loans.

"We're not facing any kind of doomsday here; what we're facing is uncertainty," Wrenn said. "I don't want to sound like an alarmist but what we're concerned about is: will the president agree to something he would not originally agree

Gordon wants to continue to press on and find savings through efficiency-not cuts.

"We know we've gotten enormous improvement over original Republican proposals, and I think we just have to hang tough and make it clear that education is important in this country," Gordon said.

Gordon introduced legislation in 1993 which eliminated schools with loan default rates over 25 percent. He said these were mostly "sham schools" that were in the business of taking taxpayers cash-not providing education. Gordon wants to lower that percentage for more efficiency.

Gordon also supported legislation which refused Pell Grants to prisoners.

Meanwhile, as the budget dealing winds down (if it is), Wrenn waits to see how federal legislation is going to affect his

"What we've had is six weeks of negotiation and compromise, and none of us they're know what compromising about," Wrenn

### **Prez wants** to keep direct lending

By Amy Sentelle / staff

The Clinton Administration is standing by its commitment to direct lending as negotiations continue with Republican lawmakers on a plan to balance the federal budget over the next seven

President Clinton's version of a balanced-budget plan calls for giving colleges "free choice" to participate in either the direct lending or the guaranteed-loan program.

However, his program is in direct opposition with a Republican plan which seeks to cap direct lending at 10 percent of total student-loan volume. Such a cap would eliminate three-quarters of the 1,4000 colleges now in the program.

Direct lending provides federal loan funds directly to colleges, bypassing banks and loan-guarantee agencies. On a national scale, 2,721,403 students rely on direct lending which equals \$8.86 billion. In Tennessee, the number of direct lending loans totals 31,994 which equals \$92.79 million.

So far, negotiations between the Clinton Administration and the Republican leaders have been deadlocked. The Republicans are refusing to discuss specific items in the bill, such as direct lending, until the president forms his own seven year plan to balance the budget.

According to a recent article in The Chronicle of Higher Education, Clinton's proposal would save \$3 billion through cuts in payments and subsidies to lenders, guarantee agencies, and secondary The Republican markets. proposal would decrease spending on student loans by almost \$5 billion.

The most significant aspect of Clinton's plan lies in his decision to allow colleges to choose for themselves whether they want to participate in direct lending. This proposal relinquishes earlier White House plans that would have required all colleges to choose direct lending.

The elimination of one program or the other would prevent Education Department officials from being able to compare the cost and effectiveness of the two programs.

Still, it is unclear whether not congressional Republicans will give up their position which calls for the capping of direct lending.

Compromising between the Republican leaders and the Clinton Administration will hopefully bring them out of deadlock and lead to an agreement concerning direct lending.

Although college officials feel the direct lending program running smoothly, Republicans are still fearful that the program will fall apart when the government has to start collecting on the loans.

The final decision concerning direct lending will not be rendered until the conclusion of the budget talks in Washington.

### **UEC**: report in March

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read a part of one impact

Copies of the report will be sent to President Walker and his executive staff. Grantham said the report will also be submitted to an academic clearing house in

Wisconsin that specializes in gay and lesbian reports. Hundreds of supporters are sending President James Walker postcards that state that they support the inclusion of the sexual orientation statement

according

in the non-discrimination clause,

Grantham. Grantham represented the UEC at the Human Rights Campaign dinner last Saturday night in Nashville. Nashville lawyer Abby Rubenfield has agreed to work at the state level for the UEC, according to Grantham.

Grantham said he plans to participate in the Youth Campaign College this summer, a program held in Chicago to train people to work for equality issues in their community. The Youth Campaign College organized by Elizabeth Birch, executive director of the Human Rights Campaign.

symposium with the religious

organizations on campus in March that will provide an opportunity to debate the relationship between religious beliefs and sexual orientation. The symposium will be led by a moderator who will field questions to the panel members and mediate audience questions.

It has received the formal support of the Faculty Senate, Honors Student Association, Panhellenic Council, Wesley Foundation and other campus

The adoption of a sexual orientation clause is also supported by the professional groups National Education Association, American Bar American Association, Psychological Association, and

the American Association of

University Professors.

According to officials at MTSU's governing body, the Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR), the decision to include sexual orientation into the non-discrimination clause is left up to the individual schools in the Tennessee Board of Regents system.

No TBR school or UT school has a sexual orientation statement in their non-discrimination clause, but Austin Peay does include the statement in their statement of philosophy.

The UEC is planning a

Sidelines is hiring copy editors. Work experience, classroom experience or show of competence a must.

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Friday, February 9, 8:00 p.m. Murphy Center

Tickets go on sale Saturday, January 13, 10 a.m. at Murphy Center and all Ticketmaster locations Reserved = \$24.25

MTSU students get discount with I.D.



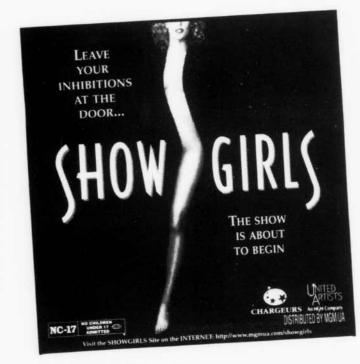
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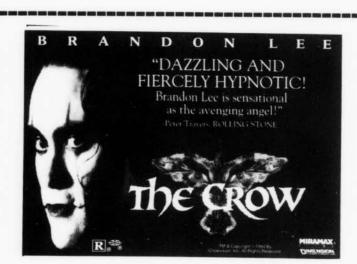
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### Students get a little 'play cash'

By Kelley Gary / College Press Service

Play dough is for kids.

Or so says Notre Dame University junior Chuck Ruifrok. As president of Notre Dame's investment club, he and other students manage a \$149,000 portfolio.

And Ruifrok's story is not that unusual. Nationwide, more than 35 learning institutions have donated money to investment classes or clubs, allowing students to buy and trade stocks, bonds and

Investing real money gives students a chance to test their market theories, but to do so with real-life consequences.

has certain responsibilities," said Ruifrok.

Once the investments get going, most become selfperpetuating and self-financed, said Dr. Edward Lawrence, a University of Missouri-St. Louis professor of banking and

In a 1994 paper on student nvestment funds, Lawrence concluded "the student investment fund joins topranked athletics as one of the few university programs that can be fully self-supporting."

Thursday, Jan. 18-

Sigma Tau Delta English

Honor Society is meeting

at 7:00 p.m. at the Red

Rose Cafe. In addition to

socializing, we will be

'Catcher In the Rye."

Any interested students

are welcome. For more

information call Candy

Moonshower at 646-4527.

Billiards Championship /

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floor KUC, from 11:00

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The department of New

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extended its' deadline

until Jan. 22, to accept

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interested in applying for

a Student Orientation

Assistant or SOA. Anyone

who is interested can

come by the KUC, room

122 and pick up an

Golden Key National

Honor Society will have

an information table set

up Jan. 22 and 23, from 10

a.m. to 3 p.m., in front of

Phillips Bookstore, for

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discussing

Professors said students take their investments very seriouslyshying away from high-risk stocks and bonds. Paul Conway, an associate professor of finance at Notre Dame University, said his students tend to play it safe.

"They are very conservative," said Conway. "I have a problem getting them to take risks. They don't want to be the ones who took a bath or

had a bad year."

Yet whether students make money or take a bath, it doesn't affect the school's cash-flow. Funds used in student-run investments are separate from the universities' own accounts and generally very little money-if any-is withdrawn from the student-run accounts, said Conway.

"It's a sacred fund. They don't want to take anything from it," he added.

Student-run investment classes or clubs have been around since the 1950s. Each institution runs their program a little differently and receive funding from different sources: private individuals, university endowments, corporate donors or foundations.

Some classes are available through open enrollment, and everyone in the class does research and presents cases for their investment choices. This is the case with Wartburg College's Portfolio Management class, taught by professor Paul

The students' portfolio, started by a corporate donation of stock in 1968, is valued at \$296,000. All the students "follow four stocks, read the Wall Street Journal and record articles that apply," said Magnell.

