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# MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY SIDELINES

## TBR hikes fees, slows search MTSU tuition upped 8.5 percent

CHRIS BELL  
News Editor

Students can expect their wallets to be a little lighter after registration this fall.

In meetings last Wednesday, both the Tennessee Board of Regents and the University of Tennessee Board of Trustees approved an 8.5 percent tuition hike for the next academic year. At MTSU, the change will affect both in and out-of-state students, since those from outside Tennessee will pay the extra \$52 a semester on the in-state portion of their tuition.

This marks the largest percentage increase in tuition since a 13 percent hike in 1986. In the just the last five years, MTSU tuition has gone from \$518 a semester to \$668 this fall.

"It's one of the larger ones," MTSU President Wallace Prescott said of this year's decision. "The price of higher education is rising quicker than the consumer price index."

While the money is needed for higher education in Tennessee, Prescott said he does worry that it may keep some student from enrolling at MTSU.

"We have that concern," he said. "You say an extra \$104 isn't that much, but for some people that's the breaking point."

However, the increase is not expected to significantly slow the increasing enrollment that the school has experi-



enced during the past decade.

One possible bright spot in the board's decision is a plan being considered to eliminate a variety of student fees, including drop/add and graduation. The proposal

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## New chancellor selected by June

RUSTY GERBMAN  
Assistant News Editor

It will be at least until June before a new chancellor is selected to replace outgoing Tennessee Board of Regents Chancellor Thomas Garland.

That is expected to further delay MTSU's search for a permanent president until September, according to interim President Wallace Prescott. Prescott has held the position since former president Sam Ingram retired last December.

The quest for a new chief administrator here was first delayed last fall when Garland extended the search to encourage more applicants to apply. When Garland announced his own resignation in December, he said the MTSU search should be delayed so the new chancellor could select the new MTSU president.

The Board of Regents met in Nashville last Wednesday to discuss plans for finding a new chancellor and to review MTSU's presidential search. During this meeting, they discussed the job description for the chancellor's position, Prescott said.

The job description consists of a list of characteristics of what the board seeks in job applicants, such as a sympathetic attitude towards affirmative action and good leadership skills, Prescott said.

Along with the job description, the TBR discussed their plans for advertising. They will advertise the chancellor spot in the *Chronicle of Higher Education* and other publications. In addition, direct correspondence will be used to encourage applicants. This advertising plan is scheduled to take effect immediately.

As applications are received, a screening committee will help narrow down the list of candidates. A new head for the TBR is expected to be chosen by this summer.

"I assume they want to have a chancellor by the June board meeting," Prescott said.

The search will be open-ended, meaning applications will be accepted until the position is actually filled, Prescott said.

With the push to find a chancellor, the search for MTSU's next president will have to take a back seat, according to Lester Levi, a member of the university's presidential search committee. The re-advertising of the university president's position will begin again in April.

"There were no surprises," Levi said about the outcome of the meeting.

Like the chancellor's search, the presidential search has an open-end policy regarding applications.

The current plan for the presidential search goes as follows: begin advertising in April, start screening applicants in July and have an nomination for the position at the September board meeting.

"They haven't made any progress in 1990," said Levi.



Joseph Smith, MTSU band director and founder of the Contest of Champions, and a group of percussionists "check their notes" before a performance last weekend

Wayne Cartwright • Staff

by a local high school band. The students were attending a band festival hosted by the university.

# Personal computer stolen from office of journalism chairman

JILL McWHORTER  
Editor

A personal laptop computer was discovered missing from the office of journalism department acting chairman, Larry Burriss, last Friday morning.

The computer, valued at approximately \$700, was apparently stolen from the James Union Building, room 300, after business hours Thursday and before Burriss and journalism department secretary, Sandy Tracy, arrived for work Friday.

"We got to the office at about quarter till eight," Burriss said. "As we were coming down the hall, we noticed that the outer office door was open and then when we came in we saw that this door [Burriss' office door] was open."

An initial survey of the offices seemed to reveal nothing missing, but Burriss said things "didn't feel right."

"We walked in and got the feeling that something was wrong. Everything looked in place, but it's like the atmos-

phere was a little different somehow. Other people who have had things taken have said the same thing — things aren't quite right, but you can't put your finger on it."

Upon entering his office, Burriss noticed that the laptop computer he had brought from home was not sitting in the corner of his office.

"The computer was in a little briefcase," Burriss said. "If you are familiar with laptop computers, you would probably recognize it as a laptop computer case. You could walk around campus with one and no one would know."

"Someone went through the desks too, but we couldn't find anything that they had taken," Tracy said. "They could've taken the keys to all the offices, but they left those alone."

According to Burriss this is not the first incidence of burglary from faculty offices.

"Other faculty members I've talked to said they've known students to come through the ceiling to get exams."

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is currently in committee and should be voted on by this summer.

"There is a proposal to eliminate some of them," said Bob Adams, MTSU director of finance. "But it's very premature to speculate on that."

Removing the drop/add fee would be very helpful with the schools' new pre-registration program, said Cliff Gillespie, dean of admissions and records.

Registration will be conducted before students have their semester grades, according to Gillespie. That means some students will later discover they need to repeat a class or do not have the prerequisite for a class and will need to change their schedules after regular registration. "We want to encourage student to get the schedule they need," Gillespie said. "They should be more inclined to if they don't have to pay \$5. It doesn't sound like much, but I think it will make a big difference."

