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Appeals policy changes at MTSU

GREG ADKINS
Editor

A summer policy change in the academic appeals process at MTSU is just starting to affect university students.

According to a written policy change, MTSU students are no longer allowed to make personal pleas for readmission to the university after being academically suspended. Students can only try and get academic suspensions rescinded by making a written appeal to the Academic Appeals Committee, whose decision is final.

"I knew that the Appeals Committee has been unhappy with the process for some time," said Robert Jones, associate vice president for Academic Affairs. "When I discussed this with Dr. (James) Walker, shortly after he arrived, he agreed a change was definitely necessary."

Jeff Bush, a senior political science student, said the rule change has caused him a great deal of trouble.

"I know people who lie on their appeals, but I tried the truth and it didn't work," Bush said. "I was put on academic probation in the spring and then took one class in Intersession and made a D. The Appeals Committee turned down my plea and now I'm out."

Vice President for Student Affairs Paul Cantrell sympathized with the student and got him a meeting with Jones, according to Bush.

"Jones said there was nothing he could do; the committee's decision was final," Bush said. "I went to President Walker's office, but he wouldn't even see me. I think I'll send him a certified letter."

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New center created for 'Adult Learners'

RICK JENNINGS
Staff Writer

A new center for "Adult Learners," formerly called "Non-Traditional Students," has opened in Peck Hall.

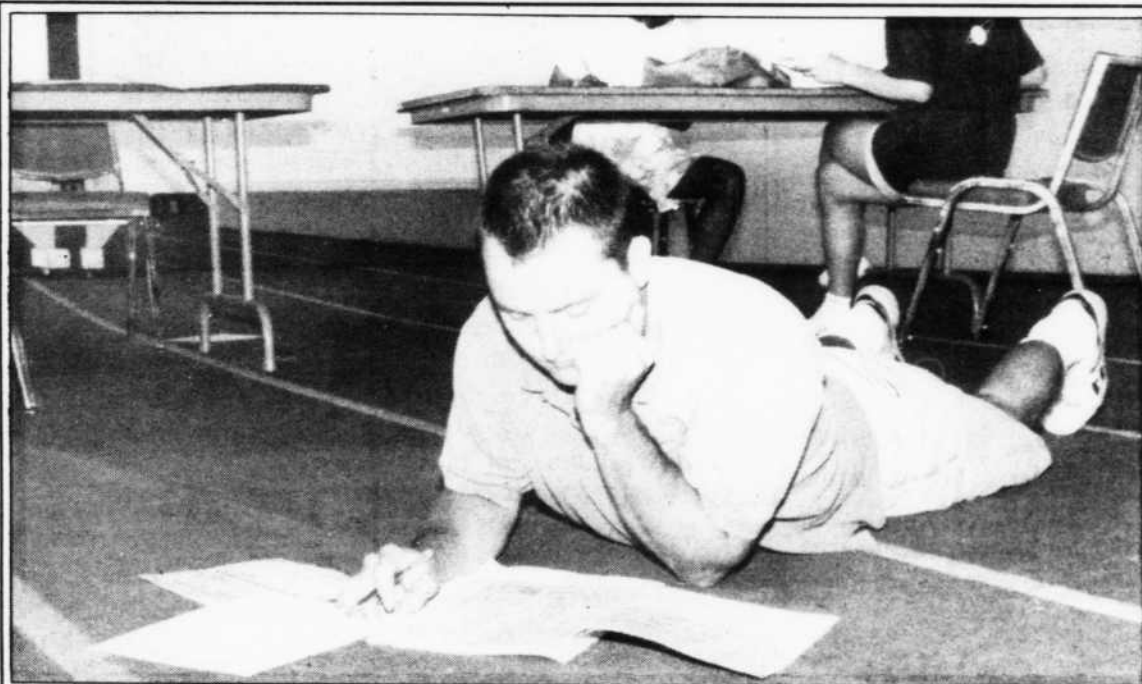
According to MTSU President Dr. James Walker, "The opening of this office is the first step to looking at and understanding adult learners. We are responding to a report and recommendations by the (Non-Traditional Student Advisory) committee to allow MTSU to service the needs of all students."

Walker was involved in a similar program in Colorado before coming to MTSU.

He said that in Colorado the first steps were to "expand the service units in the evenings to meet expanding needs and to make available for adult learners, or anyone with a day-time job, the same services as traditional students."

The administration has already implemented some of the recommended changes. One such priority was extended bookstore hours. Therefore, during this semester, Phillips Bookstore will remain

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LYING DOWN ON THE JOB: Ricky Rutherford, a chemistry major, tries to figure out his schedule before registering for the fall semester at Murphy Center.

MTSU has record enrollment

RUSTY GERBMAN
Staff Writer

About 14,881 students attended classes Friday, breaking the all-time record enrollment of 14,865 set last fall, an MTSU administrator said.

And more are expected to be in class when the doors open today.

"We registered over 1,000 students yesterday (Thursday)," said Cliff Gillespie, dean of Admissions and Records.

"We will be around the 15,400 or 15,500 for the final enrollment," Gillespie said Friday.

About 1,298 students, double the number from last spring, did not pay for their registrations by the Aug. 20



Shelley Mays/Photographer

WATCHING THE TUBE: Several MTSU students watch for their classes on the new registration monitors at Murphy Center.

deadline and had their schedules purged from Student Information Systems, the dean said.

Gillespie said he was

"greatly surprised" by the number of students who did not pay in advance. He noted that

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Campus Security serves MTSU students in a lot of ways none of us think. If your locked out of the dorm room or the car won't start you want them there fast. MTSU needs to thank our men in blue.

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MTSU's search committee makes the selection of its final 3, but Bruce Stewart's assistant, Tommy Smith, is not among them. President Walker makes the final decision. Read about his choices.

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open until 6 p.m. Monday and Tuesday in order to accommodate MWF students as well as the TTH ones.

The Adult Academic Services Center (AASC), in Peck Hall Room 203, also will have night hours and, according to Dr. Rosemary Owens, Non-Traditional Student Advisory Committee chairperson, "There will be a code-a-phone for those calling even later than the extended hours."

Owens said she's been "involved constantly since 1982" and that the recent motivation to have a committee is due in part to "a survey of some 400 non-traditional students by Dr. Jeannette Heritage."

The term "Adult Learners" has been passed down from the Chancellor to replace "Non-Traditional Student," said Diane

Bowden, a senior at MTSU.

Not only is the percentage of non-traditional students growing, but also the definition of "Adult Learner" has been changed. "The new definition is 23 years or older if you were out of school for two years or more," Owens said.

The roles are reversing, and soon the 'norm' or traditional student will be 23 or older.

"This is the beginning of an attitude change on campus, and we are going to be a part of it," Bowden said.

The percentage of non-traditional students at MTSU, under the old definition of 25 or older, is about 30 percent.

According to Cornelia Wills, director of Institutional Research, "In the Fall of 1990, 4,387 of the 14,865 students were 25 or older."

The breakdown of these students was: 920 lower division; 2,004 upper division; 465 special,

with degrees still taking classes; 947 graduate students; and 51 doctoral candidates.

"About 45 percent were men, and 55 percent were women," Wills said.

Bowden said, "There seems

to be a breakdown in informing and communicating the availability of services and facilities that are already functioning. This would be a priority of the AASC office."

"We want to make the

campus 'user friendly,' "and this could be "used as a recruiting tool" for MTSU, she said.

The AASC office is also looking for volunteers. For more information, go to Peck Hall Room 203.

Adult Learners survey conducted

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Staff Writer

A survey conducted during the spring 1991 semester by senior Dianne Bowden has been effective in improving the MTSU system for students.

The survey was done as an independent study research under the supervision of Dr. Jeannette Heritage and is used to assess and compile the needs of Non-Traditional Students (NTS).

More than 400 responses were received out of the 1,400 surveys sent to these students with an MTSU mailbox.

