

# Sidelines

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## Nursing building near completion: Director

Brent Andrews  
Staff Writer

MTSU's new nursing building is scheduled for completion in late May or early June, according to campus Planning Director Patty Miller.

The 30,000 square-foot building will include a 110-seat classroom, two smaller classrooms, three multi-purpose classrooms and a computer lab and testing area.

There will be also 26 faculty offices, two chairs of excellence and a cafeteria for students and faculty, Miller said. Students and faculty in the building will be linked by computer network to the rest of campus.

The project is budgeted at \$3.1 million, with funding coming entirely from the Christy-Houston Foundation, a Murfreesboro-based non-profit organization.

"We are expecting completion... [at] the end of May or [the first part of] June," according to Miller.

The building will be stocked with new equipment involving the latest technology, according to Dr. Judith Wakim, nursing department chairman. This will provide MTSU with one of the best nursing facilities in the area,



Scott Neely, staff

**LOAD SIXTEEN TONS:** Jeff Hunt working on the new nursing building Friday afternoon

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## More night classes!

*Schedule to be expanded to meet needs of returning adult students*

Chris Patterson  
Staff Writer

MTSU will extend its offering of evening and weekend courses due to the increasing number of non-traditional students enrolling here, according to administration officials.

"With so many adult students returning to MTSU, flexible scheduling is more than a trend; it is the key to retention," said James Thomas, coordinator of Special Academic Programs in the Division of Continuing Studies.

During the upcoming summer school session the following courses will be offered in the evenings: Psychology 101, Science 100, Geology 100, English 111, English 112 and History 202.

Prior to this year, few General Studies courses were offered in the evening during summer school.

"I believe these courses are a good move on our part," said Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs Bob Jones. "They will benefit a number of students and they are a valuable service to our adult students."

MTSU is also offering additional courses on Saturdays. Next fall's additions to Saturday classes include: Science 100, English 111, History 201, HPER

118 and HPER 119. General Studies courses were offered on Saturdays for the first time last fall.

The increase in evening school and Saturday classes are in part a result of a survey of adult students conducted by the Division of Continuing Studies during the spring of 1993.

"The students surveyed said that they view more weekend and evening courses as positive alternatives," Thomas said.

"Several night students I know need General Studies courses like those. They will be able to utilize them," said Frances Adams, an evening school student who is completing a work-study program at the Adult Services Center.

Priority registration for summer school begins April 4. Schedule books should arrive in student mailboxes by the middle of March. They may also be picked up at the Adult Student Services Center.

At least one of the courses listed above is not included in the schedule book. Geology 100-06 will be held Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The call number is 03875. For other courses not listed in the schedule book, contact the individual departments for call numbers and other information. ■

## 'Unsolved Mysteries' to broadcast segment on MTSU student's death

Mike Reed  
Managing Editor

NBC's "Unsolved Mysteries," will air a segment March 23 on the death of MTSU English student Heather Uffelman in October, 1992.

On Oct. 24, 1992 Uffelman and her fiance, former MTSU student Jeremy Rolfs, were attacked and robbed while on a business trip to Marietta, Ga.

Uffelman did not survive the

attack. Rolfs was hospitalized with head injuries.

Rolfs said in a phone interview that he hoped the "Unsolved Mysteries" segment would provide some type of closure to this tragedy.

"There comes a time when enough is enough," Rolfs said. "I hope that this will help end it for me and I can get on with my life."

Rolfs also said he contacted "Unsolved Mysteries" himself, but they had already heard about

Uffelman.

"They had flagged it as a case to research," Rolfs said. "So we just sort of met in the middle."

Rolfs and Uffelman were in Marietta to sell a video editing computer worth \$31,000. They met the buyer at the Knights Inn Motel off I-75 in Marietta, where he ordered them to roll themselves up in the bed linen and hit them repeatedly with a hammer.

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This is a police sketch of the alleged assailant

White male in 30s  
5 foot 10 inches  
160-175 lbs.  
Brown hair  
average build



## POLICE REPORT

A male student reported Mar. 1 that his bicycle was taken from the rack near Schardt Hall.

A male student reported Mar. 1 that a bicycle was taken from the rack near Family Housing Building "I."

A female student reported Feb. 27 that her car had been broken into while it was parked on Raider Drive.

A male student reported Feb. 23 that another male student attempted to hit him with a vehicle near Abernathy Hall.

A female student reported Feb. 17 that a wheel had been stolen from her car while it was parked in the Bell Street lot.

A male student reported Feb. 28 that his hubcaps had been stolen from his vehicle while it was parked in the Bell St. lot.

A male student reported on Feb. 28 that a portable radio and some textbooks had been taken from his room in Monohan Hall.

A male student reported his wallet stolen from Monohan Hall. It was later found in a hallway corner of the same dorm.

On Mar. 1, an MTSU police officer found a vehicle near Abernathy Hall that had been vandalized.

On Mar. 1, an MTSU police officer recovered a license plate that had been stolen from Davidson County.

A male student reported Feb. 27 that his room in Judd Hall had been burglarized.

A male student reported Feb. 19 that his car battery had been stolen while parked near Family Housing Building "E."

A male student reported Feb. 25 that his VCR had been stolen from Judd Hall.

Two male contractors reported Feb. 25 that a bank check had been stolen from them while they were working on the new softball field near the observatory. The check was later cashed.

### ARRESTS:

Raymond P. Brown, 22, and Robert R. Dishman, 19, were arrested Feb. 23 for simple possession of marijuana.

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## CAMPUS CAPSULE

### Today

The AIDS One-on-One Program will begin at 7 p.m. in Rutledge Hall in efforts to inform students about aids. Contact Stephanie Murrell at 898-3979 for more details.

The Psy Chi (Psychology Club) will meet from 4:30-6 p.m. in Peck Hall - room 206. Dr. Dansby will be the speaker.

### Friday, March 11

SGA Election Commission meeting will be held March 11 and 22 at 1 p.m. in the SGA office of the KUC. Any one can attend. Contact Angie Franklin at 898-2464 for more details.

### Thursday, March 17

The ACT Residual Exam will meet at 8 a.m. in the KUC-room 314. Contact the Counseling and Testing office at 898-2670 for more details.

### Saturday, March 19

Candidates for SGA President begin campaigning at noon and can last through March 30.

### Monday, March 21

SGA candidates meeting will begin at noon in the KUC-room 305. All candidates participating in the upcoming election must attend. Contact Angie Franklin at 898-2464 for more details.

The Division of Continuing Studies is sponsoring the seminar-"So You Want to Go to School?" from 6-8 p.m. in the KUC- room 314. Topics include: admission process, financial aid, evening school opportunities, choosing a major or minor and survival techniques. To register call 898-2462. Seminars are free and open to the public.