They do a financial analysis of the stocks they're looking at," he said. "But, all the money is invested in stocks at the current time, so if they want to buy something, [the class has] to decide what they want to get rid of."

To decide what stocks to buy and which to sell, Magnell's class takes a vote. "I try not to influence them," he said.

At the University of Richmond in Virginia the class is limited to eight honor . students who work in conjunction with an advisory committee made up of area business professionals.

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Ongoing events-

Codependents Anonymous (Coda) will meet Thursday's from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at St. Marks United Methodist Church, room 109 under the red handrail. Coda is a fellowship of men and women whose common problem is an inability to maintain functional relationships. The only requirement for membership is a desire for healthy and fulfilling relationships with others and ourselves.

Adult Children Alcoholics (ACOA) will meet Tuesday from 6 to 7 p.m. at St. Marks Methodist Church, 1403 E. Main St., room 109. ACOA is a 12 step support group for people raised in an alcoholic or dysfunctional other family.

Lambda, an organization for gay, lesbian, and bisexual students, faculty, non-students, and their supporters, will meet every Tuesday in the Mass Comm building, room 103, at 6:30 p.m. For further information write to MTSU Box 624 or call

Intervarsity Christian Fellowship will hold its weekly meetings on Tuesday at 8 p.m. and Campus Prayer meetings on Wednesday at 9 p.m., in KUC room 312. All campus ministries and all individuals are invited to attend.

Tennessee is sponsoring a Sure I Can Cope! is a Japanese Netsuke Exhibit support group for adult women sponsored by the JAWC. Issues such as balancing The exhibit is open family, finances, school, and other topics will be discussed. The group will meet Thursdays at 12:05 p.m. to 1:40 p.m. starting Jan. 25. Bring your lunch! Application deadline for Facilitated by Lydia Sun, a Psychology Graduate student. Space limited, Scholarship is April 12. call Mary Glantz at 898to obtained in the social Confidentiality in groups is encouraged.

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### College football suffering from financial pressures

By Brian Sharp/ College Press Service

LINCOLN, Neb.-It's late. Ahman Green is one of the last to leave football practice and wander into the Nebraska locker room.

On one wall, the words "Business As Usual" are spelled out in huge, red block letters.

But for the 18-year-old freshman, this year's football season has been anything but

He has become a leader on national champion Cornhusker team. He has stood at the center of Memorial Stadium as 76,000 frenzied Husker fans screamed his name

He is tired of the hype, the cameras, the autographs. Sometimes, he says, he just wants to play football.

But these days, football is more than a game. The stands are filled with rows of wealthy VIP boosters, and cameras line the sidelines. In the press pox, broadcast announcers carry the play-by-play across the nation.

Above it all, Green's largerthan-life image is projected on oversized television screens.

Welcome to the game of college football, to the show. More money is pouring into intercollegiate athletics than ever before. While the nation's top teams fight for their share of the money, some ask, 'What is sacrificed when an amateur, not-for-profit sport becomes a multimillion-dollar entertainment industry?'

On Jan. 2, the University of Nebraska defeated the University of Florida in the Fiesta Bowl in Tempe, Ariz. While the bowl game thrilled Husker fans and cemented Nebraska's second straight national title, it also added up to big money—an estimated \$12 million to \$13 million for both schools

The best evidence the dollar game is growing might be the payout from last year's championship Orange Bowl game—\$4.2 million.

Let's face it, we are in kind of a multi-faceted operation, says Gary Fouraker, NU athletic budget director. "On one hand, we are in an educational institution...At the same point in time, we are in the entertainment business.

"We have to entertain those fans who are buying tickets, and we have to find ways to keep them satisfied, yet keep our priorities straight in terms of the student athlete.

"But it is a business," says the 15-year budget veteran, "and you have to look at it that

have to entertain those fans who are buying tickets, and we have to find ways to keep them satisfied. . . "

> Gary **Fouraker NU Athletic** Budget Director

Nebraska splits bowl proceeds with the other Big 8 schools. But it's still big money, and bowl payouts are just part The NU Athletic projected Department's revenues this year are estimated at \$23.6 million. Actual revenues for last year were \$26.7 million, with \$25.7 million in expenses.

Compare that to last year's revenues for former national championship programs: the University of Alabama, \$22.1 million; and Florida State University, \$20.1 million.

At Iowa State University, a program said to be facing a door-die situation in the new Big 12 super conference, last year's take was just \$11.5 million.

But the money isn't just in the championship; it's in the winning. Nebraska has a record of 35-1 for the last three years. It isn't hard to see what

success means to the program.
"Money," says NU Athletic
Director Bill Byrne.

"Let me tell you," Byrne says, "I have been an athletic administrator now for more than 23 years, and the job has changed dramatically...

"When I first started in the business, we really didn't worry about income," he says. "We were very concerned about expenses, but we didn't worry about income because we had state tax dollars supporting us. We had student fees, and fund raising was something that was sort of ho-hum."

At Nebraska, there are no state dollars, no student fees, no university support. The athletic department is selfsustaining. And football is bankrolling the department's other programs.

"You don't make money on

our 20 other sports here," Byrne says. "You make money on football and men's basketball. Nothing else even comes close to paying its own expenses.'

The same is true at other universities. At Notre Dame University, athletics business manager Tom Nevala says the football program accounts for 80 percent of department Money directly revenue. associated with football at Alabama totals \$8.1 million. Costs stand at \$5 million. The next closest sport is men's basketball, producing \$545,000 and costing \$1.1 million. Football brings in other

money at Alabama, as well. Much of television fees (\$2.1 million) and Tide Pride booster monies and gifts (\$8.1 million) are attributed to the sport.

The Iowa State football program is not so lucky. It generates \$2.9 million and costs \$3.1 million. Boosters add just \$2 million.

Byrne says it has gotten increasingly difficult to cover the cost of "big-time." When women's athletics were introduced, for example, costs doubled, with little added financial revenue.

Walter Byers, executive director of the NCAA from 1951-87, says that argument is Costs have not flawed. increased as fast as revenues,

"The colleges get their fair share," Byers says of the money surrounding athletics. "They are not being out maneuvered or out-negotiated.

"But when colleges get that money it essentially flows to the overseers and supervisors. They pay higher and higher salaries, and coaching staffs grow, one way or another.

At Nebraska, Coach Tom Osborne receives a reported \$130,412 annually. winning championship, he received a \$50,000 bonus. Osborne also receives a "one-sixth bonus" for qualifying for a major bowl game and a "one-twelfth bonus" for a lesser bowl.

In recent years, athletic directors have become "very entrepreneurial," Byrne says.

That creativity has come in the form of fund-raising and marketing programs, increased radio rights fees and television negotiations

"All of those things started happening in a big way," he says. "People can be critical of that, but they don't understand the history and the culture.

"Some people think that all we do on game day to get ready is roll the balls out, make sure they are pumped up to the



Joseph Neal/staff

### Play time

Pete Elkins (left), a sophomore animal science major, and Kevan Sanders, an animal science graduate student, prepares a horse to be moved from the Old Horse Barn to the fields for exercise. Elkins is putting protective boots on the horse.

correct pressure."

A typical Nebraska home game requires more than 1,000 employees. it costs the department at least \$200,000 and brings in close to \$1.5

It's life at the top. but it's out of control, Byers says. The NCAA lost control years ago.

"With the unrestrained ambitions and now the major conferences to maximize their dollar income, the pressure to win increases, and restraints one might hope would be in place are brushed aside."

Byers says the pressure to win is evident at Iowa State. The institution has mortgaged its program to succeed in the Big 12, he says. If it doesn't, Byers says, it's out of business.

Byers says some of ISU's problems stem from Nebraska's greed. During the past year, NU argued for and won

complete control of home gate receipts under the Big 12, saying other schools could make up the difference in television. This occurred during a time when Division I public institutions raise 33 percent of their athletic budgets from

Nebraska has sold out 208 consecutive home games, bringing in about \$1.2 million each. ISU sells out an average of one game every season (its in-state rivalry with the University of Iowa), drawing \$900,000 in ticket revenue.

