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Paper fights decision on closed meetings

KIM HARRIS
News Editor

Officials of *The Daily News Journal* announced Tuesday their decision to appeal last week's ruling which stated the MTSU search committee may continue to meet behind closed doors.

"We think we're right," Editor Mike Pirtle said yes-

had no decision-making authority.

"At the outset the advisory committee was a governing body within the state law and subject to open meetings," James Cope, DNJ attorney, said yesterday. "When the committee had in excess of 60 [presidential] candidates to eight, it was acting to openly assist

TBR has chosen William Ferris, a Memphis attorney, as chairman of the ad hoc committee. The ad hoc committee will consist of members of the TBR and will serve as a sub-committee of the board.

The TBR recently changed its policy of allowing ad hoc committees to meet privately with advisory committees. In previous TBR school presidential searches, Cope said, that it had been common practice.

Cope said he feels the policy change stemmed from the lawsuit. "Apparently, they [the TBR] thought we were right. Thirteen days before the lawsuit was filed, the policy was changed.

"They called it a clarification. I call it a reversal."

"We're from the standpoint," Cope said, "that we believe public business should be conducted in public." ■

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terday. "The chancellor's decision looks at the law in a narrow light which we feel is detrimental to the spirit of the Sunshine Law.

"The issues involved are important to the public's right to know."

Last Friday, Chancellor C. Allen High ruled that the committee was not a "governing body" and therefore not subject to the Open Meetings Law. High stated

that the advisory committee the Board of Regents in choosing the next president."

"The responsibility passed to the committee was passed by the State Board of Regents," Pirtle said. "If the Board of Regents can pass that responsibility, then it should pass the responsibility to follow the Sunshine Law."

In the meantime, the



A fond farewell...

Wayne Cartwright • Staff

Beverly Youree, Youth Education and School Personnel Services, walks with President Sam Ingram after attending his appreciation lunch hosted by the Concerned Faculty and Administrative Women yesterday in the JUB.

Former President Ford to lecture

From Staff Reports

Former President Gerald R. Ford will be on campus Wednesday, Nov. 8, 11 a.m., at the Tucker Theatre to give a lecture entitled "America's Present and Future Economic Challenges."

Ford's visit is part of the Public Lecture Series offered this semester by The Jennings A. Jones Chair of Excellence in Free Enterprise.

Ford became the 38th president following the resignation of Richard M. Nixon on August 9, 1974. Ford's presidency is generally considered one of flexible conservatism. Challenges which he faced during his term in office included a growing energy crisis, high employment and spiraling inflation.

Prior to his presidency, Ford earned a law degree from Yale University law school and practiced briefly before and after four years of service in the U.S. Navy. In 1948, he was elected to the House of Representatives and was re-elected by his western Michigan constituency for 25 years.

During his tenure in the House, Ford was selected chairman of the Republican Conference (1963) and for some years was House Minority Leader. He was permanent chairman of the Republican National Conventions in 1968 and 1972.

Lyndon Johnson appointed him to the Presidential Commission investigating the death of President Kennedy. Ford subsequently authored a book on the subject, *Portrait of the Assassin*, with John R. Stiles.

Biology professor pushes recycling

RUSTY GERBMAN
Staff Writer

Patrick Doyle of the biology department proposed a comprehensive recycling program this week to MTSU President Sam Ingram and the Administrative Council.

There is no decision, as of yet, on the program, which Doyle has attempted to initiate once before.

Doyle's program would incorporate all major uni-

versity offices to be responsible for separating out aluminum cans and papers from their waste. Students working in the project would collect the cans and papers for recycling.

"The university has not determined whether or not we are able to run this program on a break-even basis," Ingram said.

Doyle would like to have the program run on a state-funded work scholarship

program. Rather than hiring new employees, students would be doing the recycling.

"Instead of a student in a work scholarship program correcting tests or supervising a lab, they would be involved in the recycling program," Doyle said.