### Tuesday, March 22

The Middle Tennessee area colleges and universities and the Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce are sponsoring a "College Career Fair" at the Opryland Hotel at 1-7 p.m. for seniors and graduate students and alumni. Registration is required in the Placement Center.

### Wednesday, March 23

Student Publications Committee will meet at 3 p.m. in the JUB-room 302. The main agenda item will be approval of the budget and is open to the public.

### Thursday, March 24

The Division of Continuing Studies is sponsoring the seminar - "Career Choices" from 6-7:30 p.m. in the KUC- room 314. Topics include: choosing a career and preparing for a job interview. For free registration call 898-2462.

The 26th annual of the Southeastern Conference of Undergraduate Chemists will be held in the KUC until March 26. All students interested are welcome. Contact Dawn Pregel at 459-5575 or Dr. James Hutchenson at 898-2956.

### Thursday, March 31

The Society of Professional Journalists will meet at the Sidelines' office in the JUB -room 310. Officers for 94-95 will be elected. A representative from the Nashville chapter will discuss the fall convention to be held in Nashville. Members and anyone interested in pursuing a career in journalism are encouraged to attend.

### Ongoing

The whitewater canoe and kayak trip on the Obed Scenic River System will be held April 16-17. Students pay \$15 and guests pay \$20. Transportation and equipment are provided. The trip is limited to 10 people. The sign up deadline is April 11. For more details contact Campus Recreation in the AMG- room 201 at 898-2104.

The student chapter of the National Ass. of Environmental Professionals will hold meetings on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month and also Monday -March 21 and April 4 at 5 p.m. in WPS -room 201 Contact Leonard Walther at 731-1684 for more details.

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

An 18 inch- 10karat gold rope chain was lost in mid Feb. If found contact 849-9480 or send it to MTSU P.O. Box D090.

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 will meet 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.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in AMG 210. Call Greg Logan at 898-3081 for more details.

The Women's Center is starting an eight-week support group for survivors of sexual abuse. Space is limited to six people. If interested call 898-2193 and talk with Mary Glantz.

Applications are now being accepted for the Outstanding Student Organizations Advisor Award. They are available in KUC 122. Deadline for entry is Apr. 4. Contact 898-2454 for more details.

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

The Catholic Student Center holds mass every Sunday at 7 p.m. Call 896-6074 for more details.



# Tennessee chosen as model for drunken driving program

Jessica Clayborn  
Staff Writer

Tennessee has been chosen by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration [NHTSA] as the first state to implement a new federally-funded program to combat drunken driving.

NHTSA recently awarded a \$425,000 grant to the Governor's Highway Safety Program [GHSP]. GHSP, a program of the Tennessee Department of Transportation, will co-administer the project with the Tennessee Highway Patrol.

"We are extremely pleased Tennessee has been chosen as a model for the United States," said Robert Lawson, Tennessee Department of Safety commissioner. "I believe this program will not only be successful in showing other states what they can do to combat drunk driving, but it will also improve road conditions in Tennessee by getting drunken drivers off the streets."

The program, dubbed "Checkpoint Tennessee," will document the results of a year-long statewide sobriety checkpoint program for other states to use as a model. The program

aims to increase DUI arrests and decrease alcohol-related crashes.

Each car passing through a checkpoint will be given an informational brochure. The brochure will contain information about the new checkpoint program, the dangers of drinking and driving, the expense associated with a DUI conviction, and a safety belt message.

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--Robert Lawson  
Tennessee Department of  
Safety commissioner

Checkpoint Tennessee is scheduled to begin April 1 and will consist of a minimum of 600 sobriety checkpoints in 12 months throughout the eight Tennessee Highway Patrol districts. Local

media throughout the state will be informed when a sobriety checkpoint will be in their area, but the exact location will remain confidential.

"I think it's going to have an effect on all cities because we'll be working with the sheriff's department and the city police," said Jerry Strain, Tennessee Highway Patrol trooper. "In the past, the Tennessee Highway Patrol only worked outside the city."

MTSU students have mixed reactions about the effect Checkpoint Tennessee will have on the community.

"I don't feel the program will be that beneficial," said Angela Jones, a junior physical therapy major. "Most people know about the effects of drinking and driving. I think that no matter how hard you try to send a message to others, most will do what they want anyway."

Another student disagreed. "I think it's a great idea," said Wendy Farley, a sophomore elementary education major. "It will make our roads a lot safer. A lot of college students might think it's dumb, but even if it saves one life, it's definitely worth it." ■

# Prominent U.S. judge to discuss role of women in campus visit

Scott Stewart  
Special to Sidelines

The role of women in the judicial field will be discussed by one of the highest-ranking women judges in the United States Friday.

Sixth Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals Judge Martha Craig Daughtrey, a former Tennessee Supreme Court Justice, will speak to classes as part of Women's History Month.

Daughtrey will speak to two classes and attend a private luncheon for university and community leaders.

Her visit is sponsored by the Jennings A. Jones Chair of Excellence in Free Enterprise.

"[We are] delighted to sponsor Judge Daughtrey on [the] MTSU campus," Dr. Barbara Haskew, dean of the College of Business, said. "Particularly for Women's History Month."

Daughtrey will speak to Dr. Sherry Walker's women's studies class at 10 a.m. in Peck Hall, room 200.

"It is a real treat to have someone of that stature to speak

on our campus and to our students," said Walker, a sociology professor. "It's nice to have a positive influence, [a woman] who has achieved success in a predominantly male endeavor."

At 11 a.m. Friday, Daughtrey will speak to Dr. George Vernardakis's public administration class in Peck Hall, room 204.

"I have had occasion to listen to Judge Daughtrey speak in the past," Vernardakis, a political science professor, said. "She is an excellent speaker who brings up many interesting aspects of her experience as a judge."

Vernardakis added that he would ask Judge Daughtrey to speak on affirmative action and cases pertaining to women.

"Judge Daughtrey is a pioneer in our region for women in the judiciary," Haskew said, "especially in this period of time with so many gender issues in question. Her discussion is very timely."

Daughtrey received both her bachelor's and law degrees from Vanderbilt University.

She has served as a prosecutor in federal and state courts in Nashville, and was a member of the Vanderbilt law faculty from 1972 until her appointment to the Court of Criminal Appeals in 1975.

In 1990 she was appointed to a vacancy on the Tennessee Supreme Court and was subsequently elected to a full eight-year term.

The Court of Appeals is the highest rank of judge below the United States Supreme Court. Members are appointed by U.S. presidents for life terms.

Daughtrey was appointed by President Clinton to her current post in August 1993, and was sworn into office Dec. 6, 1993.