Nebraska was on television seven times in 1995 alone. Iowa State has made one network appearance in the last two years.

Iowa State Athletic Director Gene Smith recognizes the importance of television exposure.

"It helps admissions," he says. "It helps alumni establish

strong ties with the university, it helps in recruiting."

With the college game getting more and more intense, there is added pressure to select the right players, give them scholarships and maintain a winning tradition.

For more than four decades, the NCAA has struggled to maintain control of its member institutions. Currently, there are 106 Division I schools under the auspices of the association.

In 1985, the average total revenue for Division I schools was \$6.8 million. Eight years later, that total has increased 100 percent.

For football, average revenues rose 69 percent to \$6.3 million for that period. In 1970, the average football program drew about \$960,000 of an athletic department's \$1.2 million total revenue.

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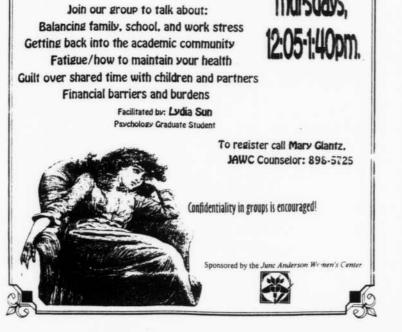
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### Social fabric improved by acceptance of gays

We have all heard the notion that homosexuals are unnatural and contribute to the "decay of our society."

It simply isn't true.

It is the irrational persecution and alienation of any capable, law-abiding person that can lead to the "decay of society."

We can improve our social fabric by accepting homosexuals and bisexuals.

We all know that we are better members of society if we are happy and content. If we feel comfortable and accepted, we live better and contribute more to society. If we feel like we belong in our society, we will do more to protect and improve it.

This is true for all people regardless of sexual orientation.

The idea that homosexuality is an individual choice is inane. The careful observer should notice that homosexuals often suffer a huge amount of agony from living in a society that largely discourages homosexuality.

The media often carry stories about people who suffer hardship and self-doubt when they decide to "come out," acknowledging to their family and friends that they are gay.

Why would anyone choose the pain and alienation?

Much is said about family values, but many people do not want to grant homosexuals the right to marry.

It is irrational for those who care about our society to deny a certain group of our citizens the right to marry-it is self defeating.

Here on our campus, the Uniform Equality Committee (UEC) is trying to improve life for homosexuals and bisexuals.

The UEC hopes to get sexual orientation included into the university's non-discrimination clause.

THEIR PROPOSAL EXCLUDES AFFIRM-ATIVE ACTION POLICIES.

They simply want the university to have a statement that says all sexual orientations are welcome.

You might ask why they need it?

Ask yourself the same question the next time you feel alienated from something you value.

MTSU's adoption of the UEC proposal would set a precedent for other universities to respect the diversity of existing differences and promote a healthier atmosphere for the entire community.

And we'll start strengthening our social fabric-instead of senselessly picking it apart.



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SPEAKING OF SHUTDOWNS ....

#### Letter to the Editor

#### Student finds points of contention in UEC resolution

To the Editor,

After studying the statement and resolution of the Uniform Equality Committee, I found some very interesting points of

A minor issue is the reference to MTSU as a sovereign power. The Random House College Dictionary Revised Edition defines sovereignty as "supreme and independent power and authority in a state." MTSU is in no way a sovereign power. It has to answer to the Tennessee Board of Regents, federal and state laws.

The UEC implies that this clause will have power to stop all discrimination on the MTSU campus. "Through negative stereotypes demonstrated by jokes, harassment, and physical violence, this alienation becomes threatening." And "...a policy issued from an institution with sovereignty may safely address and contribute to ending a history of prejudice and its resulting actions." This is beyond the scope of the non-discrimination clause, which only regulates what the university as a whole does, not the thoughts and attitudes of the individuals that comprise it.

We are asked to guarantee "the right to protection against

discrimination" on the basis of I am not saying that I am sexual orientation, which "is not a federally protected status." How can we protect this? As Mr. Beemon pointed out, even the Supreme Court has no precedent for such protection.

The statement further says that the "ONLY requirement" for "ALL students, faculty, and staff" will be to "put forth their best effort." There is no evidence that the university has not put forth its best effort in this matter.

The UEC has claimed to be for the equality of all people, yet in its statement only "individuals no other issue of equality being pushed by this committee. This committee seems to be only an extension of the Lambda organization. Further, it is a political puppet of the Lambda organization, not a committee devoted to equality.

My point is that the University already has a statement under which it can discriminate against no one for any reason. What the UEC really asks is that each student not be allowed free will to choose what he or she believes to be right or wrong. I know that I personally am prejudiced, and so is everyone.

prejudiced against the homosexual community, I actually have a good friend who graduated from Vanderbilt that is a lesbian. However, I can't stand racist people, I hate people that don't use their turn signals, I hate people that run red lights, and I don't care too much for the Dallas Cowboys. Does that make me prejudiced? Yes. But you can't ask me or anyone else to change the way they feel about things, ideas, or people. You can only tolerate them. A lot of people don't like me for the lifestyle I labeled as lesbians, gays, and lead, I am a white male Christian bisexuals" are mentioned. We see who likes to vell at the opposing players at basketball games. So people don't like me, I move on.

> Mr. Rosing states that the inclusion of different communities into the discrimination clause gives no special advantages. If so, why is the UEC so adamant about having this demographic included?

There is a great cloud of confusion around this issue, most of which seems to be generated by the UEC and those who support it. We should search for truth, not just statements.

**Brandon Z. Nichols** Senior Recording Industry major

### Men, women and 'Waiting to Exhale'



Charles A. Harrington Jr.

The other night I finally went to see the movie "Waiting to Exhale," based on Teri McMillan's best-selling novel. From a critic's perspective, the movie definitely does not deserve rave reviews. Citing questionable production and acting, it will not receive any Oscar nominations.

As an artist, I was indulged into searching for a deeper meaning. While doing so, I began to understand the mind of the writer and why she felt compelled to tell such an emotional story.

From male to female, many people have several different opinions about the movie. Most men think that it is a form of male bashing, while a numerous amount of women believe that the piece gives them a chance to relate to the plight of our men. Considering the facts, I believe both genders unequivocally have room to be educated by

...Exhale." Besides the education, the story really touched me because much of it was very sad. I almost felt the heartache that Bernadine (i.e. Angela Bassett) endured after her heart and eleven-year marriage was broken by her adulterous husband. Despite the disagreement with her crazed actions, I was rooting for her during her time of sorrow.

Ms. McMillan deserves acclaim for her vivid depiction of our social arena. With the social world being so broad and diverse, she managed to review every facet. I anxiously watched while all of her characters reminded me of someone I knew, men and women.

In recognizing the so-called plight of our men, more specifically, Black men, I came to the realization that women have no one to blame but themselves. With complaints of man shortages heard everyday, it doesn't really matter if you are still settling for less. One may need to come to an understanding with themselves. In doing so, it would make it easier to comprehend who and what is best for you.

Many women probably can learn a lot from the most outgoing of the four ladies, Robin. In her search for Mr. Right she quickly slept with four men and even slept with an obese coworker while fantasizing he was

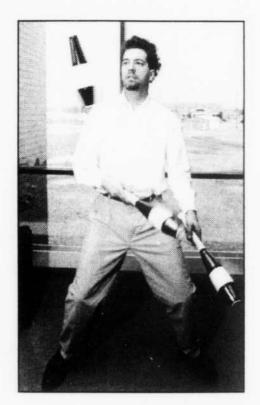
someone else. I realize there are many Robins out there that do not care enough about themselves to try to understand the true meaning of proper judgment. Much like she did, you'll have a period of your life to look back on and smack yourself for your stupidity.

With the end of the twentieth century coming, women are tending to depend so much on the male gender. While understanding the dependence, few men want the same things that women are looking for. To make things easier on themselves, women tend to compromise with men to attain a slice, instead of the whole pie that they want.

