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## Art Department honors World AIDS Days

By Todd R. Cruse/staff

The Art Department, along with the help of the English, Speech and Theater, and Dance departments, will commemorate AIDS-related deaths with World AIDS Day/A Day Without Art this Friday.

Faculty and students will work in 15 minute intervals writing a list of approximately 1,000 names of AIDS victims in magic marker on the same glass walls that border the Cube Gallery across from the KUC Grill.

The list will be layered from the bottom of the glass walls to the top. According to Art Professor Charles Jansen, the written names will show the impact of the AIDS virus has had on the art community.

"My image of this, is like layers of the Earth building upward as people die," said Jansen.

Upon completion of this project the names will be left for all to see throughout the day. Students are encouraged to come by and see the list and reflect and realize on how this terrible disease has affected the art society. At the end of the day Friday the names will be carefully erased as students watch on.

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Charles Jansen  
Professor of Art

Last year, a list containing the names of artists that have died from AIDS was obtained from the Visual Art Foundation in New York. This list was then read aloud into the empty glass "Cube" Gallery in the KUC.

Since the late 1970s many important art figures have been affected by the disease and have lost their lives. The names of Robert Mapplethorpe, Keith Haring and David Wojnarowicz will be on the list Friday along with hundreds of other names who suffered an AIDS-related death.

Other observations for World AIDS Day include the display of the NAMES Project AIDS memorial quilt Dec. 1-3 at the Tennessee State Museum.

Another important observation in with all students, faculty and other people are encouraged to participate in is the wearing of the red ribbon. The red ribbon expresses compassion for all living people with AIDS and is in remembrance for those who have passed on.

Although only two AIDS cases were reported in Tennessee in 1982, the numbers have risen to 1,068 by 1995.

According to statistical information from Nashville CARES, an organization dedicated to the helping of AIDS/HIV infected people, the number of reported AIDS cases and HIV infected people has risen to almost 12,000 in the state of Tennessee. Out of the reported 12,000 people that have been affected, over 3,500 of them have died.

Rising 97 percent from 10 years ago, 62 people have been diagnosed with the HIV virus, and 63 people have been diagnosed with AIDS in Rutherford County. ●

## Black Panther history recounted by Seale

By Charles A. Harrington Jr./staff

Bobby Seale, the co-founder of the Black Panther Party for Self-Defense, spoke for three hours Monday night about the formation of the group.

Seale denounced Melvin and Mario Van Peebles' movie "Panther" as a degradation of the truth.

"Ninety percent of what's portrayed in the film never happened," said Seale.

He cited Hugh Pearson's "The Shadow of the Panther" and former party member Elaine Brown's "A Taste of Power" as false information that helped contribute to the negative image of the Black Panthers.

Seale also attributes blame to former California Governor Ronald Reagan, late FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover, deceased Chicago Mayor Tom Daly as well as the media for creating and developing the misconceptions that provides the beliefs that the Black Panther Party was a Black militant hate group.

According to Seale, his book, "Seize the Time," corrects the misconceptions associated with the Black Panthers.

"Many different Huey [Newton] and I as gangsters and hoodlums. Ladies and gentlemen, both of us came straight off the college campus."

The Black Panthers grew from student activism in the 1960s.

Both men attended Marick College in Oakland, California, where Seale studied engineering design and Newton studied law. Seale worked on the Gemini Missile Project with the Keiser Aerospace Electronics Company in the late 1950s and early 1960s.

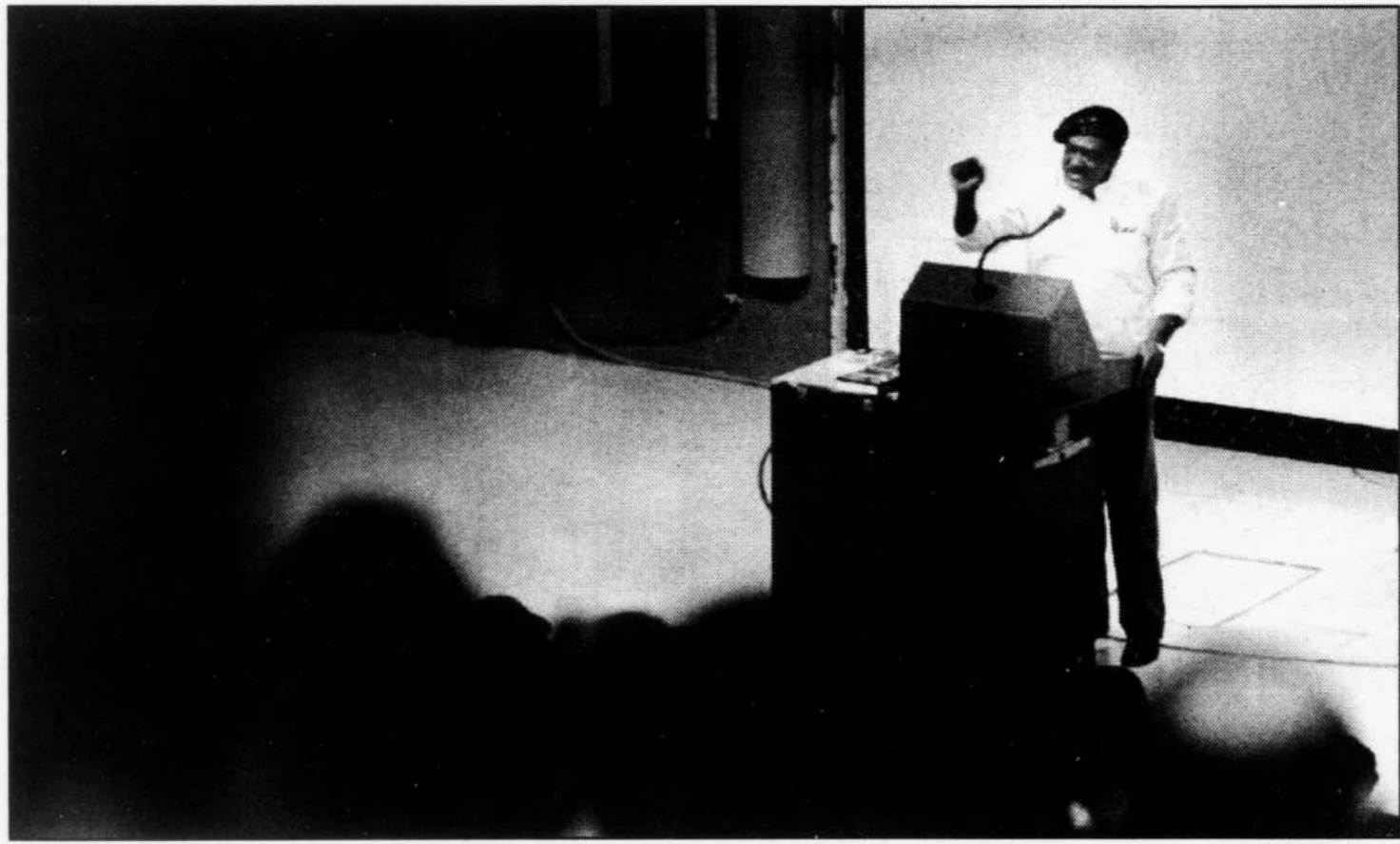
"In the early 1960s we black people had no understanding of our African and African-American history and struggle. We were...still calling each other negroes and colored."