Doyle would also like to be able to place the proceeds of the recycling program back into the MTSU Foundation, which in turn

would create more work scholarships. Doyle said this "wheel" or "circle" plan will be quite beneficial to the university.

"You have appropriated money," he said. "You have students that are going to school on a work scholarship program who may not have been able to otherwise. Then their effort generates money that goes back into the foundation for more scholarships." ■



Helen Comer • Special

Fast food place catches on fire...

A fire broke out at the Wendy's on Church Street at approximately 1:30 p.m. Monday. The business will open its doors again in approximately two weeks.

News Briefs

Incompletes turn to F's

Records Office Assistant Director Carolyn Johnson wants MTSU students to understand the process by which grade changes occur on record office transcripts.

"The grade change must come through the proper channels," Johnson said. "Incompletes are the major changes made on a transcript." There are more incompletes given by professors now than in previous years, but this could be due to the increase in MTSU enrollment.

"At the end of May there were 1,022 incompletes on record and 42 percent of those were converted to an 'F' because the student did not follow through on the completion of the course," Johnson said.

The Records Office does not decide whether a grade change will occur. If a student is unable to complete a course or takes issue with a grade given, the student must make arrangements with the professor for a grade change.

—DARLENE GRAY

Who's Who applications available

Applications for Who's Who Among American Universities and Colleges are available in the ASB office. Applications are due Nov. 1.

Any junior, senior or graduate student with an overall GPA of 2.8 or better is eligible to apply for Who's Who. Those students without a 2.8 GPA but who have made outstanding contributions to MTSU may also apply.

Last year, MTSU had approximately 13,000 students and was allowed 66 nominees. This year's enrollment increased to over 14,000, and Who's Who is allowing 99 nominees to be recommended, according to Judy Smith, associate dean of women.

"Any time out of 14,000 students, you are one of 99 to receive national recognition, then that's something to be proud of," Smith said.

—MICHELLE MATHES

Pay equity to be reviewed by committee

GAYLN GLICK

Staff Writer

Members of the Committee on the Status of Women on Campus are reviewing problem areas at MTSU, the most important of which is salary inequity.

The committee, chaired by Sondra Wilcox of the HPER department, will submit its recommendations to the Tennessee Board of Regents in February.

According to Wilcox most pay raises on campus are by percentage rather than rank which puts women at a disadvantage.

"Years ago, many women attained their doctorates while teaching here, and because they did not have their doctorates, their starting salaries were lower," Wilcox said. "A five percent raise from \$20,000 is a lot less than a five percent raise from \$30,000."

Other areas to be reviewed, Wilcox said, include representation of women on search committees, sex bias in curricular daycare facilities for children of employees and students, and sexual harassment.

Rebecca Rice, director of the Women's Center and a member of the committee, said that MTSU ranked higher than any other institution under the TBR's jurisdiction and that correcting problems would be "mostly a matter of fine tuning."

The committee was established by the TBR in the spring of 1988 to improve conditions of women on campus and to serve as an advisory committee to the incoming president. ■

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Incident: Recovery of Auto

On Oct. 23 Murfreesboro Police Department dispatcher reported that the vehicle reported stolen by Cynthia Ratliff on Oct. 9 had been recovered in Nashville.

Incident: Burglary

On Oct. 23 Chantelle Moss reported that on Sept. 11 her high school ring had been stolen from her room in Lyon Hall. Ring valued at \$250.

Burglary

On Oct. 23 Lori Drake reported that on Oct. 19 she left her room in Cummings Hall for twenty minutes. She returned to find five rings had been stolen. Value of the rings was estimated at \$605.

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Sidelines is now accepting applications for assistant editors for news and sports. Applications are also available for staff writer positions.

Tau Omicron members will have their picture taken for the *Midlander* on Wednesday, Nov. 1 at 4 p.m. at the KUC Lounge, across from the Grill.

