

Sidelines

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Klanwatch comes to campus

Speaker warns students on the dangers of white supremacy groups

Warren Wakeland
News Editor

More than 150 students gathered amid tight security at KUC Theatre Tuesday afternoon to hear Laurie Wood of the watchdog group Klanwatch speak on the topic, "White Supremacy Groups: A National Overview."

Klanwatch is an arm of the Montgomery, Ala.-based non-profit Southern Poverty Law Center which monitors white supremacist and hate crime activity throughout the United States.

Klanwatch also produces several publications about white supremacy.

"We go to college campuses, and give law enforcement departments training seminars on how to watch for paramilitary activity," Wood said. "People think of the Ku Klux Klan as something from the 60s. It is still very much alive today."

The group files class-action civil lawsuits against the supremacist group rather than singling out the individuals who have committed the particular

crimes. "Civil lawsuits curtail a lot of the activity (of the groups), and a lot of the weaker members will drop out which makes recruiting harder for them," Wood said. "It also helps us obtain information on the groups."

"Our main objective is to put these groups out of business," Wood said. "If you attack the whole group and take away their financial supply, it makes a bigger dent in the movement."

The lawsuits have made the Klan more wary about the way they present their information in public, according to Wood. She said members are now told not to speak about violence in public so as to undermine the threat of lawsuits.

Wood stated figures from 1993 that show as many as 25,000 active white supremacists in the United States, with membership growing quickly due to the new image of the Klan.

"The 1980s brought changes in the white supremacy movement," Wood said. "The Klan got the military look that is epitomized by people like David Duke."

"White supremacy groups used to count many of their members as police officers," Wood said. "They now see law

enforcement as the enemy."

There are currently more than 300 active white supremacist groups in the United States, including more than 100 Klan groups and 87 skinhead groups. The skinheads are responsible for the majority of hate crimes committed in the United States over the last few years, according to Wood.

"Today, the groups are more dedicated and more violent, and their members are also more dedicated and more violent," Wood added. "Their access to weapons is greater. Most of the groups stockpile weapons."

According to Wood, there were six active white supremacist groups in Tennessee in 1993, including a branch of the Aryan Nation based in Murfreesboro.

"White supremacists do not target just blacks," Wood said. "They target anyone who is not white."

Victims of violence are one of the groups most targeted by the white supremacist movement for recruiting.

"They exploit recent news issues, such as the Los Angeles riots," Wood said. "They go right into the areas affected to recruit victims."

According to Klanwatch statistics, there were 30 murders



Robbie Watts, staff

JUST ROUTINE: William Beasley (officer on left) and Darrell Collins (officer on right) watch students walk through a weapon detector and search their belongings at the Klan Watch speech and slide show in the KUC theater on Tuesday.

attributed to hate crimes in 1993. Two-thirds of the murders were motivated by racial bias.

"The majority of hate crimes are not committed by people associated with organized hate groups, but by ordinary people," Wood said. "You cannot pick out the haters easily."

Children have also become a target due to their ability to be

easily influenced by adults.

"Recruiting kids has become a very important part of the white supremacist message," Wood said.

The dangers associated with the supremacist movement could be seen by the metal detector placed in the entrance to the theatre. Students were not allowed

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Aerospace Club helps homeless

Mark Blevins
Staff Writer

Last Saturday afternoon the MTSU Aerospace Club teamed with the Rutherford County chapter of Habitat for Humanity to help build a house for less fortunate residents of Murfreesboro.

Members of the club spent the afternoon roofing and putting up walls for a house on Academy Street.

"Starting off we probably hit as many fingers as we did nails," said club treasurer Byron

Trantham. "It was real cool. We had fun."

When someone receives a house from Habitat for Humanity they are required to work 500 hours for the program. The Aerospace Club donated 60 hours for a Murfreesboro man who could not work because of a brain tumor.

Joe Peoples, president of the Rutherford County chapter of Habitat for Humanity, said he was pleased with the work the group did.

"Their main contribution was

to provide elbow grease," Peoples said.

The club also donated \$400 to the local chapter of The United Way from a benefit party they threw two weeks ago at a local bar, according to Trantham.

The club currently has 38 members and is open to any Aerospace major. Trantham said the club was basically defunct before the fall of 1992 when interest was revived.

"We've been trying really hard to get people back in it," he said. ■



Scott Neely, staff

HELPING THE HOMELESS: Members of the Aerospace Club finish cleaning up Friday afternoon after putting a roon on a Habitat for Humanity house.

Students help children solve speech disorders

Ryan White
Special to Sidelines

Three Communication Disorders and Speech and Theatre majors assisted MTSU Speech and Theatre professor Kay Garrard at the poster session conference for the Tennessee Association of Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists held in Gatlinburg, Tenn., April 8-10.

"The conference is a statewide program for speech pathology," Garrard said. "Instead of students doing a lecture, posters were used to explain their study."

Jay Chaudoin, Amy Grandstaff and Julie Judkins reported the progress of three kindergarten- and preschool-aged children with speech sound errors at the conference.

"Records were kept on the children. Pre-tests were given before treatment, and post-tests were given to show their

progress," Garrard said. "Progress was significant. Some children were dismissed with corrected speech."

The project was supported by a 1993 grant from the MTSU Faculty Research Program.

"When the grant was awarded I went to area schools to recruit children for speech treatment classes," said Garrard. "The children had clinical services at the Speech, Language and Hearing Clinic on campus," she said.

"There were 15 poster presentations," Garrard said. "The students who worked on the projects were all graduate students except those from MTSU."

"Our group did very well," Garrard said. "In fact, another professor who I talked with thought that the students were graduate students." ■

Klan...

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access to the speech without passing through the detector and undergoing a thorough search of their belongings.

In 1985 the Klanwatch offices were set on fire, and three Klansmen were convicted of arson in the attack. The founder of Klanwatch, Morris Dees, has been the target of death threats

attributed to supremacist groups.

The presentation was part of the Holocaust Lecture Series sponsored by the Tennessee Holocaust Commission, the MTSU Multi-Cultural Committee, the MTSU African-American Studies Program and the College of Liberal Arts. ■



Ever Get A Pal Smashed?

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CAMPUS CAPSULE

898-2558 for more information.

Friday, April 15

The Student Tennessee Education Assoc. (STEA) will hold the State Spring Convention from 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. If you are interested in a future in education call 893-5598.

Saturday, April 16

Help "Save the Earth" at the Children's Discovery House Museum from 1-4 p.m. Activities will include planting a tree and flowers, tie-dyeing t-shirts, and art activities using recyclable items. "Recycled Zoo," a collection of animals made out of common household items, is on display now at the museum. No admission cost for members. Non-members pay \$2. The museum is located at 503 N. Maple St.

Wednesday, April 20

Campus Recreation is sponsoring a weight lifting competition at 5 p.m. Sign-up in room 201 in the AMG. There will be five weight divisions and a \$5 entry fee. Call Ed at 898-2104 for more details.

Thursday, April 21

The Fourth Annual Cancer Nursing Symposium will be held from 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. today and tomorrow at the Murfreesboro Holiday Inn. Call 898-2462 to register.

The Society of Professional Journalists will meet at 5 p.m. in the Sidelines office. All members or anyone interested in fulfilling a career in Journalism needs to come. Officers will be elected. Call Jenny at 898-2815 for more information.

Friday, April 22

Campus Recreation is sponsoring a parent-child canoe trip at 3 p.m. Sign-up in room 201 of the AMG before April 18. Cost is \$5. Contact Ed at 898-2104 for more details.

Saturday, April 23

Campus Recreation is sponsoring a rock climbing and rappelling trip today and tomorrow at Fall Creek Falls State Park. No experience is necessary. Sign-up deadline is April 20. Sign-up in room 201 of the AMG.

Saturday, April 30

The American Heart Association is sponsoring a one-day bike ride at 8 a.m. along Natchez Trace Parkway for approximately 65 miles. Contact Cynthia Crane at 327-0885 for more details.

Wednesday, May 4

The third annual MTSU Accounting Alumni Appreciation Day will be on campus today. Any Accounting graduate or person who has taken many accounting courses can attend. Call

Ongoing

MTSU students who need speech testing or speech therapy services should call the MTSU Speech Clinic at 898-2661 for an appointment.

