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Radio/TV gets \$90,000 from Ingram

News Editor

The Radio/TV department has been authorized to receive ninetythousand dollars for new equipment and updating of facilities by MTSU President Sam Ingram.

This is the largest input of funds to the department in at least five vears according to Dennis Oneal, associate professor of mass communi-

"This is the first major infusion TV production equipment funds since the LRC was built in the mid-'70s," Oneal said.

He said the money will be used to upgrade the TV studios by modernizing the equipment. This will enhance classroom instruction, supply systems of TV Services, and increase production value and quality of Cable 33 according to Oneal.

At present, the department is in the process of collecting bids for the quipment and Oneal said it will be two to three weeks before they know xactly what or how much the funds will purchase.

Some of the equipment should be operational this semester, and all equipment should be on line and operating by next fall Oneal said.



Gipsy Quinn talks to (L to R) Beth Gentry, Ron Whisenant and Krista Strassner in Studio B Tuesday during a Field Production class. Such classes will benefit from a \$90,000 equipment outlay recently approved by MTSU President Sam Ingram.

Enrollment up 10 percent Surpasses 12,000 for second time ever at MTSU

By D. BRIAN CONLEY Editor

MTSU's enrollment for spring 1989 has already reached the second highest total ever, according to Cliff Gillespie, dean of admissions, records and information systems.

The current record was set last fall when 13,165 students enrolled. As of Tuesday, 12,034 students have enrolled - only the second time enrollment has ever surpassed 12,000, Gillespie said.

At this time, during the Spring semester of 1988, 10,909 students were enrolled, Gillespie said.

"We have had enrollment increases at least five consecutive

years," Gillespie said. "Usually we have one, two or three percent increases from year to year. This year hit us almost like a meteor," the dean said of the 10.3 percent increase in enrollment from spring 1988 to spring 1989.

Increased word of mouth referrals by students helped to account for the large increase, he said.

"One thig which I can't let go unsaid is the help admissions gets from students," Gillespie said. "When you look at the reasons for the increases you see the students and faculty spreading the word about MTSU.

Because of the huge enrollment increases, a need for greater classroom and office space has become apparent, Gillespie said.

"I think we are in a little better shape this semester than in the Fall," Gillespie said, adding that Spring enrollment is traditionally 93 percent that of the previous semester.

"But we need more classroom space. We are just too crowded," Gillespie said.

"Of course you don't just go out and build a new building," he added, saying that it would be two years before a new building could be erected.

While a \$12.5 million Mass Communications Building is currently in the works and has been approved for construction by the state legislature, another building will be needed, Gillespie said.

2nd annual M.L. King week begins Monday

By VICTORIA MADSON News Editor

Several events are scheduled for the second annual MTSU celebration of Martin Luther King Week beginning Jan. 16.

Ted White, director of student activities and minority affairs, urged everyone to participate in the activities because "everyone is affected in some form by the civil rights movement."

According to White, Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity is sponsoring the events, but many other organizations will help execute them.

"Past and present successes of the civil rights movement are the focus of the week's activities," White said.

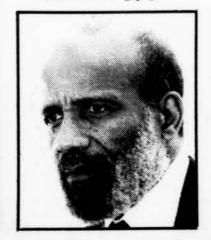
Highlighting the week's events

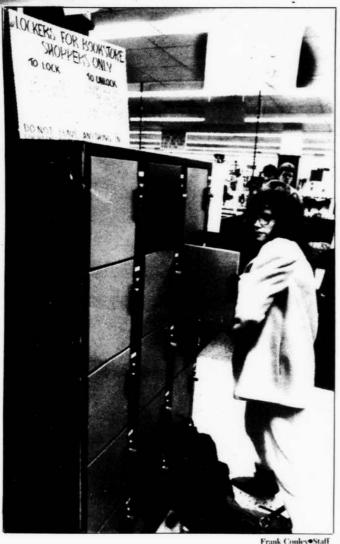
are two distinguished guest speakers, Lerone Bennett Jr., senior editor of Ebony magazine and Michael E. McDonald, special assistant to Nashville Mayor Bill Boner for Health, Education, Housing, Human Services and Legal Services.

On Thursday, Jan. 19 at 7 p.m., Bennett will give a lecture at MTSU's Learning Resource Center Multi-Media Room.

Bennett is a renowned editor, author, journalist, poet and black American historian. He has a commitment to shaping the cultural life of black Americans and has devoted his life to ensuring literacy for all.

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Lisa Douglas, a sophomore, uses the free lockers provided by Phillips Bookstore to cut down on book thefts.

King from page 1

Bennett is listed in Who's Who in America, serves as advisor to the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorder and sits on the Board of Trustees of the Martin Luther King Jr., Center at Morehouse College and WTTW-Chicago Public Television.

McDonald will speak on Monday, Jan. 16 at 7 p.m. in the Keathly University Center Theatre.

McDonald is an outstanding alumnus of MTSU and was the first black student body president in the history of the institution.

He is secretary of the Board of Directors for the Nashville Urban League and sits on the Board of Directors for the Middle Tennessee State University National Alumni Associa-

Displays denoting the many components of the civil rights movement can be seen Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Keathley University Center basement.

Each day there will be new displays sponsored by various student organiza-

On Wednesday, Jan. 18 at 3 p.m. in the Learning Resources Center Multi-Media Room there will be a film presentation of "Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr...An Amazing Grace.

Textbook thefts rise 180%

News Editor

Reported textbook thefts have risen 180 percent in the past two years, according to John David Hays, as-

sociate dean of students.

Hays attributed this increase to Blue Raider and Phillips University bookstores' renewal of yearround buy-back policies.

"The best way to deal with this problem is through prevention," Hays

High-risk areas include

the book drop inside Phillips Bookstore and High Rise cafeteria, where the book drop is located outside the dining area. Hays said that thefts are also increasing in the library, academic buildings and unlocked

"Bookbags are convenient not only for the stu-

dent, but also for the thief," Hays said. "The worst part about the thefts is not only the financial obligation, but the irreplacable notes and papers that may be stolen

Phillips Bookstore management has installed new lockable book drops as an option for students concerned about theft. The secure storage requires a quarter, but the quarter is refunded when keys are re-

Recovery of stolen books is becoming more efficient and successful.

"The percentage of recovered books is high if students put distinguishing marks, like their name, in the books," Hays said. However, about half of the books stolen last semester

didn't have distinguishing marks.

Another major factor in recovery is whether or not the thefts are promptly re-

"Students can't wait a week to report them stolen," Hays said.

The bookstores' co-operation has been instrumental apprehending book thieves.

Hays has established a student group to help improve prevention of book

theft as well as recovery of stolen books and discipline of book thieves.

largest number of people are getting caught at the Blue Raider Bookstore. They think because they go off campus to sell the books they're safe. They're not," said Victor Vale, student coordinator. A computerized

system at Phillips has enhanced theft detection and tracking by referencing social security numbers. Numerous textbooks returned by one student or any other unusual patterns are easily recognizable with the system.

Once caught, a student faces both university disciplinary action and possible criminal prosecution.

"If current figures are true to form, 50 percent caught will be suspended and the other half will be on probation for the rest of their stay at MTSU," Hays

About a dozen students were prosecuted or disciplined by the University last year, Hays said.

Criminal prosecution must be sought by the victim, and Hays said the expense of prosecution means prevention is better."

