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Patti Petty searches for a walnut in a whipped cream pie during the "mystery contest" that came at the last of the series of games that were held on the Cope lawn Wednesday afternoon. The games were part of Activities Day that was open to all organizations on campus



David Lay (sunglasses) and Greg Mangrum attempt to relay an apple in the apple passing contest held during Activities Day.

Resident assistants underpaid: Shewmake

By BRIAN CONLEY
Sidelines Assistant News Editor

Resident assistants are "extremely valuable" to University Housing and should be paid more than their current \$40.20 weekly salary, Ivan Shewmake, housing director, said.

Each RA is paid for 12 hours of work at minimum wage, although he or she may work many more hours than that in a given week, Shewmake said.

"They are told first thing that their pay is looked at as a salary and not just minimum for 12 hours," Shewmake said. "Getting paid for 12 hours a week is for bookkeeping reasons.

tried to get extra benefits for RAs, such as parking places and private rooms at the same cost as regular rooms, Shewmake said.

There are good reasons why the RAs should have benefits like parking places and private rooms, Shewmake said.

"Several times an RA has had to take someone to the hospital because they were cut badly or had a bad fall," Shewmake said. "It helps a lot for the RA's car to be right next to the building. If someone is bleeding and the nearest car to take them to the hospital is across campus, the victim could suffer serious harm.

"RAs need private rooms because they have counseling sessions in their rooms, and you can't have counseling sessions with a roommate hanging around," Shewmake said. "Also, the RA secures keys, has discipline records and counseling notes in his or her room. You can't have all of that just lying around your room with a roommate."

"Good RAs can save housing money by getting maintenance requests in on time," Shewmake said. "They also help by keeping down vandalism."

If it were not for the RA, MTSU would have to hire several full-time security guards for the dorms, Shewmake said.

RAs also serve the personal needs of residents, Shewmake said.

He said residents are encouraged to talk with RAs whenever they feel they have a problem.

"In addition, a good RA is always there for the resident, whether they are locked out of their room, can't get up the stairs because they are

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STUDENT WORKERS

First in a series



"I wish I could pay them more," Shewmake said. "However, I have to maintain a balance between RA pay and the amount the residents must pay."

Shewmake said he wants to keep the rates that the residents pay as low as possible.

"I was a poor student," Shewmake said. "I had to pay my way through school, and I wanted the administrators to keep costs as low as possible."

"Now that I am an administrator, I work on that principle," Shewmake said.

The housing system is classified as an auxiliary service and therefore must make as much money as it spends, Shewmake said.

The housing system has always

After four days of action

KA first in Homecoming

By LISA WILLIAMS
Sidelines Staff Writer

Four days into Homecoming competition Alpha Delta Pi and Alpha Omicron Pi share the lead in points in the sorority division and Kappa Alpha leads in the fraternity division.

Competition began Monday afternoon with the Chili cook-off held at the Boro. Although points were awarded for these have not yet been added in to the total scores. They will be added in this evening and combined with points from yesterday's banner competition and Saturday's float judging to determine the overall winner, ASB President Troy Baxter said.

The winner will be announced at Saturday's game before the opening kick-off.

Tuesday night song competition was held on the lawn in front of the KUC. In the fraternity division Sigma Delta Epsilon took first place. Alpha Delta Pi nabbed first in the sorority division, and the female open division was captured

by Felder Hall with the men of Gore Hall gaining their division. In the Mixed division the business fraternity Pi Sigma Epsilon were awarded first.

Wednesday afternoon was filled with all the games of Activities Day.

Spectators were entertained by such games as the wheelbarrow race, egg toss, apple race and mystery game where participants were asked to bury their faces in piles of whipped cream to find a jelly bean. "We tried to gear Activities Day toward residence halls and open clubs, not just fraternities and sororities," Baxter said.

In the women's open division Felder Hall took first. Gore Hall took first in the male open division with Pi Sigma Epsilon taking first in the mixed division. Kappa Sigma grabbed first in the fraternity division and Chi Omega won first in the sorority division.

Last night the Homecoming banners which will be displayed Saturday were judged. But the scores have not been released.

Crisis Intervention Center always ready to help

By TERRI ANDREWS
Sidelines Staff Writer

Most people may experience true crisis once in a lifetime.

But for some people, crisis is an everyday situation.

She flinches in apprehension at the first buzz from the telephone. Will the caller be a potential suicide victim? Or maybe someone seeking answers to solve their sexual problems?

Whoever the caller is, she and the other volunteers at Crisis Intervention Center must be ready to give helpful information and advice that could change a life.

Last year the center's employees

and volunteers answered more than 51,000 phone calls from the Middle Tennessee area. This year the center has already exceeded that number, and 20,000 more calls are expected.

"There are a lot of people out there who are in need," says Jean Rowlett, educational coordinator for the center. She absent-mindedly flips through an endless volume of reference numbers as she speaks enthusiastically about the Crisis Center.