Sign up now to go mountain biking with Campus Recreation, May 11-17. Students, faculty and staff pay \$50 and guests pay \$55. Transportation and camping equipment provided. Sign-up deadline is May 2. Call 898-2104 for more details.

Anyone who had a photograph made for Midlander in Dec. or Jan., and has not yet received proofs, please call 1-800-654-8810.

The Bhakti-Yoga/Vegetarian Club meets every Monday from 6 p.m.-8 p.m. Everyone is invited. Contact Jonathan Maxwell at 898-3801 for more details.

The Society of Environmental Professionals meets at 5 p.m. on the first and third Thursdays of each month in the Wiser-Patton Science Building-room 201. New members are welcome. Contact Leonard Walther at 731-1684 for more details.

The Crisis Intervention Center needs crisis call volunteers. The next training class starts April 22. Call 298-3359 for more information.

Whitewater Raft trip on the Ocoee River will take place April 30 - May 1. The cost will be \$30 per student and \$35 per non-student.

Transportation and equipment will be provided. Space is limited to 25 participants. Sign-up deadline is April 25. For more information contact Campus Recreation at 898-2104.

The Students of Professional Journalism are in need of reporters, layout people, cartoonists, photographers and editors to help put out an 8 to 12 page daily tabloid newspaper at this year's convention in Nashville. Interns will receive free convention registration, including meals, free hotel room, social events and a resume credit. Applicants will be accepted through May 15. Call Laura Hill at 322-6610 for more details.

The Christian Center meets every Monday at 7 p.m. and every Thursday at 8 p.m. Tuesdays they meet for lunch at 11:45 a.m. Call 896-1529 for more details.

The Tennessee Society of Certified Public Accountants will hold a student manuscript contest, open to all Tennessee undergraduate and graduate accounting majors. Entries must be in by April 29. Send entries to TSCPA, P.O. Box 596, Brentwood, TN 37024-0596.

APRIL 15 - TAX DAY



Photo courtesy of Tennessee Quad Crushers

THE CHAMPIONS: Members of the Tennessee Quad Crushers return from winning the National Quad Rugby Championship in Boston March 27.

Wheelchair rugby team wins 1st national title

Defeats Tampa, Fla. for championship

Kelley Lloyd
Staff Writer

The Tennessee Quad Crushers, Murfreesboro's wheelchair rugby team, defeated the two-time defending national champions from Tampa, Fla., to win the National Quad Rugby Championship March 27 in Boston.

"I am real proud to be associated with the team," said MTSU Director of Disabled Student Services John Harris. "They have shown that they are a real force in this sport."

Wheelchair rugby is a combination of basketball, football and ice hockey using a volleyball on a basketball court. Each side plays with four players at a time. The four must have a total level of disability based on the amount of muscle movement per player.

Four quarters of eight to ten minutes each are played. Teams have 15 seconds to bring the ball across half-court and must bounce the ball at least once every ten seconds. The ball must be carried across the back line of the goal box for a team to score. Players can be knocked out of their wheelchairs if necessary to prevent a score.

The Murfreesboro team consists of eight players, including MTSU graduate, eight-time 1992 Paralympic gold medalist, and multiple world record-holder Bart Dodson, and MTSU senior Donny Sweeton, a four-year

member of the team.

"We've come a long way and put a lot of work into it," Sweeton said.

The coaches of the team are Tony Tettinato, who was voted the national tournament's most valuable player, and Lee Ellis, the director of support for the Easter Seals foundation.

The team finished the season with a record of 40-9, playing in tournaments against teams from Tampa; Valdosta, Ga.; El Paso, Texas; and San Diego, Calif.

The Quad Crushers hosted and placed second in a tournament at Murphy Center in early January, and placed second in the regional tournament to qualify for the national tournament.

Disabled Student Services is an indirect supporter of the team, but the Quad Crushers have no formal sponsorship. Most of the players spend their own money to participate.

"They have recently won the national championship," Harris said. "I believe they will get the recognition they deserve."

Practices are held in Murphy Center one night a week during the regular season, which runs from October to May. Information about the wheelchair rugby team or questions regarding sponsorships may be directed to Disabled Student Services at MTSU. Contact John Harris at 898-2783. ■



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FROM THE ASSOCIATED PRESS WIRE

NATIONAL ROUNDUP

House approves ignition locks

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Judges could order more drunk drivers to use ignition interlock devices under legislation approved Monday by the House.

The devices, which won't allow a car to start if the driver has alcohol on the breath, could be required on anyone with a suspended license or a DUI conviction who has a prior conviction for driving on a suspended license.

The House made some minor changes to the bill, sending it back to the Senate. The same version of a bill must be approved by the Senate and House before it can be sent to the governor to be signed into law.

The House also approved legislation allowing stronger punishments for a drunk driver who has a prior conviction for running into someone while drunk behind the wheel.

The bill had

previously passed the Senate and was sent to Gov. Ned McWherter with little debate on a 97-0 vote.

Charges against Sutton dropped

GALLATIN, Tenn. (AP) — Charges against the sheriff of Sumner County have been suspended for two years because prosecutors think there is a "distinct possibility" of a hung jury if the case were tried.

Charges against Sheriff Richard Sutton, 63, will be expunged if he has no brushes with the law during the suspension period. He was charged with official misconduct and destroying evidence for flushing drugs confiscated from his daughter down a toilet.

Co-defendant Dale Eldridge, a former Hendersonville sargent, was placed on pretrial diversion for two years. He was charged with official misconduct, aiding in the destruction of evidence, official oppression

and coercion of witnesses. His record will be expunged in two years if he breaks no laws, pays court costs, and does not work in law enforcement during the unsupervised probation.

Eldridge gave Sutton the drugs allegedly confiscated from his 29-year-old daughter, Kimberly Street, in March 1993.

Williamson County prosecutor Joe Baugh said he still thought Sutton and Eldridge acted improperly.

"This is not a resolution I would have made if I could control everything," Baugh said.

"Just like all compromises, you have to give and take. I think it is in the best interest of justice."

Chances better for state lottery

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The chances of Tennesseans getting to vote on whether they want a state lottery are a little better today.

As those chances

grow, so does the likelihood that the vote will be held in 1996 — not this year.

The Senate voted 21-8 on Monday for voters to decide Aug. 4 if they want to convene a constitutional convention to consider the lottery issue.

The convention would meet in July 1995 and adjourn 60 days later. But voters would not get to vote until the next statewide election, in November 1996, on establishing a lottery.

Senators approved the convention call after Sen. Steve Cohen, D-Memphis, said he did not have enough votes to pass his resolution to let voters decide Nov. 8 whether to repeal the constitution's anti-lottery provision.

Cohen delayed until Wednesday a vote on his resolution. He said his plan, which is one way of amending the state constitution, is in trouble and he will amend it to make sure than it would not legalize casino gambling.

Cohen charged that Tennesseans are spending

millions of dollars in Mississippi casinos, where gambling is legal.

"Tennesseans are giving Mississippi the fattest budget they've ever had," Cohen said.

The resolution would let voters decide Aug. 4 if they want to convene a constitutional convention to consider the lottery issue.

To amend the constitution that way, voters would elect 33 delegates — one from each senatorial district — in November.

The constitutional convention would convene July 11, 1995, meet for no more than 60 days and adjourn by Sept. 30, 1995.

Voters would decide, in November 1996, whether to amend the constitution by approving the convention's recommendations.

The legislation originally included a provision to let constitutional convention delegates consider issues concerning county officials and whether their offices are needed.

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Opinions

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Low-income grants needed at MTSU

MTSU tuition is pretty low, but it has gone up every semester for the past six years consistently.

In that time, the amount of assistance available to students has gone down.

It doesn't take an A in Math 300 to figure out that some people are on the wrong end of this deal.

Last year Congress tightened Pell Grant funding laws because the program was in debt. That was good. It was interesting that Congress was active in trying to balance any aspect of any budget but, as usual, the way they went about it was all wrong.

They changed the laws so that students who had an income of over \$7,000 were not eligible for Pell Grants.

This makes sense for students who are still dependent on their parents and who receive assistance from them for college. But any student who lives and supports himself independently and makes \$8,000 a year can't afford to pay for even MTSU's low tuition.