"Any female of any age can learn a lot from a woman who has reached that high a level," said Telsa Saunders, a student in Walker's class.

Kim Gates, another student in the women's studies class, added, "It is good to have Judge Daughtrey here because it is good for women to have other women as role models rather than males." ■

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# Sisterhood, self-respect keys to advancing women: Speaker

Mark Blevins  
Staff Writer

Sisterhood, self-respect, action instead of lip service and passing the torch of women's knowledge and work were the main points of a Monday afternoon lecture by an Austin Peay sociology professor.

Martha Stovall spoke to a small group at Peck Hall as part of the campus-wide celebration of National Women's History Month.

The lecture was titled "Let's Move Past Lip Service."

"[This] is no time for women to separate. It is time for women to empower one another to get that strength," Stovall said.

"Today more than ever, we have women in all sectors of life that are socially, economically and morally without hope and direction."

Stovall said women need to stop judging each other based on appearances and other "trivial pursuits," which she called artificial competition.

She said she got a lot of stares as she walked across campus in her bright African garb, and questioned why women separate



Sherri LaRose, staff

**WITH A MESSAGE:** Martha Stovall speaks to women Wednesday during a speech entitled "Let's Move Past Lip Service."

each other according to appearance.

"It doesn't really matter what I have on the outside," asserted Stovall. "'Ain't I a woman too?' as Sojourner Truth said."

Aging is another topic

Stovall said women have a problem with. She attributed the problem to negative sociological imagery.

"Is it [aging] not a natural progress? Is it not something that

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# SGA votes to create class-free "study day"

Deanna Snowden  
Staff Writer

Students will soon have a class-free "study day" before the beginning of final examinations, according to a resolution passing both the SGA House and Senate Tuesday night.

This schedule change will take place as soon as possible, said Drew Bergman, SGA speaker of the house.

However, the school calendar is already made out through 1995, he added. The new policy may be implemented next fall.

"Students would benefit from one day without classes to organize and begin studying academic material that will be covered during final examinations," said Bergman.

Another resolution, passing both the House and Senate, will add three student members to the SGA Activity Fee Allocations Committee.

This committee, currently composed of two faculty members and three students, disperses the \$3 student activity fee to campus organizations.

"This addition would get better student input as to where the money goes," Bergman said.

Michelle Price was named new SGA Election Commissioner at an emergency meeting called by the Senate to fill this position after Angelia Franklin resigned.

Franklin took a new job and could not fill her duties as commissioner.

Price will begin her new position next Friday.


Bergman announced a Students Organization Fair planned for Fall 1995. This fair, like the one that took place last fall, will be open to all student organizations.

It will take place during fee payment and drop/add and will help give student organizations better exposure to the student


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# Basketball tourney to throw off parking

Ryan White  
Special to Sidelines

MTSU students who park in Sections A and B of the Greenland Drive parking lot will have to park somewhere else today and Friday due to the TSSAA girl's basketball tournament.

Dr. James Staley, director of Murphy Center, said 650 of the 1350 spaces in the lot will be blocked.

"We anticipate 40 large buses and 25 to 30 smaller ones to bring these people to campus," Staley said.

"In order to help students find additional parking, we will have portable signs that will direct students from Greenland to the eastern side of campus."

"It wouldn't bother me to park somewhere else," said Jim Newman, a student who normally parks in the Greenland

Drive parking lot. "I'd probably have to walk just as far, if I could park in Greenland."

"I suggest to students that there is additional parking beyond Corlew and Cummings Hall," said Gary Hunter, manager of public safety and security.

"A lot of people don't use those spaces, but the Raider Express will bring you in from there," he added.

Hunter said most buses are full 15 minutes before classes start.

"I recommend that students come to campus fifteen minutes earlier than usual," he said.

MTSU will host the TSSAA boys basketball tournament while students are on spring break next week.

"The same spaces will be blocked off, but that shouldn't be a problem because most students will be gone for spring break," Hunter said. ■

## Building...

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she commented.

"[MTSU will be] well ahead of other universities" with the completion of the new building, Wakim said. "There haven't been that many nursing buildings built lately."

"We're just really excited to get into it," Wakim added.

"My class is supposed to be

the first graduating class," according to senior nursing student Nancy McWhorter. "The building will help as far as bringing in faculty. [It] is absolutely going to help the university."

Another senior, Julie Stenger, thinks the new building can help draw the best in the nursing field

to MTSU.

"We need more instructors, because our instructors are overworked," Stenger said. "The building will only make [the nursing program] more attractive if they increase the number that is accepted... The program holds its own, it just doesn't take enough people." ■

## Segment...

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The assailant is described as a white male between ages 27-34. He is 5 feet 10 inches tall with a slender build. He has sandy brown hair and had a close haircut at the time of the attack.

A \$10,000 reward has been offered by Uffelman's family and

Century City Artists, Inc., the company for which Rolfs was working at the time of the attack, for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the assailant.

The Heather Uffelman Memorial Scholarship Foundation

offers a scholarship to incoming freshmen. The fund is financed entirely by donations. People wishing to donate to the scholarship fund should call Rolfs at 1-800-283-0042 ext. 400256 for information. ■

## Stovall...

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should be respected and enjoyed as you get to another part of your life?"

"I got the female perspective in terms of the need for more interaction and stronger relationships between females and the whole notion of sisterhood," said Dr. John Pleas, an MTSU assistant professor of psychology.

