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## Campus gets bomb threat

By SANDRA BOBO  
Sidelines News Editor

MTSU was faced with a bomb threat last Friday in the form of a letter claiming that three buildings would be blown up at 9 a.m., according to Sam Ingram, MTSU president.

While Ingram was in a conference, a man called his office around 8:30 a.m., informing one of the secretaries that a letter had been left in the information booth at the main entrance to campus.

THE LETTER WAS picked up by Officer James Lane, of MTSU Public Safety and Security, after the president's office contacted them about the letter, according to Nancy Weatherly of Security.

According to Weatherly, the letter said that three buildings would be blown up at 9 a.m. After reading the letter, at about 9:05, "I called President Ingram, and officer Lane called the [Murfreesboro] city detectives."

"At about 9:30, the person who left the note didn't get a response [from the university]," Weatherly said, adding that the caller then called the Murfreesboro City Police.

ACCORDING TO Ingram,

the caller told Murfreesboro City Police Chief E.N. Brown that the university was not "paying attention" to him.

The caller did not identify which buildings would be blown up in his letter, but did tell Brown that Peck Hall and the Cope Administration Building would be two of the three buildings, Ingram said.

Both buildings were then searched by MTSU Security, Weatherly said.

NO BOMBS WERE found after Security made its search.

"It's not unusual, particularly around exam time [to have a bomb threat]," Ingram said, adding that "we always check" the buildings that are indicated.

"Our department has always handled [these situations]," Weatherly said.

"If [we receive] calls three or four times, we will call the city [police]," she continued.

According to Weatherly, the chief of MTSU Security makes the decision whether or not to evacuate the buildings in question, but because Chief Drugmand had left on a business trip, Ingram told them to "do what we normally do," which is to go through the buildings named and check them for bombs.

## Appealing traffic tickets made easier

By MONTE HALE  
and DESIREN ARMSTRONG

Appealing ASB traffic tickets has been made "more accessible," but many students do not know the proper procedures for appealing tickets, according to David Hays, associate dean of men.

In the past, a student given a traffic citation has had to file an appeal form at the office of Public Safety and Security. However, appeals are now processed in Hays' office, Room 122 of the University Center.

A STUDENT receiving a ticket has seven school days to appeal the citation. The student must fill out an appeal form describing the circumstances of the case.

Students can also request

that ASB Public Defender Laura Holcomb represent them in their appeal.

"I point out the things some students may not know, such as a white line means staff parking," Holcomb said.

BEFORE THE student comes to court, the judge, prosecutor and three justices read the appeal, Holcomb said.

On a court date set by the student, the judge, public defender and two assistants will hear the case. After listing the case and making their decision, a written statement to the student is sent to let him know if his ticket is void or denied.

The court has "tried to stress its convenience," Hays said. However, he added, "only a small percentage of tickets are appealed."

## Frat average exceeds undergraduate average

By JOHN HALL  
Sidelines Staff Writer

For the fifth consecutive semester, MTSU's all-fraternity average has exceeded the all-male undergraduate average, according to 1984's Academic Performance Report.

Kappa Alpha, Sigma Chi, Kappa Sigma, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Alpha Tau Omega, Delta Tau Delta, Alpha Gamma Rho, Alpha Phi Alpha and Phi Beta Sigma fraternities

achieved a fall semester academic standing of 2.3, which is slightly above the all-male undergraduate average of 2.26.

THE HIGHEST fraternity semester average was posted by ATO at 2.64.

Robert Towery of Sigma Chi and Jeffrey Nix of AGI received special commendation in the report for achieving a 4.0 during the fall semester of 1984.

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Photo by Melissa Givens

Three-year-old Sharon Kincaid and 4-year-old Rashaun Rax were crowned Mr. and Miss Little Valentine in the annual Alpha Kappa Alpha pageant Sunday evening. They were both awarded \$15, a box of chocolates and a trophy. Proceeds from the event go to the United Negro College Fund and the NAACP.

## Learning Centers planned for next fall

By KATHY BARNES  
Sidelines Staff Writer

Students seeking on-campus housing at MTSU next fall may have the option of living in "learning centers" now being installed in dormitories with space available, according to Ivan Shewmake, associate dean of students.

Smith, I and H halls, Lyon, High Rise West and Cummings are some of the dorms under consideration for the learning center installations.

"THE IDEA BEHIND the learning centers is that if we can make a few more options available for residence hall students, we are going to have a lot fewer people dropping out of school," Shewmake said.

According to Shewmake, his interest in implementing the learning center program at MTSU came after observing the success of similar programs at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, the Duke University of Miami, the University of Illinois and

others.

In a learning center, students will be able to room with other students who share the same major.

SEWMAKE SAID that with the cooperation of MTSU instructors a tutorial system may be set up within the centers, enabling students to share time outside of class with their professors.

Shewmake said he believes that this type of living environment will help "especially incoming freshmen" to stay in "Daddy and Rabbit."

According to Ron Messier, MTSU honors director, sections of Monahan and Mon ShaRey halls are now hosting 11 honors students participating in a "pilot" learning center.

"WE ARE USING the honors program as a pilot program to see what kind of interest there is and see if it works," Messier said.

Messier became involved when Shewmake asked him if he was interested in using the

get more black students involved in the cheerleading system, the committee came up with some tentative ideas to improve minority interest in tryouts for the squad. One such idea was recruitment in the high schools and another was dorm cheerleading camps.

Associate Dean of Students Judy Smith admitted that few minorities try out for the cheerleading program, but explained that the cheerleading program has never had an active recruitment "for minorities or anyone else."

RECRUITMENT IN past years "has been limited to putting up posters and running ads announcing tryouts," Smith explained.

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Photo by Bill McClary

Bridal gowns and tuxedos from Marlene's Bridal and Formal Wear were modeled Sunday at the Wesley Foundation's second annual fashion show.

## Faculty to participate in local health jamboree

By SANDRA BOBO  
Sidelines News Editor

Several MTSU faculty and administrators will be participating in the "Jail and Bail" event of the Home with Heart Rock-n-Roll Jamboree to raise money for the American Heart Association and the Tennessee Foundation for Geriatric Education.

MTSU participants in the jamboree, sponsored by the Murfreesboro Health Care Center, are Sam Ingram, MTSU president; Judy Smith, dean of women; William Grasty, chairman of accounting and information systems; Harry Hodge, dean of the school of education; and Edwin Voorhies, dean of basic and applied sciences.

FOR THE JAIL and Bail event, participants must raise a

"bail" of \$100 during this week to get them out of the makeshift jail, according to Lynn Sharp, part-time administrative assistant for the center.

Participants must turn themselves in to Judge Bob Corlew on Thursday of this week between 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. at the medical center—the "jail's" loca' Sharp explained.

According to Sharp, convictions will be made on matters associated with heart attack risk such as over-eating, lack of exercise, not taking blood pressure regularly, etc.

Other events planned include the rocking chair race, balloon drop, a walking race and a cake walk.

The center has a goal of \$2,000 it hopes to raise from the jamboree, Sharp said.



## Learning

**SHEWMAKE SAID** that the program will extend beyond the learning centers and that study rooms are going to be constructed in Sims, Judd and Gracey halls because there have never been study areas there.

The study areas in these halls and the learning centers will be converted from storage rooms in the buildings.

"We've already earmarked \$50,000 for furniture and renovation," Shewmake said,

adding that the renovation was to be done predominantly in the male area.

**STUDENTS NOT** wishing to participate in the learning center program will still have the other housing options and will not be evicted from their rooms, Shewmake said.

"We won't be doing it in J and K apartments simply because they are self-contained living areas," Shewmake said.

One drawback associated

with the program is that there is no way to have a learning center for each single major.

**SHEWMAKE SAID** that some studies can be grouped together, such as the math and computer science programs.

"We will have learning centers in the areas of study that show the most student interest," Shewmake said.

Anyone interested will be able to fill out the survey that will be circulated at housing reapplication time.

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## Frat

requirements have been placed on the fraternities," said Paul Cantrell, dean of students. "We're proud to see the fraternities respond positively to the challenge."

**SIGMA NU, Pi Kappa**

Alpha, Sigma Phi Epsilon and Beta Theta Pi were the four fraternities whose averages fell below the undergraduate male average.

For the second consecutive semester, Sigma Nu has

averaged less than the male undergraduate average.

"The four fraternities are to submit a plan that will ensure raising their status," Cantrell said.

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# Campus Capsule

### TODAY

**THE IDEAS AND ISSUES** Committee will meet at 6 p.m. in the University Center Student Programming Office.

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**GAMMA BETA PHI** will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Multi-Media Room of the Learning Resources Center. Nominations for next year's officers will be accepted.

### TOMORROW

**ALPHA IOTA DELTA** will induct new members at 4 p.m. in Room 200 of Kirksey Old Main.

### FRIDAY

**JOHN CUMMINS WILL PRESENT** an organ recital in the recital hall of Wright Music Building. The performance is free and open to the public.

**AN OPEN HOUSE** is in effect for B, C, D and E housing differentiates. Open House regulations are specified in *Rescue*.

### SUNDAY

**THE 1926 FRITZ LANG** classic *Electronic Metropolis* will be shown at 7 p.m. in the University Center Theatre as part of the Fine Arts Committee's Spring Film Series. The showing is free and open to the public.

### NOTICES

**THE CALIFORNIA ACHIEVEMENT** Test for admission to teacher education will be given at 4 p.m. March 7 in Room 322 of the University Center. Students taking the test must present a valid photo ID. There is no charge and pre-registration is not necessary.

**THE FIRST DAYTIME SESSION** of Expectant Parents Classes for 1985 will take place at St. Thomas Hospital on Feb. 16 and 23 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For information call 244-6812 or 890-0949.

**THE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FELLOWSHIP** takes place every Monday night beginning Feb. 11 at 8 p.m. at the Baptist Student Union. All international students are invited. For information call 893-5035.

**THE CATHOLIC CENTER** is sponsoring "A Search for Christian Maturity" beginning at 7 p.m. March 1 and continuing until 5:30 p.m. March 3 at the St. Rose Church Gym. For more information contact Sonya Strite at ext. 3829 or Box 2248 or contact the Catholic Center at 893-9612 or MTSU Box 600.

**SEND A LIVE VALENTINE** of four voices to your favorite person this month on Valentine's Day. The MTSU Concert Choir and Chamber Singers will present love songs in quartet harmony between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m. Feb. 14. The cost is \$3 for on-campus greetings, \$4 for Murfreesboro greetings, and \$5 over the phone (more for long distance). To order a greeting, contact a choir member in the University Center or call the Choral Office at ext. 2849.

**CHEEKWOOD'S FINE ARTS CENTER** in Nashville will be the host for "The World of Grandma Moses" exhibition opening March 30. The exhibit may be seen Tuesday through Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 1-5 p.m. Sundays through May 12. Call 352-8632 for information. The lithographs of James McNeill Whistler will be exhibited at the Center March 2-31.

**THE SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE** and the Ideas and Issues Committee are sponsoring guest lecturers "Famous Amos" on Feb. 19 at 8 p.m. and Alan Page on Feb. 21 at 7 p.m. in the Learning Resources Center.

**"VOICES OF BLACK AMERICA,"** a mini-lecture series sponsored by the department of sociology, anthropology and social work in recognition of Black History Month, will take place at 2 p.m. in the University Center Theatre unless announced otherwise. Tonight's speaker will be Ruth Dennis, associate professor of psychiatry, on the topic, "Folk Health and Healing in the Black Community." Amos Jones, pastor of Westwood Baptist Church, will speak Feb. 19 on "Religion and the Black Church: Role in Meeting the needs of the Black Community." Alan Page will speak Feb. 21 on "Is There Life After the Pros?" at 7 p.m. in the Multi-Media Room of the Learning Resources Center. The Feb. 26 lecture is to be announced at a later date.

**STUDENT TEACHING APPLICATIONS** for the fall semester must be completed and on file in the Student Teaching Office, Room 106 of Jones Hall, no later than Feb. 15.



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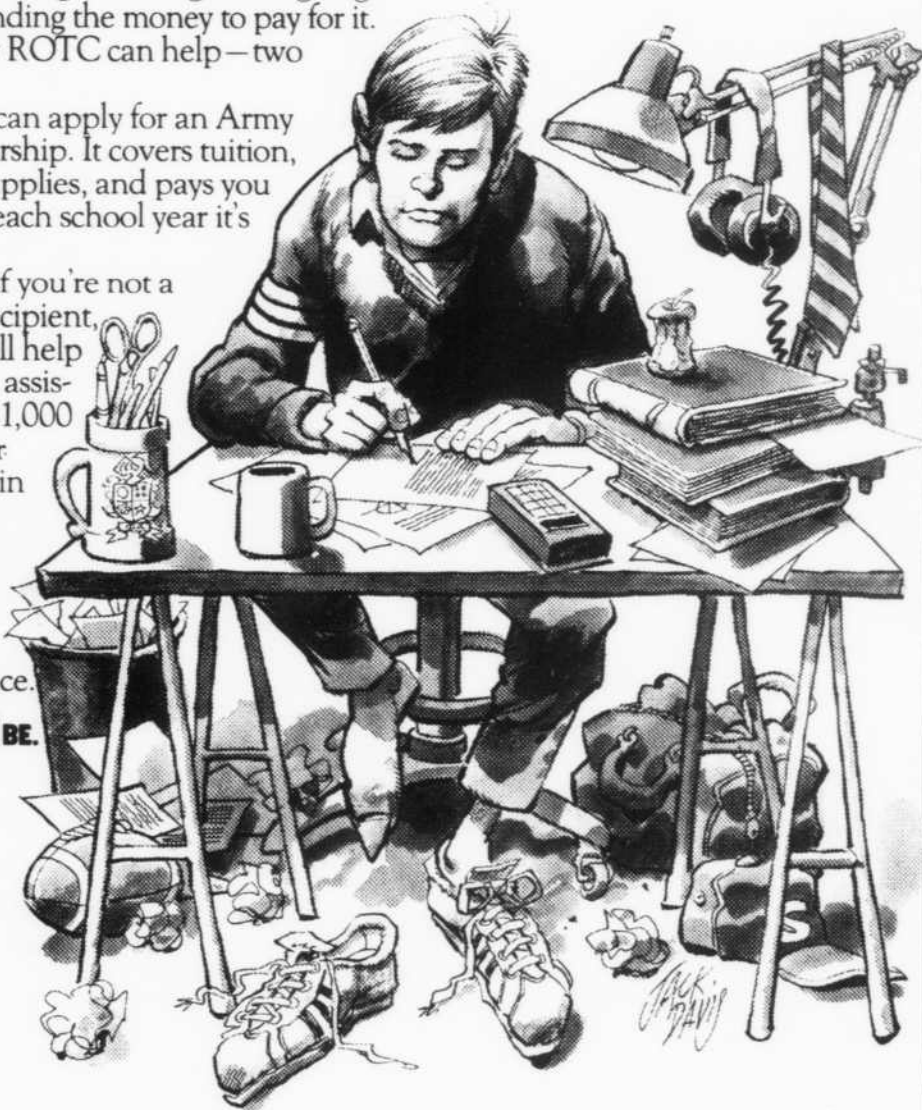
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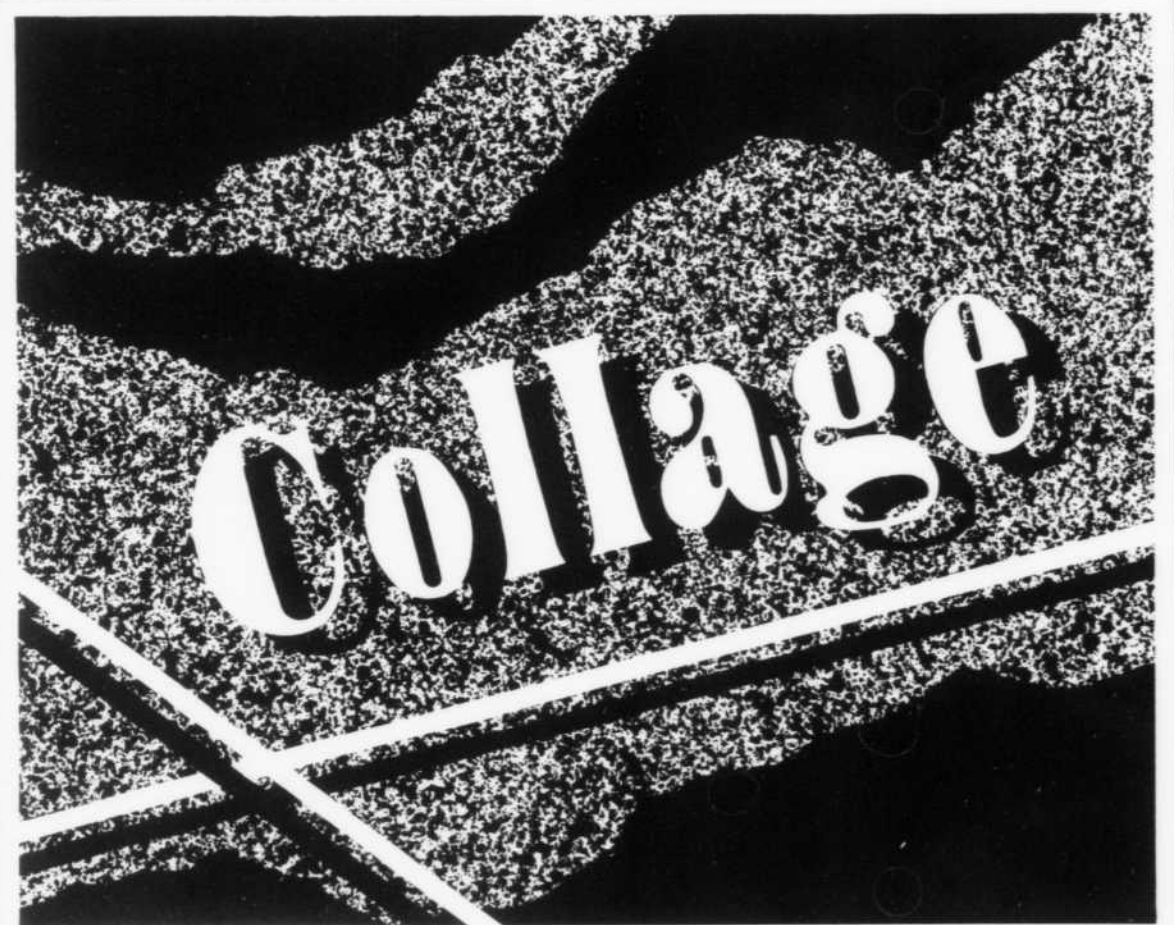
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## College Bowl champs to compete in regional