The **Blue Knights**, MTSU's Chess Club, will meet every Thursday at 6 p.m. in Room 314 of the KUC.

Who's Who In American Universities and Colleges applications are available to all juniors, seniors or graduate students with a 2.8 GPA or above. The applications are now available in the ASB office room 305. ASB office hours are 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Deadline is Nov. 1 for returning applications to the ASB office.

The **Placement Center** will conduct Career Placement Orientation for seniors and graduate students today at 3 p.m. in Room 328 in the KUC. Students should attend to register with the Placement Center and to participate in the campus interview programs.

The **Russian Club** is sponsoring a booksale in the KUC today from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The **Sigma Club** will have its next Quiz Bowl on Nov. 1 and 2 from 7-9 p.m. It will be televised live from the LRC. For more information call Scotty Tucker at 896-3894.

ARMS will be having a meeting tonight at 7 p.m. in Room 316 KUC. Speaker will be Anthony Von Dollen, coordinator of A and R at Arista.

The **Biology Club** in conjunction ROTC will sponsor a rappel off of Forrest Hall on Oct. 30 from 5 p.m. until dark. The club also plans to rappel off of the fire training building located on Highway 96 Dec. 3.

The **Fall 1989 Honors Lecture Series** continues with "Library Automation" Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. in Peck Hall 107. David Robinson, MTSU automation librarian will be speaking.

The **Lambda Association of MTSU** is a support organization for gay and lesbian students, faculty, staff and their supporters. For more information, write to P.O. Box 624, MTSU.


The **Russian Club** will meet tonight at 7 p.m. at Mr. Gatti's on South Lowry Street. Everyone is welcome to attend. It is Russian Movie Night featuring "Ivan TV."




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OPINIONS

State should open presidential search meetings

Davidson County Chancellor C. Allen High ruled last week that meetings by the search committee reviewing applications for MTSU's presidential position are not covered by the Tennessee Open Meetings Law and do not have to be open to the public.