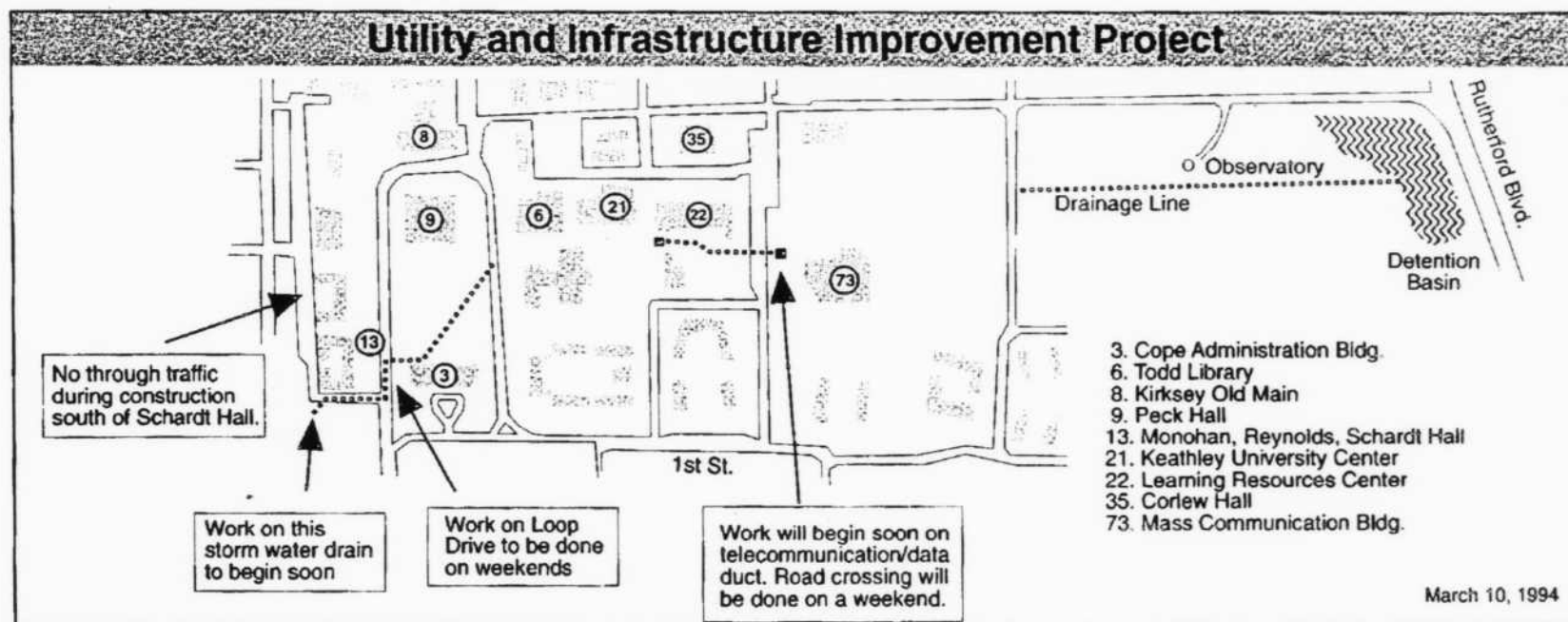
Stovall delivered a message of self-definition, respect for young and older women and providing a better life for future generations.

"Do I give [younger women] the burden and the baggage that I carried around or do I teach them that unity and respect for one another is something that they need?"

She said it is crucial for women to stop just talking about women's issues and start working towards improving situations, today and for tomorrow.

Stovall has been teaching for 13 years, the last three at Austin Peay. She has two daughters and four sons. ■

*Read A Book!*  
*It won't bite.*



## CONSTRUCTION UPDATE: March 10, 1994

Work on the Utility and Infrastructure Improvement Project has begun in earnest. A contractor staging site has been set up at Rutherford Boulevard and Second Street near the WMOT tower. Reliable Mechanical of Louisville and subcontractors will be working in several areas of the campus. The work to take place this week will not cause any disruption to either vehicle or pedestrian traffic. Survey crews will be working at various locations.

The inspection of buildings to document existing cracks prior to trenching and blasting will continue. This work was begun on March 1 by Sauls Engineering Company. Any time Sauls personnel are inside a building one of the MTSU physical plant employees will be with them to provide access to the areas to be observed. This work will continue over the next three weeks. There should be very little inconvenience to the building occupants while Sauls Engineering is making observations. Staff, faculty, and students are urged to accommodate Sauls employees as they perform this work.

Some trenching and blasting will begin on the eastern part of the campus this week and continue into next week. This blasting will be along a route where a large storm drainage line will be installed to a detention basin along Rutherford Boulevard at Second Street. The following method of notice will be used when blasting

### Blasting Notice

When explosives are to be set off to blast rock in ditch lines, the following sequence will alert MTSU Security and individuals near the area.

1. MTSU Security will be notified a minimum of one (1) hour ahead.
2. Three (3) short blasts of a loud horn will be sounded 60 seconds prior to one (1) long blast of the horn which shall be sounded immediately prior to setting off the explosives.
3. Following the explosion, one (1) long blast of the horn shall be sounded to signal "all clear."

Areas in which some work may start during Spring Break, March 14-18, or the following week are shown on the campus map. They are in the area of Schardt and Monohan Halls, Cope Administration, and on another part of the campus at the Learning Resources Center and Mass Communication. Work on Loop Drive west of Cope and crossing "C" Street in front of Mass Communication will be done on weekends. However the work south of Schardt Hall will block off the parking lot and its through passage when it occurs. Further notice will be given as to the date other road at Schardt Hall will be blocked.

If there are concerns about programs or events please call Bill Smotherman, director of physical plant, at 2414.



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WIRE

# NATIONAL ROUNDUP

## Pentagon bans smoking in military workplaces

OCEANSIDE, Calif. (AP) — For Navy Lt. Peter Clarke, the Pentagon's new ban on smoking in the workplace will stamp out a serious problem — battles at sea.

Clarke said he spent a good portion of his time on board ship refereeing arguments between smokers and nonsmokers, thrown together for six months at a time.

"I was in charge of 42 people and they'd be saying this guy or that guy is smoking in the kitchen and we don't like it," said Clarke, a nonsmoker stationed near here at Camp Pendleton. "The other guys would be saying, 'Well, if you don't like it, you don't have to stand there.'"

He added, "I've seen these kids start smoking at 18, and it's because they see their chiefs smoking. I think the ban is a good thing."

The ban, announced Tuesday, will affect 3.6 million civilian and military employees in workplaces ranging from Pentagon offices to tanks beginning April 8.

The change could help save

lives, cut health care costs and reduce work hours lost to sickness, said Sherri Wasserman Goodman, the Defense Department's head of environmental security.

Robert Cowdrey, a civilian employee at the Naval Hospital in San Diego, said the military shouldn't interfere with his decision to smoke.

"I think they need to take care of their alcohol and drug problems before they think about smokers," said Cowdrey, a parking lot attendant. "It's very unjust in my eyes."

The department's current policy requires that some workplace areas be designated for smokers.

Under the new policy, smoking will be prohibited inside Defense Department buildings and other areas deemed to be workplaces. One exception is submarines, where the decision will be up to each vessel's commander.

On military bases, smoking will be allowed outdoors and in areas such as barracks, restaurants, clubs and other recreational facilities.

## High court won't force state to pay lawyer fees

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The Tennessee Supreme Court refused to consider a request for the state to pay more than \$1 million in attorney fees and costs incurred in a lawsuit seeking more money for rural schools.

The Court of Appeals and Chancellor C. Allen High had denied the request last year by Lewis Donelson, the attorney for 77 small, rural schools systems that successfully sued the state in 1988 for more money.

"We did not think there was a basis for the fees to be awarded against the state, so we are pleased," Attorney General Charles Burson said Tuesday.

