

## Groundhog may predict long winter

by Jackie Gearhart

Many cold winters ago on Feb. 2, or so the legend goes, a woodchuck came out of his hole to inspect the area for food. No sooner than he climbed out of his hole did he see a frightening creature. He ran back inside to sleep off the terrible incident.

After the woodchuck was snug inside, he heard cries, "I saw the ground hog! He went back in his hole. Six more weeks of bad weather."

Little did the woodchuck know that he was participating in a traditional legend that was brought to America from Germany and Great Britain centuries ago.

Although you may already know about Ground Hog Day, there may be a few things about Feb. 2 that you don't know.

February second is also Candlemas Day, a Christian festival that honors the Virgin Mary 40 days after the birth of Jesus.

In the Catholic Church, candles are blessed and given to the poor. The candles symbolize the words of Simon to Mary that Jesus would be "a light to lighten the Gentiles." (Luke 2:32)

Actually, the tradition of Ground Hog Day stems from similar beliefs associated with Candlemas in England, where a song was sung: "If Candlemas be fair and bright, come, winter, have another flight; If Candlemas bring clouds and rain, go, winter, and come not again."

So, don't worry if today's a rainy day. That means the ground hog will find plenty of food and spring will be on its way soon.



photo by BILL COOK

**If ground hogs didn't see their shadows today, they certainly didn't FOCUS where we did.**

See related photos, page 4.

## Graduates with flexibility have good job possibilities

by Doyle Parham

Of the 439 students who graduated in the field of education in 1978, only a fourth are presently employed in teaching positions, according to Martha Turner, MTSU placement office director.

Some MTSU educators predict that this figure will change and there will be more job opportunities during the next decade because students see the problem and are choosing other fields. The chances that the job market will open depends on how many students choose other professions.

Across the nation last year there were 1,657 vacancies in education, with jobs in 26 states and two foreign countries, according to Turner.

"Out of the 1,657 vacancies, 113 positions were filled with MTSU graduates," Turner said. "Not all students want jobs when they graduate because many choose to enter graduate school," she added.

"The states that have had openings most often in

the past have been Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, West Virginia, Arkansas and Louisiana," George Keem, director of MTSU Student Teaching said.

According to the placement office there were 70 elementary teachers hired from MTSU in 1978, 36 secondary and seven speech and hearing teachers. All but 17 of these positions were in Tennessee.

"For a person to get a job, he or she must be well prepared to teach and do an excellent job student teaching. A beginning teacher must be aware of the employment market and be mobile and flexible to move where the job market is the greatest," Turner said.

With 486 education students graduating in 1979 and job market for the field still in the limited category, graduates will have to work harder and be at the right superintendent's office at the right time to get the jobs that are open.

## Greenhouse is winter oasis

by Jane Mier

Twelve-foot banana trees, productive vegetable gardens and buttercups and geraniums in bloom? In February?

Opening the door to MTSU's greenhouse nursery, located on the northwest end of campus, is like turning the calendar up to April.

"Temperatures are usually ten or fifteen degrees warmer in here than they are outdoors," says Sizemore, supervisor of the greenhouse, said. "At night, one room is maintained at 50 degrees and the other, which contains most of our house plants, flowers and some special trees, is in the 60's."

Sizemore has been the greenhouse supervisor ever since the summer of 1975. "Back then, the greenhouse was located behind the agriculture building," he remembered. "It was small and there were no outside land plots. Everything was moved over here and expanded some."

"Some expansion" included about 250 varieties of vegetables and hundreds of plants such as ferns, palms, pointsettias, marigolds, pansies, coffee trees, philodendron and rubber trees. The list goes on and on.

The greenhouse employs students, most of whom are on work scholarships, to care for its large amount of stock.

Presently, there are four stu-

dents working at the greenhouse. Some of them, employed by campus maintenance in landscaping, work in the greenhouse during winter months to produce flowers and shrubs for the spring planting.

Senior biology major James Proctor, a maintenance employee who works at the greenhouse, said, "I work mainly with the flower beds on campus. Right now, I'm planning the beds for this spring. This includes charting what will go where, the amount of plants needed, things like that."

Duties of the other greenhouse personnel include repotting, making cuttings, fertilizing, sowing seed and weeding, caring for the orchard, demonstration vegetable garden and flowerbeds and watering.

"Watering must be done every day," Cathy Cushman, plant and soil science major, said. One day each weekend, one of us has to come in to water."

The plants and vegetables produced by the greenhouse are used all over the campus, Sizemore said. "We supply the flowerbeds and much of the shrubbery used on campus. Some of the office plants also come from here. And, naturally, we try to cure them when they're ill."

The greenhouse purchases some of its stock but about 90 percent of the plants are produced there. Some plants, including a

ten-foot tall Norfolk Island pine tree, have been donated by people who didn't want them or want to care for them, Sizemore explained.

Some classes use the greenhouse and its facilities for studies, particularly flouriculture, horticulture and ornamental horticulture classes. An advanced biology class also works there.

These classes, according to Sizemore, hit all general aspects of producing plants and go into some specialized detail.

The staff at the greenhouse is trying to get some experiments and studies of its own going. "We've done some work in the past, nothing elaborate," Sizemore said. "Hopefully, our facilities will expand and we can add a classroom or something and begin on large-scale projects."

What about the myths of green thumbs and talking to plants? "Well, we do talk to the plants in here," Sizemore grinned. "But I have no idea if it helps them or not."

"I have known some people who just can not grow a plant," Cushman said. "Of course, I think the green thumb is kind of silly. It really just depends on if you want to take care of your plants and take the time out to do it."

The greenhouse is open each day 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. and everyone is welcomed and encouraged to drop by.

## House enrollment up after membership drive

The ASB House of Representatives roll has increased from about 28 to 50, according to Mark Floyd, speaker of the house.

"Increased enrollment is in direct response to the house drive to build membership," Floyd said. "Information was sent to all the organizations and to their presidents to let them know they had a right to have a house member," Floyd explained.

Over 100 letters were sent out with forms enclosed so all the organization would have to do is choose a representative, fill out the form and send it in. Those who haven't responded will be receiving additional correspondence to encourage participation, Floyd added.

"As far as organizations, I think we've reached about 50 percent of our maximum potential," Floyd said. He added that greek organizations had not responded as he had hoped they would.

"The response we obtained may reflect that students aren't as apathetic as some people think they are," Floyd added.

Floyd said the house may still consider legislation forcing university recognized organizations to have a representative attend house meetings or lose their university recognition.

"We should know if this legislation will be needed by mid-February, he said.

The next meeting of the house will be at 4:30 Tuesday afternoon in UC 324.

## Briefly

Job opportunities in Europe are available this summer in forestry, child care, farming, hotel work, construction work and other jobs requiring more specialized training.

For further information write to American-European Student-Service, Box 70, FL 9493 Mauren, Liechtenstein (Europe).