After the assassination of Malcolm X in 1965, Seale and Newton developed an organization to observe and patrol the actions of the police.

Seale is also the founder of R.E.A.C.H.!, an organization that works with American youth.

"It was incredible the way this old man remembers, so easily, events that happened so many years ago," says Quincy Byrdson, an MTSU graduate student.

Seale ended the evening by signing his book and engaging members of the audience in conversation. ●



Brian G. Miller/staff

Black Panther co-founder and former chairman Bobby Seale speaks about the misconceptions associated with the Black Panther Party for Self-Defense at Monday night's lecture in the LRC.

## Textbook resale value equals 1/2 of original price

By David Laprad

What is the foremost thought on students' minds as they approach the end of the semester?

Is it final exams? No. Christmas break? Wrong again. What about the inevitable farewell to friends? Keep trying.

The number one concern of students at the end of the semester could very well be "How much am I going to get back for my books?"

This is understandable, considering the significant investment students are required to make.

According to Jim Simpson, textbook manager of MTSU's Phillips Bookstore, students spent \$3.5 million on books during the last academic year. Of that, \$1.25 million was returned to students who sold books back.

How does the bookstore determine the amount students will receive for their used books?

Students receive 50 percent of the new book price when they sell a book back. Therefore, if you paid \$40 for a new book, expect to get \$20 back. If you purchased the same book used for \$30, you will still receive \$20 upon return.

This is in line with industry standards. Bookstores at Vanderbilt University and Tennessee State University, as well as the Blue Raider Bookstore, have resale policies identical to MTSU's.

Every semester, though, some students feel as if they receive less than their share of the \$1.25 million pie.

They angrily pocket what they consider to be paltry sums of money compared to their original investment. And more than a few books have been thrown into the Keathley University Center ground floor trash cans after being rejected for resale.

It is frustrating to own books which can never be sold back or for which the bookstore pays very little upon return. Such is the case when a department or a teacher changes the book used for a class or a new edition is released.

This also happens when Phillips is overstocked on a book. For example, there will be a new History 201 textbook for the Fall 1996 semester. Since the bookstore sells fewer 201 textbooks in the spring than the fall, they will be buying back only a limited number of the books currently owned by students. That's right. First come, first served!

Still, Simpson claims the bookstore does all it can to make sure students get back some money on books that are no longer being used.

Phillips sells many used books to a wholesale company that purchases used texts. Students are paid the entire wholesale value, which is usually 20-25 percent of the original price.

Do not despair, though, if you are stuck with books at the end of this semester. Think of all you could learn over Christmas break by finally opening them and giving them a good read! ●

**Last year, students spent \$3.5 million on books during the last academic year. \$1.25 million was returned to the students who sold back their books.**

Jim Simpson  
Textbook manager at Phillips Bookstore

## Christmas Carol offers holiday entertainment

By Joey Butler/staff

The ghost of Christmas past is haunting Tucker Theatre this weekend.

The MTSU Speech and Theater Department is staging a performance of Charles Dickens' classic Christmas tale, "A Christmas Carol," starting Friday, Dec. 1.

The play will be performed on Friday and Saturday of this week and Wednesday through Saturday of next week. All shows are at 8 p.m.

Associate professor of theater and co-director of the play, Dale McGilliard, is excited about the production, which he personally adapted from Dickens' novel. It is the first time in about 12 years that "A Christmas Carol" has been performed at MTSU.

In fact, the last time the play was performed here, co-director Deborah Anderson's oldest son, Lucas, played the part of Tiny Tim. Now, Lucas is working in the costume department and Anderson's youngest son, Ian, has assumed Tiny Tim's role.

The part of Scrooge will be played by Seth Anderson. The remaining parts will be handled by the 13 other cast members, with each person performing about four roles.

Admission is free to MTSU students with an ID and \$5 for the public. The directors are asking people to bring toys and cans of non-perishable food to be donated to Toys For Tots and the Nashville Food Bank.

"We want to invoke the Christmas spirit and do something for the community," McGilliard said.

The following year will be a busy one for the "Christmas Carol" cast. McGilliard has plans to tour with the play next December, performing at local high schools and children's hospitals and probably returning to MTSU.

"We don't want to overkill the play," McGilliard said, "but lots of people come out to see it." ●



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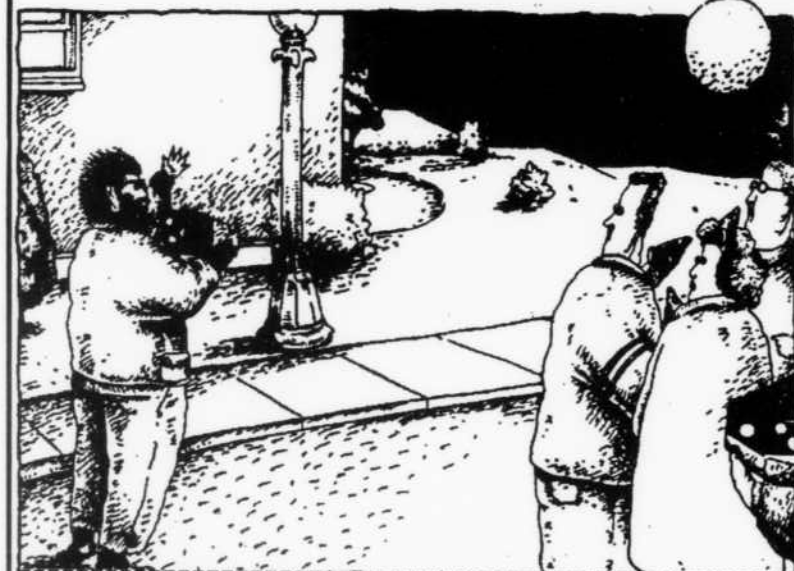
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## Sidelines editor appointed again

By Dustin Schrimpscher/staff

Mark Blevins has been appointed for a second term as Editor of *Sidelines* for the Spring semester.

