

Activities kick off Homecoming Week

Hunt solved in 30 minutes

By DANA POGUE
Copy Editor

Tom Meyers, Jim Beasley, Scott Thomas and Joseph Rooker solved the Strike-It-Rich Treasure Hunt yesterday within 30 minutes after the first clue was announced.

They were presented a folder of gift certificates, totaling \$1,200, at the beginning of the Fight Song competition by Dean Paul Cantrell Monday afternoon.

Homecoming Director Rob Marlin began the search by announcing the fairness of the competition.

"To let ya'll know how fair this competition is, today is the first time I have ever seen this clue," Marlin said.

Cantrell announced the first clue at 7:30 a.m. yesterday on the steps of Keathley University Center.

The clue was: "North is North, and South is South. Of this there is no doubt. East is East, and West

is West. Now you must figure out the rest."

"I told everyone I was going to win this," Beasley said. "We began the search by checking all the weather vanes, like the one on top of the aerospace building. The search went on from there."

"Someone suggested we check out the football field. I told them, they couldn't be stupid enough to put it on the 50-yard line," Meyers said. "But there it was."

The winners found a card saying, "Congratulations! You have won the Strike-It-Rich Treasure Hunt."

The foursome intends on enjoying their winnings to the fullest.

"We're going to spend it," Beasley said.

While he was happy for the winners, Marlin said he was also somewhat disappointed in the contest's length.

"I was happy for the boys' loss but I'm sorry it didn't last

longer to generate more interest for students, dorms and organizations on campus," Marlin said.

Prizes for the Middle Tennessee State University Homecoming Strike-It-Rich Treasure Hunt were contributed by the following businesses and organizations: Associated Student Body, \$385.45; Hunter's Court Stable, 10 riding lessons worth \$100; Royal Jewelers, gift certificate worth \$100; The Wallpaper Corner, eight single rolls of wallpaper worth \$80; Body Concepts "n" Motion, 10 visits to tanning bed and eight visit to the exercise room, worth \$65; Sassy's, sterling silver earrings worth \$50; Boot-village/Martin Shoes, gift certificate worth \$50; Olan Mill Studios, gift certificate worth \$30; Captree Factory Store, gift certificate worth \$25; Gold Rush, gift certificate worth \$25; Mainstreet, gift certifi-

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HOWARD ROSS

Dean Cantrell hands the Treasure Hunt winnings over to (from l to r) Tom Meyers, Jim Beasley, Scott Thomas and Joseph Rooker as Homecoming Director Rob Marlin looks on.

Fight Song competition held

By CRYSTAL NELMS
and
ROSEMARY COLLINS

The Middle Tennessee State University Pom Pon squad, Cummings Hall, Gracy Hall, Alpha Delta Pi and Sigma Alpha Omicron all won first place in Monday afternoon's Homecoming Fight Song competition in their different divisions.

The Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity harmonized their way into first place of the Greek fraternity division, and the Beta Theta Pi ghosts "charged" their way into second place. Placing third was Kappa Sigma, the "masked men."

Only one group was penalized by the judges for breaking a contest rule — Kappa Alpha. According to Marcie Allen, fight song coordinator, the fraternity was penalized 10 points for "horse play."

Kappa Alpha, during a skit, dressed as Peanuts characters, ran around the performing area proceeding their rendition of the fight song.

Allen said that the group would not have placed even if they were not penalized.

The Pom Pon squad placed first in the female independent division of the competition. Dressed as "mister shorties," they sang the MTSU fight song, Omega Phi

Alpha placed second in this division.

Alpha Delta Pi won first place in the greek sorority category with Alpha Omicron Pi placing second and Delta Zeta third. All three groups sang, cheered, and performed routines. The favorite prop of the sororities was Halloween half masks.

The second division scheduled was the mixed independents. The Baptist Student Union, the Middle Tennessee Christian, the Middle Tennessee Baptist and Pi Sigma Epsilon all signed up to participate, but the groups were not represented at the event.

"Mixed organizations didn't come," Allen said. "They sign up but don't come. They can't get it together."

In the female residence hall division Cummings Hall placed first and High Rise West placed second. Felder Hall, Lyon Hall, Miss Mary Hall, Reynolds Hall and Wood Hall all signed up, but none of them participated.

In the male residence hall division, Gracy Hall took the first place prize and Gore Hall placed second. Three other halls signed up but did not attend the event.

Thirty-one groups signed up for the competition, and only 19 groups showed up to participate.

According to Becky Paine, fight song coordinator, everyone at the Associated Student Body office was pleased with the number of groups who signed up.

"Compared to last year, I thought it was a good turnout. I think Homecoming is going to be good this year," Paine said. "I'm excited about it."

Rob Marlin, Homecoming director, said that this year's turnout had "the biggest number of entries ever."

The contestants were judged based on group appearance, vocal quality, originality and school spirit.

Jackie Archer, board member of Murfreesboro Little Theatre, Martin Moseley, a Peabody music major, and Judy Smith, associate dean of students judged the competition.

All groups participating were awarded 25 points toward the spirit trophy. The first place winners were awarded 50 points, second place winners were awarded 40 points, and the third place winners were awarded 30 points toward the spirit trophy.



HOWARD ROSS

The Homecoming Court from left to right includes Suzie Ballard, Leslie Prude, Margaret Teer, 1986 Homecoming Queen Faleatha Eanes, Juanita Haynes and Stefanie Sorrell.

MTSU's Homecoming court announced at Queen's Tea

By CRYSTAL NELMS
Editor

Middle Tennessee State University's 1987 Homecoming court was named Saturday afternoon at the Queen's Tea at President Sam Ingram's home.

The court members are Margeret Teer, sponsored by Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity; Juanita Haynes, sponsored by Beta Theta Pi fraternity; Suzie Ballard, spon-

sored by Kappa Delta sorority; Stefanie Sorrell, sponsored by Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and Leslie Prude, sponsored by Kappa Sigma fraternity.

Margeret Teer is an MTSU senior who plans to graduate in August or December of 1988. Her major is accounting. She is a Pike little sister.

"It is an honor that the Pikes put me up, and I am excited," Teer said.

Juanita Haynes is a sophomore accounting major. She is a Beta Theta Pi little sister.

"I'm quite shocked and flabbergasted by the nomination," Haynes said. "I did not expect it."

Suzie Ballard is a senior majoring in business education, and she plans to graduate this December. She is student teaching at Oakland High School this semester. She has been a Pike little sister four and a half years.

"I'm nervous, but I'm very excited, Ballard said. "I was shocked when they announced the court Saturday."

Stefanie Sorrell, a senior fashion merchandising major, is a member of the Chi Omega sorority. She is a Sigma Alpha Epsilon little sister. She plans to graduate in the fall of 1988.

"I was excited and shocked by the nomination," Sorrell said. "I am anxious."

Leslie Prude is a senior majoring in early-childhood education. She has been a Kappa Sigma little sister for five years.

"I'm thrilled to death about it [the nomination]," Prude said. "I was shocked."

The queen will be named during halftime at Saturday's Homecoming game against Youngstown State University. The first, second, third and fourth runners up will also be named. Each woman will be given roses, and the queen will receive a crown.

Schedule changed for Clydesdales

By KIM HARRIS
News Editor

The Budweiser Clydesdales will not be present at the "Great Bowls of Fire" Chili Cook-Off today; they will march in the Homecoming Parade, Homecoming Director Rob Marlin said yesterday.

The Clydesdales were called away to St. Louis for the World Series on Sunday. According to Marlin, they should be back on Wednesday.

The Chili Cook-Off will be held tonight at 5 p.m. at the Cannonsburgh Pioneer Village, 312 Front Street in Murfreesboro.