"If that person just needs to know a telephone number, they are in need," Rowlett says. "We at the Crisis Center try to help with any

problem."

The volunteers at the Crisis Center casually sit around the calling room, reading their training manuals and anticipating their next call. Phone numbers inconspicuously hang on the walls. The volunteers are expected to give immediate and accurate answers each time they pick up the phone to help a crisis caller.

"When I decided I wanted to volunteer my time to the center, I never realized that the training would be so intense," exclaims Carolyn Greenwood, a local resident. "But the feeling I get when I am able to help someone who

needs a friend, I realize the training is worth it."

Volunteers must endure 31 hours of training. The training involves careful screening of the volunteer by a mental health professional, followed by interviews, guest speakers, and exercises in role-playing in order to prepare them for what they might face when they answer the phone.

Jean, an 11-year employee of the center, believes that a good volunteer is a person who is non-judgmental, committed, empathetic and willing to give of themselves.

"I get a thrill out of seeing a volunteer come into the center and then, through the experience and training, the center provides, see that person grow as an individual," says Rowlett proudly.

The 95 volunteers at the center comprise a wide variety of individuals. Homemakers, college students, ministers, and business men and women make up this group. Anyone over 18 years of age is welcome to be a volunteer, Rowlett says.

The center offers a variety of services and programs. Suicide support groups for families of suicide victims is one of the newer additions to the center. Congregational help-lines serve those seeking an-

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Housing attacks apartment bug problem

By VALERIE SAGGESE
Sidelines Staff Writer

University Housing's first attempt at controlling the bug problem in J and K Apartments went fairly smooth this week, Ivan Shewmake, director of housing said.

"The bug problem has really been bad this year," Shewmake said. "I have had two sets of parents come into my office and express extreme distress over the appearance of bugs in their daughters' apartments."

Housing will try to spray the

apartments once a month in order to stop the problem from getting out of hand, he said. According to Shewmake, part of the problem is that not all students keep their apartments clean on any type of regular basis.

Housing has begun to crack down on the monthly room checks in an attempt to monitor the cleanliness of individual apartments. Residents are instructed to clean dishes, showers, ovens and refrigerators on a regular basis. In ad-

dition, they are encouraged to make their beds, keep their clothes off the floors and sweep floors.

"You would be surprised how many students would let their apartments become unsanitary," Shewmake said. "Of course, such environments are breeding grounds for bugs."

Students found in violation of any of the rules for room checks are written up, and they may even be charged for damages according to the severity of the violation.

Homecoming fun run Saturday

By SHANE DAVIS
Sidelines Staff Writer

MTSU's department of campus recreation is sponsoring a five kilometer road race and a one mile fun run on Saturday to accompany this week's Homecoming activities.

Emily Fothergill, assistant director of campus recreation, is the race director. Fothergill said 30 people have pre-registered for the race. Campus recreation is prepared to handle up to 400 runners.

The race is open to all members of the public. There will be five different divisions for both men and

women, and they are as follows: 17 and under, 18-24, 25-34, 35-44 and 45 and up.

The entry fee is \$1 for MTSU students, faculty and alumni. For all other people wishing to enter the race, the fee will be \$5 if they register early, and \$6 if they register on Saturday.

The race will begin at 9:30 a.m. People can register at 9 a.m.

The race will start at the campus pool. The entire race will be run on campus. No hills will be included in the course.

Campus Capsule

CAMPUS CAPSULE POLICY: All submissions to Campus Capsule must be typed and submitted to *Sidelines* by 4:30 p.m. Friday for Tuesday publication or 4:30 p.m. Tuesday for Friday publication. All submissions are printed on a space available basis, and may be edited by *Sidelines* for clarity and brevity. *Sidelines* cannot guarantee submissions will be published.

The Catholic Student Center offers fellowship for all students regardless of faith. A search weekend will be held Oct. 17, 18 and 19. For an application or any other information call 896-6074.

The Red Cross Bloodmobile is scheduled to come to St. Rose Church (Main Lot) at 1603 North Tennessee Blvd. in Murfreesboro on Monday, Oct. 13, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Kappa Omicron Phi will be selling homecoming mums for \$6.75 and boutonnieres for \$1.75 in the Keathley University Center outside the book store from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. today.

The Advertising club will hold an informal meeting on Mon. Oct. 13 at 3:15 p.m. in Room 311 Peck Hall.

Housing

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swers through their religious faith. Some employers rely on the center for counseling employees with personal problems.

All calls received by the center are confidential. Anyone who calls the center for help has the right to privacy, Rowlett says.

"When we get a call, we choose not to influence the caller's decision," reminds Rowlett. "Instead, we choose to help that caller clarify what they want and refer them to the proper assistance."

Resident

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too drunk or have a personal problem," Shewmake said.