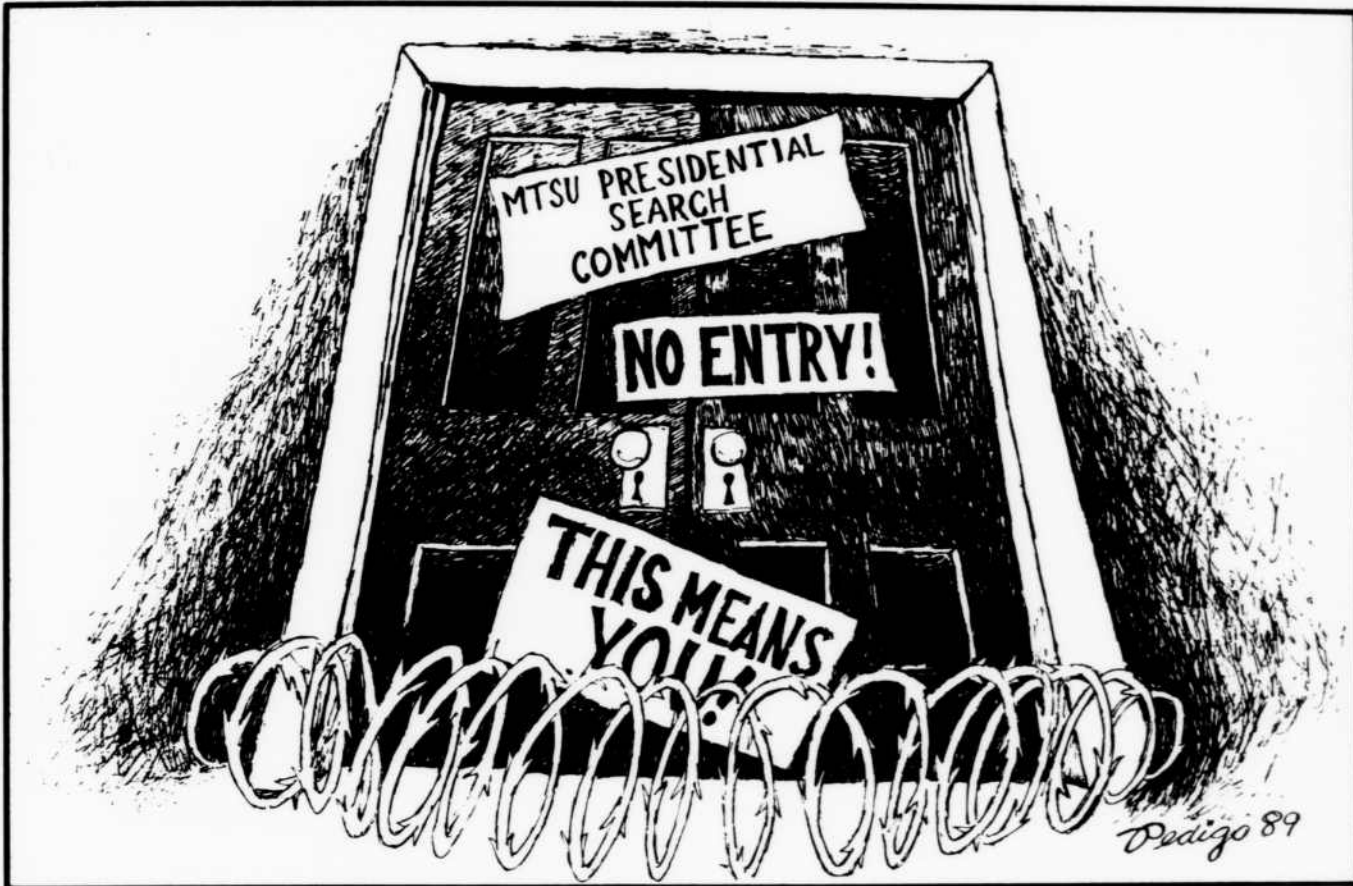
Murfreesboro newspaper *The Daily News Journal* filed the suit in an effort to force the committee to obey the meetings law, also known as the Sunshine Law. It states that the meetings of any state governmental organization that either makes decisions or recommends a course of action are open to the public.

The argument of the Tennessee Board of Regents, which High agreed with, is that the committee simply *advises* Chancellor Garland. Garland actually makes the decision and thus the committee is not covered under the law.

According to the *Webster College Dictionary*, however, the word "advise" is one of the definitions of the word "recommend." It is obvious that this is an effort by the board to slip around state law for whatever reasons.

This attempt is dangerous not only in this case, but also for the precedent it sets. As *Daily News Journal* Publisher D.G. Bennett has said: what's to stop other state organizations from simply changing the wording of their operating papers and thus removing themselves from the public eye?

Good luck to the *News Journal* in its appeal of the case because the effects it has could go far beyond our campus. The Sunshine Law was designed to let us see how *our* government works — let's keep it that way and let's hope the TBR remembers it is here to serve the public, not the other way around. ■



Changes offered for black education

Raymond E. Waynick II
Guest Columnist

Note: the first part of this column, published in Monday's issue of the paper, addressed the need for changes in minorities' attitudes towards education. All critical comments should be addressed to Raymond E. Waynick II, Box 9721.

What can and must be done to address this problem which is certain to bring about the intellectual suicide of an entire race of people?

First, we must find ways to provide alternative environments for those who wish to achieve academically. While this might become a mammoth undertaking involving thousands of dollars, it seems to work. The most notable instance is that of a young black man, transported from inner-city Chicago to a prep school in New England and from there to Harvard. He is now a writer on the staff of *Newsweek*.