By JENNY JACOBS  
Sidelines Staff Writer

Delta Tau Delta will represent MTSU in the regional College Bowl tournament Feb. 14-16 at Eastern Tennessee State University in Johnson City, having won the College Bowl here at MTSU.

The Sigma Club, an all-male college society, sponsored the College Bowl, which included 13 teams representing campus resident halls, fraternities and one independent group. Each team was composed of four members.

THIS IS THE third year the

## Government shunting minorities to projects

DALLAS (UPI)—Government subsidized housing provides some white elderly residents with hot tubs and security systems while systematically shunting minorities and families to dilapidated projects, the Dallas Morning News reported Monday.

The newspaper spent 14 months documenting existing studies and reviewing housing projects in 47 cities from the Northeast to the West Coast.

THE LAW REQUIRES subsidized housing to be offered on a first-come, first-serve basis to qualified applicants, but names of the elderly and white regularly rise to the top of the lists, the newspaper found.

In 1984, almost 3.7 million apartments comprised federal subsidized housing. About 3.3 million of these, or nine out of 10, were provided after passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibited racial discrimination in federally funded projects.

Last year, the elderly occupied more than 50 percent of the 2.2 million newest apartments—more than twice the

level of their eligibility. HOUSING DEVOTED to elderly whites almost without exception was significantly superior both in amenities and upkeep to the older housing that tended to be routinely assigned to families and minorities, the News found.

Some projects exclusively for the elderly had hot tubs, emergency and security systems, central heating and air conditioning, community centers, laundry facilities, free shuttle bus service, dollar meals, in-house medical care and arts and crafts facilities, considerably better than U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development guidelines that specify such housing be made up of "modest units of modest design."

Families, both minority and white, and older blacks and Hispanics were assigned units in dilapidated projects in central-city ghettos with few comforts and conveniences and non-existent services.

"YOU CAN'T AFFORD to serve everyone, so what you have is a lottery system," said a HUD economist, who asked that his name not be used. "It's

as if you had a food stamp program and half got frozen, TV dinners, and the rest got nothing."

The newspaper found that since 1970, the Dallas Housing Authority had built 1,200 units for the elderly, but over the past 31 years, fewer than 400 homes for families.

"We have three times the applicants for family units as elderly units," DHA Deputy

Director David Morton said. "Clearly, there is a need."

HUD's first secretary, Robert Weaver, appointed by President Johnson in 1964, said predominantly white neighborhoods usually would accept a project earmarked for the elderly but would fight one for families because they would assume most families moving in would be black or Hispanic.



Photo by Bill McClary

The Wesley Foundation, in cooperation with Hit and Miss presented casual wear at its Sunday afternoon fashion show.

## Teachers have a right to see evaluation info

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (UPI)—The head of the legislative committee overseeing Tennessee's new Career Ladder teacher evaluations said he thinks teachers have a right to see "secret" evaluation materials being kept from them now.

Rep Steve Cobb, D-Nashville, chairman of the Legislative Oversight Committee appointed to oversee the Governor's Comprehensive Education Act programs, said Monday the flap that resulted when some teachers got information about evaluation procedures and others did not can be resolved.

"IT IS A delicate balance, but I would go more in the direction of releasing information to allow teachers to prepare for the tests than I would hiding the ball," Cobb said. "Certainly we do not want to release the questions that are being asked on the test."

The Interim Certification Commission voted Friday to eliminate one step in the career ladder evaluation because the Tennessee Education Association had coached some

teachers, possibly helping them receive higher scores in interviews.

Interim Commission chairman William Willis said, "If this commission develops some test or measure that is in the hands of some people and not in others, that creates an unfair advantage."

COBB ADDED, that he saw nothing wrong with letting teachers know the ways in which they will be evaluated.

"There has obviously been a misunderstanding about what should be released. These problems should be resolved so that no one gets crossways of anyone else," he said.

Interim Commission Staff Director Russ French said interviews already conducted with about 800 teachers will be "destroyed." French said the commission began receiving complaints in mid-December that workshops were being conducted and rating scales were distributed to some teachers. He said since the material was not available to all of them, there was no alternative but to eliminate the step.

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## U.S. hesitancy 'frightening'

The fact that the United States has taken 40 years to decide that reputed Nazi "Angel of Death" Joseph Mengele should be hunted down, tried and punished is both astonishing and frightening.

Mengele, who disappeared after a warrant for his arrest issued in 1959 for killing thousands of Auschwitz inmates during World War II, conducted many inhumane experiments, mainly on twins and dwarfs, in an effort to create a superior race of blue-eyed blondes. A recent conference held by some 110 twins who survived Mengele's atrocities spurred the launching of a worldwide manhunt for Mengele. The conference, called CANDLES, an acronym for Children of Auschwitz Nazis Deadly Lab Experiments Survivors, brought together survivors who have been trying to cope with the horrors to which they had been subjected by Mengele.

How is it that a country founded on the principles of freedom, democracy and justice has taken so long to realize that these survivors deserve to see their tormentor brought to justice? And even were there no survivors, why should such

a monster be allowed to walk about, a free man? The United States Government has spewed and spouted about the atrocities of the Soviet Union, but fear of the chaos a full-blown attack on those wrongs would bring holds us back and forces us to negotiate on a civil plane.

Mengele, however, is only one man and from all reports is alive and free, while 2.5 million Jews and 1.5 million other human beings are dead: people who might have lived full and productive and happy lives had it not been for Mengele and his ilk.

The name Adolf Hitler elicits fear and hate from all who know of his merciless campaign to conquer and destroy those who did not meet his definition of superior. The name of Joseph Mengele is no less repulsive to those who lived through his experiments. Finally, perhaps he will be found and tried; it is only a sad and unfortunate commentary on what government considers important that it has taken so long to determine that justice must be served.

L.C. Howard

## Impersonal media creates 'tiny deaths'

By JIM RIDLEY  
Sidelines Columnist

Although many other words are more frequently used, none has attracted more attention or debate than the word "life." Every day we hear or read of lives lost in automobile accidents, lives taken in homicides, lives that are not ended by abortions. And every day the numbers come flooding in, numbers that remind us of the loss of life: two in an auto accident, 65 in a plane crash, 300,000 in famine. And yet for all these numbers related to us daily by the media, all too often they remain only numbers, distant phantom figures that communicate no sense of life or loss. Figures that make people as shadowy and intangible as the apples and oranges in a child's mathematics problem.

These figures would not seem so shadowy if we were constantly reminded of the value of a life. Distancing ourselves from a tragedy is all too easy when we are never given any information about any of the victims, not even so much as a name, and this distancing has become gradually easier and easier over the years as a result of the frequent impersonality of media coverage, both in print

and television. When we are fed a steady diet of statistics, their meanings get lost in the shuffle. Among those meanings lost is the meaning of a life.

Countless articles have been written about the famine plaguing the country of Ethiopia, and every one mentions the hundreds of thousands who have died as a result of starvation. Very few, however, give the name or background of any of these victims, information that would make the tragedy comprehensible on a personal level. Without any kind of acknowledgement of tragedy on an individual level, the magnitude of the tragedy and the death of every person in the famine becomes a tiny death, a death that means less than zero by itself but tallies into significance only with tens or hundreds or thousands of other tiny deaths.

The tiny deaths are always there, always mounting; we have some knowledge that someone is dying somewhere but no sense at all of who they are or were. The 65 people who died recently in a plane crash in Las Vegas—their names are tiny deaths in the eyes of the media. Their names were not given on national news broadcasts; their

pictures were never shown; their occupations never mentioned. All that mattered was that they were dead in a plane crash that killed 65 people. That they would never be heard from or seen again was of secondary consideration to the simple, irrevocable fact that a lot of passengers.

And tiny deaths do not have to occur in great numbers to be ignored. The young man whose car collided with that of country-music star Barbara Mandrell last year in an accident that claimed his life died a tiny death in the eyes of the media. The primary concern was that Barbara Mandrell had been in a near-fatal car accident but had escaped with her life, and that was the lead in every single story about the accident. The young man's death was not even mentioned usually until the second sentence of the first paragraph, and one had to wait after a paragraph report on Mandrell's condition and another on the details of the accident to find out anything about him. He was usually summed up in a paragraph and quickly dismissed, and it is a fitting tribute that I cannot even remember his name. So much for the end of a life.

In such events as these, the incidents surrounding a death are more important, more newsworthy, than the fact that a human being lost his life—the burning trees cannot be seen for the forest fire. And the same can be said for most of the coverage of homicides on television and in newspapers. We are told that a man murdered 360 people throughout the West, and yet it is his story and his name that receives all the attention. In terms of coverage, his life is worth 360 of his victims and God only knows how many Ethiopians. Scarcely a day goes by in which we are not reminded that death-row inmate Ron Harries is a convicted murderer; how often are we reminded of the young



## Homeless receive little aid

By JENNY McMILLION  
Sidelines Columnist

They lose the pieces of their lives bit by bit. Their jobs are the first to go; second is the liquidation of property—furniture, cars, house... If they have anything left, they might get their hands on a second-hand car to take them to a city of hope. Hope for jobs, hope for a new life. But soon they lose that, too. And then they are left with nothing: not the middle-class definition of nothing. Absolutely nothing—except perhaps their families and, if they're lucky, their self-respect.

They are America's "new homeless": not just because they are part of the rapid increase which almost doubles the number of homeless people since 1982, but because they are different somehow than the "old homeless."

Experts estimate that about

one-third of homeless people in the United States are deinstitutionalized mental patients who often are unable to reason clearly. The number of these people released from institutions has steadily increased since the 1960s as part of a nationwide trend toward deinstitutionalization. Others include alcoholics and drug addicts who are unable to pull themselves together or who have simply given up trying. But the rapid statistical increase of homeless in the past three years is in typical middle-class families who have been squeezed out of jobs and are ineligible for benefits. The new "bag people" are hardworking men and women and children.

Why aren't these people getting help? There are a number of explanations. Recent governmental efforts to provide relief for the homeless have been inadequately funded. The President's Task Force on the Homeless has been largely ineffectual. Funds allotted by Congress are only a drop in the bucket to what is needed, even for immediate relief.

residents" in emergency situations.

So why don't people chip in and help? Some have, of course, providing missions and soup kitchens, but they lack financial support from the general public and the government. Surely we could feed the hungry without promoting persistent dependence, couldn't we? Apparently not, some say. Americans have become suspicious of the appearance of poverty: they are frustrated with stories of welfare cheats and social parasites. Their answer, often, is to protect themselves from being taken advantage of by offering no assistance. They begin to conveniently generalize (and succeed in convincing themselves) that all homeless are lazy. Look at the jobs available, they say, failing to realize that a hamburger cook at a fast food place can't feed a family of five. Welfare pays better.

The secret to alleviating the plight of the homeless lies in planning ahead—in significant reform. We have to spend some

### THE QUIGMANS

by Buddy Hickerson



### Parental Guidance.

Our welfare system ironically encourages dependency. The new homeless are usually people who try to work: they find odd jobs and low-paying jobs and are consequently ineligible for welfare. They are offered no subsidies for their efforts. Indeed, it is amazing how many do try to work considering the lack of incentive provided by the welfare system.

Many homeless forfeit dependence on the state by moving to a city they believe will provide jobs. But once they get there, they often find their hopes dashed and are left utterly desperate: They don't qualify for state or local funds because they are not yet considered residents of the city. Often, relief programs have their hands tied because they are not allowed to help "non-

money now to be rewarded later. We need enough low-income housing to satisfy the needs of the poorest of the poor. We need massive reform within the system within the welfare system. We need well-organized, well-funded relief programs.

The answer to equality in America is not for the rich to give handouts and the poor to take them. But neither is it in ignoring the plight of the hungry and cold. We have to work together with the people who need us. We have to give before they can.

We forget that the hungry and the wretched and the homeless are people. We forget when we glance at their faces that there is history in their eyes—thought and feeling. We forget that we can see ourselves in those eyes. We forget that someday we may have to.

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# Editorial

## Letters to the Editor

### Race not issue for cheerleaders

To the Editor:

This letter is in reference to the issue of possible racial discrimination on the MTSU varsity cheerleading squad. Being a minority on the squad, I feel I should express my view on the subject.

I would like to begin by stating the fact that the cheerleading squad is not all white as some may think. The best evidence in support of this is myself and another minority on the squad. Both of which attained our positions by earning them like everyone else.

Next, I would like to discuss some of the aspects of the selection process which would dismiss any notion of racial discrimination used in selecting the cheerleading squad.

First, there is a mandatory interview required of all cheerleading applicants. For these interviews, a panel of seven people is chosen. The panel consists of the Dean of Women, the Dean of Students, the Director of Minority Affairs, two representatives from the Associated Student Body (one black, one white), the cheerleading sponsor (as acting chairman, a non-voting panelist), and a representative of the athletic department. I cannot see, by the above panel, how there can be any partiality or racial discrimination. I believe that each panelist would act fairly and professionally in their duty. Also, I would like to point out that the highest and lowest marks received are thrown out, which would eliminate any prejudices if any should occur.