The basic meaning that I attained from "... Exhale": It is all about you, and you have to understand what will make you happy. If it is promiscuity, that is fine. If it is a relationship, that is finer. You can not let anyone coax you into doing things outside of your .

Charles Harrington Jr. is a junior English student.

Got a letter or opinion? Sidelines, Box 42



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## Teacher juggles schedule .. among other things

By Scott Link / staff

How does William Williams, Nashville resident and adjunct instructor at MTSU, make some cash with "flash?"

Juggling.

A 1985 MTSU graduate with a degree in mass communications and newspaper journalism, Williams is now an adjunct instructor of speech and journalism at MTSU, TSU and Vol State. In addition, he is employed by Athlon, a Nashville-based news agency, as a free-lance basketball writer for both college and professional athletics and as a copy editor.

Yet, his true passion is juggling. Williams started juggling in 1993 when a fellow instructor at Robert Morris College in Chicago taught him the basics. Since then he has acquired two years of experience as a part-time professional performance juggler and street juggler at Riverfront Park in downtown Nashville. He performs at Riverfront Park every Saturday and some Fridays from 5:30 p.m. until dark from late April until late October .

Considered one of the four best allaround jugglers in Davidson County, Williams explains, "I don't say that to brag; there just aren't that many jugglers in the area.

The Music City Jugglers, a local organization of which he is a member, has only 15 to 20 members, mostly skilled in one or two props, as opposed to the four props Williams uses. He is also a member of the International Jugglers Association, and performed at the Italian street fair in Nashville last September.

Williams, who describes himself as a technician rather than a "gimmick" showman (a juggler of apples, chain saws or other odd items), performs three-, four-, and five-ball routines, in addition to routines with three clubs. the Chinese Devil Stick, and three cigar boxes. Williams says that he always tries to be a true entertainer.

"Juggling has dramatically altered my life. For many years I suffered from obsessive compulsive disorder. Juggling has helped me overcome that. When I juggle I feel as if I am

meditating, oblivious to my life and coordination. Furthermore, a skilled everything surrounding me," Williams explained.

During his freshman year at MTSU, Williams suffered a panic street juggling and \$75 for a formal attack. That was the beginning of a 30-minute show, Williams hopes to struggle with obsessive compulsion. It reached the point that if he walked a certain route to a class and that class session went well, he would continue to walk that same route so that subsequent classes would also go well. These behaviors, which are caused by stress, continued to plague him until he found that juggling relieved his pent-up tension.

For the past three years, Williams has juggled for at least 30 minutes every other day. All aerobic exercises such as swimming, jogging and bicycling — reduce stress, but juggling is a unique and challenging way for him to combine therapeutic exercise with a money making opportunity.

'Juggling is an underrated form of aerobic exercise. However, what sets it apart from most other forms of aerobic exercise is that not only does it strengthen the heart and lungs, it also improves the balance and hand-eye

juggler has the opportunity to make money," Williams said.

Already earning \$20 an hour graduate to \$500 an hour convention

Williams is not the only grown, tiewearing college graduate that indulges in the therapeutic art of juggling.

"Juggling is gaining acceptance within conservative corporate America. What was viewed only five years ago as sheer silliness is now being accepted by many as a great stress reliever for the contemporary businessperson, "said Williams.

Specifically, Bill Gates, CEO of Microsoft Inc. and an amateur juggler himself, encourages his employees to juggle when they feel pressured, noted Williams.

By incorporating a once disdained activity into his everyday life, Williams is healthier, wealthier, happier and even a bit wiser.



Dr. Judson solves your problems

Dear Dr. Judson,

I am currently enrolled at a school in Kentucky. My parents live in Florida, which means all of my friends expect an invitation to crash at my parents' house over Spring Break.

The only problem is that none of my friends know the truth about my parents. You see, Dr. Judson, my parents love to party and I met all of my friends at the student Christian center here on campus.

What am I going to do when my dad rolls out a keg and my mother starts spraying all of the neighbors with water and calling it the "neighborhood wet T-shirt contest?" Don't get me wrong, my parents are good people. They just think that having a good time means losing your mind.

My friends from school are already talking about how much fun it will be to have Bible studies and devotionals on the beach at sunrise. What am I going to do?

Party Parents in Kentucky

Dear Party Parents,

This really is a tough call to make. You have been raised to party, but this new crowd you are running with seems to have a higher calling. If you are comfortable with your faith and believe that there is more to life than drinking beer with your old man, then expose them to your new friends.

Either way, it is way too early to be worried about this. I mean, come on, stupid, there is about three feet of snow on over half of the United States and you are worried about spring break?!!

People like you worry too much. I wish you the best of luck in your decision about spring break, but I also hope you never write me again.

Love, Dr. Father Judson

Dr. Father Judson,

Okay, my friend told me that you could smoke dope in Alaska and not get into any trouble. If that is true, could get people to mail me dope from Alaska to Ohio and smoke the Alaskan dope and not get into any trouble?

Stoned in O-High-O (Get it Dr. Judson? Ohio = O-High-O)

Dear Stoner,

Are you changing the channel? Don't touch that dial! The guy on the TV is talking directly to you. Did you hear him? They know, man! The heat is on! You're busted! Yeah, I know all about it, man. Now your story is out in the open for everyone to see. I AM NOT DR. FATHER JUDSON, DUDE!!! I AM THE SUNSHINE AND I'M TOUCHING YOU!!!!!!

Dr. Father Judson

\* Dr. Father Judson is not a licensed therapist and Sidelines assumes no responsibility for those following his advice or sending him donations. If you must write him, please do so at MTSU Box 42. His column will appear on Thursdays, except during spring break, when he

### Johnny Jackson provides sweet Soul Satisfaction

By Elizabeth T. Fisher/ staff

When somebody told me, "Johnny Jackson spins Stevie Wonder and James Brown; stuff like that," I said, "Yowsa! Yowsa! I wanna boogie on the disco round!"

And boogie-oogie-oogie we did — 'til the break of dawn.

Indeed, with just a few tablecloths, candles and Colt 45 on the menu, the Boro was magically transformed from a stinky mosh pit to a disco wonderland complete with colored lights.

As Mr. Jackson explains, "We added the tablecloths, lights and candles for a good 'ol party atmosphere.'

While the room was fun, it was the funky jams that really made the party. Johnny Jackson's Soul Satisfaction

has moved to the Boro every Thursday night. Soul Satisfaction is not a band; it's a dance party to the extreme, featuring grooves of the 1970s and early

'80s. Highlights included "Funky Town," "Boogie On, Reggae Woman" and my favorite, "Popcorn," by Soul Brother Number One himself.

Jackson and his partner, Chad Christopher, began Soul Satisfaction on April Fool's Day 1994 and eventually moved the happening to Nashville's 328 Performance Hall. Soul Satisfaction has become so popular, it attracted a whopping 600 people last Friday night. The frenzied throng actually burst through the floor!

But now there's no need to risk life and limb in Nashville with a local Soul Satisfaction and as an added incentive, Mr. J. will be offering \$3 admission before 10 p.m. for a limited time. Jackson, a New York City native,

came to Nashville four years ago and found the Music City sorely lacking in "My friend in New York had started

a club called Soul Kitchen in 1989 which

was hugely popular and probably singlehandedly brought that old school funk back," Jackson said. Celebs in the house often included Russell Simmons (of Def Jam) and the Beasties.

"People say I bring a real New York flavor in the room," Jackson said.

For the author, it was a Memphis flavor and for my friend, it was a Detroit flavor. But whatever the flavor, it was 100% fun as all getout. don't get the wrong impression; Soul Satisfaction is not about kitsch. You won't hear "Xanadu" or the Bee Gees, even. Jackson works at his craft, selecting choice cuts padded with a few crowd pleasers. He spins obscure tunes as well as classics and while there are a few awkward transitions between tunes, Jackson's good taste makes up

The slide show of record albums (remember that sexy Chic cover?) and velour-clothed partiers is a treat, and

Jackson hopes to add photos of Boro revelers to the collection.