Such instances must be repeated a hundred-fold. An organization of which I am a member is currently engaged in obtaining funds to do just this sort of thing. It proposes to bring high school juniors and seniors from the cities to college campuses during the summer for experiences in academic enrichment, encouragement, sharpening of skills — but most of all for the reinforcement of positive attitudes towards education. If such inroads are made into reversing some of the attitudes currently held by young blacks, there may be a groundswell of awareness of education's importance.

Second, a national campaign on the scale of what is now being done in connection with the deadly disease AIDS must be launched. Nobody is telling young blacks that dropping out of school mortgages their entire future; that there are more black men in prisons than there are in the colleges and universities of this country and that these incarcerations are due largely to lack of education and the capacity to find jobs and earn a decent living.

Anything that America wishes to be done can be done if enough people support the cause. While cigarette smoking has not completely disappeared, figures indicate that national awareness of the dangers of smoking has significantly

reduced the number of persons who smoke. And while we may never get every black youngster to aspire to a Ph.D. in nuclear physics, we can save a greater number of these youngsters who are in danger of eventually becoming society's rejects.

Third, we must reexamine the economic situation in this country which keeps blacks in low-paying jobs with no hope of upward mobility, which at every level separates the "haves" from the "have nots," which dictates that athletes be paid salaries which embarrass even themselves, and which prohibits our best minds from obtaining an education. Black youths must be educated to the fact that there are other avenues to success and security than athletics and entertainment.

Why should a youngster devote more time to learning to read than learning to shoot a basketball when he has never in his life heard of a college professor signing on for \$8 million over an 8 year period?

This rethinking of priorities must be laid at the feet of philanthropic foundations which have, to some extent, achieved their present status through the efforts of others who contributed to the success of their operation. Before it is too late, they must now open their coffers, as never before, in an effort to save a race of people from intellectual suicide. Indeed, if the current trend continues, a generation of blacks will have turned their backs on the one historical imperative which has separated the great nations from those which have sunk into oblivion — education of the greatest number of citizens possible.

The crisis in black America is indeed, the moral equivalent of war. If this state of affairs is allowed to go unchecked, the effect will be devastating, not only on the future of minorities in this country, but on the future of civilization as we know it. Education teaches us that we are human beings with a stake in the future of mankind. Education teaches us that blacks who develop their minds do not become less "black;" rather, education enables all people to walk upright in the true statue of human dignity and human worth.

Reversing young blacks' current attitudes towards education must become a national priority. Nothing short of such an all-out effort will suffice. ■

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FEATURES

Jinxian Yue needs up to \$5,000 to relocate to states

Chinese student wants family here

CHRIS WHALEY
Staff Writer

Being away from home is usually a part of the college experience.

Most students enjoy the new found freedom that comes with the territory — knowing that mom and dad are a few hours, or at least a phone call away.

Unfortunately, some students like Jinxian Yue, are not that close to home.

Jinxian is a student from Lanzhou, China (capital of the northwest province of Gansu) working on a masters degree in psychology through "an agreement between the State Educational Commission of China and (American) Universities." Jinxian's stay is to

end next March, but, he says, "I want to stay here longer."

This would require the transportation of his wife and three children from China to the states — a tedious and expensive process.

According to Jinxian, the cost to bring his family to America is about "\$4,000 to \$5,000." While Jinxian works twenty hours per week in the geography department, his income is not sufficient for a speedy transport of his family. Jinxian says "Right now it will take about two years."

Presently, Jinxian's wife, Shenfong Laing, and their three children Ying, Hui, and Lung, are supported by Lanzhou College

through the program Jinxian is participating in. Extending his stay in America may cause the stoppage of financial support to his family.

Thus, a quick move from China is important. This process would involve asking the college in China for approval.

"If they approve, my wife will go and get a visa at the American Embassy," says Jinxian.

Working in the geography department to save money and send some to his family is just one activity in Jinxian's busy schedule. His day starts no later than 5 a.m.