RAs spend a lot of time doing other parts of their jobs besides just the 12 hours when they are on duty, Shewmake said.

"RAs need to develop good feelings with the residents to avoid vandalism and to let the residents know there is someone to talk to," Shewmake said. "That takes a lot of time."

"They also need to let their presence be known to keep control of the building behavior-wise," Shewmake said. "That also takes a lot of time to do right."

An RAs paperwork alone takes 12 hours per week, Shewmake said, but the job takes a lot of extra hours.

"Being an RA is very time consuming," Linda Boscio, an RA in McHenry Hall, said. "Anytime someone needs you, you have to be there."

"One girl woke me up at 2:30 in the morning and wanted to talk," Boscio said. "If you hear people being too loud, you have to get up and handle the situation."

She said that the class RAs are

required to attend, Psychology 409, is also time-consuming.

"I work right around 25 hours a week," Tony Morreale, an RA in Gore Hall, said. "I work 12 hours when I am on duty, plus I am always checking for maintenance problems and helping people with their problems."

Danny Pace, a Judd Hall RA, said RAs worked more than just the hours when they are listed as on duty.

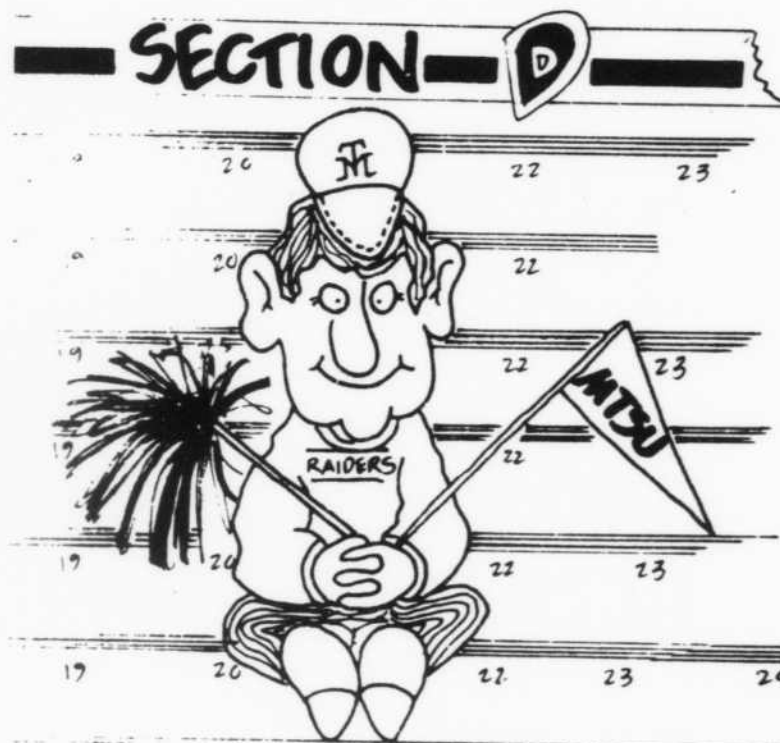
"My door is constantly being knocked on," Pace said. "I work on the average of 15 to 20 hours a week."

Shewmake stressed the importance of the RA in the housing system.

"The RA has the most contact with the resident," Shewmake said. "The RA is responsible for the well being of the resident."

"I cherish the RAs," Shewmake added.

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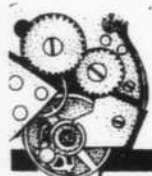
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Each submission should include the name, p.o. box, and telephone number of the artist. Submissions can be brought to the Collage office in the James Union Building, room 306.

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Editorials

RAs receive little reward for helping dorm dwellers

MTSU hires 80 students each year to serve as residence assistants in dormitories on campus.

These 80 RAs live in the residence halls and are responsible for making sure students' housing needs are met. It's a 24-hour-per-day job, because RAs are always on call.

RAs are expected to answer questions that residents may have in any situation, open locked doors, inspect rooms, issue keys and do sev-

eral other chores.

For these and other responsibilities, RAs receive little reward, at least monetarily.

RAs receive a salary of approximately \$80 every two weeks. They are paid \$3.35 per hour for only 12 hours per week. That's \$80 for what is actually about 40 hours of work — or \$2 per hour.

Don't RAs deserve minimum wage like normal people?

Sure they receive benefits

like private dorm rooms (but not free parking) and a reserved parking space near their dorm, and of course the opportunity to work with fellow students, but they have to eat, too.

Sidelines believes RAs should be paid minimum wage for 20 hours per week, and receive free housing as well. RAs provide a valuable service for the university and the students, and they deserve fair compensation.



Letters to the Editor

North v. South, lets stop it!

Dear Editor,

This letter is in reference to Rodney King's article "Southern women are God's final gift to man."