Jackson will add another night to his busy schedule on February 14 at 12th & Porter in Nashville. This time it's Johnny Jackson's Velvet Lounge, featuring lounge music for those of you with more urbane tastes. Sounds pretty romantic.

Also in the works is Johnny Jackson's Loose Joint, with a "completely deep root soul function" like the Meters. Sounds like a hit for those of you who think Amsterdam is nirvana.

So if you're looking for somewhere to wear those pink vinyl hip huggers you blew your Christmas cash on, look no more. Soul Satisfaction at the Boro is just a hop, skip and a jump from campus. Just don't fall off your stax on the way home.

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SQUEEZER'S presents Shoo Fly Pie.

### Director Terry Gilliam juggles present and future, sane and insane in "12 Monkeys"

College Press Service

YORK-Terry NEW Gilliam doesn't make conventional movies, never has and, bless this maverick soul, hopefully never will. Think "Time Bandits," "Brazil," "The Baron Adventures of Munchausen" and "The Fisher King," all of which he directed, and the Monty Python films, in which he was involved, variously, as an animator, actor, director and writer.

His latest movie, the sci-fi thriller "12 Monkeys," is no exception. It's 2035 and the world's few inhabitants must live underground thanks to a deadly virus that killed 99 percent of the population upon its release in 1996. Enter the nightmare-plagued Cole (Bruce Willis), a prisoner who, lured by the promise of a full pardon, agrees to travel back in time to 1996 to find the cause of the viral holocaust. Once in our era, Cole encounters Jeffrey Goines (Brad Pitt), the crosseyed, somewhat insane son of a major scientist (Christopher Plummer), and Dr. Kathryn Railly (Madeleine Stowe), a psychiatrist and writer who specializes in insanity/prophecy cases. As the film progresses, Cole convinces the doubtful doctor Railly that the future is indeed endangered, and the two race against the clock to learn more about Cole's childhood nightmares, an ominous terrorist threat called the Army of the 12 Monkeys, and Goines'

role in it. The film, like virtually all Gilliam fare, sweeps moviegoers into its own foreboding, claustrophobic and disjointed world. The images come fast, then faster, are juxtaposed in such a way that nothing makes sense until the very end, and even then there's

room aplenty to argue over simple. what Gilliam was really trying to say. There are flashbacks, quick edits, non-sequiturs, and antique-ish machines on display in the futuristic sequences. The music blares, and it's the madmen who utter the truth. As if all of that weren't enough, Frank Gorshin, a.k.a. The Riddler from the campy "Batman" TV series, plays a shrink. "I like creating incongruities and juxtapositions that force you to use your brain in ways you are not normally expected to use it," notes Gilliam, laughing an evil laugh as he sits for an interview in a Manhattan hotel. "And you have to make sense of nonsense sometimes."

There to help audiences make sense of the "12 Monkeys" nonsense are stars Willis, Pitt and Stowe. Gilliam had first met Willis back when he was auditioning actors for the "Fisher King" role, eventually played by Jeff Bridges. He and Willis hit it off, but Willis elected to star in the colossal flop "Hudson Hawk" instead of "The Fisher King." When "12 Monkeys' came Gilliam's way and Willis, now an international superstar. agreed to play Cole, the project moved into high gear. The director couldn't sound more pleased with his stellar cast.

"The key to Bruce was the scene in 'Die Hard' where he pulls glass out of his feet while crying and talking to his wife on the phone. I knew then that he had in him a level he hadn't shown us before," explains Gilliam. "Brad was very serious about doing this thing. spent time psychologists and mental patients. We had a voice coach work with him to get his speech sped up.

"Madeleine was our first choice for Kathryn. It was so

She was both stunningly beautiful and incredibly intelligent. You just felt you could have both things in one person without straining. Bruce was out on a limb trying something he'd never tried before, and Brad was trying something new, too. Madeleine is the anchor, the rational, reasonable person who sees the world as we do. I'm a little concerned that she and her work will be overlooked because of what Bruce and Brad are doing in this film. Madeleine is the one who holds the whole emotional center of the thing."

As a kid growing up in Minneapolis, Gilliam—who, despite his Monty Python association, is not British-led a Tom Sawyer-like existence. The town he lived in had cornfields, dirt roads and even a swamp. He played and fantasized like any other kid. Then he discovered books and, especially, radio, which sent his imagination soaring. Over the years, he dreamt of becoming a magician, an architect, an animator, and a film director, and now at age, 55, he's a combination of all those dreams. His films, he stresses, reflect both what he saw on screen as a kid and what kids today are not seeing.

"Kids don't get to see too

much of the past. In the 50s and 60s, we had 'Ben Hur and the Silver Chalice.' We had all of these wonderful worlds with millions of people doing exotic things," Gilliam says. "Kids don't grow up with these kinds of movies anymore, and it's a great pity. I loved visiting those worlds. You could escape into them. Other worlds were interesting because the set of rules were different, and your imagination went to work. That's what my films inhabit different worlds.'

Truth be told, while "12 Monkeys" smacks of Gilliam, it's not purely Gilliam, as the script was presented to him. then modified somewhat to fit his style. If audiences go ape over "12 Monkeys," and it proves to be a critical and financial hit, Gilliam is hopeful one of his own creations, perhaps "Don Quixote" or something called "The Defective Detective" will come to fruition. Whatever happens, expect Gilliam to return with yet another audience-challenging

"I don't like playing it safe," he says. "The fact that I get away with not playing it safe again and again is really extraordinary. I'm amazed every time out."

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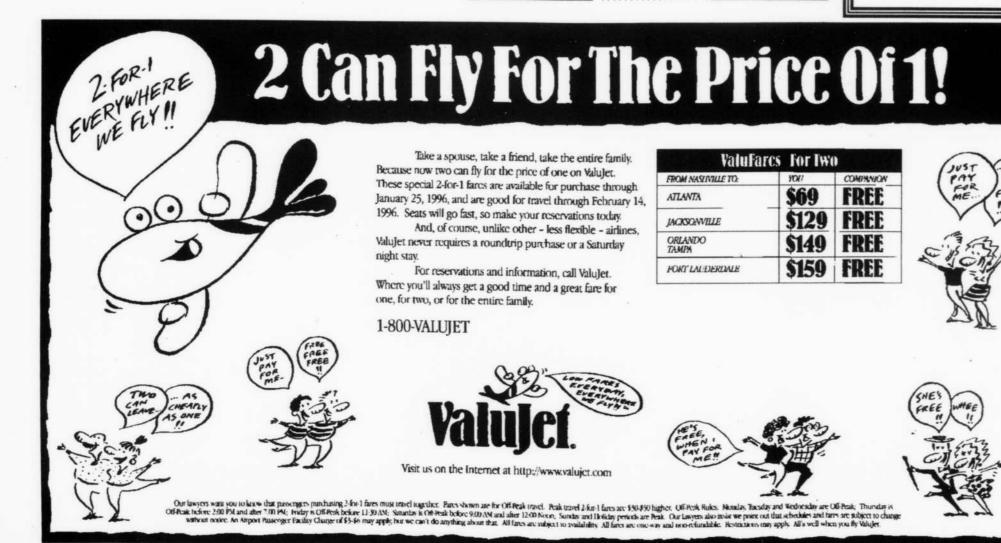


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### Lady Raiders down TSU for seventh straight win

By Sean P. O'Toole / staff

All season, the Lady Raiders have been rewriting OVC history. Make this Chapter IV

Coming off three consecutive, convincing poundings of OVC opponents Austin Peay, Tennessee Tech, and Southeast Missouri, the Lady Raiders opened up the doors of Murphy Center to the TSU Lady Tigers on Tuesday night. Then they slammed the door, with a 70-52 win.

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**Lewis Bivens** 

Lady Raider

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destructive 16-0 lead on the Lady Tigers. the Lady Raiders pushed the ball with precision and relative ease, and sparked by two early 3-point shots from Heather Prater, suffocated TSU with a defense that even made the reporters on Press Row short of breath.