Gillespie said the tuition increase makes this year a good time to implement the program.

"The school is going to collect less money," he said. "But with an increase like this, now is the time to do it."

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The Psi Chi Psychology Club will meet at 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15, in Peck Hall, room 200. Dr. Carol McGowan, director of Cedar Grove Treatment Center for Emotionally Disturbed Children will speak.

Todd Library Orientation Sessions to help students use the new online catalog system will be held daily at the library at 3:30 p.m., Monday, Feb. 12, through Thursday, Feb. 15. Classes are in room 111 of the library and are open to everyone. They are expected to last around 15 minutes.

The Sigma Club will hold its next meeting Feb. 15 at 5 p.m. in the KUC, room 312. The club will hold its semi-annual Quiz Bowl, co-sponsored by Gamma Iota Sigma, March 12 and 13. For more information, contact Scotty Tucker at Box 543.

A Lost and Found Sale will be held in the KUC Thursday, Feb. 15.

The Blue Knights, MTSU's chess club, meets every Thursday from 6 to 10 p.m. in the KUC, 316. Beginners are welcome.

Petitions for ASB elections are available in the ASB office in the KUC, room 304. They are due back in the office by noon today. Elections are scheduled for Feb. 27 and 28.

Adult Children of Alcoholics, Al-Anon Family Group will meet every Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the KUC, room 315. If you grew up or think you grew up in an alcoholic or chemically dependent family, come and find serenity. For more information, contact Thelma Schrader, MTSU Box 4084, or Carole Carroll, 898-2519.

Gamma Psi Phi, the science fiction and fantasy society, meets on Wednesday evenings in the KUC, room 305. For more information, call 893-0121 and leave a message.

A Beginner's Aikido Seminar will be sponsored by the Continuing Education Department next Friday, Feb. 23, at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, Feb. 24, at 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. The fee is \$10 for all three classes. For more information, contact Continuing Education at 2462.

Teacher Recruitment Week will be held at MTSU from Feb. 26 to March 2. Representatives will be here from schools all over Tennessee and from 14 states. For more information, contact the Placement Office in the KUC, room 328.

The Aerospace Lecture Series will present Clark D. Sharp, regional manager, civil rights staff, of the Federal Aviation Administration, Tuesday, Feb. 20, at 1 p.m. in the Alumni Memorial Gym, room 103.

Phi Kappa Phi, the national honorary fraternity, invites outstanding seniors to apply for nomination by the local chapter for graduate fellowships. If interested, please contact Dr. Fred S. Rolater, Peck Hall, room 279.

STEA will meet today at 5 p.m. in the KUC, room 313. All education majors are invited.

The International Culture Day planning committee is holding a contest to design a logo for brochures advertising the event. To enter, bring your design by International Student Services, Cope Building, room 202, by Feb. 29. Winners will be awarded \$25.



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# OPINION

## Tuition rises as funds decrease

Our students should be "first in the world in math and science."

That was the goal George Bush established for the United States education system in his State of the Union address before Congress last month.

It sounds like our "education" president wants to keep that promise.

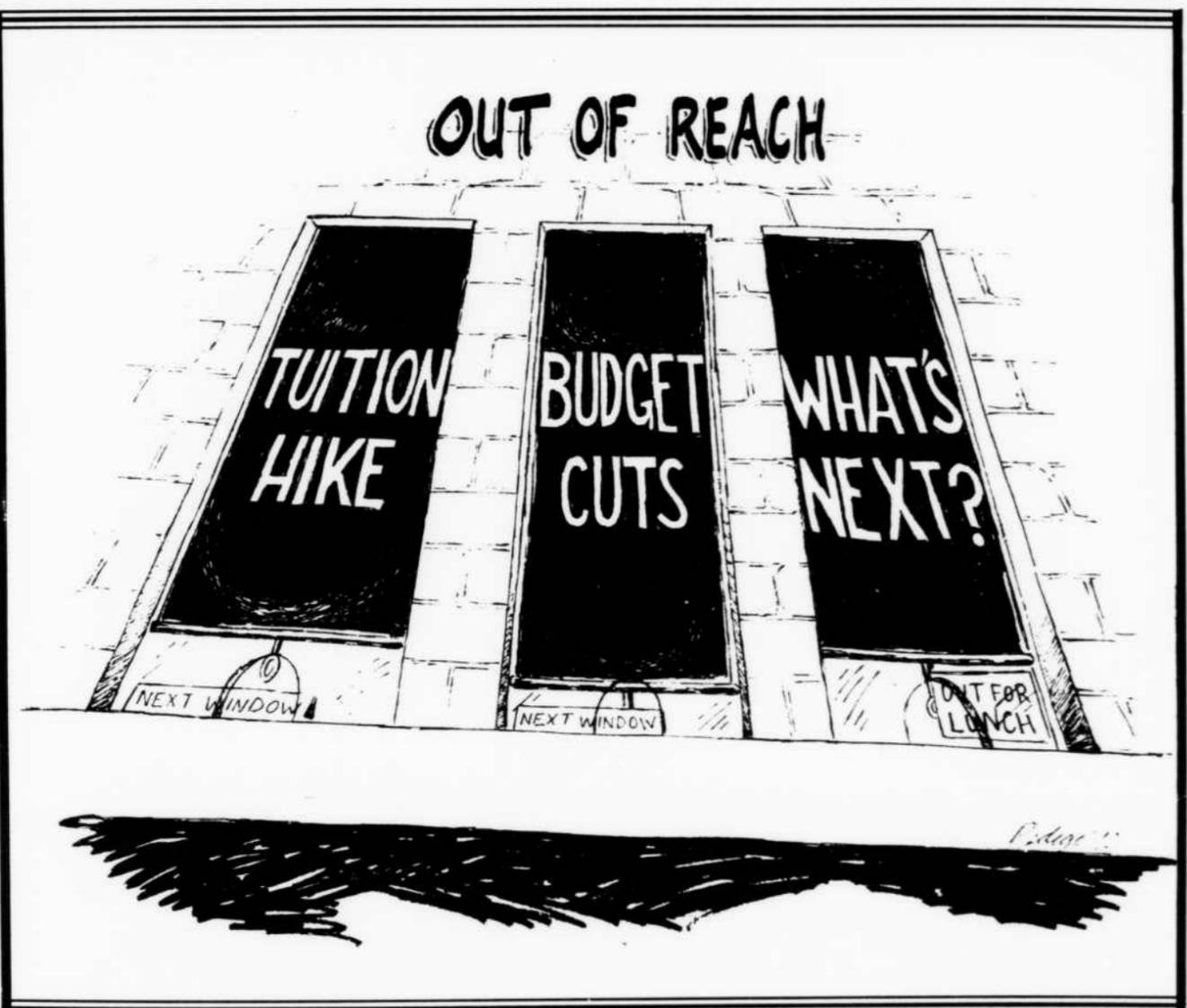
But his proposed budget for 1991 contains sweeping cuts in education, especially government-backed student loan programs, including the elimination of the State Student Incentive Grant. Millions of students will be affected by these new proposals.