Rodney, you had better get your second cousin Bobby Barrett out of the country. He's been

shoveling too much manure.

Now don't get me wrong, I am not cutting down the country or Southern girls. I have lived in the South for two years now, but I am very proud to be a Yankee girl.

As was once pointed out to me by a friend from the South, "Yes the north and south are different, so what?" One is really not better

than the other.

The North is where I was born and the South is where you were born. That's great. So lets stop these cheap shots about how each of us talk and who has prettier girls. The war is over for both sides.

By the way, the expression is "you guys" not "youse guys."

Mary Riehm
Box 6932

No class changes needed

Dear Editor,

I never cease to be amazed by the workings of government. My source for wonder this time happens to be our own MTSU Faculty Senate. The latest proposal to come out of that hallowed body is the newly proposed "school calendar" also known as the Memphis State

Plan.

Under this plan, we would add time to classes to shorten the school year by several days. Five minutes would be added to Monday, Wednesday and Friday classes, and ten minutes would be added to the Tuesday and Thursday classes, to save somewhere between five and eight days per semester.

Theoretically, this will benefit faculty and students by having a shorter school year. I suppose if we followed this logic to extremes, we could have classes meet day and night for three weeks and cut the semester even shorter. It might be possible to get a four year degree in only two years! We could improve further by just collecting money and issuing degrees as soon as the checks cleared the bank. We could have phones in classes where students and faculty have "conference calling" sessions. This would

allow us to do away with parking problems, run-down facilities and other potential disasters, calamities and earth shaking problems not even discovered yet!

The real concern here, if I can get my tongue out of my cheek long enough to finish this letter, is the potential loss to the students. That is what we faculty are here for as I remember. Longer class periods mean fewer classes can be offered on a daily basis, especially on the already crowded Tuesday and Thursday schedule. This would mean many of our students, especially those that must work in order to attend school, would receive fewer course offerings per semester, take longer to graduate, spend more time in school, spend more money on their education and ... Wait a minute, maybe I understand now.

Come on Faculty Senate, don't

fix something if it isn't broken.

Joel Hausler
MTSU School of Business

Letters Policy

Letters to the editor are welcomed and are considered on the basis of timeliness, interest, taste and space.

All letters must include the author's name, MTSU box number and telephone number. Telephone numbers will not be printed and are for verification purposes only. When warranted, requests to withhold names will be honored.

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Collegiate Concerns

Dartmouth president resigns

HANOVER, N.H. (AP) — David McLaughlin, who held no educational post before becoming president of Dartmouth College in 1981, is resigning as head of the Ivy League school.

McLaughlin's announcement Monday followed a school year in which he was harshly criticized from both sides for his handling of anti-apartheid protests on campus and in which a group of faculty members and students tried to oust him.

McLaughlin said he will leave after next spring's commencement and after a new president is found.

He said he was not pressured into resigning, but decided he was

not prepared to give his "sustained and undivided attention" to leading Dartmouth in what he said would be intense competition for students, faculty and other resources.

"We have accepted his decision with regret," the college trustees said in a statement which called McLaughlin a "patient and effective leader."

Under his leadership, the school's endowment doubled and major campus projects, including a social sciences center, three dormitories and an art museum, have been completed.

McLaughlin, 54, was chief executive officer and chairman of

Toro Co. of Minneapolis before coming to Dartmouth. He said Monday he had no future plans.

He was criticized in January when a group calling for the school to sell South Africa-related investments defied college elders and built several symbolic shacks on the college green. The college allowed the shanties to stand, but a group of conservative students attacked them one night with sledgehammers.

Those who attacked the shacks were disciplined, but those who built them were not. Students who occupied the president's office to protest the shanty smashing and

those arrested when the school finally decided to remove the shacks also were not punished.

In February, some students and faculty members called for McLaughlin's resignation, accusing him of disregarding faculty votes, showing bad faith in dealing with faculty and students and using force rather than dialogue in the anti-apartheid protests.

Earlier, an eight-member faculty committee said many faculty members considered McLaughlin's administration "insensitive to and not knowledgeable about educational concerns."

Vatican: seminaries harboring doubts

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Vatican, after five years of investigating America's Catholic seminaries, says the schools are doing well in training priests but are harboring too many doubters of church leaders' authority.

Confusion about the church's magisterial authority is obviously a matter which needs emphatic clarification and redress at the seminaries, Cardinal William Baum, head of the Vatican's Congregation for Catholic Education, said.

In a few cases, he said, seminary authorities had been told to take direct action — re-secure the magisterial integrity of the teaching of moral theology. But he added, "Dissent, in fact, is not a major characteristic" of the 38 seminaries studied.

The bulk of the report, which was ordered by Pope John Paul II, released last weekend, was positive, concluding that U.S. seminaries "are generally happy, wholesome and engaged, with seminarians who exhibit a great thirst for the spiritual life."

