



## Hosing down

Senior biology major Esther Edwards waters one of the many university flower beds in front of the Todd Library.

## O'Brien blasts Alexander here

By PHIL WILLIAMS

Editor

State Sen. Anna Belle Clement O'Brien, a candidate for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination, attacked Gov. Lamar Alexander's inability to work with the state Legislature to improve Tennessee's ailing economy in a speech here last Wednesday.

O'Brien, speaking to over 500 Volunteer Girls State delegates, said Tennessee's economy ranks the state above the national average in unemployment and seventh in bankruptcy.

"Any governor has to take credit when the economy is good," she said. "But he or she also has to take responsibility when it is bad."

AFTER ADDRESSING the high school seniors from across the state, Alexander said he was concerned about the state's economy, but defended the role a governor could play in alleviating the recession.

"The economy is a principal concern on everybody's mind, including mine," Alexander said, "and I want to do everything I can to improve it."

"But Tennesseans know that the problems we've got in the economy right now are based in Washington. We need a president and a Congress who

can get the interest rates down, stop spending so much and give us a chance to move on ahead.

"IF I COULD solve that problem, I would," he added.

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Alexander, who declared in advance that his speech would address "practical politics," focused on the campaign tactic he will use in the upcoming election. He said he would meet the voters by participating in public-service and revitalization projects in communities around the state—an idea he called "Community Days."

"MORE THAN 40 percent of our people live outside the 300 cities," Alexander said. "Our

future in this state is in its communities. It seems to me that politics ought to strengthen the communities.

"There are very few statewide solutions to anything."

Meanwhile, the board of directors at the Hilltopper Activity Center, a Crossville, Tenn., organization for the mentally retarded, turned down Alexander's offer Wednesday to work at the facility, terming it "too political."

O'BRIEN, A member of the Senate Standing Committee on Education, said that one reason she was running for governor was because of a difference in philosophy with Alexander about education. She said she had opposed the governor in his budgetary plans to cut funding

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State Sen. Anna Belle Clement O'Brien and Gov. Lamar Alexander

## Cheating: does it exist at MTSU?

By PAULA J. STAMPLEY

Special to *Sidelines*

Cheating is a familiar subject almost everywhere, whether in school, at work or on the golf course. But academic cheating has now reached epidemic proportions on campuses across the nation—and MTSU may be no different.

A recent study conducted at the University of Nebraska, and cited in *U.S. News & World Report*, found that as many as 60 percent of the students said they were "willing to cheat" if under severe pressure to do well.

CHEATING HAS been justified by some MTSU students because of the pressures of the tight job market and the pressure to make decent grades due to increasing college costs.

"Any student will cheat in order to survive," a recent MTSU business graduate said. "If something is really important to you, you are going to do anything to get it."

A popular slogan among some students is that "it is better to cheat than repeat."

MTSU DOES have a cheating problem, according to one graduate.

"I think that about 95 percent of the students in the business department cheat at one time or another," he said.

But at least one administrator disagrees with this statement.



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cheaters have adopted more sophisticated techniques.

TO SOME students, cheating has become almost like a profession, and they will always figure out a way.

Some of the elaborate ways students have been known to obtain information include:

- Paying student workers to obtain copies of a test or even get the actual test. Prices can range from a six-pack of beer to as much as \$50;

- HAVING one student enter a large classroom before a test is given, and then, when the test is passed out, walking out with it;

- distracting the teacher during a test and memorizing the key;

- paying a janitor to leave an instructor's door unlocked and then going in at night and stealing the test;

- distracting an instructor to leave his office leaving his window unlocked, and then returning to the office at night;

- GETTING information from students at other schools;

- plagiarizing papers and padding bibliographies;

- acquiring old tests, research papers and homework from "Greek files"—that is, files kept by fraternities and sororities;

- having one student take a test for another.

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# MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY SIDELINES

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## Street relining to reduce parking

By PHIL WILLIAMS

Editor

A planned re-marking of North Tennessee Boulevard will eliminate approximately 120 parking spaces utilized by MTSU students.

Within the next three weeks, Murfreesboro city engineers plan to make the street 4-lane by eliminating parking on both sides of the road and redrawing the street lines.

"WE JUST feel this will allow traffic to move in a more orderly fashion," said assistant city engineer Rick Templeton.

The proposal which requires only the city manager's approval was unanimously endorsed by the Murfreesboro City Council at its Thursday night meeting.

MTSU officials had mixed reactions about the change when contacted yesterday.

"IT'S GOOD news and bad news," MTSU President Sam Ingram said. "It's good in the sense that the greatly improved traffic flow on North Tennessee Boulevard will make it a safer place to drive."

Ingram said he had asked other MTSU officials to examine the campus to find methods to compensate for the loss in parking.

Among the possible actions by the university, Ingram said, would be to notify students of parking areas which are not fully utilized.

CHIEF OF University Police John Bass agreed that this action may be a solution.

"On almost any occasion when you looked at the K-dorm lot last semester, you could find at least 100 vacant spaces," Bass said.

The K-dorm parking lot is a general purpose area.

BASS SAID the Highrise Building parking area would also be a general purpose lot in the fall semester.

"We have the potential for absorbing most of the affected

cars into these tow lots," Bass said.

MTSU officials also hope an anticipated drop in enrollment will alleviate the problem.

"BUT THAT won't necessarily be the case," Ingram said. "In the fall we had 400 fewer students, but more cars were registered on campus."

Both Ingram and Bass agreed that there may be some problems at the beginning of the fall semester as a result of the change.

"It's a trade-off," Ingram concluded, "and, I guess, we won't know for a while if we're

better off with more parking or with better traffic flow."

"THERE WILL be some problems," Bass added. "But there will be some solutions to those problems."

"It will just take a while for people to establish new habits."

The change also calls for the installation of a traffic light at the intersection of North Tennessee and Third Street, elimination of the pedestrian crosswalk at Murphy Center and the addition of pedestrian-activated lights at the Third-Street and Bell Street lights.

## West Virginian picked for academic VP

"I believe that Meyer is an excellent candidate for this job."

"One of his major strengths is his skill in human relations," Ingram added. "In addition to that, he has an extensive background in academic administration."

Meyer will report to work on July 19, according to Ingram.

Since his resignation, Carlton has accepted a position as division chairman of mathematics at Gordon Junior College in Barnevile, Ga.

A NATIVE OF Eau Claire, Wis., Meyer has degrees from North Central College, Naperville, Ill., and from the University of Wisconsin at Madison. He earned his Ph.D. at Madison in 1959 and was appointed a Danforth Associate in 1964.

Meyer has taught on all collegiate levels in both public and private universities, mainly in the University of Wisconsin system. He has administrative experience in both the private and public sectors of higher education.