*Sidelines* editors are appointed every semester by the Student Publications Committee headed by Glenn Himebaugh. Usually a new editor is appointed each time.

"It was an easy decision. Mark was the only applicant," said Himebaugh. "I have been impressed with what Mark has done with *Sidelines*."

"I'm pleased with the appointment. I really feel that it takes a semester to get the feel of [being editor]," Blevins said.

"There are a couple of views regarding the appointment of *Sidelines* editors. On one hand, if a different editor is chosen each semester then more students have the opportunity to share the wealth of experience it offers.

"On the other hand, if a new editor is appointed each

semester, most of his time will be spent getting the whole thing running smoothly which leaves little time for producing a quality publication."

Jenny Crouch director of student publications endorsed Blevins' application for editor.

"Mark had my endorsement because of his leadership and management style this fall," Crouch said. "His commitment hasn't been exceeded by any editor since I've been here."

Blevins hopes to improve the publication by increasing the amount of in-depth investigative reporting in *Sidelines*.

"I'd really like to take it up another notch," Blevins said. "I'd like to make the paper more relevant to students."

Blevins added, "I would really like to see the staff grow. Journalism students should realize that if they want to get a job after graduation they need some practical experience. *Sidelines* is a great place to get that experience."

## Great flying condoms

By College Press Service

It's a bird. It's a plane. No...it's a gigantic latex condom in the sky.

The 60-by-20-foot Sheik condom package was scheduled to fly over University of Colorado-Boulder's stadium during its homecoming football game. But luckily for UC-Boulder administration, who weren't thrilled by the prospect, the pilot couldn't get it up.

"It was airborne five miles toward the stadium, but the

pilot couldn't control it, or the plane" because of the downdraft from the mountains, said Don Mathews, owner of Banner Advertising in Denver. "So he [let it go] in the drop zone."

The UC administration is considering talking to Federal Aviation Administration about the safety of flyby advertisements.

But UC administrators, citing First Amendment issues, announced before the game that they were reluctant to try to stop the advertiser. ●

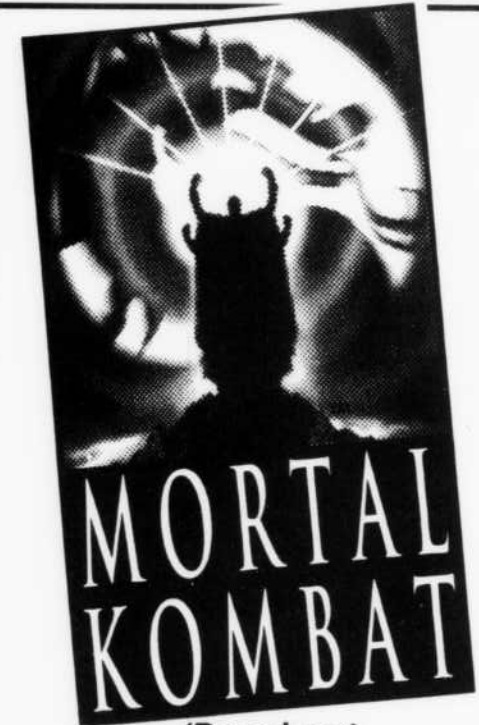
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# Campus Capsule

**Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.** would like to thank all those who participated and supported our week Nov. 12-18. Thank you for making our week memorable.

**Phi Beta Lambda** is selling paper pumpkins for \$1.00 for the March of Dimes. The pumpkins will be displayed on a wall in the KOM. Donations of \$3.00 or more will receive a paper pumpkin and a March of Dimes pin. There will be a table set up on the 1st floor of the KUC by the bookstore on Nov. 29-30. Come by and give a donation for the March of Dimes.

**MTSU Department of Public Safety** will be sponsoring the Marine Corps Reserves' Toys for Tots program. Marines and employees of the MTSU Department of Public Safety will be collecting new or like-new toys in front of the bookstore on Nov. 29 and 30 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. All toys collected will be distributed to needy children on the Middle TN area for Christmas.

**Clinical Psychology Club** will meet Dec. 1, 4:00 p.m. in Peck Hall room 201. John DeMarsalis will be presenting his Masters' thesis "Factors Influencing the Decision to Breach Confidentiality with HIV Clients." Refreshments will be served following a brief meeting. Everyone is welcome!

**The American Statistical Association** is sponsoring a talk by Dr. David Bass off the Office of Information Technology on "Estimation of Cure within a Patient Cohort using Parametric Survival Models: Application in Oncology and Gynecology," Friday, Dec. 1 at 3:00 p.m. in Jones Hall room 238.

There are openings in both the **MTSU Wind Ensemble** and

**Symphonic Band** for Spring Semester 1996. Anyone who plays a wind or percussion instrument in invited to audition. For information regarding the bands and auditions, please contact the Band Office, 155 Wright Music Building, 898-2993, by Dec. 1.

**Canterbury Episcopal Ministry** is sponsoring a trip to a Festival of Lessons and Carols at All Saints' Chapel, Sawanee, TN. All are invited to attend. Meet at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 315 E. Main, on Sunday Dec. 3 at 4:30 p.m. Dinner and transportation will be provided. Call Andrew Wright at 848-7964 for more information.

**Society for Human Resource Management Student Chapter** is meeting Dec. 4 at 4:00 p.m. room 106 in the Nursing Building. Larry Blick from Natural Resources Conservation Service will be giving a presentation on Mgt. and TQM training and Remote Satellite Training Refreshments served.