True, the education budget is greater than last year's budget, increased from 24.1 billion for this year to 24.6 billion for next year. But it is not nearly enough to meet the rising demands of inflation.

If that isn't enough to have students wondering how they're going to pay for tuition, there is always the rising costs of attending college. Recently the state legislature announced that tuition rates will increase 8.4 percent. This keeps right in line with the increases in past years.

The futures of Tennessee students attending or wishing to attend college are now in jeopardy in a time that our education has not been meeting the needs to keep up with an increasingly competitive and technical world.

It looks like our "education" president is giving students a lesson on doing without.



## What's next now that Nate's gone?

Mike Reed  
Reed My Lips

Let's face facts. It was a pretty good idea to remove the relief sculpture of Nathan Bedford Forrest from the wall of the KUC. It should have been taken down for no other reason than the discoloration of the wall underneath made it look like the horse was taking a leak on the shrubbery.

However, it now comes to my attention that the wall is even uglier without the sculpture. Take a moment to stare at it, it looks like a giant lollipop was stuck there for fifty years and has been removed due to the pressures of some right-wing conservative group that feels the image of a sucker on the KUC wall might lead to people actually licking lollipops and that might lead to opening their mouths in public which might lead to an expression of free will which might put the conservatives out of power.

What we really need is a new sculpture. I have prepared a small list of candidates and a brief explanation of why they should be selected. If anyone has any thoughts on the matter, please send them to *Sidelines* Box 42.

**ASB president Doug "Buck" Holder.** He not only would make a striking profile on our wall, he spends quite a lot of time in the KUC doing what ever it is ASB presidents do when they are not in the grill or sleeping at their desks. I know it would fill me with a sense of awe to walk toward the KUC and see Doug Holder looking down on me with that knowing smile.

**Elvis Presley.** What better tribute to the King, than a place of honor on the outside of a cafeteria. I'm sure he would be proud to fill the shoes left vacant by Gen. Forrest.

**James Brown.** The godfather of soul would not only make a great conversation piece, but it would also help offset the karmic debt created by having Nate Forrest on the wall for so long.

**Famed alumna Sandra Locke.** Though she didn't graduate from MTSU, she did attain fame in a way that should be a symbol, nay, an inspiration to us all. She slept with Clint Eastwood.

**A tribute to the Intra Fraternity Council.** It could be a big relief of Dean Paul Cantrell saying "tsk tsk" to the latest antics of one or more of the fraternal organizations followed by the inscription "I'm going to give you just one more chance."

**The Batman Logo.** It was called "the movie of the decade," and now it can stand as a warning to book thieves all over campus. It will be a shining addition at stately KUC.

**A student parking space.** As most of you realize, we could use another one and I'm sure that some enterprising student will find a way to park there.

**A tribute to humorless media figures.** This category is dedicated to the character Holly Hunter portrayed in *Broadcast News*. The relief would feature such greats as Bryant Gumbel, John Seigenthaler, Ruth Ann Leach and David Nelson. It might be a shield labeled "professionalism" and the aforementioned figures cowering behind it. While critics are spraying them with seltzer bottles.

**A relief sculpture of the new Mass Comm building.** You've heard professors brag about it. You've heard the fraternities complain about it. You've tried to park near it. Now it can be part of your daily campus life way before it is completed (which should be some time this side of Governor McWhorter's third term).

This small list is by no means complete. I just wanted to point out that the removal of the sculpture does not end it by any means. The wall of the KUC looks like the architectural equivalent to the Shroud of Turin. I am not sure what ancient relic the impression is supposed to reflect.

I think it is the great charms blow pop of the Mesopotamians.

I can understand the removal of the medallion, but at least put up some aluminum siding.