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Ticket revenues plummet during fall

By PATRICK WELCH. Staff Writer

Parking ticket revenues for the fall 1988 semester fell over \$18,000 from the same semester in 1987, said Director of Finance Robert Adams.

During Fall 1988, \$68,222 was collected from MTSU parking tickets, Adams said. That figure was \$18,228 less than the figure for the 1987 fall semester.

Adams said the new Northfield Boulevard parking lot may have had something to do with the decrease.

"Of course we put a big new lot out on (the) Northfield Boulevard (Extension)," he said. "That should put an ease on parking. I suppose that could be part of the reason."

The number of citations issued during the past semester was 14,607, said Nancy Weatherly, chief clerk for MTSU Security. That figure dropped by

Jack Drugmand, director of campus security, doesn't seem to think that the number of tickets issed will decrease during the 1989 spring semester. Fifteen new ticket writers have been hired for the spring semester. The staff was increased by 4 over the fall semester staff.

"We expect more tickets this semester because of new management style," Drugmand said. "Officer Jim Fanguy will supervise all of the ticket writers.'

This management differs from the past management in that Officer Fanguy will be the only supervisor, whereas in the past, multiple supervisors were used.

The job of a ticket writer is not by any means easy. The writers must deal with excuses such as, "I'm only going to be here a minute, or "I didn't notice that this was a towaway zone," Drugmand said.

"Writing a ticket on anybody isn't fun," Drugmand added. "To park and walk would be more effective instead of driving around in circles for 20 minutes looking for a space."



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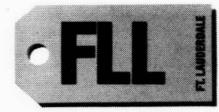
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Midlander organizational photos will be taken Jan. 17-19. Call Student Publications (extension 2815) to find out when and where your organization is having its photo taken.

Student activity fee applications for Spring semester 1989 are now available in Room 126 of the Keathley University Center. The deadline for completing and returning the application is 4 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27,

MTSU Rugby practice starts soon. If interested contact Mark Williams at 895-0477, Rvan Reid at 896-4430 or David Lafontaine at 896-4430.

The Society of Professional Journalists is holding a business meeting today at 5:30 p.m. in Room 316 of the Keathley University Center Anyone interested in becoming a member is welcome to attend.

"How to Get A Media Job" will be the topic of a panel discussion sponsored by the Society of Professional Journalists Jan. 19 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 316 of the Keathley University Center. Mike Cohen, news manager for Channel 4; Jenny Tenpenny, editor of the Rutherford Courier, and Leon Alligood of the Nashville Banner will be on the panel Anyone interested in the panel or joining SPJ is invited to attend.

The Society of Professional Journalists' professional chapter is having a meeting Jan. 26 at 7:15 p.m. to discuss the media's role in covering AIDS. The meeting will be at the WTVF-Channel 5 at 474 James Robertson Pkwy in Nashville. Everyone is invited to attend. Please come

Officials predict by 1990

Pre-registration a reality here

By PATRICK WELCH Staff Writer

Many of the hassles which have been associated with registering at MTSU may be eliminated if preregistration is implemented by the predicted date of 1990, officials said.

Although MTSU has an enrollment of about 13,000 students, the institution still has no pre-registration which many schools of smaller size have been using for years.

Many student leaders are amazed at the primitiveness of the MTSU system.

"It's amazing that we can register under the current system. It's almost primitive," said Associated Student Body President Harry

Hosey also emphasized that although "pre-registration will be a complex change, it will be easier and less stressful for students to register for classes."

Pre-registration has been in the works at MTSU for quite a while, said Cliff Gillespie, dean of admissions, records and information systems. However, careful planning is essential for the system to work.

"The State Board of Regents has purchased a Student Information System," Gillespie said.

The system includes an on-line registration system that could allow students to register through a computer terminal, Gillespie said, but since there are only a limited number of terminals available, the system will have to be spread out greatly.

"Pre-registration will be in place by the fall semester of 1990," Gillespie said. "Students will probably be able to register sometime in November for the spring semester.

Since it will be the first time that pre-registration will be used, the system installed will be basic, he said.

There are several benefits of pre-registration.

The system could even catch some errors before they occur, Gillespie said.

For instance, the system may automatically prevent freshman and sophomore students from registering for junior and senior level classes. Pre-registration also allows instructors to add more sections of classes, thus letting them foresee class trends.

From a student's point of view, pre-registration can also permit students to have adequate time to plan out their class schedules.

The cost of implementing the new pre-registration system will be minimal, Gillespie said. New types of forms, new personnel, and new equipment must be acquired but the cost of the system itself has already been absorbed by Tennessee taxpayers.

"Although the registration system that will be installed at MTSU will be a basic system, the system have other capabilities," Gillespie said.

One such capability would be the possibility of telephone registration, he added.

Basically, telephone registration allows a student to call the school on a toll-free line and register, Gillespie

Telephone registration is something that we want to talk about," Gillespie said, adding it is just an option at this point and may not be implemented.

Another capability of the system may be optical mark forms similar to the forms used by ACT to test students. The student could register by penciling in circles on a registration form. Tennessee Tech uses this method of registration, Gillespie said.

Whatever the outcome of pre-registration, mass communications professor Dennis Oneal says "there are going to be bugs in the system in the beginning."

Oneal was the chairman of a Faculty Senate committee which recommended preregistration be implemented.

Search on for mass comm dean

By BRICE MINNIGH Staff Writer

a dean for MTSU's recently accredited school of mass communications.

especially important be- nominee. cause this will be the first dean of the school. The sc- former mass communicareening of applications is an tions department chairman, open-ended process, but it has applied for the position. would be helpful to have applications before January reach a decision within six

23," Dr. Robert Jones, vice to eight weeks of the Janu-The search is on to find begins reviewing applications on that date.

The committee has seven applications and is waiting "This appointment is for another from a recent

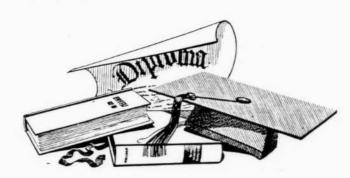
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The committee plans to

president of academic af- ary 23 deadline. They fairs said. The committee should know in early April if the candidate accepts the

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Faculty Senate holds 1st meeting

By JEREMY ROLFS Staff Writer

The possible expansion of The Grill and Jones Hall, and the composition of the committee to elect the University's new president were discussed by the Faculty Senate at their Monday, Jan. 9 meeting.

The Senate then approved a motion to ask the Faculty Welfare Committee to prepare a report listing all benefits available to faculty and staff.

Senate President Sondra Wilcox did, however, inform the Senators that the Committee was discussing possible smoke-free areas on campus, and discussed the possible expansion of The Grill.

"I hadn't really realized how bad it [the crowding at The Grill] was until I tried to eat lunch there today," said Wilcox, "there wasn't an empty seat anywhere." The Senate noted that the problem demanded immediate attention.

Also discussed was the continuing lack of class-room space.

"We could use another building like Peck Hall," said Wilcox.

She continued by stating that additional wings to Jones Hall would be a more likely solution. She added that a more crucial problem was the growing lack of office space for professors.

The Senate proceeded by discussing the composition of the Committee to elect a new University president. It was moved that at least two faculty members serve on the Committee. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mass Communications instructor Don Cusic made several suggestions towards the meeting's close. One concerned the reward and recognition of faculty members who had made outstanding contributions in either community, public service, or church work.

He suggested that a list of Dean's students and achievers be circulated, and mentioned that *Sidelines* could print such a list when it was made available.