Second, there is a panel of professional cheerleaders which judges the tryouts. A request is made to the Universal Cheerleading Association in Memphis for three members of their cheerleading staff, one of which is asked to be a minority. Again, I cannot see how anyone can be racially discriminated against when the panel is judging on talent and ability alone.

By the above statements, I believe that there were not and cannot be any discrimination in the selection process.

Next, I would like to comment on the issue of the amendments made to the cheerleading constitution. I do not want to touch on the amendments themselves, but rather reveal some of the characteristics of the amendments.

There are two different aspects of cheerleading: the individual cheerleader, and the sport of cheerleading itself. The amendments made touched on both of these aspects. The amendments concerning grade point averages and hours strictly concern the individual cheerleader—they do not affect the sport of cheerleading in any way. Hours and grade point averages have nothing to do with the physical sport. On the other hand, the amendments made concerning the weight of a cheerleader does affect the sport itself. Being a sport where people lift other people, weight plays an important factor. The slightest change in a person's weight makes a big difference. If the person should lose weight, it makes him easier to lift. If the person should gain weight, it makes him that much heavier to lift. These aspects should be kept in mind when evaluating an amendment. I believe that these aspects were considered in accepting or rejecting the amendments that were

proposed. I also believe that the people evaluating them had the cheerleading squad's and the sport's best interest in mind.

Now, I would like to speak about the squad from a personal standpoint. I would like to point out how they are not racially prejudiced.

When I first came on the squad, I was like the new kid on the block. I did not really know the people, and I am sure they really did not know me. I felt like an outsider at this point. As in any group, a person goes through an "initiation" period. This is a short period where a person gets to know everyone in the group. For me, this meant going out with the other squad members, sitting and talking with them, or just being around them. I can say that the members of the squad did not hesitate to invite me to any gathering they had. They also did not turn away or shun me whenever I tried to talk to them. They always offered their help and assistance whenever I needed it. Their encouragement and understanding was always there when I needed it the most. The squad truly made an effort to make me feel accepted. Now, I feel like part of the group. As part of this group, I would like to say that we do not discriminate against any person on the squad. We treat everyone equally as long as they put forth an effort in trying to cooperate with others, work with others, and be willing to try to get to know others. If the person fails to do so, then and only then do we discriminate on the basis of Quality.

Reuben San Nicolas  
Box 1519

### Columnist's argument 'vague'

To the Editor:

I believe Dennis Kearney's column in [the Feb. 1] *Sidelines*, "Cable TV to distract students," needs a response.

In the beginning of his column, he claimed that there was a proposal under consideration to install cable TV in the dormitories. Later he stated that he didn't know how the administration would feel about this proposal. These two statements caused me to be uncertain about who made the proposal and whether the administration is currently considering such a proposal.

Is Mr. Kearney referring to the class project that Wendy LaLance and five other students did last summer for a marketing research class? (Which, by the way, showed that the rise in dorm rent per semester would be \$11.84 per student. This price would pay for the initial costs of laying lines and wiring the dorms. This does not mean that students would receive cable service for that price; they would have to pay regular rates in order to get cable service.)

Kearney's main argument seems to be based on a vague generalization: "Television is detrimental to the educational process." Does he mean that TV is detrimental to the educational process of pre-schoolers (ages one to six), pre-teenagers who are in elementary school, teenagers, college-age students or society as a whole? The only support he gives for this irrelevant argument: "Not everyone will watch the Shakespeare series on PBS."

Then Mr. Kearney drops the argument and proposes a question which currently

cannot be answered: "What effect will cable TV have on the education at MTSU?" He answers this question with a series of loaded questions that tend to be full of contradictory logic. His reasoning is based on the premise that a consensus of students go to college to get an education. However, he ignores the fact that a consensus of MTSU students want cable TV on their campus. According to LaLance's survey, between 81 percent and 95 percent of the students want cable TV.)

It is obvious what Mr. Kearney has done; he has revealed his personal opinions about an issue which hasn't emerged. There is no way to determine the effect of cable TV on the educational process at MTSU until the dormitories are installed with cable service and it goes into operation. Then it would take some time for empirical data to be gathered before any hypothesis could be drawn.

What I am saying to Mr. Kearney and those who are in agreement with him on this issue is simply: Don't cast judgment on something before the facts are in (or, in this context, before a project can get implemented).

John Williams  
Box 5906

### Administration demands unfair

To the Editor:

I am among the many people that commute daily to this fine institution of higher learning, and I'm a bit perturbed with the weather-related problems that one encounters on campus.

Let me start off by saying that I don't mind driving in all this stuff to get here. My gripe is with the way the university officials handle the on-campus situation. They expect us to make it to school on snowy, icy days, which most of us do that commute, but when we get to campus, the roads on campus are extremely hazardous. You can't find the sidewalks, and the parking lots are simply a farce!

My point is that if they expect commuters and even those people that live in Murfreesboro to be here on time, I think that they should do something about the roads, sidewalks and parking areas. Monday and Tuesday of last week, a group of commuters and I spent 45 minutes to an hour pushing each other's cars out of the Bell Road parking area. There was not even an attempt to do anything to clean up the area, much less the sidewalks. Sure, [there were] a few guys with salt and shovels, but by the time they get the steps of KOM clean, it has already begun to snow again.

I challenge Sam (alias Dr. Ingram, our distinguished leader) to drive to my home in Franklin or to another commuter's home in Woodbury or wherever, be there by 8 a.m., stay the afternoon and drive back to the 'Boro. Hey Sam! Why don't you park your car in the Bell Road lot and try to get back out? Better yet, why don't you park yourself in a wheelchair and go from one side of campus to another? Do all this in the conditions you expected us to get around in. The drive from Franklin is easier than getting around campus.

If you expect us to be here, Sam, please make the campus more easily accessible for those of us that commute and especially for those who are handicapped.

Larry Piggott  
Box 8126

### Abortion legal, not moral, issue

To the Editor:

The response to D.M. Adkerson's Jan. 25 editorial has been impressive. This is at least an issue that interests many. Still, I have some complaints about the abortion argument in general and the terms under which it is articulated.

My major and primary complaint with most discussions of "abortion" is the fact that the question of legality is frequently yoked with the question of morality as if the two were the same. These seem to be two separate, though related, questions, and arguments about the general issue of abortion should be clear in their focus. That is, one cannot be simply considered "for" or "against" abortion. Even those who advocate the continued legalization of abortion are not "for" abortion itself, do not advocate it as a way of life, but prefer instead the concept of freedom of choice that legalization represents. Practically, the culture must determine if abortion should or should not be legal, for it is obvious that its morality cannot be precisely fixed or defined. (Here one might point out that measuring morality by vote seems a particularly unappealing choice.) Further, there are other legal, medical and economic considerations which must be addressed—the question of Medicare funding for poor women provides a ready example.

### Doodles



I also feel that the approach of the more virulent opposers of legalization, those sure of the immorality of abortion, is peculiarly naive in its idea of "choice"—that is, the notion that women can "choose" when they become pregnant. This supposition is laughable to the many women who in the last 40 to 50 years have struggled with the health risks and failures of modern birth control methods. Even contraceptive foams and lotions have been linked to birth defects, and the hazards of the pill and IUD's are well-known. It is simply not accurate to claim that women become pregnant solely through carelessness, irresponsibility and ignorance. I might also point out that the majority of the anti-choice letters in the Jan. 29 *Letters to the Editor* column came from men, whose "choice" in such matters of pregnancy is severely limited and who, it might be added, suffer no physical side effects or health risks from birth control techniques.

Some arguments border on hysterical nonsense. Stancliff's letter and his inflammatory rhetoric deserve no comment perhaps, but the suggestion that those who advocate legalized abortion are advocating "bitchery" and avoiding responsibility is absurd. One suspects he might have preferred to order those who disagree with him to "shut up" as well as "grow up." The other interesting point about these letters is that the women in them all become pregnant in a vacuum; they seem to exercise their choices all alone.

This is not, I think, the way it happens. The notion too that abortion is an irresponsible choice is not a given. For some women, the decision to seek termination of a pregnancy is a carefully made and responsible one.

The moderate approach in matters of law has served society well in the past. It seems more practical, and perhaps ultimately more ethical, to allow for the legal termination of unwanted pregnancy. The moral question thus remains with the individual, with doctors, health professionals, women and men who are left truly free to choose. Under such a system, we as a culture force no one to commit either a crime or a sin. Prudence is both a practical and a moral virtue it would seem.

Dixie Lee Highsmith  
613-A East Lytle

### WMTS article needs clarification

To the Editor:

I would like to clear up some things in regard to your article of Feb. 8, "Students not excused: Ingram."

We at WMTS never announced MTSU commuters were excused from class. In fact, we announced all day that MTSU was open.

On my airshift from 8:30 to 10 a.m., I remarked, "If you are an MTSU student, and you are unable to make it in, past policy has generally been to allow the student an excused absence with an opportunity to make the work up later."

While that may not be an "official" university policy, I have known many instructors who have made that their "unofficial" classroom policy. It was this knowledge upon which I based my statement. I apologize if there was any confusion. We at WMTS cannot be held responsible for any statement made by station WZKS, as we have no connection.

WMTS has enjoyed many years of close cooperation with the university through the Blue Raider networks, internship programs and in many other ways, and look forward to future involvement. If we can be of any assistance to any campus organization, please get in touch with our public service director, Linda Tipton.

Again, let me assure you, at WMTS, we never announced MTSU was closed. We never announced all commuters were excused, and we in fact announced MTSU was open on the day in question.

William A. Jones  
WMTS

### Sexes share responsibility

To the Editor:

I do not believe some of the things I have been reading on the editorial page of the MTSU *Sidelines* lately.

I saw one comment in Tuesday's (Jan. 29) paper which just made my blood literally boil. You men stand there and say, "it is the woman who gets pregnant; if she is not smart enough to use birth control, that's her tough luck." Her tough luck, huh? What about the man? Does he not

also have equal responsibility for the woman getting pregnant? It is okay for a man to have sexual relationships outside of marriage, but not the woman. And if she gets pregnant, it is her fault alone; the man bears no blame. I've shoveled my share of organic fertilizer on farms; I don't need to read it in the papers.

The man has as much responsibility to find out first if the woman is on birth control, and if she does not, he should either not play or use male birth control. They do sell them in stores, guys. If you are not willing to take protective measures yourselves, then what gives you the right to blame the woman?

Pregnancy is the responsibility of both the man and the woman. The woman does not get pregnant by herself; it takes a man, also. I mean really, what were you all doing in biology class—sleeping?

I do not believe in abortions just to get rid of an unwanted pregnancy. But I do believe that it should be available for those women who are raped, who are told that the child will be severely retarded or deformed, or whose life is in danger because of the pregnancy. It is hard enough for a woman to deal with having been raped, let alone finding out she is pregnant by her attacker. What of a woman who has one or two children and is told by her doctor that if she tries to have this baby she will die and maybe the baby will, too? Does she take the chance to save the baby's life

and lose hers or does she have an abortion and live on to care for the children she already has? Which one of you would be able to tell her children, "Your mother has to die to save the life she carries; we don't care whether you have a mother or not?"

I seriously believe that abortions should be controlled but not made illegal. Making it illegal will only cause women to find some means of having it done to include a half-baked medical school dropout looking to make a buck.

How strange it is that 10 years ago people fought for abortions to be made legal, and yet they are now against it. And later if it is made illegal again, they will fight once more because they feel the need to have a cause to fight for. Fight for control, not a total ban.

The question of abortion is a major issue. Is it murder or not? We are not in the position to judge, for we must first be judged.

Linda Gill  
Box 6293

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

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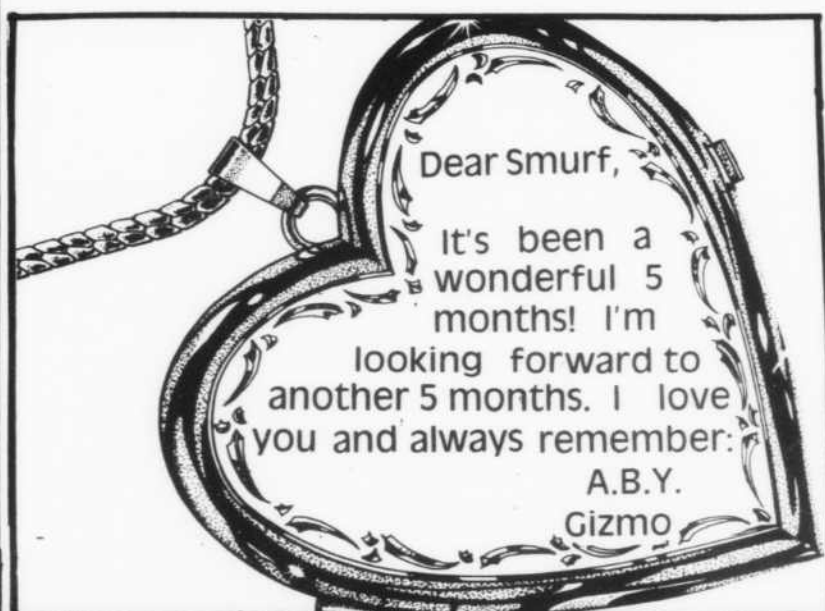


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Well, you've patiently waited a year for this, and here it is...the 1985 VALENTINE'S DAY EXTRAVAGANZA ISSUE!! I sincerely hope it was worth the wait. A special thanks to my layout "masters", Keith and John; Melissa, for rounding up the ads, and adding spice; Kathy, for keeping track of all the money that's been rolling in; and Nita, who patiently let me run 8 hours over deadline.

---Jennifer Turner



I.L.Y. M.L.B.  
Always

JENNIFER WELLS:  
Happy Valentine's Day,  
roomie!  
Love,  
Marlene

Muffin,  
I love you and Nuggle does,  
too.  
Love,  
Your Muffin

Michael and Joel,  
We've got our tooth-  
brushes and saline  
solution!  
The Bond

I LOVE  
ANDY ROBINSON!  
Love, Beth

TO THE BROTHERS WE LOVE ABOVE THE REST  
WE SEND YOU THIS VALENTINE TO SAY YOU'RE  
THE BEST.  
YOU HOST GREAT PARTIES ONE AFTER THE  
OTHER  
WE'RE PROUD TO SAY WE HAVE YOU AS  
BROTHERS.  
SAE IS A GREAT FRAT AS EVERYONE CAN SEE  
HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY FROM YOUR LITTLE  
SWEET PEAS. HAPPY V.D.  
SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON LITTLE SISTERS OF  
MINERVA

To the Best Area Coordinator on  
campus,  
Diane Hargrove  
We love you for all the help and  
support, and the love you give to  
us. We could never make it  
without you. Best wishes to you  
and your family on Valentine's  
Day.  
Love and kisses,  
LYON COMPLEX

J.T.K.  
WHATA 'BOUT IT??  
S.B.