Baum's comments were in the form of a 23-page letter to American bishops.

Obviously pleased with the results, Bishop James Malone of Youngstown, Ohio, president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, said in an accompanying letter to fellow bishops:

"It is with considerable satisfaction that I am able to report to you that the Holy See's effort to 'take the pulse' of our seminaries has found it to be strong and vibrant."

On the negative side, Baum complained of too-common "confusion" about church authority, adding:

"There would seem to be a number of seminarians who, at the end of their moral theology courses, are either not sure of what the church teaches in a particular matter or who think that the church's teaching is only one theological opinion amongst a number of other equally valid theological opinions — in which case it is mistakenly denied its magisterial authority."

Baum's call for correction of such doubt or dissent was in line with widely publicized Vatican criticism of such prominent non-seminary U.S. Catholics as Catholic University professor Charles Curran — recently forbidden to continue teaching in a church theologian.

In other criticism, Baum said: — Some bishops seem reluctant to send outstanding priests to teach at seminaries.

— Seminaries occasionally are too eager to accept students who

may have disciplinary or psychological problems.

— Some seminaries are mistakenly spending too much time teaching lay Catholics rather than concentrating on the seminarians themselves.

Still he concluded, "Although mistakes have been made, in our judgment there is more anxiety about the quality of seminarians in the public forum than is warranted by the evidence."

He said the teaching level in seminaries is generally good, though the schools still fall short of the nation's non-seminary graduate schools.

Some seminary have the potential to reach scholastic heights, he added, "because they have good professors and sensibly selected seminarians, but the curriculum needs better tailoring and the theological enterprise deepening."

Events leading to Texas student's death

University of Texas' chapter of Phi Kappa Psi pledges have confirmed in sworn statements to police that Mark Thomas Seeberger, a pledge of that fraternity, was handcuffed the night before his fatal alcohol overdose. They said that he had been on a "ride" during which pledges are customarily handcuffed and instructed to drink a specific amount of alcohol.

Seeberger died of an alcohol overdose Sept. 18, and an autopsy report shows that the UT freshman had consumed about 18 ounces of rum within two hours, bringing his blood alcohol level to 0.43 percent.

Hazing and furnishing alcohol to a minor are both misdemeanor criminal offenses.

As reported in *The Daily Texan*

Kent State police confined to campus

A decision by the 11th District Court of Appeals in Ohio has prohibited Kent State Police from making arrests off campus.

KSU police were allowed to make off-campus arrests in the past because they had a "mutual aid" contract with the Kent City Police.

While the KSU cannot make arrests off campus, Kent City Police still has jurisdiction on campus because the university is part of the city.

As reported in *The Daily Kent Star*

Scarritt pondering two merger choices

Scarritt Graduate School has agreed to "enter into conversation" with Vanderbilt Divinity School here and Emory School in Atlanta, opening the door to possible merger with either school.

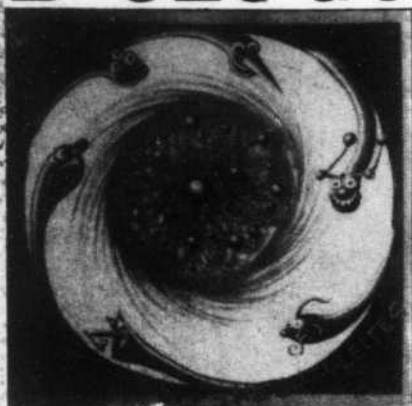
Scarritt has in recent years fallen short of hoped-for enrollment increases. But President Donald Welch said talks with the two schools are being undertaken with the prospect of "enhancing Scarritt's global influence."

Welch said Vanderbilt Divinity School and Emory's Candler School of Theology each initiated merger talks this summer. He described the discussions as exploratory and preliminary.

As reported in *The Tennessean*

Art / Entertainment

B-52s dedicate latest album



buzzin' around/Downtown/Waiting for that very special/Comes in to see what I've got/Orange popsicles and lemonade." What a happy song! It's great; it will make you cheerful! Orange popsicles and lemonade!!!

"Housework" is really fun; sung by Kate, it shows the band's wacky sense of humor: "I am doin' my housework/Got no time to fool 'round/I am doin' my housework/Cleanin' up and I'm gettin' down." You won't be able to sit still to this one!

Review

"Wig" is another fun cut; it features Fred Schneider on lead vocals and everyone else in the background ("wigtalk"): "What's that on your head!/A wig/Wig,wig,wig/Sally's gotta wig/Ricky's gotta wig/Baby's gotta wig/Kate's gotta wig/Fred's gotta cheap toupee/Keith's gotta big bouffant on/We all got wigs, so...let's go!"

"Detour Thru Your Mind," as the band puts it, is "a drug-free altered mindscape talk." "A flash of blind-

ing lightning and we're in an elegantly appointed doctor's office/It seems that Doctor Aron Butterfly wants to dip us in plaster and use us for bookends..." Just try and figure this one out!