A question was rused by Cusic regarding research

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sabbatical requirments which presently require fifteen year employment at MTSU. Many Senators felt the requirement should be lowered to five or seven years.

Cusic concluded by suggesting that when Administration conducts student surveys, the faculty should be allowed to contribute questions as well.

"We don't know our students," said Cusic, "and [contributing questions] could-help."

The meeting concluded by an agreement to committee Cusic's suggestions, and to hear those committee's findings as soon as they were available.

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Last chance for photos

From Staff Reports

Students and organizations who want to be included in the 1989 Midlander will have one last chance this week.

Student portraits will be taken this week in the University Center Lounge for people who did not participate earlier in the school year.

Student organizations that have not paid the \$10 fee to have their pictures in the yearbook have until Jan. 17 to do so.

This is the first year that Midlander is charging organizations to be in the yearbook.

According to Jacqueline Solomon, student publications coordinator, a fee is being charged because of complaints in the past about unequal coverage of organizations.

The yearbook can guarantee coverage of organizations if the fee is paid by the deadline.

"Very few organizations responded when letters went out last fall," Solomon said, "I think they didn't understand."



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Opinion

Registration process is currently outdated

Long lines, uncertainty and a fear that you might not get English again this semester — these feelings enter the minds of nearly every student at this fine, obscure regional institution of learning. Everyone has experienced the frustration of peering through the red acetate to see that call number that got away.

Registration at MTSU as experienced Jan. 5 and 6 belongs in the dark ages. Pre-registration is a necessary addition to the MTSU experience so life here can be on par with such prestigious campuses like Motlow State Community College — which has had pre-registration for quite some time now.

The entire registration process we now have is much like dissecting a frog with a chainsaw. The job gets done, but much more loudly and with quite a bit more bloodshed than the smooth scalpel-like action of pre-registration.

Dean of Admissions, Records and Information Systems Cliff Gillespie has been advocating this process for years. However, officials in some higher office than he have delayed him repeatedly. Last year he said we would have pre-registration by 1989. Now the date has been pushed to 1990.

Everything possible needs to be done to implement the process sooner than Fall 1990. While the computer system will take time to master, steps can be taken to move the date up.

One possible solution is to move the starting date to summer 1990. This would give the administrators ample time to work out many of the bugs for the fall while at the same time many students would have an opportunity to learn the procedures before crunch time.

Associated Student Body President Harry Hosey was right on the mark when he tagged the current registration process as "primitive." Officials who have been delaying pre-registration need to transfer their phobias, worries, and general fussbudget attitudes toward lesser issues.

Instead of worrying about how MTSU should be stuck in the 19th Century without pre-registration, those Neanderthalic minds could be worrying about how to become a higher member of the collegiate food chain and implement pre-registration prior to the turn of the decade.

In a world filled with digital recording and microchip technology, punchcards are so much primordial soup in the grand scheme of registration evolution. When the administration officials responsible for the delay realize that the time of the dinosaurs has come and gone and that we need to progress if we don't want to become a petroleum by-product, we might be able to hang with Motlow.



by Jeremy Rolfs columnist commentary

Ah yes, Phillips Bookstore. We all know it so well we could shop it in our sleep. It's the place where you have to buy your textbooks, right? Wait a munute though, what about that other place off campus, the Blue Raider Bookstore? Don't they sell books too? How do they compare to the pride of the KUC? This inquiring mind went to find out.

First and foremost, how do they price? Below is a somewhat hefty schedule and the cost of the required texts from both stores. These classes were chosen at random and the outcome ws not designed. Believe it or not.

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lab book	19.70 n	19.75 n
English folder	01.25 n	01.25 n
Harbrace	11.70 u	13.15 и
Dictionary	11.95 n	10.95 n
inf syst 115	15.00 u	17.00 u
Econ 241	31.25 n	28.25 u
German 111	24.00 u	23.35 u
Math 141	26.80 u	26.80 u
Karate	07.45 u	08.50 u
total	166.75	166.75
u — used text	n —	new text

So much for a price war.

What then of customer service? Score I for the Blue Raider Bookstore. I was in their book section for less than a minute before I was offered assistance.

There were were 6 workers de voted to that single task. At the time there were maybe 15 people buying texts. I found everything I needed in less then 6 minutes When I entered Phillips' book section, there were no less then 65 people clawing for foot space. It was 17 minutes before I was offered any help. Which is not to say that the employees weren't killing themselves trying to keep pace, hats off to them indeed. But with 15 staff serving 65 costumers, what more could they do? It took me 35 minutes to find my books, and another 12 to buy them. The Blue Raider wasn't too crowded to walk, but as for Phillips, well, I must have said "excuse me" to half the campus.

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Congressional pay raise? 'just say no'

by SERENITY SUTTON guest columnist

For those unfamiliar with the cause of the recent national outburst over yet another economic crisis (It's getting so I can't enjoy my breakfast cereal without one.), here are the facts. President Reagan is supporting a 50 percent pay increase for Congress and other top-level federal positions, raising the Congressional salary to \$135,000 a

While Ralph Nader, consumer activist, deplores this hike from his rundown shanty built with the pidling royalties of his paltry millions of books sold, I have to wonder something.

What, exactly, is a consumer activist? Or rather, what is it he's actively consuming?

INTERESTING

ASIDE: It was recently announced by the Greater Research of Obscenely Studies Superfluous (GROSS) that the greenhouse effect is caused by the overabundance of hot air expended by the

wishing to appear prominent, and not by the buildup of carbon dioxide, as previously assumed. Really smart people will figure out how this relates to the aforementioned activist of the consumer variety.

Meanwhile, back at the Quickly-Approaching-Off-White House, Reagan defends his decision by reminding all the dimwits who were playing golf the first thousand times it was in the news, that Congressmen are urged to stop accepting honorariums for speaking engagements if

semi-obscure public figures they're going to do it. We don't need the Constitution or the system of checks and balances; in this sunny Pollyanna world, all we do is

> ACTUAL SCENARIO: Congress, I believe, if they are asked to stop accepting money for speaking engagements, will not stop accepting money. They will pack up their wit and witticism and stop speaking. At least outside their immediate voting district. Which might not be such a bad thing, considering the previously noted environmental crisis.

Notwithstanding that the

Mike Tyson can't survive on the money he made by saving the world when he knocked out whats-hisname in that fight last year. Or was it year before last?

Actually, we are pounding congress for no good reason. I'm sure they are only tolerating this raise to insure that all those working stiffs in the unspecified top level federal government positions get their well-deserved bonus. After all, if it weren't for them, we wouldn't have all this red tape in the world and then where would we be? Tapeless, that's where, that's where.

I say give them the raise. It costs a lot of money to maintain two residences these days. Not to mention how expensive it is to pay all those exorbitant rates demanded by leeches of housekeepers. Plus, recent reports indicate the majority of Congressmen were once lawyers - goodness knows those overworked and unappreciated angels of justice deserve some re-

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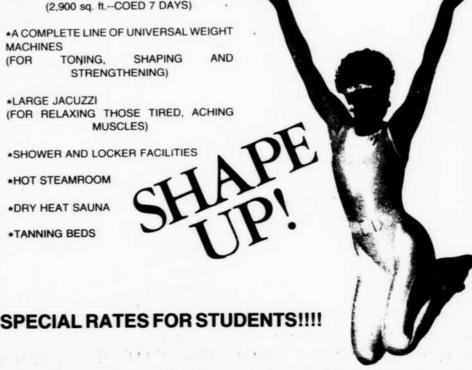
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Who needs to time travel? We have the seventies!