Why so early? Jinxian practices a Chinese exercise (named) qigong, which, he says is



Sandra Rennie • Staff

Jinxian Yue

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Wayne Cartwright • Staff

The enlarged lobby of Rutledge Hall is just one of the renovations completed on the building this summer

Residents proud of Rutledge facelift

DANNY MYER
Staff Writer

Rutledge Hall, one of the oldest residence halls on campus, has undergone a major facelift.

The building is one of the original five buildings built in 1911 that made up the Middle Tennessee Normal School. (MTSU's name has changed several times: Middle Tennessee Normal School, Middle Tennessee State Teachers College, State Teachers College and finally, MTSU.)

Rutledge has always been a female dormitory, with Jones Hall, built in 1913, being the first male residence hall. Rutledge's aged structure had no renovations since its construction over 70 years ago.

All of the third floor sinks were loose, the paint was peeling off the walls, the closets were pre-historic and some wouldn't even open. The termites had eaten some of the studs which held the frame together so that one could simply crumble the 2x4's which made up the old frame.

"Rutledge was in desperate need of renovations," said Ivan Shewmake, director of housing. "We've been planning this for a while, but the bids were just too high to start the construction. Then I decided to let our student workers

do the job. They've all had the experience needed and I know my workers.

"Others were skeptical about this idea, but there was never a doubt in my mind. I'm damn proud of them. We didn't expect to find all the frame damage that we did, but I knew that wouldn't be a big problem."

Student workers began working in mid-May 1989 and interior renovations were completed on August 20. The students did everything from demolition and re-structuring to tiling the floors and painting. Shewmake said that the students did over 70 percent of the whole job and saved MTSU over \$100,000.

In addition to the basic renovations, housing also cut out part of a room beside each bathroom in order to make it bigger.

"The bathrooms were grotesquely small," said Terri Plummer, one of the resident assistants in Rutledge Hall. "Before, there were 18 people per bathroom, so it desperately needed to be bigger. Now, we have two single rooms on each floor. They've even added dressing stalls by each shower."

"It's a 300 percent improvement," said Kelly Coombs, one of the residents of Rutledge Hall. "I really enjoy living here now." ■

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"something like hypnosis." Jinxian explained that "qi" means vital energy, and "gong" means "exercise plus time." Jinxian says that qigong is an "ideal way to get fit." He goes so far as to say that this technique can cure a vast number of diseases, and according to him, has done so across the country of China.

From the same ancient Chinese philosophy that developed into acupuncture, qigong attempts to "balance the yin and yang," primary natural powers. "When the yin and Yang are in harmony," he says, "A person is free from trouble."

Jinxian starts his day with two hours of this ritual and ends each night with four more. Getting to bed at 2 a.m. gives Jinxian only three hours of sleep. But, he says, thanks to qigong, he needs "little or no food or sleep."

Jinxian says he is "greatly interested in United States education." Although there are many differences he must get accustomed to, he says "I am adjusting well."

Adjusting means getting used to a five-day work week, rather than the usual six-day workweek in China. Jinxian isn't complaining, however.

"I like the American way better," he says. "It is effective."

There are some people that students should make a special attempt to get to know.

Jinxian Yue is one of those people. A prime example of the importance of education as well as freedom, Jinxian is working hard at what is so often taken for granted. ■



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Applications are available in Room 306 of the James Union Building. A transcript and three letters of recommendation are required. Deadline is 4 pm Oct. 27. For more information please call Jenny Tenpenny Crouch, Student Publications Coordinator, at MTSU ext. 2338.

Interviews and selection are scheduled for Nov. 3.

Willis goes 'goo,' Swayze gets tough

BRIAN WILLIAMS
Staff Writer

There is nothing that gets the attention of all of us more than a cute and adorable baby. The idea worked very well with 1987's box-office smash *Three Men and A Baby* with Tom Selleck, Steve Guttenberg and Ted Danson.