The Interfraternity Council donated \$350 to the MTSU foundation to buy equipment for the intramural sports department, according to Don Taylor, treasurer for the council.

Council members voted unanimously to donate to the foundation money collected by selling rush cards. Last year the rush money was used to buy playground equipment for children on campus.

The Spiva Art Center in Joplin, Mo. will hold its 29th annual May Competition for paintings, graphics and sculptures May 6-25.

Artists who wish to enter should send for an entry form to Spiva Art Center, Newman and Duquesne Roads, Joplin, Mo. 64801. The deadline for the contest is March 15.

A maximum of four entries per artist may be submitted in the categories of painting, graphics and sculpture. Cash awards are offered and honorable mentions will be given in all categories.



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Susan Sain pots a sprout for spring campus planting.

# Teaching couples have enviable positions

by Lisa Human

A family that teaches together stays together is an adage that might well be applied to couples who teach at MTSU.

Most couples agreed there are more advantages to working on the same campus than disadvantages.

Bart and June McCash, an MTSU history professor and director of the honors program respectively, have discovered that working on the same campus makes both more creative and stronger in their field of work.

"In academics it is important that everyone supports the others," June said, adding that she and Bart actually have a very enviable position simply because they like their jobs and they like each other.

Nodding in agreement, Bart added that by working together, the couple can try out ideas on each other and can talk about issues which the other can relate to.

"I can relate to her problems and she can relate to mine more so than if we were in completely different fields of work," Bart said.

Advantages of working together include having to drive only one car to work on cold, snowy



photo by FAYE HALE

Bart and June McCash discuss being a couple on campus.

mornings and being able to meet for lunch when time allows.

If there are advantages in working on the same campus, what about the same department?

Robert and Jana Sandarg teach in the foreign language department and have found that working together brings them closer to each other.

"We do spend a lot of time together, but we like it this way," Robert said. "My wife teaches Spanish and I teach French, which really helps out when we travel because we each know something

extra."

Jerry and Sue Whitt, both from the business department, have discovered they can substitute for each other when necessary.

One disadvantage to working together could be the problem of associating husband and wife together in the profession.

Although the McCashes have many common interests, such as theatre, both feel it is important for people not to associate them as a team in everything.

"We don't necessarily hold the same point of view on every issue," June said.

Bart added that most of their

associates did not view them as a team in the academic world. "That is really no problem for us," he said.

However, students do confuse teachers with the same last names.

"One student asked me if I was Jana's father," Robert Sandarg laughed. "She never has let me live that one down!"

Reza and Margaret Ordoubadian both teach in the English department. Margaret has to get students to put her first name or initial on their folders so they will not somehow wind up her husband's office.

The main disadvantage Francis and Mary Belle Ginanni face is that each faculty member must file a separate medical policy. "I have one which all my children are on and my wife has a separate one," Francis said. A policy stating that each faculty member must file for themselves does not exclude married couples.

People who meet in college often happen to meet because they are in the same area of work, at least that is what happened to the Ordoubadians, the Sandargs, the Ginannis and the Whitts.

"When we came to MTSU in 1966 it was the only place that would hire married couples," Sue Whitt said.

"In the early 60s there were

some discretion policies against husband and wife working together. For example, the wife was not able to get tenure. All that changed by the late 60s," Francis Ginanni revealed.

Whatever the policies are, teaching together is working out fine for couples interviewed. But to make it easier on them, don't just ask for "Ordoubadian" or "Sandarg," be specific...or you might wind up with the opposite sex.

## Photographer to display work

A photographic exhibition of the works of Canadian Stephen Livick will open at the LRC photographic gallery Sunday Feb. 4 and will continue through Thursday, Feb 22.

The traveling exhibition, presented by the International Museum of Photography, features 20 images by the self-taught craftsman.

Through a grant from the Canada Council, Livick photographed America during the bicentennial year to capture "the spirit of the country."

Hours for the gallery are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 12 noon Saturday; and 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday.

## Calendar

### FRIDAY

Exams: ACT-PEP; 8 a.m.-5 p.m., UC 314  
Greek Basketball Tournament; 9 a.m.-7 p.m., AM Gym

Track: Oakland High School; 4-9:30 p.m., Murphy Center track

Stage Band Show: Phi Mu Alpha; 8 p.m., DA Auditorium

Dance: Phi Beta Sigma; 9 p.m., -1 a.m., Tennessee Room JUB

Choir Concert: 7:30 p.m., Cathedral of the Incarnation (Nashville)

### SATURDAY

Greek Basketball Tournament: 9 a.m.-7 p.m., AM Gym

Women's Basketball: MTSU vs. UTC; 7 p.m., Chattanooga

Varsity Basketball: MTSU vs. ETSU; 7:30 p.m., Johnson City

### SUNDAY

Greek Basketball Tournament: 9 a.m.-7 p.m., AM Gym

Church Service: Heart of Tennessee Scout District; 1:30 p.m., AM Gym

Conference: Continuing Education; 3-10 p.m., JUB Dining Room B

Photographic Exhibit: Stephen Livick; LRC Photographic Gallery

### MONDAY

Legislature Forums: MTSU State Government Days; 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 1 p.m., UC Theatre

Movie: Fist of Fury; 3:30, 6 and 8 p.m., UC Theatre

Varsity Basketball: MTSU vs. Morehead; 7:30 p.m., Morehead

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The name tag will be issued to visitors in order to help students and faculty to recognize them, be friendly and answer any questions they might have, Williams said.

"It is hoped that faculty will take a minute of their busy schedule to stop and introduce themselves and tell which department they are in," Williams added. "They can also ask if the visitor has any questions about his department or the university in general."

Williams stressed the importance of student participation. "I want to encourage all students to be friendly to the visitors. Student organizations can tell about their activities."

"I wish to continue to share the friendly atmosphere here at MTSU with prospective students. Without students there would be no purpose for being here," Williams said.



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## Industrial security degree planned in CJA department

by Jane Mier

A committee to act as advisers to MTSU faculty in establishing a new criminal justice administration degree was formed at a conference last Tuesday.

"The possibility of a new degree with emphasis on private and industrial security was discussed and an advisory committee was formed to help us in our efforts to develop this program," Nick Norwood, a CJA instructor, said.

The American Society of Industrial Security (ASIS) is promoting the idea of new specialized education in this field and the criminal justice administration department here is trying to follow their guidelines, Norwood said.

Norwood, a former FBI agent, said that it is important from the university's standpoint to prepare such a course of study for students, and added that a two and a four-year program would hopefully be established.

Bob Fogel, director of security for Service Merchandise, Inc., agreed. "Just a degree in CJA doesn't mean that a person can get a job as security manager of a business corporation," he said at the conference.

"We need people with experience in English, psychology,

accounting and other business fields, not just in police procedures," he added. "The new security manager must be more sophisticated and educated."