Aside from Pell Grants, the only option students have to pay tuition is loans. And even though Guaranteed Student Loans offer good interest rates and delayed payments, they force students to begin their professional lives in debt.

MTSU Financial Aid Director Winston Wrenn has been somewhat of a whiz at steering students through the tricky maze of financing a college education. But he can't create money out of thin air.

Students give themselves an advantage by filing early for financial aid and for applying for scholarships.

This is a working-class university. Thirty percent of the students here, or over 4,000 students, receive some sort of Pell Grant assistance. Even more rely on some amount of government loans.

The government needs to rethink its priorities and find a way to make sure these students who deserve it are able to get the education they need to be productive citizens. ■



We need a lottery

Kentucky beating Tennessee out of much-needed revenue for state needs

The Conservative Philosopher

CHRISTINA BASIEL



Tennessee should have a state-sponsored lottery.

A lottery would increase state revenues, expand the economy, and

keep more money within the state's borders.

In a state-sponsored lottery, a mere 15 percent of the revenues generated is spent on the administration of the lottery. Thirty-five percent of the funds is paid as prizes and 50 percent is deposited into the state treasury. This means that 85 percent of the money generated by a lottery would be absorbed, directly or indirectly, by the people.

In Tennessee, it is estimated that a lottery would generate about \$110 million dollars annually. This money could be funneled into educational improvements, increased funding for crime control and prevention, or improvement of the infrastructure.

A lottery would also help to expand the state's economy by

Anyway you look at it, be it gambling, consumer sales, or state sales tax, the Kentucky lottery is taking money out of Tennessee.

increasing employment and consumer spending.

Along the northern border of Florida, a chain of stores known as the Lotto Snack has become the state's second highest lottery ticket distributor, while providing employment for hundreds of people and earning the company millions of dollars each year. The store sells food, beverages, and gasoline, along with lottery tickets, and its locations along the interstate have provided interstate travelers an opportunity to invest in Florida's public and private sectors.

A state lottery would also keep more money within the borders of Tennessee. Several states which border Tennessee already offer lotteries and many Tennesseans simply cross the border to indulge their penchant for gambling. One merely has to travel to the oh-so-close Kentucky border to see that most of the license plates on the cars parked outside of the lottery outlets are not from Kentucky but from

Tennessee. These gamblers not only buy lottery tickets—they also buy food or gasoline, or they take their chances on the horses or at bingo. Anyway you look at it, be it gambling, consumer sales, or state sales tax, the Kentucky lottery is taking money out of Tennessee.

Lotteries have been a part of the history of the United States from its beginning. Early American roads and canals were financed by lotteries and the prestigious institutions of Princeton and Dartmouth were also funded by lotteries. For over 200 years, selected states have benefitted from lotteries.

Besides the financial benefits of a lottery, people simply enjoy participating in them. While the chances of ever winning are excruciatingly slim, the dream of winning millions of dollars has exploded recent jackpots to the hundreds of millions of dollars. It is exciting to play and hey, someone does have to win.

It is time that the good people of Tennessee be given an opportunity to establish a state-sponsored lottery.

While the leaders of the state legislature are stalling the inevitable, we the people are being deprived of the benefits generated by a lottery. ■

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

People aren't living until after birth

To the Editor:
In response to Don Schneller's recent letter, which in part criticized African-Americans for having abortions at a rate much higher than whites, I offer these thoughts.

It doesn't take a rocket scientist to understand that a fertilized human egg is just that—a fertilized egg—NOT a child. I realize Dr. Schneller is not a biology professor, but simple common sense makes ludicrous his views that terminating a pregnancy is murdering a human being. No one considers a carton of eggs to be a carton of chickens; no one considers an acorn to be an oak tree; and it is just as ridiculous to consider a human zygote a living, breathing human being!

Additionally, the Bible indicates in Genesis 2:6 that one is not a living being until God has breathed into his nostrils the breath of life. Humans take their first independent breath after delivery; therefore, Biblically speaking, one is not a living being until after birth.

I feel Dr. Schneller's outrageous accusations of African American females in our country being murderers is untrue, unfair and inappropriate.

In conclusion, the conser-

vative movement steadfastly opposes welfare and other social programs designed to aid needy African-American and other minority families. It baffles me how such a group, of which Dr. Schneller in his letter proudly proclaims to be a part, could care so much for unborn fetuses, and care so little for the real children who are here.

Sincerely,
Jack Miller
MTSU Box 6816

Liberals among worst in censorship practice

To the Editor:
I was surprised to see a story about a feminist group who claimed responsibility for destroying 10,000 pro-life inserts intended to be distributed by the Miami Hurricane.

This group, as you'll recall, littered the student center of Whitten University and poured red paint over the supplement boxes. (Hmmm—red paint, blood? Abortion, death?) "Pissed Off Wimmin" or P.O.W., showed just how immature and discriminating liberals can really be. First of all, I'm offended by their name. It's vulgar, and being a veteran I'm insulted since it insults another group of veterans, POW's, prisoners of war. Their use of POW is derogatory. Not only that, they tried to squelch another

group's First Amendment right to free speech, a right that was fought for.

This is not the only incidence of censorship by liberals. In December of 1993, copies of the *Retriever*, a University of Maryland newspaper, were removed because some people did not agree with its criticism of the Los Angeles riot. Nothing was done because the state attorney general's office said the paper was free.

Don't liberals realize advertisers buy space in these newspapers? Don't they realize people have the right to present an issue even if it doesn't agree with their perspective?

It just goes to show you how hypocritical some liberals can be. Why can't they deal with an alternate point of view? Why do they have to dismiss it as propaganda?

Those of us with conservative leanings don't confiscate liberal papers. If we did we'd have to confiscate *Sidelines*, *Nashville Scene* and probably a few paper-dispensing racks. I'm surprised many of the left-wing radical groups at MTSU didn't confiscate last semester's *Sidelines* because of its alternate viewpoints.