However, that movie had three solid stars. For the newest baby-comedy, *Look Who's Talking*, you have an actor who has not starred in a movie in five years, an actress who runs a bar on a popular Thursday night TV show, and a mouth whose voice can "light the moon."

The result: this fall's surprisingly good comedy.

John Travolta, in his first movie since his flop in 1984 with *Perfect*, plays a cab driver short-cutting his way through life looking for something to hold onto. Kirstie Alley, from TV's *Cheers*, co-stars as an accountant mother who has a bad number when it comes to looking for Mr. Right. Along for the ride are Olympia Dukakis as Alley's mother, Abe Vigoda (Fish from TV's *Barney Miller*) as

Travolta's aging father and George Segal as a married, playboy client of Alley's.

Although with this nice ensemble, the true stars of the movie are Mikey, the baby, and Bruce Willis, who provides the dubbed voice of Mikey.

Mikey and Willis are on the same wavelength throughout the whole movie. Whatever movements, reactions or situations that Mikey goes through or performs, Willis has the perfect statement for it in more ways than one from his first words of being born screaming, "PUT ME BACK IN!"

Although the story of Alley and Mikey's quest for a husband and a father seems to be more of a television script, *Look Who's Talking* provides many surprises.

A few surprises in the movie come from a biology lesson in Mikey's conception showing sperm traveling from the man to the woman to the tune of *I Get Around* and the babies' antics at the hospital and at the playground.

Look Who's Talking, for

a small movie, definitely says a mouthful, thanks to Bruce Willis....

Look Who's Talking is now showing at the Carmike 6 located at Jackson Heights Square. ★★★

It is do or die time for Patrick Swayze. I admire him for desperately trying to break the mold as a sex symbol in his new movie *Next of Kin*.

His 1987 surprise hit, *Dirty Dancing*, gave him the step-up to stardom. Unfortunately, his attempts at different roles have led to a dead end (*Steel Dawn*, *Road House*). Now Swayze tries for a third with *Next of Kin*, and believe me, it is no charmer.

Kin is an 80's version of the *The Hatfields vs. The McCoy's*. Swayze stars as Truman Gates, a Chicago police detective with a type yet *Andy Griffith*-type personality.

The story is mainly set in Chicago as Gates is in pursuit of his brother's killer, who is a member of the mafia-type family. This

eventually sets up a bitter war between families and prepares the audience for the finale.

This movie is not really all that bad and it works fairly well with the idea. However, the story is flat and stagnant. The beginning is very slow and the movie doesn't really begin to pick up until the end with the family war with a predictable ending.

Kin does have good intentions, and for that matter Swayze does also, for he is trying hard to portray himself as a dramatic actor in this movie. However, it is just not enough.

In a fall season that has seen some very good movies, *Kin* is something the movie-going public wouldn't relate very well to. ★

Next of Kin is now showing at the Carmike 6 located at Jackson Heights Square.

The rating system is as follows: one star, poor; two stars, fair; three stars, good; four stars, excellent. ■

Flight group to enter national contest

JILL McWHORTER
Managing Editor

MTSU's Flying Raiders will compete in a national contest in April due to their fourth place award in the Region Eight National Intercollegiate Flying Association Tournament, which occurred Oct. 18-22.

The Flying Raiders, which is part of the MTSU Flight Club, came home with 11 awards, including a first place trophy in the message drop competition, according to Don Crowder, a coach for the group.

"The schools in Division Eight were University of Illinois, Purdue University, Middle Tennessee State University, Parks College of St. Louis University and Lewis University of

Chicago," said Crowder. "I think our team did a fine job considering most of the other schools pay for the student's training. At MTSU, the students pay. That's expensive."


The 14 members of the Flying Raiders who traveled to Purdue University for the competition participated in flying and ground events.

The Flying Raiders practice at the Murfreesboro Airport at least once a week

under the supervision of coaches Crowder and Bob Phillips.

Flying skills the Flying Raiders are polishing up for national competition which will take place at University of Illinois include precision landings, navigation and message drops.