The survey showed that most "Adult Learners" work jobs in addition to their student load, and many commute.

The nature of their schedule creates a problem with the limited hours of MTSU offices and facilities and with the class scheduling because some required classes are rarely offered.

Heritage suggests the situation "requires readjusting and possibly a rotating basis for

required classes."

The preliminary summary of the responses to the survey listed several needs common to the students:

Child care facility
Career counseling
Support groups
Posted faculty hours (not just 9 to 5)
Ways to contact adjuncts (possibly voice-mail)
NTS representative in student government
Extended library hours
Activities aimed at (not so young) NTS
Extended bookstore hours (done)
Adult Learners office (done)
Help phone number for NTS (done)

Mention was made for the need of orientation to programs and facilities at MTSU and the need for instruction about procedures such as enrollment, registration and financial aid.

"These services could also be made available on video,"

Bowden said.

Many students expressed a need for "seminar-like" skill improvement refresher courses in areas like:

Effective study skills
Test-taking skills
Stress management
Child raising
Marriage
Aging
Math, Reading and English

The survey is ongoing, so students are encouraged to contribute their comments.

For more information, students should stop by Peck Hall Room 203 or write Bowden or Heritage, MTSU Box 499.

*The information concerning the survey is taken from "A Survey of Non-Traditional Students Middle Tennessee State University," written by Bowden as part of an independent study for Psychology 399.

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SUZANNE NORMAN
Staff Writer

The campus Public Safety and Security Department can be an advocate rather than an adversary, according to the department head, Chief of Security Jack Drugmand.

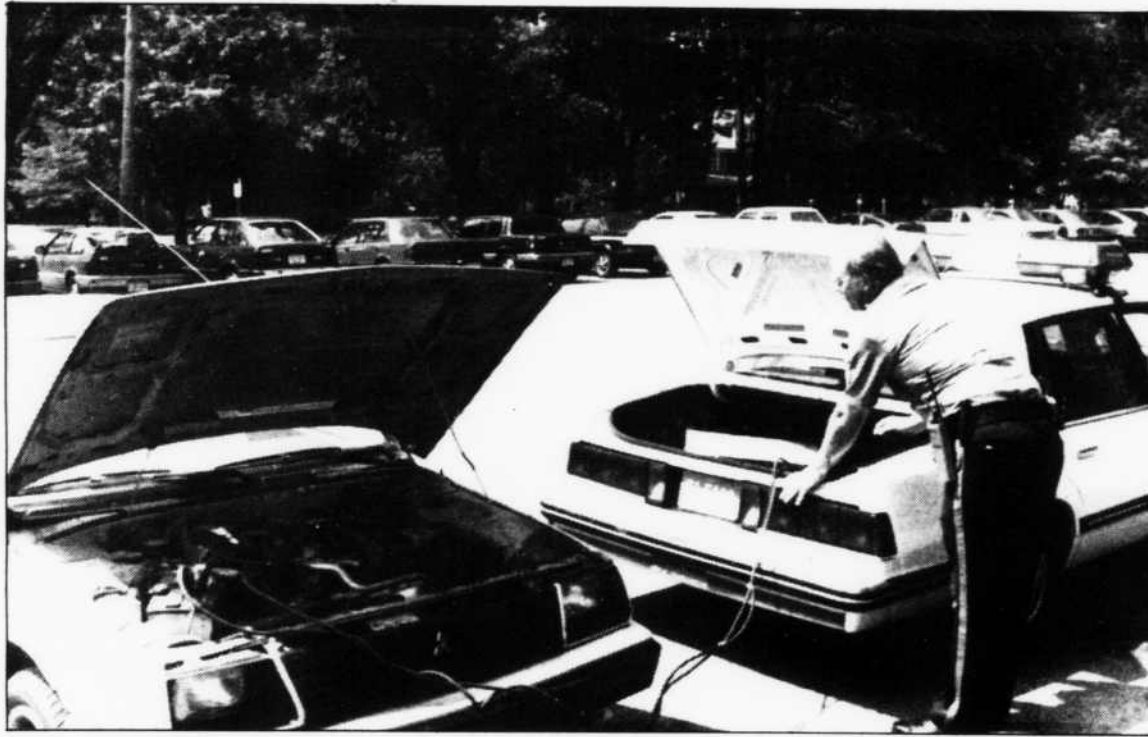
Whether it be unlocking someone's car because the owner locked the keys in it or responding to a tragic accident in which a life is at stake, the department is available to serve the campus community.

While many only think of the campus police as being "out to get" people, they don't realize the many services rendered by the department. Such services include investigation and prosecution of crimes, response to emergency situations, assistance in crime prevention, aid to motorists and escorts for pedestrians.

According to Drugmand, one of the major concerns of the department is the victims of tragic situations, especially victims of date rapes, a common crime among universities today.

"We are very victim-oriented," he said. "We'll do all that we can to see that a rape victim gets the proper emotional support and counseling. We'll examine the case thoroughly, and if we find sufficient physical evidence, the victim may prosecute if he/she wishes."

"However, we won't force the victim to prosecute. We'll still do everything for the victim regardless of whether he/she



Shelley Mays/Photographer

CHARGING IT UP: Sgt. Nixon of Campus Security helps a student jump off a car with a dead battery.

prosecutes." Drugmand also said that in an emergency situation that involves apparent and/or potential injuries, "We'll suggest but not make the victim receive medical treatment."

The campus department recommends that 2424 be used as the primary emergency number for on-campus situations. The use of 2424 helps the location be identified easier so that the police can be the first at the scene.

The department has taken such action as enforcing the

trespassing policy and being host to crime prevention seminars.

Through the trespassing policy, suspicious trespassers have been caught and charged. Student and employee identification is becoming more and more pertinent because of the stricter trespassing policy.

The crime prevention seminars give information about the locking of doors, not walking alone at night, walking in well-lighted areas, notifying others when going out on a long trip, and supervising of clothes and

books. Alcohol and drug awareness seminars are also offered.

"People are not aware of what really happens in society," said Sgt. Brian Grisham, head of the seminars. "For example, it would interest a lot of people to find out that a vast majority of date rapes are perpetrated by

someone the victim knows.

"Statistics have also proven that rapes happen a lot in the victim's own dwelling. The myth that crime doesn't happen on campus is false. However, if people become more aware, then there is a better chance of avoiding crime."

The department is open to the public regarding MTSU crime statistics and is required by the Tennessee State Legislature to send a monthly Uniform Criminal Report to the F.B.I. MTSU crime statistics are also presented at the seminars.

Another service offered by campus police is the aiding of motorists.

Last year, the department recorded 2,089 motorist assists, most of which included unlocking cars when the owner locked the keys in it, according to Drugmand.

"We'll do all we can to save the person from having to call a locksmith," Drugmand said. "Locksmith fees range around \$50. After awhile, it can get pretty expensive. Unfortunately, manufacturers are making it more difficult for us to open the cars. Therefore, we ask that people please be more cautious."

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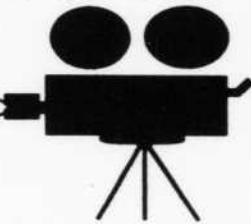
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there could be many reasons why students did not pay.

"We still had some students getting confused about when and where to pay even though it was explained on pages 6 through 10 in the student schedule book," Gillespie said. "But we will try to make it clearer next time."

He also said many students may have decided not to attend MTSU this semester.

Last spring, 5 percent of the students, and this summer, 20 percent of the students preregistering did not pay for their classes by the designated deadline. This fall, 10 percent did not pay for classes by the cut-off date, Gillespie said.

On the last two payment days

of preregistration, more than 6,000 students paid for classes at Murphy Center, Gillespie said.

Today until 6:30 p.m. is the last day to register for a full schedule, but a late registration fee will be added.

Classes can be added until Wednesday for students who have already registered.