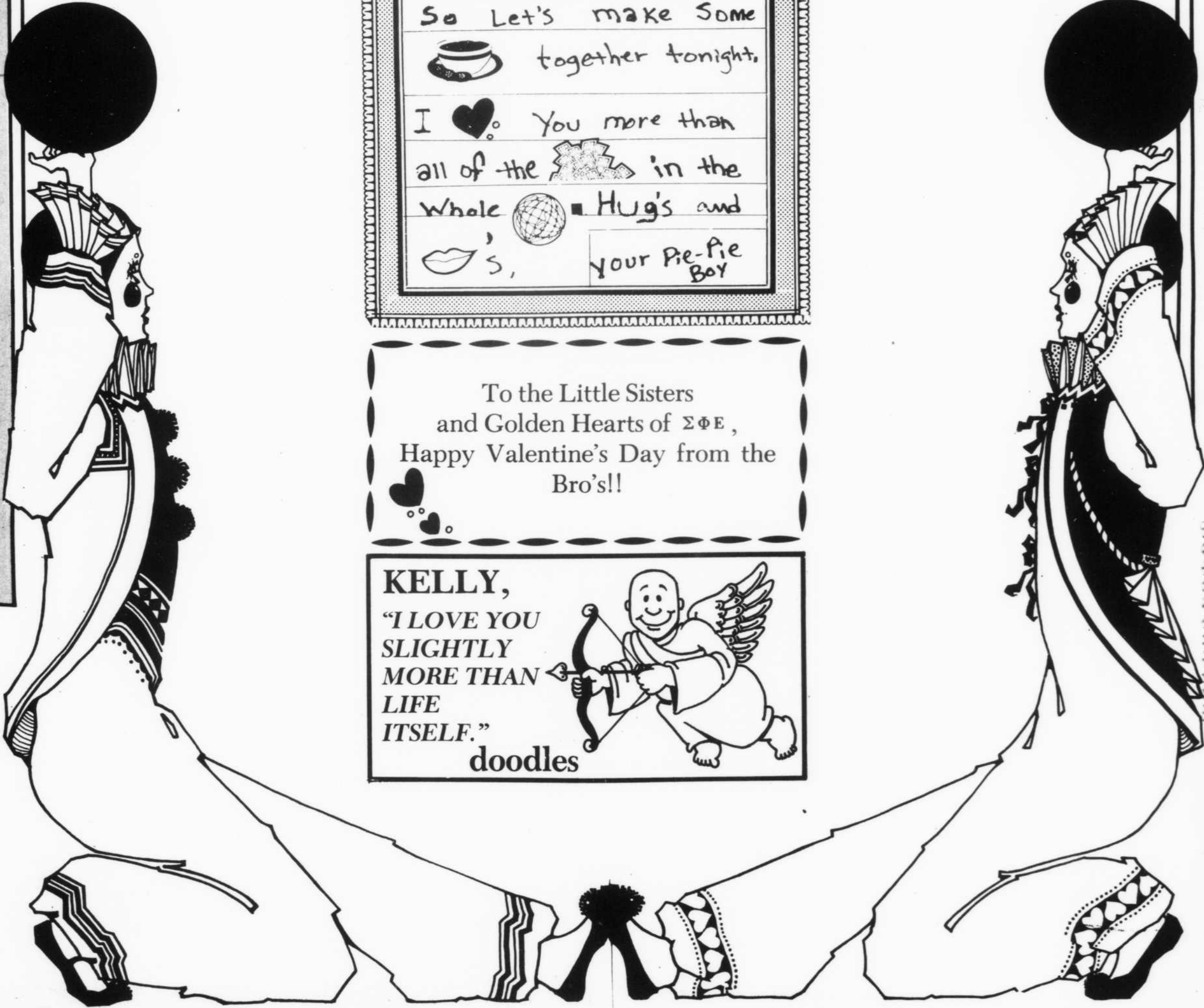
Dear Yoda,

I'm Over you  
So Let's make some  
 together tonight.  
I ♥ You more than  
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whole Hug's and  
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Your Pie-Pie  
Boy

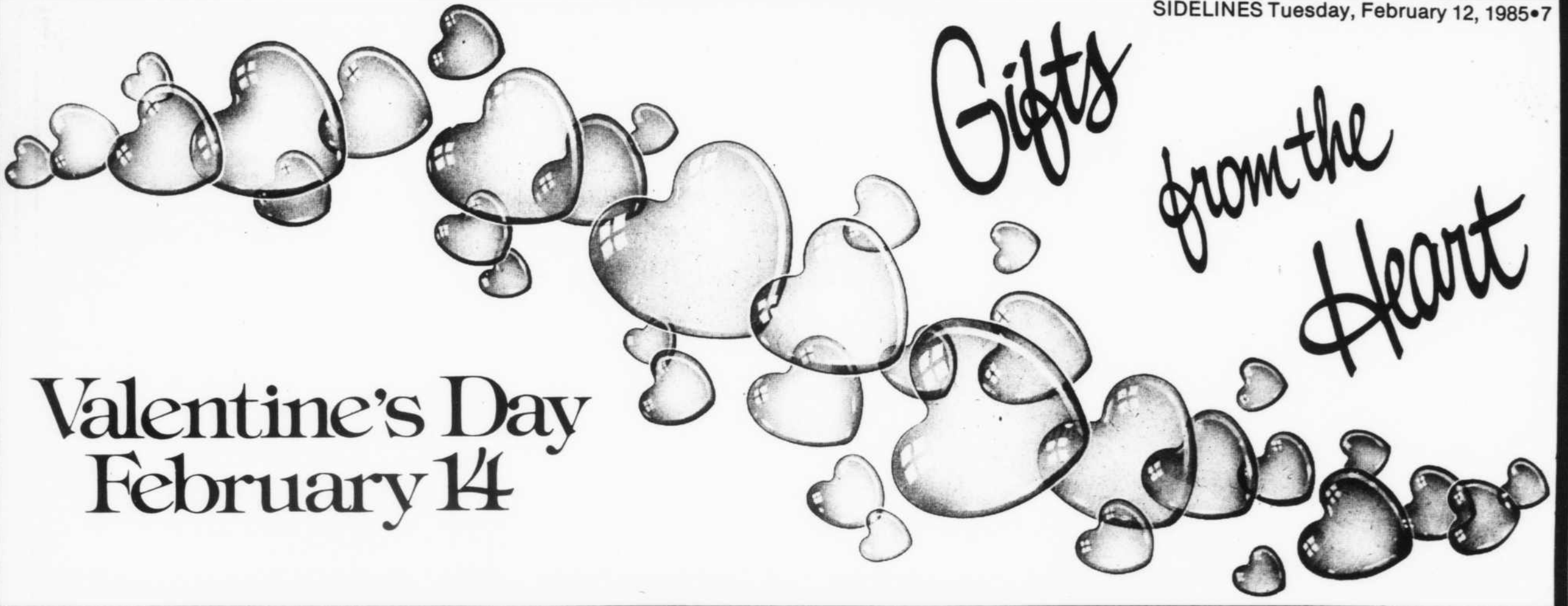
Teresa,  
You mean a lot to me.  
You're perfect and  
irreplacable. My special  
love to you always.  
Happy Valentine's,  
Brian.

To the Little Sisters  
and Golden Hearts of ΣΦΕ,  
Happy Valentine's Day from the  
Bro's!!

KELLY,  
"I LOVE YOU  
SLIGHTLY  
MORE THAN  
LIFE  
ITSELF."  
doodles







# Valentine's Day February 14

*C.A.R.*  
**Happy V-Day!**  
*I'll never stop caring for the wonderful and special person that you are.*  
*J.H.R.*

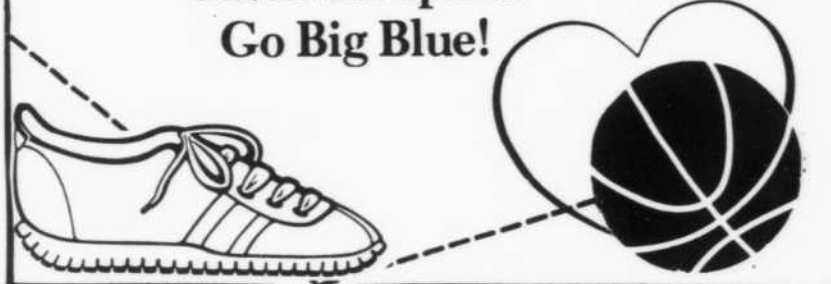
Hey Glenda,  
Happy V-D to you and all the other ladies from the boys in the back row.

TO: Renee  
FROM: Her Sigma Phi Epsilon Big Brother and Big Sister  
HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

Rick,  
Happy Valentine's Day! I'll always love you!  
Lisa



Sigma Theta Phi loves  
Coaches Inman and Stewart and Ole Blue, too!  
Catch the spirit!  
Go Big Blue!



Karen,  
Happy Valentine's Day! I lost your number. Please call!



A K A

To the Ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.:  
Happy Valentine's Day!  
The Brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha, Kappa Xi Chapter

Happy Valentine's Day to a great bunch of girls on 1st Floor, Mary Hall:  
Kim, Shannon, Lottie, Kellie, Melody, Nancy, Lauren, Patty, Susan, Pam, Christi, Andrea, Carla, and Jeanne.  
Love 'ya, VICKI  
P.S.--Can't forget the wonderful hall staff, Leslie, Shellie, and Heather, plus the maintenance staff, Bernice, Amy, Maggie, and Al.

ERIC,  
I LOVE YOU!  
CINDY

The Sweethearts of Beta Theta Pi

would like to extend to all their Beta Brothers the happiest of Valentine wishes!  
We love you!

LOVE is patient and kind; love is not jealous, or conceited, or proud; love is not ill-mannered, or selfish, or irritable; love does not keep a record of wrongs; love is not happy with evil, but is happy with the truth. LOVE never gives up; its faith, hope and patience never fail. LOVE is eternal...There are faith, hope, and love, these three; but the greatest of these is LOVE.  
I Corinthians 13

SCOTT,

You've made me very happy since we've been together. I hope we'll have many more happy times and that we can be together forever soon.

I love you, Sir William!  
KAREN



TO THE BEST LITTLE SISTERS IN THE WORLD:

- |                 |                 |                    |
|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Jenny Adkins    | Kim Hatcher     | Joanna Pate        |
| Elaine Allen    | Lora Hendrick   | Cindy Pennington   |
| Cemile Bagi     | Sharon Hudson   | Camille Potter     |
| Beth Bilyeu     | Lori Laster     | Mary Alice Randles |
| Holly Brown     | Robin Lemons    | Michelle Sadler    |
| Shannon Cartee  | Mary Long       | Patti Sams         |
| Laurel Driscoll | Denise McKnight | Jill Smythe        |
| Carol Graves    | Julie Miller    | Denise Stangline   |
| Bettina Hall    | Cory O'Donnell  | Leslie Windram     |
| Loyce Johnson   |                 |                    |

LOVE,  
The Brothers of Sigma Alpha Epsilon

Earl L. Brown,  
Be my Valentine 'cause I've got the "HOTS" for you.  
Yours,  
"GIRL"  
(J.A.)



Happy Valentine's Day,  
DEAN!  
I Love You!  
Yours Always,  
SUSAN



Ilsa,  
We shall always have Paris.  
Rick



Billy,  
Thanks for always helping me to understand and for never giving up.  
I'll love you... Always and forever,  
Kristi



Happy Valentine's Day  
To our Yellow Roses.  
Have a nice day!

The Brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha, Kappa Xi Chapter

Jenny,  
I just wanted you to know that because of you I'm happier than I've been in a long time--Thanks!  
I love you,  
WILL

Jim,  
Happy Valentine's Day to my Little Brother!  
Delta Zeta Love,  
Barbara

Wacka Wacka Wacka  
Hey, Princess, don't forget your babe loves you beaucoups (bunches and bunches)  
Oakey Doakey Pokey

kathy,

--not much to say except, we love you!



the gang

To the Excellent Staff of Area I:

May this be a very special Valentine's Day for each of you, filled with many happy memories!

Love,  
Your A.C.

DELTA ZETA  
DELTA ZETA wants to wish all their new initiates and pledges a Happy Valentine's Day!!





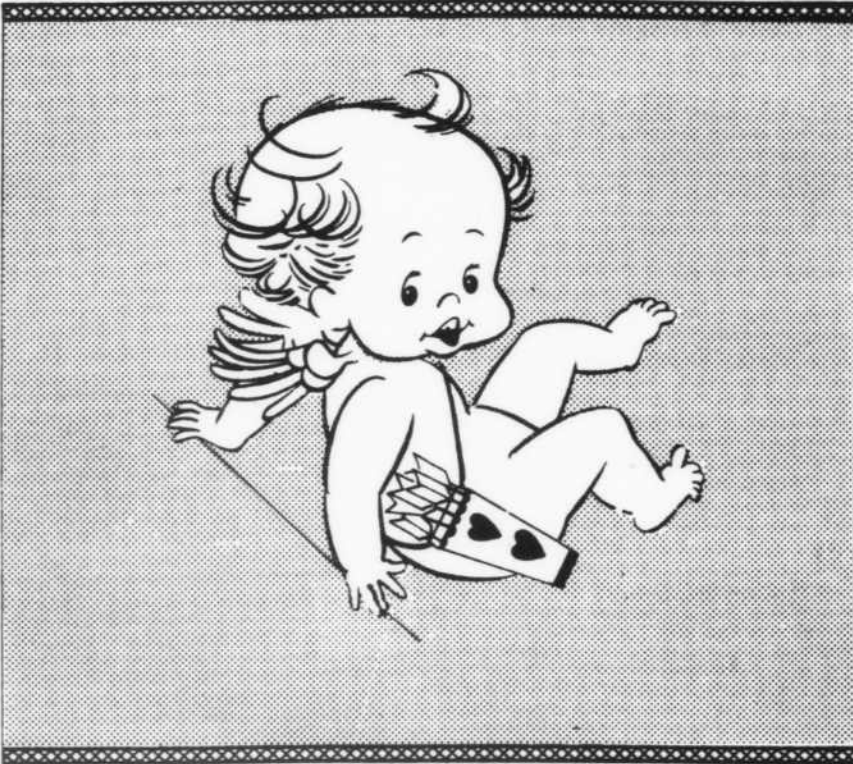


**LOVE:** Love is agreeing with him completely when he needs you to agree with him completely, and telling him the plain unvarnished truth when he needs you to tell him the plain unvarnished truth, and knowing which he needs.  
--Judith Viorst

Of course I love you, it is my fault that you have not known it all along.  
--Antoine De Saint-Exupery

Think not that you can direct the course of love, for love, if it finds you worthy, directs your course.  
--Kahlil Gibran

EBSE.  
UP UIF HSFBUFTU QFSTPO JWF  
FWFS TQFOU WBMFOUJOFT EBZ  
XJUI!! HPE JN TP MUDLZ!  
J MPWF ZPV  
FUF'SOBMMZ.  
SJDIBSE



KEVIN C.

We wish you a  
Happy  
Valentine's Day!  
It doesn't seem  
the  
same without  
you.



THE GANG

P.S.--Tank says, "hi"!

**LOVE TALK:** Brevity may be the soul of wit, but not when someone's saying "I love you." When someone's saying, "I love you," he always ought to give a lot of details: Like, why does he love you? And, How much does he love you? And, When and where did he first begin to love you? Favorable comparisons with other women he ever loved are also welcome. And even though he insists it would take forever to count the ways in which he loves you, let him start counting.--Judith Viorst

Love is blind.--Geoffrey Chaucer

Love Is.--Gertrude Stein

There can be no disappointment where there is not deep love.--Martin Luther King

*LaBel*

APRIL,  
Thank's For The Good



Times.

Steve

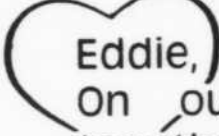


Pammy,  
Sorry I can't be with you,  
but I wish you a Happy  
Valentine's Day! I LOVE  
YOU!

Garry

TO: ZOB  
FROM: STING and Sex-O-  
Matic and Don Juan  
HAPPY VALENTINE

TO: Missy---  
It's been the best year  
of my life.  
---Goo-Goo



Eddie,  
On our 6th Valentine's Day  
together, I love you and I look  
forward to many, many more.

Love,  
Cheryl

To:  
Valentine's Day  
Party Animal



We love you, Falba.

JDH

Vicki,  
Let's hear your mating call!  
Leslie,  
Find your "g" spot yet?  
KeepLooking!  
Shelly,  
Welcome to the menagerie!  
Heather

K.D.  
Only six more months  
until the 'big day'! I'm  
so glad there's a you I  
can love forever.

Love,  
E.G.