Flight computer operation, flight planning, flight simulation and a pre-flight air check of a "gigged" plane will be on-ground competitions. ■



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SPORTS

Samford, Evansville down volleyball team

KEN SALTER
Editor

MTSU's Lady Raider volleyball team's youth shown through again as they blew a two game lead against Samford and then lost to an experienced Evansville team as they dropped two matches Tuesday night.

With the two losses, MTSU drops to 4-18.

The Lady Raiders started quickly against Samford winning the first two games 15-9, 15-11.

But then the bottom fell out.

Samford won the next three games 15-11, 15-5, 15-5 to take the match.

"We lost our intensity against Samford," Luna said. "We thought we had the match won and we eased up. We should have beaten Samford with any team we put on the court.

"Things like this happen, though, when you have no junior or senior leadership."

In the second match, MTSU faced a tough Evansville team and lost in three games, 4-15, 9-15, 10-15.

"Evansville is as good as any team in the OVC," Luna said.

MTSU's lack of experience has plagued the team

throughout the season. The team has been forced to use players who would not have seen the amount of playing time they have if injuries and academic problems had not sidelined key players.

"There are four people who are starting who would not have seen much action if we hadn't lost some of our players," Luna said.

MTSU will travel to Morehead State for a match Friday. Game time is set for 6 p.m. (EDT).

• Freshman Lisa White has been playing with a partially torn rotator cuff in her right arm. White said she has always had problems with right shoulder popping even during her high school career, but that it worsened last weekend during the team's tournament at UT-Martin.

"I was playing and all of a sudden it felt like a rubber band that was stretched too far and broke," she said. "Before the pain was on and off, but since then it's been constant."

White said that she is planning on having surgery on Nov. 17.

• White is also listed No. 17 in the nation in serve percentage in the latest national volleyball statistics. ■



Freshman Priscilla Robinson hits the ball in MTSU's five-game loss to Samford University, Tuesday. Robinson is one of several freshmen on the team who is seeing a

Sandra Rennie•Staff

lot of playing time due to injuries and academic problems to several of the team's players.

For the good of the Bay area, teams resume the 1989 World Series now

While it appears that the World Series may start Friday, speculation that the series may be suspended completely has not ended.

Baseball Commissioner Fay Vincent showed good judgment for postponing the series until the stadiums could be checked for damage.

By Charlie Dudas
Staff Column

In addition, the postponement gave the Bay area cities time to recover and allowed for a period of mourning for those who died.

But soon the cities will crawl back to life and people will go to work and children will go back to school. As we all know, life goes on, even after tragedy. I have always heard that after a tragedy, it is best to get things back to normal as quickly as possible. The World Series will help do just that.

What a boost it will be for the Bay area, who will have a winner either way the World Series turns out. Even if it turns out that it is impossible to play the series in San

Francisco or Oakland, Los Angeles and San Diego have already offered their stadiums as alternative sites.

The worst thing that could possibly happen is not to play the World Series.

Cancelling the series will not help what has happened any more than people burying their heads in the sand. How would the Giants and A's baseball teams feel if a championship is denied one of them, especially when there is a definite chance that many of the players will never get to play in another World Series in their life?

For these men who never get another chance to participate in the fall classic, whether it be because their team never gets back to the series, they are traded, get injured or for some other reason, the tragedy of the earthquake will not be the only tragedy.

The 1989 World Series was being played for the late Commissioner of baseball, A. Bartlett Giamatti. A cancelled series is something I don't think he would have approved of.

So, let's get the series back underway for the people of the Bay area, the players and the nation in general. Play ball! ■



Going up for two...

Sandra Rennie•Staff

Sophomore forward Quincy Vance shoots a layup in the Blue Raiders practice Wednesday afternoon. The Blue Raiders will hold their first Blue-White scrimmage Nov. 2 at Mt. Juliet High School.

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