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You're in the S.F.A.  
and you're getting  
frustrated and...  
you know the rest!  
See you before  
Psycho.?  
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Co-pilot MARLA  
MOONEY-will you  
be my mile high  
Valentine in the  
sky? If so, squak  
4533! This has been  
your Captain  
speaking.

I LOVE YOU  
LORI BROWN.  
YOUR VALEN-  
TINE, DENNIS  
GREEN

Jeff-  
You walked into my life,  
even when I didn't know  
I needed someone. Now,  
you've ended up being the  
best thing that's ever hap-  
pened to me. Thank you  
for loving me. I love you!  
Leigh Anne

John-  
I love you and  
I'm glad I'm  
your woman!  
Happy Valen-  
tine's. - Suzi

DAVID.  
"The entire sum of exist-  
ence is the magic of being  
needed by just one per-  
son."  
VII Putnam  
I'll always need you. I am  
so glad we found each  
other again. My love al-  
ways, Laura

HIM,  
Moola  
loves  
her king!  
Signed, HER

KEN P.  
Almost three years  
and we're still to-  
gether! I love you  
lots! Happy Valen-  
tine's Day!  
Chelle H. N.S.G.  
1990

Patti  
we've known each other a long time  
and have always had this "feeling"  
for each other. Let me be the one and  
I'll make you the happoest girl on  
the planet. W.H.

LAURA E.  
The 15th marks 10  
months and you're still  
my favourite stuff.  
Happy Valentine's Day!  
Love, Steven

LISA McINTOSH,  
Forever and  
always...  
And in all ways.  
Love, Bob

S,  
Happy Valentine's and the four month mark. I  
can't always tell you or show you just how much  
you mean to me for reasons only we can share.  
but I want you to know: You're my obsession Babe.  
I LOVE YOU! Love, Babe

BUTTERSCOTCH  
I never knew love  
could feel this good,  
but I'm glad you're  
the one who showed  
me it could. Happy  
Valentines, Mrs.  
Davis?(smile)  
HERE,NOW,  
FOREVER, Kayo

Nels-  
Thank you for  
your patience and  
your understand-  
ing for all my late  
nights at work.  
LOVE YA, Jill Mc.

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## Rockers lay groundwork in quest for success

LAURA BURGESS

Special to Sidelines

A West Coast A&R executive for CBS says their music is "very well crafted."

RIM instructor Schuyler "Sky" Traughber knew it was the sound he had been looking for in Los Angeles but could not find.

"I think we're the best band in the universe," jests John Sayer, Tiger Radar lead guitarist and former music major at MTSU.

"Think about aliens on another planet saying they're the best band in the universe. They don't even know about us," scoffs David McAlister, RIM major and bass player for the group.

But seriously, Tiger Radar insists they are a group of musicians who have an earnest desire to succeed and are taking the necessary steps to ensure this.

The band is being assisted in their pursuit by Traughber, as well as by his law firm in Los Angeles, which has represented such notables as Motley Crue and Kenny Rogers.

Traughber, who joined the RIM department last semester, has worked in all facets of the recording industry for ten years, mainly in Los Angeles and New York.

Traughber says the band captures the raw energy and spontaneity of much of the music of the sixties, while still offering something new. Traughber has signed a contract with the band to aid them in songwriting, performance and production of demos.

Tiger Radar's repertoire includes 20-25 original songs with one Cheap Trick cover — but don't be surprised if they play some Guns 'n' Roses near the end of their live performances.

"I do my best when I'm on stage in front of an audience," admits Kelly Fernandez, lead singer and lyricist for the band.

And after taking time off recently from performing live to write and record demos



Jennifer D. West • Staff

Tiger Radar members (from left) John Sayer, Kelly Fernandez, Lee Bradley and David McAlister complete backing vocals on "Over You" for a demo tape recorded in MTSU's Studio B.

After taking a break from live performances to record the demo, the band is currently gearing up for a series of free Murfreesboro shows called "Jam for the Fans."

in the studio on campus, Tiger Radar asserts they are itching to perform live again.

"I think we're going to explode next time we play. We like our shows to be full of action and energy. We do not want to be a bunch of posers," contends Sayer.

"Yeah, we're not like Warrant — who probably said before the show [opening for Motley Crue], 'Now on this chord go down on your knees until this chord,'" asserts drummer Lee Bradley.

Spontaneity, in fact, is the key to Tiger Radar.

"If John is playing something on his guitar good enough to write a song to, I'll have the

words running through my head and all I have to do is grab a pencil and paper and write them down," says Fernandez.

"It's an instant flash of inspiration. I don't know how Kelly can be so dumb and be such a genius," laughs Sayer.

Laughter continues to rise as each member ridicules another's influences and favorite artists.

"You're such a liar, Lee. First you're an hour late for the interview and then you say The Beatles is your favorite band. We all know it's the Crue," jeers McAlister.

No matter how funny it may be to one another, the members' influences range

from Sid Vicious to The Clash to Lou Reed to the Eagles to the Beatles...or was that the Crue?

All members of Tiger Radar are devoted and serious about the business of music. However, the band claims that some club owners have treated them unfairly.

"It's hard sometimes when you're a serious musician and nobody seems to appreciate your seriousness and dedication," says McAlister.

"We're also tired of being taken advantage of so we're going to play for free at certain

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## Students need facts to ensure 'safe sex'

L. RYE

Special to Sidelines

Today in our society, it is common among young people to participate in casual sex. Some students seem to think that being in college means that sex is included in the undergraduate prerequisites.