The VIP Cooking Team will consist of Gov. Ned McWherter, Mrs. Tennessee Margo Jacobs, 103 WKDF disc jockey Carl P. Mayfield, MTSU President Sam Ingram, and Associated Student Body Director Holly Lentz.

"It's been a four monthy effort that has finally paid off, but it's been worth the effort," Marlin said, referring to the governor's visit.

Congressman Bart Gordon was scheduled to attend, but had to cancel. Marlin said Gordon has been scheduled to introduce an important bill in Congress tomorrow at 11 a.m. and was unable to schedule a flight in time for the cook-off.

Mel and the Party Hats will be on hand for live entertainment.

"Come on out and help us make money for the MTSU Foundation. It's going to be one big party," Marlin said.

The ASB will provide free transportation to Cannonsburg tonight. Buses will leave at 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. from the Greenland Drive parking lot and will return at 11:30 p.m. to take students back to campus.



HOWARD ROSS

Representatives of the Pom Pon Squad try their hand at the Fight Song Competition held yesterday. Their creativity and spirit earned them first place in their division.

Haunted house held by University Terrace

By CHUCK BROWN
Staff Writer

Under the hands of manager Barbra Gordon and head of maintenance Mike Cornelison, University Terrace Apartments are sponsoring a haunted house for all ages.

Admission is free and there will be bags of candy for the children.

The characters, including Jason (Friday the 13th) and Freddie (Nightmare on Elm St.), will be portrayed by members of Gordon's and Cornelison's families with help from a few University Terrace residents.

Concerning security and safety, Gordon said, "There is nothing a kid could get hurt on, so the adults

have nothing to worry about either!"

There will be a few roving monsters who will act as security and guides for the tour, Gordon said. The University Terrace security guards will be working on the outside.

Anyone "out of control" or showing signs of intoxication of alcohol will be asked to leave, Gordon said.

The haunted house will be located at University Terrace Apartments in University Terrace. It is open to the public on Friday, Oct. 30th and will last from 6 p.m. until "death do us part."

City Jaycees sponsor charity haunted house

By CHUCK BROWN
Staff Writer

The Murfreesboro Jaycees are sponsoring a haunted house to raise proceeds for their community projects, Tim Tipps, president of the Murfreesboro Jaycees, said.

"We had a real good turnout on the opening night, and most of the people who were there said it was one of the best haunted houses around," Tipps said.

According to Tipps, the Jaycees requested the Murfreesboro Fire Department to inspect the building that is being used for the haunted house.

Safety is first and foremost on the club's mind, Tipps said. Jaycee members will be acting as security,

but they will be dressed as monsters.

The haunted house opened Oct. 21 and will run through Halloween. The times are Monday-Thursday from 7 p.m. - 10 p.m., Friday from 7 p.m. - 12 p.m. and Halloween from 7 p.m. until "the people stop coming", according to Phyllis Kitzler, head of the project.

The haunted house is located across the street from Outlets Limited Mall.

Admission is \$4.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 12 yrs. old. The Jaycees will deduct one dollar from the price of admission for those people who bring a donation of one canned food item.



Phi Beta Sigma frat suspended for grades

By KIM HARRIS
News Editor

Members of the Middle Tennessee State University chapter of the Phi Beta Sigma fraternity were not aware of the one-year suspension ordered by the national fraternity approximately a month ago, Steven Arnold, fraternity president, said last week.

Said last week to Dean of Students Paul Cantrell, in the spring of 1987 he recommended the suspension to the national level. Phi Beta Sigma failed to meet the academic standards set by both the local and national levels.

"They had been below a 2.0 for four consecutive semesters," Cantrell said.

Arnold and Vice-President Rodney Henderson were not aware of the fact until a *Sidelines* reporter contacted them for comment.

Cantrell said the former officers received all copies of letters from

his initial recommendation to the Inter Fraternity Council's decision of suspension.

"The people in charge, prior to Steven, didn't give any information to them. They left them high and dry," Cantrell said.

After Arnold and Henderson contacted Cantrell, he gave them copies of the needed information.

"The blame can't be put on past officers. It was poor communication between Cantrell and our past officers. We hope to get the situation straightened out," Arnold and Henderson said in a prepared statement.

"This isn't the first time a greek letter organization has been made inactive for academic purposes. We are the ones chosen to be made an example of, and that's fine with us.

"We have developed an educational program that we hope will

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EXPLANATION

The flag was not raised at Middle Tennessee State University's Blue Raider football game Sunday because the rings on the rope that raise the flag were cut, Lt. Col. Schley Frazer of the military science department said.

Frazer said that the rope should be repaired before the Homecoming game Saturday.

Sidelines hopes that this clears up any questions or confusion.

The Student Publication Committee is now accepting applications for

Spring 1988 Sidelines Editor

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Applications are available in Room 306 in the James Union Building. For more information contact Jackie Solomon, student publications coordinator at ext. 2338.

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AIDS Seminar reveals new findings

By WIL MILLER
Staff Writer

The second AIDS (acquired immune deficiency syndrome) seminar, sponsored by the Middle Tennessee State University department of health, physical education, recreation, and safety was held Monday, Oct. 26 at Murphy Athletic Center.

Joyce Perkins, a drug and alcohol counselor at Meharry Medical Center was the featured speaker. Dr. Jorge Sintes, the statewide dental coordinator, also spoke.

Perkins started the seminar by presenting these statistics. In July 1987, there were 42,934 adult cases of AIDS, 599 cases of children under 13 years of age in the United States and 60,000 cases worldwide. In Tennessee alone, 285 cases have been reported.

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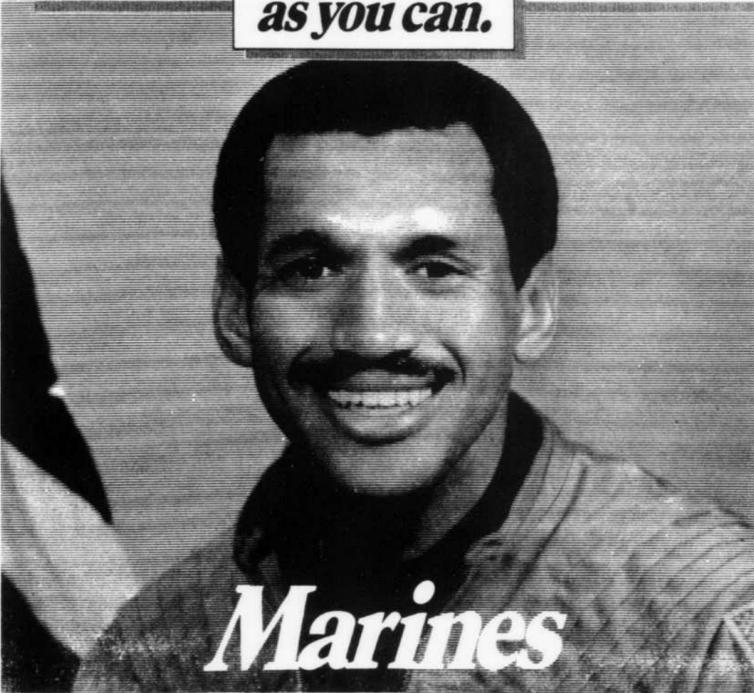
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Kimbrell up for 2nd EMMY

By GREG ADKINS
Staff Writer

"I criticize everyone — the people I work for, Channel 4 [WSMV-TV] and all the other forms of news," Ed Kimbrell, who has been nominated for his second EMMY in the editorial category, said.

"I enjoy being a critic, but you have to praise as often as you shoot something down. I use a broad definition of media. It includes motion pictures, film industry and intellectual freedom."

Kimbrell is one of the few media

critics in the country.

Kimbrell received his nomination for a commentary he did about minorities in the media in February of this year.

"The nation's media is not giving enough meaningful jobs to blacks," Kimbrell said. "The Tennessean and The Nashville Banner have done a great job of hiring blacks for meaningful positions."