By MIKE REED Opinion Page Editor

For those of you that do not recognize my handwriting, my name is Mike Reed. The editor of this esteemed publication has seen fit to grant me the title of (get this) Opinion Page Editor. For this reason, I have come up with a plan of attack on the really tough issues on campus. There are questions to be answered, boys and girls, and I intend to ask them.

Among the questions that I intend to ask will be "Are the 70's really coming back?" The answer I hope to get will be "not if I can help it, Kemo sabe." This is a scenario that keeps me from getting my full twelve hours of sleep every day.

It started with the return of disco to the European club scene. Next came a bunch of brain-dead neo-social fashion slaves wearing, of all things, turtleneck shirts (sic). I figure this is just some fraternity hazing their pledges until my little brother tells me he owns three (he also mentions how cool they are. This has got to be some kind of plot).

What could be coming next? I saw that K-Tel is blowing the dust off their disco records that were shoved in the back like so much lot 16. Do you remember when they were giving these things away (along with the "Roots" album of selected speeches by Alex Haley) when you bought a "Computer II" digital watch (the next time someone asks you what time it is say, 'it's Computer II time'). If that is so, can hiphugger bell bottoms be far off? I'll defect to the U.S.S.R. where the fifties are still in style before I'll put on a leisure suit.

But it is not just clothing that bothers me about the seventies, entertainment was at an all time cultural low. I look back at the "Brady Bunch" on the tube and wonder what I was thinking when I tuned in everyday to see Cindy Brady and her crisis of the week. I suppose I would rather see "Family Affair" now.

What about the scientific front? Well, the Apollo-Soyez mission broke all records for the most expensive handshake in history (way to go guys, have some dehydrated spaceman ice cream on me).

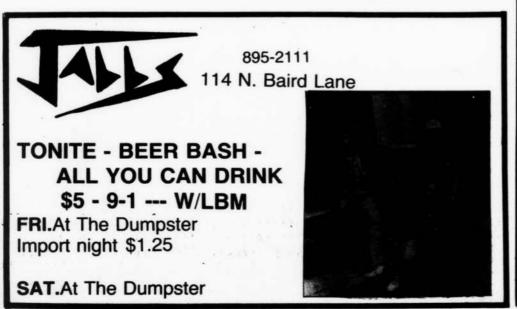
Politically, the Carter years are about to be revisited. When you have a somewhat underspoken president from one party on one side and the greatly overrated and outspoken congress whose majority is from the opposing party on the other side, you have a smiling geek leading the country with a vice-president that is swept under the carpet. It boggles the mind.

Gameshows that were popular in the seventies are returning in an "all new" eighties format. Sleek aerodynamic streamlined versions of "The Newlywed Game" and "The Dating Game" are bombarding the airwaves like some bizzare Big Brother answering a classified ad, (SWF seeks omnipotent being to sip herb tea and listen to Ung poetry with. Send SASE for photos). Even "Divorce Court" has been brought back, and the cases are much more messy (my roommate and I make bets on which one is homosexual and which one slept with their parents).

Don't get me wrong, we're not there yet. There are still several remnants of the eighties left. One of my favorites was a pathetic attempt to bring back the sixties. Paisley skirts, peace symbols, and "Laugh-in" re-runs on "Nick at Night" popped up like some kind of "Twilight Zone" episode crossed with an "ABBA" video or something.

Okay, look at it from this point. In the sixties there was a fourties revival (brief but true). In the seventies, when we weren't in the bars wearing orange sherbert colored Sans-a-belt slacks with a red turtle neck, the fifties made a slight stab at coming back with shows like "Happy Days." In the aformentioned eighties, the sixties tried to sneak back into popularity like some da-glo colored Ferdinand Marcos. So there is no where to go but the seventies. If we stop the trend now, then when the next decade rolls around and you are sending your children to school, maybe the eighties won't be back in vogue and your children can dress like humans instead of digging out your old "Guns-n-Roses" concert shirts and bluejeans with holes ripped in the kn-n-n-n-n-n-eeeeeees, knees.

What hope is there left for the eighties? Not a whole heck of a lot. If you don't believe me, check out the malls. With the exception of that star-chamber like snotty mall, Green Hills, the scene is dominated by young people whose mouths don't quite close all the way (stupid mouth breathers, henceforth refered to as SMB). MTSU students are walking to class with their heads down and their eyes strait ahead like so many mules trying to burrow a straight row (put the blinders on him, son, he's drifting right a little bit). They





nod a brief "hello" to people that pass, and go about their merry way without so much as a thought about what is going on around them. They are a bunch of SMBs.

But you, dear reader, are safe. You have taken the time to do a little something. You picked up this paper in order to find out what is going on (even if you just wondered how Opus is getting along) and that is a sign of response. Soon I hope, you will close your mouths and start breathing through your nose again.

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Sports

/ance, Henry crush ISU in OVC opener

By BOBBY WHITT Assistant Sports Editor and KEVIN SPAIN

Sports Writer

Freshman Quincy Vance ned in the best performance his collegiate career Monday th leading MTSU to a 89-60 ashing of league rival Tenees-State.

Vance scored a career high 20 ints and pulled down eight reunds while dishing out three ists as the Blue Raiders opened ir OVC slate in grand fashion.

"It was a typical performance ere somebody picks up the ck when someone gets into foul uble," MTSU coach Bruce wart said. "Kerry [Hambuds] got into foul trouble and nincy came in and played a eat game."

MTSU improved to 10-4 overwhile the hapless Tigers fell to 10. The Blue Raider win was a 11th straight over their midte rival and marked the most o-sided defeat since the initial peting in 1973.

"It sure beats having to sweat e out," Stewart said, after seng his Blue Raiders go down to e last shot before beating TSU e last three times the teams ve met.

Vance got rolling early and half.
ver cooled off proving to be a Thorkhorse on both ends of the story

"I don't think about individual reformances as much as playing part of the team. It doesn't matrix who turns in the best game as ng as we can come out with a n," Vance said. "We needed to t a win to start the OVC race d we were able to do that toght."

Vance was not alone in his of-

fensive exploits.

Senior center Randy Henry continued to turn in impressive numbers chalking up 26 points, while equaling Vance's eight rebounds.

Henry also blocked three shots.

"We are starting to play more like a team and if we can keep playing as a team we can go pretty far," Henry said. "I have never lost to Tennessee State and I didn't want to tonight."

For MTSU, the difference in the game was defense — a defensive performance which Stewart called the best of the season.

The Blue Raiders fell behind 32-20 with 3:43 remaining in the first half before reeling off 10 unanswered points to end the half and carry a 40-32 lead into the lockerroom.

MTSU kept the defensive pressure on to start the second half, outscoring the Tigers 22-8 over the first 10 minutes.

Tennessee State was victimized by a 34 percent performance from the field in the second half.

MTSU looked like it was going to blow the game open early jumping out to a 8-2 lead, but allowed Tennessee State to get back into the game and eventually take a two-point lead late in the half.

The second half was a different story.

The Blue Raiders played almost flawlessly en route to their seventh home win of the season.

Chris Rainey was held to only 12 points, his second lowest point production of the season.

Hammonds was the only other Blue Raider to record double figures, finishing the game with 10 points despite playing most of the game in foul trouble.