JAMES W. LEA, chairman of the search committee, said Meyer made a favorable impression on those who spoke with him during his visit to the MTSU campus.

HIS QUALIFICATIONS and experience, together with the impression he made on those who interviewed him, impressed us," Lea said.

Meyer's selection eliminated five MTSU personnel who applied for the job.

They are Robert Corlew, dean of liberal arts; Harry Hodge, dean of education; Robert Jones, assistant vice president for academic affairs; Kendall Blanchard, chairman of the department of sociology, anthropology and social work; and David Walker, professor of speech and theatre.

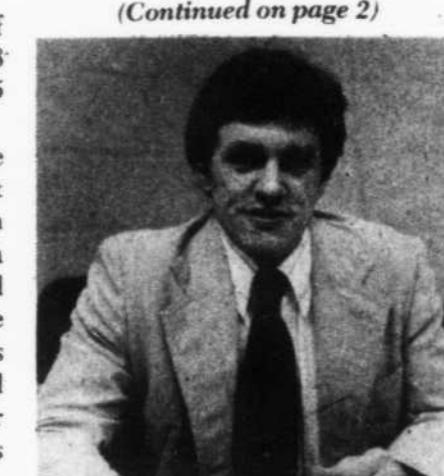
## Enrollment down 300 from last summer

Summer registration totals are down by almost 300 people compared to last year, the dean of admissions and records said yesterday.

During the first day of summer school registration, 3,172 students enrolled at MTSU, compared to 3,475 in the same period of 1981.

"I WOULD NOT have guessed it would have been that much," said Cliff Gillespie, dean of admissions and records.

"But you never know in summer school because the summer school population is different," Gillespie said, explaining that there is usually a higher percentage of graduate students in the summer months.



Ivan Shewmake  
Director of Housing

by one-third) in a different way," Shewmake said.

One of the proposals, which Shewmake termed as "seemingly cruel," calls for the elimination of six Resident Assistants and cutting the hours of some others.

SHEWMACK also plans to concentrate more heavily on training the head residents and RA's returning in the fall.

"We're calling back the head residents a week before school starts and the RA's are returning

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## Sasser opens local campaign

Sen. Jim Sasser, addressing a small crowd of supporters at the Rutherford County Courthouse last Wednesday, announced he would be a candidate for reelection.

"There is no doubt we have some very serious and very grave economic problems," Sasser said. "But I think it is important that we have confidence in our ability to solve the problems that need to be solved...."

"WE ALL HAD high hopes that this administration's economic program would be successful. But, unfortunately, it's not succeeding, and we've got economic problems unequaled anywhere."

Sasser said the primary stumbling block to economic recovery was the high interest rates created by the Federal Reserve Board's "tight-money" policy.



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"We've got to give this country some oxygen or it is going to suffocate," he said.

**TO BRING** interest rates lower, Sasser said he had introduced a bill into Congress which would require the Federal Reserve Board to take into account the fiscal policy of the Congress.

"What we're saying is, let us have our fiscal and monetary policy working together rather than against each other."

"We've got to put this economic engine back to work and hitting on all eight cylinders once again."

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### Doctorate

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Jones said the "uniqueness and quality" of the program here should be a basis for its continued existence.

MTSU ENGLISH department chairman John McDaniel offered several arguments against the proposed removal of the program.

McDaniel said MTSU's

program has a low enrollment

and already have jobs, but are attending college part-time to improve their skills. It would be "counterproductive," he said, to ask these students to relocate several hundred miles to continue their education.

McDANIEL ALSO pointed out that most of the students pursuing English doctorates here at MTSU are from Tennessee

and already have jobs, but are attending college part-time to improve their skills. It would be "counterproductive," he said, to ask these students to relocate several hundred miles to continue their education.

According to McDaniel, MTSU's program achieves "mission essentiality" by serving all interested students in the Middle Tennessee area and surrounding regions.

In addition, the English doctorate program at the University of Mississippi is even lower producing than the program here, McDaniel said. UM has turned out nine graduates since 1971 in their program, while the MTSU program has produced 24 graduates since 1972.

"IN FACT," McDaniel said, "our program here is the fourth most productive in the U.S."

McDaniel criticized the

University of Mississippi program for having "more restrictive entrance requirements" and "a less sharply focused set of courses."

He also indicated that the elimination of the doctor of arts program in English here at MTSU would not decrease higher education costs very much, considering the low number of students enrolled in the program. In addition, he said, the removal of the program would only involve a staff reduction of about 0.6 percent.

The State Board of Regents is scheduled to make a decision on the fate of the MTSU English doctorate program, as well as 11 other "unnecessarily duplicative or low-producing" programs offered around the state, later this month.

people across the state," he said.

The governor said his walk across the state during the last campaign "put me in touch with the people of Tennessee, and them with me." He said that when he recommended laws such as the Class X crime bill, he had the citizens he met during his walk in mind.

O'BRIEN DREW an analogy between her presence and the announcement of the Girls State governor.

"I'm glad you're going to announce your governor today," O'Brien mused, "because I have to believe the next governor of Tennessee will be a woman."

Alexander agreed that "sooner rather than later" Tennessee would have a woman governor—"a governor who is a former Girls State governor." O'Brien is not a former Girls

### Housing

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three days early so we can train them more efficiently," Shewmake said. "They'll be training about 12 hours a day."

By getting the best staff possible, Shewmake hopes the housing office may be able to better monitor the actions of its occupants and rid the university of any "barbarians" who vandalize the housing facilities, creating increased expenditures in repairs.

ANOTHER proposal designed to reduce cost is the hiring of more students as manual laborers, performing low skilled jobs such as painting.

"We think there are students short of money. [In] any job that can be easily done by a student, why not let them have it instead of some outside source?"

Shewmake said rhetorically.

Shewmake hopes to cut housing increases another 3 percent next year by improving his staff and by continually trimming expenditures throughout the 1982-83 school year. Maintaining the budget, he said, will probably create some unpleasant feelings.

"IF WE find a job that is unnecessary or a person not performing their job efficiently, we will replace them or cut them out," Shewmake said.

Although confident the housing package will be accepted by the SBR and work successfully Shewmake said it was possible it fail.

determine which of the three judicial bodies on campus will adjudicate the case—the General Sessions Court, the Student Supreme Court of the University Discipline Committee.

If the verdict is guilty, the penalties could range from a reprimand to suspension, according to LaLance.

"A file would be maintained in Dean Judy Smith's or Dean John Hay's office, if formal charges are brought," LaLance said. "The file would contain all the documents and the findings of the hearing board."

MTSU's disciplinary system follows due process of law, and it meets the minimum standards set by the State Board of Regents, according to LaLance.

Meanwhile, administrators interviewed said they felt that cheating does not pose a significant problem at MTSU. Nonetheless, many students interviewed said that cheating remains a "prevalent problem."