"Most of the people on the advisory committee are involved and recognized as experts in private and industrial security," Norwood said.

"This first meeting was just in the developing stages, as is our new degree," Norwood said. "There will probably not be another meeting until this summer or next semester because we've got a lot of work to do."

## Cont. ed. offers food, bees

Several classes being offered by the Office of Continuing Education will begin in February.

•The course **Continuing to Improve your Photography** will be taught on Thursdays beginning Feb. 1 in UC 314 at 7 p.m. Fee for the course is \$30.

•A course in **Chinese Cooking** will begin Feb. 3 at 10 a.m. in the Ellington Home Economics Building cooking laboratory. Fee for the course is \$35 plus the cost of food supplies.

•A course in **Public Speaking**, for potential public speakers who



Fake tickets, such as this one found on a campus police car in front of Reynolds Hall, have been showing up all over campus.

photo by LINDA WARD CORLEY

feel they need help, will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7 p.m. beginning Feb. 3 at DA 214. The course fee is \$35.

•A **Real Estate Fundamentals** is offered Tuesdays or Thursdays beginning Feb. 6 or 8 in Peck Hall 204 at 6:30 p.m. Fee for the course is \$60.

•**Beginning and Advanced Beekeeping** classes will start at 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. respectively on Feb. 8 in Stark Agriculture Building 207. Fee for the beginning class is \$30, with the advanced class costing \$20.

•A **Film Animation** class will be offered Mondays and Wednesdays beginning Feb. 12 at 7 p.m. in the Art Barn Annex. The class is a hands-on workshop in the production of animated films and will cost \$30.

•**Instruction in Scuba Diving** will be offered on Saturdays at 8 a.m. beginning Feb. 10 in the Alumni Memorial Pool. Fee for the course is \$65 and participants must be 15 years of age or older.

For further information contact the Office of Continuing Education at 898-2462.

## MTSU education assists graduate in his new job

by Jackie Gearhart

Former ASB President Bobby Francescon, who is development officer at Father Ryan High School in Nashville, said his studies at MTSU are beneficial to him in his new job, which he began in December.

"My broad education at MTSU has been most helpful. Even the core courses, like the arts and sciences, provide a background for working with people," he said.

A 1978 graduate of MTSU, Francescon's duties as development officer at Father Ryan include the follow-up of a \$1.5 million fund raising campaign for the addition of new classrooms and repairing of buildings, collecting money that was pledged and keeping alumni, parents and the Catholic community informed of the progress of the school.

When asked how it felt to obtain a job of such caliber, Francescon, a 1973 graduate of Father Ryan, replied, "I feel pretty lucky about

it. Part of it is because I was fortunate enough to work in student government." According to Francescon, people he comes in contact with appreciate the fact that he was involved in extra curricular activities in college.

Francescon majored in general business with minors in management and English. He said his business background helps him in things such as working with his budget for the program.

Francescon's English background and electives in public relations are very beneficial as he must maintain communications with the public. He is also involved in working with a public relations firm putting together a brochure about Father Ryan.

Francescon said that in his work he often runs into other graduates of MTSU and that there is a common bond between them. "MTSU has a good name in the Nashville community," Francescon said.

### TAX CLINIC

The MTSU Accounting Society will sponsor a tax clinic to aid students in filling out their 1040A tax forms. Bring your questions and W-2 Forms to the clinic. (Tax Forms Provided). You may come and go at any time during the clinic hours.

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Thurs. Feb. 8—7:00-9:00 p.m. Room 206 KOM

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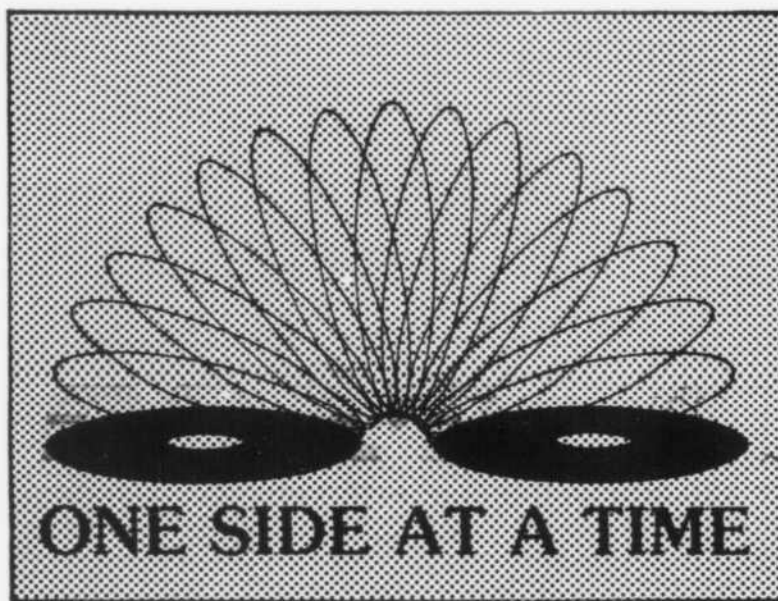
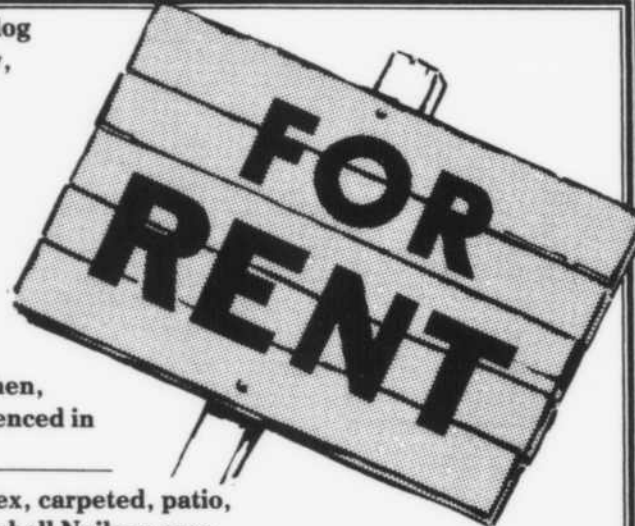
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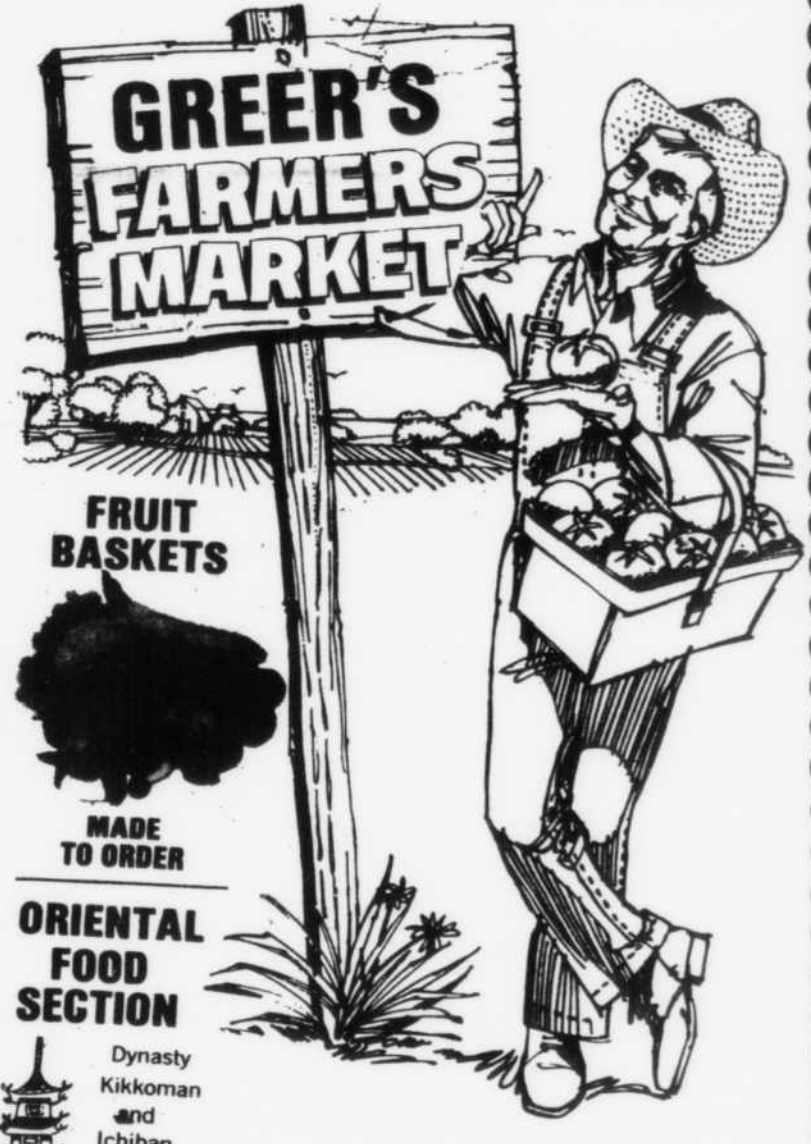
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July and August cannot be too hot  
And there's a legal limit to the snow here—  
In Camelot!..."*