Reserve forward Kevin Wallace comes up just short on a dunk attempt during the Blue Raiders' triumph over the Tigers of Tennessee State Monday night.

ady Raiders blast Tennessee State, end losing streak

By M.A. BROWN Sports Editor

Head coach Lewis Bivens and e Lady Raiders found out Mony night that the best remedy a basketball team's ills is a me with Tennessee State.

Following back to back loses to agner University and the Kencky Lady Wildcats, the Lady aiders needed a little healing d the resumption of their winng ways.

They got both with a 81-53 itzkrieg of outmatched TSU.

MTSU's easy victory came as big surprise to the sparse 500 ectators, concessionaires and security officers in Murphy Center. The Lady Raiders are undefeated in 13 contests with TSU. In fact, the closest the Lady Tigers have played MTSU was 77-68 defeat during the 1982-83 season.

A match-up with the hapless Lady Tigers couldn't have come at a better time for MTSU.

After winning their first eight games, and achieving the number 23 spot in the Associated Press' national rankings, the Lady Raiders dropped an 80-75 decision to host Wagner in the Wagner Invitational Tournament in Staton Island, N.Y. on Dec. 29.

Biven's squad hoped to bounce back against Southeastern Conference foe Kentucky in Murfreesboro Sunday, but the Lady Wildcats prevailed 68-66.

Overall, the Lady Raiders weren't looking too well going into their Ohio Valley Conference opener against TSU, but things changed rather quickly.

Led by sophomore forward Stephanie Capley's 11 first-half points, including nine of the team's first 11, the Lady Raiders jumped out to a 39-23 advantage at the break and never looked back.

Perhaps the only bright spot for

the Lady Tigers in the game was the fact that they held MTSU center Tawanya Mucker seven points below her season's scoring average. Mucker still led the Lady Raiders with 17 points. Capley chipped in 15 and Sandy Brown added 10 as the team's only double figure scorers.

TSU's Ann Thomas led all scorers with 22 points, and center Tina Gillery tossed in 14.

The easy victory also gave Bivens the opportunity to get highly touted freshmen Shana Wright and Libby Newton a great deal of playing time.

Wright had been expected to

challenge for the opportunity to replace departed Kim Collier at the point guard spot. However, the Kingsport native broke a finger during the early going and has seen limited playing time.

Against TSU, Wright yanked down four rebounds scored eight points and had two steals in 15 minutes.

"This helps a lot. I've been out 6½ weeks and when I got in my first game I was so nervous I didn't know what I was supposed to do," she said. "I had to tell myself to relax and not to think too much. This is my second game and I was a little better."

Hammonds'

Bu D. BRIAN CONLEY Editor

Every time senior Kerry Hammonds suits up to play for the Blue Raider basketball team, he says he looks forward to playing defense.

"I like playing physical defense. If you play good defense the rest of the game is going to come," Hammonds said.

"I like a challenge. I like to go against the other team's

Head coach Bruce Stewart says Hammonds plays a good all-around game, but says defense is the strong suit for the 6-7, 240-pound center.

"He has always been excellent at defense and rebounding," Stewart said.

However, looking at the list of all-time MTSU scoring leaders and a quick glance at Hammonds' stats this year illustrates that putting the basketball in the hoop is the best part of this soft-spoken man's game.

"He is scoring equally well this year," Stewart said.

Hammonds began the season with 1,081 points — 14th in Blue Raider history. Since then, he has scored 279 points to move into 6th place, 41 points behind Jerry Beck (1979-82). If he averages 11.8 points per game for the rest of the season he will move into first.

As of Monday's 89-60 destruction of Tennessee State, he is averaging 19.9 ppg.

"I haven't even looked at that," Hammonds said of his chances of becoming the all-time MTSU scoring leader. "If I become the leading scorer it will happen.

"Right now I am not worrying about that. I just want to win.

However, for all the scoring and rebounding, Stewart . says Hammonds is priceless as a leader on the Blue Raider team.

hammers foes

"He doesn't like to lose and that rubs off on the others. He plays to win."

Nevertheless, events in November, 1987 nearly took Hammonds away from basketball. During a Blue-White intrasquad scrimmage, Hammonds went up for a rebound and came down on forward Chris Ingram's foot.

"It was already fractured and when I came down on Chris Ingram's foot I broke (my foot)," Hammonds said.

"It kind of brought water to me," Hammonds said of the doctor's pronouncement he would have to sit out a year.

"The injury was a big disappointment."

After the injury, Stewart red-shirted the big man for the 1988 season — allowing Hammonds to heal and work on

For most people, a broken foot takes away the extra step or discourages a lot of jumping — not Hammonds.

He is leading the team in rebounding (8.1 per game) and his 19.9 ppg is a career high.

Both Hammonds and Stewart agree, the year out helped Hammonds as well as the Blue Raiders.

"I know the game better and I am more patient on offense," Hammonds said.

"In the long run (the layoff) was best for the team and Kerry," Stewart said. "He matured a lot in the year he sat out. Mentally, he is a very determined strong-willed ball player.

"He is a tremendous boost to the team. This is the best vear he has ever had.'

Naturally, Hammonds said he wants to play in the NBA, but winning the Ohio Valley Conference championship is the first priority.

"I hope I get lucky and get a chance."



Six foot seven, 240 pound senior forward Kerry Hammonds has returned as a force to be reckoned with for the Blue Raiders this season after missing the 1987-88 campaign with a foot injury.

Lady Raiders blow lead to Kentucky

By TONY STINNETT Special to Sidelines

Five times Lady Raider head coach Lewis Bivens has put a team on the court to face the Wildcats of Kentucky.

And five times the Lady Cats have prevailed.

The Lady Raiders blew a 15-point lead with 11 minutes remaining in the second half, allowing Kentucky to pull out a 68-66 comeback win before an estimated 850 fans Sunday at Monte Hale Arena.

"It's disappointing because you think you have the game and you don't take control of it," a demoralized Bivens said following MTSU's second straight loss after winning its first eight. Kentucky evened its slate at 6-6.

to a slow start before establishing a 15-point halftime lead and maintaining it for shot only 28 percent in the the first nine minutes of the second half. However, with minutes remaining,

The Lady Raiders got off like a team possessed, while MTSU stopped playing.

The Lady Wildcats, who first half, scored 18 unanswered points against the Lady Raiders during a five-Kentucky started playing minute span to take a 56-54

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Raiders prepare for Tech, hope to avoid 'snow job'

Sports Writer

This time last year ATSU travelled to Ruston, a. and got trapped in an ce storm which kept them nowed under for three

Coach Bruce Stewart's quad, fresh off a 89-60 hipping of Tennessee tate will have to forget last eason's lengthy trip to Rusin, which not only forced he Tennesee Tech game to e postponed, but left them ime to think about their 72-67 loss to the Bulldogs.

Last season Louisiana ech defeated MTSU wice, embarrassing the Blue Raiders on their own

This time around the Blue Raiders will try to even

Earlier this season

MTSU stopped Louisiana ech 91-87 and Blue Raider coach Bruce Stewart opes his team can return he favor from last year tonight when the two teams

"This is certainly a game of pride for us," Stewart aid. "Last year they beat us wice and we felt we could have beaten them down

there last year. We believe we can beat them down there this year.

"We had a close game at their place last season and we are expecting another close game this time."