Perhaps this discrepancy is due in part to newer, more creative cheating methods used by some students but virtually unknown to teachers and administrators.

NEXT ISSUE: Students discuss cheating.



Five MTSU faculty members were recognized last month for outstanding service. Pictured, left to right, are William T. Wincham, professor of history; Samuel Clifton Ricketts, assistant professor of agriculture; Jane Poole, assistant professor of elementary and special education; John Gray Cox Jr., instructor of philosophy; and James W. Lea, professor of mathematics and computer science.

## Drunk driver sentenced for deaths

LAWRENCEVILLE, Ga. — A Georgia man has been sentenced to 10 years in prison, following an accident that killed an MTSU coed and two other women driving to see their boyfriends play basketball.

According to the Associated Press, Timothy Paul Smith was sentenced Thursday to three consecutive five-year terms for his April 29 convictions on three counts of first-degree vehicular homicide.

THE JUDGE stipulated that Smith's third five-year sentence would be served on probation at the end of his 10-year prison term.

Smith was charged after a Jan. 9 accident which killed Laura Louise Berg, 20, of Brandon, Fla., and Maureen Rafferty, 18, of Bethesda, Md.

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# Rocky III' surprisingly well-done

By JANENE GUPTON

Movie Critic

It started occurring more frequently in the '70s: When a movie is a box-office hit, the producers turn out a sequel—and, in many cases, "turn" is an accurate description, since the films are often poor imitations of their predecessors.

The trend has escalated in the '80s, with such films as "Superman," "Star Wars" and "Rocky" giving birth to seconds and even thirds.

"ROCKY III" is Sylvester Stallone's third "Rocky" as writer/actor, and his second as director. Stallone, like his character, is working his way up.

Opening with scenes from Rocky's championship fight, the film quickly shifts to humorous snippets of what a famous sports figure might find himself doing: commercials for the American



Express card, appearances on "The Muppet Show" and the like. This type of activity comes to be Rocky's life.

And, of course, with the fame comes money, a big house and a chauffeured limousine.

**IN THE** beginning of "Rocky III," one gets the impression that success has gone to Rocky's head. But before his hat size increases too much, Rocky receives several emotional blows that shatter his self-confidence.

First, his trainer, Mickey (played by Burgess Meredith, who is repeating his role from I

and II), tells the fighter that his opponent in all 10 descending championship bouts were handicapped.

Then a big, ugly monster of a man called Clubber Lang challenges the Italian Stallion to fight—and wins—thus taking the title away from Rocky.

**AND FINALLY**, immediately after the big fight, Mickey dies.

But there is no need to give

away any more of the plot. Rocky followers can just about guess the outcome.

"Rocky" regulars Stallone and Meredith are joined by Talia Shire and Burt Young in "Rocky III." But while their performances are good, equally as good (and perhaps even better) are Carl Weathers and Mr. T.

**WEATHERS** plays a former World's Champion, whose title was stripped by Rocky, but who, along with Rocky's wife, Adrian (Shire), helps Rocky back on his feet again after he is defeated by Clubber Lang.

As a cross between Muhammad Ali and the wrestlers on Saturday-morning television, Mr. T, who portrays Lang, comes close to stealing the show. His continuous threat and gibes at Rocky would curl anybody's hair—even without his constantly fierce, blood-thirsty look.

Admittedly, "Rocky III" is a pleasant surprise. Stallone's writing and directing are well-done. He effectively blends drama, action and comedy. These are sometimes achieved with words, and at other times with merely a look—which proves the actor's capabilities.

**BILL CONTI'S** music complements the mood of each scene perfectly. As the intensity builds, so does the music. The energy of the fighting and training scenes is further accented by superb slow-motion photography.

While some sequels have been—and some will continue to be—producers' efforts to milk a good thing for all it's worth, "Rocky III" is one sequel that can stand on its own merits.

## Work-at-home plans can prove risky

NEED EXTRA CASH? TIRED OF WASTING YOUR SPARE TIME?

Newspapers and magazines are full of advertisements telling you how to "earn extra money at home" or "get rich quick."

Unfortunately, some ads promote what are appropriately called *work-at-home schemes—SCHEMES* because usually the

another person. Of course, the amount of money you receive is based on the number of replies to your ad, and you must pay to mail the envelopes to your "employer," which substantially decreases your 25¢ fee per reply.

**ANOTHER** angle is to have you place the ad soliciting stamped envelopes, then have you stuff the envelopes—with material you have paid the promoter of the scheme for—and send them to the promoter, who then pays you.

Keep in mind that your expenses have been sizable—placing the ad, paying for the "stuffing" material, and mailing the envelopes to the promoter—and you may never get paid.

### HOME BUSINESS

Beware of ads which claim "quick, easy profits" making products in your spare time at home.

Schemes of this type require that you buy the materials needed for assembly from the company. Or it may be necessary to invest in an expensive piece of equipment available only from this company.

After you have made the products, which may be jewelry, leather goods, stuffed animals, etc., you are responsible for selling them. This requires additional time and expense on your part, AND you may have difficulty selling them.

**ENVELOPE STUFFING** Two-hundred dollars a week stuffing envelopes?

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Or you may act as the "go-between" by receiving the replies—stamped envelopes—keeping the 25¢ fee and forwarding the envelopes to the company to meet their standards!

## Films planned for summer show

By BRAD CARRINGTON

Staff Writer

Student programming for the summer will be limited to films and one dance because of budget cuts in other areas, the director of student programming said Monday.

"Summer is a tough time," said Harold Smith, director of student programming. "We're waiting for the new budget on July 1. We can't spend much money until then."

The Dance Committee, however, has set July 22 as the tentative date for a dance in the Grill.

**ON TUESDAY**, June 22, the season begins with gin-drinking river trader Humphrey Bogart and prim missionary Katharine Hepburn in the John Huston classic, "The African Queen."