Donelson declined to comment until he saw the Supreme Court order, a short statement that "upon consideration of the application for permission to appeal and the entire record, it is the decision of the Court that the application should be denied."

"The issue of reasonable costs on appeal is before the Court...and will be resolved in that case."

The Supreme Court last year upheld High's ruling that state spending discriminated against students in small, rural school systems.

The case was returned to High, who said Gov. Ned McWherter's 1992 five-year plan to reform the funding system complies with the school systems' request.

High refused Donelson's request to require the state to come up with the entire \$664 million.

## Alleged Taco Bell killer faces robbery charges

CLARKSVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — New charges have been brought against a Fort Campbell soldier already facing four counts of first-degree murder in the January shooting deaths of four Taco Bell employees.

A Montgomery County grand jury on Tuesday also indicted Courtney Mathews, 19, on four counts of felony murder, one count of especially aggravated robbery and one count of unlawful possession of a weapon for carrying a sawed-off shotgun.

District Attorney General John Carney said both the first-

degree murder and the felony murder counts are for the deaths of Kevin Campbell, Marsha Klopp, Patricia Price and Angela Renee Wyatt.

Mathews cannot be tried on both sets of murder charges and Carney said a decision will be made later on which will be taken to trial.

To prove felony murder, the state must show that all four were shot by Mathews while he was committing an armed robbery.

For first-degree murder, the state has to prove only that Mathews committed the murders and planned to kill the victims.

Both carry the death penalty. Carney said the state relied on information gathered from witnesses to bring the charge of unlawful possession of the sawed-off shotgun.

Investigators found evidence that a shotgun was used in an attempt to blast open a safe at the restaurant during the robbery. Authorities have said the four victims were shot with a 9 mm handgun.

Mathews now will be arraigned in Montgomery County Circuit Court.

## NOTICE OF ELECTION

An election will be held on Tuesday, March 29, and Wednesday, March 30, 1994. Polls will be located and open as follows:

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# Opinions

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## Night, weekend classes helpful

The administration has taken a positive step with the recent announcement that more night and weekend classes will be offered beginning this summer.

The astonishing numbers of non-traditional students enrolling at MTSU are forcing the university to concede that college students come in all different packages.

Students will now be able to enroll in general studies courses at night and on Saturdays. And although no one likes the idea of going to school on Saturdays, it is tremendously helpful to have the option.

People who work full-time day jobs, who have children, who are trying to earn a degree on the scraps of time between regular hours, will see their class scheduling become easier.

Hopefully, this is one step that will lead to others by the administration to facilitate things for the students.

It is time to offer longer lab hours in many on-campus labs, such as those in the Foreign Languages Department and the Mass Comm building.

It should never be forgotten that the needs of the students, and not the convenience of administration, are the final determinants of such things as class scheduling and building hours.

In another area, Channel 12 was forced to shut down operations Wednesday for a time due to bad leakage in the TV studio.

In the past several weeks, many students and faculty have had to deal with leaks all over campus, including the Mass Comm building, which was completed just three years ago. It is a little early to be having leaks in that building, but downstairs classrooms had buckets in them recently to catch leaks.

Besides being evidence of building problems, the leaks in the Mass  
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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



### Rush within rights to not allow students

To the Editor:

I was under the impression that *Sidelines* had a mature and professional staff. Whoever wrote the article about the band Rush being mean by not letting *Sidelines* take pictures signed the article "the Staff" even though your disclaimer states that the views expressed are those of the author and not necessarily those of *Sidelines*. Thus, this letter is for the whole staff.

Rush has been nothing but a positive influence in my life for the last 15 years or more. Their music is full of artistic expression at its highest level, both in instrumental expertise as well as thoughtful and poetic lyrics. To say they have not put out "a decent record since 1981" is one of the most childish, sour grapes attitudes I have ever read.

They were well within their rights to not let you take pictures of their concert. Maybe your keen staff should have been more thorough in its research as to who would and wouldn't be allowed to take photos. The kind of camera used is quite irrelevant. Whoever wrote that article was more than likely the kind of child who would take his ball and scream all the way home to his mommy about those "mean, mean guys" from Rush.

Brian Patrick Davie  
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### Gun safety depends on who has the gun

To the Editor:

I am writing this in response to the debate that has gone on in these pages concerning gun control.

First, let me start by stating that I grew up in and around various northern cities, and have been around guns all of my life. Because of that, I have been able to see firsthand the effects of uncontrolled guns in the wrong hands, and I strongly feel that whether a gun is dangerous or not depends on the individual who is holding it.

A very telling example is a news story from Boston, where I lived, in which one man shot and killed another man because of a water gun fight. Killing a man because of a squirt gun? Is this what our founding fathers meant by a "well-armed militia?" I don't think so.

My second point is that many children are getting their hands on weapons and killing each other. A recent headline in the *Tennessean* reads something like "Teen Killed in Game of Russian Roulette." There was another case in which a 16-year-old girl was killed when the semi-automatic pistol that was being used to break a car window accidentally discharged and killed her.

Another instance that might hit home a bit more is the recent shooting that occurred on this campus. Right here. It happened once; it can happen again.

My next point is the issue of home defense. In response to

Charles Lawson's reply to Ms. Mooney's letter, I would suggest that he read her letter more carefully. She referred to home defense, defending a house and the people in it, not carrying a shotgun around in the street. Further, Mr. Lawson writes, "If Ms. Mooney had any knowledge of guns whatsoever ..." assuming that she has not a clue about guns. I will give Mr. Lawson the benefit of the doubt and assume that the chauvinistic attitude that was implied in that statement was unintentional, but I will also assure you that Ms. Mooney, a good friend of mine, knew exactly what she was talking about.

A shotgun is much more intimidating and much more effective as a home defense weapon than pistol. Just point in the general direction and shoot. As for the issue of carrying a gun on the street for protection, I will point out two things. First, it has been statistically proven that gun owners, in a random street violence scenario, are more likely to be killed with their own weapon than they are to deter the attack.

The reason for this brings me to my second point, which is "Never aim a gun at someone that you don't intend to kill." Most people don't want to kill the attacker; they want to wound him or scare him off. They hesitate, and they die, very simple. If a criminal wants my wallet badly enough to pull a gun for it, he can have it. If I were to fight him for it, I could get

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were to fight him for it, I could get killed or wounded, and the money I'd be protecting isn't worth it. I learned this lesson very well in Boston, in places like Chinatown, Roxbury and a quaint little area nicknamed "the combat zone."

The easiest way to avoid trouble is to be smart, not well-armed. You may think "I can pull my gun and shoot and I'll get out of this," but there are many people in morgues who thought that way too.

I'll close by saying that I agree with gun control, but gun control that comes from the individual, not the state.