This is Kimbrell's second EMMY nomination. Last year Kimbrell won an EMMY for a commentary he did about Joe Casey and the

Open Records Laws.

The EMMYs are not just for the three local stations. Viacom, TNN and many independent people submitted material for consideration.

"This year, the EMMYs had more submitted materials and nominations than ever before," Kimbrell said.

Kimbrell has taught in the mass communications department at Middle Tennessee State University for 16 years, and he does a commentary for Channel 4 once a week.

Among Kimbrell's many accomplishments are his recent appointment to the Advisory Board to the Tennessee Film Commission and his election to the Board of Governors of the Nashville Chapter of the National Association of Television Arts and Sciences.

"The Board of Governors promotes excellence in broadcasting television," Kimbrell said. "The Film Advisory Board is concerned with bringing high quality movie productions and networks to Tennessee."

Kimbrell's nomination was announced at the Vanderbilt Plaza last week.

The EMMY Awards Ceremony will be held in November at the Opryland Hotel. Channel 8 [WDCN-TV] will broadcast the awards live from 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

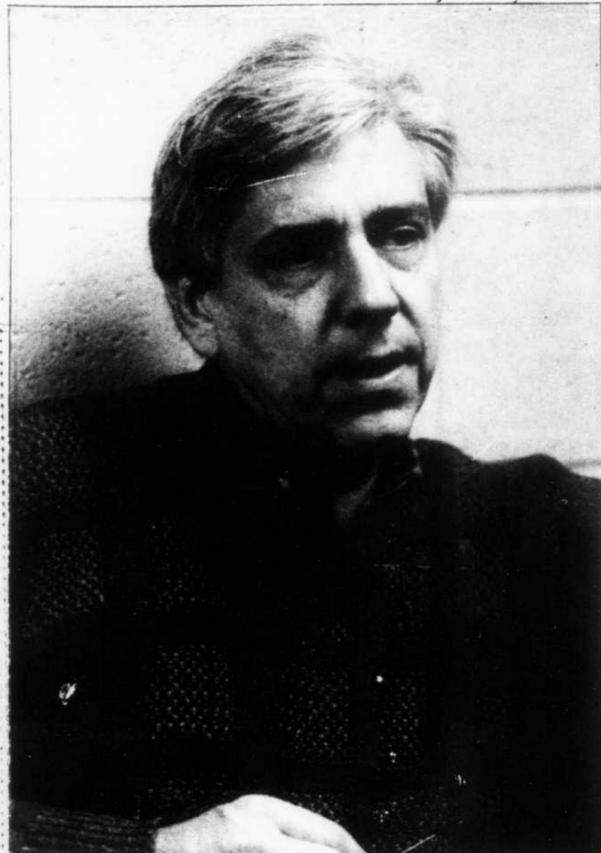
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help us to exceed the university's academic standards for the future. We also hope that we will serve as an example for other fraternities as well as ourselves," Arnold and Henderson said.

Phi Beta Sigma will be given the opportunity to petition to become active in the fall of 1988, Cantrell said.

"They must present evidence to the national office that would warrant lifting of their suspension," Cantrell said.



Frank Conley

Ed Kimbrell, of the Mass Communications Department, speaks of his second upcoming EMMY nomination.

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cate worth \$25, Images, eight sun-tan visits worth \$25; Collector's World, gift certificate worth \$25; Heritage Jewelers, gift certificate worth \$25; The Peddler, gift certificate worth \$25; Mercury Plaza Association, merchant money worth \$25; Haspel's, gift certificate worth \$25; Domino's Pizza, a 16-inch pizza and a stuffed noid worth \$25; Hardee's, coupons worth \$21; Clean Services, gift certificate worth \$15; Blue Raider Book & Supply, a shirt worth \$13; Don's Kitchen Korner, gift certificate worth \$11; Zack's, food gift certificate worth \$5; Ruby's Dress Shop, an umbrella valued at \$5 and Vogue International, gift certificate worth \$5.

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recently was not thought to necessarily mean that AIDS would definitely follow. But recent evidence supports the hypothesis that exposure means the person infected will develop the disease.

Perkins said that 90 percent of the women diagnosed are black or Hispanic, as were 90 percent of the children.

She went further to discuss the early symptoms of AIDS: night sweats, a dry cough, diarrhea and a constant and persistent case of fatigue.

Ten opportunistic infections (diseases that ravage the body after the immune system has been damaged) have been attributed to AIDS. The most prominent are pneumocystis, a rare form of pneumonia, Kaposi's Sarcoma, a form of cancer, and AIDS dementia, which resembles Alzheimer's disease.

"The gay population has become very organized, well informed, and helpful to their brothers. The gays are spreading the word about AIDS. Unfortunately the other major high risk group, intravenous drug users, don't have the unity the gays do. They aren't well informed. And they don't seem to care," Perkins said.

Social workers have been going out into the streets of cities, and talking to the addicts, like they did in the sixties, she said.

"The social workers have resorted to passing out bottles of bleach, to sterilize needles. But it is quite an uphill battle. The drug users just aren't catching on," Perkins said.

A video was shown, with Perkins addressing two AIDS patients using questions from MTSU health services students. They were asked about the most profound physical effects they faced.

Both patients said that debilitating fatigue was the biggest drawback.

The major emotional problems stem from interaction with their families.

The public reaction to their plight was almost universally negative.

One of the patients was asked whether he felt that AIDS is a punishment for a deviant lifestyle. God's punishment for homosexuality. The man made the point that it's not exclusively a gay disease. The percentage of heterosexuals diagnosed in the past four years has

risen from 1 to 4 percent.

The patients were asked what they thought should be done.

"In England, every home has been sent AIDS education pamphlets. The United States has a severe pamphlet shortage," one of the patients noted.

The other expressed the need for AIDS education to be taught in elementary, junior and high schools.

Lastly, the two AIDS victims agreed that more funding for research and care of AIDS patients is desperately needed.

[Editor's Note: It was incorrectly reported in the Oct. 23 edition of Sidelines that attendance at the AIDS Seminar would warrant 1 hour of credit. The credit was 1 1/2 contact hours or .15 CEUS to be applied towards health professionals meeting a prescribed number of Continuing Education hours each year. Sidelines regrets the error and any inconvenience it may have caused.]

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EDITORIAL

Badges? We don't have to show you no stinkin' badges!

Let me see your I.D.

I just don't understand it. For some ungodly reason, student IDs and girls just don't mix. Take the following example: I have been attending a Computer Literacy class, to which I refer to

and quite logically I might add. She had no answer. I was a theory, but being male, I can only share it in hopes that the affirmative actions office doesn't come banging on my door at 4 a.m., with a

unsafe, it is not intelligent. In the event of an accident, your body could lie around the morgue for weeks before someone is notified so they can identify you.

The point of all this is not one male in that class had this problem. (Do I hear teeth grinding?) I really can't say being male has anything to do with it, because no Haitian hemophiliacs had that problem either. I can only make a generalization about the situation.

Females have no problem carrying IDs that do not have a picture on it. I haven't seen a girl vet that refused to carry a credit card if the opportunity arose. Maybe they should think of their student IDs at credit cards with a very small credit limit.



Mike Reed

as Computer Literacy 100, off and on since the beginning of the semester. Every class period that I have attended, the instructor (I don't know his name but he's the guy up front with the mustache), has announced that he will require an ID when taking exams. The purpose of this is to keep one's friends from taking one's tests. Perfectly logical as far as I'm concerned.

Ok, the day of the test rolls around, and the instructor repeats his announcement for what seems like the millionth time. Immediately 20 hands flew up (this caused a breeze which blew my cheat sheets on the floor). He answered each question individually, even though they were all the same.

"Do you remember me? Cause I don't got no ID," proclaimed a rather illiterate girl two rows in front of me.