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MTSU's Policies and Procedures Manual does state in its due process section that the accused will have an opportunity to testify for himself/herself and submit evidence from others to rebut the evidence against him/her.

It also states that faculty, staff and students have the right of a hearing before an impartial

person or group of persons.

"I believe a person has been given due process once their appeal has been heard by the Academic Appeals Committee," President Walker said.

The due process section of the Policies and Procedures Manual, according to Jones, applies to hearings for matters such as plagiarism and theft, not appealing academic suspensions.

More than 300 appeals for early readmission were received by the Appeals Committee for the fall semester, according to Jones.

"Most universities have done that (stopped appeals after the Academic Appeals Committee's decision) a long time ago," said Dr. Nancy Boyd, chairman of the Appeals Committee. "MTSU has just now done it with the change of presidents."

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The department also has an escort service available to those needing an escort to walk around campus after dark. The escort service may be reached 24 hours a day at extension 2424.

The department encourages input by the campus community on current issues. In September, it will install twelve emergency phones around campus that will operate on a radio frequency. The phones are funded by the Department of Student Affairs.

Bart Gordon to visit Rutherford County

U.S. Rep. Bart Gordon will hold one of his regular Open Meetings for Rutherford County at the LaVergne City Hall at 8 a.m., on Thursday, Aug. 29.

"Our nation's success in the Persian Gulf should inspire us to turn our attention to some problems at home," Congressman Gordon said. "If we can help others around the world, certainly we can build a better life for ourselves."

Gordon priorities include developing sound energy strategies, renewing emphasis on research and technology that will ensure global competitiveness, building a solid economic base, giving deserving students an opportunity through quality educational and training programs, and providing basic health services to all Americans.

"The solutions won't always be easy and the results sometimes will take years, not months. But we must begin making that kind of long-term investment if we are to uphold the promise of a bright future for current and future generations," added Gordon.

During the first seven months of the 102nd Congress, Gordon's proposals to protect consumers against fraud and deception in the 1-900 telephone industry have been adopted by a House subcommittee and could come up for a vote in the House this fall. In addition, he has filled major pieces of legislation to eliminate hundreds of millions of dollars in waste and abuse in federal student assistance programs.



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ASB is now SGA

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Two junior and sophomore senator positions are open for the 1991-92 school year. Five freshmen positions are also open.

Petitions become available tomorrow in ASB office on the third floor of the Keathley University Center.

According to Associate Dean of Students David Hays, changing the name of the ASB to the Student Government Association will more clearly identify the role and purpose of the organization and will improve the group perception of representing students.

"Not only will the name be more recognizable to students, but it will also put us more in line with other school in the Tennessee Board of Regents," said Shawn Burgess, ASB president.

All other universities under the state Board of Regents carry the SGA title.

Student also will vote to reauthorize \$2 for the \$3 activity fee.

According to Hays, every two years the student body has to vote to continue the activity fee.

Because the \$1 fee increase was approved last fall, only the remaining \$2 will be voted on.

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Opinions

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Suspended students consider appeals process 'unappealing'

The MTSU Policy and Procedure Manual states that "due process at Middle Tennessee State University is based upon the principles of fair play, where actions are reasonable, just and not arbitrary." However, there are some students, or should we say ex-students, who would take issue with that statement.

The new policy for appealing academic suspension has taken its toll on several students who received bad news from the Academic Appeals Committee last week. In the past, the student would have the right to appeal the committee's decision to the president or to the associate vice president of academic affairs. Now, all decisions made by the committee are final.

Policy No. 1:01:04 states that a student has "(T)he right of a hearing before an impartial person or group of persons." The problem with the new appeals policy is that it denies students the right to appear before the committee to present evidence for their cases. Instead, these decisions are made based information in a written form, not from a face-to-face hearing.

It appears to be yet another symptom of the "Big Blue Squeeze." With more students meaning more appeals, it becomes convenient for the administration to cut corners. The problem with cutting corners, unfortunately, is that students fall through the cracks and are never heard from again.



While Soviets riot, Americans are quiet

I sat in my Lazy Boy heavy-chassis recliner and sipped on a tall cool America brewski. TV images danced in front of me, and the burning heat of shame rose from my soul.

GREG ADKINS
Editor's Soapbox

Russia was free from its oppressors once again. The terrible hard liners were once again in their cages, and Gorbys was free to reform.

Why was I ashamed?

Because, on my little color Zenith window to the world, I saw Russia's vibrant youth take the streets to celebrate freedom.

What do America's youth celebrate? Overindulgence.

History's great hard-line government is being reshaped, and their youth are taking an active role to make sure the government doesn't turn around.

America is stagnating in a pool of disinterest, except when you try to take away their cable TV, and Russia, the great communists, are becoming a world democracy.

I am ashamed because in the 1750s and 1760s young men defied the odds and challenged atrocity. Young idealists, students rose from the farms and the shops

to become lawyers and scholars. They were called rebels and loved the title.

Young men forged this nation literally with their blood, sweat and tears. Their fears put aside, they abandoned standard British rule and made a country.

Today, young men and women debate which brand of Frito-Lay chips to buy.

During America's Civil War, young men and teens were made officers and soldiers to fight an old rivalry between the north and south. They died carrying ragged symbols of justice and truth across muddy battlefields.

Today, America's youth sweat about whether or not Spandex will be in style this year.

The Industrial Revolution sent bright people to the cities where invention was the rage. Knowledge begat knowledge begat knowledge, and America was never the same. Assembly lines, cotton gins and motion picture cameras all change our lives forever. America's idol was Thomas Edison.

Today's heroes are Madonna and Vanilla Ice.

World War II sent women to the factories to help with the war effort. For the first time women knew they had the same skills as men. Their roles were equal in the

war effort. Neither could have done the job without the other.

Today, more effort is put into picking up a conquest, man or woman, at the local bar than participating in any cause, political or otherwise.

Hippies were the rage of the 60s. They dressed the way they wanted to dress, and they acted the way they wanted to act, but did so with a cause. Sitting around complaining wasn't their style. When things didn't suit them, they protested.

Against all odds, these flowered warriors rebelled, and they stopped a war.

Today, punks and pseudo-hippies litter places of higher learning and bars everywhere. They fear their own shadows and support no cause except themselves. What a waste it is for visionaries to become cowards.

Are we what we used to be? NO!

We are the remains of great men and great ideas. We are resting on ground tamed by leaders and thinkers. We serve causes started by true rebels.

Let us hope America awakens from this sleep, a spell only the young can break, before the Russians become inspired enough to surpass this nation in knowledge as well as spirit.

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Street Beat

What advice would you give to incoming freshmen?

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Monique Reeves
Computer Information
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"Keep your priorities straight. Whatever you came to school for, be sure to stick with that."



Felecia Thomison
Business

"If you want to return and continue to be students, you must get the idea that studying has to be done at some time during the semester and not just partying all the time."



Mary Rhudy
History

"Be nice to people. Don't just walk around the place with a blank smile on your face. I mean be polite. That means to be polite to your professors as well as your fellow students."



Matt Phifer
History

"Go to class everyday. Don't miss any classes at all."



Sarah Murray

Pre-Physical Therapy
"Get to know people. Talk to your teachers, get to know them and understand them."

PSF pastor gives tips for survival

Four years ago, Boston Henry Dempsey fell out of his airplane 2,500 feet above the Atlantic Ocean. He barely managed to grab the plane's passenger ramp, and held on for the "longest 15 minutes of my life." His copilot thought Dempsey had fallen to his death and radioed for search parties.

DAVID ROBINSON
Guest Columnist

The 6-foot-4, 200-pound Dempsey didn't panic, hanging by his knuckles, half a mile above the earth pounded by 180-mph winds. "I even looked down, and I could see my own house and the whole neighborhood." The challenge was landing. Inching his way up the ramp, he was a mere 8-inches above the runway, uninjured, when the plane came to a stop and authorities peeled his hands off the plane.