Justin Gorun  
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**Internet article confused reader**

To the editor:

After reading Ryan White's article about the Internet, I found myself genuinely confused. Especially in the comparison between a "knowbot" and "ACADI." Last time I checked, ACADI was more of a place than a thing. Through ACADI you can use knowbots such as "gapher" or "archie," but they are not the same thing.

An important piece of information was left out of the article. If an MTSU student wants to get an account on the Internet (free of charge) they can get a form from the Computer Science office located on the third floor of KOM.

Be warned, however, that there is a small learning curve involved to use the Internet. It helps to have a friend who knows about it, or if you don't have any friends, you can ask me.

By the way, *Sidelines* needs to have an E-mail address.

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**Thomas not proud of Black History**

To the Editor:

This letter is being written to inform the otherwise uninformed "Conservative Philosopher," Christina Basiel.

This past Friday I read your article about how you were so appalled about Clarence Thomas not being honored during Black History Month. You claim, "After a minimal amount of sleuthing," you found out the reason. Well,

Ms. Basiel. I'll agree with you on one point, and that is you did a very minimal amount of searching.

The reason I say this is that your article reeks of so much personal bias against liberals and two particular African-American women that it makes me want to vomit. If you had really searched to find out why Clarence Thomas isn't honored, you would have found out that it has very little to do with the Anita Hill scandal. I'll admit, I'm not too sure that all her cards are fully stacked myself, but that's beside the point. The real reason that Clarence Thomas is not honored is because never in his career or personal life has he ever exhibited any devotion to African Americans as a whole.

Before I start sounding like some opinionated boob, I'm going to supply some facts and analogies to prove my point. Hear that, Ms. Basiel? Facts, they mean things that have been proven to be true; you should really use them sometimes, they're very helpful. Let's compare Clarence Thomas to Martin Luther King, Jr. Yes, I know I'm beating a dead horse, but just bear with me. Dr. King was the catalyst for the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Voting Rights Act of 1965, the formation of Equal Opportunity Housing regulations in America, and with a great deal of help from others, the destruction of Jim Crow. All of this has helped African Americans to reach a political and financial status second only to Caucasians. This was done by Dr. King with the specific intention of uplifting his people. What has Justice Thomas done with the specific intention of uplifting African Americans in this society that is still biased and prejudiced? Nothing, other than to try and destroy the legislative foundations of Civil Rights in this country, the very same legislation that helped to get him where he is today.

Okay, I admit, comparing him to Dr. King is a bit unfair, but let's see how he fares against two who don't have such sterling political records. Malcolm X and Jesse Jackson have never had the distinction of being influential in the passage of any significant Civil Rights legislation, but they both have contributed something important. Both dedicated their time and lives to the cause of making America a better place to

live for African Americans, a people who, after over 200 years of slavery, are still discriminated against. They both created organizations and fought against incredible odds to make life better for African Americans, but what Justice Thomas done? Nothing, that's what.

Look in any high school or lower division college history book and other than Civil Rights and slavery, you're not going to read anything about African Americans. I'll bet you've never heard of Francis Summer the psychologist, Adam Clayton Powell the Congressman, A. Phillip Randolph the organizer, and Marcus Garvey. You probably don't know that the first heart transplant was done by an African American or that an African American created the stop light.

You've probably, like most, assumed that just because you're an African American and you're a financial success, you should be honored.

I'm sorry, but that's just not enough, not in this country. Being a success in America is easy if you work hard and know the right people. What's hard is being an African American who becomes a success, exhibits great pride in his or her status as an African American, and never allows success to overshadow that pride.

Justice Thomas has never openly exhibited any pride in being an African-American; in fact, he isn't even qualified to be a Justice of the Supreme Court. In a year-end issue of *Newsweek*, former President George Bush said that the only reason that he even nominated Clarence Thomas was because he was black, conservative and a Republican.

Looking at this objectively, would you honor someone who is in an undeserved position and exhibits an almost total aberration towards those he is associated with because of color? Probably not, but if you do, I feel sorry for you. Because if you still don't understand why Clarence Thomas isn't honored, then you are just another one of the masses who refuses to see the hypocrisy of society and its torrid effects upon African Americans.

Vincent Racanelli  
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Comm building are occurring in the vicinity of some extremely expensive, high-tech equipment.

Not only that, but what must the frequent distinguished visitors to MTSU think when they are

paraded through this state-of-the-art facility, complete with water pails?

If the university wants bragging rights to such a fine structure, it should at least fix the leaks. ■

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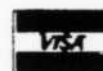
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# Features

## Child of the *wild* blue yonder ...



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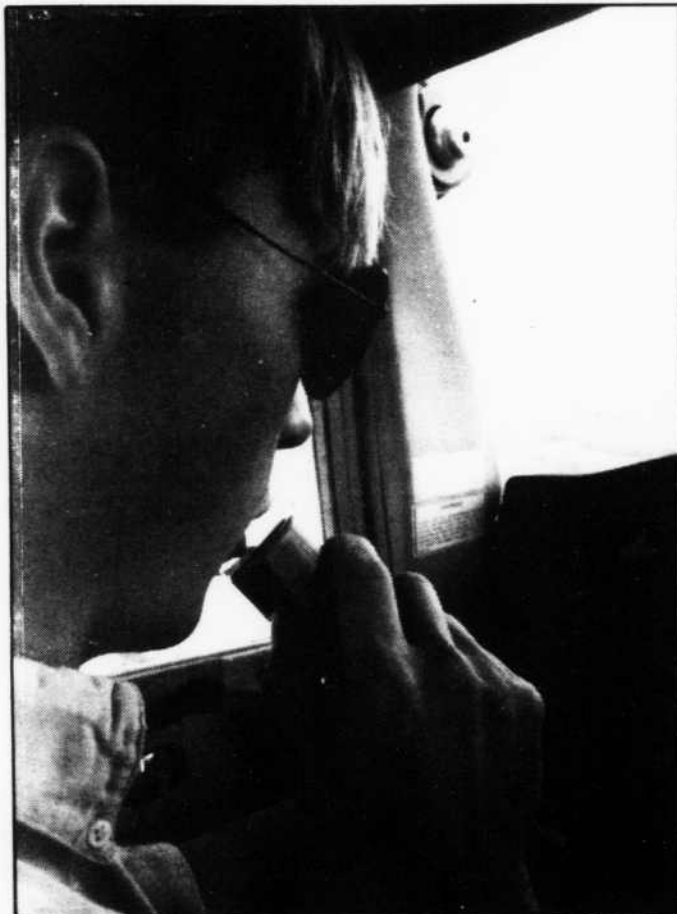
Darren earned his private pilot's license last year. He recently passed the written test for the instrument license and is currently building up flight hours. He has to build up flight hours in order to take the In-Flight check with an FAA examiner.