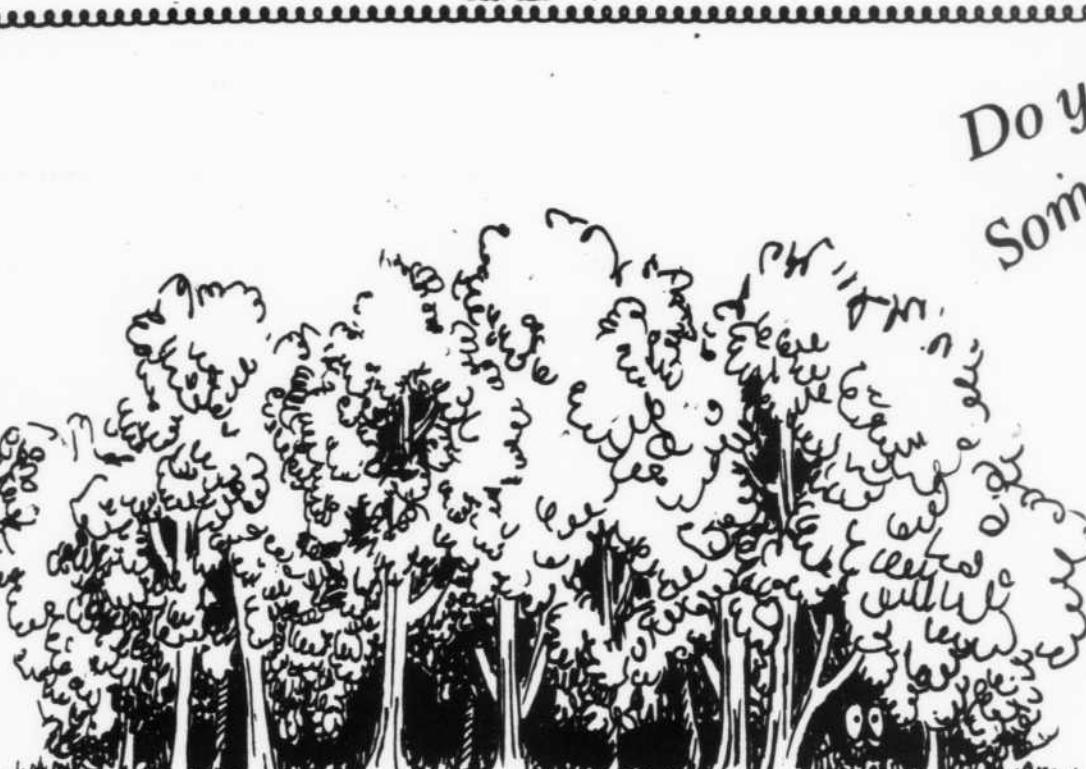
Theatregoers can follow the adventures of a Beverly Hills

hairdresser as he seduces his most beautiful clients in the sex farce "Shampoo," scheduled for June 29. Lee Grant received an Academy Award for her performance. Warren Beatty does the hair of Julie Christie and Goldie Hawn; Paul Simon does the music.

**THE SPECIAL** edition of "Close Encounters of the Third Kind" reinvades Middle Tennessee on July 6. With over two years and \$20 million involved, director Steven Spielberg incorporates man's universal desire to believe in higher beings with masterful technical effects.

Mel Brooks' wild Western parody, "Blazing Saddles," comes to the UC Theatre on July 13. In this nonstop slapstick comedy, a black railroad worker and an alcoholic gunfighter foil a crooked attorney's plan to take over the town.

**THE LAST** scheduled film is "Kramer vs. Kramer." This popular Dustin Hoffman-Meryl Streep tour de force plays Aug. 3.

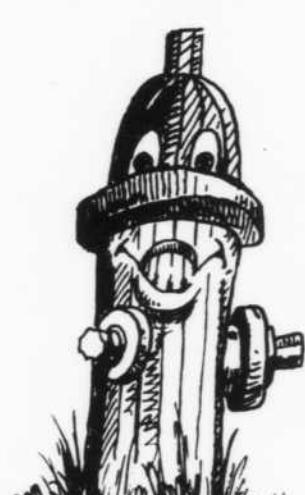


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# MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY SIDELINES

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## On this date

On this date in 1893, composer Cole Porter ("the Adlai Stevenson of songwriters") was born. "Of all the theatre men only Cole Porter truly seemed to have been born into cafe society, to be the perfect smart cracker gentleman," wrote one critic. "Cole had that commercial instinct, and he was lucky to have lived and died at the right time, because he lived in an era of flourish."

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## Sidelines is your newspaper

And so, *Sidelines* has embarked on another unpredictable and adventuresome semester.

As we begin, with a much different and smaller staff than in recent semesters, it is appropriate that each of our readers realize the purpose and goals of the campus newspaper.

"THE NEWSPAPER should serve as a major source of news and information for and about Middle Tennessee State University," the *Sidelines* Staff Manual says. "It should provide needed information to the members of the university community. This community includes all students, faculty, administrators, staff and, in a limited way, the residential community of Murfreesboro that has daily contact with the university."

In our endeavor to accomplish this goal, we need your help. For example:

None of the *Sidelines* staff makes any claim to being omniscient; therefore, we depend on you—our readers—to help

keep us abreast of what is happening on campus. Decisions about the newsworthiness of a suggestion may keep it from being covered, but we would appreciate being contacted.

IN ADDITION, our readers can have a voice on campus by writing letters to the editor. We want to know your feelings about the stories and issues we cover and the way that we cover them.

Throughout this semester, we will be striving to be a total community newspaper. We will go beyond merely publicizing events to examining segments of the community that are simply taken for granted.

*Sidelines* will examine the consumer issues around us through our weekly Consumer Corner. We will try to utilize faculty expertise to understand the world around us through Faculty Perspective, a regular column beginning next week on our editorial page. Plus much, much more.

So, hang on. The best is yet to come.

## Organ donation worthy cause

Is there really life after death?

Indeed, you can give someone the chance to live after your death by signing the Organ Donor Card on the reverse side of your Tennessee driver's license.

Gov. Lamar Alexander has declared this week, June 6-12, as Tennessee Organ Donor Week, "to bring to the attention of our citizenry the importance of the Organ Donor Program and to urge their participation and pledge as organ donors."

RIGHT NOW, 300 Tennesseans are waiting for kidney transplants, many await corneal transplants and a few are waiting for the gift of donated hearts, lungs or livers, according to Margaret Smith, public education director for the Nashville Transplant Program.

While many of us would not be opposed to someone receiving this gift of life, most do not realize that the need for carrying a signed Organ Donor Card is especially urgent. Kidneys, for example, must be removed within 30 minutes of the last heartbeat, and corneas must be taken out within four hours of death.

Furthermore, Organ Donation has few, if any, negative ethical or moral implications.

"MORAL LEADERS the world over favor such donation as expressions of the highest humanitarian ideals," an answer sheet from the transplant program says. "The gift of an organ essential to the life of another human being is consistent with principles of the most widely accepted religious and ethical systems. If you have any questions in this regard, you should consult your religious leader."

In addition, the process has relatively little noticeable effect on the body. The removal takes place in an operating room under sterile conditions and does not delay funeral arrangements.

While most of us are relatively young and do not contemplate our death, it is comforting to know that a person will be able to live in the unlikely event of that occurrence—because someone cared enough to sign an Organ Donor Card.

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"DEFICIT?... WHAT DEFICIT?"

## Senatorial view

### Volunteer service alternative to draft

By U.S Sen. Alan Cranston  
(D., Calif.)