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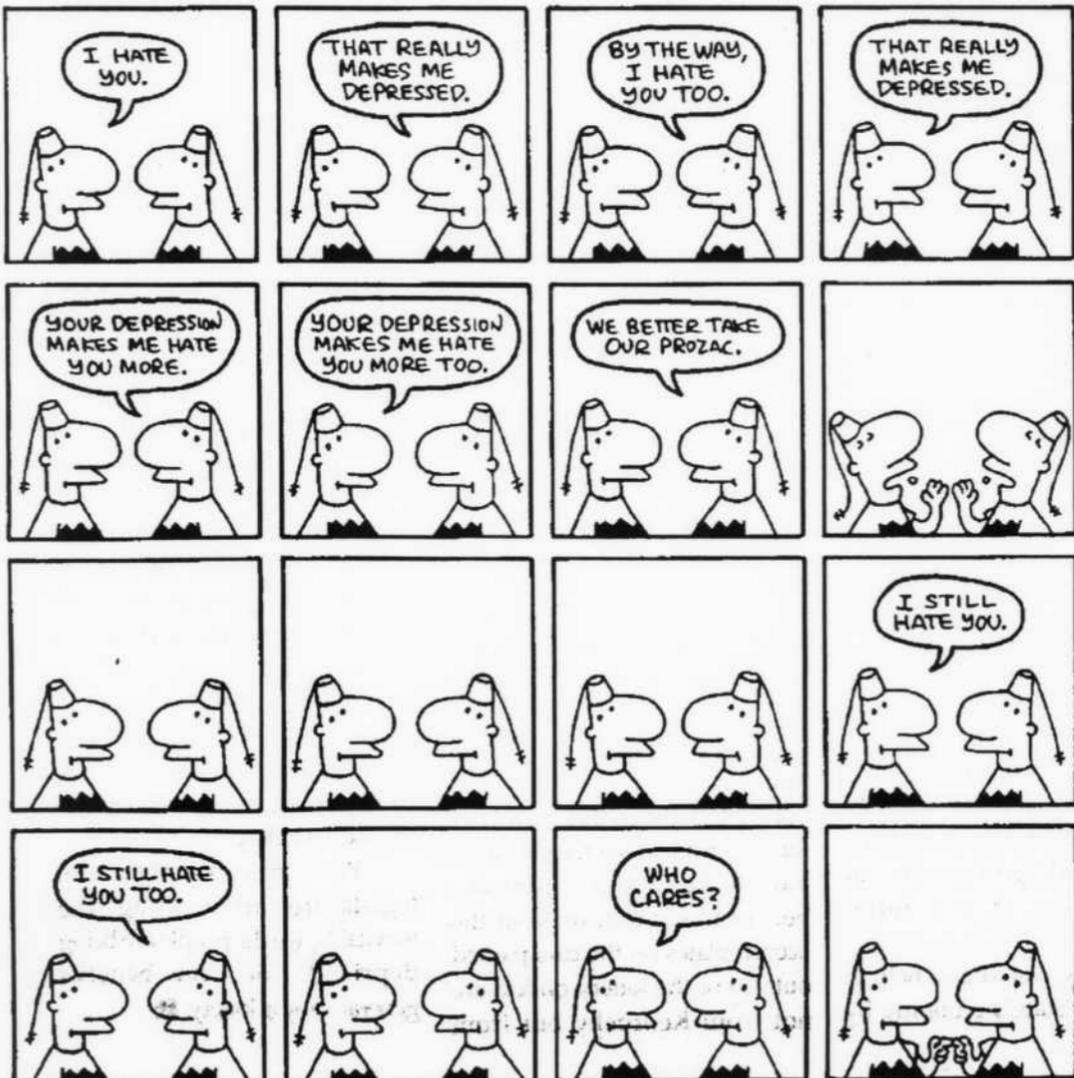
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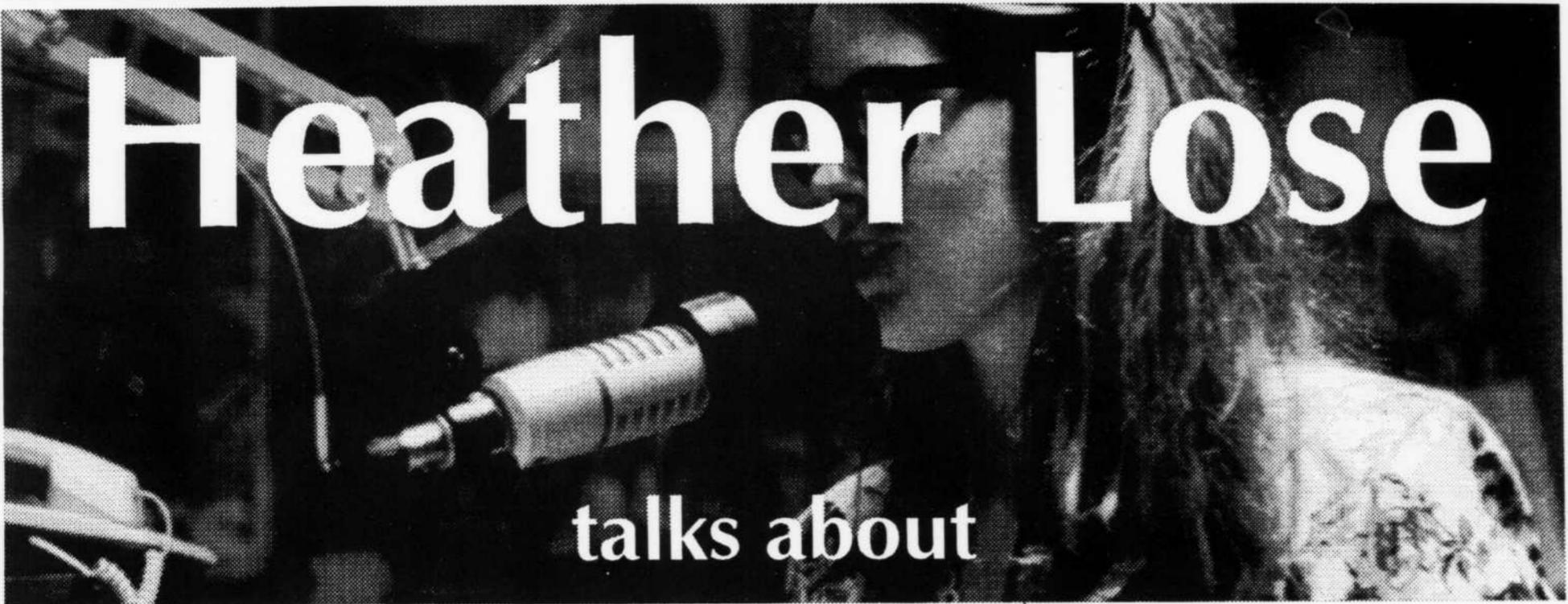
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Features



Heather Lose

talks about

Those crazy kids with their wild music

Interview by Robin Dixon, Features Editor ■ Photos by Scott Neely, staff

Rushing back and forth in a small, dungeon-like room cluttered with hundreds of compact discs, Heather Lose is trying desperately to start her show.

"This is really a bad day," she says excitedly. And all you see is a blur of black horn-rimmed glasses, pink socks and green army boots.

After the first few hectic minutes of air time, Lose (rhymes with verbose), disc jockey for FM 94 at night, settles into her chair and begins her show in a calm, easygoing voice that only a DJ could have.

Talking into a microphone with a piece of heart-shaped candy (that reads "so fine") taped to it, Lose begins the first radio giveaway of the night.

"...And if you're caller number seven you'll have the new *Rollins Band* CD in your HOT little hands before you can even buy it."

After the commercial break a flood of phone calls fill the room, until even Lose loses track.

"Oh shit! What caller did I say, seven or 10," she asks in utter confusion. "I can't believe I just did that!"

All apologies to caller number seven.

A Nashville native, Lose graduated from Hillwood High School in 1984, with nothing but a love of music to guide her. Attending classes at MTSU for a year (she fondly remembers a white-haired professor in the Mass Communication department who was "really cool") Lose began her career at Rebel 100, the forerunner of Radio Lightning.

"Before Rebel 100 changed their format, we were playing stuff like *The Cult* and *The Cure*," says Lose. "When it changed, I remember that one of the first songs they played was [by] Barry Manilow."

So, what does a DJ do when her radio station starts playing the best of Barry Manilow? Easy. In true Beverly Hillbillies manner, you pack up all your bags and you move to Los Angeles. Unlike the Clampetts, however, Lose didn't live in a big mansion with a cement pond in the back. She had no friends in Los Angeles, little money and even lived in her car for a short while. Her first break came when a position at *HITS Magazine* opened.

"You can't really find *HITS* in stores or anything, but all the record labels get it," she says. "I was really lucky that they needed somebody right away."

After working at *HITS*, Lose went on to become the production coordinator at Chameleon Records. While there, she began to discover a latent talent within herself: discovering other people's talent. With her newly found gift, she signed one of her favorite groups — Ethel Meatplow.

"They're really a great band," says Lose. "We had to go up against Geffen and Atlantic to sign them."

So, with a promising career with a successful record company, why come back to Nashville at all? Easy. Magic Johnson.

"I was at the Lakers game when the riots broke out," she explains. "The riots were here, the Lakers were sucking, I went through a couple of earthquakes...

so I came back to Nashville."

Across the hall from Lose is a spacious room with purple-colored bricks, a sinking gray couch and a desk with a pair of Chinese meditation balls off to the side. Behind the desk, Keith Coes, DJ for FM 100, is looking down at Second Street traffic. A true veteran of the radio business, Coes has been with FM 100 for over three years, and was with 91 Rock before that.

"We're both pretty much alternative," Coes says, about the differences in FM 100 and FM 94 at night. "Over here you might hear Tom Petty or Bob Marley, while Heather will play *Rage Against The Machine* or *Soul Asylum*."

Radio Lightning has been available to the Murfreesboro area since February. Before then, there was a void in the musical spectrum, says Lose. Not being coy, she readily admits that the target audience for 94 at night is "Generation X."

"We'll play the Bad Brains and the Alice in Chains and see if we get any phone calls," she says. "A lot of people do call in and say, 'I wish you were on 24 hours a day,' but they don't understand that we have to find sponsors for that."

Many other people, however, call in just to "hang out." A group of Mega-Video workers from Smyrna called in to invite Lose for a few beers at a local bar.

"Which I'd probably do," she admits. "If I wasn't so busy."

While 94 at night has only been on the air for a short while, it is certainly not without competition.



YOU'RE A WINNER: Heather Lose takes the name of a contest winner Friday night at WRLG.