Too many of you this year will see your life here at MTSU from Dempsey's point of view. Though the Atlantic is hundreds of miles away, and though only a handful of MTSU students will pilot a plane this year, "just hanging on," and "survival" is a VERY common mode of existence for college students.

Here are several tips on how

to have a worst first semester at MTSU:

1. *Don't study until November.* In fact, why even buy your books? They are overpriced anyway! You came to college to enjoy yourself and get away from your parents. Sure, you have to pass those classes. But you made it through high school without studying much. College can't be that much different, especially here at MTSU.

2. *Only study until November.* You know how to ruin perfectly good friendships, don't you? Every time we ask you to go get some pizza or something, we hear the same old tune: "Nah, I've got to study." Get a life. Who are you trying to impress? The Tennessee Board of Regents? Life's a bit more than GPA's and fluorescent-lit library basements.

3. *Just get through.* Do the bare minimum required by profs, RA's, coaches, parents. The ends are more important than the means. Hang in there. Survive. Hold on for dear life. You're just at MTSU to get a degree. Avoid any and all opportunities to learn anything.

4. *Believe everything you hear.* Don't ask questions. Don't challenge the system. Never argue with a professor. They are always

right. After all, they have all the degrees and experience. Let them spoon feed you. Then, when exam time comes, just regurgitate what you've been fed, and you'll feel fine after it's all over.

5. *Don't get involved in campus ministry groups.* Sure, it's okay to shop around. Visit here, drop in there, but don't commit yourself anywhere. You are better off a loner. These groups just eat up all your time anyway, leaving no freedom to "spend time with friends." Besides, you had enough of "religion" back in high school. You don't need anyone telling you how to live your life. Distrust anything you hear or read by campus pastors.

Okay, enough is enough. Dempsey lived through his ordeal, and flew the next weekend, this time by commercial flight. The majority of you, too, will "survive" MTSU. In four to eight years, you, too, can enjoy your own parade in cap-n-gown.

All of us will eventually die. Mere survival is not enough. Jesus said, "I have come that you may have life and have it in abundance." Campus ministry groups at MTSU take Jesus at his word and invite you to a life of abundance. I dare you to have a great semester: to develop good

study habits, to keep your life in balance, to seize opportunities to grow and learn, to ask tough questions, and to get involved in a campus ministry group this semester. Anything else is mere fishbait.

CAMPUS MINISTRY GROUPS AT MTSU

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Bell St. (across from Bell parking lot). Campus Minister: Mitch Holman. Mon: 7 p.m. "Raiders for Christ"; Tues: 12 noon, "Bread Break", \$1; Thurs: 8p.m., Thurs. Night Together. Monthly service projects. Phone: 896-1529

PRESBYTERIAN STUDENT FELLOWSHIP: 615 N. Tenn. Blvd. (next to BSU). Campus Minister: David Robinson. Tues: 6:30 a.m., Prayer Breakfast; Weds: 9 p.m. "INFORMAL COLLEGE WORSHIP". White-Water-Weekend: Oct. 5-6 (with BSU and Campus Rec.). Retreats, mission trips, activities through year. Phone: 893-1787.

WESLEY FOUNDATION: 216 College Heights (across from Clement Hall). Campus Minister: Bill Campbell. Sun: 8 p.m., Worship; Tues: 6 p.m., Supper, \$2; Wed: 11:30-1 p.m., lunch; Wed: 7 p.m., Koinonia; 7:30 p.m. Wesley Singers. Dramatic Productions each semester. Phone: 893-0469.

Other groups: NAVIGATORS, FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES, AND OTHERS.

Features

Try something adventurous *Fraternities offer fun, parties and brotherhood*

Now that you have been thrust into another year of school or even into your first day of freedom, you are probably looking for something to do.

Do you like parties? What about meeting people or becoming involved in something that will affect you for the rest of your life? Have you considered the MTSU Greek system?

CHRIS WHITE Special to Sidelines

So you think you've studied this topic at great length. You've rented "Animal House" and think that all fraternity men are either named Buger or Biff, and all sorority sisters are named Buffy. Well some brothers have colorful nicknames. But in reality they're just like many of you.

The Greek system is much

more than band parties and practical jokes. Not to discount the fun, the people who are involved in these groups do other things like Christmas parties for underprivileged children and participate in civic activities such as the adopt-a-highway program. The main idea for these groups is to promote good ideals and friendship. Involvement in an organization is a serious matter, and that involvement has its rewards.

Friendships which are made are unique in that members share many of the same experiences and emotions. That means everything from the ceremonies to the party wildness. These ties are special because they last well beyond college. You meet so many people that it is hard not to find several with whom you like to do things. If you don't mind a little

work and a lot of fun, you'll meet people that you will never forget.

Being a Greek is something special. You might be wondering if you'll fit in and if you will even be accepted. It's easy to find out — just try going through rush, and be yourself. The people generally don't judge you by the way you dress, the way you talk, or even by your hometown.

Once you meet the people in each group, you'll quickly discover two things: each member maintains his personal identity, and the entire group has its own character. What I mean by this is that there are the Jimmy Buffet types, the Iron Maiden types and the Garth Brooks types in each group, but the entire group will dance to C & C Music Factory. You'll fit in if you will be yourself.

There are a few things to

consider before you jump right in. (Doesn't this sound like a sales speech?) Like any other good thing, money is involved. The average fraternity's dues are about \$40-\$50 a month. A sorority's dues are a little less. There are a few other costs for formals and T-shirts. Most Greeks are like the rest of the college students, poor. The money goes towards several things like house or room rent, sports fees, and the philanthropies. It's well worth the money.

The other main consideration is the time it takes. There are weekly meetings where parties are planned, general business is conducted, and rituals are performed. Don't worry about the "rituals." Almost every day of the week there is something to do: flag football in the fall, basketball in the spring, "social gatherings"

in the fall and spring, and usually a mixer or two a week. These are fun. Time is taken away from you, but it is always worth it.

If you think you can handle all this, juggle classes and keep your GPA floating, then one of the Greek organizations probably has a place for you. If you are interested in sorority life, bid day is today for the fall semester, but there is another rush in the spring, so don't despair. However, for guys interested in the Greek system, orientation will be held at 7 p.m., Sept. 11, in the James Union Building's Tennessee Room. Theme parties will be held Sept. 16-19 at the individual houses, and "smokers" will be held Sept. 23-25. You can sign up for rush and get your rush card and calendar in the Dean of

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Street Fair set for Labor Day weekend

The Nashville Symphony Guild's 37th annual Italian Street Fair opens Labor Day weekend at a new home — Brentwood's Maryland Farms.

The grassy grounds of the office complex will be transformed into a Roman holiday, complete with the "Trevi Fountain" and Appian Way.

The theme for this year's Neapolitan fete is "All roads lead to Rome," or in this case, Brentwood. The site was selected because all roads via Interstate-65 make the Maryland Farms location easily accessible and also visitors will have free parking.

More than 80,000 people traditionally attend the fair each year over the four-day period Friday through Monday. This makes Nashville's Italian Street Fair one of the largest single fund-raising events in the United States to benefit a symphony.

Good food, exciting entertainment, crafts and fine arts exhibits and merchandise ranging from new to nearly new, at bargain prices, have become hallmarks of the Italian Street Fair. Added this year is an expanded music area with more albums, tapes, sheet music and related items. The book booth has also been expanded.

Year after year, by far the most popular areas are the food booths — especially ones selling Italian sausage sandwiches! In 1990, two tons of sausage were made into more than 10,000 Italian sausage sandwiches. Other food items that are in demand include Italian meatball sandwiches, spaghetti, pizza, pasta, homemade baked goods, fruit and cheese from Luigi's, ice cream, hot dogs and hamburgers.