[from the soundtrack "Camelot,"  
lyrics by Alan Jay Lerner]

Camelot, the legend, came alive yesterday to a handful of people in the UC theatre.

It was the right time, with all its pageantry and color and passion. And, more than a few tears were shed in watching the painful struggle of a man torn between the love of a high ideal and the love of the two people that betrayed him.

One cannot argue with the critic that assuredly points to the highly romanticized account, complaining of the historical factual errors in architecture and costume. One can, however, take issue with such a person, in that the main point of the film has been missed.

The film expands upon an idealistic myth—the myth of a man who dared to dream of a better world, a just world where "Might was for right." And, for that brief fleeting moment that was Camelot, it became more than just a dream.

It was pleasant to allow oneself to become caught up in the fantasy, if only for a few hours. Thank goodness for the escapes, whether they are

mental or motion picture.

More than an escape though, Camelot can be looked at as a symbol. Put simply, it proposes concepts in real life that before were "real" only in childhood.

It is perhaps because they are considered unrealistic in the grown-up materialistic world of today that the ideals are justly dismissed as naive notions. Haven't you ever been told, "That's just not the way things work in the real world, honey."

Yet can anyone deny the importance of the dreamers, the poets, the philosophers? Of those persons that look into such neglected topics as truth and love? Of those that question war and hunger?

True, the ideal of King Arthur's dream lived only for a short time before it disseminated back into the violent confusion it had supplanted. Yet the story had a hopeful note.

Arthur's dream had come alive in the imagining mind of a young boy. All was not for naught, because that young boy would live to tell the story. He would live to pass on the legend.

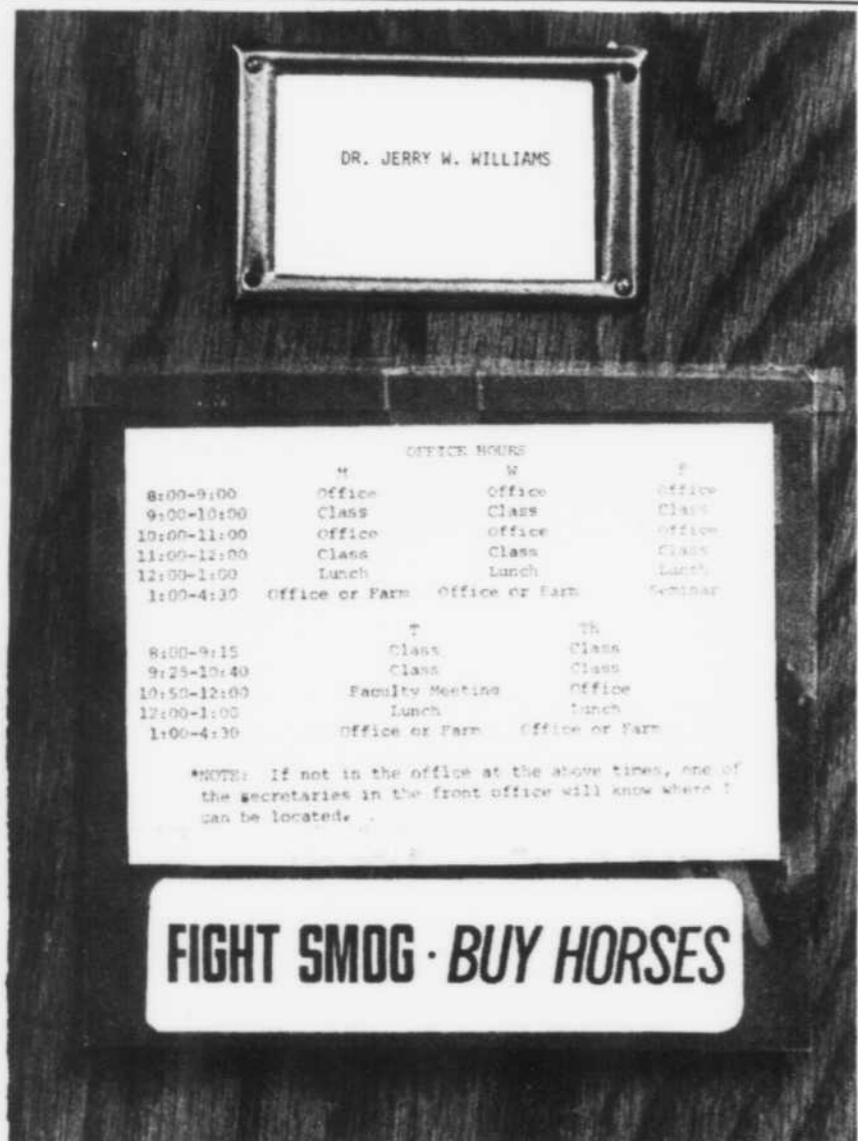
And perhaps somewhere, sometime, someone would take the foundation of that dream and incorporate it into the foundation of a new society. Just perhaps.