**College Republicans** will hold an organizational meeting Dec. 4, 7:00 p.m. room 316, KUC.

**PSI CHI/Psychology Club** will be hosting Dr. Toni Tang, Tues. Dec. 5, 4:00-5:30 p.m. in Peck Hall room 213. Dr. Tang will be speaking on "Hypnotism: Lecture and Demonstration."

**Phi Beta Lambda** is having their annual Christmas Party on Dec. 5 in the KUC from 10:40 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. For more information contact Penny Hunter-Davis at 895-0072 or J.R. Roberts at 898-3051.

**Sigma Tau Delta English Honors Fraternity** will hold their next meeting Dec. 7 at 6:00 p.m. to "whenever" at 141 Popular St., Murfreesboro. We

will have a social time and discuss O. Henry's "The Gift of the Magi." Members, guests and interested people are welcome. Call 893-2606 for directions or information.

**The Final Date to pay outstanding debts** to the University to hear your grades via Tram and/or receive a printed grade report upon request is Dec. 15.

**Applications will be accepted for a graduate assistant, CUSTOMS student coordinator, and Student Orientation Assistant (SOA).** The deadline for CUSTOMS student coordinator is Jan. 12. The deadline for a graduate assistant has not been determined at the present time. The application deadline for SOA's will be Jan. 16. Applications can be picked up at the KUC, room 122, Dept. of New Student Orientation.

**The Women's Leadership Conference** is now accepting nominations for the Women of Achievement Awards is held on Friday, March 8, 1996. Nomination forms are available in the June Anderson Women's Center, JUB 206. Nominations may be made by anyone who is currently a student, faculty member or administrator. Deadline for nominations is December 15, 1995. For more information, contact the JAWC at 898-2193.

**The Women's Leadership Conference** will be held on Friday, March 8, 1996, at MTSU. The conference is open to any female college student. The conference features Harriett Woods as keynote speaker, three leadership workshop sessions and the Tennessee Women of Achievement Awards. Cost of conference is \$15 and includes a continental breakfast, lunch and an afternoon reception. Registration forms are available in the June Anderson

Women's Center, JUB 206. Registration deadline is February 15, 1996. For more information, contact the JAWC at 898-2193.

**Honors Student Association Friday Night Flings** begin not-so-promptly at 5:00 p.m. in Peck Hall 108. Two movies are shown on the first and third Fridays. On the second Friday, special interest workshops are held. The fourth Friday features roundtable discussions to explore the opinions of students and faculty on various issues of debate. All events are open to HSA members and one guest per member. Come find out what you've been missing!

Anyone interested in tutoring of who would like tutoring assistance please call Tanisha Harris at 898-4056. This **Tutorial Program** is sponsored by the NAACP (educational committee).

**The Japan Center of Tennessee** is sponsoring a Japanese Tea Objects Exhibit through November in the lobby of Cope. The exhibit is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and on Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon.

**The Japan Center** is also sponsoring many off campus exhibitions. A Japanese Good-Luck Charms Exhibit will be on display in the Jean Keener Room, 442 W. Second North St., Morristown, TN. A Japanese Kite Photographs Exhibit will be on display at the Arrowhead/Aerospace Cultural Center Museum, 24 Campground Road, Manchester, TN. The public is invited to view the exhibit Monday-Saturday 9:30-4:00, with admission charge. The kites pictured are traditional Japanese kites crafted and photographed by Joy Smith of Murfreesboro. For more information on all these exhibits please contact The Japan Center of Tennessee at 898-2229.

**The Presbyterian Student Fellowship** at 615 N. Tennessee Blvd. hosts a cookout and discussion beginning at 6:15 every Wednesday evening and luncheons every Monday at noon. Contact Michael Malone at 893-1787.

**MTSU Speech Clinic** is sponsoring ongoing speech testing and therapy clinics in Boutwell Dramatic Arts room 232. MTSU students who need speech testing or therapy services should call the clinic at 898-2661 for an appointment.

**The Voices of Praise Gospel Choir** will have weekly rehearsals on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. beginning Sept. 11 at the Baptist Student Center. Contact Latresa McCamoll at 898-3989. Come join us!

**Intervarsity Christian Fellowship** has weekly meetings every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in KUC room 312. Call Trista at 898-3256 or Chris Ward at 898-3244.

**MTSU LAMBDA** is a gay, lesbian, and bisexual student group. It meets every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in Mass Communications Building room 104. All are welcome. For more information call the LAMBDA information line at 780-2293.

**The Canterbury Episcopal Campus Ministry** will meet Thursday, Nov. 30 at the KUC grill. Next Tuesday Canterbury will meet at the home of the Rev. Gene Wise, 143 Cherry Lane, at 7:00 p.m. for dinner and fellowship. Contact Rev. Andrew Wright with questions at 893-3780.

**Equestrian Team Meeting** every Monday night at 7:00 p.m. in the TLC sales Arena. Contact Lia Grove at 849-9876. Everyone is welcome.

**Raiders for Christ** meets every Monday at 7:00 p.m. in

the Middle Tennessee Christian Student Center at 1105 E. Bell St. Contact Mike Stroud at 896-1529 or Eddy Dyer 890-0488.

**The MTSU Anthropological Society** will meet every second and fourth Monday of the month from noon to 1:00 p.m. in Peck Hall 320. Students majoring, minor or expressing an interest in anthropology are encouraged to attend.

**The Pi Sigma Epsilon** is a national co-ed fraternity in sales and marketing. Men and women of all majors are welcome. General business meetings are held every Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. in KOM 163.

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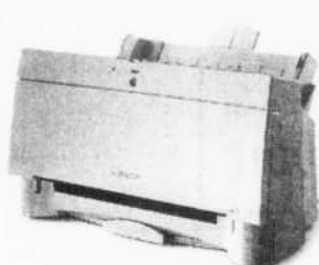
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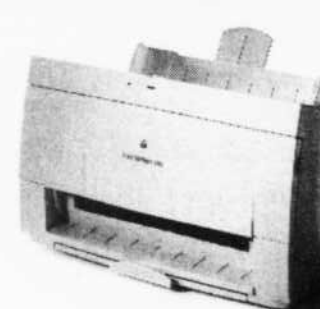
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# OPINIONS

SIDELINES

Thursday, November 30, 1995

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## Letters to the Editor

### A poem for women abused by their 'men'

To the Editor,

I would like to submit my poem and dedicate it to all women that are disrespected by their so-called men. I have a dear friend that is a victim, and too stubborn to admit it. Recently I had a talk with my friend and my frustrations put me in tears, and her humiliation left her in silence. As a result of our conversation I would like to submit this poem to express my concern and to send a message to all Precious Jewels.