ALL YOU NEED IS LOVE...  
--Lennon and  
McCartney

Michael,  
On our first Valentine's Day, I would like to send a warm  
and very special Valentine to you stating the following:  
"Love is often misunderstood for a night of 'heated passion' and infatuation.  
You have taught and shown me that 'love' extends beyond this point.  
Michael Thomas James--  
Thanks for sharing the grand and unique inspiration of 'true love' with me and  
allowing me to share it with you. Happy Valentine's Day. My One True Love!"  
Love always,  
Lisa A. Crockett



Like Grapes.  
Tam!  
Sorry I can't be here  
to share some TLC.  
Remember, I'm thinking of you,  
and will be overjoyed  
to see you  
on March 6.  
KEN

Hope, Janice, Jill, Kim, Margaret,  
Martha, Nancy, Rhonda, Sue, Tina and  
Traci,

To the Best Bunch of RA's on campus!!  
Happy Valentine's Day!!

Love,  
Lisa, Anne, Jackie and Joyce

Tim,  
Happy Valentine's Day!  
Thanks for being a great Big  
Brother!  
Love always,  
Your PKA Little Sister  
Lori



Bob,  
I'm the luckiest girl in the  
world to have you. You are everything  
to me! Happy Valentine's Day.  
I LOVE YOU!

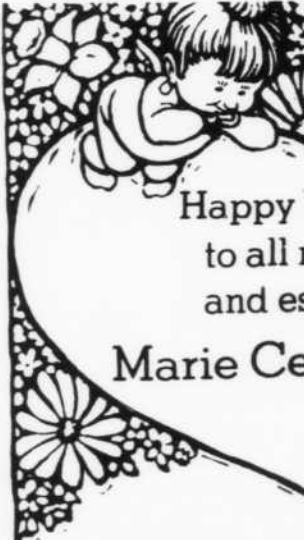
Love, CINDY

Sisters of Delta Zeta  
Sorority,  
Thanks for all your love  
and support. We love  
you!  
Delta Zeta Pledges

Hey Glenda,  
Happy V-D to you and all  
the other ladies from the  
boys in the back row.

To Larry:  
Wherever you are, happy  
anniversary! I love you very  
much!  
Love,  
Lovey

Happy Valentine's Day  
to all my friends,  
and especially to  
Marie Cecilia Denici  
from  
Tony Nowak



I have loved many, but I'm not sure I have  
ever been loved.  
--Marilyn Monroe



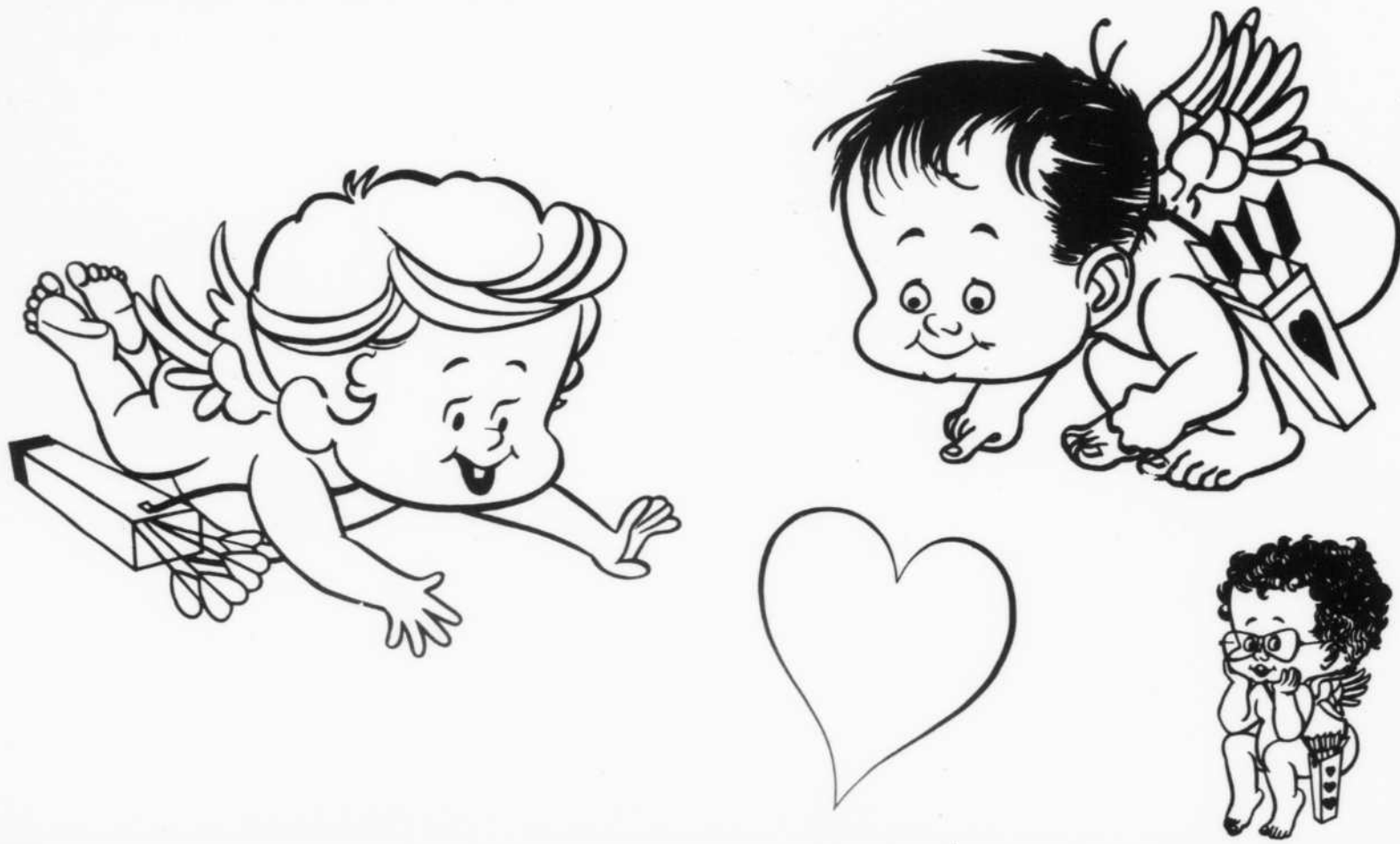
LESLIE,  
It has been a short time that is  
true, but I can say, "I love you."  
CF

Brişons--  
I love you all and appreciate  
the years of support. It's  
almost over! May God bless  
US.



--Randy





You shine like an eternal flame lit by deep flowing emotions; emotions that I see with your touch and your presence.

TO: N.P.  
FROM: J.F.

FBF--  
You are the most wonderful part of my life. Tahnks for the laughter and happiness.  
I love you,  
JRN

**MR. SAKELOS:**



This computer won't print out exactly what we want to say! Happy Valentine's Day and don't be so scarce!  
K. and J.

P.S.-We're expecting a nice letter with comments...

To Sandra,



WINK!  
WINK!  
WINK!

Jeff

Docs Ed and H:  
Thanks for putting up with my silliness for all these years. You two are the greatest!

Cindy



Lori,  
This is to let you and all the world know that I love you with all my heart. Let this be the frame on which I hang my entire life.

Yours,  
Dennis

Love...what the hell, I don't know...  
--Rock Hudson

Jeff,  
Just wanted to say Happy Valentine's Day! Hope it's a good one!

Love,  
Vicki

P.S.-I'm thinking about you.

Happy Valentine's Day to the Beautiful Little Sisters of the Shield and Diamond.

We Love You!

From: The Brothers of Pi Kappa Alpha

Π K A

Sloth,  
Happy Valentine's Day to the world's greatest roomie! ♥ Lump

J.T.H.--  
We've been through so much to be together. But it's only made our love stronger. I won't ever give you up.

B.C.

FROM: D.D.B. Muffin  
TO: R.L.Y. Biscuit  
BE MY VALENTINE!!

Dr. L. Mapp  
We Miss You!  
The 656 Gang



G.E.F.--

Merry Valentine's Day!  
from  
SANTA  
and the rest  
of the Gang  
who miss you much.

Jim,  
Happy Valentine's Day! I LOVE YOU!  
I.C.Y.B.,  
Mary Beth

Happy Valentine's Day!  
DR. W. WOLFE  
from GTA's

L.B.O.

I love you!  
Suck my face!

J.A.M.

TO: Ricky Boyd, My Special Big Brother--  
Happy Valentine's Day--  
-in KΣ Love,  
Your Lil' Sis

Happy Valentine's Day,  
Cindy!  
from your Main Squeeze.  
A. C. Phillips

Ed and Alan,  
Just a little message to wish our two favorite roomies a

Happy ♥'s Day!

Room and board due at 5:00 today. Dinner and roses expected.

Roomies



I love you, babe. Today, tomorrow, and always. I will be waiting...but not for long!

Love, ROO

To "The Man"  
My female intuition was right last year. You are as super as I thought you would be.

I LOVE YOU  
VALENTINE!  
Yours, RDC

To My Minnesota Boy:



I adore your smile and I love your Yankee speech. You've brought me many a smile of late, and I hope you'll bring me more.

Love,  
MISS

Rusty

Happy Valentine's Day to the craziest and cutest "creep" I know!

XXXOOO's

Melissa

P.S.-Q: You do know what lady widows do to their mates after sex, don't you?

A: She eats him.

Tundra,

Happy Valentine!

A lifetime is short, but my love for you is as long as time itself.

Love,  
Wayne

Donovan,  
You entering my life is the best thing that's happened this semester. Happy Valentine's Day!

Caren

ALL  
I LOVE  
YOU!  
F.B.

Much gratitude and happiness is extended to the fine men of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity on Valentine's Day. We love you, the Little Sisters of the Shield and Diamond.

Π  
K  
A



*Iron Man,  
Wherever you go, whatever you  
do, I love you. My heart is yours.  
Be my Valentine!*



*Iron Maiden*

*Kevin,  
Be my Valentine? You  
know I love you more  
than anything. I'm  
always here for you!  
Love always,  
Kristi*

*Tugsy,  
No matter where  
life leads us, I'll  
never stop loving  
you.  
You're forever  
in my heart,  
Berbs*

TO: The Little Sisters of Sigma Chi  
"Who's your pals?  
Who's your buddies?  
We are--aren't we?"  
Love, The Sigs



*You will always  
be my  
sweetheart,  
FOREVER!*

*Love,  
DINO*

RANDY,  
You're the best little  
brother ever. Happy  
Valentine's Day!  
Love,  
Nancy

B.W.E.  
You're a sweetheart  
and I love you. Will  
you please be my  
Valentine?  
N.A.M.

Jane P.,  
I love you just because  
you're you!  
D.D.S.



*Danny,  
I love you today, I'll love  
you tomorrow, I'll love  
you always. Happy  
Valentine's Day!  
Love,  
Your Ginny Bean*

*Cheryl and Ginger,  
You two are the best Big  
Sister and Little Sister in  
the world!  
Delta Zeta love,  
Barbara*

*Carebear,  
Thank you for loving and  
caring for me the way you  
do! I'll always treasure you!  
Love, Timothy*

**Kentucky Frier,**

Saying "uncle" just isn't enough!  
You are the greatest!!  
I LOVE YOU!!  
Happy Valentine's Day, Sweetie!



**SOCCO**

*To the Pledges of Kappa Alpha--  
We hope you have a great  
Valentine's Day!  
We love you,  
The Southern Belles*



**The Southern Belles**

would like to wish a wonderful Valentine's  
Day to the only true Southern Gentlemen--  
The Brothers of Kappa Alpha



*Hey Gang,  
I really appreciate all the hard  
work and long hours.  
You're a number 1 team!!  
Happy Valentine's Day,  
LCH*

*To Mike,  
Meet me in our  
secret place  
today! You  
horny devil  
from?*



**KEITH,**  
You're the  
sweetest  
"water-baby"  
I know!  
I hope the  
past year  
is just one of many  
more to come!  
I LOVE YOU!!

**JENNY**

*Dear Jabi,  
All I need is you, and  
your love, and you--  
that's all I need. I love  
you!  
Kathy*

*Cindy,  
Thank you for 10 plus 1.  
You are my inspiration. Our  
first Valentine together. I  
love you more!  
Bud*

*James,  
You've filled my life  
with love, friendship,  
laughter, romance, and  
happiness. I wouldn't be  
me without you.  
Pansie*

ITS  
Happy Valentine's Day from  
your three-year sweetheart.  
I love you!!  
Patti Sams

**BURT BABY,**  
*On the 16th you will be legal to  
buy shotgun shells, but wait until  
you get home to do the hunting.  
We'll celebrate with a big  
bang!  
Happy Valentine's Day!  
Love,  
Your Tootie Doo*



TO BABYCAKES:  
You were an old sailor from Georgia,  
When I told ya' that I just adored ya':  
You told me, "I do," and now that we do,  
I'm sure that my love hasn't bored ya!  
Love,  
Your Princess  
P.S.-You need a k'nookie break!



J.A.,  
My, how time flies  
when you're having fun!  
Love,  
M.M.

Barbara Crockett,  
I can't reveal my name  
or even give a clue,  
But can send good wishes  
In a valentine to you.  
K.W.W.

*Rick,  
Happy Valentine's Day!  
I'll always love you!  
Lisa*

**CHRIS WETHINGTON:**  
Thanks, sweetheart, for  
three wonderful years.  
You're my best friend  
and I love you!  
--Marlene

Dare,  
Thanks for being my friend  
as well as my **PKA** Big  
Sister. Happy Valentine's  
Day!  
Love always,  
Lori

TO MICHAEL O'CONNELL,  
ON OUR FIRST VALEN-  
TINE'S DAY TOGETHER,  
I'M GLAD I'VE GOT YOU!  
I LOVE YOU!  
DANNA

TO: Ricky Boyd, My Special  
Big Brother--Happy  
Valentine's Day in **KΔ**  
Love,  
Your Lil' Sis

To: T.E.S.  
For the beautiful person I've  
grown to like so much, be  
my Valentine today, from  
the one who loves to touch!  
Always, M.D.S.

To Gremlin,  
Happy Valentine's Day!  
I love you!  
Gremlinski

Ding Dong,  
I'm stuck on you like glue!  
I LOVE YOU!  
Ho Ho  
P.S.-Rest up for the 21st.

MOM and DAD,  
Thanks for everything over the  
past three years. Happy  
Valentine's Day!  
Love,  
Tammie

*Bobby,  
Thanks for all the patience and love of the  
past two years. Happy Anniversary!  
I love you!  
Nita*



**TO: Billy Kingsley  
Jeff Bressler  
Bill McClarey**  
Happy Valentine's Day to the worst  
bunch of photographers to work with!  
However, you all are reliable and very  
capable in handling all these assign-  
ments. Thanks for doing a terrific job.

**Your Photo Editor**



# Atlantans angry over movie

By BILL LOHMANN  
United Press International

ATLANTA (UPI)—Many Atlantans reacted with anger Monday to the CBS movie "The Atlanta Child Murders," saying the docudrama was more fiction than fact and gave a false "racist" portrayal of the city's leadership.

The first segment of the two-part movie dealing with the 29 murders of young blacks from 1979 to 1981 was aired on CBS Sunday night. The final three-hour segment will be shown tonight.

THE MOVIE CASTS doubt about the guilt of Wayne Williams, who was convicted of two of the murders and held responsible for 20 others.

WAGA-TV, the CBS affiliate in Atlanta, received 190 calls late Sunday and early Monday.

"The majority of them were complaining about the movie going on at all," said Kevin

Dunn, assistant news director. "There was a smaller number complaining about the characterization of characters, especially white reporters being portrayed as county bumpkins."

GEORGE SCHWEITZER, CBS vice president of communications, said the network fielded an estimated 50 calls complaining about the broadcast. But he defended the dramatization as a "legitimate" way to present the story.

**"My real problem . . . is the way blacks and leadership were portrayed. . . ."**

Most city leaders viewed the movie earlier and expressed their outrage then, including a delegation led by Mayor Andrew Young that traveled to New York and pressured CBS into running a disclaimer noting parts of the film were

fiction. State Sen. Arthur Langford, who was portrayed in the film as he organized searches for the missing youths, hosted at a hotel where they watched the movie.