TSU made many early mistakes, however. Bad passes and foolish turnovers almost made the early lead easy for

MTSU. The MTSU defense was so tight that it took TSU until the 14:50 mark to score a basket

And then the Lady Tigers tried to spark a comeback. Facing a 21-6 deficit, the TSU squad started to put together a offense. Finding small, but noticeable holes in the tight MTSU defense, they unloaded behind the sensational play of senior guard Nikki Sims, and cut the MTSU lead in half, 28-16, at the 8:00 mark.

Following a timeout, the Lady Raiders stormed back behind Jonelda Buck's unstoppable turn-around jumper, and the defense that was still giving TSU fits. By the time the run was over, MTSU had a 20-point lead again, and the slaughter did not stop

TSU tried hard to remember their comeback that got them inside 12

the last time TSU would be inside 15 for the rest of the game. Coach Lewis Bivens said of the "guillotine" defense, "They (TSU) deserves a lot of credit. They stayed with us the whole game. They are a very scrappy team, and they deserve a lot of credit.

There was just too much of one person for TSU to handle, though. Jonelda Buck. Coming off a 16-point performance against Southeast Missouri, and back-to-back doubledoubles against Austin Peay and

Tennessee Tech, she took full advantage of TSU's weakness in the post, and became the first Lady Raider to score 30 points since 1992. Jonelda said (very modestly) of her effort, "I am just glad to be winning right now. The

do not win games.' Coach Bivens added, "I had no idea she had 30 points. She is just enjoying winning right now,

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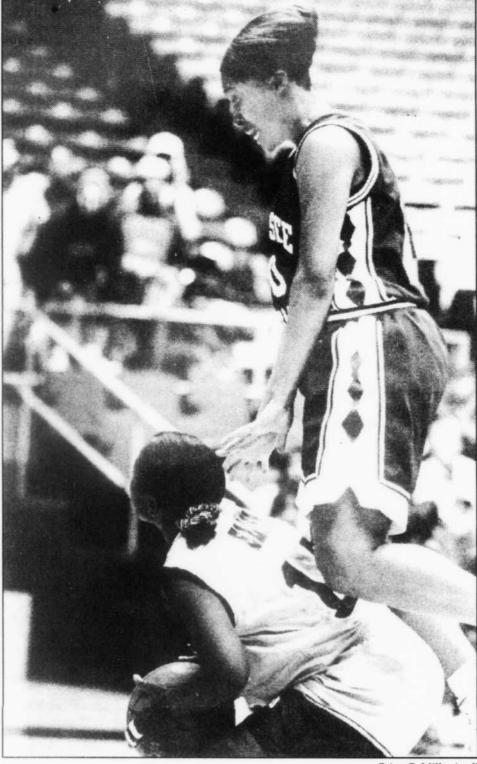
nothing to me if we

and she has three more years here to worry about breaking records.'

There was also pride on the line in this game. TSU had a 6-game win streak against the Lady Raiders coming into this game, including a 3game win streak at Murphy Center. MTSU (13-1, 4-0) now travels to Kentucky this weekend to battle Morehead State (8-5, 2-1) on Saturday, and Eastern Kentucky (5-6, 2-1) on

If this win does not convince the pollsters of America that MTSU belongs, maybe nothing will. When asked what the Lady Raiders had to do to get into the top 25, Coach Bivens sarcastically said, "Quit letting sportswriters vote!"

One thing is for certain. The Lady Raiders have all the votes in Middle



Brian G. Miller/staff

Guard Carlita Elder gives a piggy-back ride to a defender during Tuesday night's 70-52 victory over Tennessee State. The Lady Raiders lead the OVC with a 4-0 conference record. The team is 13-1 overall.

### Buck helps lead Lady Raiders to victory over TTU, SEMO, TSU

By Sean P. O'Toole / staff

The MTSU Lady Raider basketball team is thinking of changing their name. To the Lady Steamrollers.

Crushing the competition, and making the OVC look more and more weak everyday, is exactly what the Lady Raiders did last week by posting back- to-back Slaughterhouse Five jobs on Tennessee Tech last Thursday,

and SEMO last Saturday

In both contests, Middle's Terrible Threesome of Jonelda Buck, Heather Prater, and Jessica Beaty tore up the competition. Although Prater scored no points for the first time in her career against Tech, she dished out 7 assists and added 2 steals, two areas of her game which always fall short of recognition next to her shooting from behind the arch.

"I knew I had not scored, but they

gave me the chance to get the ball "The solo stuff really is not that inside to Jonelda, and that was a big factor in the game," Prater said.

The attention that the Golden Eaglettes showed to Prater allowed Buck to run away with another double-double, her second in as many games, with 22 points and 11 rebounds, and gave Jessica Beaty the chance to prove her dependability, with 20 points and 7 rebounds.

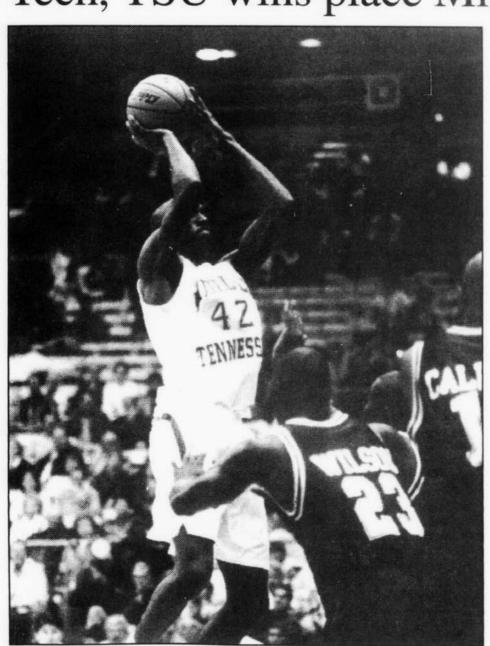
Buck said of her outstanding play,

important to me. If the team wins, I am happy.'

But the unsung hero of the Tech game was definitely Trella Thomas. Coming into the game a 9.4 ppg player, she unloaded for 13 points and had several key steals and great plays which allowed the Lady Raiders to increase their margin of victory as the game went on.

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### Tech, TSU wins place Middle among leaders



Brian G. Miller/staff

Nod Carter scored 23 points in the win over TSU Tuesday night.

By Rob Nunley / staff

After an up-and-down week of intense competition, the Blue Raider basketball team has moved among the leaders of the Ohio Valley Conference.

Last Thursday night, the Raiders had to deal with the threat of snow and ice, dominating big men and one of the most hostile playing environments in the OVC on their way to handing Tennessee Tech a 78-68 loss.

But the final score didn't indicate exactly how close the Tech game actually was. Although Middle jumped out to an early 5-2 lead, Golden Eagle forward Greg Bibb led Tech on a 14-4 run to give Tech the

Middle battled back late in the first half, and Velvious Goodloe's tipin of a missed Raider bucket tied the game at 22 apiece with just over five minutes remaining in the half. Neither team was able to establish dominance as the half wound down, but a steal and breakaway lay-up from Roni Bailey with two seconds remaining gave the Raiders a 35-34 lead at the half.

The Raiders came into the second half fired up on both sides of the court. Although the two teams exchanged baskets for the first few minutes of the half, Middle got some timely stops on defense, and converted on the other end of the floor to build upon their lead, which soon grew as high as 14 points in the waning minutes of the

But there was life left in the Golden Eagles, as they made a run late in the game, sparked by three

consecutive 3-pointers, to close in on the Raiders. Tech had pulled to within six points with just over a minute left in the contest, when their 7-1 center Lorenzo Coleman missed two easy chances to put TTU within four points, and on the ensuing trip down the floor was called for a questionable goal tend that essentially took the wind out of Tech's sails and

Avlton Tesch and Nod Carter led the way for Middle with 20 and 15 points, respectively, with Tesch adding 12 rebounds.

gave MTSU the win.