"Do you often go out without identification?" asked the instructor who seemed as intrigued with her faux pas as myself.

"I never carry it with me," she retorted.

"Why not?" the instructor asked

thousand angry females wanting certain parts of my anatomy burned in effigy.

I don't think it has to do with the size of the card. It is small enough to be used as a book mark if the person so chooses. I also don't think that it has to do with fear of losing it, because replacing your ID is relatively inexpensive. (It costs about the same as a six pack of tall boys.)

My theory is that most girls refuse to carry their IDs (or driver's licenses) because of the picture in the corner. It is fact that girls seldom like to have their picture taken. They often refuse to show pictures of themselves to anyone other than a female friend who swears to not tell a single soul.

Being scientifically oriented, I tested my theory on the news editor at *Sidelines*. I asked her why she does not carry her ID. Her reply was, in so many words, because of the photograph.

Perhaps the photos are ugly, maybe that zit just stands out too much in the background. That is no reason to leave your identification behind. For one thing, not carrying any form of ID is not only



Listening isn't just being quiet

parts of our life have been broken, tarnished or damaged. Yet, to us and to God at least, who we are inside is still like a irreplaceable treasure.

The golden key which opens this treasure chest is "active-listening."

This problem of poor listening lies at the heart of most conflicts in relationships.

A few ideas on how to become a better listener:

Learn to listen with your eyes and your body. Our eyes are the

judgment and genuine interest. Learn to ask questions people will enjoy answering. Questions you'd like someone to ask you.

Give advice sparingly. People usually just need someone to understand and are not looking for advice. We don't have to feel it's our place to play "Dear Abby." How quickly we jump trying to solve other people's problems. We have enough problems of our own. We need to learn to check our tongues and ask ourselves, "Is this really that important to say?"

Step into their shoes. Listening is not a passive task. It takes a lot of work to set aside our own frame of reference, our desires and prejudices and actively enter into our friend's world. What a great gift we bring to people when we suspend judgment, step into their shoes, accept them where they are, feel what they feel, weep when they weep, rejoice when they rejoice. Then they will feel the freedom to open the treasure chest and share the riches of their life.

[Some ideas in this column were taken from *The Friendship Factor*, by Alan Lay McGinnis.]



David Robinson
Presbyterian Student
Fellowship

One of the main ways to deepen a friendship, or to cultivate intimacy with another is through active listening. But most of us are poor listeners. Scott Peck, in his book *The Road Less Travelled*, writes "we spend an enormous amount of time listening, most of which we waste, because on the whole most of us listen very poorly...for true listening, no matter how brief, requires tremendous effort." (*The Road Less Travelled*, pp. 121,125) Too often, instead of actively listening, our minds are wandering, we're tuning the person out, we are pre-judging the person or jumping to conclusion imposing our own ideas and agendas. We talk too much and listen too little. We are lazy listeners, unwilling to give the time and energy it takes to give our full attention to the people who talk to us. Thus, the treasure remains locked

windows of our inner-selves. When we make eye-to-eye contact, we communicate to that person, "I care about you; I'm with you." Our bodies also say a lot about how well we are listening, whether we are open or closed, anxious or relaxed, interested or apathetic. We give people a great gift when we give them our total concentration. We need to check ourselves on occasion as to how well we are listening with our eyes and our bodies.

Learn to ask open-ended questions. A friend is having a rough day. If you ask him, "What's your problem today?" you've made him feel judged and deflected. Ask instead, "How are you feeling inside?" Then you give him room and freedom to answer honestly. People love talking about them-

IN THE GRILL...

Why do people sit at the same table every day?

(L to R) Donna Nelson, Mandy Hull, Donnie Radford.

Radford — It started before we got here. It's a tradition that a lot of the music department people seem to sit at the same place at the same time. It's a place you can always find somebody from your own department.

Hull — It's a regular habit.



TIM BENNETT



(L to R) Christie Davenport, Blake Hamilton, Scott Sewell.

Hamilton — It's the Kappa Sig table and I'm a Kappa Sig. There's always a good atmosphere here, good view. It's where all the Kappa Sigs, their little sisters and friends come to sit.

Davenport — Because all my friends are here.

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Group seeks to help Vietnam veterans

Dear Editor,

I am writing on behalf of a man and his dream. The man, Arthur Brown, a Vietnam veteran, has suffered from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. PTSD is a very real, very serious problem that afflicts a large percentage of veterans who have witnessed and taken part in the carnage and horror of war. Many victims of PTSD can not readjust to the structures of society. Therefore, they have not been able to live life the way they did before the war. Many are rejected by family and friends, and an inordinate amount end up incarcerated.

Due to the slow pace of the judicial system, Arthur Brown spent over a year in counseling before starting his prison term. He strongly believes in the benefits of being counseled by someone trained in dealing with victims of PTSD. Arthur is ready to pay for his life and lead a useful, productive life. In fact, he is already doing both.

Arthur Brown has formed an organization for incarcerated Vietnam veterans. One of their goals is to provide specialized counseling. It is provided in most prisons to drug and sex offenders, but not to victims of PTSD. Arthur's letter campaign from inside prison resulted in flat denials from the governor of Kentucky (where he is incarcerated,) and the head of the Veterans Administration in Washington. Federal law requires the VA to provide counseling to veterans, incarcerated or not, and it was only after the threat of a federal lawsuit that a counselor was sent to Arthur's prison. This is not enough, however.

Arthur Brown and his core organization wants to see that all incarcerated Vietnam veterans have the same opportunity for rehabilitation. He is dedicated to this cause, and will continue this work after his release. He also supplies names and addresses to prisoners who have no outside contacts. Many of these people have never received a Christmas card.

In a time when the ability of our prisons to truly rehabilitate is ques-

tionable, here is a group of prisoners who want to change their lives and have taken their rehabilitation into their hands. We can help. These people need support from the outside, moral and financial support but mostly moral support. Sometimes just knowing someone cares can be enough to keep these guys going. Please write Arthur Brown, and let him know that you support his efforts. Include a self-addressed stamped envelope for him to pass along to a veteran. Let him convince you that this is a worthy cause. He convinced me. Today there is much attention given to our military strength, but can we just forget our military casualties?

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STEVE BEAT — By KENT WHITAKER



ENTERTAINMENT

AFTER CLASS

Fight song competition shows creativity

By MICHELLE BRAEUNER
Entertainment Editor
Give me an F!
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Give me an S!
S
What does that stand for!
Fight Song! Yeah!

It was a spirited crowd that showed up for the fight song competition Monday afternoon. Both contestants and spectators were ready to get rowdy. Each group of contestants were gathered together, consulting with one another on last minute preparations for their performance.

The Chi Omegas, in their matching Homecoming sweatshirts, were in a huddle perfecting their moves, and lending moral support to each other. When asked about their plans, they were more than happy to share with *Sidelines* their formula for success.

Tommy Sue Bays and Susan Michaels were their brainstorming team.

"Susan teaches dance," said Bays. "She taught us alot of cheer-leading moves. Hopefully, we'll do wonderful."

Another optimistic group were

the Sigma Chis. Wearing jackets, T-shirts and ties, they were dressed to kill.

"We're going to make history," Hank Briley, a Sigma Chi pledge assured.

They certainly tried. The group even inhaled helium to give their song a lift. But there was some stiff competition.

Beta Theta Pi certainly had their "sheet" together when they appeared as a troop of ghosts. But they really caught the audience's attention when they spelled out "Go Boo Raiders" with signs on their tushies.

Kappa Alpha did a wonderful presentation highlighting the Peanuts gang. Charlie Brown, Linus and a somewhat hairy Lucy came together to the delight of the audience. Linus was looking everywhere for the Great Blue Raider pumpkin, which was delivered by the Great Blue Raider himself. Unfortunately the group was penalized 10 points for horse play during their skit.