A booth featuring fine wines is a new addition. Fair-goers can sit and enjoy premium wines in a comfortable setting while having the opportunity to discuss their choices with experts from the wine industry.

Always one of the tastiest events, the Italian Street Fair's Bake-Off will be a bit more irresistible this year now that Pillsbury has moved to Tennessee. Pillsbury and Nashville radio station Lite FM 92.9 are sponsoring the bake-off which has been expanded to three categories being judged over three days. Bakers interested in entering a special recipe should call Jan Paone at 391-4545 for more information.

Many fair visitors follow the progress of favorite artists each year. This year more than 80 artists and craftsmen from throughout the United States will exhibit, and for the first time works will be

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Compiled and photographed by Rick Jennings

NOT QUITE THE BEATLES: "1964" performed almost an hour and a half of Beatle classics for a very responsive near capacity crowd at Tucker Theater.

The show seemed to be a big success even though just prior to the 8 p.m. concert, the four "Beatles" impersonators were served papers concerning an infringement lawsuit brought by Apple, producers of "Beatles" records. The U.S. District Court Case 3 91 0675 was filed in Nashville, with Judge Wiseman, as Apple v. ADPR inc., Mark Davis Bensen, Terry Manfred, Gary Roy Grime and Thomas Allen Work.

According to Derek Frisby, Chairman of Special Events Committee, "U.S. Marshalls (one Marshall and one deputy) and a representative from the [plaintiff's] attorneys' office were here at 7 p.m. when I arrived." This had "no effect on the show and nothing to do with MTSU," Frisby said.

When asked "what was the band's original response," Frisby quoted members of the band as saying they "have it pretty much under control. Didn't expect it, but it was like a rush of adrenaline; we wish it would happen before every show."

"No comment at this time, we haven't even read it" was the response from the "1964" bandmembers after the show. However, they did say "we have been doing this show over eight years all over the world."

Vaden helps businesses get feet off the ground

When asked why she came back to Middle Tennessee State University, Dorothy Vaden is quick to say that she never left.

The 1991 MBA graduate, who received her BS in accounting from MTSU in 1988, is the specialist counselor at the Small Business Development Center in Hartsville.

The Hartsville office, which opened in July, is one of two affiliate field offices recently opened by MTSU's Small Business Development Center. It is located in the Four Lake Regional Industrial Development Authority.

While she was working on her undergraduate degree, the Watertown resident and mother of two was working full-time at what was then known as Lebanon Bank, now First Tennessee Bank.

"I've been an ambitious lady for a long time," she recalls laughing. When she began at the bank, she was a switchboard operator, getting her "foot in the door." After a year, she transferred to the Watertown branch office, where she "learned banking from the ground up."

Born in Kansas, Vaden moved to Watertown with her husband, where she still resides more than 16 years later.

As specialist counselor, Vaden will help small business owners identify sources for financing, management and marketing, personnel, getting local licenses, and steer them towards other business expertise they may need, all at no charge to the client. Funding for the center comes from MTSU and the Small Business Administration.

So far, she's been visiting local dignitaries in Wilson, Trousdale, Macon, Sumner and Smith counties and getting to know some of the people in this area.

"It's been fun. I've met some really delightful people."

Dr. Jack Forrest, director of MTSU's Small Business Development Center, was pleased that Vaden had joined his staff.

"Dorothy was in banking and learned how to help businesses. She's well qualified," he said.

Despite her heavy schedule, she still finds time to read, cook, sew, crochet and quilt. When asked how she finds the time, she replies, "I've set goals in life that I want to reach. If you reach for the stars, you'll obtain them. I haven't arrived yet."

Anyone starting or thinking of starting a small business can call Ms. Vaden at 374-9521.



LOOK OUT BELOW: A member of the U.S. Army Parachute Team, otherwise known as the Golden Knights, displays an American flag as he lands. The Knights will perform during the annual Tennessee Aviation Airshow, September 7-8, 1991 at Smyrna Airport.

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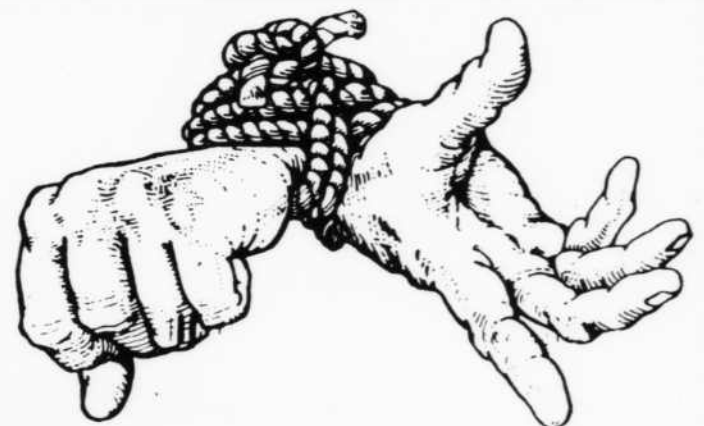
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Roberts receives job and master's degree

High energy. Constantly on the move.

These two phrases can be used to describe Ronald Q. Roberts, a new instructor in journalism and relations at Middle Tennessee State University.

The former Gallatin resident received a master's degree in education from MTSU last week and will begin teaching classes this fall.

Keeping busy had not proved to be a problem for Roberts, who finished his degree in a year while working full-time as assistant director of the Office of Public Relations at MTSU. In addition he maintained an active schedule of intramural sports. He had been with the Public Relations office since 1988.

A broadcast journalism major, Roberts received his B.A. in Mass Communications from MTSU in 1984. While at MTSU, Roberts was a Student Ambassador, a Student Orientation Advisor, a dormitory resident assistant and dormitory president. He was a member of

Gamma Beta Phi National Academic Honor Society, as well as president of Alpha Phi Omega, a national service fraternity. He was a writer for *Sidelines*, the student newspaper, and worked for WMOT, the campus radio station, as well as for WSM radio.

After graduating from MTSU, he worked as production assistant on "Nashville Now," a country music show seen on The Nashville Network.

A 1980 graduate of Gallatin Senior High School, Roberts was editor of the high school newspaper, a member of the track team, vice president of the senior class and Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA). He was a delegate to Volunteer Boys State, where he was appointed to the post of press secretary and information director to the Governor.

"I like to stay busy," he said.

Roberts and his wife Deborah live in Antioch.



WELL DESERVED HANDSHAKE: Ronald Q. Roberts (right) receives his master's degree from President James Walker (left). Dr. James Hindman (left rear) looks on.

Problems always have solutions

"For every problem there is an opportunity." — A very special friend taught me that when life's problems seemed to be at their worst. And although it is such a simple phrase, its meaning has continually come to my rescue in this sometimes maddening, but always precious journey we call life!

As a college student, I, too, face many

Abby" doesn't either.) I'm just a student like you who cares about helping you with your problems.

In my opinion, no problem can be too big (nor too small). Perhaps you don't know where you fit in and need a friend to talk to. Maybe your dilemma is more serious. You're the victim of mental or physical abuse, and you need a confidential ear to understand.

Well, I'm here to help! For your more serious problems, I will seek professional advice. Identities will remain confidential. I will do my best to guide you through the rough time you're facing.

Write to me: "K.C."

MTSU Box 42

Not all letters can be printed. But if you enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope, I will reply as soon as possible.

In closing, I'd like to say that no matter what obstacle you face, there is hope! Sometimes it does take both rain and sunshine to make a rainbow.

KIM'S COUNSEL

problems as you do. But I've come to realize that time does "heal all wounds," and there is an opportunity for every problem encountered. (Yes — hope is waiting and is closer than you think!)

So why am I telling you this? Because college can be very rough at times, and we do face trials we find difficult to deal with. That's what I'm here for! Read on.

I've often been told I'm a good listener with helpful advice. Granted, I have no doctorate in psychology ("Dear

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Students Office, KUC 126
through Sept. 11. See you at rush!