MTSU enters the game with a 10-4 record, while Louisiana Tech sports a 9-4

Road wins have been a rare commodity for MTSU thus far this season. Only a narrow win at UT-Chattanooga keeps the Raiders from being winless on the

Two MTSU wins have come at a neutral site in the Far West Classic in Oregon.

Louisiana Tech won't be a good place for the Blue Raiders to turn their road woes around. The Bulldogs have won 21 straight contest at home.

"To be good, we have to win road games like this," Stewart said.

More than another win on the record and defeating Louisiana Tech twice in one season, a win on the road would be a big boost for MTSU in other ways as

Tech is considered one of the premier teams in the

American South conference. They are currently second in the conference to Arkansas State, which MTSU beat two days after stopping Tech.

"They are certainly a quality team and a win there would be a big boost," Stewart said. "It would be a feather in our cap, it would help us in the power ratings and it would give us some respect and recognition.

From Ruston, MTSU will travel to Cookeville next Monday night for its second league test against rival Tennessee Tech.

Last season MTSU defeated Tech at Eblem Center in an overtime thriller as the Blue Raiders won both regular season con-

Tennessee Tech hasn't beaten MTSU the last seven times the two teams have met.

BOX SCORES

MTSU 81, TSU 53

TENNESSEE STATE 53

Ann Thomas 10-18 2-4 22. Tina Gillery 6-15 2-4 14. Hicks 2-13 1-2 5. Richard 1-8 2-2 4. Bell 3-12 2-2 8, Wright 0-1 0-0 0, Brockman 0-3 0-0 0, Carson 0-1 0-0 0, Totals 22-71 9-14

MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE 81 3

Tawayna Mucker 6-10 5-6 17. Stephanic Capley 7-14 1-1 15. Sandy Brown 3-10 1-2 10. Newton 4-7 1-1 9. Beck 4-90-08. Wright 4-11 0-0 8, Scruggs 2-4 0-0 5, Bell 1-6 1-2 3, Wade 1-3 0-0 2, Totals 33-78 11-15 81.

Halftime score - MTSU 39, TSU 23, 3, int goals — TSU 0-6 (Hicks 0-4, Richard 0-2) MTSU 4-10 (Brown 3-7, Scruggs 1-3) Fouled Out — Bell. Total Fouls — TSU 17. MTSU 16. Rebounds — TSU 51 (Gillery 13. Hicks 11). MTSU 50 (Mucker 10, Brown 10) Assists — TSU 8 (Hicks, Thomas, Bell 2). MTSU 22 (Beck 7). Steals — TSU 7 (Thomas MTSU — 13 (Brown 3). Blocked Shots — TSU 4 (Thomas, Gillery 2). MTSU 5 (Capley. Mucker 2). Turnovers — TSU 25 (Gillery 6) MTSU 17 (Brown 5), A - 500.

KENTUCKY 68, MTSU 66

KENTUCKY 68 Jodie Whitaker 6-14 2-2 17, Ruth Ann Mountain 8-20 0-0 16, Foster-Sutton 4-7 1-3 Shrum 3-4 2-3 8. Cushenberry 2-8 4-4 8. Ellis 2-5 0-0 4, Davis 1-3 1-1 3, Spencer 1-3 0-0 2, Hobgood 0-0 1-2 1, McIntyre 0-3 0-0 0. Salhi 0-1 0-0 0. Stewart 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 27-70 11-15 68

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0-9 2-2 2, Bell 1-3 0-0 2, Newton 0-0 1-2 1 Scruggs 0-5 0-0 0, Harrison 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 22-62 17-22 66.

Halftime score — MTSU 38 Kentucky 23 3-point goals — Kentucky 3-6 (Whitaker 3-4). MTSU 5-12 (Brown 5-9). Fouled out — Ellis, Beck. Total fouls — Kentucky 15, MTSU 15. - Kentucky 51 (Mountain Whitaker 8). MTSU 39 (Mucker 11). Assists - Kentucky 17 (Whitaker 8), MTSU 17 (Scriggs 7). Steals — Kentucky 3 (Davis, Ellis, Stewart 1). MTSU 4 (Capley, Mucker, Scriggs, Bell 1). Blocked shots — Kentucky 7 (Ellis 6). MTSU 4 (Capley 2). Turnovers — Kentucky 19 (Shrum 5). MTSU 17 (Sernggs

TENNESSEE STATE 60

Alburey Doss 6-17 2-2 16, Tony Wallace 6-10 0-0 13, Robert Neely 5-10 1-7 11, Tillman 2-6 1-3.6, Childs 2-5.0-0.4, Lester 2-5.0-0.4, Marion 1-2 1-2 3, Fraley 1-1 0-0 3, Smith 0-3 0-0 0, Webb 0-1 0-0 0, Davis 0-1 0-1 0, Proctor 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 25-62 5-15 60

Men's Basketball

MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE 89

Bandy Henry 13-18 0-0 26, Quincy Vance 8-11 4-8 20, Chris Rainey 5-7 2-3 12, Kerry Hammonds 4-9 2-2 10, Ingram 2-7 3-5 7, Buck 1-3 3-4 5, Wallace 2-4 0-0 4, Harris 1-3 0-0 3. Webb 0-1 2-2 2. Hunter 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 36-64 16-24 89.

point goals — TSU 5-12 (Doss 2-5), MTSU 1-4 (Harris 1-1). Fouled out - none. Total fouls — TSU 20, MTSU 21, Rebounds

TSU 33 (Neels 7), MTSU 45 (Vance, Henr 8). Assists — TSU 10 (Smith 5). MTSU 24 (Harris 9). Steals - TSU 3 (Doss 2). MTSU 6 (Rainey, Harris 2). Blocked shots - TSU 0, MTSU 4 (Henry 3), Turnovers — TSU 19 (Doss 6), MTSU 18 (Henry, Harris 4), A -

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AKRON 94

Anthony Buford 14-16 0-0 34, Shawa Roberts 8-12 4-5 20, Eric McLaughlin 4-17 3-4 11, Scott Patterson 4-9 3-4 11, Jones 3-5 0-0 6, Robinson 1-2 2-2 4, Johnson 2-4 0-1 4. McGee 1-1 0-0 2, Wilczynski 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 38-68 12-16 94.

MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE 99

Kerry Hammonds 12-19 5-7 29, Chris Rainey 6-11 8-9 21, Randy Henry 8-12 3-4 19. Gerald Harris 5-8 4-4 15, Buck 1-5 3-4 6, Vance 2-4 1-2 5, Ingram 2-3 0-0 4. Totals

Halftime score - MTSU 49, Akron 46, 3 point goals - Akron 6-11 (Buford 6-6) MTSU 3-6 (Rainey, Harris 1-1). Fouled out Jones. Totals fouls — Akron 24, MTSU 17. Technical fouls - Akron 2 (Johnson bench 1). MTSU 1 (bench). Rebounds -Akron 30 (Roberts 5), MTSU 33 (Hammonds 10). Assists - Akron 19 (McLaughlin 10). MTSU 22 (Harris 10). Steals - Akron 2 (Patterson, McGee 1), MTSU 4 (Hammonds 2) Blocked shots - Akron 0, MTSU 3 (Vance. Henry, Hammonds 1). Turnovers — Akron 14 (Buford 4), MTSU 13 (Hammonds, Harris



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lead with 6:29 remaining.

From that point on, the game was a close battle, yet when the final horn sounded, it was Kentucky who ended up on top.