But truly the classiest act has to go to Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Their harmonized fight song was the hit

of the competition. The only things these men lacked were bowties. They carried away first place for their efforts.

The best part of the competition was after all of the groups had performed and before the judges had made their final selection. Because of the rain, everyone packed into the grill to await the final outcome. Each group was trying to outdo the other in songs, all kinds of songs. They sang everything from "taste great; less filling" from the beer commercial, to the Brady Bunch theme song. One embarrassed couple was serenaded with "You've Lost That Loving Feeling," by the entire Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity.

This camaraderie continued as trophies were given out. Organizations that won cheered, and organizations that lost cheered just as loud. It became obvious that these people were competing not as much for points or trophies, but for the fun of it.

Margaret Dill, a member of Chi Omega, summed it up when she said, "It's alot of fun. We love it every year!"



HOWARD ROSS

Kappa-Alpha performs a Peanuts skit as part of their Fight song competition. The fight song competition was held Monday on the lawn of the Keathly University Center as part of the week-long homecoming celebration.

Brown wins Tina tickets

Congratulations to Susan G. Brown, winner of the Tina Turner Trivia Contest. Brown received two free tickets to the upcoming Tina Turner Concert.

Here are the answers to the trivia questions:

1. Where was Tina born?
Tina Turner was born in Nutbush, Tenn.
2. What was Tina originally named?
Tina was born Anna Mae Bullock.
3. What was Ike and Tina's first single and what position did it reach in the soul charts?

☑ Their first single was "A Fool In Love," and it hit # 2.

4. In what year did Tina split from Ike and launch a solo career?

☑ Tina left Ike in 1976.

5. How much cash did Tina have in her pocket the day she left Ike?

☑ She had 36 cents in her pocket.

6. What role did Tina play in the rock opera "Tommy"?

☑ Tina played the Acid Queen.

7. Tina earned the distinction of being the only female performer ever invited to sing a duet with who?

☑ Mick Jagger invited her to sing a duet with him.

8. What film did Tina star in with Mel Gibson?

☑ She starred in "Mad Max Beyond Thunderdome."

9. What is the name of Tina's autobiography?

☑ Her autobiography is called *I Tina*.

10. What is the name of her present tour?

☑ Her tour is entitled "Break Every Rule."

The Entertainment Editor would like to extend her thanks to everyone who entered. Watch this page for further concert ticket contests.



WAYNE CARTWRIGHT

Regina Newkirk, a young high school student, hyperventilates after a strenuous performance at the Contest of Champions. The competition is held every year at Middle Tennessee State University.

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SPORTS

Overmatched Raiders shocked by Rams

By M.A. BROWN
Assistant News Editor

Winston-Salem State University used old-fashioned power football Sunday to pound out an 11-8 victory over Middle Tennessee State University at Red Floyd Stadium.

The Rams, who came into the game as the 19th ranked Division II team in the country, manhandled the physically overmatched Raiders in a game that wasn't as close as the final score indicated.

"They [MTSU] had no business being with us on the field today.

We had the stronger football team," WSSU Head Coach Bill Hayes said.

"Winston-Salem came in here and brought it down our throats," a dejected MTSU Head Coach Boots Donnelly said. "We got our tails whipped from top to bottom. They beat us in every department you can get beat in."

WSSU's Wing-T offense dominated the majority of the game, rolling up 387-yards rushing on 72 attempts.

Ram backfield mates Lonnie Pulley and Broderick Graves com-

bined for 210 and 100 of those yards, respectively.

The Rams' ball control offense chewed up 37:13 of the game clock, compared to only 22:47 of possession time for MTSU.

WSSU opened the scoring early in the first quarter on a 28-yard field goal by Tyrone Smith following a missed 45-yard field goal attempt by MTSU's Joe Lisle.

Ram fullback Pulley gave MTSU a taste of things to come on the drive, as he ran through the Raider defense for 52-yards to move

WSSU into position for the kick.

The Raider offense had a chance to answer shortly afterwards as, with 1:04 remaining in the quarter, they began a drive of their own from their 39-yard line.

Five plays and 37-yards later, the Raiders found themselves faced with a pivotal fourth-down-and-one from the Ram 25.

The Raider coaching staff elected to shun a field goal attempt and go for the first down, but the Ram defense rose to the occasion and nailed tailback Gerald Ander-

son for no gain, and WSSU took over on downs.

"Motivation, excitement and enthusiasm on my team wasn't there. I just felt like we needed to generate something by going for the first, and they stuffed us on that," Donnelly said.

Following the defensive stand, the Rams' offense once again drove downfield on the strength of Pulley's legs.

Pulley, a senior from Laurens, S.C., ripped off 48-yards on four

carries, including a 37-yard jaunt on first down from the WSSU 41, as the Rams moved 75-yards on seven plays to score the game's only offensive touchdown.

Tailback Graves capped the drive with a one-yard dive for the score. Harry Jeter added the two-point conversion with a scramble into the end zone following a bobbed snap to give the Rams an 11-0 lead.

The Ram defense took control

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MTSU linebacker's Don Thomas (left) and Rodney Hart gang tackle Keith Torrence, WSSU's split end, in Sunday's loss to the Division II Rams. The Raiders will host Youngstown State this weekend. It is the MTSU's Homecoming.

Jury still out on Sunday games

By M.A. BROWN
Assistant News Editor

The jury is still out on the issue of whether Sunday football is a good idea for Middle Tennessee State University's Blue Raiders.

A crowd of approximately 8,000 people showed up for the Raider's game with Winston-Salem State University Sunday afternoon, and the reviews were divided among these fans as to whether or not they would like to see more Sunday games at MTSU.

Of the fans questioned, responses were about evenly divided for and against the idea.

"I don't enjoy Sunday football," Russell Ayers, a Raider supporter from Chattanooga, said, "because if you have to come from Chattanooga the way we do, then you get back home at ten or eleven o'clock, and you have to get up and go to work the next morning. I don't get Sunday off to recuperate this way."

"I love watching the Raiders on Sunday," Julio Sancer, an MTSU student, said. "It's a hell of a lot better than watching those greedy NFL players."

"Overall, I enjoyed coming out on Sunday afternoon," Alvin Ogle, a Flintstone, Ga. native who came to the game while visiting friends who are MTSU students, said. "It was a change from the regular format. I think it should be done more often. It was also a very exciting game."

"I think I could've found something better to do with my Sunday afternoon than come out here and watch them get their butts whipped," Danny Francis, a Tennessee Tech student said. "I hope we never play ya'll on Sunday."

Both coaches seemed to have some reservations about the value of playing a Sunday afternoon game.

"I'm concerned about playing Middle Tennessee on Sunday and then coming back and playing our homecoming the following Satur-

day," WSSU Head Coach Bill Hayes said. "That will really only give us three days to get ready. That really bothers me."

MTSU Head Coach Boots Donnelly is faced with the exact same situation.

"This job has never been, and never will be, easy. Hopefully, with

the short week coming up, we'll be able to bounce back and get ready for Youngstown," he said.

Several members of the press corps also expressed some dissatisfaction with the Sunday format.

Will Sunday football become a staple in the Blue Raider schedule? God and Boots only know.