LANGFORD DESCRIBED the movie as 20 percent fact and 80 percent fiction and said he was concerned at the "racist" portrayal of the city's black leadership.

"My real problem . . . is the way blacks and leadership were portrayed, that we could not govern without white police officers coming to the aid of the city leadership. And that was not true," said Langford.

Williams, serving two life sentences, watched the movie with other inmates in a dormitory area outside his cell at a state prison in Jackson.

"IT WAS UNEVENTFUL," said prison spokesman Fred Steeple. "He didn't have a major reaction one way or the other."

Williams' attorney, Lynn Whatley, said he believes "there are things involved in these cases that were not presented in the trial or in the movie. Ultimately, this case will be decided upon legal grounds in the appellate courts. My client still maintains his innocence."

# Quirks in the News

NEW ORLEANS (UPI)—The first full procession of Mardi Gras Carnival parades has introduced an innovation whose popularity is predicted to be anything but brief—bikini underwear.

The underwear, in traditional Mardi Gras colors of purple, green and gold and bearing the words "Happy Mardi Gras," were handed down from decorated floats to a handful of people amid the weekend parade crowds.

The panties are the latest in a series of innovations that have changed the nature of Mardi Gras trinkets. Last year's fad was plastic drinking cups imprinted with colorful Mardi Gras scenes.

Though the cups were back in large numbers Saturday, they failed to produce the same excitement as that generated by a pair of Mardi Gras panties.

Revelers follow floats along their routes, begging for

trinkets, the traditional doubloon, beads, a plastic monkey or a rubber Groucho Marx mustache.

MOSCOW (UPI)—A 1930s fad for patriotic names is being revived, but instead of calling their little boys or girls Tractor or Electron, some Soviet parents are going for Sputnik or Energoblock, the official newspaper Izvestia said.

The paper reported Sunday people are still going to registry offices to change names like Elektrifikatsia, Tractor or Electron—popular during the heady communism-building days of the 1930s—for something more traditional.

Another popular 1930s name was Melsor, acronym for Marx-Engels-Lenin-Stalin-October Revolution. People called Melsor quickly changed their name to Melor after Stalin was denounced in 1956.

The author of the Izvestia article said new names like

Sputnik and Energoblock are appearing. But are more the exception than the rule, and parents seem to be sticking to old Russian favorites like Alexander. Dmitri. Anna and Natasha.

He said registry office officials recommend parents give their children literary names and call them what they wanted at home, while philologists advised it was important for the child's name to sound harmonious.

KEAAU, Hawaii (UPI)—The U.S. Postal Service is redoing about an internal memo circulated to postal workers in 13 western states and the Pacific in which "pakalolo" was defined as sugar cane.

Pakalolo actually is colloquially translated as "crazy smoke," or "crazy tobacco," and is a common Hawaiian reference to marijuana.

## Rion's Flowers

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The Annual Ebony and Ivory Party  
This Saturday, February 16  
at the Kappa Sig Barn  
TIME: 9:00 until...  
WARNING: You do not want to miss this!

Venus Taylor, mother of one of the victims, watched at home and wiped away tears during the scene depicting her 12-year-old daughter's murder and her body being found tied to a tree.

"I was bothered a little bit, especially the part about Angel," said Taylor.

## Panel

This recruiting would be aimed at qualified students who already have cheerleading skills, said members of the committee, adding that recruited students could be given help in order to strengthen weaknesses.

Under this recruiting system, the cheerleaders "will be chosen because they have skills. We have students who are qualified," Mary Scales, associate dean of Continuing Education, pointed out. "I am so optimistic. I feel we're going to get positive results from our efforts."

VARSITY CHEERLEADER Kathy Goff said the cheerleaders are planning a clinic in March for all students interested in cheerleading and hope to attract more minorities through this activity.

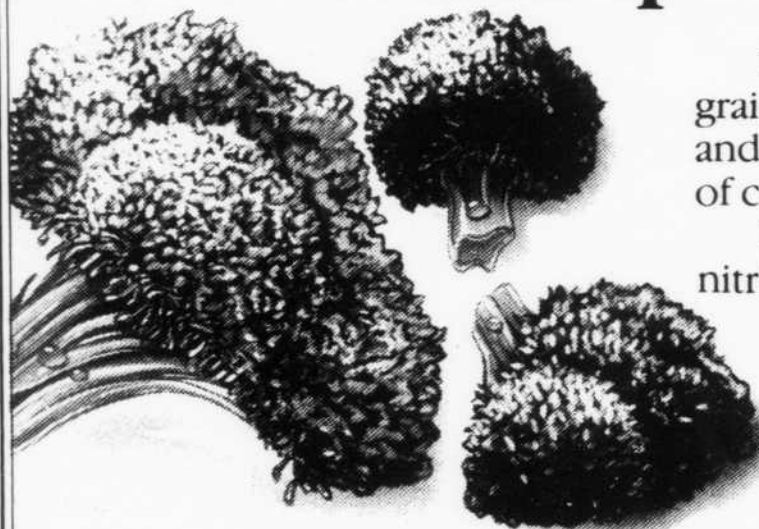
percent of the cheerleaders do have past experience, some make the team who have never cheered before."

The committee also considered the possibility of a quota to put minority members on the squad. However, the general feeling about the quota was negative.

PHYLLIS HICKERSON, committee secretary and director of students, information and minority affairs, spoke against the quota by pointing out that "blacks don't want to feel they are just put on a team. They know they have the skills to make it on the team."

The committee decided that the entire cheerleading selection process should be reviewed by the administration to eliminate chances of discrimination against minorities.

## A defense against cancer can be cooked up in your kitchen.



Fruits, vegetables, and whole-grain cereals such as oatmeal, bran and wheat may help lower the risk of colorectal cancer.

Foods high in fats, salt- or nitrite-cured foods like ham, and

There is evidence that diet and cancer are related. Some foods may promote cancer, while others may protect you from it.

Foods related to lowering the risk of cancer of the larynx and esophagus all have high amounts of carotene, a form of Vitamin A which is in cantaloupes, peaches, broccoli, spinach, all dark green leafy vegetables, sweet potatoes, carrots, pumpkin, winter squash and tomatoes, citrus fruits and brussels sprouts.



Foods that may help reduce the risk of gastrointestinal and respiratory tract cancer are cabbage, broccoli, brussels sprouts, kohlrabi, cauliflower.

fish and types of sausages smoked by traditional methods should be eaten in moderation.

Be moderate in consumption of alcohol also.

A good rule of thumb is cut down on fat and don't be fat.

Weight reduction may lower cancer risk. Our 12-year study of nearly a million Americans uncovered high cancer risks particularly among people 40% or more overweight.

Now, more than ever, we know you can cook up your own defense against cancer.

No one faces cancer alone.



This space contributed as a public service.

# WE STILL HAVE A FEW LEFT

1984 Midlanders \$1.00— that's right, only one dollar will buy you a 1984 Midlander, from now until we run out.



You can purchase your Midlander at room 306 on the third floor of the James Union Building, weekdays from 8am to 4pm.



# Features

## Birth control choices: pros and cons

Method	How it works	Benefits	Drawbacks	Effectiveness
Oral contraceptives ("the pill"):	Birth control pills contain different levels of synthetic estrogen and progesterone, hormones normally produced by the body, to keep a woman's hormone level steady. This prevents ovulation, the release of an egg from the ovaries.	In addition to having continuous protection, a woman "on the Pill" may experience lighter menstrual periods, less severe cramping and premenstrual tension and clearer skin. Furthermore, a 1982 study by the U.S. Public Health Service indicates that such women are approximately half as like to develop certain forms of cancer—of the ovaries and of the endometrium, the lining of the uterus.	Some Pill users experience side effects, including nausea, moodiness, weight fluctuation and headaches. And for certain women—primarily women over 35, particularly smokers, and women of any age who have a history of vascular, liver or sickle-cell disease, migraine headaches—there are limited health risks such as blood clotting, high blood pressure and other complications. As with any drug, women considering using oral contraceptives should take many factors, including medical history, into consideration.	For disciplined users who follow directions exactly, the Pill is nearly 100 percent effective at 99.5 percent. For average users, the effectiveness rate drops to 98 percent.
The IUD (intra-uterine device):	Made of plastic and inserted by a physician into the uterus, the IUD prevents a fertilized egg from implanting itself in the uterine wall to develop.	The IUD offers continuous protection.	The IUD is a foreign object, and as such, the uterus often will not accept it. Most IUD users experience heavier and more painful menstrual periods. In some cases, the IUD presents more serious health risks. For example, a woman's chances of developing a pelvic inflammatory disease increase, and in rare instances (1 to 9 out of 1,000 insertions) the IUD itself or the instrument used for insertion will perforate the uterus, sometimes requiring surgical repair. According to Lois Wagner, a nurse clinician with Family Planning on campus, the clinic does not recommend the IUD to any of its patients.	The IUD is usually rated as the second-most effective method, just behind the Pill, with an about 96 percent effectiveness rate for careful users. That rate goes up to about 98.5 percent for couples who use a back-up method.
The diaphragm:	The diaphragm, a flexible, rubber cup that covers the cervix during intercourse, serves as a barrier to prevent sperm from entering the uterus. The diaphragm must always be used in combination with a spermicide and, therefore, provides dual protection.	The diaphragm offers protection only when needed. Furthermore, continued use of a diaphragm may offer protection against sexually transmitted diseases and cervical cancer.	Diaphragm users are more susceptible to bladder and other types of infections. Many couples find them inconvenient.	Diaphragm effectiveness varies from about 90 to 98 percent, depending upon how disciplined a couple is in using it.
Condoms:	Also called a prophylactic or rubber, this thin rubber or latex sheath is placed over the erect penis before intercourse, preventing sperm from entering the uterus.	Available over-the-counter, this method provides protection only when needed. Moreover, condoms provide protection from venereal disease and certain infections.	Although no health risks are associated with condom use, couples often find them inconvenient.	Condoms, if carefully used in combination with a spermicide, are nearly 99 percent effective.
Spermicidal foams, creams, gels and suppositories:	These products contain a sperm-killing ingredient as well as serve as a physical barrier. Both effects last only about 30 minutes.	Like condoms, these products are available over-the-counter and provide protection only when needed. They seem to offer some protection against sexually transmitted diseases and continued use may lessen chances of developing cervical cancer.	Some couples may find these products inconvenient to use, and some people may develop a mild allergic reaction to the spermicidal chemical used in particular product.	The effectiveness of these products varies greatly with individual use, from about 85 percent for average careful users to 99 percent for those who use them in combination with a condom.

Information compiled from several sources, including Family Planning on campus, the June 1983 issue of Psychology Today, and Planned Parenthood of New York City, Inc.

U.S. Department of Transportation **Ad Council**

FAMOUS LAST WORDS FROM FRIENDS TO FRIENDS. I'm perfectly fine. I can drive with my eyes closed. There's nothing wrong with me. Are you joking—I feel great. What am I—a wimp? I'm in great shape to drive. You're not serious are you? What's a couple of beers? Nobody drives my car but me. I've never felt better. I can drink with the best of them. But I only had a few. So I had a couple. I can drive rings around anybody. I can drive my own car, thank you. I'm not drunk. I drive better when I'm like this. Who says I can't drink and drive? I can hold my booze. I know what I'm doing. I always drive like this. So with my eyes closed. Trust me. What's a few drinks? Nothing to me. I'm fine. I can drive with my eyes closed. I can drink with me. I can drink.

Some famous last words from friends to friends: "I'm perfectly fine" . . . "I can drive with my eyes closed" . . . "There's nothing wrong with me" . . . "What's a couple of beers?"

Drunk drivers continue to pose one of the most serious problems in our country today. Just look at these shocking statistics:

- . Drunk drivers are responsible for 50% of the automobile fatalities on our streets and highways.

- . One out of every two Americans will be involved in an alcohol-related traffic accident in his or her lifetime.

- . Each day 71 innocent Americans are killed and 1,800 more are seriously injured — victims of drunk driving.

- . 250,000 Americans lost their lives in alcohol-related accidents over the last 10 years. This figure represents 25,000 deaths each year; 71 every day; one every 20 minutes.

- . More than 700,000 people are injured each year in alcohol-related accidents — 74,000 of them seriously.

Young people are a large part of the overall problem of drunk driving in the United States. More than 75% of our youth are drinking alcoholic beverages by the age of 16. Although young people age 16-24 comprise only 20% of the licensed drivers in this country and account for 20% of the total vehicle miles travelled, they cause 42% of all fatal alcohol-related car crashes.

### DRINKING AND DRIVING CAN KILL A FRIENDSHIP



Middle Tennessee State University  
SIDELINES

# Entertainment

## Psychologist offers love tips

By RANDY BRISON  
Sidelines Features Editor

St. Valentine's Day.

Sometimes one gets so caught up in the paraphernalia of Valentine's Day—candy, cards, kisses, flowers—one forgets what the day, the whole season, is all about: love.

**YOU KNOW.** That warm mushy sense you get in your chest when the right girl or guy looks at you for the first time. The little adrenaline rush which hits every time you think of your sweetheart. A feeling, or so most of us have been taught all our lives.

If you think that's what love is—a feeling—you're not alone. Most people are convinced love is something one falls into, that the whole question of being in or out of love is beyond their control.

Dr. Erich Fromm would tell you different.

**FROMM.** A psychologist, wrote a little book in 1956 called *The Art of Loving*. In it, he argues that true love is not a feeling or something hopelessly out of control, but an art to be practiced and worked at. He believed people could be happier if they took control of all aspects of their lives instead of letting events control them.

That Fromm believes love is important to human life cannot be doubted.

"Love," he writes, "is the only satisfactory answer to the problem of human existence." Fromm believes the "deepest need of man" is "the need to overcome his separateness" from mankind and nature; the best way to escape "the

prison of aloneness," he says, is through love.

**ALTHOUGH HIS** book was written nearly 30 years ago, Fromm's assertions hold relevance for modern-day readers. The psychologist believes human beings can take control of their lives and not live at the expense of whim and emotion.

Most male-female relationships, says Fromm, are the result of marketing. He believes the idea of democratic marketing—getting the most product for the least price—had spilled over into human relationships. Men and women view themselves as marketable quantities and are out to buy the most attractive package—to trade their package of attractiveness and personality for someone at least, or more, neatly wrapped.

He feels this kind of human-market approach leads to dehumanization, resulting ultimately in pretty surface level relationships with no substance, and not to true union.

**WHILE MEN AND** women sometimes seem desperate to find someone to share life with them, Fromm wrote that "the ability to be alone is the condition for the ability to love." He meant that one must love oneself before he or she can love another.

Although many of Fromm's ideas might seem alien to an American generation which has been raised to believe infatuations are love, his book offers interesting insights to any reader willing to consider it seriously.

Take charge of your life. *The Art of Loving* is available in most bookstores. If nothing else, check it out at the library; it can make a difference.

## Valentine lady's memory carried on

By WILLIAM C. TROTT  
United Press International

**HEARTS AND FLOWERS.** The Valentine Lady of Loveland, Ohio, is gone, but her family will carry on her tradition by re-mailing thousands of letters to give them a Loveland postmark. In 10 years, Doris Pfister re-mailed 85,000 Valentines to all 50 states and 30 countries. When she died two years ago, her daughter, Ruth Jackson, continued the project "in mother's memory."

That meant a lot to people who maintained "friendship via mail" with the Valentine Lady, as hundreds of notes to Mrs. Jackson attest. "Even though I never knew her," wrote Sherree Gibson of Parkersburg, W.Va., "I can just picture her and all the love she spread over the world."

**ASTROWINE:** What do you serve with dinner when the guest of honor is a French astronaut with a cellar full of 4,000 bottles of wine? American astronaut Rhea Seddon says she's glad she and the other crew members on next month's shuttle flight didn't try to choose a French wine for the dinner welcoming Frenchman Patrick Baudry to their mission last fall.