After Jodie Whitaker, who scored 15 of her 17 points in the second half to lead Kentucky, canned two free throws with two seconds remaining, MTSU used a last-ditch effort to try and pull out a victory.

Oakland product Christy Scruggs attempted to throw the ball inbounds to Sandy Brown at half-court; how-

ever, the ball was intercepted by Tracye Davis and as far as Kentucky coach Sharon Fanning and the Lady Wildcats were concerned, the game was over.

However, one of the officials decided otherwise.

The official ruled Davis had walked when she intercepted the offering:

MTSU was awarded a second chance from half court, but Stephanie Capley's 25-foot desperation shot nicked off the front of the rim, and the Lady Wildcats went into their game-winning celebration.

"I don't feel the last minute had anything to do with us losing the game," Bivens said. "We lost the game way before then."

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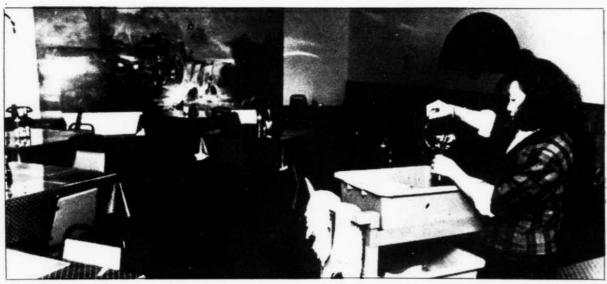
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The Far East offers an excursion for your tastebuds



Above: Hostess Nag Sihalath prepares the dining room. (Below)The exterior of Far East.

By Marla Cartwright Lifestyles Editor

Not too many places here in good old Murfreesboro offer you a chance to enjoy well-prepared food from another culture. Places like Taco Bell try hard, but hey, it's fast food.

Next time vou're looking for a good place to eat, try the Far East. Located at 1529 E. Main street,

the 12-year-old restaurant offers the finest in delicious Chinese and Thai food.

So, the last time you talked to your folks they bugged you about not eating good food? Well, tell them not to worry. A virtual cornucopia of veggies are offered at Far East. Everything from fried mushrooms (whole mushrooms deep fried in a crispy batter), mixed vegetables (cooked cabbage, broccoli, carrots, etc.), beef and broccoli (chunks of beef stewed with steamed broccoli) to even the rice are teeming with delectable vegetables. Even if you've convinced everyone you know that good, nutricious vegetables are not your thing, try them anyway.

The luncheon buffet, served from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., is reasonably priced at \$4.15. This includes a choice of three items from a total list of 14. The spare rib and tempura shrimp are two additional items that are available on Friday only.

To top it all off, the Far East also has a limited delivery area for their luncheon area. The only condition is a \$7.00 minimum order for the campus and downtown areas. (It's \$10.00 for other areas.)

While delivery is a nifty convenience, I highly recommend going there in person. From the time you pull up in the parking lot, it's obvious the proprietors are serious about their business. The outside windows and doors are adorned with ornate red and gold lattice work. Once inside, the delicate Oriental style carries over. The interior was recently redecorated after an electrical fire caused severe smoke damage last

Although the general atmosphere is relaxed with tables set up almost cafeteria style, the interior is elegantly decorated with silk-screened prints, mother-ofpearl artwork, silk laterns recessed in the ceilings, and a beautiful full wall mural in the auxiliary dining area. Also, from my many visits, I've found the service to be unfailingly cheerful, efficient and helpful.

But I digress, food is the topic here. Lunch is served buffet style (hence the name, huh?) and nice portions are doled out. My favorite is the roast pork (big-bite-sized pieces of tender pork cooked in a tangy sauce) served over the rice, but any selection from the lunch menu is guaranteed to satisfy. For an extra 85¢, you can have "Pal's Delight", which is a combination of the first ten items on the menu. If you're not hungry enought to gobble all that down, I recommend an egg roll or two. They're great, especially if you manage to get there when they've made a new batch. They're usually stuffed with steamed cabbage, bean sprouts, lettuce and celery.

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Rainman review Brothers find a bond

By CHRIS AYERS Staff Writer

Charlie Babbit's in trouble. He's got a failing business, a disgruntled girlfriend, and to top it all off, his father dies and leaves him nothing but a car. Charlie Babbit needs a miracle. He gets one, but not the kind he was expecting. Instead of money, Charlie gets the Rain Man.

"Rain Man" is the new film from Barry Levinson, director of "Good Morning Vietnam." It stars Tom Cruise as Charlie Babbit and Dustin Hoffman as Raymond Babbit, the "Rain Man" of the title.

In the film, Charlie discovers that his father left the bulk of his sizeable estate to Charlie's institutionalized brother. Hoping to scary thunderstorms and Charlie get his hands on the money, Charlie kidnaps Raymond and drives him cross-country. Along the way, Charlie learns about the brother he never knew he had and a little bit about himself.

His autisim prevents him from making basic connections with other people. He has an incredible talent for remembering dates. numbers, and calculating figures, but couldn't make change for a

dollar. He reads the phone book and quotes a waitress's phone number at breakfast the next day.

Charlie comes to appreciate this talent during a stop in Las Vegas on their way to Los Angeles.

This film is full of special moments that will stick with you long after the screen has gone black. Things like Charlie teaching Raymond to dance, Raymond's date in a casino elevator with Charlie's girlfriend.

Or when you learn the origin of the movie's title "Rainman."

Charlie was only a toddler when Raymond was taken away to an institution. Despite the difference in age, the brothers had formed a special bond; Raymond would sing to his brother during with front teeth missing, called his big brother "Rain Man" the closest thing to "Raymond" he could manage.

One of the most touching moments is Raymond and Charlie's Raymond is an autistic savant; crendition of a famous Beatle's song. The song is the gentle catalyst that changes Charlie's attitude toward his brother.

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Beat the Spring Semester '89 Blues

By Marla Cartwright Lifestyles Editor

Suffering from the horrid, debilitating syndrome known as the "Spring Semester Blahs"? Well, it's understandable. Skies overhead are a lovely shade of yucky gray and the ground underfoot is a delightful murky mudpuddle. I mean, there's documented proof (I saw it on "20/20") that people really feel depressed during the winter months. Barbara Walters and Hugh Downs wouldn't lie to us, right? And-they expect us to attend class in these conditions?

Well, pick yourself up, scrape off the mud, turn off the bright white lights and head to someplace fun. What you need is a pre-

scription of pleasant diversions.

In this and future issues of Lifestyles, a variety of diversions will be explored.

For instance, why not get out, grab a friend and go see a movie? Plenty of good movies are showing both on- campus and off. We'll give you reviews and pre-

Tired of campus food? Try someplace different. We'll let you know which places we feel are good to try and which you'll probably want to avoid.

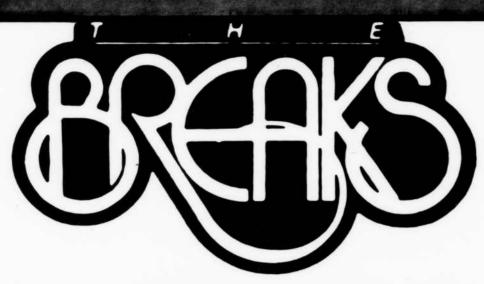
If you've got a VCR handy, renting your favorites is a good escape, too. We'll give you the rundown of area video stores.

Checking out bands in town and in Nashville? We'll bring them to you with interviews and photos.