When that happens, when King Arthur's Camelot can be more than just an escape for today, then it becomes a dream for tomorrow. And, when enough people dream the same dream, well then, who knows?



## Et Cetera

by Bill Cook



The office door featured today belongs to Jerry Williams, Assistant Professor of Agriculture. Williams chooses to fight pollution in an unusual way. He would mess up his shoes to save his lungs. Williams' office is Rm 116 of Stark Agriculture Center.

## Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

Today an article appeared in Sidelines concerning Iranian students who did not have their money to register. Jeff Ellis, a Sidelines reporter, interviewed Mr. Bass and I about these student problems.

I was quite surprised upon reading the article to find that my statements seemed to be in conflict with those of Mr. Bass. I certainly did not make any statements to the effect that our business office was throwing people out of school.

I did say that the university had no plans for deferring payments, but added that Mr. Ellis would have to ask Mr. Bass if any exceptions were to be made and that I did not have any information about the matter.

We know through public mass media that Iranian students are being put out of other schools, but this is not happening at MTSU.

I am more than happy to cooperate with Sidelines whenever possible and appreciate their interest in our problems. I very much regret misinterpretations that could result in conflict between members of the faculty or administration.

Mr. Bass and the business office have been entirely sympathetic to problems of our foreign students, and I am very grateful

for their efforts. I think we would all do very well to focus more attention on the positive aspects of our university which are not always found at other schools. Elizabeth Perez-Reilly Assistant Director of Admissions

To the Editor:

In response to the photograph on page two of the Jan. 19 issue of Sidelines, I feel I must speak out. The photographer who took this picture and Sidelines have both shown themselves to be irresponsible and uninformed on the subjects of hunting and wildlife conservation.

I wish Thomas Johns, the photographer, could see some of the "powerful images" I have seen. Images such as the many dead and rotting deer that littered the woods of Hickman, Lewis and Maury counties this summer as the result of a disease caused by overpopulation of the deer herd.

Maybe if he saw as I have, a three-week old fawn staggering blindly into trees and bushes as he slowly and painfully died of this disease. These are truly "powerful images." They are much more powerful than deer killed quickly and humanely, then dressed and packaged for consumption.

Has Mr. Johns ever been to a

meat packing plant? Does he ever stop to think where his steaks, pork chops and hamburgers come from? No, Mr. Johns, God doesn't deliver them in cellophane wrapped trays.

Each and every person has a right to their own opinion, but that opinion, especially if it is to be aired publicly, should be based on facts and a knowledge of the subject.

Mr. Johns, I implore you to talk with wildlife biologists and game wardens. Read and study wildlife management techniques, of which hunting plays a major part. I challenge you to get out and experience, observe and learn of wildlife firsthand.

Stephen Dotson  
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To the Editor:

I would like to tell you a story about a young lady of 18 years of age. She came to college looking for friends and a new look at the world that awaits her. When she arrives she makes friends and has fun being with them.

One night these friends asked her to go to a fraternity party and she accepted. When she arrives at the party, she is greeted by several young, good-looking men who wish for her company.

One of these gentlemen asked

her out and she accepted. Several days later, a rumor has begun that this young woman had sex with the man and he gets other guys to call her to get her to go with them. She soon learns the only reason he called was to get her to do something uncalled for. It just happened that all these guys were fraternity brothers.

Do you know what fraternity means? I looked it up and this is what it said: "The state or quality of being brothers; brotherliness; a group of men joined together by common interests, for fellowship; a group of people with the same beliefs, interests, work, etc." This is what fraternity means.

If you say that you are a fraternity person, you should have more respect for yourself and for others, especially young ladies. I've been hurt and persecuted by these types of people and I'm waiting for the day when they realize that they have ruined someone's life.

Here is a Bible passage I found and I read it every day—"Save me, O God! Lord, help me! May those who try to kill me be defeated and confused. May those who are happy because of my troubles be turned back and disgraced. May those who make fun of me be dismayed by their defeat." (Psalm 70:1-3)

Name withheld by request

## Focus

*Distorted reflections without reality  
or substance ...*



## Shadows

By Bill Cook

## Entertainment

# Jazz featured during stage band act

by Lewis Jetton

The Phi Mu Alpha Stage Band presented its Spring Concert last night to a half-filled Dramatic Arts Auditorium.

The concert lead off with the hard-hitting jazz tune "Battery Charger" and followed with a variety of songs in accord with the many different styles and talents of the performers. Judging from the applause, crowd favorites seemed to be "I Never Had It So

Good," "Copacabana," "Land of Make Believe" and "Minor Incident."

The Stage Band's Spring Concert have been an annual event since the music fraternity was founded in 1966.

The stage band featured five outstanding vocalists in Tere Campbelle, Bill Fisher, Russ Fox, Myra O'Steen and Jeanni Stalcup. Each had fantastic solos and all five were featured together on

"Games People Play."

The band through the first half of the show in a regular stage band set-up. During the second part of the concert, the stage was set up to look like the legendary club, "Copacabana," the theme of this year's concert.

Many instrumental soloists played during the two hour concert. Some of the more impressive were Mark Douthit on "It Wouldn't Have Made Any Dif-

ference," David Coleman and Gary Lunn and on "Minor Incident," John Blount on "This Is All I Ask" and Chris McDonald on "Winter Love."

McDonald is also an excellent writer, as he arranged eight of the stage band's 15 selections.

If you missed out on the performance of good jazz and contemporary pop music, you still have a chance to catch the second act tonight at 8 p.m.



Myra O'Steen featured performer in last night's Stage Band show.

## Student Programming plans for busy month

by Lisa Human

With a concert, a presentation by poet Nikki Giovanni, a film festival and the midwinter formal lined up for February, a few extra days may need to be added to the shortest month of the year.

"Dogwood" and "Fireworks", two groups with primarily Christian music, will perform Feb. 7 at 8 p.m. in the D.A.

"Dogwood," who has produced three albums and has performed with Pat Boone several times, will open the concert with a mixture of

country, rock and gospel music.

"Fireworks" will pickup the "Fire with contemporary Christian rock music.

Author, poet and recording artist Nikki Giovanni will appear Feb. 15 at 8 p.m. in the U.C. theatre.

"We tried to get Giovanni last year, but she got snowed under and couldn't make it," Terry Burkhalter, assistant director of student programming said.