The most important part of the flight, Darren believes, "is the planning done before getting in the airplane." He begins each flight with a preflight check. The checklist consists of many items such as checking the gasoline for contaminants and the propeller for damage. After completion of the checklist, he is ready to taxi to the runway, complete the run-up, and take off.

Darren plans to graduate in December 1995. His future plans are to fly for a commuter airline and build up hours to eventually fly for a major airline.



**FLIGHT PATTERNS:** Top: Darren Fulton checks the airplane's fuel for contaminants. Middle: Darren uses his check list to check the propeller for any damage. Right: Darren records flight time on the flight school's log inside the plane. Top Right: After flying the pilot must pull the plane back into position to be tied down. Bottom Right: Darren announces that he is on his final approach before landing at the Murfreesboro airport.



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# 'A Heart Thrown Open': Photo exhibit offers tribute to beloved Mexican spiritual leader

Yanetra Mitchell  
Staff Writer

Photographer Dore Gardner is displaying the exhibit, Nino Fidencio: A Heart Thrown Open, March 6-31 in the LRC Photo Gallery in honor of spiritual healer Nino Fidencio.

Nino Fidencio Sintora Constantino was a Mexican "curandero", or spiritual healer, who attracted tens of thousands of followers seeking his spiritual cures. Although he died at age 40 in 1938, Fidencio's spirit and cures are still implored by present-day legions in both the United States and Mexico.

Through historic photographs and oral histories of Fidencio's followers, Gardner, a photographer from Massachusetts, explores the myths and cultural significance behind the "folk hero." The focus of her portrait is the Mexican village, Espinazo, and the country's rural borderlands. Espinazo is small and impoverished, but has strong spiritual bonds.

"They are very poor people [and] are totally impoverished in

this village," Tom Jimison, curator of the gallery, said. "The people really believed in [Fidencio's] ability to heal."

The villager's spiritual binds cause the men and women to keep the tomb where Fidencio was buried, mediums to channel the his healing powers, and faithful believers to renew themselves in waters of his curing baths.

"He died in 1938, but these people are still following him. The people who follow in his teachings are his assistants," Jimison said.

Nino Fidencio is a beautiful and powerful exhibit, capturing the peaceful feeling of the Mexican village and the spiritual essence of Fidencio's "magical cures", according to Jimison.

"It's a very quiet show," he added. "You've got to bring your own rock n' roll. It'll speak to you."

Gardner's exhibit has been displayed in many galleries and centers around the country. It was first viewed during January and February at the Houston Center for Photography in



**HOMELAND:**This winsome subject of a Dore Gardner photograph is one of the 40 that will be on display through March in the LRC Photo Gallery. The photographs in the exhibit are a tribute to spiritual leader Nino Fidencio.

Houston, Texas and has been traveling since then. The exhibit has also been displayed at the Photographic Resource Center in Boston, Mass., Fogg Museum in Cambridge, Mass., Hampshire College Art Museum in Amherst,

Mass, and the Rio Grande Valley Museum in Harlington, Texas.

Gardner will also present a slide lecture on Monday, March 28 in Room 104 of the Mass Communications Building. Her book will also be exhibited and

available for signing. The exhibit can be viewed Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the gallery located in the Learning Resource Center. The exhibit is free and open to the public. ■

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# 'Four Part Harmony' a wonderful performance

Heather Normand  
Staff Writer

Tuesday's night performance of "Four Part Harmony," by Persephone Felder-Fentress, was a wonderful one-woman performance of an engrossing character.

In the show, Fentress portrays an elderly lady, Ora Mae Huston, celebrating her 70th birthday.

The play was written by Valeria Steele, an MTSU instructor in the Speech/Theater Department.

As the show opens, Ora sits in a rocking chair, looking back over her troubled life. She has suffered from schizophrenia, a condition which was not known or diagnosed much in the early part of the century.

She remembers being an 11-year-old girl, "Meg," who found her mother dead. She accuses her mother's boyfriend of worrying her to death.

After this incident, Ora was separated from her sister, Aunt Sara, and her Uncle Ottis.

The show continues with Ora's second personality, "Bitsy" showed up. Bitsy is 14 and pregnant by her uncle. She is very

confused and afraid, but had her baby anyway. Soon after the birth of her baby, Bitsy finds him dead.

The doctor doesn't name the cause of death, but Bitsy knows her child has been murdered. She feels certain the bab was murdered by her uncle, but there is nothing she could do about it.

Ora's uncle kicks her out of their house when she is 17. She receives a four-year scholarship to college. Her third personality pops up here, named "Janine." Janine is Ora's way of letting the past go.

In college, Ora mkese her singing debut at a night club. Janine meets a boy at school, to whom she becomes engaged.

This engagement is short-lived when "Janine" and her fiance break up after quarreling at a football game. Janine gives her engagement ring back. She says, "I gave his ring back many times before, but this time he took it."

Ora's life flourishes from there. She meets Larry Ashton, who Ora refers to as "Adam, himself." Ashton is a lady's man, but Ora loves him so much that she doesn't mind sharing him with women; he is worth it.

Ora goes on loving Ashton

for years. Doctors then tell Ora that she has a sexual disease, the disease we now know as AIDS. But it turns out that the doctors mixed up the test results with someone else's, and so Ora is safe from that tragedy, at least.

The monologue fades after this revelation. The most acknowledged of her writing was a book entitled "No More Carrots." This book was, consequentially, about how men use and abuse women.

Ora Mae Huston is a survivor. This presentation was an excellent portrayal of her life.

Steele says is very glad she got the opportunity to work with Ms. Felder.

"I felt fortunate to work with a talented actress like Persephone," Steele comments. "She asked me to create a one woman show for her, and I thought I'd like to create a character who suffered from being a split personality; therefore, I could show one character at different stages.

"We as women must be strong and encouraged to believe that, like all people, we can be any and everything we believe we can be," she added. ■



Charles Hogue, staff

Twilight years: Persephone Felder Fentress performs "Four Part Harmony," written by Valeria Steele. The one-woman show portrays an elderly woman looking back over her adventuresome life.

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# New York theatre trip in the works

Melody Boyd  
Staff Writer

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Tantalizing New York serves as an open opportunity for MTSU students who desire to experience the theatrical and cultural aspects of life in the city. The MTSU Theatre Department is organizing a five day trip to New York City May 20-24, which will be led by theatre teachers, Dale McGilliard and Connie Noble. Students who participate in the trip also receive two hours of Speech and Theatre credit.

"This is the first time in several years that the department has been able to do this," explains Noble. "The school credit has never been offered before, so that's a real advantage.