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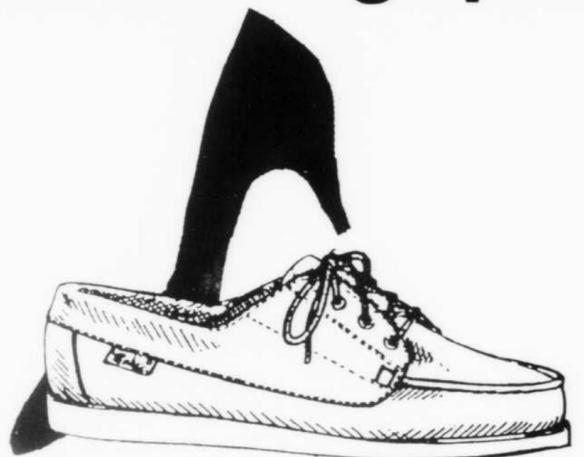
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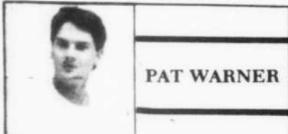
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PAT WARNER

Everyone involved in final outcome; win, lose or draw

It is now time for the big test. Not a mid-term or final, but a gut-check if you will.

After Sunday's 11-8 loss to Winston-Salem, the Blue Raiders must now face the challenge of the test.

Will they come back against Youngstown State?

After that horrible game on Sunday, a lot of finger pointing could take place. That would be bad news for the Raiders. They need to forget about the past and come out thinking about the Penguins, not of the Rams.

If there is a finger to point, who would take the blame? The players? The coaches? Or none of the above?

It is time for me to get on my soap box, everyone watch out!

According to my we-theory, when our team wins, we all win. So when they when lose, we all lose. Yes, the coaches and players are to blame, but so are the managers, trainers, cheerleaders, band, ticket takers, popcorn poppers and flag waving fans.

But the reverse is also true. When the Raiders win, all of the aforementioned win as well. But this is not the way it is.

I have found out that when the Raiders win, the word WE also goes along with it. 'WE beat Eastern,' and 'WE beat T.S.U.' and so forth. But when the Raiders lose, it is, 'THEY lost to Georgia Southern.'

So WE must all rally and take the test. Come out Saturday when the Raiders hit the field, WE will be there also. Even though Marvin Collier, Gerald Anderson and the rest of the Raiders will be on the field, WE will be there, too.

Other thoughts from the Cheap Seats:

● Even though the Raiders are 4-3 on the year, they still are tops in the Ohio Valley Conference. After Eastern beat Youngstown 14-7 Saturday, the Blue Raiders moved into sole possession of first place in the conference. But the Raiders have a hard road ahead.

The road to the championship begins this weekend with Youngstown State, then Morehead, then Murray State and finally Tech. This is a schedule that would not be envied by any other team in the country.

But if the Raiders are to get the conference championship ring, that tough road must be travelled, and if they come as the conference champions, they will well deserve it.

● What about that terrible umpiring in game seven of the World Series? Some of those calls at first base and home plate make you wonder if the best umpires get to call the most crucial games.

I can only hope that baseball will institute instant replays or something to stop calls like those. I know all of you baseball enthusiasts say replay would take from the game, but if there is going to be such horrible calls, the game suffers anyway.

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Baseballers down Hiwassee 6-3

By TRACY BOYD
Sports Writer

In the final baseball game of the fall season, the Middle Tennessee State University Raiders defeated

Hiwassee 6-4 Saturday, Oct. 24 at Reese L. Smith field. Blue Raider pitching ace Dave Richardson, the OVC Southern Di-

vision player of the year last season, picked up the win with relief help from Brad Bates and Tony Martin.

MTSU jumped out to a quick 3-0 lead in the first inning when shortstop Ed Pye led off with a line-drive home run to left centerfield. Pye's dinger was followed by a George Zimmerman walk and a Mike Messerly double off the left field wall. Zimmerman scored on a sacrifice fly by Jay Owens and Messerly came home on an error.

The Blue Raiders added two more runs in the second inning when Cale Lawson singled up the middle and then scored on a Jeff Avery double to left-center field. Avery then came home via a bloop single by Zimmerman, making the score 5-0.

Hiwassee scored three runs in their half of the third inning, making the score 5-3 in favor of the Raiders.

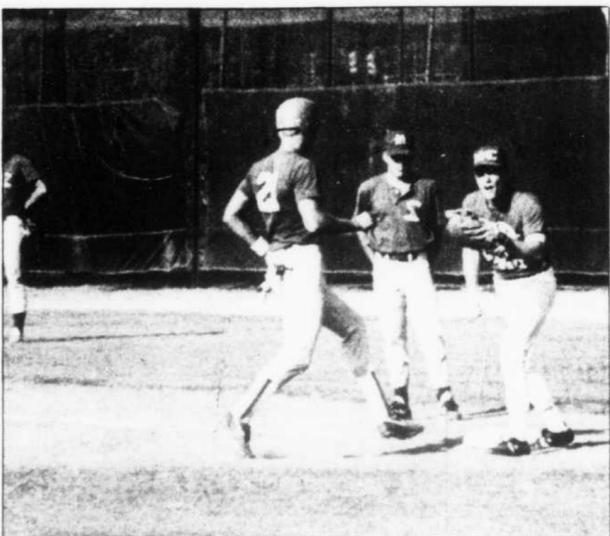
The Raiders added another run in the fifth inning to go up 6-3. Following a Messerly walk and a

single by Owens, Corey Watkins hit into a fielder's choice which scored Messerly.

Hiwassee added a run of their own in the sixth inning, but it was

to no avail as MTSU hung on for the 6-4 victory.

The MTSU baseball team will now prepare to begin their winter conditioning program.



FRANK CONLEY

MTSU first baseman Mike Messerly [21] heads back to first base on a pick-off attempt. MTSU beat Hiwassee 6-3.

Cross-country team shows improvement

By TRACY BOYD
Sports Writer

Middle Tennessee State University's women's cross-country team placed fourth in a six team meet Friday, Oct. 23 at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tenn.

North Alabama placed first with 33 points and was followed by Berry College with 49 points. Emory University placed third with 62 points and MTSU finished fourth with 72 points. Tennessee Tech and Tennessee State rounded out the finishers, with 150 and 152 points, respectively.

Miss Wright, MTSU's top finisher, placed seventh overall with a time of 20:18.

Tracy Robinson came in second for the Lady Raiders and 11th overall with a time of 20:33.

Finishing third for MTSU and 15th overall with a time of 20:46 was Debbie Morrison.

Becky Brown, Kathy White and Ursula Langford were MTSU's next best finishes with times of 20:55, 22:02 and 22:49, respectively.

These six runners, along with Susan Howell, will compete for conference honors at the Ohio Valley Conference championships to be held in Richmond, Ky., Oct. 31.

Wright, Morrison and Brown all significantly improved their times from the previous meet held on the same course earlier in the season. Head Coach Dean Hayes was pleased with his team's overall performance and their improvement.

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M.A. BROWN

WSSU ranking is misleading

To the uneducated football fan, Middle Tennessee State University's loss to NCAA Division II school Winston-Salem State was a very humbling experience.

Although MTSU is a Division I-AA school, the fact that the Raiders were a classification higher than the Rams did not mean they should have easily won Sunday's ballgame.

WSSU came into the contest with a distinct physical advantage over the Raiders. The Rams' roster included 18 players who weighed in excess of 250 pounds. MTSU has only four.

More important than the size factor, however, is the level of talent the Rams brought to Murfreesboro.

WSSU came into Sunday's contest as the 19th ranked Division II team in the country with a 5-1 record. They were ranked first in rushing defense, second in scoring defense and third in total defense among Division II schools. Their average margin of victory was 26-9.

How a school the size of Winston-Salem (they have approximately 3000 students enrolled in the university) can recruit the caliber of athletes they have may not be immediately obvious. But if one examines a very important fact the answer becomes a little clearer.

NCAA Division II schools do not abide by Proposition 48. This, of course, is the NCAA ruling enacted last season which requires a student athlete to have a 2.0 grade point average in high school and score a 15 or better on his ACT to play Division I-A or Division I-AA athletics.

Therefore, an athlete who has the talent to play at a Division I-A or I-AA school, but may not have the grades to do so, can play at a school such as WSSU.