Is some of this confusing to you? What is meant by a mixer? It's not a machine to make margaritas in. It's when a fraternity and a sorority throw a party, sometimes with a theme. It's sole purpose is to meet people of the opposite sex, dance, and just to get to know other people. A "Social Gathering" is just a small party that usually grows into a big party. A "Derby Week" is when the Sigma Chi's host various events for the Greek ladies of MTSU. A "Pike Fight" isn't some kind of illegal betting term, but a night when members of the fraternities try to show how hot they are in a boxing arena while the Pi Kappa Alphas raise money for charity. A "AGR B-B-Q" is just that, the best attended event of the year where the Alpha Gamma Rhos cook hundreds of pounds of barbecue and bring in one of the best local bands. "Old South Week" is when the Kappa Alphas dress in Confederate uniforms and relive the days of gentlemanly southern hospitality. Many of these are open to anyone and usually everyone attends.

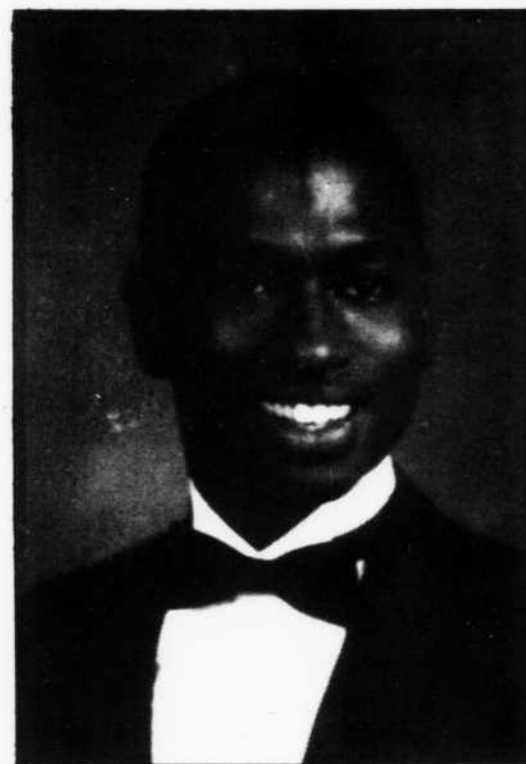
What is rush? It's the period of time when the Greek organizations host "open houses" to interest people. The schedule is set up so that you can visit all of them. There you can meet all of the members and get a feel for the group. It's ok to come alone or as a group, even if you don't know anyone. You want to meet as many members as you can, not to campaign for a bid, but in order to make the best choice. The unique part of this is that you decide where you would like to visit again or if you want to put your decision off to another time.

Some people like to wait and get a better feel for college, and some like to start the fun right away. The men hold rush in the spring and in the fall. The ladies hold it only in the spring. This usually is in the first couple of weeks of school and is open to freshman through seniors. For more specific information about fraternities, contact the Dean of Students, Dean Cantrell. For more information about sororities, contact the Dean of Women, Dean Smith. Their offices are located behind the mail boxes in the Keathley University Center.

Once you receive a bid, that means that everyone in the group is impressed by you. The next thing is pledging. Don't worry, you don't have to wear burlap underwear or roll around in the mud. Hazing is a thing of the past. This time gives you the opportunity to make sure that you've made the right decision. The purpose of the program is to draw you closer to the organization by way of teaching you it's history and customs. You will probably take a retreat where you will get to know everyone a lot better. Once you make it through the program and you get initiated, you will feel a sense of pride for your organization. All of the groups work together and play together to make college more enjoyable, or should I say less painful.

You want to enjoy college and get a degree to enable yourself to pursue a career, but you also want to take something away from it besides a piece of paper. The friends, experiences, and memories are all part of what comes from being a member of a Greek organization. Try it. Membership does have it's privileges.

The Midlander



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Fair

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organized into two separate areas; crafts and fine arts. Impressive examples of oil painting, watercolors, handblown glass, jewelry, woodworking, pottery, baskets and more will be exhibited.

As a fund-raising event for the symphony, it is only fitting that the fair will have continuous, excellent musical entertainment. The highlight of the whole event is when the Nashville Symphony takes the stage. This year they will open the fair Friday evening when they play with nationally known pop artist Michael Johnson (Bluer Than Blue.) Johnson will be showcasing material that will be on his new album to be released in September. Also performing Friday will be the hot Cajun group Les Kerr and the Bayou Band.

The musical groups scheduled are diverse. From country, rhythm & blues, pops, jazz, rock to children's entertainment, there will be something for every taste. The single stage nestled among the trees will be reminiscent of the

Fair's Natchez Trace site in year's past.

The focus to the 1991 Italian Street Fair is on the family. The tree-covered grassy location allows additional amusements and activities for children. Kids will enjoy "Circus Maximus" which will feature a variety of carnival rides, clowns and storytellers. For the adventuresome, there will be the Junior Great Grape Stomp-Off. Grownups can squash some grapes, too, at their own Great Grape Stomp-Off. The Celebrity Stomp-Off always draws a big crowd. A \$10 entry fee for stomping includes admission to the fair for four days and an official Great Grape Stomp-Off T-shirt, available only for stompers.

Many other activities are guaranteed to keep all ages and interests amused. For the competitive, bocce ball, an Italian lawn sport similar to bowling, is organized by the Italian/American Club of Nashville. There is pasta art and face painting for the creative, and for the spiritual there are readings for astrological life patterns.

The Italian Street Fair has

come a long way since its modest inception in 1955, when Symphony Guild members found themselves facing the dilemma of how to best raise funds for the Nashville Symphony. That first Italian Street Fair netted \$5,000, and last year the fair grossed more than \$372,000. This year's goal is to exceed that amount.

Admission to the Italian Street Fair is \$4 for adults, \$1 for children 12 to 3 years and free for children under 3. Advance adult tickets are on sale at the Sovran Bank locations for \$3. One admission ticket is good all weekend.

The fair is open Friday, Aug. 30 from 5-10 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 31 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 1 from noon to 10 p.m., and Monday, Sept. 2 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Monday at 2 p.m. all unsold merchandise from booths (excluding fine arts and crafts) will be put together and sold at reduced prices. Co-chairmen for the Italian Street Fair are Bryan Hoskins, Dean Dorsey Hoskins and Judy Turner. Nashville Symphony Guild president is Barbara Barton.

Campus events enlighten your mind not your pocket book

GARY ESTER

Features Writer

So now that you've found yourself in Murfreesboro, what now? To some, it is a small town. To others, it's a refreshing change from the crossroads they grew up in. While not a Mecca of culture, it is not exactly located in an artistic vacuum.

Many is the time I've heard someone comment on how dead it is at MTSU. Well, if it's a life of nightclubs you're wanting, Nashville is just up the road. If it's a little bit of artistic entertainment you crave, then look no further.

In researching this column, I managed to find the music, art, theater, and dance departments. (Yes, Virginia, there is a dance department.) What else does one need to make life culturally fulfilling? But get this — all of the fine arts activities on campus that are presented

through the various schools are FREE!!!! (To MTSU students, that is.)

Who could ask for anything more?

A schedule? Ah, yes.

If you keep an artistic eye on this publication, you will find on Mondays a listing of all the fine arts events happening on campus for the following week. On Thursdays, you will find reviews and some special articles about the arts.

So, if you are looking for a world of culture and excitement, you don't need to attend the University of Paris. MTSU has many events planned for the coming school year, and I will help you find them.