A lack of concern about sex and sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) is dangerous, although not uncommon. Many students are now finding out that they are not exempt as they may have once believed.

Without even getting into the problem of AIDS, there are many other diseases that one can get very easily — diseases like gonorrhea, herpes, syphilis, chlamydia, genital warts and crabs. These are treatable, but many times the person may not know they are infected for several days to several weeks.

In that time frame, a person could transfer any disease he or she has to anyone else they have sexual intercourse with and that person can give it to their next partner and so on.

The Student Health Service on campus tests and treats some of these diseases free of charge. The student must pay a relatively small fee for some tests and medicines.

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Wayne Cartwright • Staff

Jeff Neal, a freshman majoring in Mass Communications, takes a break from his studies for a game of pinball at the game room in Keathley University Center.

# Blue Oyster Cult rocks M'boro fans

KIMBERLY DORRIS  
Features Editor

They took to the stage accompanied by the theme song to "The Tonight Show."

They dressed simply -- no leather and chains, no spandex and flashy sequins.

And their performance featured no pyrotechnics, spinning drum kits, or exploding guitars.

Not what you might expect from a band tagged by some as the "grandfathers of heavy metal."

But rockers Blue Oyster Cult proved to a packed crowd at Mainstreet Saturday night that they haven't lost the unique musical touch that garnered them such a large following throughout the 70s and early 80s.

The show was a back-to-basics rock'n'roll celebration that emphasized *themusic* rather than extensive choreography and special effects.

The musicianship was outstanding, marred only by a bit of feedback that occurred during two songs.

The performance featured a variety of tunes spanning the Blue Oyster Cult career, from "Last Days of May" to "Godzilla" to "Burnin' for You," all well-received by an enthusiastic audience.

The band concluded their set with the haunting "Don't Fear the Reaper," from the 1976 album *Agents of Fortune*, and returned for an encore after an unrelenting crowd chanted "BOC, BOC" for a good five minutes.

"Let's be democratic," shouted guitarist/vocalist Eric Bloom. What do you wanna hear?"

As fans shouted out their requests, the band launched into another 20 minutes of BOC classics, then left the stage exchanging high-fives and handshakes with the front row of the crowd.

All in all, the band gave an outstanding no-frills performance -- one that the band's hard rock/heavy metal descendants might well take a few lessons from. ■



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Statistics on the spread of sexually transmitted diseases are as frightening as some people's attitudes. A brochure issued by the health service states that an estimated 10 million Americans are infected each year, with 85 percent of the cases occurring in people between the ages of 15 and 30 — the group most college students are in. The reasons behind such statistics:

- Sexual activity is increasing, especially among young people.
- Many people aren't aware of the diseases and do not recognize the symptoms — and the diseases continue to spread.
- People who are infected don't inform their partners — and the diseases continue to spread.
- Many symptoms are not easily noticed so the disease spread and invades other parts of the body.

"The major concern of most students seems to be birth control, not sexually transmitted diseases," explains Barbara Martin, health services director. "A lot of them seem to think safe sex means taking the pill when in fact it means using condoms and foam.

"The most relevant point is that abstinence is the only

guarantee you have against STDs, and if you decide to be sexually active, you must use condoms and contraceptive foam to protect yourself and your partner," Martin advises.

"Men and women need to learn how to modify their sexual behavior by knowing all the facts," she adds. "We try to educate students on the risks and signs of diseases. We give lectures in the dorms and teach students the proper use of condoms. One problem we see over and over is that they don't know that condoms need to be put on before *any kind* of contact is made. Pre-ejaculatory fluid can transmit some STDs."

Based on her observations, Martin claims that males are responding better to behavior modification than females.

"More guys come in and request condoms than females do, although they are free upon request to either sex. Girls should carry their own condoms because they are just as responsible for practicing safe sex as the male should be."

Martin emphasized how important it is to know the person you are planning to have intercourse with and discuss important sexual issues.

"If you don't know a person well enough to discuss histories of relationships, you shouldn't have sex with that person," she claims.

Martin says she hears both sexes complain about the

use of condoms because "it feels like taking a shower with your socks on." Her advice to this complaint is, "If you want to take a shower at all, then that's the way you'll have to dress."

Taking precautions cannot eliminate all risks, but can make sex much safer.

"One of the most prevalent STDs that is occurring today is chlamydia," notes Martin. "It is much more serious than it was once believed, and everything it can do is still not known."

Chlamydia is more common than gonorrhea and almost as common as the cold. Untreated chlamydial infection in women is a leading cause of infertility. The Center for Disease Control estimates that 11,000 women annually are sterilized by chlamydia.

"There should be more concern than just avoiding pregnancy. You get STDs the same way you get pregnant, and with something as serious as HIV, there is no solution," she added.

The present attitude of disconcert will likely alter itself to one of self-preservation as more young people learn they are not exempt from STDs. It is important for everyone to know the difference between safe sex and birth control — and to do something about it. ■

**RADAR** from page 6

clubs in Murfreesboro, beginning with B&L on Feb. 21," relays Fernandez.

Tiger Radar is calling this string of free shows "Jam for the Fans." The group has several bands joining them, and Concert Productions is providing the lights free of charge.

"We want to spread our message throughout the world and enlighten all the people," says Sayer.

"Make sure you put down that John said that and not me," laughs Fernandez.