According to an unofficial source with the Rams, quarterback Connell Maynor was signed to play for the University of North Carolina, fullback Lonnie Pulley was signed by the University of Nebraska and tailback Broderick Graves was signed by Clemson University.

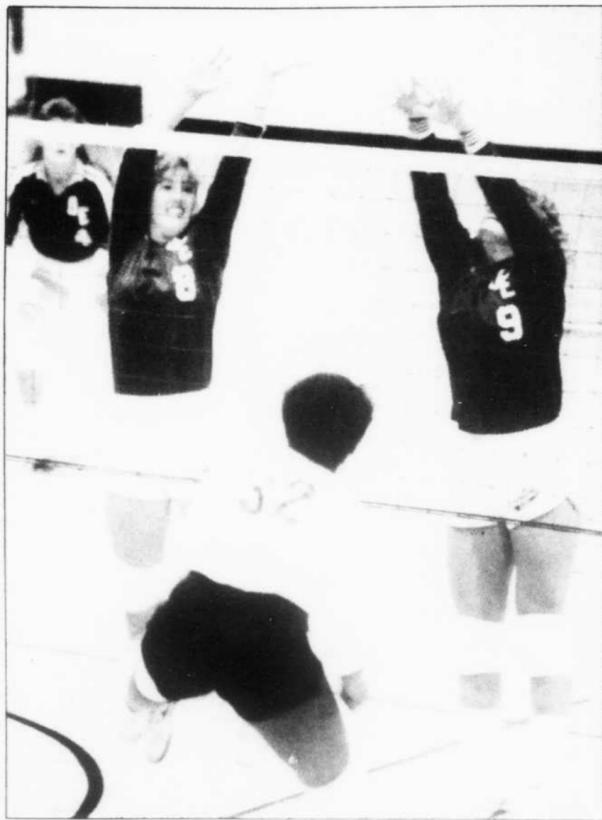
None of these players were allowed to play for these "big time" schools, however, because they did not have the academic records to meet the requirements.

The point is, that although WSSU is officially ranked as a Division II school, the level of talent on this team is anything but second rate.

I have to agree with Coach Donnelly's statements. It does not help him in preparing his team for a ballgame when certain uninformed members of the local press insist on making statements that a Divi-

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Volleyball team places second in tourney



FRANK CONLEY

Two unidentified Evansville volleyball players team up for an attempted spike in last week's action. MTSU's Wanda Johnson defends. MTSU will host Austin Peay tonight.

Campus Rec slates upcoming events

From STAFF REPORTS

Campus Recreation has organized an overnight fall backpacking trip for Nov. 7-8. The sign-up date is Nov. 2.

The trip will be to the beautiful 710-acre Laurel-Snow Pocket Wilderness.

The hikers will be led through a rugged but serene setting that ranges from deep valleys to a breathtaking trek in the gorges where streams tumble off the Cumberland Plateau into the Tennessee Valley.

Campus Recreation will also be hosting a ski trip to Colorado on Dec. 12.

The cost for the trip is \$525 for

Middle Tennessee State University students, faculty and staff, and \$550 for guests outside the campus community.

A \$100 deposit is due by Oct. 28 with the remainder due Nov. 20. The price covers airline tickets, seven nights of lodging, five days of ski lifts for Beaver Creek and Vail and a round trip bus fare to and from Beaver Creek.

A wide variety of beginning, intermediate and advanced runs at both Vail and Beaver Creek will be available for skiers.

Campus Recreation will be sponsoring a campus billiards tournament set for Nov. 9. The sign-up

By TRACY BOYD
Sports Writer

Middle Tennessee State University's women's volleyball team lost a heart-breaking five-set match to Murray State University, Oct. 22 in Murray, Ky.

The loss severely hurt the Raider's chances of making a run at the OVC tourney.

Despite the loss, Head Coach Diane Cummings was pleased with her team's performance.

"Overall, it was a very good effort," Cummings said. "We had put in a new offense because our setter had gotten hurt. We responded well."

The Lady Raiders rebounded to finish second in the six team Tennessee State University tournament,

held Oct. 23 and 24 in Nashville.

MTSU defeated Cumberland University 15-12 and 15-6 in the opening round of the tourney. Fisk University fell victim to the Lady Raiders in a close match, 15-13 and 15-12.

The Lady Raiders easily disposed of the Lady Tigers of TSU 15-6 and 15-1 before eliminating Kentucky State 15-13 and 15-11 to set up a championship match against Eastern Kentucky University.

In the championship game, MTSU suffered a hard fought loss to EKU, 15-11 and 15-12.

"It was probably the best volleyball we have played all year," Cummings said of her team's performance in the tourney. "I was very pleased with our effort."

Wanda Johnson was selected to the all-tournament team for MTSU.

Austin Peay, who leads the Southern Division of the OVC, will travel to Murfreesboro to take on the Lady Raiders Oct. 27 in a match that could determine if MTSU will make the OVC championship tournament.

Cummings is optimistic about her team's chances against Austin Peay.

"With our new offense and the way we are playing, we can give Peay a run for their money," she said.

MTSU is currently fourth in the Southern division and must finish in the top two in order to make the OVC championship tournament.

Managers slip past trainers 49-42

From STAFF REPORTS

Junior receiver/free safety John Derrick had nine receptions for four touchdowns and returned an interception for another as the Middle Tennessee State University's football managers downed the trainers 49-42 Saturday.

For his efforts, Derrick was named the games most valuable player for the second consecutive time in this bitter rivalry.

"I really don't think I was the most valuable player," Derrick said. "I was lucky enough to make some

big plays and be in the right place at the right time. It was a total team effort."

The game was a lot closer than the first meeting, in which the man-

agers dominated every phase of the game to take a 49-6 victory.

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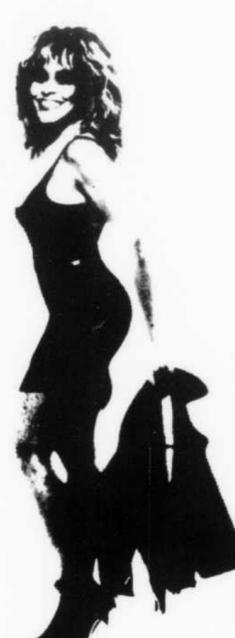
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Warner

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I know that it is a dumb thing for me to suggest, but I think the time has come for replays in baseball. When you're in the World Series, the game should be what is important, not the calls of the umpires. The only bad point to replays would be the time factor.

Let's face it, baseball is 10 minutes of action stretched over three hours. And how do they fill three hours? With scratching, spitting and bubble-blowing.

It will never happen in such a traditional game, but replays would be a big help.

●It was good to see the Twins win. I like the fact that this was the first time they ever won the big one. Even though I was for the Redbirds, I can say that I am kinda happy the Twins won.

●What about that famed bike race in Nashville over the weekend? They were billing it as one of the major races, yet they raced in the dark. I can't see riding at those speeds in downtown Nashville in the dark. I hate to drive in downtown Nashville in the dark.

●Finally, what about the quote from Gov. Ned McWherter about Princess Anne being in Nashville. After a party he threw for her, McWherter said that entertaining royalty and rednecks was about the same. I bet she'll race back to go to another one of Ned's parties!

Football

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of the line of scrimmage, and the game from that point, never allowing the Raider offense to develop any continuity.

Although the Raider defense forced four Ram turnovers, the offense was never able to put any points on the board.

MTSU's only points of the game came early in the fourth quarter when linebacker Don Thomas blocked a Ram punt, and Chuck Swafford recovered and ran 38 yards for a touchdown. Tony Pearson added the two-point conversion run for the final margin of 11-8.

Physically the game was very costly to the Raiders.

Defensive tackle Jack Pittman was forced to leave the contest on the game's second play with an injured shoulder. Offensive center Doug Hintemeyer was also forced to leave the game with a twisted knee.