"How do you select good

wine for a Frenchman?" Seddon said. "So we thought about that for a while and somebody had a friend here in Texas who had a Texas vineyard so we served Texas wine—some of which was OK and some of which was not OK. But anyway Patrick took it all well."

Seddon says there won't be any wine on their four-day mission now scheduled for launch March 3. Baudry says wine is both art and "a human part of people" and it's unfortunate it includes alcohol. The connoisseur says wine is "not my first occupation, but when I have time, I like very much to go to visit some vineyards."

**VENISON ON THE SET:** A Soviet film studio's production of *Bambi* has been thrown off schedule because three of the four deer in the movie ended up on someone's dinner table. The deer vanished from set in Crimea where the movie, based on Felix Salten's children's book is being filmed.

Police discovered they had been stolen by three "notorious freeloaders" who slaughtered them for a birthday feast, the daily Selyskaya Shisny newspaper reported. The deer slayers were sentenced to four to six years in prison and the Yalta studio was awarded

about \$6,000 in damages for the loss of its stars, according to a German news agency.

**COVERUP:** An iconic pre-Valentine fashion in New York will feature big but beautiful women in red and white lingerie.

"They know that they are not the model types of the 1980s, but they have only one body and want to live with it to the best of their ability," said Michael Salem, a lingerie designer and wholesaler who will host the show. "They want to do something different and have some fun."

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**COUPLED CELEBRITIES:** Danny DeVito, the lout Louie on "Taxi," and his wife, Rhea Perlman, the combative Carla from "Cheers," have played two of the least sympathetic characters in television history, but things are different at home.

"I never shut the door on anything that's bothering my wife," DeVito said in a *Red-*

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By KEN SOO  
United Press International

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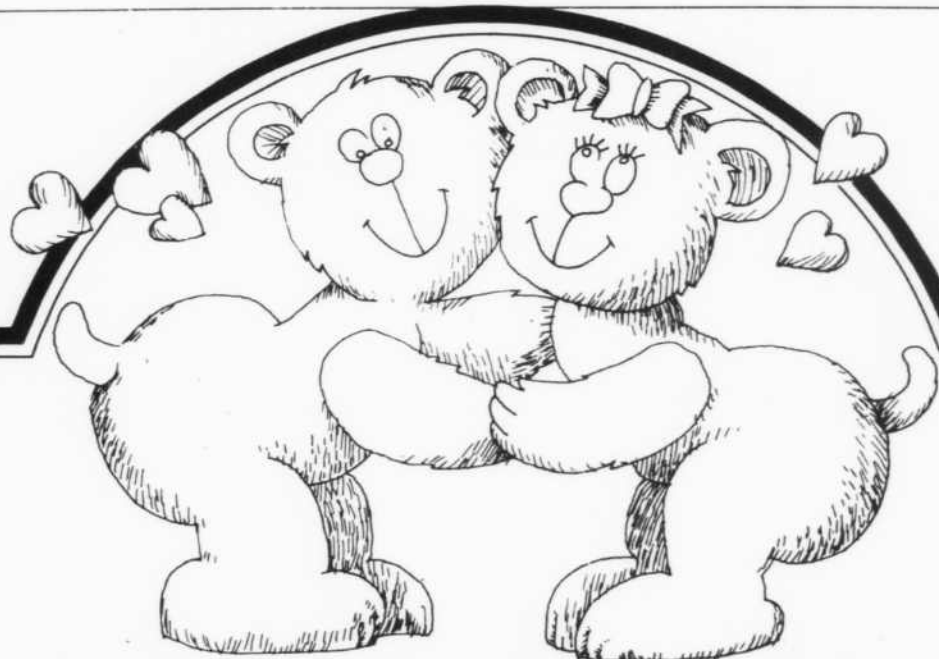
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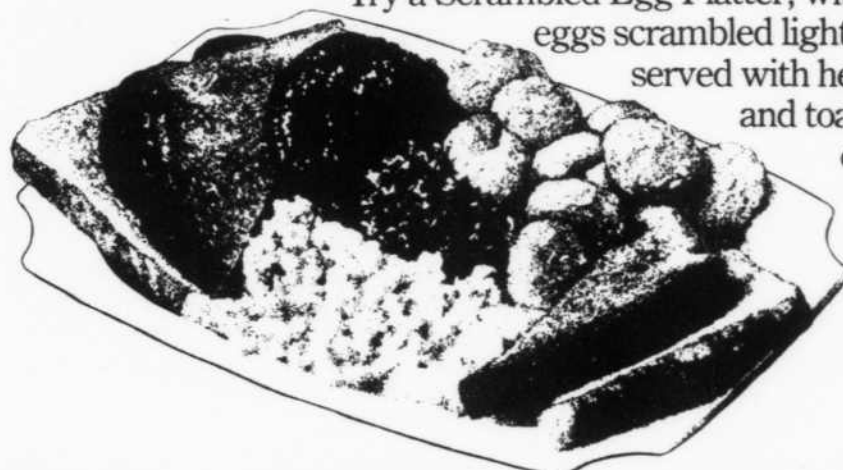
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# Raiders ramble over Racers 65-59

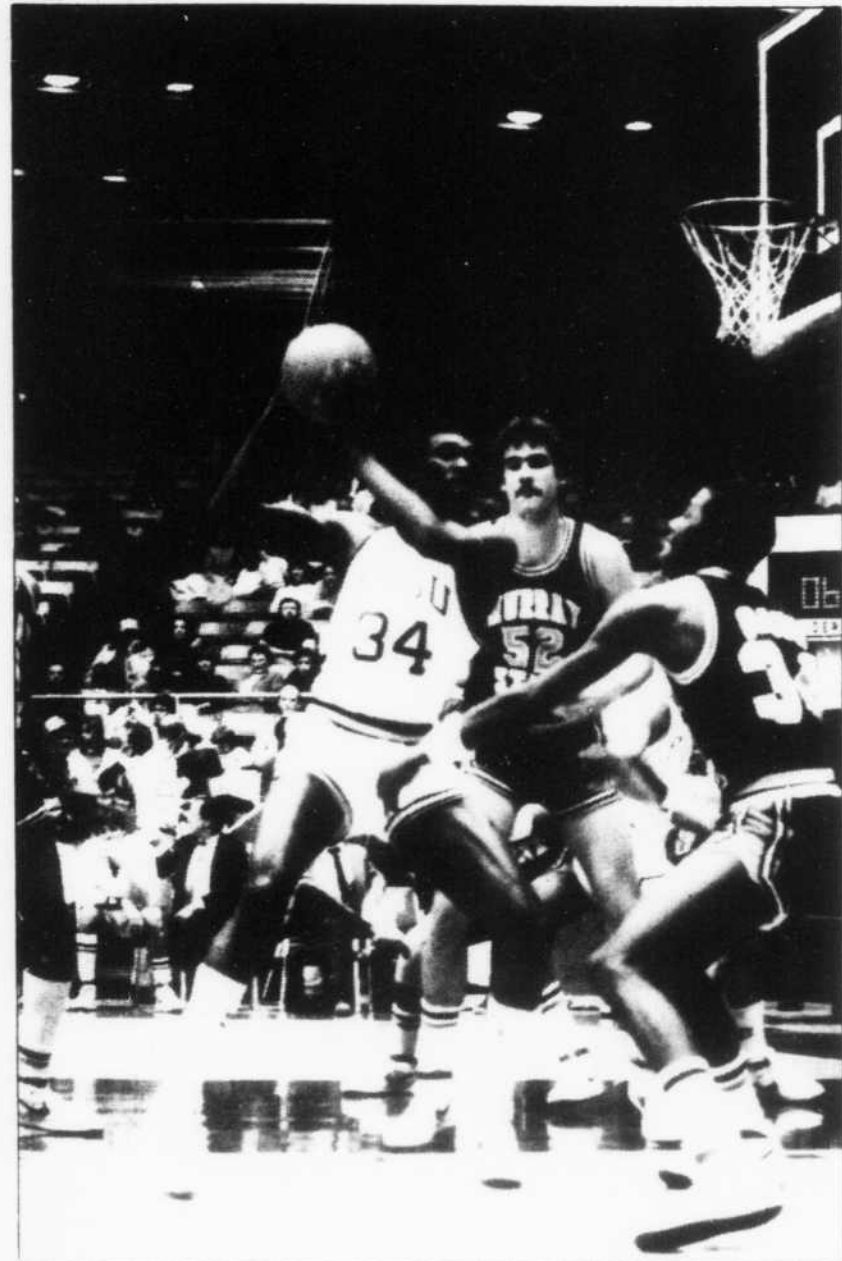


Photo by Bill McClary

MTSU's Russell Smith (34) maneuvers inside against Murray State's Mike Lahm (52) and Chuck Glass (34) during the Raiders' 65-59 win at Murphy Center last night.

## "Mentally tough" MTSU climbs to win

By MIKE ORGAN  
Sidelines Sports Co-editor

It took "mental toughness" and a good deal of it for MTSU to get itself out of the deep hole it fell into Saturday night against Austin Peay in Murphy Center.

Actually the hole was more like a crater.

**THE RAIDERS WERE** down by 10 points with under six minutes to play. Their best scorer, Kim Cooksey, was being double-teamed while their second big gun, Lonnie Thompson, had only dropped in one of his 13 shots from the field.

A ladder in the form of "mental toughness" and Billy Miller helped the scrappy group of die-hards come roaring back to disappoint the Governors 61-60 before an estimated 3,500, as usual, rowdy fans.

"We could have given up several times, but we didn't.

We showed some mental toughness and held our composure and that's what we've been working on all year," a jubilant MTSU Coach Bruce Stewart said after the game.

**AUSTIN PEAY HAD** the game in the bag, but the Governors left the bag unzipped. APSU never even trailed in the contest until there was just 1:02 showing on the clock. Cooksey eluded the sticky defense and dropped an eight-foot jumper to give MTSU its first lead. Thompson sank the front-end of a one-and-one with 16 seconds left to secure the win. APSU's James Rorex hit a jumper from the free throw line to end the game.

"We had it. But our guys just didn't hold their composure down the stretch," APSU Coach Howard Jackson said. "We didn't have to take some of the shots we took that were

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By MIKE ORGAN  
and RANDY BRISON

MTSU landed a blow to Ohio Valley Conference leader Murray State last night and put a whole new perspective on the competitive conference and its own rebuilding season.

The win came before an estimated 5,000 rowdy fans, most of whom stayed on their feet throughout the contest.

**IT WAS MURRAY'S** second straight loss as it slipped to second in the conference with a 6-3 interconference count, one game behind Tennessee Tech. The Raiders edged over the .500 hump in the OVC at 5-4 (11-10 over-all) and helped jam the conference race as the teams head down the second half of the season.

Billy Miller stepped in for the third straight game to give MTSU an instant offensive punch.

With MTSU struggling offensively and defensively early, scoring only once in the first three and a half minutes, the Raiders had fallen behind

by as much as nine points. After a time-out and the insertion of Miller, however, the Raiders fought back quickly to take their first lead, 17-16, with 9:38 remaining.

"**BILLY WAS A** great boost for us. He's developed into a heck of a player," a thrilled MTSU Coach Bruce Stewart said after the game. "What can I say? He just did a super job."

The Raiders put their best two halves of basketball together for the first time this year, a necessity in holding off the talented Racer squad.

MSU guards Willie Holland and Zedrick Macklin woke their team after Miller and the Raiders had taken the slim lead, combining to hit three straight long jumpers.

**MTSU'S KIM COOKSEY** teamed with Miller, and they were responsible for 12 of MTSU's next 14 points as the lead changed hands five times in a six-minute span.

With a late surge and despite missing three tip-ins just before the first-half buzzer, MTSU managed to take a 33-29 lead

into the locker room.

The two Racers who terrorized MTSU a month ago in Murray, Ky., began to assert themselves again in the final half. Vada Martin, who finished the contest with a game-high 25 points, and 6-foot-11 Mike Lahm helped the Racers pull within one five times before finally tying the score at 57 with 5:06 left to play.

**MILLER TEAMED** with freshman Kerry Hammonds to shut down the awesome duo.

"Lahm is tall, but he's not real strong. I felt like I could muscle him some," the shorter Miller explained.

"Their ability to rebound was the deciding factor," a disappointed MSU Coach Ron Greene said in a post game interview. "Another factor was their ability to be very opportunistic."

**MTSU OUTREBOUNDED** the Racers 41-30, limiting MSU to one shot on most of its offensive possessions in the second half. The Raiders also managed several key baskets

off offensive rebounds.

The Raiders' opportunism of which Greene spoke and which was first displayed in Saturday's last second win over Austin Peay, showed in MTSU's shooting.

While Murray State was hitting 56 percent from the floor in the second half, the Raiders were burning the nets at a torrid 61.9 percent pace behind the inside play of Hammonds and Miller. Hammonds hit all three of his field goal attempts in the second half, as well as last second free throws, to finish with 15 points, while Miller finished with 13.

Cooksey, MTSU's scoring leader, scored 16 points, many on long jumpers as the Raiders struggled to maintain their lead in the last minutes. Lonnie Thompson broke out of his offensive slump in the second half to add nine points to a balanced MTSU effort.

Stewart and his Raiders will be travelling to Nashville Wednesday night for a make-up game with Tennessee State at 7:30 in Gentry Auditorium.

# Ladies pound Murray State

By SAMANTHA WILLIAMS  
Sidelines Sports Writer

MTSU's Lady Raiders kept their conference record perfect by pounding the Murray State Lady Racers 87-69 last night in Murphy Center.

MTSU, now 9-0 in conference play, leads second place Tennessee Tech by two full games after the Lady Eagles' loss to Austin Peay last night. The win was also the Ladies' 24th straight in regular season conference action.

"**I THINK WE** had a great effort tonight," coach Larry Inman said. "Our defense was great, especially in the second half."

Inman credited the players coming off the bench with playing a key role in the win.

"Our bench really came through tonight," Inman said. "We just had a super group effort."

**THE LADY RAIDERS** led by as much as 12 points in the first half before the Racers closed the gap at halftime to

35-29.

MTSU came out smoking in the second half, outscoring Murray State 52-48.

"I thought we did a great job offensively and defensively, especially since we had players playing out of position and playing against the press, which we are not used to," Inman said.

**INMAN WELCOMED** the opportunity to play against the press and said that it gave his team needed experience.

According to Inman, his team has got to have the kind of first-half play that they gave him tonight to continue winning.

"Alice Lawrence had a great overall game tonight. Kay Willbanks had a great first half, and Jennifer McFall played well, although she was in foul trouble most of the second half," Inman said.

**INMAN ALSO SAID** that the crowd is a major factor in getting the players up and ready to play.

"The crowd has really been

behind us and has helped us get up and be ready to play," Inman said.

MTSU's scoring master McFall was stymied in the points column with just three on the night. McFall fouled out of the game after just 26 minutes of play. Lawrence caught the slack, pumping in 30 points. Webb and Willbanks combined for 46. Willbanks had a game-high 11 rebounds.

**THE LADY RACERS** were paced by Connie Logsdon's 21 points while Melody Ottinger pitched in 16. Ottinger grabbed 10 rebounds to lead Murray State in that department.

Murray State will head back to Kentucky to take on the Austin Peay Lady Governors Thursday night.

The Lady Raiders step outside the conference to play UT Martin Thursday night.

## Tracksters rack up, take second place

By MIKE ORGAN  
Sidelines Sports Co-editor

Skipper Willbanks jumped into the MTSU record books for the second time this season as he and his three teammates, Kenny Nesbitt, Dwight Johnson and Perald Ellis, won their events in the five-team indoor track meet which took place in Murphy Center last Saturday afternoon.

Willbanks broke the MTSU high jump record which he had just set two weeks ago in the Indiana Relays with a jump of 7-1. The new mark is still not enough to qualify Willbanks for the NCAA meet, according to MTSU Coach Dean Hayes, but the coach is confident that he will qualify before the season ends.