And remember, for those you who are as poverty stricken as I am, they are FREE to students.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION

An election will be held on Wednesday, September 18, 1991. Polls will be located and open as follows:

Keathley University Center 8:30 AM - 4:30PM

Peck Hall 8:30AM - 6:15PM

Appearing on this ballot will be:

- (1) a proposal to amend the ASB constitution to change the name of the ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY to the STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION;
- (2) candidates for two (2) Sophomore class Senate positions; candidates for two (2) Junior class Senate positions; and candidates for five (5) Freshman class Senate positions, and;
- (3) reauthorization of a \$2.00 portion of the student activity fee*

All students with a valid MTSU identification card are eligible to vote in this election. Petitions may be picked up in Room 304 Keathley University Center, Beginning Tuesday, August 27, 1991. Deadline for filing petitions will be Tuesday, September 3, 1991 at 4:00PM. Candidate's meeting will be Tuesday, September 3, 1991 in Room 304, KUC, at 4:00PM.

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And then there were three

Three coaches make cut, Smith out of the running

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

The list of finalists for the MTSU men's basketball head coach position was trimmed to three Friday.

Vanderbilt University Assistant Rick Callahan, Hutchinson (Kan.) Community College Head Coach David Farrar and Auburn-Montgomery Head Coach Larry Chapman are vying for the position.

Less than two weeks ago, a search committee got the list of more than 100 applicants to six. The six were brought in and interviewed face-to-face by the committee, which then chose the final three.

The three will be interviewed by MTSU President James Walker early this week. According to a Nashville newspaper, the new coach could be named as early as Wednesday.

MTSU Assistant Tommy Smith was among the final six candidates yet did not make the last cut.

"I'm naturally disappointed, but you have to go on," Smith said in an interview with the local paper. "I'm glad I had the opportunity to interview with the

committee, and I thank them for that.

"I've done the best I can do, and I have nothing to apologize for. I appreciate (MTSU Athletic Director) John Stanford and his professionalism throughout all of this, and it's been a tough experience, but unfortunately, that's the nature of the business."

Callahan, 33, is the youngest of the three finalists. He is a graduate of Salem College and Syracuse University. He held assistant positions at Syracuse and Wichita State before joining the staff at Vanderbilt in 1989.

Farrar, 44, has won 81 percent of his games (137-33) in five seasons at Hutchinson State, including the National Junior and Community College Athletic Association national championship in 1988. He also has held assistant positions at Southwestern Louisiana, Mississippi State and Western Kentucky.

Chapman has produced three NAIA All-

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THE FINALIST

Rick Callahan

Assistant at Vanderbilt

Larry Chapman

Head coach at Auburn-Montgomery

David Farrar

Head coach at Hutchinson Comm.

College

MTSU Basketball



File Photo

PULLING IT DOWN: Former MTSU Lady Raider star Stephanie Capley pulls down a rebound during a practice session. Capley was honored by Hanes Her Way recently for her achievements on and off the courts.

Capley pulls down another MTSU award

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

After completing an outstanding basketball career last season, Stephanie Capley has been selected MTSU's winner of the first NCAA Woman of the Year Award.

The award is presented by Hanes Her Way to a senior who has completed her athletic eligibility and has demonstrated outstanding athletic ability, academic excellence and dedication to community service.

The award will officially be presented to Capley at one of MTSU's Lady Raiders' home games during the upcoming season.

"I am very honored to accept this award, and I thank Hanes Her Way for making it possible," Capley said. "I think the award will encourage other young women to strive for excellence and achieve it."

"Participating in sports has taught me many skills I know I'll be using throughout my life."

Capley, a forward during her playing days, closed out her

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Legend is lost

Reese Smith Jr. passes away

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

One of the greatest contributors to MTSU died last week.

Reese Smith Jr. died at 4:30 a.m. August 18 in Nashville's St. Thomas Hospital. He was 68.

During his life Smith was a tremendous contributor and fan to MTSU.

In 1979 he and his family spearheaded a financial drive that resulted in the first lighted university-owned baseball diamond in Tennessee. For that action MTSU honored Smith by naming the field Reese Smith Field.

Smith had connections to the university before then, though.

Before World War II, Smith attended MTSU and played football, but when the war started he joined the U.S. Army and left.

He was a member of the Blue Raider Athletic Hall of Fame as well as the MTSU Foundation.

Smith is also recognized as being an impact on several sports outside the Middle Tennessee area.

Smith was one of the original investors in the Nashville Sounds and at some point in time has been involved with eight other minor-league baseball teams.

On an amateur level, Smith is credited with sponsoring hundreds of youth baseball teams throughout Middle Tennessee.

He was an owner of the Music City Jammers, a Nashville professional basketball club that will begin play this fall, and was a previous owner of the Nashville South Stars Community Club.

However, perhaps his biggest impact was felt in the walking horse world.

In that arena Smith was a prominent leader who was extremely involved. His strong will and presence of voice were what the industry needed, especially in 1988.

At that time, animal rights activists filed a lawsuit against owners and exhibitors attempting to stop use of padded horses. Smith led the fight against the activists by raising more than \$450,000.

On Aug. 9, during the International Grand Champion Walking Horse Show held at MTSU, Smith was in the show ring when he fell from his saddle with a heart arrhythmia. He never regained consciousness.

After his death, his family asked that flowers not be sent to

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Athletic world extremely active over recent months

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

Since the end of the spring semester, the MTSU athletic department has had its share of good and bad news.

Although the majority of these events, which included honors, investigations and tragedy, were covered in detail during the summer issues of *Sidelines*, a large number of MTSU students spent their summers at home and may have missed out on the word.

Therefore, the following has been compiled to update those students.

BASEBALL STREAK: The MTSU baseball team got hot as the season closed out.

After finishing second to

Murray during the regular season, the Blue Raiders went on to win the Ohio Valley Conference tournament and earn a berth in the NCAA.

They traveled to California, where they fell in consecutive games to University of Southern California and Hawaii.

ALL-OVC: MTSU third baseman Dwight Robinson and designated hitter Gary Meyers were chosen on the All-OVC team.

Robinson went on to be drafted by the New York Mets.

MTSU outfielder Corey Watkins was a second-team All-OVC selection.

Blue Raider pitcher Chris Crabtree didn't get any honors, but he did get drafted by the Los

Angeles Dodgers.

SHORT HONORED: Raider tennis coach Dale Short was named the OVC's Men's Coach of the Year.

Short led his Raiders to their first conference crown since 1979, a year in which Short competed himself.

TRACK TIES FOR TITLE: The Lady Raider track team tied Murray State with 88 points in the OVC Women's outdoor track championship.

Middle Tennessee won four first places and had five second-place finishes.

GRIFFIN SIGNS: Former MTSU All-American football star Don Griffin signed a three-year contract extension with the San Francisco 49ers that is believed to be worth \$2 million.

NFL BOUND: MTSU tailback Ricky Martin and receiver Derwin Brewer have signed free agent contracts with National Football League squads. Martin inked with the Dallas Cowboys while Brewer signed with the Seattle Seahawks.

Fullback Wade Johnson signed a contract with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats of the Canadian Football League.

Safety Marty Carter went professional with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

BASKETBALL INKS ONE: Mark Newman of Sevier County signed to play basketball at MTSU.

The 6-9 Newman averaged 23 points and 11 rebounds for the Smoky Bears during his senior season.

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Athletes will have to work in class to play on field

(CPS)-Student-athletes will have to meet tougher academic standards to remain eligible to play college sports if the NCAA adopts a new set of recommendations this January.

The President's Commission, made up of chief executive officers from 44 members of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, issued the recommendations June 26.

Athletes entering college would need a grade-point average of 2.5 in a group of 13 core courses in high school. They would also have to show steady progress toward graduation after entering college.

Another proposal would tighten universities' control over coaches' contracts for outside income, such as product endorsements.

NCAA Executive Director Dick Schultz said he expected little opposition when the proposals come to a vote before 900 representatives of NCAA schools and athletic conferences in January.

The requirements, he said, "will come about as close to guaranteeing graduation as you can do."