Thank you for accepting my opinion and I look forward to reading my poem in your publication some day soon.

Sincerely,

**Candy Robins**  
Main Street

PRECIOUS JEWEL

Look at your beauty  
Feel your pride  
Always lift up what's inside

Your soul, your faith, your hopes, your dreams

And you wonder why I intervene

For love or company? Why waste your time?  
In debt or denial?  
In need or weakness?

If you give love learn to take it back

Learn to face reality and listen to the facts

Respect your body, your mind, your soul.....

Always remember your happiness is more

Precious than gold

-C. Robins

### Fear mongering loathsome in Medicare debate

To the Editor,

I read the letters from Darwin Colston and Jay Barger in *Sidelines* (11/20) and am astonished at their inability to do simple math. The programs are NOT being cut. There will be increased spending. That is the truth and Mr. Barger's figures prove it. The Clinton figures are "PROJECTED" spending. That's similar to your boss telling you that you deserve a

\$500 raise. When your boss says you only get \$200 because the company doesn't have enough money, would you call it a pay cut—No—It's still an increase.

If you want to talk about truth-twisting, one needs look no farther than the President and his wife. In 1993, both stated "Only in Washington is it believed that people can't get by on three times the rate of inflation." They both suggested that the rate of growth of Medicare be cut from 10 percent per year to about 6percent per year and insisted that it not be portrayed as a cut since the program could still grow. That's exactly what the Republicans did. Now you can't watch television without seeing the president condemning them for doing EXACTLY WHAT HE SUGGESTED.

I am neither a Democrat nor Republican. Both make me sick with their pandering and fear-mongering. At the same time, I am disgusted with distortions of truth by both sides, and in this case, the Democrats smell far worse than the others.

**Richard Pearl, Sr.**  
Adjunct Teacher

## YOUNG, YOUNG REPUBLICAN



## OPINION

### Congress has no business in late-term abortion decision

By Mary Cummins

Tiptoeing quietly through the Senate right now is a bill which makes illegal a specific type of late-term abortion, medically known as "intact dilation and evacuation." The bill specifically bans this procedure because it is "gruesome," although it is only used after the 20th week of pregnancy, a time when only 1 percent of abortions occur. More significantly, it is used only when the pregnancy seriously threatens a woman's health or life or when the fetus is severely deformed.

The frightening part of this bill, which has already been passed by the House, is that there is no real provision for saving a mother's life. Even if a doctor has to use this procedure for that reason, he can still be prosecuted. The doctor must then plead in defense that there was no alternate method of saving the woman's life. It is up to the doctor to prove himself innocent.

Since the doctor's medical judgment will be at the court's mercy, it will make very likely the possibility that a doctor may risk a woman's death in order to escape prosecution. Since this type of abortion is used by a woman who actually does want to have the child, it is usually a last resort when all other possibilities have been exhausted. How many of us could die while our doctors are looking for an "alternate method" of keeping us alive?

If we aren't paying attention, we may end up in the hospital one day with a fidgeting obstetrician standing over us saying, "Well, if this pregnancy isn't ended, you could die, but if I perform an abortion, I could go to jail...so let's just sit tight and hope you don't die, and even if you do, your death probably won't be as 'gruesome' as the abortion procedure would've been."

As a woman who will one day have children, this bill (and the thinking behind it) gives little consideration to the fact that I could die as a result, so forgive me if I am somewhat touchy about it.

The issue seems to come down to the question of

whether a woman should give up her life for her unborn child. Many hold sacrificial death to be a noble action, and if a woman is faced with the decision, she may willingly risk death in order to save the child. But is it really the duty of the U.S. Congress (only 10 percent of whom are women, by the way) to make that decision for her? Surely none of us believe that Congress should be in the business of deciding who dies and who doesn't.

If this procedure is used to save the life of the mother, then what's the point of the bill? The truth is that few are really as interested in banning this type of abortion as they are in appeasing a radically right political wing that just won't quit until it imposes its version of truth on the rest of us heathens. (These are the same enlightened folks who revere the sanctity of human life yet are ready and willing to send all the bad guys to the chair.)

Let me qualify my argument by noting that I am pro-life. But I don't endorse outlawing abortion, because I am not yet self-righteous enough to make that decision for anyone but myself. And I am so enraged by the rest of the "pro-life" movement that I wouldn't associate my views with theirs, anyway.

Why do we have this foolish little bill running through the House and Senate?

It's certainly not because anyone's concerned about children. If all these people crying, "Save the unborn!" were sincere, they would be just as adamant about saving the already born. Remember—this is the same Congress which is financially wounding our child care and educational systems.

I have little respect for a group of people who indulge themselves by shaming others. I was recently accused (rather violently, I might add) of supporting a political candidate who was "fer killin' babies." I wanted to reply that, yes, our goal is to win election so we can kill as many babies this year as humanly possible—we're going for the "Baby-Killing Liberal" award to add to the "Gerbil-Stuffing" one we got last year.

My point is that no one is "fer killin' babies" or even "pro-abortion." No one wants abortion. But a woman's personal life is within her own jurisdiction and no one else's. Especially if it is a life-or-death case. Let's not be so preoccupied with our own holiness that we are willfully blind to the suffering of other people. I would like to ask a question of the religious right—what will happen when the first woman dies as a result of this bill? Where will all your holiness be then?

**Mary Cummins is a junior Political Science student.**

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## Volleyball team eliminated in first OVC national tourney bid

By Rob Nunley/staff

The MTSU Lady Raider volleyball team surprised a lot of people this season by becoming the first OVC team to ever make it to the NCAA's final field of 48.

But the most successful season in Raider volleyball history came to an end last night, as the Lady Raiders were swept by their first round opponents in the East regionals of the NCAA tournament, the Colonials from George Washington University.