**Editor's note:** While it is not *Sidelines*' custom to run speeches on the editorial page, this speech made at commencement exercises of Franklin Pierce College in New Hampshire presented a new proposal on draft registration. What do you think?

During a period of national crisis an unusual sense of national unity arises throughout the country. Americans of all walks of life are drawn together in a common sense of concern and purpose. Yet, as we know from the past, once the moment of crisis passes we tend to return to our individual pursuits and seem to lose that sense of unity we share in the face of adversity.

Must it take a national crisis to stir our sense of unity and public purpose? Why should that not be an ongoing, permanent part of our lives—a permanent motivation in our lives?

I HAVE long opposed a peacetime military draft. I believe there is a far better way to secure the service of young people, to meet both our human and military needs.

The armed forces have been able to meet most of their quotas. But the quality of the recruits is in question. Let us be honest and admit that the present system is essentially recruitment by poverty and recession.

How many of your friends, how many young people of our country, are volunteering for military service?

THE ENLISTED ranks are coming largely from lower income groups and, consequently, disproportionately

from the black and Hispanic minority groups.

I do not believe this is a fair approach to our national needs.

And we must wonder what will happen to recruitment levels once the recession ends. How much might we have to increase pay in hopes of making the volunteer army work? Would it work even with far higher pay?

I believe there is an alternative to a costly mercenary armed force that is also a fair,



workable, desirable alternative to conscription.

I BELIEVE we can restore the spirit of service and enlist the talents of young people without making them mercenaries and without threatening them with jail if they don't serve.

I believe that large-scale voluntary national service in the armed forces and in civilian service is both desirable and possible.

A national service program might well provide both the stimulus and the opportunity that Americans need to demonstrate, once again, the compassion and the generosity that have contributed to our nation's greatness. It could create anew that sense of unity and purpose which has bound our diverse population together

in years past and which seems to be missing today except in times of immediate crisis.

WIDESPREAD acceptance of and involvement in a national service program could help to foster among all Americans just such a permanent and long-lasting atmosphere of national pride and desire to serve a common cause.

We need to develop a comprehensive plan for voluntary national service that would provide opportunities and incentives for millions of young people, after high school, during or after college, to serve for a year or more in the armed forces or in a wide variety of civilian services.

The civilian options should include existing programs such as the Peace Corps and VISTA but should not primarily be in federally controlled programs. This voluntary service should be mainly at the local level, through a large range of public and private agencies, with wide diversity of opportunities and maximum local initiative.

The cost of the program should be held down. The main, tangible incentive offered volunteers should be, perhaps, education assistance—analogous to the G.I. program—in return for service. An all-out effort should be made to persuade the academic world and the business world to take public service into account in their admissions and recruitments.

I envision a time when it will be the thing to do—the prestigious as well as the patriotic or compassionate thing to do—for people of all ages to devote a year or two of their lives to public service.

## From Our Readers

### Senior Reader Criticizes Police For Ticket

To the Editor:

I have never seen so many egomaniacs congregate at any one place like MTSU's campus police department.

One of their undercover officers (yes, undercover: those people dressed like students you see putting \$4 pink flags on cars all over campus) was successful in motivating me to grind my

teeth and write this letter.

I pay, on the average, \$50 per semester in parking tickets and have done this for seven semesters at MTSU and never complained.

I never complained until I got a ticket for displaying my parking sticker in the lower left-hand corner of my rear window. I have received a ticket under Violation 13, along with the comment: "Taped in Window."

Campus police, your ignorance shines through!

Gary Austin  
Box 6174

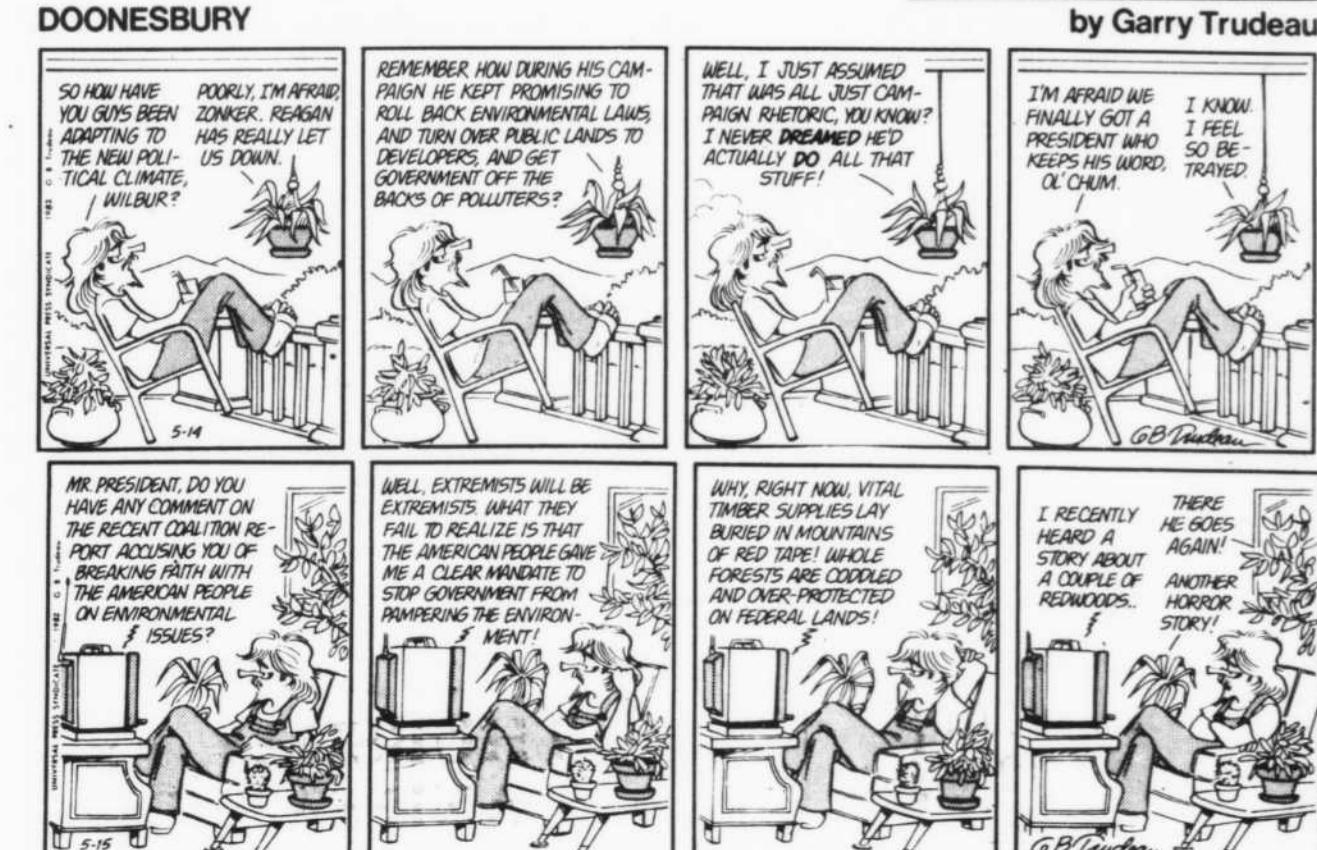
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Letters to the editor are welcomed and are considered on the basis of timeliness, interest, taste and space. All letters must include the author's name, MTSU box number and telephone number. The telephone number will be used for verification purposes only.