Somewhat set apart from these songs is "Ain't It A Shame," the second cut on side two. If any B-52's cut is capable of inspiring sadness, it is this one. Keith Strickland's gloomy harmonica almost brings tears to my eyes, as this story of lost love unfolds: "Flying saucers could land/And it wouldn't make much difference to my man/I could walk aboard and thank the Lord/And leave this damn town in seconds flat/Check my bags and never come back/Oh, our love is like a fuse that's burned out..."

Aside from the sadness of this song, the remaining five cuts on *Bouncing Off The Satellites* are like what we're most accustomed to hearing from The B-52's - fun-filled songs full of zany images. Where they'll go from here, however, is uncertain; after all, this is the last album from the original B-52's lineup. Listen to it and remember Ricky Wilson.

By LARISSA KEILICH
Sidelines Staff Writer

In July of 1985, before the death of their guitarist-bassist, The B-52's recorded *Bouncing Off The Satellites*. This full-length LP has just recently been released, and it is dedicated to the memory of Ricky Wilson. Produced by Tony Mansfield, it is smooth and extremely well-done; it captures the unmistakable sound of the Athens-based band that we've all come to love.

Bouncing Off The Satellites opens with a cut called "Summer Of Love," which is sung by the girls — Kate Pierson and Cindy Wilson. "Summer of love/Summer of love/I've been waiting for the man/Just



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Fresh fish come first at trout ranch

By CRYSTAL NELMS
Sidelines Managing Editor

More than 2.5 million gallons of fresh spring water flow daily through the mountains and onto the Bucksnot Trout Ranch in Bucksnot, Tenn. allowing Irving "Butch" Imoberstg to make a living and enjoy a hobby at the same time.

"I inherited some money, and I just bought the place," Imoberstg said. "I lived in Miami, but I wanted to get out of there for my family."

Imoberstg, clad in T-shirt, jeans and flip-flops, said that he wanted his family to live in a peaceful place. He said that his kids like helping with the ranch so much that they don't even take the time to watch television.

"My four children and my wife help me run the ranch," Imoberstg said. "My 8-year-old boy can help me do most everything. He's a real smart kid. He's made some helpful suggestions."

Imoberstg is the fourth owner of the Bucksnot Trout Ranch. He purchased it in December of 1985. The ranch was built in 1965. It is located on Interstate-40 West, 33 miles past Dickson. It covers 33 acres of land.

"It [the ranch] was built by Albert Delfabio," Imoberstg said. "He was the chief engineer for I-40."

Imoberstg said that the ranch's last owner closed it to the public. He sold his trout to restaurants.

"I sell to restaurants," Imoberstg said. "I allow people to fish here seven days a week."

Imoberstg has about 175,000 rainbow trout on his ranch. He keeps the immature fish in his hatchery for about one month.

Imoberstg said that he has fish eggs air freighted from the Western United States to Nashville.

A rainbow trout grows about one inch every month.

"It takes 12 months for a trout to grow 12 inches," Imoberstg said.

After one month in the hatchery, the fish are moved to one of 21 of the ranch's 65 foot raceways. The raceway in which a trout is kept depends on a fish's individual size.

"They are called raceways 'cause of their design," Imoberstg said. "They [the raceways] are long, thin and shallow, and this makes the water move rapidly through them."

Rainbow trout like fast-flowing,

cold water.

"The spring water temperature stays at 58 degrees year round," Imoberstg said.

"All the water I use is pure Tenn. spring water," Imoberstg said. "A man from Florida said that it was the purest water he'd ever seen. I do not use any chemical additives in it."

Imoberstg firmly believes that cleanliness is the key to running a successful trout ranch. The shelves of his hatchery are lined with bottles of comet and bleach.

"If you're not clean in this business, you won't do good," Imoberstg said.

Imoberstg sells his rainbow trout to restaurants in Memphis, Nashville, Louisville and Cincinnati. He is very proud of this. Competition in the trout business is stiff.

"The one thing I don't like about the business is selling the fish," Imoberstg said. "Selling them is hard."

Imoberstg puts "tender loving care" into his fish. He keeps his raceways clean, he feeds the trout natural food and he uses only pure spring water.

"I don't crowd the fish together and try to raise too many fish," Im-

oberstg said. "If you spread them out, the place stays cleaner, and the fish don't get sick."

Imoberstg has purchased a building at the nearest interstate exit, and he hopes to open a restaurant there someday soon.

"Eventually I'll serve my own trout right there," Imoberstg said.

Poles, lines, hooks and bait are supplied for anybody, from near or far, that is interested in fish on one of the ranches two ponds. If one catches a mess of fish, it will cost him \$2 per pound. Imoberstg will clean the fish for 25 cents extra. He will "take out most of the bones" for an additional five cents.