Middle won the right to go to the national tournament Saturday night at home, when they defeated Princeton's Lady Tigers 3-1 (15-11, 15-3, 15-9, 16-14). Yanira Santiago led the Lady Raiders with 27 kills against Princeton, while Tanya Maltes and Deb Anderson added 20 and 15 kills, respectively. Junior setter Nidza Castillo added 60 assists in the Princeton victory.

"It's very exciting," junior middle blocker Susan Bishop said after the Princeton win. "We've had this goal for a long time and we finally had the power to do it."

George Washington was appearing in their third straight

national tournament, and their players were ready for the competition.

"Princeton had fundamental players, but smaller players," senior women's administrator and former volleyball coach Diane Turnham said. "George Washington has some bigger players, and better athletes."

One of the Colonials biggest weapons was 6-4 outside hitter Svetlana Viturina, the NCAA's all-time kill leader. Viturina scored the first two kills of last night's match, giving the Colonials a 2-0 lead and setting the tone for game one, which George Washington won with relative ease, 15-1.

Game two saw the momentum swing in favor of the Lady Raiders, who took a 5-0 lead early in the match. But the Raiders weren't able to keep control of the volleyball and the Colonials came back to take a 6-5 lead.

Middle built a 13-10 lead while GW coach Suzy Holman was resting her star player, Viturina. But the 6-4 goliath came back in after a timeout and quickly changed the momentum of game two, giving the Colonials the 15-13 win.

The Colonials' comeback in game

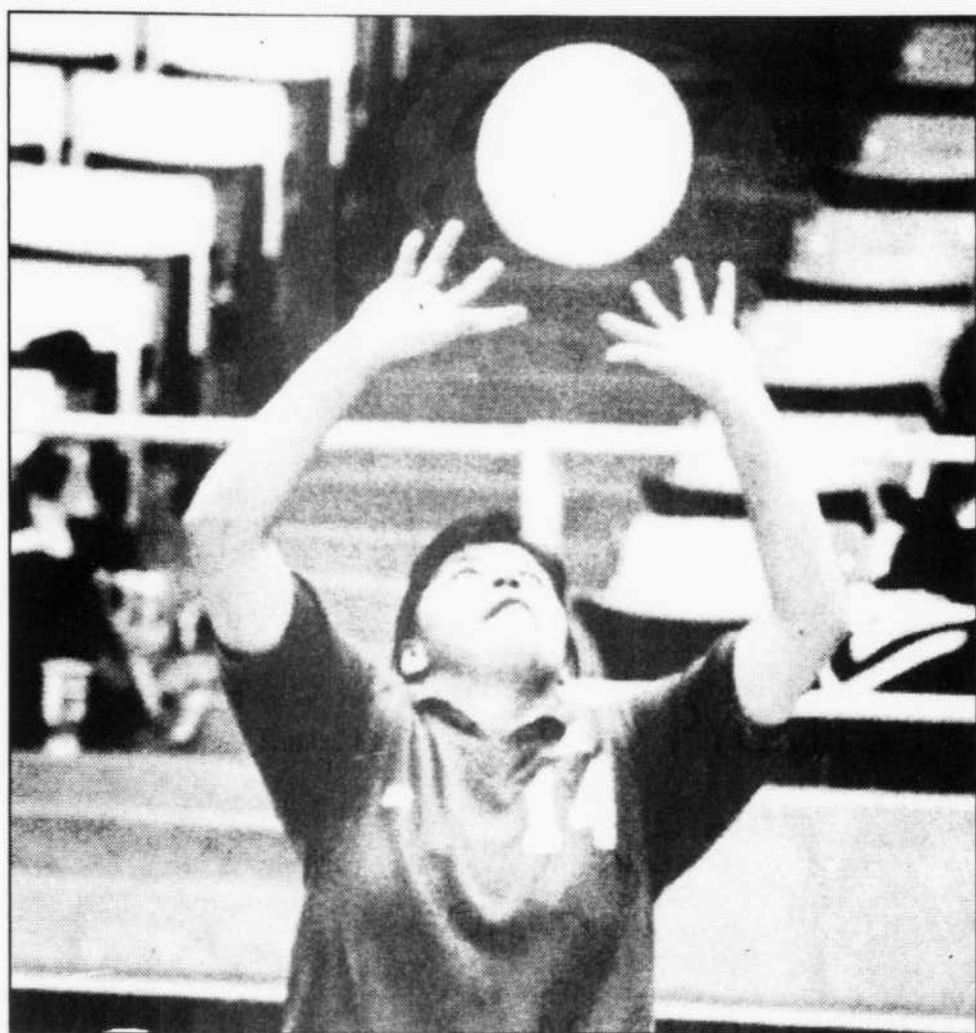
two seemed to take the wind out of the Lady Raiders's sails, as Middle allowed George Washington to build a 14-4 lead.

Seeing the match was about to slip away stoked what fire was left in the MTSU squad, and the Lady Raiders battled back through five match points to close the GW lead to 14-9, before a net violation call on the Colonials fifth match point gave GW the 15-9 victory and the match.

The Lady Raiders' record moved to 32-7, while the Colonials improved their record to 30-5, joining Middle as one of only three teams in the nation to collect over 30 victories this season. George Washington won the right to travel to Austin, Texas to face the Lady Longhorns of the University of Texas in the second round.

Turnham, broadcasting the match for the Blue Raider Sports Network, was quick to comment that last night's loss should not overshadow the incredibly successful season the Lady Raiders have had this year.

"It's been a great year for the Lady Raiders," Turnham said. "I know it's hard for them right now, but we're all very proud of them." ●



Carl E. Lambert/staff

Setter Nidza Castillo finished the season ranked as one of the nation's finest in service aces per game.

## MTSU tailback ends Raider career with fond memories

By Sean P. O'Toole/staff

About 30 years from now, when history majors go back in the annals to look for facts on the 1995 MTSU football team, three names will stand out: Dee Mostiller, Jonathan Quinn, and Brigham Lyons.

But only of those three will not be around next year.

After five years in a Blue Raider uniform, tailback Brigham Lyons donned number 29 for the last time on Nov. 19 in College Station, TX. But Lyons says that he could not

be happier with himself.

"Overall, I am very pleased with the way I played this year. I was injured the past two years, and to come out and play healthy, and play the way I did this year, that is about all I can ask of myself."