"I thought all the kids contributed, but I also thought that Nod and Tesch elevated their games, as the game went along even," Farrar said. "Tesch is especially full of heart and wants to rebound, and gets after it pretty good."

Tim Gaither added 13 points, 5 rebounds and four assists, while Bailey contributed 12 points and seven rebounds of his own.

Bibb's 16 led the Golden Eagles, and Coleman added 15 points, eight rebounds and three blocks in a losing

Amidst the throngs of elated Raider supporters who traveled to Cookeville for the game, Farrar expressed the significance of the victory, the first Tech win for the Raiders in the last six meetings.

"I don't want to underestimate it," Farrar said. "It's a really nice win, it's important for our kids and important for our fans, and I think it puts some momentum back into the season a little bit.

But that momentum was slowed a bit Saturday night at Murphy Center,

when the Raiders suffered a

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### **Raider FANatics** play big part in 'Murphy Magic'



Robservations Rob Nunley

It's gettin', It's gettin', It's gettin' kinda hectic over at "the Murph" these

The Blue Raider and Lady Raider basketball teams are in the middle of their respective seasons, and both are enjoying a lot of success.

Coach Farrar's men's squad is presently occupying one of the top spots in the OVC and hopefully will be able to ride the momentum of Tuesday's TSU win through this weekend's Kentucky road trip to remain among the leaders.

And will anyone, anywhere be able to stop Coach Bivens's Lady Raider juggernaut? I don't think so. Those women are bowling over the competition so often you'd think Murfreesboro Lanes was a corporate

By next week we could very likely be looking at an OVC-leading Blue Raider squad, and a top-25 women's program. There's not much going wrong on the court.

And for the first time in a while, things are just as good in the stands.

No, your eyes aren't deceiving you. Rob "Complain about a lack of attendance at every organized athletic event ever held since the dawn of time" Nunley is praising the student support that the basketball teams have been receiving lately.

In the past, Raider games seemed to have a kind of stoic, cocktail party atmosphere. It was kind of a "Why not? Let's go over to the game. If we when, cool, and if we don't, 'oh well'."

And I don't even want to talk about the crowds at Lady Raider games, that is of course if you call enough people to make the average McDonald's crew think they're "a little busy" a crowd.

I can't explain why the number of fans, and the enthusiasm level of those people who did bother to show up, were so low, anymore than I can explain why things have now suddenly started to change.

But things have definitely changed. They've changed in a big

Sections where once somber-faced young students sat on their hands and casually looked on while Middle's squads played their hearts out have been replaced by groups like the "Free Willy Gang" (Coach Farrar gave them the name — don't ask me) and the "Nod Squad".

Not familiar with them? Let me give you a little description.

Both groups have recently become

fixtures at Middle games, and not just the men's squad. These folks show up well in advance of tip-off of the Lady Raiders' games, bearing signs like "Don't Mesch with Tesch", "Roni's Rangers" and "Welcome to Hale".

Blue and white facepaint dons many members of the groups, pompoms wave, feet are stomped, hands clap and voices scream until the point of exhaustion.

When the teams seem as though they need a boost, these fans get louder and louder until the fever spreads through the whole crowd and before you know it Monte Hale Arena is almost rocking from the noise.

They've definitely been having a noticeable effect on the level of excitement throughout the whole arena, and our coaches and players not only notice it, they love it.

"Our crowd is growing, our student section is growing, and the people with the signs. It really feels good," Raider forward Nod Carter, namesake of the aforementioned "Nod Squad" says. "Players look up and see people with their faces painted, and the personal signs made. It just feels

If you've seen them, you know how much of an uproar they can create and how exciting they are. And if you haven't seen them, check them out at the next home game.

Hey, for that matter, why not go ahead and join them? Just walk right in and root along with them, with or without your facepaint. Don't be shy, I'm sure they'll be glad to have you along. And don't worry about being the only one screaming yourself blue for 80 minutes. You'll have plenty of

It looks like it's starting to be fun to be a Raider fan again.

#### Raiders: SEMO wins in last second

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heartbreaking 65-63 loss in the final seconds to Southeast Missouri.

Like Tech, SEMO's lineup also featured a dominating big man, in the form of 6-10 center William "Bud" Eley. Eley was able to connect on 9 of his 15 field goal attempts to lead the Indians with 22 points.

"We wanted to stop him, and we felt like we had some plans to do it," Farrar said after the game. "I don't think we did as well with it as we anticipated doing. I'm not sure we did a lot to change what he wanted to do.'

After trailing at halftime 33-29, the Raiders were not able to catch the Indians until late in the second half, when a three-point play from Tim Gaither gave Middle a 57-56 lead with 3:11 remaining in the

Raiders from building on the lead, and the two sides exchanged baskets as the game neared its end.

With two seconds left and Middle on top 63-62, Indian guard Chris Chambers brought the ball downcourt and launched a desperation 3-point shot that somehow went in, devastating the 3,250 fans in attendance. Middle called a time-out and set up a last second play, but Tesch's 18-foot jumper at the buzzer rattled out to give SEMO the win.

"Coach had a play set up, and we knew that someone had to take the last shot," Tesch said. "Unfortunately the ball didn't go in, but we just have to keep our heads up and keep working hard."

The Raiders had a lot of motivation to work hard Tuesday night, when they bounced back from the SEMO loss with an 86-74 spanking of Tennessee State University.

In a game that Farrar had said the Raiders almost had to win, Middle held the Tigers at bay almost from the opening Forward Paul Bruns

buried a 3-pointer with just under 13 minutes remaining in the first half to give the Raiders the lead at 16-14, and Middle never trailed again. But the Tigers kept the game close through much of the first, powered by guard Monty Wilson, who scored 16 points in the first half alone.

Middle took a 37-31 lead into the locker room at the break, and kept the momentum as the second half began. David Washington lost his defender and threw down a thunderous two-hand slam one minute into the second half, seemingly telling the Tigers and their fans that it just wasn't going to be their night.

"I guess we had something to prove," Washington said. "We had to come back and show that we are supposed to be on top, and we were able to accomplish that.

Once again, Nod Carter But the Indians kept the played a key role in the Raiders' game, racking up 23 points to lead all scorers in his first oncourt experience with the TSU-MTSU rivalry.

"Our team is beginning to play together now, and play a lot better ball," Carter said. "We're further along right now than we were last year, and this team probably has better chemistry than it has since Coach Farrar's been here.'

The TSU win improved the Raiders' record to 8-5 overall and 3-1 in the OVC, tying them for first place in the conference.

This was a home game against a very well-coached, difficult opponent, and we needed to win the game," Farrar said.

"I said that by Wednesday somebody could clearly be in a position to be dominant," the coach added. "No one has, but we're still in the hunt.'

The Raiders hit the road this weekend, facing Morehead on Saturday and Eastern Kentucky on Monday. They return home next Wednesday to take on Southern University from New Orleans. Tip-off is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

OVC Women	's basketball st	andings
Team	OVC	Overall
MTSU	4-0	13-1
Tenn. Tech	3-1	7-6
Morehead	2-1	8-5
Eastern Ky.	2-1	5-6
Austin Peay	2-2	8-6
Tenn. State	2-2	4-10
Murray State	1-3	4-10
UT-Martin	1-4	5-9
SE Missouri	1-4	4-8

### Lady: Tech, SEMO fall

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Prater said of her, "She is one of my favorite people on the team. She was all over them tonight."

"She created a chance for us to score with her defense," Coach Lewis Bivens added. "A large part of this win is thanks to her."

One of the bigger, but quieter stories of this game was the way MTSU managed to shut down the Tech stars.

Coming into the game, the Tech foursome of Leslie VanWinkle, Andrea Baldwin, Terrance Oglesby, and Freshman phenom Amber Clark were totaling nearly 60 points a game between them. Clark put up 18 points, but nearly all of it was in the first half, and Baldwin added 17. but most of it was in the second half. VanWinkle had a silent 12, and Oglesby, who is considered one of the top centers in the OVC, became more of a bench fixture than a post prescence, as she added a pesky and unbothersome four points and three rebounds.