How about a solitary evening with a new book? We'll list the bestsellers and have reviews.

Spending money chases the blues away, too. But as we all know, students are some of the poorest folk around so, before you spend your hard-earned money on singles and albums, read our reviews.

Also, if you've got any new ideas, suggestions or topics you'd like to read about in Lifestyles, let us know at 898-2917. Better yet, why not write to us and send them to MTSU P.O. Box 42. Anyone interested in contributing their writing skills is welcome to apply for a staff position.



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- Taylor Dane
- 5. Armageddon It Def Leppard TOP POP ALBUMS
- 1. Giving You The Best That I Got - Anita Baker
- 2. Rattle and Hum U2 Cocktail Soundtrack

4. New Jersey - Bon Jovi 5. Appetite for Destruction Guns N' Roses

Source: "Billboard" for the week ending Jan. 14

TOP FIVE GROSSING MOVIES.

Source: "Variety

- Magazine
- 1. Rain Man
- 2. Twins
- 3. The Accidental Tourist
- 4. Working Girl
- 5. The Naked Gun

Watch Roger Rabbit today

By BRIAN WILLIAMS Staff Writer

Steven Spielberg has done it again by pulling another hit out of his hat. What did he pull out? A rabbit named Roger.

"Who Framed Roger Rabbit" was a very big gamble. The hook: the idea of mixing live action and animation. The first movie of this kind since "Song of the South" and with a \$40 million pricetag. The result: 1988's top grossing film.

The setting of Roger is in Toontown where all the cartoons live, from Betty Boop to Bambi, with regular people.

Roger is framed for the murder of a mob gang member. In desperation to clear his name, Roger hires Eddy Valiant (Bob Hos-

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cover the true killer, while the mob leader, Dr. Death (Christropher Lloyd), wants Roger dead.

The best fresh face is Jessica Rabbit, Roger's wife, whose voice is done by Kathleen Turner. There's also guest shots of every cartoon character in the

Under the direction of Robert Zemeckis, ("Back to the Future"), the film is made beautifully with quality and brillance, especially the marvelous perfection of the mix of live action and animation. So despite a sort of silly plot, Roger Rabbit works on film and it destined to become an instant classic.

"Who Framed Roger Rabbit?" will be showing tonight at the KUC Cinema at 3:30, 6, 8:30 with a late

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Dustin Hoffman brings Raymond to life with believeability, humor, and pathos. From his first moment on-screen, the film belongs to him. It's as if Hoffman's own persona vanished when the cameras started rolling. All you see on the screen is Raymond Babbit and his special secluded world.

Tom Cruise is suprisingly good as Charlie. In the last few years, Cruise has matured as an actor. He makes Charlie everything the script calls for : greedy, dishonest, and unlikeable, at first. Cruise communicates the changes that Charlie undergoes with amazing subtlety. The audience can See that he truly grows to love Raymond. This could be Cruise's "breakthrough" role and springboard him into recognition as a serious

The film is excellent in every way. It's funny; it's believable; it's touching; it's simply very entertaining. Look for Dustin Hoffman to win the Best Actor Oscar



The Far East also serves dinner until 9:00 p.m. every night except Sunday. The dinner menu offers a wider variety of dishes but is a little more expensive. A good deal for two people is the dinner special which includes a serving each of an egg roll, soup, and a choice of one main item for \$10.99. For one person the dinner special is comparable at \$5.50.

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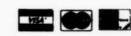
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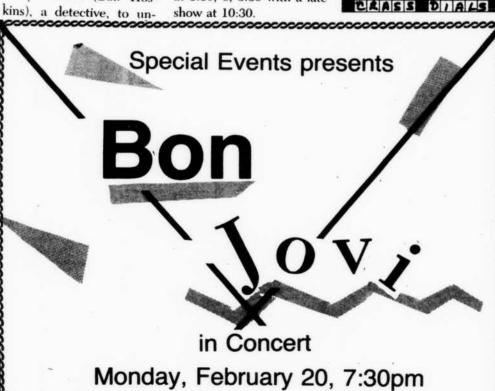


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In Working Girl

Griffith proves good girls can finish first

By MARLA CARTWRIGHT Lifetyles Editor

You know the same old story whether you've experienced it firsthand or only seen it in downtown Murfreesboro or Nashville.

Every day begins the same way. After successfully fending for a parking space, you purposefully stride sneaker-

clad with newspaper tucked underarm and briefcase in hand, hustling to beat the clock.

Once you're safely anchored behind your desk with a whole two minutes to spare, the warm, exotic aroma of fresh coffee announces itself.

The day begins. Papers are shuffled, numbers are added and subtracted, coffee is consumed, computers compute,

business transacted, cigarettes smoked and careers launched and axed.

Ah. The wonderful world of big business.

In the newly released movie, "Working Girl", Melanie Griffith wonderfully portrays a struggling, dedicated office gal who wants to get ahead. She believes in the old

fashioned way of success. Work hard, be dependable, trust your boss and only good things can happen, right?

Wrongo. After trying this method, Griffith loses yet another job. Although she has an intuitive business sense and stays educated on current issues, Griffith can't seem to get ahead.

One of her problems is that her bright, outgoing personality spills over into how she dresses. Clunky jewelry, overdone makeup, stringy long hair and neon bright party dres-

ses complete with black lace hose are her norm. However her new job places her under the first female supervisor she has ever worked for (Sigourney Weaver). By emulated

her tasteful, conservative dress habits, Griffith learns that half the battle is won by appearance.

The lesson here? (Everybody take note, especially business majors) If you look like you know what you're doing then people will take you seriously. You've at least got their limited attention.

After learning from Weaver Griffith says, "You've got to attract them with your looks and then hit them with your brains."

Weaver obviously revels in the delightfully juicy part of ney Weaver. Griffith's role is the focal point with Ford the reigning queen bitch of a boss. She seems to take the ugly duckling Griffith under her wing clucking comforting sounds like "We're a team. You are my representative to the outside world. You can trust me."

Griffith's trust turns sour when she sees another side of her boss.

A brainstorm idea for a business expansion she has centers around Harrison "Indiana" Ford. However they soon find out that their business venture leads to a emotional

Ford is terrific. He is alternately confused and decisive, shy and bold, frustrated and relieved but always charming.

Nifty touches are sprinkled throughout the movie like Weaver returning from vacation towing a huge stuffed gorilla. However unlike her previous screen persona in 'Gorillas in the Mist" this self-centered prima donna tosses the monkey aside to Griffith; it's a playtoy that's now boring.

Summary: This movie is pretty neat especially if you've worked in an office situation and the ending is satisfying without being too Mickey-Mouse.

My only qualm with this up-beat, peachy flick is the billing of Melanie Griffith after Harrison Ford and Sigour-

fleshing out the edges and Weaver providing the conflict in nearly cameo appearances.

But hey, this doesn't affect the movie. I heartily recommend seeing it.

"Working Girl" is rated R





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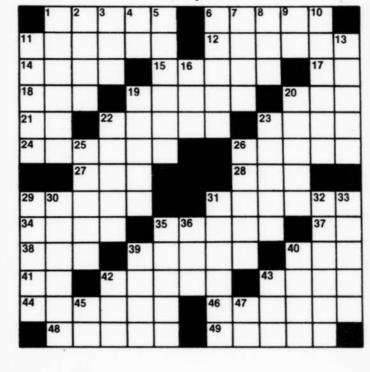
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by Chris Smith





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