"I've noticed that they [other stations] have kept an eye on what I'm playing," Lose says. "Surely they don't think that little ol' me sitting in here is a threat to anybody."

New age, new wave, alternative, metal, whatever you choose to call it (Lose herself

doesn't know what to call it), it isn't just a job to her.

"We're just winging it right now, but I'm right where I'm supposed to be," Lose says. "We're limited in equipment and money, but I think it's an art doing it like this." ■

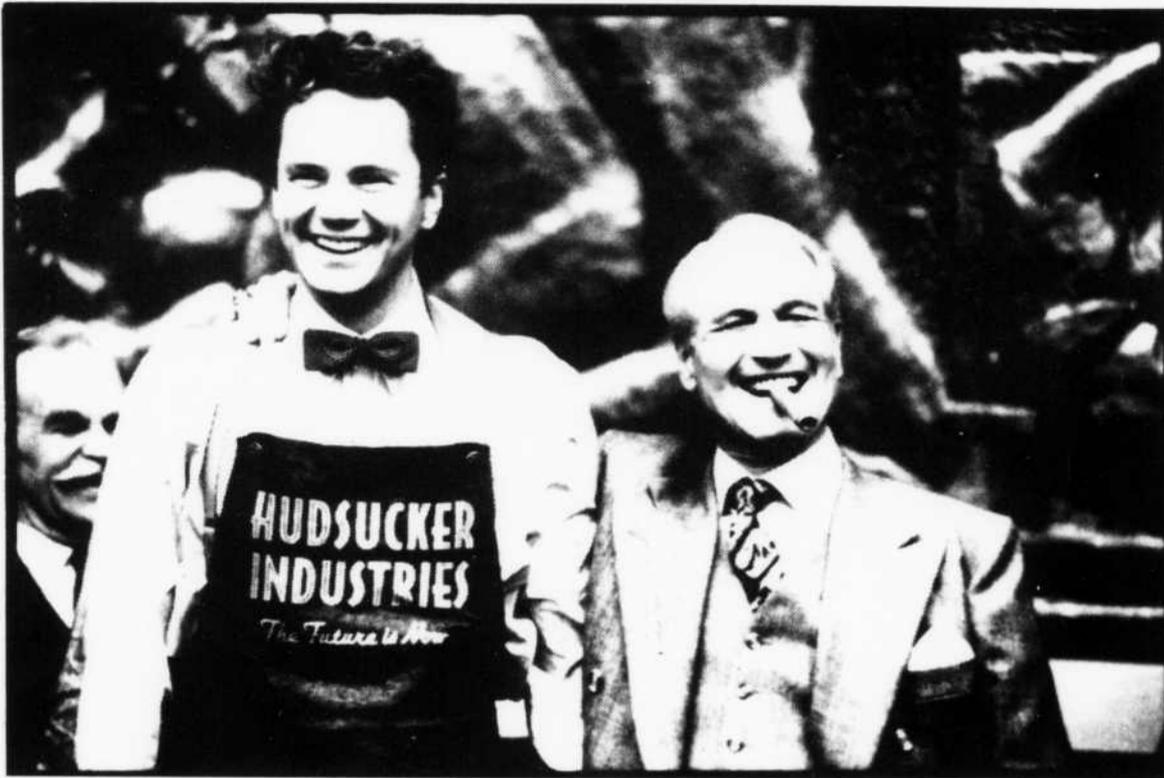
Coens be praised: 'Hudsucker' may be last film you ever need to see

Jason T. Sparks
Senior Writer

Norville Barnes arrives in New York in 1958, looking for a job; he winds up in the mailroom of titanic Hudsucker Industries. When the company's founder decides, during a monotonous board meeting, to kill himself by jumping out of a window, his evil right-hand man Sidney J. Mussburger decides to set up a new, idiotic president so the company's stock will drop in value and he can buy the lot of it. Herein is established the plot of Joel & Ethan Coen's latest film, "The Hudsucker Proxy."

And I am fighting hard to keep from telling you that it is the last film anyone will ever need to make.

The film, which the Coens have been trying to make for roughly seven years, exists in its own complete universe. It is a world of boundless skyscrapers, giant offices, cartoonishly busy mailrooms; it is the universe of "Metropolis" and "Brazil," the universe designed by Terry



Hudsucker Proxy: Norville Barnes beams as Board Chairman Sidney J. Mussberger (Paul Newman) makes him president of Hudsucker Industries in Warner Bros.' industrial fantasy "The Hudsucker Proxy."

Gilliam and the late Anton Furst, who designed for the two "Batman" films. Mussburger's office, for instance, is on the same

level as the building's clock; we see the shadow of its second hand sweep down the walls every few seconds.

Of course, all the brilliant sets in the world won't carry a film, and that's not the case here; every performance in the film is brilliant.

Tim Robbins is Norville Barnes, the nebbish graduate of the Muncie College of Business who has become the head of what may be America's largest corporation—because he's far too dumb for the job. But the manic optimism that fueled Bob Roberts and Griffin Mill also fuels Barnes; he keeps relentlessly pushing his invention—a circle. His only explanation is that it's, "you know...for kids!" It's rather the "Rosebud" of the film, so I will not explain it here.

Sidney Mussberger is played by Paul Newman. Remember watching Jason Robards in "Philadelphia" and thinking that his character was Satan incarnate? Imagine how that would've been if he was still considered incredibly handsome. Newman plays the best kind of evil—honeydripping, smooth evil.

Now, the plot gets fairly visible around the middle third; Barnes's ideas, despite being stupid, work, and he becomes the toast of the business world. Sidney's cunning plan is, of

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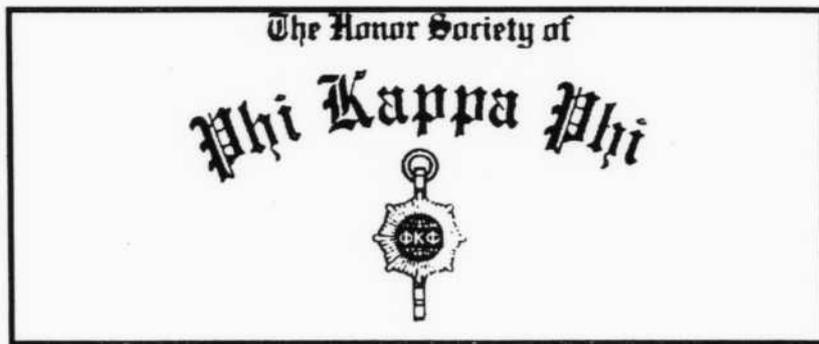


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Sports

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Raiders ready to run tonight

Host first outdoor meet in three years

Tony J. Arnold
Sports Editor

Middle Tennessee track coach Dean Hayes hopes to be singing the praises of 'Home Sweet Home' tonight when his Blue and Lady Raiders host their first outdoor meet in three years.

"It's always good to be home," admitted Hayes. "We haven't had much of a chance with our schedule and the dates open that there are. It's been a while since we've been home."

While the teams often host indoor meets, the outdoor track schedule is limited. But Hayes wanted to give it a whirl on a weeknight and attracted interest from Western Kentucky and UT-Chattanooga.