"We certainly applaud it. I think it represents a few more steps on the road to reform for student athletics," said David Merkwitz, director of public affairs for the American Council on Education, a trade group for college presidents in Washington, DC, a longtime advocate of sports reform. "It's going to reassert the primacy of academics and go a long way to make sure student-athletes are students."

Not everyone is happy about the higher standards, which some say will hurt poor and minority

students the most.

"I don't see any relief or remedy for those youngsters who are black or Hispanic," said John Chaney, men's basketball coach at Temple University. "Raising the ceiling means nothing if you're not raising the floor."

If disadvantaged students aren't getting adequate educations at the elementary and junior high school levels, suddenly raising the academic standards at the college level won't do any good, he said.

"Constantly raising standards and prices only makes poor youths have no chance at higher education," he said.

Specifically, the recommendations would require a 2.5 average (out of 4.0) on 13 core courses in high school, instead of 2.0 on 11 core courses, effective August 1995. To help students with lower grade averages, the commission proposed a sliding scale for scores on college entrance examinations.

Currently, standards require a score of 700 out of 1600 on the Scholastic aptitude test, or 18 out of 36 on the American College Test. The recommendations would allow a 2.25 GPA with an 800 SAT score or a 2.0 with a 900 SAT.

To maintain eligibility, athletes would also have to complete 25 percent of the courses in their majors by the start of their third year in attendance, 50 percent by the beginning of their fourth, and 75 percent by the start of their fifth.

To give presidents more control over their coaches, the commission also approved a

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Americans, and his team went to the NAIA national championship tournament in 1987-89. Auburn-Montgomery played in the 1988 championship game, losing to

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During his 13-year career, Chapman has compiled a 270-140 record. He played basketball at Auburn University and was an assistant at Auburn before moving to AU-M.

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Capley

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MTSU career with 1,464 career points, good enough for a fourth-place tie on the Lady Raiders' all-time scoring list.

She is tied with Sharron McClannahan (1975-79) and trails Kim Webb (1983-87), who scored 2,148 points; Tawanya Mucker (1985-89) at 1,946; and Jennifer McFall (1981-85) at 1,834.

Capley, who received her degree in accounting, finished her academic career with a 3.023 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

"The long hours of practice and commitment have really paid off for Stephanie," MTSU Athletic Director John Stanford said. "Her outstanding performance in basketball, as well as her notable academic achievements, distinguish her as an exemplary student-athlete."

**American League standings****West Division**

	W	L	Pct.	GB	L10	Streak
Minnesota	75	50	.600	—	7-3	Won 1
Chicago	67	56	.545	7	2-8	Lost 5
Oakland	68	57	.544	7	4-6	Lost 2
Kansas City	63	59	.516	10½	3-7	Won 1
Texas	63	59	.516	10½	6-4	Lost 1
Seattle	64	60	.516	10½	3-7	Lost 5
California	60	63	.488	14	5-5	Won 2

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB	L10	Streak
Detroit	67	57	.540	—	7-3	Won 5
Toronto	67	57	.540	—	5-5	Lost 1
Boston	62	61	.504	4½	7-3	Lost 2
Milwaukee	59	64	.480	7½	8-2	Won 4
New York	56	65	.463	9½	6-4	Won 1
Baltimore	51	72	.415	15½	5-5	Lost 1
Cleveland	40	82	.328	26	3-7	Won 2

National League standings**East Division**

	W	L	Pct.	GB	L10	Streak
Pittsburgh	71	50	.587	—	5-5	Lost 1
St. Louis	66	55	.545	5	7-3	Won 2
Chicago	62	60	.508	9½	6-4	Lost 1
New York	59	63	.484	12½	2-8	Lost 2
Philadelphia	59	63	.484	12½	6-4	Won 1
Montreal	49	72	.405	22	4-6	Won 1

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB	L10	Streak
Los Angeles	68	54	.557	—	6-4	Lost 2
Atlanta	67	55	.549	1	6-4	Lost 1
Cincinnati	60	62	.492	8	6-4	Won 2
San Francisco	60	62	.492	8	5-5	Won 1
San Diego	59	64	.480	9½	4-6	Won 1
Houston	51	71	.421	17	4-6	Lost 1

Note: Standings do not include last nights games.

Lost

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Tuesday's funeral but that donations be made to the Blue Raider baseball program as well as the United Methodist Church at Forest Hills.

Perhaps a fitting end to such a gracious life, Steve Smith, Reese's son, rode his father's horse Miss Walking Miracle in the National Celebration in Shelbyville Friday night.

The horse won the blue ribbon.

Busy

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BEEBE TO BLAME?:

Reports surfaced that OVC Commissioner Dan Beebe is the source that turned the NCAA to examine the Blue Raider basketball program. (Unless know for sure Beebe to blame, do not have to blame in teaser.)

Although the NCAA has yet to be heard from since a preliminary inquiry, Beebe refuses to confirm or deny the charges.

TRAGEDY STRIKES: Former MTSU baseball standout Chris Whitehead was killed in an automobile accident July 25.

He was involved in a head-on collision in his hometown of Maryville.

Whitehead is the holder of several MTSU records. He played in the Boston Red Sox organization after being drafted upon the completion of his junior season.

He retired from baseball at the end of last year to become a family man. He and his wife were expecting the birth of their second child at the time of the accident.

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measure that would require coaches to get prior approval from their presidents for outside income. Coaches can increase their income dramatically by

making endorsements for certain products or camps.

In January, about 235 presidents of NCAA colleges and universities met and decided to exert more control over intercollegiate athletics by cutting scholarships and coaching staffs, phasing out athletic dormitories and making other sweeping changes.

Given the current emphasis on higher academic standards, Merkowitz said the recent reforms recommended by the president's commission likely would be approved in some form by the NCAA schools this winter.

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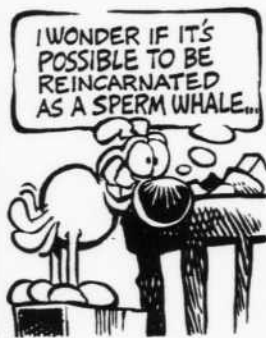
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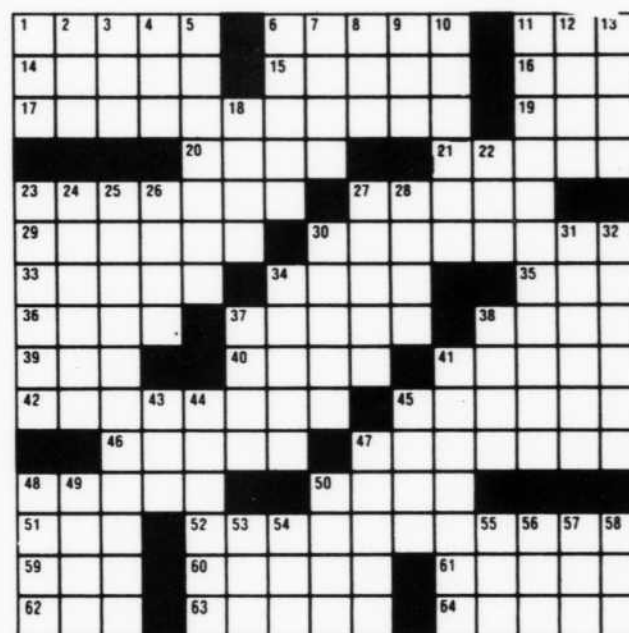
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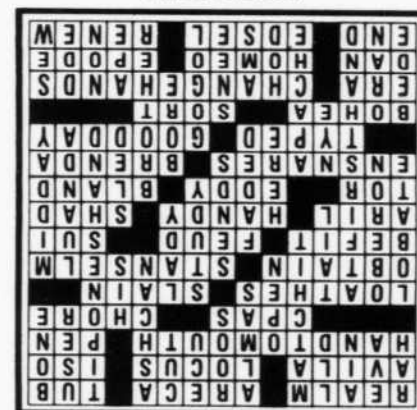


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