But, the most costly injury for the Raiders occurred midway through the second quarter when quarterback Marvin Collier was forced to leave the game with an ankle injury. He later returned to action, but the injury obviously hampered his play for the remainder of the game.

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sion II stage should be a pushover when it comes time to take to the gridiron.

According to Donnelly, the status of these players for this Saturday's Ohio Valley Conference showdown with Youngstown State will be evaluated daily.

"It ended up being a very costly Sunday for us going back into our race. But, then again, it's just a game. It's a wonder it didn't cost us as much as perhaps next Saturday will," Donnelly commented.

"What disappoints me more than anything else is that I just couldn't get them [the Raiders] to understand they've got to quit listening to outside people," he said. "It doesn't make any difference whether a team is division one, two, three or twelve. These people have the same desire to win as you do. If his desire to win is stronger than yours, then he's going to win, and that's what happened today."

Why some of the so-called sportswriters in this area want to pretend that the Raiders were upset by a rag-tag squad of below average football players is beyond me.

I can only hope that the people to whom I refer will in the future take a little time to find out the truth before they begin their ignorant babbling.

Pittman: Size not a factor

By TONY STINNETT
Sports Co-Editor

Small and quick!

Those are the two words that best describe Middle Tennessee State University wide receiver Mike Pittman.

Pittman stands five feet eight inches tall and is perhaps the smallest receiver in the Ohio Valley Conference. Yet, he has a tremendous amount of speed and quickness that compensate for his lack of height.

"Mike has a great deal of speed, which regardless of your height, if you have great speed you can overcome a lot of things," MTSU Head Coach Boots Donnelly said. "For instance, if you are as tall as Mike and don't have speed then you are in trouble. With his foot quickness, knowledge of how to play the game and disposition to have the will to play, then size doesn't matter."

Size has never mattered to Pittman, and in that respect, it has made him one of the top receivers in the conference over the past four years.

Along with fellow MTSU receiver Robert Alford, the dynamic duo have often been referred to as the "twin stumps." Yet, Pittman has never allowed his lack of height to be a hindrance to him.

"My size is not a factor," Pittman said. "A lot of people told me that I was too small to play football, but you are only what you are and not what people say you are."

Speed is Pittman's greatest asset. "I don't think there is any wide receiver in the conference who can outrun Mike Pittman," Donnelly said. "There may be someone who can come off the cut better or have a height advantage, but no one is quicker than he is. There has never been a question about his running ability."

Another unsuspecting quality that Pittman possesses is his blocking ability. For an athlete his size, he blocks with the best of them.

"I like to take a great deal of pride in my blocking," Pittman said. "We do run an awful lot around here, and you better be able to do something more than catch a few passes."

Alumni to be inducted into Hall of Fame

From Staff Reports

Middle Tennessee State University's Blue Raider Hall of Fame will install a former football All-American, a former baseball star/veteran coach/administrator, and an ex-gridiron the University's Blue Raider nickname as its newest members this fall.

George Dykes, John Stanford, and Charles (Stumpy) Sarver will all be installed in the Blue Raider Hall of Fame at the annual Lettermen's Breakfast, prior to the 1987 MTSU Homecoming football game against Youngstown State University on Oct. 31.

Dykes, a partner in a glass firm in Johnson City, Tenn., came to MTSU in 1960 as a transfer from the University of Tennessee. In only three seasons of eligibility for the Blue Raiders, the former Oak Ridge High School all-stater set virtually every pass receiving record available.

He was named to both the Associated Press Little All-America and the Williamson Mid-Bracket All-America teams as a senior in 1963, after being named All-Ohio Valley Conference for three consecutive seasons. He was also a standout on the Blue Raider track team.



WAYNE CARTWRIGHT

MTSU receiver Mike Pittman attempts to elude Winston-Salem defensive tackle James Daniels in Sunday's contest.

But, I just basically get in the way," he added.

"Mike makes a lot of big plays in his blocking ability," Donnelly said. "The little scutter will get out there and block as well as any big guy."

Pittman was drawn to MTSU by having the opportunity to compete in two sports — track and football.

Pittman, an outstanding trackster in high school, wanted the chance to compete in both sports, and MTSU gave him that chance.

"I wanted to go to a school where they were going to let me run track and play football," Pittman said. "I had a track scholarship to the University of North Carolina, but very seldom does a person play two sports there. I wanted the opportunity to do both, and MTSU gave me that opportunity."

The MTSU athletic program has benefited Pittman through the OVC championship in the 60-yard dash in 1985. In that same year, he led the MTSU football team to their first OVC championship in 20 years.

"I expected to be a champion when I came to MTSU," Pittman

said. "Those were my expectations. I came here because MTSU had winning programs in both sports, and I felt like I had a little to contribute."

Even in his glory, Pittman has made a few mistakes.

"We were playing Murray State in 1984, and I was wide open down the sidelines," Pittman explained. "I committed the biggest sin a receiver could make. I took my eyes off the ball and dropped a sure touchdown."

However, he did come back in the end and scored a 54-yard touchdown for the game winner.

Although Pittman has enjoyed enormous success at MTSU, there is one thing that has eluded him — a national championship. It came close in 1984 and 1985 when the Blue Raiders made the playoffs, but it has never been obtained.

"My primary goal is to graduate and to be successful in life," Pittman said. "As far as football is concerned, I want to leave this university a winner, win the OVC and a national championship."

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Sarver won a \$5 prize from the newspaper.

He went on to forge a memorable career as a high school coach and administrator. His 1951 Fayetteville, Tenn. team was named state champion. He was also principal of White County High School in Sparta, Tenn. for many years.

He is currently retired and living in Fayetteville.

Managers

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son's initial game ended in controversy and a grudge match was scheduled.

The managers got things rolling early when quarterback Trey Edmondson quartered with flanker Hunter Hughes for a 26-yard touchdown reception.

After the trainers were held on four downs and forced to punt, the managers' squad got things rolling again.

Edmondson hit receiver Tony Stinnett for a 30-yard pick up to set up a 20-yard scoring strike to Derrick. For all intent and purposes it looked like the managers were looking for another blow-out.

The trainers then got on the board when quarterback Tracy Martin found a wide-open Pat Warner in the end zone, converting on fourth down and closing the gap to 2-1.

Both teams battled to a 21-21 halftime tie.

The second half scoring went

back and fourth before the trainers went up 42-35 and looked as if they were in control of the game.

But, Derrick picked off an extra pass from Martin to score the tying touchdown.

The managers then held the trainers on their next possession and put the game away when Edmondson hit Hughes for the game winning touchdown.

"It was a very competitive game," Hughes said. "They were more prepared this time, and their defense was much improved. We went into the game thinking we were going to blow them out. It didn't turn out like that and we were in a dog fight the whole way."

"There is no doubt that they were a better team today," Stinnett said. "Still, they weren't able to beat us. Granted, they had several chances. When it came right down to the wire our defense responded, and we were fortunate enough to come out of their with a win."

The managers have now won three of the last four games.

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One of the most important lessons learned from the exercise was the value of teamwork.

Setting up the field as a miniature army base provided the cadets with a variety of military maneuvers, and it gave them a taste of the army life.

According to Lt. Col. Schley Frazer of the R.O.T.C. department the FTX was one of the best ever, and it was a good experience for the students.

●(Left) MTSU cadets cross over a 10 foot barbed wire fence placed between two poles, using only a board and rope.

●(Lower left) Patrick Crabtree (left) and Steve Brophy assist Angie Roberts over a 10 foot wall.

●(Below) Chlin Tennyson (left) brings Wilmu Greene into the water with her after Tennyson dropped into the pool from a rope stretched between two platforms.

●(Right) Angie Roberts uses a rope traverse to cross a pool of water 10 feet below.



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