What Fernandez does have to say as a songwriter is as straightforward as their music. His prolific song titles like "Backward Politics" and the prophetic lyrics in "Take a Look": "You see crime and corruption/ Will lead us to our destruction/ Our ways of life/ will lead us to our graves," add up to an ominous view of the world.

Fernandez, who has been leading bands for several years, says he writes about the blue-collar worker and the poor.

"It's not hard to write about being poor when you are poor. I'm not prejudiced against anyone except rich people that don't do people right," avows Fernandez.

Traugher explains that his role with the

group is to "help the band further define its direction."

"We're going to have to go more commercial, but we're just totally different. Individually, the members have space to grow; as a unit, I think they could equal or surpass anything out there," notes Traugher. "Sometimes it just takes time."

Traugher also plans to use the members' talents on other projects such as production projects, songwriting for other artists and in performance. The positive reaction from CBS just reinforces what Traugher first saw in the band: what he calls a "freshness" the new decade needs.

"All it takes is a good attitude and good songs," insists Bradley.

With each new decade comes a new beginning. A time to label the music of the past, learn from it and go on to something else. Tiger Radar hopes to encompass the past into the present to build a future for themselves. ■

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# SPORTS

## Lady Raider basketball managers much more than laundry maids

DAVID LEE GREGOR  
Sports Editor

If asked what the duties of a basketball manager are, the average person might conclude that they consist of nothing more than doing laundry.

Mitzi Wilson, Jana Schmidt and Nicole Campbell would be among the first to correct this commonly-held misconception. "There's a lot more to it than people think," said Wilson, head manager for the Lady Raider basketball team. "We do a lot more than just wash clothes."

Wilson, Schmidt and Campbell must make sure that each one of 11 Lady Raiders has all of her uniform all of the time. The trio must be sure that the team has extra uniforms for road trips, and practice uniforms available on call.

The threesome must be sure that the arena is "set up" on game day. This entails laying out towels for not only the Lady Raiders, but for the visiting team as well.

The managers must be sure writing boards, along with coach's notes, are available for both coaching staffs. They must make sure that both the official's and visiting team's dressing rooms are stocked with towels and soap, and anything else requested.

Freshman managers Schmidt and Campbell take turns filming team games.

Other tasks include submitting ticket lists for the Lady Raiders and the visiting team, supervising the MTSU ball girls during games, the occasional wake-up call for the occasional oversleeping Lady Raider and running coach's errands as well as basically taking care of Raider head coach Lewis Bivens.

"I walk behind Coach Bivens and pick up what he lays down," said Wilson. "If we go to practice at another school, I always wait until everybody else leaves to make sure everybody got everything. His stuff's always left."



Pictured, from left to right, are MTSU Lady Raider head manager Mitzi "right arm" Wilson and assistant managers Nicole Campbell and Jana Schmidt

Sandra Rennie/Staff

"I love it," said Campbell. "The friendships that we make mean a lot to me. I had friends in high school, and now they're on the team. It's helped me get

along in college a lot better because I've met more people."

Schmidt comes to MTSU on a partial athletic scholarship from Murfreesboro

Riverdale High School, where she played basketball as a freshman before becoming a manager.

"My freshman year, we moved to Oklahoma," said

the soft-spoken Schmidt. "They still play half-court basketball. I didn't like that, so my sophomore year I

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## Blue Raiders, Lady Raiders busy over weekend

DAVID LEE GREGOR  
Sports Editor  
and  
TONY J. ARNOLD  
Assistant Sports Editor

**Track and Field** — The MTSU Lady Raider track team pulled off several stunning upsets early in Saturday's meet, and held off a late surge by highly-touted Alabama A & M to remain undefeated on the season.

MTSU's Michelle Welch led the charge, winning the long jump with a personal best of 19'10 1/4" and the triple jump with a leap of 36'4 3/4". Welch defeated A & M's Tameka Hutchins, the favorite in both events.

Freshman Koko Rowley won the high jump (5'1") and the 55-meter hurdles (8.22 seconds), upsetting A & M's Taiwo Aladefa in the latter event.

Leigh Weathers and Eljssa Davis combined in the 800-meter to outrun A & M's Gloria Morgan and Juanita Boatwright. Weath-

ers ran an MTSU school-record 2:16.38 in the event, nipping teammate Davis at the finish line for second place.

MTSU's Tracy Edens took second place in the shotput with a toss of 37'1 1/4". Karen Barnes and Sharon Smith finished third and fourth in the mile run.

Welch broke the one-minute mark in the 400-meter dash for the first time this season with a time of 58.9 seconds to take second place in the event. The Lady Raider mile-relay squad finished in third place in a time of 4:07.35.

Middle Tennessee finished the meet in first place with 79 points. Alabama A & M finished with 51 points, Vanderbilt with 26, Western Kentucky with 19, Wallace State with 7, UT-Chattanooga with 4 and Austin Peay with 3.

Having won the meet, the Lady Raiders improved their season record to 15-0.

**Women's Basketball** — In spite of outrebounding the Eastern Kentucky Lady Colonels 56-33, finishing five players in double figures and three with double-doubles, MTSU's Lady Raiders lost to Eastern 72-69 Saturday evening.

MTSU turned the ball over 14 times in the first half and 23 times on the game. Combined with a wretched 31.6 percent field goal effort and relatively-poor free throw shooting, the Lady Raiders insured themselves of a defeat early in the game.

The Lady Raiders, who led Eastern for a total of only 1:45 out of a possible 40 minutes during the game, fell behind by as much as nine in the first half, and 14 in the second half.