"You don't have to have a license to fish here," Imoberstg said. "I pay for it all at the beginning of the year."

"An 83-year-old woman caught her first fish her recently," Imoberstg said. "It is really thrilling to see people, of any age, fight to pull their first rainbow trout out of the pond."

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Sports

Lady Raider volleyballers kill Tech Eagles

By BEVERLY KEEL
Sidelines Sports Editor

After the Lady Raiders clipped the wings of the Golden Eagles Tuesday night, they had nothing to be Blue about.

When the Raiders walked off the court victorious, it marked the first win over Tennessee Tech since 1982, the first year head volleyball coach Diane Cummings led the Lady Raiders team. It also starts this season's conference matches off with a bang as Tennessee Tech has been the reigning OVC Southern Division champion for several years.

The Raiders took three out of five matches, 15-10, 7-15, 15-5, 12-15 and 15-10.

The last game was tied at 8-8 until the Raiders, supported by fans shouting "Go Big Blue," poured on the non-stop hitting.

"I tell you what, this team is flying high on a lot of desire," Cummings said. "The team I had my first year may have had a little more talent, but this team has the desire."

This mark in the win column brings the Lady Blue's record to 8-6 overall and 1-0 in the conference.

The pressure will be put on the team next week as they face Murray State here Tuesday and Akron, Morehead and Youngstown and

1985 OVC Champion Eastern Kentucky in the mid-season tournament in Richmond, Ky.

"Realistically, if we can play with intensity and have no mental let-ups, we can possibly win the Southern Division," she said.

"It's finally coming together," Cummings said. "We're playing the same game as last year, we're just fundamentally more sound now."

The Raiders present a balanced attack of hitters with senior Lori Krier, juniors Melissa Armstrong and Jackie Dale and sophomore lefty Cindy Snyder. Freshman setter Wanda Johnson has the potential to be an All-OVC Freshman, Cummings said. Melinda Sandy, 5-10, was moved from hitter to setter to fill a vacancy.

"I think Melinda is doing a good job, considering what she's up against," Cummings said.

Cummings gives most of the credit of the improvements in hitting and setting to assistant coach Carlo Tango. "He has done quite a bit for us," she said. "He can actually come in and show the girls what they're doing wrong."

Although the team may come up short in height, the tallest players standing about 5-10, Cummings said she does not think it will be much of a disadvantage this year.

"We may be outmanned in size, but we make up for it in heart," Cummings said. "And we're beginning to think on the floor."

But the floor that the Lady Raiders have to think on is not much of a floor, according to Cummings.

The team was forced to move to an auxiliary gym in Murphy Center. "One thing that bothers me about playing in the auxiliary gym is that the floor warped the floor," Cummings said. "It's kind of like walking on water," she joked.

Another problem with the wooden floor is that it is so close to the base ground, last year's poles will not stand up.

"We have to use wide base standards and that is dangerous to our hitters," she said. She said the team has not had any problems with the standards yet, but opponents have not been so lucky.

"We would have liked to play on the Murphy Center floor," she said. "The auxiliary gyms are pretty closed quarters."

Tuesday night's vocal crowd was quite a bright spot in the Lady volleyballers' night, Cummings said. "That's the most vocal crowd I've ever seen," Cummings said. "I think that's something my kids have missed."



Sandy Campbell/Staff

The Lady Raiders lost all three games played against Austin Peay in the Auxiliary Gym last night.

Blue Raiders shoulder loss and prepare for OVC power Akron

By ANDY REED
Sidelines Sports Writer

When MTSU played Akron last year, an Ohio Valley Conference championship was at stake for the Blue Raiders.

Such is not the case this week as 1-4 MTSU (0-2 in the conference) hosts Akron for Homecoming Saturday at 1:30 p.m., at Horace Jones Field.

For the 3-1 Zips, it's the conference opener as former Notre Dame coach Gerry Faust guides the team through its final trip around the OVC. The Zips will withdraw from the league after this season.

The Blue Raiders, who won last season's game 17-0 to win the OVC title en route to an 11-0 regular season, are still banged up.

Quarterback Marvin Collier is expected to miss his third straight game due to a shoulder separation sustained in the 34-31 loss to Georgia Southern Sept. 20.

When asked about Collier's chances of playing this week, Blue Raider coach Boots Donnelly replied, "Slim. (I) do not expect Marvin back until our open week, if then."

After this week, the Raiders will travel to Springfield, Mo., to take on Southwest Missouri Oct. 18 before taking the Oct. 25 weekend off.

In addition to Collier, linebacker Mick Mathis is also expected to miss this week's game because of a shoulder injury while fullback Tony Burse is hampered by a broken finger.