"We tried to get a couple of schools that were close so we could host it on a weeknight and we wanted to have it on an evening during the week so the

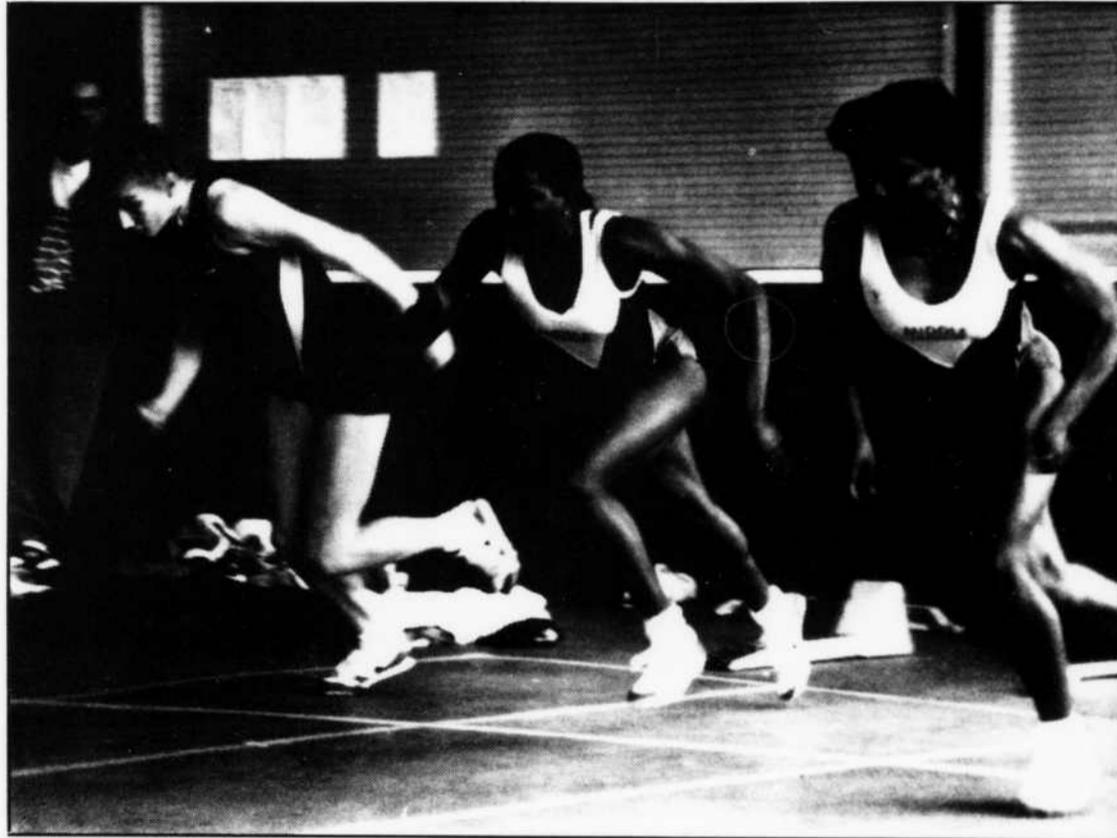
students could come out and see us," Hayes said.

"It should be some good competition. Western has a really good team and UTC is pretty decent."

The meet also rewards Hayes' senior men, who four years ago brought track back to Middle Tennessee after it had been disbanded due to budget cuts. And their sacrifices to build the program back haven't gone unnoticed by Hayes, who is world renowned and has been involved in coaching with numerous household names such as Carl Lewis.

"There is no question that this group is very special to me," Hayes said. "They have to be special just for bringing the program back, and they'll always hold a special place no matter what."

The senior-dominated squad
(Please see Track, page 14)



Charles Hogue, staff

AND THEY'RE OFF: Members of the MTSU Lady Raider track team leap off the starting line just as they'll be doing tonight at the squad's outdoor meet. Both the men and women will be in action beginning at 5:30 p.m. at Horace Jones Field.

Big Blue set for stretch run as OVC action grows tense

Middle must come together to get back in conference race

Travis Millsaps
Assistant Sports Editor

After getting a blow to their hopes of a fifth straight Ohio Valley Conference title last weekend, MTSU's baseball team looks to regroup this weekend against Murray State in Kentucky.

MTSU now finds itself at 3-4 in the conference and 14-14 overall (statistics as of April 12). Presently they are in sixth place in the OVC. Only the top four teams in the conference are invited to the postseason tournament.

"My goal right now is to win as many conference games as possible and get into the tournament," said coach Steve Peterson. "There is always the outside possibility of us winning the championship, but to do that...[the] teams that are in front of us [must] falter."

"I've seen some signs of us improving, both physically and mentally. I think it is more mental with our ball club right now. I think our ball club knows what they need to do and I think they'll do it."

One place the Blue Raiders

"I think our ball club knows what they need to do and I think they'll do it."

-- Steve Peterson
MTSU baseball coach

have not struggled this year is at the plate. As a team, they lead the OVC with a .306 batting average. Individually, Mudcat Brewer is second in the conference at a .389 clip and Jamie Walker is sixth at .360.

Scott Haralson, who has taken over at second base since Walker was injured, is hitting .368. He does not have enough at-bats to qualify for the league leaders, however.

Also hot at the plate have been Doug Barner (.321), Clay Snellgrove (.315), Chris Price (.308), Craig Reavis (.302), and Jamie Hicks (.299).

The pitching staff and defense of the Blue Raiders are two areas the team needs to improve. The team ranks sixth in the league in pitching with a 5.70 earned run average. Defensively, the team is

seventh in the league with errors and a .940 field percentage.

Richie Conway has been the hill for the most innings of Raider. He has pitched 30 innings and has a 2-2 record with three saves. His ERA is 5.70.

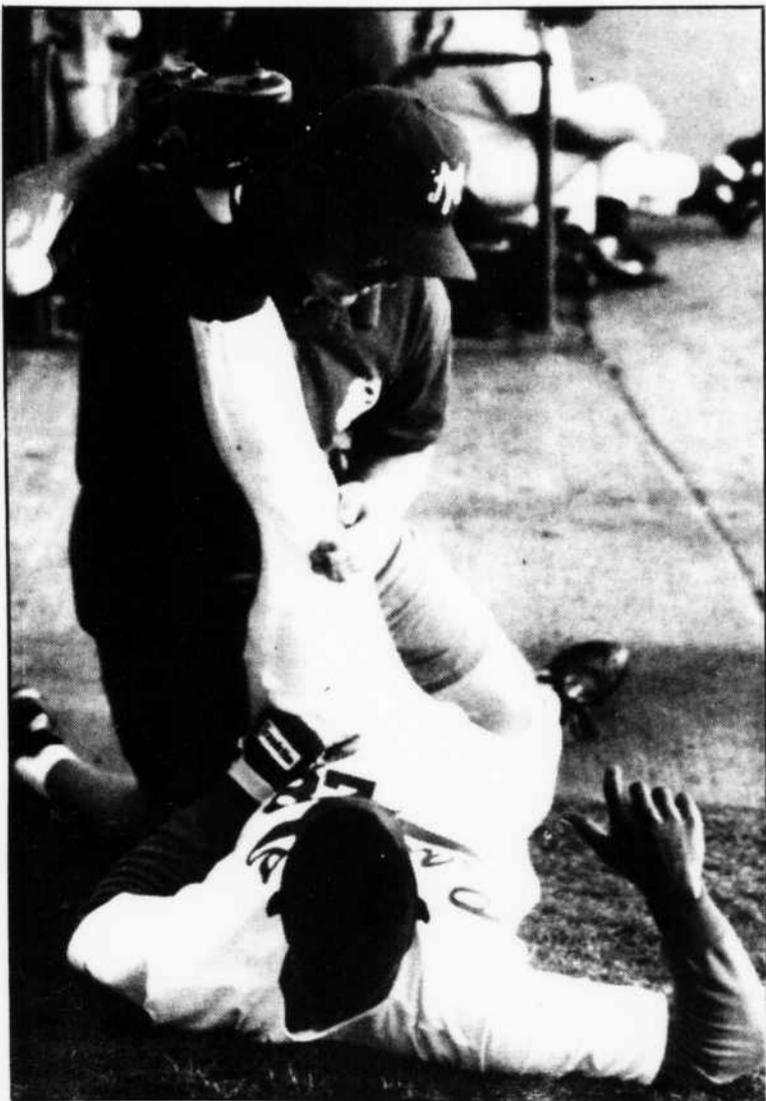
Jason Stanton has the most wins for MTSU. He is 3-0 with a 2.18 ERA in 20 2/3 innings. Brian Swistak has also been busy on the hill. He has logged 28 1/3 innings and has a 2-3 record with a 5.70 ERA.

Patrick Mayes and Reavis have also seen plenty of action on the hill for the Blue Raiders. Mayes is 1-1 with a 5.13 ERA in 1 1/3 innings of work, while Reavis is 2-2 with a 5.33 ERA in 25 1/3 innings.

One thing affecting MTSU this year has been the tremendous amount of rain this area has received.

"We haven't missed a lot of practice time, what we've lost is seven ball games," said Peterson. "Those seven games have drastically affected our pitching staff. Some pitchers that defin-

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Charles Hogue, staff

WORKING OUT THE KINKS: MTSU trainer Tony Kegley helps outfielder Chris Price stretch out before the Blue Raiders game Monday night.