MTSU tied the game three times in the final six minutes of the game, but dropped dead at the charity stripe down the stretch. The Lady Raiders hit only

one of seven free throws during the last five minutes of the game.

Behind the scoring of freshman guard Kristi Brown, the Lady Raiders turned themselves around last night against the Morehead State Lady Eagles, defeating MSU 85-78.

Brown hit on 9 of 15 three-pointers on the evening, setting a new MTSU school record and falling just one trey short of the NCAA record. The Murfreesboro native finished with a career-high 30 points on the night.

Ironically, it took the Lady Raiders nearly 30 minutes of playing time to capture their first lead of the game. After tying the Lady Eagles five times in the second half, MTSU took the lead for good on a Shanna Wright jumper with 10:35 remaining.

Brown led the Lady Raiders in scoring over the weekend with 44 points in

two games.

Junior forwards Pippa Gipson and Stephanie Capley added 32 points and 25 rebounds and 22 points and 18 rebounds respectively.

With the win, the Lady Raiders move to 8-13 on the year, and 4-4 in OVC action.

**Men's Basketball** — The Blue Raiders were KO'ed by the Eastern Kentucky Colonels for the second time this season Saturday evening, 81-66.

EKU used a combination of slow offense and aggressive defense to jump on the Raiders early, 19-6.

Raider coach Bruce Stewart was tagged with his first technical foul in nearly two seasons with 11 minutes left in the first half. By the end of the game, Stewart had compiled three technicals and been ejected from the game.

"For me to get three technicals in a game, I think that sends a statement on

my opinion of the officiating," Stewart said. "I told them [the officials] what I felt about it [the officiating] and they threw me out."

While EKU shot a blazing 74 percent during the second half, and finished the game at 60 percent, the Raiders shot only 32 percent from the field on the night.

Like their female counterparts, the Raiders reversed themselves against Morehead State last night, defeating the Eagles 89-76.

The Raiders smacked Morehead early, taking a 20-4 lead with 13:49 remaining in the first half.

The Raiders forced 13 first-half turnovers, including five from Morehead standout Elbert Boyd. The Raiders ended up taking 29 basketballs away from Morehead on the evening.

Morehead's Brett Roberts outscored the Raiders 9-6 over the first 3:49 of the second half to

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started being a manager." Campbell, also on a partial scholarship, played basketball as a freshman at Shelbyville Central High School before becoming a manager.

"At Shelbyville, it's pretty difficult to be a basketball player," said Schmidt. "My freshman year was the first year that I had played basketball, so I wasn't quite good enough to make the varsity team. But I wanted to be a part, so I decided

to be a manager." Wilson also began managing in high school, and continued to do so in college.

"My best friend played basketball and signed a scholarship at Carson-Newman," said Wilson. "Coach Bivens was at Carson-Newman and seemed to be real pleased with me. He calls me his right arm."

"He asked me to come to MTSU with him. So I worked my way up to full scholarship. He's the

reason I'm here." "The way you can tell when you have good managers is when they're doing everything right," said Bivens. "You never even know they're around. I'd just as soon have a good manager as an eleventh or twelfth player."

"I have three of the best. They're unsung. I couldn't have three better."

Wilson, a senior, is majoring in physical education, and has a health

minor. She plans on becoming a sales representative for a major sportswear company.

Neither Campbell nor Schmidt have declared majors at this point in time, but both are sure of their long-term goals. Campbell, with her exceptional math skills, is interested in a career in accounting, and Schmidt, because of her experience with small children, is interested in teaching. ■



**Up, up and away!**

Blue Raiders Titus Jackson (32) and Robert Taylor (25) fly sky-high to tap in a score for MTSU during the second half of Saturday's game against Eastern Kentucky. Looking on are Eastern's Aric Sinclair (11) and Mike Davis (22).

Sandra Rennie • Staff

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pull the Eagles to within two. Led by sophomore forward Quincy Vance, MTSU answered with a 24-8 run over the next 8 minutes.

Vance literally slammed the Eagles into submission, scoring 12 points over the stretch, including three tremendous jams.

Vance led the Raiders with 18 points. Senior guard Gerald Harris and Chris Ingram added 17 each, and sophomore guard Jeffrey Hunter finished with 16. Ingram led MTSU with 10 rebounds.

**Men's Tennis** — In what proved to be a very competitive tournament, the MTSU Blue Raiders finished tied for second place with East Tennessee in the Greg Adams Winter Invitational — held in Richmond, Kentucky — over the weekend.

Louisville won the invita-

tional, and Murray State and Cincinnati tied for third. Only two points separated the four teams.

MTSU's Nick Sheumack finished fifth in the No. 1 bracket. Craig Haslam lost to Louisville's David Reuff in the semi-finals of the No. 2 bracket to take third place.

In the No. 3 bracket, Johan Franzen lost a tough match to Murray's Doug Hawthorne 6-3, 7-6 (7-5), and finished second.

"Johan probably played as well as anyone on the team," said Raider coach Dale Short. "I'm really proud of him."

David Thornton lost a highly-disputed match to Louisville's Eric Krupa 7-5, 2-6, 6-4 to take third place in the No. 4 bracket.

Brian Duncan finished in fifth place in the No. 5 bracket. Robbie Williams lost to

Cincinnati's Eric Toth 6-3, 6-4 to take second place in the No. 6 bracket.