Through four seasons in a Raider uniform Lyons had already run for 1374 yards on 209 carries, racking up a total average of 6.6 yards per carry. Compare that to the NFL league average among running backs, at about 4.3, and there is a very strong argument to why he could be a great pro back. Lyons says he is very open to the idea of going pro.

"That has always been a long term goal for me. Only a small percentage on I-AA backs ever make it there. So if I make it, that will be

great. And if I do not, well, life goes on."

If he does make it to the pros, Lyons's first choice would be to play for his favorite team, the Miami Dolphins. But make no mistake, Lyons is very sorry to see the Blue Raider uniform go.

"I have had a lot of favorite moments here. Overall, I am just glad that I got to play college football. The list just goes on. I am very grateful to Coach Donnelly and all the other coaches for giving me a shot to do what I have done.

I am very glad that I got to be a Blue Raider."

And he has plenty of moments to be proud of. His favorite, along with most of the coaches and other players,

was his playoff record 81-yard touchdown run against Marshall, the eventual National Champions, in the 1992 playoffs.

A red-shirted freshman in 1991, he burst upon the scene in '92 as Walter Dunson's backup, and went on to rush for 641 yards on 75 carries and 10 touchdowns. Hampered by injuries in the '93 and '94 seasons, he rushed for just 733 total yards in those two seasons combined.

Lyons hopes that future MTSU players will have an opportunity to play for big stakes, such as National Championship Bowl games.

"I went through four years of I-AA football. It is not taken very seriously by the country," the tailback says. "When we become I-A, it will be

long overdue, and all the young players will be ready."

And Lyons may just be watching from his hotel. He may just have a Super Bowl ring or a MVP trophy by the time that MTSU gets the chance to play for the National Championship. Or maybe he won't. No matter what the future holds for Brigham Lyons, one thing that history can never take away from him is this: He may go down as one of the greatest running backs to ever wear the Blue Raider uniform.

However, don't count him out. If he gets his way, you may hear the name Brigham Lyons mentioned in the same breath with Emmitt Smith and Barry Sanders.

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# Basketball squads open seasons undefeated

## Lady Raiders open with win over nationally-ranked Ole Miss

By Rob Nunley/staff

The Lady Raider basketball team began its regular season in impressive fashion last weekend, collecting victories over Ole Miss and Southern Illinois.

Middle opened the season Friday night by hosting the Sports Belle Classic Doubleheader. The Raiders upset the No. 20-ranked Lady Rebels, 88-86.

The Ole Miss win, the Raiders' first over a ranked opponent since December of 1988, proved the strength of this year's recruiting class as freshmen Jonelda Buck and Carlita Elder led the team in the victory. Buck scored 23 points while gathering 10 rebounds and three blocks, while Elder added 19 points, including the eventual game-winning jumper with seven seconds left.

Sunday saw the Lady Raiders overpower the Salukis from Southern Illinois University, 66-48. Senior Trella Thomas connected on two free throws in the first minute of play to give Middle a 2-1 lead, and the Raiders never looked back. Consecutive 3-pointers from Jessica Beaty and Heather Prater highlighted a 16-5 Lady Raider run in the first ten minutes of the game.

The Raiders' offensive surge was due mainly to the fact that Southern Illinois simply could not get their shots to fall. The Salukis connected on only eight of 32 attempts in the first half, while the Raiders shot .423 (.571 from 3-point range) to take a 35-21 lead into the locker room at halftime.

Middle allowed the Salukis

to get back into the game somewhat in the second half, as Southern Illinois was able to capitalize on the quickness of their guards and a 3-pointer from forward Christel Jefferson to cut the Raider lead to nine.

"We didn't play good team-oriented basketball later in the game," Lady Raider head coach Lewis Bivens said. "But when you get a big lead sometimes you'll do that."

The Lady Raiders quickly rebuilt their lead later in the half, and a 3-pointer from senior guard Kim Francis gave Middle a 20-point lead with just over ten minutes remaining.

Although they continued to battle, the Raiders kept the Salukis from getting back into the game and held out for the win.

Buck was once again the leading scorer for the Raiders with 15, while grabbing nine rebounds and blocking two shots. Beaty added 13 points, six rebounds and three steals, while Thomas and Prater contributed nine and eight points, respectively, with Prater collecting nine rebounds and four assists.

Bivens was pleased with the success of his squad's inside play.

"We did a pretty good job getting the ball inside, kind of the opposite of the way we had been playing in other years," Bivens said. "We got Jonelda the ball good again and she put it in the hole well."

The Lady Raiders will travel to Malibu, California this weekend to play in the Pepperdine Tournament, hosted by Pepperdine University. Their first opponent in the tournament will be Houston, one of the best teams in the Southwest Conference.

Middle will return home December 8 and 9 to host the Lady Raider Classic tournament, competing against Belmont, Alabama and Jackson State. ●



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Blue Raider center David Washington grabs a rebound away from an Indiana State defender in Saturday's 81-78 win. The 2-0 Raiders return home Monday night to face the Northeast Missouri Bulldogs at 7:30.

## Raiders outlast Indiana State, roll by ORU to kick off season

By Rob Nunley/staff

The Blue Raider basketball team opened the 1995-96 season with two straight wins against non-conference opponents.

Middle opened its home season Saturday afternoon with a win over the Sycamores of Indiana State University, 81-78.

In a very close game, Middle was able to take an 18-16 lead with ten minutes remaining in the first half and stay on top for the rest of the game. Senior guard Tim Gaither scored with five seconds remaining in the first half to give the Raiders a 42-32 halftime lead.

In the second half, Indiana State closed in on the Raiders' lead. The Sycamores cut the lead to one with 3:25 remaining in the game, but the Raiders were able to outscore ISU 9-7 in the last minutes of the contest, with Gaither taking the lead role and showing the heady play that has made him one of the OVC's finest.

With thirty seconds remaining in the game and Middle clinging to a 77-75 lead Gaither, saving a ball about to go into the backcourt, had the presence of mind to call a time-out in mid-air to keep possession. After the time-out and a missed shot, Gaither came up with the loose ball to give Middle a new shot clock. Indiana State was forced to foul, and Gaither sank four consecutive free throws to seal the game.

"I'm supposed to be the leader out there," Gaither said of his play late in the game.

"The coach feels comfortable with me shooting free throws, and that's part of my role."