We reserve the right to edit material submitted for publication. Each letter should be brief and on one subject only. We will not print unsigned letters.

Please address all letters and other inquiries to: *Sidelines*, Box 42

by Garry Trudeau



# High-Fives for Raiders in '82!

By CRAIG ARNOLD  
Sports Editor

Who would have thought that, after a relatively slow start, MTSU's Blue Raider baseball team would find themselves still playing baseball in late May in some unassuming Oklahoma town called Stillwater?

Well, that's exactly what happened.

**COACH JOHN** Stanford's diamondmen captured their second straight Ohio Valley Conference championship on May 1 after a three-game sweep over Morehead, Eastern Kentucky and Western Kentucky—the soon-to-be member of the Sun Belt Conference.

Following MTSU's exciting 9-6 "OVC going-away" present to Western, Stanford kept the team sharp while they played a lengthy waiting game with the NCAA Baseball Tournament Selection Committee. The Raiders sharpened their bats in scrimmages with East Tennessee State and Junior College World Series participant Columbia State.

Then the NCAA Baseball Committee threw a curve at MTSU by placing them in the brackets of the Mid-West Regional in Stillwater, Okla. Coach Stanford says he had expected MTSU to be assigned to the South Regional at New Orleans.

NEVERTHELESS, the confident Raiders carried their 30-13-1 record out to the flatlands of Oklahoma for their second straight visit to the NCAA playoffs. In a field of teams that included the No. 4 and No. 6 ranked teams in the nation, as well as the Big Ten Conference champs, MTSU posted a 2-2 tournament record.

MTSU opened the Mid-West Regional on May 27 against Oral Roberts, the Mid-Western City Conference champs. The Raiders took a 2-0 lead in the

first inning when Kenny Gerhart (OVC's Southern Division Player of the Year) came home on an RBI single by Doug Birkofe, who in turn scored on grounder by Randy Goff after ORU's pitcher, Paul Haley, was called for a balk.

Then ORU kept the Raiders intact by turning five double plays during the game—just one short of tying an NCAA record.

A sixth-inning ORU homer and a two-outs, eighth-inning Oral Roberts RBI tied the game at 2-2.

**MTSU JUNIOR "Buster"** Keeton came to the plate in the bottom of the ninth with two outs and teammate Scott Turner on base. Dramatically, Keeton calmly laced a double down the left-field line to lift MTSU to a 3-2 victory over the No. 4 ranked Titans.

Sophomore Marty Smith got the win for MTSU in relief of senior Larry Bruno, who pitched an impressive seven innings.

The following evening, MTSU's five-game winning streak was broken as they dropped into the loser's bracket with a 5-3 loss to No. 6 ranked Oklahoma State. Jeff Perkins hit his seventh homer of the season for MTSU, and Marty Smith pitched in relief of ace hurler Mark Novak.

ON SATURDAY, fresh-manpitcher Jeff Davis struck out six, walked none, and gave up eight hits against Big Ten champs Minnesota in a winning cause for MTSU, 7-1. This set up a showdown with the host team, Oklahoma State, on Sunday in front of an overflow crowd of 4,650.

MTSU fought gallantly, bringing the tying run to the plate in the last inning before bowing to the Cowboys 7-3. Coach Stanford used six pitchers in the losing effort.

It was Middle Tennessee's most successful trip to the NCAAs, and last year's 1-2



A celebration—Raider style—has become commonplace on the baseball diamond this season. The Raiders had a 32-15-1 record.

record in the Southern Regional in Miami was certainly a bonus for the squad.

"**FROM BOTH** the coaches' and players' points of view, we benefitted from Miami last year," says Stanford. "We did a better job of pitching, and we were not intimidated by the crowd."

Stanford added that the two main things the Raiders had going for them during the year were the close-knittedness of the

team and their aggressive bats.

Four MTSU players made the Mid-West Region All-Star tournament team: second baseman Doug Birkofe; outfielders Kenny Gerhart and Wayne Newberry; and freshman pitcher Jeff Davis.

**THE RAIDERS** finished with a 32-15-1 record and were ranked No. 14 in the nation by a national wire service. It was the

first time MTSU baseball completed a season ranked nationally.

The team had three seniors who may be looked at by the pros: Randy Goff, Jeff Perkins and Larry Bruno. Juniors Garry "Buster" Keeton, Mark Novak and Kenny Gerhart could also be drafted. *Sidelines* will be following the draft and will keep you up to date.

**MTSU faces a tough slate in basketball**

By CRAIG ARNOLD  
Sports Editor

Tough. That describes the recently released Blue Raider basketball schedule for next season. It could be the toughest schedule MTSU has ever faced.

The Raiders' basketball schedule has a tough December slate that will thoroughly test the young Blue Raiders.

**MTSU'S ONLY** returning starter will be point guard Edward "Pancakes" Perry. Simpson lost his four top scorers and rebounders to graduation, plus an additional two instrumental reserves. However, there will also be three other players returning besides Pancakes Perry who logged some important playing time on last season's OVC championship team: Wardell "Poundcakes" Perry, Maury Mapes and Danny Mayfield.

Simpson feels the Raiders can play an important part in determining the final OVC standings during next season: MTSU's outstanding recruiting year and the improvement shown by redshirt forward Greg Nimmo are Simpson's main reasons for optimism right now.

"I have high hopes for Nimmo, who started off 6'6" and only 160 pounds and worked his way up to 182 in four weeks," Simpson says. "It's muscle, not fat; I believe he can really surprise some people."

**SIMPSON NOTES** that two freshmen could be starting for the Blue Raiders, 6'10" Raleigh Choice and 6'2" LaRue Davis, both from Bainbridge, Ga.

The young team will face a very demanding December schedule that includes home games with long-time rival Western Kentucky of the Sun

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## Tracksters Complete Their Season In Record Form

By CRAIG ARNOLD  
Sports Editor

"Our guys were *really* primed this year," said men's track coach Dean Hayes after the team completed a *very* successful season.

The tracksters became the first OVC team to successfully

defend an indoor OVC title, they broke four OVC records in that event and they sent seven individuals to the Track and Field National Outdoor Championship finals in Wichita, Kan., and five team members to the NCAA Outdoor Track Championships in Provo, Utah.