"**YEAH, HE'S** jumping real good. It takes 7-foot-3½ to qualify for the Nationals, and he set the bar up there (at 7-foot-3½) and almost made it," Hayes added. "He's right at it. I'm not too worried; I feel like he'll get it before it's all over and make it to the NCAA."

MTSU took second in the five-team meet with a total of 52 points. Auburn won the competition with 92 points, Southeast Missouri finished third with 37, Western Kentucky was fourth with 26, while Memphis State came in last with 16.

"The biggest thing was that we had some athletes find their places for the Ohio Valley meet. We're so young that anything we can get out of our kids is what we're hunting for," Hayes said.

**NESBITT WON** the high hurdles for MTSU with a time of 7.34. Auburn's Forika McDougald was second at 7.48.

Dwight Johnson ran his lifetime best in the 60-yard dash, winning that event with a time of 6.24 in front of Auburn's star football player, Brent Fullwood, who ran a 6.31. MTSU's Mike Pittman finished fifth with a time of 6.43.

MTSU's Ellis won the 500-meter run with a time of

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Photo by Bill McClary

Lady Raider Alice Lawrence, whose 30 points led MTSU past Murray State 87-69, pulls up for a wide-open shot during last night's action in Murphy Center.

## Determined offense thumps APSU 86-75

By MIKE ORGAN  
Sidelines Sports Co-editor

MTSU Lady Raider Coach Larry Inman wants to argue.

The mentor opposes the traditional belief by which most coaches live: you can't win without a good defense.

**THE LADY RAIDERS** thumped Austin Peay Saturday night 86-75 with a determined offensive effort which Inman said "compensated for our defense. In the second half we made some offensive adjustments which took 'em [APSU] out of their game. That's what won this game."

Before coaches start rearranging their philosophies

by de-emphasizing defensive play, one thing should be noted. That one thing is how badly the Lady Governors' defense was. True, MTSU wasn't very stubborn, but the Ladies in red were even worse.

MTSU did manage seven blocked shots. The Lady Governors had none. MTSU had nine steals. The Lady Governors had one.

"**I THOUGHT THEY** [MTSU] played pretty good on defense. They took the ball away from us enough times in my opinion," Austin Peay Coach Marvin Williams said after the game.

The Lady Raiders were still

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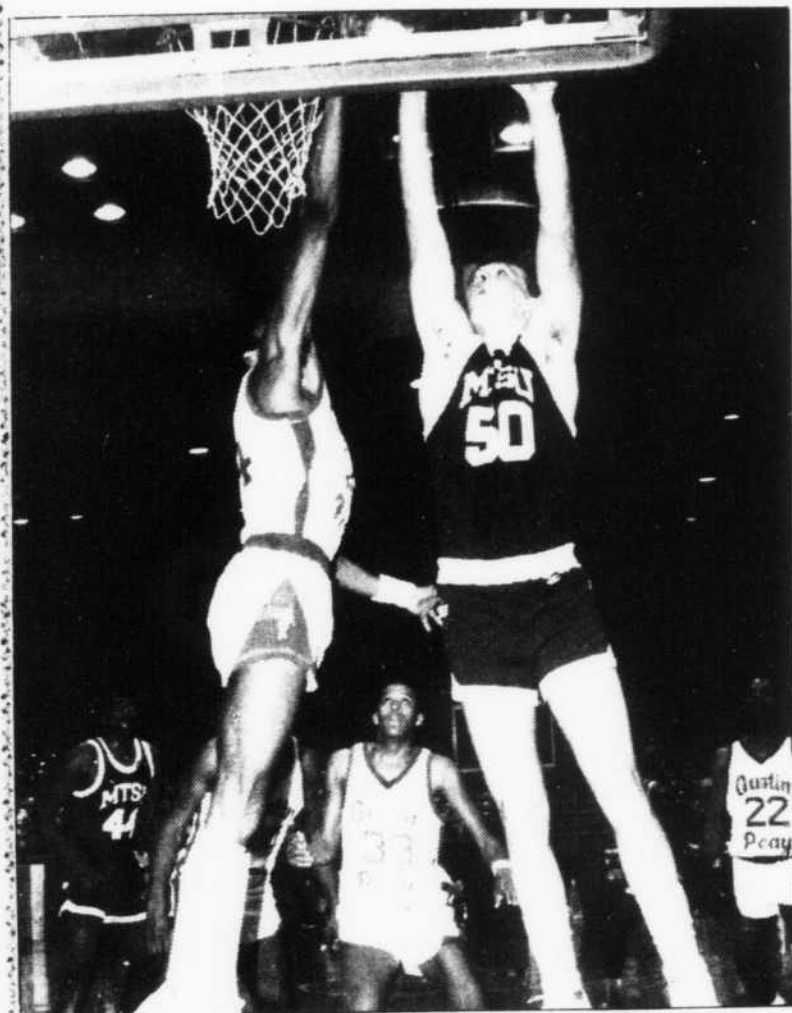


Photo by Bill Kingsley

Blue Raider Billy Miller (50) powers for two of his 12 points against Austin Peay Saturday.



**Intramural b-ball**

**Sidelines All-Star game tentatively set**

By GARY FRAZIER  
Sidelines Sports Writer

The first ever Sidelines/Campus Rec All-Star Basketball Game is in the works. Mike Organ, co-sports editor of Sidelines, announced yesterday.

The All-Star game will involve both the Greek division and the open division on campus for both men and women, and each team will be comprised of nine all-stars.



Photo by Bill Kingsley

McFall glides home.

Organ explained.

IN THE NEXT few weeks, Organ, co-sports editor Randy Brison and intramural reporter David Fuqua will get together with the various coaches from the Greek and open intramural teams to select the nine-member all-star teams.

"Everything is in the developmental stage right now, but we're getting closer every day," Organ said.

When asked who would coach the all-star teams, Organ replied, "We are hoping to have a couple of big surprises in this area."

THE GAME IS tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, March 13, with the women's game beginning at 6 p.m. and the men's to follow in Murphy Center. Spectators will be charged \$1, and all proceeds will go to the Christian Children's Fund to help the starving nations overseas.

"There's a lot of talent in the two leagues combined, so the games should really be exciting for both the players and fans alike. But the main thing is that it's for a good cause," Organ said.

If you need more information, contact the Sidelines, contact the 2816 or drop by the Sidelines Office in Room 310 of the James Union Building.



Photo by Bill Kingsley

Lonnie Thompson (30) lays one up over Austin Peay's James Rorex (22) as Governor Robert Biggers (14) moves in.

**MT football undergoes personnel changes**

From Sidelines Staff Reports

One of MTSU's top football signees from a year ago, Dwight Wade has left the Blue Raider squad to get married.

Wade, a lineman has dropped out of school after being red shirted this past season by MTSU coach Boots Donnelly.

The coach had put Wade on the off-season Raider weight lifting program under the direction of assistant coach

Robbie Ridings.

Donnelly said the coaching staff had high hopes for the former Murfreesboro Riverdale standout.

In another MTSU football development, freshman fullback Michael Davis was moved to the defensive unit.

Davis, who started in one game at fullback replacing an injured veteran Tony Burse will play linebacker under defensive

**Offense**

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a bit rusty after the big loss they suffered last Thursday night against the nationally-ranked Louisiana Tech Lady Techsters. The smaller Austin Peay group shot out to a one-point half time lead behind the sharp aim of Valerie Malone.

MTSU got back into its game quickly as the second half opened. The Lady Raiders reeled off the first six points of the second half. Jennifer McFall led the charge with a game-high 31 points.

**Tracksters**

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1:03.50. McDougald took second for Auburn with a time of 1:03.55. Raider trackster Dedrick Brown also placed in that meet taking fifth with a time of 1:06.24.

THE MTSU RELAY team won the one-mile relay with a quick time of 3:16.61. Memphis State followed with a

"I feel like we got back on track as the second-half opened," Inman said. "The loss to Louisiana Tech was kinda hard to get over."

Four other Lady Raiders double-figure scoring as the group shot almost 56 percent from the field. Point-guard Janet Ross tallied 15. Kim Webb and Kay Willbanks added 13 each, while Alice Lawrence tallied 12. McFall dominated in rebounds as well, grabbing 11. Ross handed out 10 assists for a game-high in that department.

time of 3:20.20, while Auburn finished third at 3:20.38.

MTSU's freshman Jerry Malone ran his lifetime best in the 1,000-yard run with a time of 2:15.18. Malone took third place in that event.

Steve McQuiston, who was ill all week prior to the meet, could only manage third in the shot put where he was expected to challenge Auburn's Reggie Ware.

"STEVE WAS SICK and just getting over it at the meet. He could have done better if he hadn't been ill," Hayes informed.

Ware won the competition with a throw of 54-8½. SEMO's Tim Pigg placed second.

The meet ended MTSU's regular season competition. The eight-team Ohio Valley Conference Tournament will begin a week from Saturday at MTSU in Murphy Center.

**Mentally Tough**

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way out of our range late in the game."

The Raiders were able to hold their composure when the night seemed a waste thanks to the mental toughness which Stewart was glad to see finally displayed. Miller came into the game and aggressively led the

group from its weak state. Miller, who has edged his way up from a third stringer to the Raider's sixth man or to be more accurate the fifth and a half man, shot 100 percent (five of five) from the field on his way to a career-high 12 points.

MILLER'S AGGRESSIV-

ENESS is just his style, but "the mental toughness is something coach Stewart has stayed on us about for a long time and now we know why," the 6-foot-8 Easley, SC native, said.

One interesting factor was how well Miller played with freshman Kerry Hammonds, the player he usually replaces.

Saturday night it was Russell Smith who needed a rest, and Miller eased in and stole the show. Hammonds and Miller worked in harmony, and Hammonds helped himself to team-high scoring honors with 18 points and collected 10 rebounds.

"That Hammonds is tough. He went crazy down low, and Miller gave us a lot of trouble too," Jackson complained. "He [Miller] showed a lot of character."

"SLIM [SMITH] showed a lack of aggression defensively," Stewart noted. "Miller came in, and he was the man who stood up underneath, in the paint, with a big stick and said 'nobody comes into my territory unless they wanna pay.'"

Cooksey, who brought his two game total to 41 against the Governors by tallying 14 points, echoed the coach.

"He [Miller] was excellent. He just wants an opportunity to play, and he's making good of it now that he's getting into the game more often," Cooksey added.

WHILE MILLER came in and gave the Raiders the kick in the pants they needed, it was Cooksey and Hammonds who calmly did all they could to keep their side in striking distance. The Governors were shellshocked after Cooksey had bombed them with 27 points earlier this season in Clarksville.

Jackson stuck a box-in-one defense on the scoring master and slowed his scoring for the better part of the game.

Cooksey, frustrated by the tight security, handed the scoring reigns over to Hammonds and went to work behind the scenes.

"Scoring is one big aspect of my game, but I've got other capabilities," Cooksey said. "This wasn't the first time I've had a box in one played on me. I just had to get the ball inside until I got the opportunity to get an open shot."

THE LOSS FOR APSU made it impossible for the Governors to capture a winning record this season. They dropped to 7-13 overall and 3-5 in the Ohio Valley Conference.

The win, which was MTSU's second straight one point margin, made it 10-10 and 4-4. "I'll take 'em all by one," Stewart said in relief.

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# Fat's a curse in celluloid city

By VERNON SCOTT  
United Press International

**HOLLYWOOD (UPI)**—Ever see a fat leading man or heavy-set leading lady in a non-comic role on TV or in the movies?

Can you imagine Orson Welles and Shelley Winters in a dramatic love scene?

**OF COURSE NOT.** Overweight, obesity, fat, girth or whatever you want to call it, excess weight is the curse of every actress and actor in Hollywood.

The ancient saw about everyone loving a fat man has long been discredited. So has the cliché about fat people being jolly.

Avoirdupois accounts for the fact that most leading ladies smoke cigarettes to keep their weight down. Excess suet is responsible for most Hollywood performers working out in gyms or doing aerobics at home with Jane Fonda's video.

**BATHROOM SCALES** make more important reading than a script in this insecure land of the palm and the nut.

Historically, the camera adds from five to a dozen pounds to a performer's appearance. Thus a pound or two on the scales can make the difference between winning an important role and losing it.

Mayf Nutter, the handsome hunk who chases Joan Van Ark around TV's "Knots Landing," probably knows more about the vicissitudes of corpulence than most of the community's actors.

**WHEN HE PLAYED** the recurring role of Festus Hagen's cousin in the old "Gunsmoke!" series, Mayf weighed a tidy 225 pounds. Naturally, his role was played for laughs.

"When the series ended I had an image as a fat hillbilly with all the casting directors in town," Nutter said the other day. "There aren't too many roles available in that category."

Determined to slim down, Mayf went on a diet and worked out until he pared his poundage from 225 to 167.

**BUT THE** slenderization didn't help him get jobs. The mention of his name in casting offices summoned thoughts of masses of flesh.

"So I changed my name to Chris Reynolds just to get inside the door on interviews," Mayf said. "I even registered the new name with the Screen Actors Guild."

"Every time I picked up something to eat I'd ask myself,

"Do you want to eat this chili dog or do you want to be a star?" said Nutter, who also writes and records country music.

**THE ANSWER WAS** crystal clear.

"I got heavy in the first place because I wanted to gain weight," he said. "I was 6-foot-1 and weighed only 155 pounds. I was determined to improve my build with isometrics by adding muscle, but it got away from me."

"My new physique at 180 pounds helped me get a good part in 'Oklahoma Crude.' But [director] Stanley Kramer cut me out of the film, and I was the fat face on the cutting room floor. After that I kept escalating."

**BUT BY 1978** Mayf was

down to his present weight and getting work under his new name, surprised that no one connected Chris Reynolds with Mayf Nutter. He chose his adopted name from two favorites, Kris Kristofferson and Burt Reynolds.

"I admire both of them," he explained. "Kris is a fantastic poet and songwriter and Reynolds has a lot of charisma. I'd like to have been getting the parts they were playing."

"I still get residual checks in Chris' name. But I killed Chris off after I did a co-starring role with Linda Lavin in the TV movie 'The \$5.20 An Hour Dream.' The weird thing is I still bump into people who only knew me as Chris, and they greet me by that name. It's eerie."



Photo by Bill McClary

MTSU's Department of Music recently host the internationally-acclaimed American Chamber Trio in the Wright Music Building. Violinist June DeForest, left, pianist Peter Basquin and cellist deanial Morganstern more than lived up to their celebrated reputations.

## Lawyers beat stress with musical sideline

By KAREN WEST  
United Press International

**LOS ANGELES**—Southern California lawyers suffering the stress of marathon hours of research, court arguments and scolding judges are turning to music to blow little steam—not listening to it, playing it.

Several lawyer bands, playing everything from country to rock to folk music, have cropped up the past year in Los Angeles County. Three-piece suits and attaches are dropped in favor of jeans and T-shirts.

**LAWYER BARRY FISHER**, whose clients include the Rev.

Sun Myung Moon, said his "Ellis Island Band" offers much-needed diversity.

"It's something that is mostly non-verbal. It's an alternative to the lawyer activity. It's energetic," said Fisher, 41.

Fisher's group, which has been featured on the television show "Fame," was among nine attorney bands to perform at a benefit for the San Fernando Valley Community Legal Foundation.

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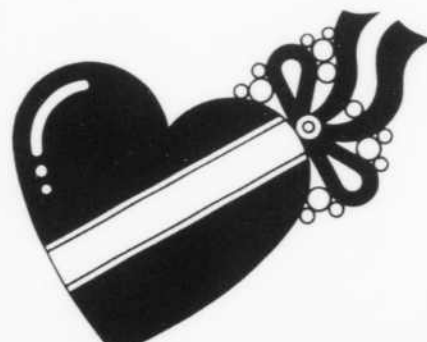
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