"Overall, I just thought we were really tentative," Raider head coach David Farrar said after the ISU win. "I think once we got up we were waiting to win instead of winning again, and I thought that was one of the biggest factors in the game."

The Raiders' shooting accuracy played a key role in their win Monday night against the Golden Eagle of Oral Roberts University, 91-74.

Middle shot 67.3 percent from the field in the win (33-49), including 76 percent in the second half.

The Raiders led by as many as 10 points in the first half and took a 41-34 lead into halftime.

In the second half, the Golden Eagles pulled within four points with 16 minutes remaining in the game. But the Blue Raiders buckled down and went on a 22-5 run over the next seven minutes, giving them their biggest lead of the game at 70-49.

Late in the game, Gaither's free throw expertise came into play again, as the guard sank six consecutive foul shots to lead the Raiders on to the win.

Nod Carter led the Raiders with 17 points, while Gaither, Aylton Tesch and Roni Bailey added 13 points each.

The Raiders will be in action again tonight, when they face Texas Christian. The Horned Frogs lost three straight games at the Great Alaskan Shootout.

"TCU is going to be a pretty irritated bunch when they get back, and they're obviously a very talented team," Farrar said.

Middle returns home Monday night, when they will face the Northeast Missouri Bulldogs. Tip-off is scheduled for 7:30 at Murphy Center, and admission is free to students with a valid ID. ●

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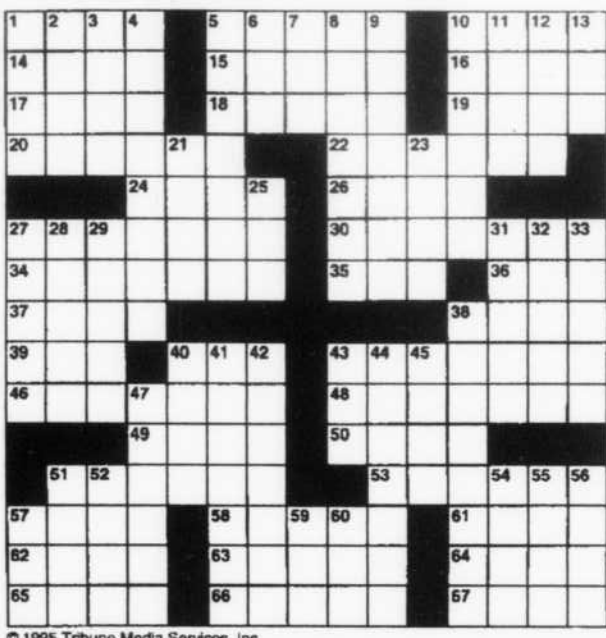
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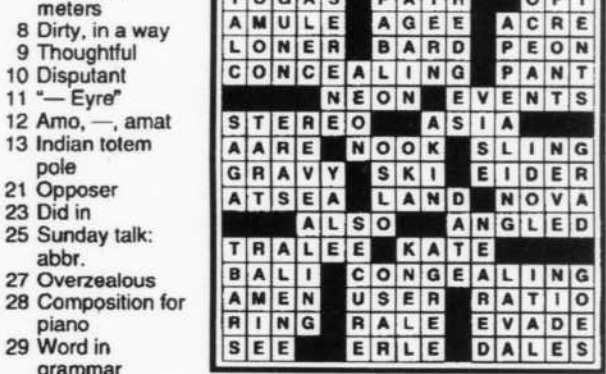
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# CD compilation of M'boro bands brought by student

By Elizabeth Fisher/staff

Dec. 5, 1995, marks the release date for "Centered," a compilation CD of Murfreesboro bands assembled by Dave Shoun and his Niceboy record label. Shoun, working on his master's degree in Business Administration,

conceived the project over the last year in an effort to capitalize on the amazing musical growth in the Murfreesboro area.

"I had been thinking about doing it for a while because of the area's growth. Last year I came up with the idea to do a compilation, and I started

getting bands together," he explains.

Shoun partially financed the project by holding two benefit shows. The bands featured on the disc recorded over the summer on Shoun's equipment at his now defunct dB Studios. The disc was mastered at Disc and DAT in

Nashville.

The project has been basically a solo effort although Shoun has received help from "a small staff of volunteers" — i.e. the folks at WMTS.

"Centered" features a wide variety of musical styles representative of the Murfreesboro scene. "We

made lists and people were added and deleted as we went along. It was a strange process."

The music ranges from techno and industrial dance numbers to mellow acoustic tunes, with quirky pop, ska and punk in between. The majority of the music, Shoun

describes as "predominately alternative or heavy uh... rock."

The artwork, by Rick Hawkins, Shoun describes as "Great! And the cover is just weird." The title is a play on Murfreesboro being the center of the state and the legendary Davis Market being the fabled center of the universe.

"The plan is to send out 100 copies as promos to about 55 college radio stations or any commercial stations which may play this type of music. Some will be sent out for review in magazines such as Maximum Rock & Roll. Distribution will be local and regional. If the stations are playing it, I'll locate the mom n' pop stores in the towns," Shoun explains.

As for the future of Niceboy Records, "I'm looking to get a few bands at first. If I had investors, then I'd try to branch out into other areas such as booking, management, distribution...

EVENTUALLY. But that would require capital up front," Shoun said. I'll probably start with one band since I already have all the equipment. I'd like for [Niceboy] to really be a label instead of a single project which it is now."

A free release party is slated for Dec. 5 at The Boro and will feature a surprise line up of the featured artists. Copies of the disc will be available at the show and in local music stores.

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## Biz student? Hit the soup kitchen

By College Press Service

PITTSBURGH, Pa.— Before some Buquesne University students enter the boardroom, they are asked to spend time in a soup kitchen.

Business students enrolled in the Business Ethics/Communication course are required to volunteer at local shelters and soup kitchens.

Dr. Jim Weber, the course's instructor and director of the Buquesne University Beard Center for leadership in Ethics, said he believes volunteering is essential to the corporate world, so he requires his students to do community work that will expose them to ethical concepts and decision making.

"Companies are becoming more recognized for socially responsible actions, and I would like to think the (volunteering) experience is not only good for the student, but makes them a better job applicant and a better employee," Weber said.

Students enrolled in the class are currently volunteering 15 hours a semester in the Pittsburgh community. ●

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