Although MTSU won only four of 17 events in the conference indoor championships, they had some high point places that translated to a total 162.5 team points for the Blue Raiders. That put MTSU in the record books for the most points ever scored in the history of the OVC indoor meet.

**GARY MITCHELL** and Herb Newton both broke another OVC record in the 600-yard run, with times of 1:09.57 and 1:10.32, respectively. The 400-meter relay squad also broke the OVC record in their event.



Hayes' trackmen soared high again this year.

MTSU gathered four first-place finishes: Andre Kirnes in the long jump, Eddie Loyd in the triple jump, Kenny Shannon

in the 60-yard dash, and the distance medley relay team (which opened a lot of people's eyes with a first-place time of

9:48.6).

MTSU represented the OVC well in the National Track and Field Outdoor Championship final in Wichita on May 30. Triple jumper Eddie Loyd finished third in the nation as he turned in a 53'-1/2" effort, while Andre Kirnes was fourth in the long-jump finals with a leap of 25'-4 1/4".

**THE 400-METER** relay team was fifth in the nation in their event. For Kirnes, Shannon, Mike Farris and Gary Mitchell, the 40.13 effort is their second-best time of the year.

At the NCAA championships in Provo last week, the foursome clocked a 39.64 to put them in the finals. That broke a MTSU record and reset the OVC record they broke in the OVC championships. The relayers went on to place 11th in the nation in the finals with a time of 39.78 seconds.

Also at the NCAA finals, Eddie Loyd's leap of 55'-1 1/4" in the triple jump broke an MTSU and OVC record of 54'-6 1/4" set by MTSU's Tommy Haynes in 1974. Loyd finished second in the nation, had the best jump by an American in the event and became MTSU's 31st track and field All-American.

**ANDRE KIRNES** placed eighth in the nation in the broad jump with a leap of 26'-2 1/4".

"Kirnes had his longest outdoor jump," said Hayes. "And the 400-meter relay team had their lifetime best run."

"Eddie Loyd had two of his best jumps of his life," Hayes adds, "And he will go to The Athletic CongressMeet in Knoxville on June 18, 19 and 20." As a team, MTSU's men's track team had a 26th-place finish in NCAA competition.

"We just had an excellent year," Hayes remarked

## Newcombe Will Speak

Don Newcombe, former major-league pitcher and current director of community relations for the Los Angeles Dodgers, will address the Tennessee School on Substance Abuse here tonight.

Newcombe—who owns his own consulting firm, Don Newcombe Enterprises—will be the banquet speaker in the Tennessee Room of the James Union Building at 6:30 p.m.

The Substance Abuse School is sponsored by the Professional

Alcohol and Drug Counselors of Tennessee, the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, and the MTSU Office of Continuing Education.

Its intent is to provide academic as well as practical information relating to substance abuse and counseling in the area of drug abuse.

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## SportSpeak

By CRAIG ARNOLD

I welcome you to our first summer *Sidelines* sports section! I've happily and eagerly accepted the sports editor post for this summer, and we'll be doing our best to keep you up to date on MTSU and OVC happenings. Plus, we'll cover whatever else we deem as being timely, important and interesting within I-AA.

First, some preliminaries. You'll be putting up with me this summer, so you might as well know a little bit about me. I'm a senior broadcast journalism major with a little over four experience in sportswriting. I hail from a town just a few miles from the Tennessee River in West Tennessee called Camden. And . . . I'm just as much a sports fan as all of you, but maybe somewhat unusual. I naturally have Blue Raider blood in my veins, but you won't have to worry about my team allegiances past that. For example, I'm just as much a Vanderbilt fan as I am a Big Orange fan . . . told you I was unusual . . . anyway, enough of that stuff.

I'll be very interested in your feelings, opinions, suggestions, good and bad comments or anything else concerning *Sidelines* sport section this summer. Just feel free to drop me a line at campus p.o. box 8388.

Now, let's get down to business.

Congratulations to MTSU's Sports Department for an excellent year. The football team had an improved 6-5 record, and the men's track, women's tennis, men's basketball and baseball teams all captured OVC championships. Coach

Stanford's men knocked off number 4 ranked Oral Roberts and Big Ten champs Minnesota out in Oklahoma. Coach Simpson's roundballers stuck it to nationally ranked Kentucky, and Boots Donnelly's brigade blasted Murray State down from a number 1 ranking in Division I-AA.

Well, I applaud OVC officials for their new membership requirements . . . they're really overdue. But, I turn my nose up at the A.D.'s vote to have Friday-Saturday games. That stinks for the fans! I mean, the large majority of MTSU students have to go home on those nights, right? MTSU men's basketball will have a total of 9 games on Friday and Saturday nights next season. With MTSU's suitcase college image, I'd hate to see those crowds!

Thank goodness, at least two of the A.D.'s, MTSU's Jimmy Earle and APSU's Johnny Miller stood up for the present Thursday-Saturday scheduling.

OVC administrators also had another motive besides preventing teams from slowing down action when they adopted the 30-second shot clock . . . game attendance. They realize that fans are getting to the point where they'll no longer pay hard-earned money to see a game wind up 32-30 or 43-40.

But what in the name of James Naismith is all this stuff about turning the clock off during the last four minutes of regulation? I think if you're going to use the clock, use it the entire game or don't use it at all!

Well, Franklin's own Darrell Waltrip, who has been known for his outspoken manner, got a few things off his chest last

week, didn't he? I'm referred to the incident where spectators cheered when Waltrip crashed during the World 600 race in Charlotte, N.C. He was outraged when talking in a nationally broadcast interview and said he'd "like to thank all those nice people who cheered at the crash for being so concerned." Atta way, Darrell, tell 'em off!

And what about this football league that has no president, no franchises, no coaches, no players, and no fans, but has a two-year, \$22 million TV contract?? Yes, it's the U.S. Football League!! The league's season will run March through June, beginning in 1983.

As for my feelings about the U.S.F.L. right now, it's not sports. It's merely programming for ABC in the spring and anyway, who wants to watch football in the spring?? Oh well, time will tell. Who knows, maybe they'll bring in a rule for no tackling of quarterbacks and bring back Joe Namath and Fran Tarkenton so they'll have some big names. I know it, I know it . . . foolish.

In the NBA, I look for Magic to play havoc and Kareem to reign supreme. Give it to the Los Angeles Lakers . . . possibly in 7 games.

I leave you with my prediction of the Larry Holmes-Gerry Cooney fight this Friday night for the WBC heavyweight championship of the world in Caesars Palace in Las Vegas. After deliberating, I'm calling it Gerry Cooney by a knockout within 6 rounds.