Let the puck wars begin!

Hoenie takes slap shot hoping to score goal with playoff predictions

This is the first time in history that a new for the National Hockey League playoffs is to be printed at *Sidelines*. I've tried a year to get it through some thick-skulled heads that the NHL should be recognized at *Sidelines*. Well, they finally gave it a chance. This is for all the avid key fans and northern transplants.

The NHL is also in a new transition and the playoff format has been changed. No longer will there be a division championship series to decide which team goes to the Cup. Instead, the two divisions in their conferences will be paired by total points in the usual eight spots open, with number one and two spots awarded to division leaders. The playoff system is revamped like the NBA.

Another big change this year has been the division names. They will no longer be known as the Adams, Patrick, Norris and the, but Americanized to the Atlantic, Northeast, Central and Pacific divisions. Conference names are also changed to Eastern and Western from the Whales and Campbell.

Teams will no longer face the same old teams they faced for decades. Rivals such as Montreal and Boston may not even face each other in the playoffs. Teams are at a big disadvantage when facing a team from the other division because they have only



Greg Hoenie
Production
Assistant

played those teams three times a season, instead of six or seven times like teams in their own division.

For the Eastern Conference and President's Trophy winner (which is awarded to the team with the best record in the whole league), the New York Rangers have claimed rights to the number one slot in the East. The Rangers, coached by ill-tempered Mike Keenan, are powered by a good offense, led by Mark Messier and a lot of ex-Edmonton players. The trade of Gartner for MacTavish at trade deadline this year will hurt the Rangers more than they think, as it was a bad deal! Defense for the Rangers is good this season. Brian Leetch is the next Ray Bourque, and Sergei Zubov is second in points for a defenseman this year. In the goal position is Mike Richter, who has been on top of his game for the last two years.

The Rangers will most likely face the New York Islanders. This will be a big problem for the Rangers, who will have no

home ice advantage in this series. Last Sunday was a harbinger of what is to come for the Rangers as they lost to an inspired Islanders team. When the playoffs are at hand, the Islanders always dig deep in their hearts and play above their game. Pierre Turgeon and Benoit Hogue are the inspirations that get this team going. Look for an Islanders upset in seven games.

In the number two slot is the Pittsburgh Penguins. This team is loaded with offensive potential. The key to their success is Mario Lemieux avoiding injury this year. This year's Penguins did learn how to win without Mario. This might help them if he goes down, but when they face the harder teams, their lack of defense will be their ticket out of the race.

Washington is in the seventh position and plays Pittsburgh. I don't see them doing very well this year. Dale Hunter is a proven world-class goon. Look forward to seeing him and Tocchet scrap. Washington just doesn't have the depth to match up with the Pens, even if Lemieux is out.

The New Jersey Devils are a sleeper, having been overshadowed by the Rangers all season long. The Devils have the second-best record and a defense that can shut down any team out there. They've had only one problem — beating the Rangers. If the Rangers go out quickly, the Devils should

make it to the Cup.

With two key injuries late in the season, Boston is done. Stick a fork in them; hit the reset button. Ray Bourque and Cam Neely are out with injuries; Bourque might make it back but I wouldn't hold my breath. Easy first round for the Devils.

Buffalo has come out of nowhere. This team stunk at the beginning of the year and Pat Lafontaine was also out for the year. But defense has come around strong and the offense has learned to score behind Dale Hawerchuck and Alexander Mogilny.

Montreal Canadiens are the Stanley Cup Champions of last year but have not been playing very good hockey this year. Patrick Roy has been injured most of the season and Kirk Muller has not had a good year. The only thing Montreal has over Buffalo is that they have put the Sabres out of the playoffs the last four years. Don't look forward to seeing Montreal making a second straight appearance in the playoffs.

In the Western Conference, the Detroit Redwings have won the number one seed. This team reminds me of the Penguins' 1992 team and the reason is coach Scotty Bowman. This team has a high-powered offense with Yzerman, Fedorov, Ciccarelli, Ysebaert and Sheppard: Ouch! This team has looked good on paper for the last two

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Coley Jackson, staff

MTSU Hit King

Blue Raider baseball standout Mudcat Brewer collected his 210th hit last week to become MTSU's all-time hit leader. Brewer, shown here going into a home run trot, is a senior from nearby Smyrna. Last year's OVC Player of the Year, Brewer appears to be on line to repeat as he ranks in the top 10 of five offensive categories this season. Currently, he leads the OVC in doubles and runs.

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would have worked in those games, did not get the opportunity to pitch.

"Baseball is a game you have to play consistently. Pitchers need innings under their belts and hitters need at-bats. We've got some guys that definitely would have had more at-bats that are not getting them.

"The toughest position to play in baseball is the bench, sitting by the coach," said Peterson. "Those games were definitely opportunities for those guys to get some work."

Despite struggling throughout the first part of the OVC schedule, MTSU still has four weekend conference series to play.

Track...

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will be led by eight-time All-American Roland McGhee and the 400/800-meter relay team of McGhee, Ron Lloyd, Carlos Gupton and Micoh Otis. This quartet won their relay at the Dogwood Relays in Knoxville this past weekend.

The current senior class, which also includes Richard Primm and Tom Hampton, has won two indoor and one outdoor OVC title since the teams' reemergence.

MTSU's women are the reigning OVC indoor champions and placed eighth in the NCAA.

Pucks...

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years. Motivation is what gets them every time. I just hope Bowman can keep them motivated.

This is the San Jose Sharks' first playoff appearance in its history and what a quick one it will be! The Sharks will get jumped four games to zero and then go fishing. These guys should stick to cutting bait.

The number two slot goes to the Calgary Flames (Hey Travis, doesn't that "Flames" name seem familiar? Could it be Atlanta?). Fleury and Nieuwendyk are the offense to stop, and you should watch out for Mister Slap-shot MacInnis. This team is old and speed is the question mark. First round might not be a problem for the Flames, but the legs give out in the second round.

The Chicago Blackhawks aren't fooling anyone. This team is also old. The loss of Steve Larmer to the Rangers has hurt the offense all season. The only bright spot on the team is three players: Roenick, Chelios and Belfour. This team will be down and out in four.

Pat Burns knows defense and so do the Toronto Maple Leafs. Burns made a close run at the Cup but faltered last year. This year the team will be better if the defense doesn't go into a relapse like it did against the Kings. Toronto should win the first round with no problems, but in the later rounds

That gives them more than an opportunity to get themselves in the postseason tournament.

"I'm not downplaying OVC champion, we very much want to be that," said Peters. "However, we've been the OVC champion. What this team really wants is to win the OVC tournament, the NCAA play with the Southern Conference winner, and advance to the national tournament.

"Winning the OVC championship is nice; you get a championship ring, a nice trophy and it continues a string of what we've done — but it is not the bottom line."

MTSU will also be in action today when they travel to Cumberland University. ■

They are led by Jaqui Brown who has won 12 long jump and triple jump titles. Natalie Douglas won the 55 meters at the NCAA Indoors and will run in the 400 meter outdoor race at the NCAA Championships.

Reigning OVC discus champion Tina Rumsey returns in action as does hurdle champion Nadrian McGill. NCAA hurdle champion and All-American Dionne Rose is injured and will be unable to compete.

The first event will be discus starting at 5:30 p.m. at Horace Jones Field. At 6 p.m. the long jump will be held, followed by the running events. Admission is free. ■

the offense could become obsolete and you have to score goals in the league to win.

From the Vancouver Canucks, don't expect too much; they had a lackluster season. Their defense is just as bad as their offense. The only bright spot on this team is Pavel Bure. Nedved is gone, and Janney is pissed. The team is going home early.

The Dallas Stars have been slumping for the last couple weeks but, fortunately for them, they play St. Louis. The Stars have the offense behind Russ Courtnall and Mike Modano, which will be enough to beat St. Louis. After that, Detroit should take care of the Cinderella Stars.

The worst thing St. Louis did this year was sign Peter Nedved. Vancouver had the rights to him and the league awarded Vancouver Craig Janney compensation. St. Louis just lost number one center, Craig Janney, who was the set up man for Shanahan and Hull. Dumb front office.