If lectures don't turn you on, "Charlie Brown's Disco" will be

playing at the Mid-Winter formal, Feb. 23 at 8:30 p.m. in the JUB. Admission is free to students and their dates. ID's must be shown at the door.

For those who don't like dancing, the Sinking Creek Film Festival, which consists of three and award winning independent non-commercial films, may have something to offer.

The Sinking Creek Film Celebration was held at Vanderbilt last year and the three winning films will be seen at MTSU Feb. 26-28.

"The Serpents Egg," a film set in 1923, that studies the anxiety of actors as Nazism takes over, will be shown Feb. 26 at 3:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. in the U.C. theatre.

"Two English Girls," a love story in which two sisters fall in love with the same man, will be shown Feb. 27 at 3:30 p.m. in the U.C. theatre.

The festival will come to a close Feb. 28 with "Kwaisan," a Japanese film concerning the spirit world. It will be shown at 3:30 p.m. in the U.C. theatre.

## MTSU to experience 'Encounters'

by Lisa Human

It is not often that college students can see a recent top movie for only 75 cents, but due to special arrangements with Swank Motion Pictures Inc., "Close Encounters of the Third Kind" will be showing at MTSU March 12-13.

Swank decided to take "Close Encounters" off the commercial market and make it available to colleges from February to May. In

May however, the company plans to re-release the movie to the commercial market, making it unavailable to colleges.

Since MTSU is one of Swank's biggest customers, they called MTSU's student programming office and offered them the movie, according to Terry Burkhalter, assistant director of student programming.

Delighted with the offer, student programming replaced

"Texas Chainsaw Massacre" with "Close Encounters."

"This was an unusual situation," Burkhalter said, "but things like that happen every now and then."

Another unusual situation with the motion picture company occurred when MTSU tried to get "Rocky Horror Picture Show" on campus.

The movie was on the college

list for almost three years, but when it suddenly caught on and started making money, the movie was taken off college listings, Burkhalter said.

"Saturday Night Fever" and "Goodbye Girl," two movies recently released to colleges, will also be at MTSU this semester. "We were pretty lucky to get these movie selections," Burkhalter said.

## The Low-Down

by Ken Jobe



When press releases said Parliament's next album would be done underwater, record-buyers shook their heads in confusion. They weren't confused for long though, and pretty soon everybody was doing the "Aqua Boogie."

Parliament's latest album, "The Motor-Booty Affair" is a milestone for the group and may be their best album yet. The wild novelty songs the group is famous for are there (best shown in "Mr. Wiggles" and "Rumpofsteelskin"), but, it's the disco songs that steal the show. "Aqua Boogie" (A Psychoalhadiscobetabioquadoloop), is already a smash hit and, given time, "Liquid Sunshine" will be another hit. There's even a try at a slow song ("Water Sign"). I recommend you swim out and pick this album up.

Parliament's 1979 stage show is supposed to be a "Motion-Picture Underwater" an all will have a chance to go to Atlantis when they come to Nashville's Municipal Auditorium, Friday, Feb. 23.

If you want a new album by a new talent with a fantastic voice, great songs and a dynamic single in it, then "Cheryl Lynn" is the album for you.

Lynn was discovered when someone brought a video-tape of her Gong Show appearance to a Columbia Records executive. The rest is history in the making.

Her first single, "Got To Be Real," has people dancing from coast to coast. The rest of the album fully shows what "Got To Be Real" previews. There is a wide variety of songs on the album to showcase her fabulous voice and she comes through like a pro, most noticeably on "Give My Love To You," "Daybreak" and "All My Lovin'."

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## Lady Raiders upset Memphis State

by Scott Adams  
Sports Editor

Enough said about the refereeing, and "home cooking" and bad calls. Coach Larry Inman's Lady Raiders are for real.

The Lady Raiders pulled off a stunning win over a power-laden Memphis State Lady Tiger basketball team in Murphy Center last Tuesday and proved they will be a definite factor in next week's OVC tournament in Richmond, Ky.

In pulling off the 65-63 win, the

Lady Raiders avenged an earlier loss to the same Lady Tiger team which came in the Thanksgiving Tipoff Tournament. Memphis State won that one 91-81 behind the 41 points of guard Betty Booker.

Middle came out in the first half and jumped to a quick lead, 15-10. The Lady Raiders continued to contain Memphis State's fast break throughout the half, a factor which Inman said was "a key in the win," and went into the intermission with a three point

lead, 36-33.

The Lady Tigers refused to fold under MTSU's pressure defense and roared back to tie the score at 50 with 9:30 to play in the game.

A few seconds later, Memphis State's Booker turned a rare Pam Duff turnover into an easy two points and the Lady Tigers took the lead for only the second time in the contest.

The lead changed hands five times in the next seven minutes before Linda Perry gave the Lady Raiders a little breathing room with two straight baskets to make the margin six, 62-56, with 2:04 to go.

But once again Memphis State came back to tie the game up at 62 with a little over a minute to play.

Kathy Riley worked her way inside for the Lady Raiders' next bucket and gave them the lead again, 64-62, with 48 seconds left.

State's Linda Street was fouled on the next Lady Tiger possession, but could put only one of her free throws down, which forced them to foul immediately in hopes of getting the ball back on a missed shot.

Riley hit the first shot to give Memphis a 65-63 lead but missed the next, giving State a chance to send the game into overtime.

In a frantic rush to get the ball upcourt with only seven seconds left, the Lady Tigers Debbie

Couch managed to draw a blocking foul from Sharon McClannahan and the stage was set for Couch to tie the game.

But the sophomore guard, who had not been to the foul line all evening, missed the front end of the one and one and McClannahan picked off the rebound to ice the game.

Inman once again cited defense as the key to the win, which by the way was the Lady Raider's fifth in a row.

"We shut off their break tonight, and I was real proud of the way the girls kept Booker away from the goal," Inman said. "We tried to keep someone fresh on her all night, so we switched out Pam (Duff), Jo (Wright) and Linda (Perry) on her. Everybody just did one heck of a job."

The Lady Raider's one-two-three punch of McClannahan, Riley and Ilena Portik topped the scoring once again, with McClannahan getting 20 points, Riley 16 and Portik adding 15.

Booker led Memphis State with 18 points, hitting just nine of 24 shots from the field. Linda McKinnie followed with 16 points.

MTSU upped their record to 8-10 for the season and will be looking for their sixth straight win Saturday night against UT-Chattanooga in Chattanooga.