## Basketball

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Belt Conference and last season's Southern Conference champs, UT-Chattanooga. UTC lost to Minnesota by 1 point in the second round of the NCAA's last season, and Minnesota went on to lose by 6 points to Louisville, which stepped on MTSU's toes on the way to the nation's Final Four.

The December road games include ever-tough South Alabama, the OVC "death valley" trip to Eastern and Morehead, last year's SEC tourney winner Alabama and rapidly improving Vanderbilt.

**ALABAMA** slipped past Kentucky by 2 points in the SEC tourney championship and finally bowed out to the national champs, North Carolina, by 5 points in the semifinals of the East Regional.

And, wouldn't you know it, Vanderbilt ended last year's regular season with a 17-point drubbing of Alabama in Nashville.

"You hope it [MTSU's rough early schedule] doesn't demoralize your younger players if things go bad," Simpson said. "Or you could play well, which would be a real confidence booster."

Other nonconference contests are against Xavier of Ohio, Trinity, Samford, New Orleans and Georgia State.

**COACH SIMPSON** looks at Morehead State to be a main contender with "a real tough" Murray State in the OVC. Murray had an excellent

recruiting year and will return all their starters, as well as their injured star, Lamont Sleet.

Also, Simpson is right in the middle of narrowing down the number of applicants for the two vacated assistant coaching positions. He's received somewhere in the vicinity of 150 applications, and he now plans to "narrow it down to four or five" sometime this week or next.

"Then we'll see where we stand," he adds.

Previous assistant Austin Clark turned in his resignation, and Larry Slaughter accepted an assistant vocational supervisor's position at Bainbridge High School in Bainbridge, Ga., leaving both posts open.

### MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

#### 1982-83 Men's Basketball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
Nov. 26-27	"Tennessee Classic" Middle Tennessee UT-Chattanooga Austin Peay Tennessee State	HOME	7:00 6:9:00
Dec. 4	Alabama	Tuscaloosa, AL	7:30
8	South Alabama	Mobile, AL	7:35*
11	Western Kentucky	HOME	7:30
17	Trinity College	HOME	7:30
18	*Morehead State	Morehead, KY	7:30
22	*Eastern Kentucky	Richmond, KY	7:30
Jan. 3	Vanderbilt	Nashville, TN	7:30
8	Xavier	HOME	7:30
10	*Youngstown State	HOME	7:30
15	*Akron	HOME	7:30
18	*Tennessee Tech	Cookeville, TN	7:30
22	Samford	Birmingham, AL	7:30
28	*Murray State	Murray, KY	7:30
Feb. 1	*Austin Peay	HOME	7:30
4	Georgia State	Akron, OH	8:00
5	*Youngstown State	Youngstown, OH	8:00
12	*Tennessee Tech	HOME	7:30
19	*Murray State	Atlanta, GA	7:30
21	New Orleans	Clarksville, TN	7:30
23	Georgia State	New Orleans	7:35
26	*Austin Peay	New Orleans	7:35
28	New Orleans	HOME	7:30
Mar. 4	*Morehead State	HOME	7:30
5	*Eastern Kentucky	HOME	7:30
11-12	OVC Tournament	TBA	TBA

\*OVC Game

## Clark Lands Blue Chipper

By CRAIG ARNOLD

Sports Editor

"He has the ability to play right away here at MTSU," says Blue Raider golf coach Austin Clark.

Clark was referring to his first signee of the recruiting season: Eric Lee, a Columbia Central High School All-American golfer.

MTSU's golf team lost six of its

seven golfers to last month's graduation, so Lee will be a welcome addition to the team.

This past season, Lee led Columbia to a 19-0 regular season record.



Charles 'Bubba' Murphy

## Conference Actions Bring New Look To OVC

By CRAIG ARNOLD

Sports Editor

Fans will see major changes this fall in OVC basketball because of actions taken during the OVC officials' spring meetings at Nashville's Radisson Hotel a few weeks ago.

Beginning next season, the OVC will be using a 30-second shot clock for basketball games, and the league's basketball schedule will be played on Friday and Saturday nights. In addition, OVC members will be required to sponsor a minimum of six men's and three women's sports, starting with the 1983-84 school year.

**MTSU ATHLETIC** Director Jimmy Earle helped present the membership proposal aimed at the OVC's newest members, Akron and Youngstown State. Youngstown sponsored only four men's sports during the past season, while both Ohio schools did not participate in the OVC women's program.

OVC Commissioner Jim Delany points out that, "under NCAA rules, we have to sponsor a minimum of six men's championships with at least six schools participating for those championships in order to keep our automatic bids to the NCAA tournaments."

OVC members will be required to participate in men's football, basketball, baseball, cross country, tennis and golf, as well as women's basketball, volleyball and tennis. League schools are now only required to participate in football and basketball. MTSU currently fields teams in all 13 sports (counting men's and women's), and Earle says they plan to continue to do so "indefinitely."

**LEAGUE ATHLETIC** directors were unanimously in favor of the 30-second shot clock, and six of the eight OVC coaches favored the clock. The clock will operate until the last



Jimmy Earle

four minutes of regulation play and will not be used during overtime periods.

"I preferred a 45-second clock over a 30-second, because if a team throws a good press at you, that'll take 10 seconds off right there," MTSU head coach Stan Simpson said.

Simpson expects teams to show more pressure defense and drop back into zone defenses because of the shot clock.

A 3-POINT, pro-style shot was also considered, but it was rejected when the coaches split on their vote. Then, in a turnaround, the OVC's survey last Friday found the coaches voting 6-2 in favor of the 3-point shot. That puts the issue in the hands of OVC athletic directors, most of whom object to the shot. A decision on the 3-pointer should come before the end of June.

A new Friday-Saturday arrangement for OVC games, instead of the present Thursday-Saturday schedule, has gotten a good deal of local opposition from high school coaches. That's because MTSU basketball could be in direct competition with high school games on Fridays.

For the upcoming season, such conflicts probably will not materialize. The Raiders will



Stan Simpson

play only three Friday-night games at Murphy Center—on Nov. 26, Feb. 28 and March 4. The Youngstown-Akron and Eastern-Morehead road trips will be Friday-Saturday games as well.

**EARLE INDICATES** that "the team with the most depth

will be in a better position...because of the nature of the Friday-Saturday games."

Delaney explains that the arrangement "can save a day or a day and a half in the classroom each trip." Also, the expenses of an extra travel day will be alleviated.

Simpson notes that the change "hurts our preparation for Saturday night's opponent."

Earle and Austin Peay Athletic Director Johnny Miller were the only A.D.'s to vote against the schedule change.

**IN OTHER** actions taken by the league:

- Members accepted Western Kentucky's resignation from the OVC;

- agreed to consider at their December meeting a plan to give extra points for the All-Sports trophy race to baseball and basketball teams that finish first or second in OVC post-season tournaments, and agreed to equalize point totals for basketball and football championships;