The Western Champion will be the Detroit Redwings. In Bowman's first year and he should be able to keep them motivated. The Redwings lose the final to the Eastern Champion New Jersey Devils, whose defense will shut down the Redwings in six games. The Devils will claim their first Stanley Cup.

So there you have it, folks. History in the making. Let the puck wars begin! ■

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GO FORTH CONSESSION STAND-Location in front of Duds and Suds on Greenland Drive. We have the best Bar-B-Que in town. Come by and sample our Bar-B-Que. Sold by the sandwich or by the pound. Footlong Polish Sausage, Hot Dogs, Chili dogs, Homemade Lemonade, and Iced Tea, Homemade Pies and Pudding, Fresh Cooked Pork Rinds, and Cotton Candy. Hours: 10:00am-5:30pm Monday-Thursday. Bring this ad by and receive free Iced Tea or Lemonade.

Money for any worthy cause—books, rent, food? Fast loans or buy gold, designer items, jewelry—other valuables. **GOLD-N-PAWN**, 1803 N.W. Broad St. 896-7167.

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6. Opportunities

Earn up to \$2,000+/month working on Cruise Ships or Land-Tour companies. World travel (Hawaii, Mexico, the Caribbean, etc.). Summer and Full-Time employment available. No experience necessary. For more information call 1-206-634-0468 ext. C5504.

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10. Services

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Need a job? MTSU's Student

Employment and Placement Office can help point you in the right direction. Some listings are available as well as resume and interview advice. Call Ext. 2500 or come by KUC 328.

HEAD COUNSELOR wanted to direct and supervise teen day camp program. Adventure based

21. Help Wanted

programming, sports, and general camp activities geared specific to 13-15 year old campers. Looking for enthusiastic, self motivated individual who is willing to master the challenges of working with teens. 9 week YMCA day camp program June 13-August 12. Salary range \$2400-\$2700. Applications accepted through April 22. Contact Brian Jenney at the Donelson-Hermitage YMCA 889-2632.

Wanted: **RELIABLE TELEMARETERS** for growing Hickory Hollow area insurance agency. Experience desirable, but not necessary. Flexible hours, evenings & weekends. If interested contact Terry Newport at 731-5330 or 895-0499

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For Sale-1992 HONDA 250-X FOUR WHEELER. Excellent

40. For Sale

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MTSU Health fair set for Saturday

Jessica Clayborn
Staff Writer

MTSU's Murfreesboro Alumnae and Eta Psi Chapters of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., will be sponsoring a Health Care Fair and Political Forum Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the JUB.

There will be several elected officials present to inform the public on various aspects of health care.

"Lynne Farrar from [U.S.] Representative Jim Cooper's office will be discussing the Cooper [health care] plan," said Kreda Yokley, fair director and AKA alumna. "Sharron Brown from the governor's office will also be speaking to the public about TennCare. There are a lot of people who [still] don't understand TennCare, so she will discuss it."

Others scheduled to attend include Murfreesboro Mayor Joe Jackson, Tenn. Rep. John Bragg, Supreme Court nominee A.A.

Birch and Rutherford County Executive candidate Bill Ketron.

"We have target areas in our sorority and one of these target areas is health care," said Sondra Willis, president of Eta Psi chapter. "We want to give everyone a chance to get free testing."

There will be door prizes and booths offering numerous services, including cholesterol and dental screenings, blood pressure, and sickle cell testing.

"Anyone who is interested in listening to the speakers should be informed that they will begin at 11 a.m.," said Yokley.

The sorority is anticipating a large turnout and encourages everyone in the community to attend.

"We will try to [hold the fair] every year," said Willis. "But if we can't, we'll try to do some activity involving health care."

The event is free and open to the public. ■

Here comes the sun...



AAHH...SPRING: Where a young student's fancy turns to Hacky-Sak and sidewalk decorations. John Luttrell (r) enjoys the warm weather as do Karen Fulford and Holly Dunlap (above).



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Broccoli compound found to block breast cancer in rats

Paul Recer
AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rats exposed to powerful cancer-causing chemicals and then fed compounds extracted from broccoli have a lower risk of developing breast tumors, according to a study by Johns Hopkins University medical researchers.

The study, published today in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, identified the anti-cancer chemicals as sulforaphane and some closely related compounds. All are found in broccoli and other vegetables.

In a process not thoroughly understood, these vegetable compounds tend to amplify the

body's own defenses against chemicals that can lead to cancer, the report said.

"Most cancer-causing chemicals are themselves innocuous until they enter cells where they are converted to enzymes which are highly reactive and are capable of initiating tumor formation," said Dr. Paul Talalay, a Hopkins researcher who is co-author of the study.

Sulforaphane and its chemical cousins, he said, cause the body to produce another type of enzyme that blocks the cancer-causing action of the first enzyme.

"The second family of enzymes tend to detoxify the effects of the other enzymes," said the researcher. He called the results "quite dramatic."

In the study, Talalay and his colleagues exposed 145 rats to a powerful cancer-causing chemical called DMBA. Twenty-five of the rats were used as controls and received no drug treatment. The rest received various doses of sulforaphane and related compounds. The drugs were synthetic copies of the compounds found in vegetables.

At the end of 50 days, 68 percent of the control rats had developed mammary tumors, but only about 26 percent of those receiving high doses of sulforaphane developed cancer. Similar results were found for another substance, called compound 2, that is related to sulforaphane. Other related compounds also were effective,

but to a lesser degree.

Talay said that he studies showed the sulforaphane-type chemicals tended to either prevent or delay tumor formation and that when cancer did develop, the tumors were smaller and less numerous.

The vegetable compounds seem to work only as a cancer preventer and have no effect on tumors that have already started, said Talalay. As a result, he said, cancer patients should not expect benefit from broccoli binges.

The experiment, which follows an earlier test-tube study by the Hopkins group that identified sulforaphane as a possible cancer preventer, is the first by the laboratory to prove that the vegetable compound can

work in animals. Talalay said a clinical study with human volunteers is planned.

Sulforaphane and related compounds are found in what are called cruciferous vegetables. These include broccoli, cauliflower, brussels sprouts and cabbage. Earlier studies have shown that people who regularly eat these types of vegetables tend to develop less cancer than those who avoid this type of food.

Talay said the Hopkins research is aimed at determining how humans can best use these foods in preventing cancer. To do this, he said researchers must identify the active chemicals and then determine which foods are richest in these compounds. ■

Top Singapore statesman: U.S. dares not punish criminals

SINGAPORE (AP) — Singapore's elder statesman says the outcry over the case of an American teen-ager sentenced to be flogged explains why the United States is in social "chaos."

The United States "dares not restrain or punish the individuals, forgiving them for whatever they have done," former Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew said. "That's why the whole country is in chaos. Drugs, violence, unemployment and homelessness, all sorts of problems in its society."

Lee criticized U.S. officials

and media who asserted Singapore's punishment is too severe for Michael P. Fay, who admitted to vandalizing cars.

Fay, 18, has until April 20 to formally plea for clemency against his sentence of six lashes by a rattan cane. Fay was also given four months behind bars and a \$3,500 fine.

The Kettering, Ohio, youth was convicted last month after pleading guilty to spraying paint and tossing eggs at cars last year along with several other foreign teens. His final court appeal was dismissed and a pardon from

President Ong Teng Cheong is his final hope.

Judging from Lee's comments, that hope appears slim. He acknowledged America as the world's richest and most prosperous country, but added: "It is hardly safe and peaceful."

He has long warned Singaporeans against decadent Western influences, and insisted that rights of the community take precedence over individual human rights.

Lee is visiting New Zealand this week and his typically outspoken remarks in Mandarin

were taped for a TV current affairs program, broadcast Tuesday.

Lee stepped down in 1990 after 31 years as prime minister. He serves as "senior minister" without portfolio in Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong's cabinet, and continues to wield much influence. His eldest son is Goh's deputy and heir apparent.

Caning cuts the skin and generally leaves permanent scars. The victim is strapped to an easel-like device and the lash is applied to the bare buttocks. Leather padding is supposed to protect the lower spine and internal organs. ■

Correction:

In the review of "The Shadow Box" in the April 4 issue of *Sidelines*, Virginia Garland was misidentified as Jen Wood.

Sidelines regrets the error and apologizes to both Garland and Wood for any inconvenience.