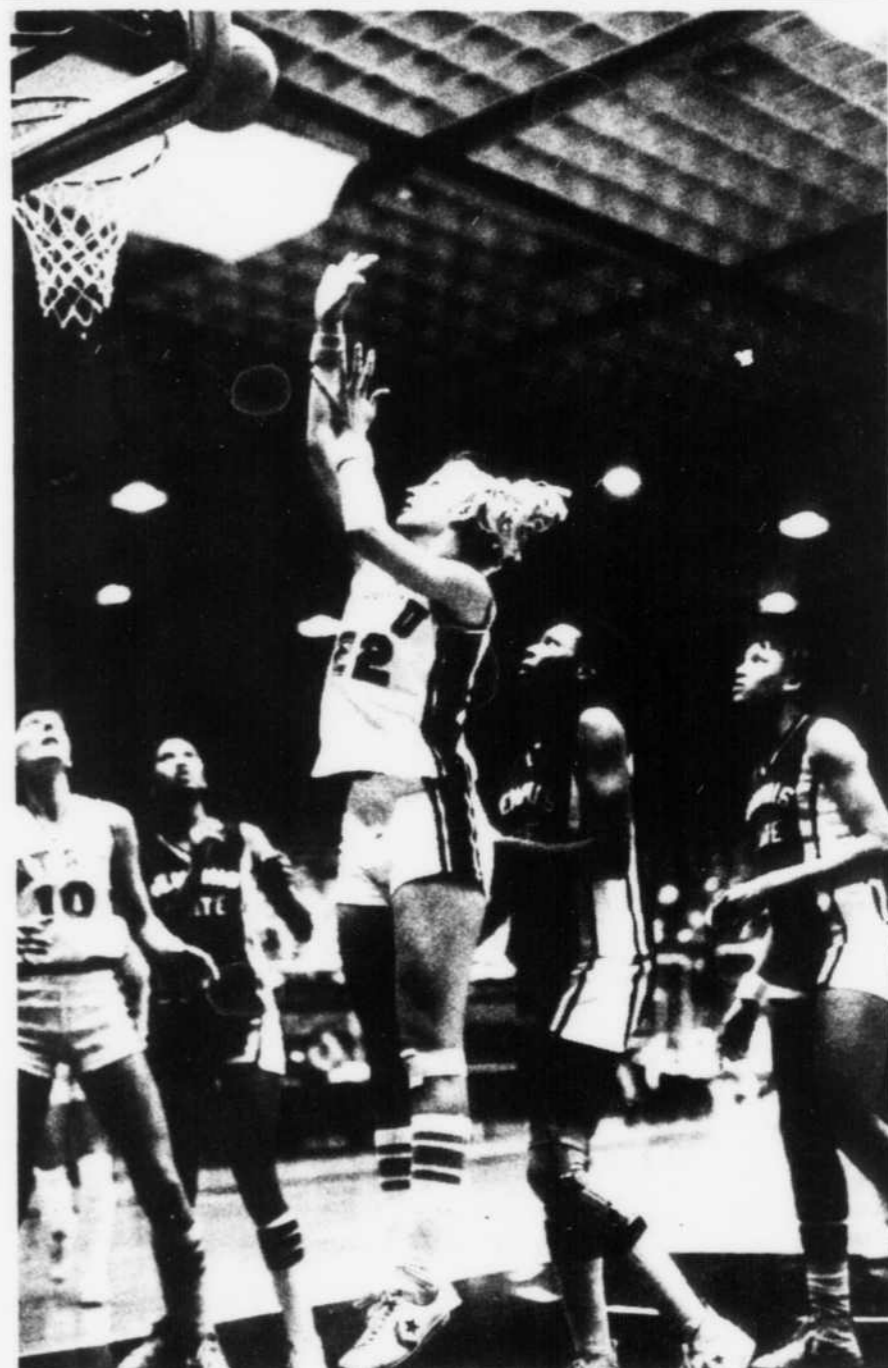
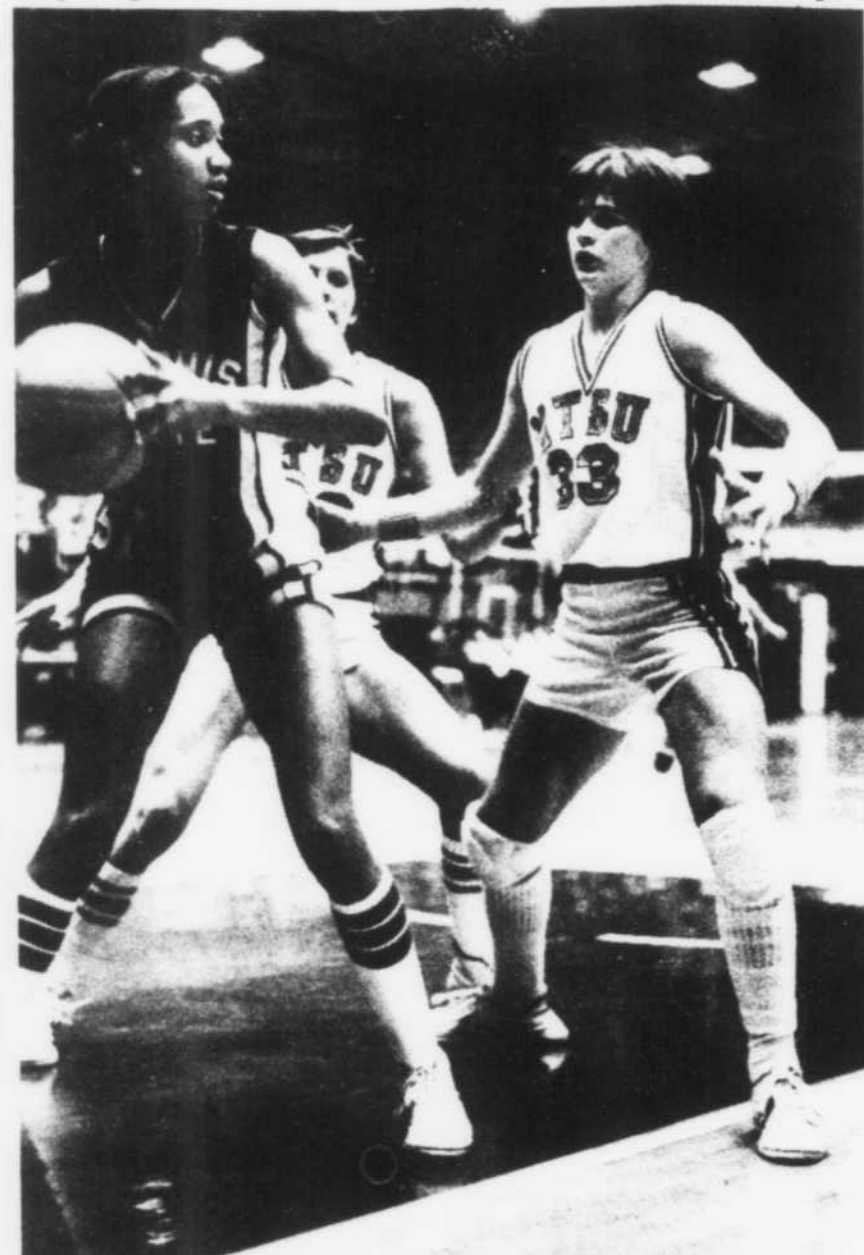


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Senior center Sharon McClannahan [22] points during Tuesday night's game at Murphy Center. The Lady Raiders pulled off their biggest win of the season, a 65-63 decision over 18th ranked Memphis State.