On the bright side, offensive guard Cecil Andrews is expected back at full strength after injuring his elbow, and running back Gerald Anderson played last week at Austin Peay for the first time since suffering a shoulder separation in the 7-6 loss to Tennessee State on Sept. 6. Anderson rushed for 37 yards on 11 carries in the 7-0 overtime loss to the Governors while playing in the same backfield with erstwhile backup Dwight Stone.

Incidentally, that overtime loss was the first for the Raiders in the extra session after three earlier victories.

Meanwhile, without Collier, the Blue Raiders' explosive offense has sputtered to a standstill and ranks ahead of only Tennessee Tech in the conference with 260.2 yards per game.

As if the Raiders need more bad news, freshman quarterback Van Dinger will have to face the league's second-ranked defense which has allowed just 12 points and 269.8 yards per contest.

"They've always played well on the defensive side of the football," Donnelly said of the Zips, who advanced to the NCAA I-AA playoffs with an 8-3 record under former coach Jim Dennison.

Offensively, Akron is tops in the conference with the nation's leading ground gainer, tailback Mike Clark, who ran for 255 yards over Central Florida two weeks ago to set the school rushing record. He averages 156.8 yards per game for

a total of 627 this season.

In addition, quarterback Vernon Stewart is now that school's career leading passer. He is 36-for-75 for 538 yards and four touchdowns through the air. He has also rushed for 80 yards to rank fourth (just behind Clark) in the league in all-purpose yardage.

"We don't even know how to stop Mike Clark, much less than their passing game," lamented Donnelly.

That defense which will try to stop Clark, Stewart and company is led by linebacker Roosevelt Colvard, who leads the team with 47 tackles. Lineman Doug Althouse is right behind with 43 stops.

But the Raiders' big concern continues to be the offense, which has been held without a touchdown the past two games.

"We have to get some offense going," Donnelly said. "That probably means the passing game. We have always been primarily a running team, but we have to put together at least the threat of the pass to open up the ground game."

"If we can stop making the silly stupid mistakes on offense, maybe we can pull this one out."

On special teams, punter Mark Morrison was named OVC Specialist of the Week after punting for a 41.7 yard average at Austin Peay, including two inside the 10. The senior from Nashville's Overton High School ranks second in the conference with a 43.1 yard average. The Raiders' net punting ranks fifth in the nation.



Time Out
Beverly Keel
Sports Editor

Volleyball win marks an overcoming of obstacles

The Lady Raider volleyball team not only had to overcome the Golden Eagles earlier this week, they have also had to conquer several obstacles along the way.

The first hurdle is the path is, of course, money. It takes six players to compete against an opponent, but only five full scholarships are given per year. Head volleyball coach Diane Cummings splits the scholarships into partials, so she can help more athletes. But unfortunately, this money can only stretch so far. Some players do not know from semester to semester if they will get a scholarship.

This lack of funds makes recruiting almost an impossibility. Two years ago, a Tennessee All-State high school senior wanted to become a Lady Raider. There was no money in the budget — all Cummings could do was hope that she would walk on. Needless to say, the player took a full scholarship from another school.

The team has played in the same uniform for the last three or four years. They have two jerseys and one pair of shorts. The uniform situation may not sound too terrible until you consider that the team

plays two to three teams during tournaments — and has only one pair of shorts. The managers could not find a laundromat still open after tournament play in Morehead last year, so they team had to hand wash their jerseys and blow them dry with a hairdryer. It was a little degrading when Tennessee Tech displayed a new uniform at almost every match.

Coach Cummings was given about \$2500 extra for travel this year, but she had to hand it right back when the insurance was due. Dr. Ingram decided each sport would foot its own insurance — the volleyball bill came to \$2500.

Now the volleyballers have even had their home court taken away. The Alumni Gym is closed for renovation so the team has been stuck in an auxiliary gym. Athletic facility officials would not allow the Murphy Center floor to have two holes, which have metal covers, drilled into it to hold the poles for the net. Tech's Hooper Eblen Center houses their volleyballers, why can't we?

The auxiliary gym floor is warped and dangerous. It's hard enough trying to concentrate on your form and position, much less whether you are going to lose your balance

on a poor floor. This may cause a few more sprained ankles — but that's all right by the athletic administration because now the volleyball team has to pay for the insurance.

The team can no longer use the quality nets from last year because the floor will not allow them to be set-up. The bases used now sit above the ground, like many of the high school and church-league nets. Before the season is over, one of our players will probably sprain an ankle over it. All it will take is one good set to the outside of the net.

The Lady Blue team doesn't even have a head coach to itself. Cummings must also share her time with the women's basketball team as assistant coach. At the beginning of school, when volleyball practice is crucial, "Coach C" must also make sure the basketball team is settled into dorms and classes. As the season progresses, she comes straight from basketball practice into volleyball practice. Coaches complain about having to teach classes, not allowing them to be a "full-time" coach. I wonder how they could handle teaching, being a head coach and an assistant coach at the same time.

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