Coach Bivens concluded, "It was just one of those nights. The road to the OVC title always goes through Tech, and we did not overlook them tonight.

And the stopping of major stars continued on Saturday against Southeast Missouri.

Coming into the game,

SEMO's star forward, Gray C. Harris, was averaging nearly 26 points a game, and pulling down 9 and a half rebounds a game. The Lady Raiders did not shut her down, but they certainly contained her. Managing to hold her to just 17 points, and holding her supporting guard Sarah Miller to the same total made the Lady Otahkians try to search for other means of scoring offense. They did not find any.

Unbelievably, Harris and Miller, between the two of them, managed to score four more points than the entire rest of the team. And the Lady Raider Steamroller just kept on

Buck and Prater scored 16 points apiece, with Prater lighting up SEMO for 12 in the second half, and Buck fell just 2 rebounds short of an unprecedented third straight double-double. Beaty added 13 points and 7 rebounds, and dependable Carlita Elder came off the bench to score 10 points.

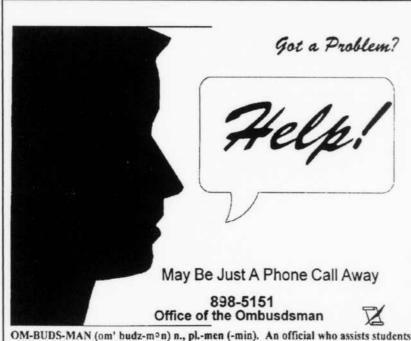
It has been made abundantly clear to the rest of the OVC that MTSU wants another banner hanging from the top of Murphy Center this time next January. If the Lady Steamroller keeps crushing the OVC opponents in it's wake, there may be nobody left for them to run over. Except for, that is, the opposition in the NCAA tournament.

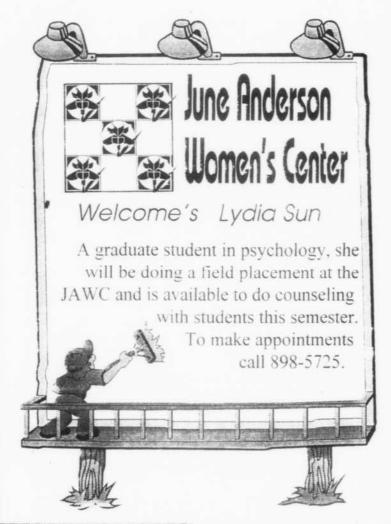


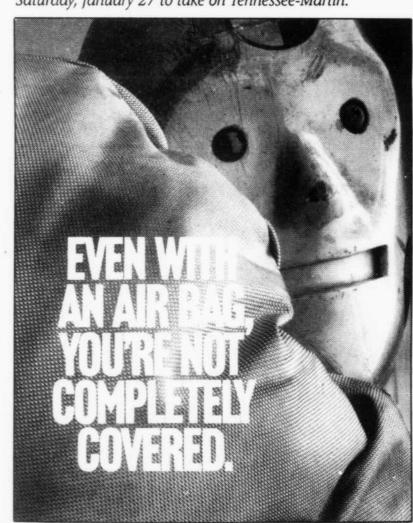


Lady Raider guard Natalie Sneed scores on a back-door cut in Tuesday night's win over the Lady Tigers from Tennessee State. The Lady Raiders will return home Saturday, January 27 to take on Tennessee-Martin.









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develop prostrate cancer.

"We found more was Dr. Edward L. better." Giovannucci of the Harvard School of Public Health told The Harvard Crimson. He said men whose intake was four to seven servings of the tomatobased food had a 20 percent reduction in the rate of prostrate cancer.

Researchers checked the consumption of 46 fruits and vegetables and found only the consumption of tomato-based

of tomato-based foods were up foods and strawberries seemed to 45 percent less likely to to protect against prostrate cancer.

> The benefits of tomatoes come in several forms, said Giovannucci, including sauce, juice, raw and even when cooked into pizza. However, he added, the study isn't a license to overdose on the cheese pie.

"These findings support the idea that people should eat a variety of fruits vegetables," said Giovannucci, adding that other foods may protect against other types of

# Yale TAs

By College Press Service

NEW HAVEN, Conn .-More than 200 Yale University teaching assistants have refused to hand in the grades of students for fall semester courses in an effort to force the university to recognize their

The grade strike began Jan. 2, the day grades were due

Teaching assistants argue that their heavy teaching load makes them employees who deserve an employee unioneven though they are students. Administrators, on the other hand, have held that the graduate students attending Yale as students, so therefore do not merit

Meanwhile, the Graduate Employees and Students Organization has accused Yale administrators of threatening teaching assistants who participate in the grade strike with disciplinary action,

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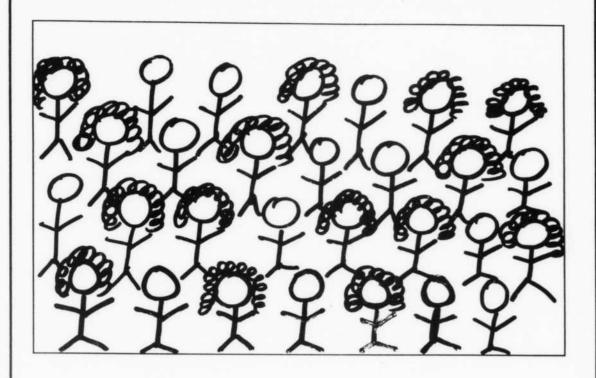


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#### MONDAYS 12:00 - 12:50

1. SPIRITUAL ABUSE IN RELIGION - What are some of the signs that a church or religious group is becoming abusive towards its members? Topics covered include: authoritarianism, guilt, mindcontrol and legalism. Teacher: Tim Fisher. Class begins January 22.

- 2. WORSHIP: YESTERDAY AND TODAY What is worship? What is my role in worship? How and why is worship changing today? Other topics covered include: biblical models of worship and the philosophy of worship. Teacher: Ron Alley. Class begins February 19.
- 3. THE BOOK OF HEBREWS The study of this New Testament book will cover theories of authorship, topics addressed in the book and practical spiritual applications. Teacher: Dr. Judy Skeen. Class begins April 18.

#### TUESDAYS 12:10 - 1:10

1. THE LIFE AND INFLUENCE OF CHARLES SPURGEON - He was the best known English-speaking preacher of the 19th century as well as a prolific author. This study examines the characteristics of his life and ministry that have modern day applications to today's church. Teacher: Dr. Dean Sisk. Class begins January 23.

- 2. THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT An in-depth study of the most famous of Jesus' teachings. Special attention will be given to the ethical implications and the call to radical discipleship. Teacher: Dr. Eugene Cotey. Class begins February 13.
- 3. THE SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES A look at the important spiritual disciplines that Christians have used down through the centuries. Some of the disciplines covered include: meditation, prayer, fasting, study, simplicity, solitude, submission and service. Teacher: Michael Malone. Class begins March 19.

- 1. CHRISTIANITY AND RELIGIOUS TRUTH This is a video-based study taught by Dr. R. C. Sproul. Topics covered include: How can religious truth be determined? Is truth relative to different people in different cultures and in different eras of history? Are all religions true? Discussion leader is Charles Nored. Class begins January 19.
- 2. BAPTIST THEOLOGY TODAY: ESSENTIAL OR IRRELEVANT? Is there a place for distinctively Baptist theological beliefs in modern Christianity? Four Baptist distinctives will be studies: Bible freedom, soul freedom, church freedom and religious freedom --- and their application to contemporary issues. Teacher: Dr. Ircel Harrison. Class begins February 16.
- 3. ARCHAEOLOGY AND THE BIBLE A study of how archaeology relates to the Bible historically, sociologically, etc. How does archaeology happen? Does archaeology support the Bible, or does it need to? What role does faith play? Teacher: Jean M. Alley. Class begins March 22.

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