Kathy Riley and Ilena Portik put the squeeze on Memphis State's Linda McKinnie in Tuesday night's victory in Murphy Center. The victory upped MTSU's win streak to five games.

## Men's tennis team opens with Vandy

by Scott Adams

Dick LaLance, head coach of the Blue Raiders, has teamed the team, will get an early idea as to what the upcoming net season holds for his team when the Raiders travel to Nashville this weekend to face Vanderbilt.

The match will be held in the Vandy's spacious new indoor tennis complex, where the Commodores have been almost unbeatable in contests this season.

"Sure, it'll be tough starting off with Vanderbilt at their place, but we've got a tough schedule this year which will definitely help us when the OVC part of the schedule rolls around," LaLance said.

Along with Vanderbilt, the Raider schedule includes four more tough SEC schools in Kentucky, Tennessee, Auburn and Ole Miss. Also included are two matchups with Big 10 schools Illinois and Michigan State, plus the usual OVC matches.

The Blue Raiders will have every starter returning from last year's OVC runner-up team which ended up with an overall record of 17-8 for the season.

Last year's number one position holder, Dale Short returns after "a great season at that position," according to LaLance, and will be counted on for leadership this season as much as his court ability. Short is a junior from Murfreesboro.

Another returning junior, Peter Heffernan from Melbourne, Australia, won the conference championship at the number two position last year "and has really worked hard on his game during the off-season," says LaLance. Heffernan will probably team up

with Short in doubles competition this year, after being nearly unbeatable last season.

Peter Roberts, a senior, returns at the number three spot after losing a tough match in last year's OVC championship to take the runner-up spot. Roberts is also a native of Melbourne, Australia.

Stuart Thompson played at the number four spot on last year's squad and was also a runner-up in the OVC championship. Thompson is a senior from Heidelberg, Australia.

Tony Fernandez, a junior from Orlando, Florida, and another returning runner-up from last year's OVC championship, is playing in the number five spot. Fernandez won the championship at number five as a freshman.

Danny Wallace, a sophomore from Murfreesboro Oakland High School, won the conference championship at the number six position and turned out as the year's sleeper in conference recruiting. Wallace is also an outstanding double player.

Also included in the overall picture for this year's squad are Mike Patrick, a senior from Nashville and junior college transfer, Randy Schubert.

Schubert is a Tennessee State Junior College champion from Roane State and "has had a great fall season here at MTSU, LaLance said. Schubert has won a starting position and will see a lot of action this season.

"This should be an interesting year for us, and I'm really proud of the schedule we've worked out," LaLance said. "I hope a lot of people will want to come out and watch us play."

## Must win situation

by Henry Fennell

Middle Tennessee State's Blue Raider basketball team is in final preparations for their annual trip to Richmond and Morehead Kentucky.

The trip, which includes a Saturday night game against Eastern Kentucky and a Monday night contest with Morehead, has come to be known as "death valley" in the Ohio Valley Conference.

The Raiders begin the trip with a 3-3 record in the OVC and sole possession of fourth place in league standings.

Eastern, the preseason pick to win the OVC title, is living up to every expectation. The league

leading Colonels are 5-1 in the OVC and 12-5 overall.

Morehead is currently fifth in the OVC with a 2-4 conference record. The Eagles will be looking to even things up with the Raiders after winning an incredible overtime game in Murphy Center earlier this year.

MTSU is coming off a heart breaking loss at Western. Eastern also dropped a game in their last outing, losing to Western 70-65 in Bowling Green.

"I'm afraid that it is only going to make them mad, and the first team they will have a chance to take it out on is us," Blue Raider head coach Jimmy Earle said. The Raiders have already lost to the

Colonels earlier this season at Murphy Center.

MTSU will face two of the league's leading scorers on the Kentucky trip.

Eastern's Tillman is led by James "Turk" Tillman. Tillman's 25.4 points per game average is tops in the OVC.

Morehead's Herbie Stamper averages 19.3 points per game, good for third place in the scoring race.

As a team, Eastern leads the OVC in scoring with an average of 85.3 points per game. The Raiders will counter with a defense that ranks third in the OVC.

MTSU is presently allowing the opposition 73.3 points per game.

"If we can hold on to the quality defense we have been playing, some good things will happen to this team before the end of the season," Earle said.

Earle pointed to rebounding as an area needing improvement for upcoming games.

"We're just too nice on the boards," Earle said. "We need to be more aggressive."

MTSU's Greg Joyner is second among OVC scorers with a 22.3 average. Joyner also ranks second in rebounding with a 8.9 average.

Leroy Coleman carries a 13.2 scoring average into Saturday night's game. Coleman ranks eighth in OVC scoring.

Game time both nights is 7:30.

## Earle & Raiders to make 'Death Valley' swing

## Grapplers lose final home contest

by Scott Adams

MTSU's Blue Raider wrestling team ended their home wrestling season on a sour note last Tuesday, losing to Jacksonville State 33-19 in Murphy Center.

Michael Kennedy got things rolling for Middle early with an impressive 12-3 decision over Robbie Gaddus in the 118 pound weight classification.

James Jabely won his match by forfeit and Pat Simpson kept things going for the Raiders by pinning his opponent in the 134 pound class to give MTSU a 16-0 lead.

Jacksonville seemed to shake their opening match jitters at this point, and proceeded to win the next three matches, all on pins, to give them an 18-16 lead.

In the 167 pound class MTSU sent one of its better wrestlers, Tony Rowland, up against Jacksonville's Pat Barber, in what would prove to be the pivotal match in the contest.

With Rowland leading 13-2 and only a little over two minutes remaining in the match, it looked as if Middle would surge back into the

lead. Rowland, however, was disqualified for using an illegal hold in the waning seconds of the duel to give JSU the win.

Head coach Gordon Connell said that he might have contested the call if he had not been so upset with Rowland and concerned about the Jacksonville wrestler, who was sent crashing to the mat in pain.

"When I looked back on

the whole situation I realized that a caution should have been given to Tony for using a potentially dangerous hold," Connell said, "but I got so wrapped up in seeing if the other boy was all right that I didn't really realize what had happened until it was too late."

The disqualification gave Jacksonville a 24-16 lead with only three matches remaining.

MTSU dropped the last three matches as Connell was forced to use wrestlers in heavier weight classifications due to the absence of a heavyweight.

MTSU's next matches will be Friday against the University of Evansville in Evansville, Ind. followed by a match with Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Ill.



Pat Simpson goes for a successful pin against Jacksonville State's Tim Lewis in Tuesday's match.