In the No. 1 doubles competition, MTSU's Haslam and Sheumack finished in a tie for third, losing to Murray State's Hawthorne and Scott Yarbrough 7-6 (7-5), 6-2.

Duncan and Williams finished tied for third in the No. 3 doubles bracket, losing to Louisville's Mark Allen and Richie Beckman 6-7 (9-7), 6-2, 6-4.

MTSU's team of Franzen and Thornton battled darkness to post an exhaustive 6-4, 5-7, 7-6 (8-6) victory over East Tennessee's Louis Gonzales and John Lucchesi to win the No. 6 doubles bracket.

The Blue Raiders will be in action again against Austin Peay on Feb. 24, when they square off against the Governors in Clarksville. ■

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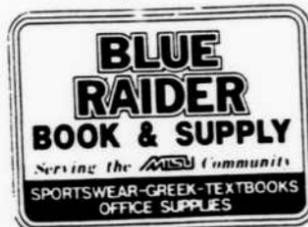
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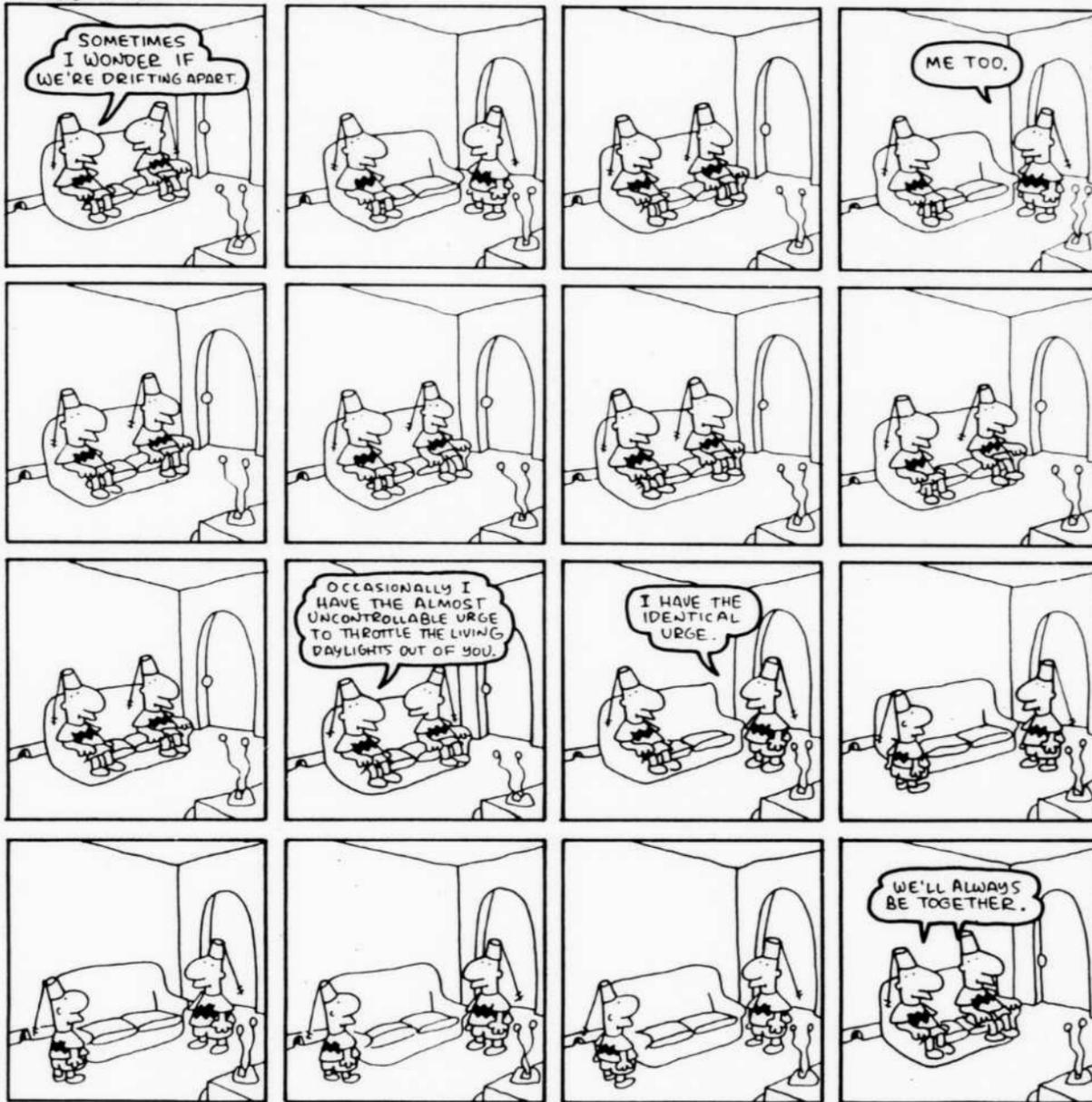
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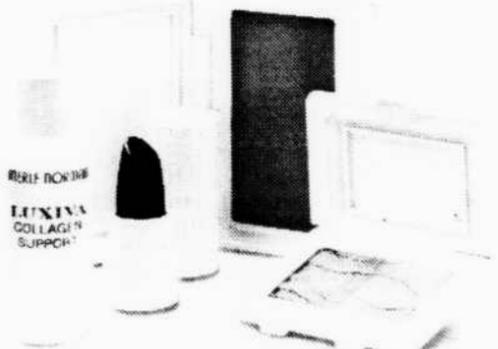
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