The trip will give a glimpse inside the whirlwind of Manhattan. Students will see four Broadway shows, including a behind the scenes look at what is involved in

running a production. A workshop will be conducted by a Broadway professional, and students will be given a backstage tour of a Broadway theatre.

Other sights such as the Metropolitan Museum of Modern Art, the Statue of Liberty and Radio City Music Hall will be visited, but students will also have free time to explore the city.

"If this trip has a good turnout, it is possible that the department will continue to sponsor these activities," says McGilliard.

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# Sports

## Raiders not netting key buckets

*Men's tennis team can't get over hump, women beginning to roll*

Tony J. Arnold  
Sports Editor

MTSU's men's tennis team just isn't toeing the line right and knocking down the big shots. At least that's the basketball philosophy tennis head coach Dale Short is taking with his men.

"We're missing our free throws in the last minute and we're not making any key 3-pointers at the end of the game," he admitted.

Short is referring to the Blue Raiders inability to win against nationally ranked competition. While trying to move up the ladder in the rankings, the Raiders are having a tough time with losses like recent ones to Samford, Alabama and the University of Alabama Birmingham.

"We were in a position to win them and we had our chances to win," Short said. "We're just not pulling out the close ones."

Alabama and UAB are ranked in the Top 20, and those losses were understandable, but the loss to Samford didn't sit well with Short, for a variety of reasons.

The biggest of these was that there were no officials to judge the calls, thus resulting in some controversial results.

*"We're missing our free throws in the last minute and we're not making any key 3-pointers at the end of the game."*

**-Dale Short  
MTSU tennis coach**

"It was a real nightmare," Short said. "Right now, the match is under protest and I don't expect that loss to count against us. Without a doubt in my mind, the better team lost."

The bright spot for the men was provided by the doubles duo of Paul Goebel and Frederic Niemeyer, who, for the second time this season, defeated UAB's Paul Rosner and Vaughn Snyman who were ranked No. 1 in the nation.

Meanwhile, Short's women continued to improve, winning two of three weekend matches.

The Ladies edged Furman 5-4, took care of OVC member Southeast Missouri 7-4, and lost to Auburn 2-3.

"Auburn has an excellent team," Short commented. "I think we were a little

intimidated by them because they have a nice facility, a nice scoreboard and such. Our girls aren't used to that. But Auburn had the better team."

Better or not, the Lady Raiders continued to show improvement prompting Short to tab them amongst his championship caliber teams of the past.

"I think this is one of our better teams," Short said. "We have more depth, although we don't have a true No. 1 player like Yael (Soresman, who played the spot last year), but we've got six or seven girls within a penny of each other, and balance helps a lot."

Both teams now prepare for Spring Break. Short's women have off until March 23, when they host Bowling Green.

The Blue Raiders host Wake Forest Saturday on the courts beside Murphy Center at 10 a.m. before enjoying the break.

"Wake Forest may be the best team we've ever had come to our place," Short commented. "We've got a good chance at beating them and we need a win."

"We've just come off a brutal road trip and all of a sudden, we're not used to winning, even when we play teams we should beat." ■

### ◆ Diamond Notes ◆

#### MTSU gets first win

MTSU's baseball team picked up its initial win of the season Sunday afternoon with a 12-4 win at Troy State, then its second Tuesday at UAB (13-3).

The Blue Raiders (2-5) rapped out 32 hits while Craig Reavis and Patrick Mayes picked up wins.

Middle opens its home season this Saturday when the Raiders host Eastern Illinois at 1 p.m. The game will be played at Reese Smith Field and students get in free with a valid I.D.

#### Softball team falters

Middle Tennessee's Lady Raider softball team dropped a pair of close games Sunday afternoon at Furman.

MTSU (8-4) fell 3-2 in the opener, then 5-2 in the second game.

Jamie Estepa drove in the only two MTSU runs in the opener, then Stacie Gafford pounded out two of the Lady Raiders three hits in the second game.

The Ladies host Morehead State Friday afternoon at 2 p.m.

## Morehead football on chopping block

*Scholarships soon history for OVC member*  
Associated Press

MOREHEAD, Ky. — Morehead State ignored pleas from its football coach and voted unanimously Monday to eliminate the team's 63 scholarships by 1998.

Ronald Eaglin, the school president, said the move could save the school up to \$450,000 a year. And with waning interest in the program, he said he felt other programs took precedence.

"The fact of the matter is, there are just not enough dollars to do what we want to do," he said.

Coach Cole Proctor said the idea was hatched without his input, and he begged that it be rejected.

"Don't deprive a young man the opportunity to get an education because he happens to play football," Proctor asked the board of regents.

The board's vote gives Eaglin authority to negotiate the proposal with the Ohio Valley Conference. He will ask the OVC to allow conference members to move to non-scholarship football but still compete as full OVC members in all other sports, thus preserving NCAA Division I status.

Football takes up a large portion of the school's athletics budget. The program took up \$650,000 of the \$1.7 million budget in the 1989-90 year, and \$792,000 of the \$2.4 million budget for 1993-94.

However, Eaglin said ticket sales indicated a declining interest in the program. Sales had dropped from \$87,000 in the 1989-90 fiscal year to \$27,000 in the 1993-94 year.

But opponents of the plan claim the proposal is unfair to blacks on campus. About 30 of the school's 90 black males play football.

Proctor's records since coming to the school in 1990 have been 5-6, 4-7, 3-8 and 3-8. ■

## Four Lady Raider seniors leaving lasting memories

Sunday afternoon I could only sit and watch as the seconds dwindled away on MTSU's basketball seasons.

Honestly, I could have probably bitten a head off a ten-penny nail, I was so frustrated. For starters, the Blue Raiders fell to Tennessee State via a 25-foot prayer at the buzzer. I was upset with the inconsistent officiating and I believe Middle outplayed, outthusted and beat the Tigers in every way but the scoreboard.

On top of that, TSU ended the Lady Raiders' season as well, and losing to the Lady Tigers ranks right up there with losing to Tennessee Tech.

But while I was ready to explode, I was brought down to earth just as freshman Kara Hobbs hit the floor. Here's a kid playing a game because she enjoys it. She'd already battled back from two torn ACL's (Anterior Cruciate Ligaments), but a third is putting her career in jeopardy.

Something like that really makes you understand that it's a game, and it's only a game. I'll admit I get too involved at times, but that really hit — and hit hard.



Tony Arnold  
Sports Editor

From that point on, all I could see was Kara and Michelle Jackson (who suffered the same injury in December) on the end of the bench. I didn't notice the clock, and I didn't notice the scoreboard. All I noticed was a career that ended around Christmas and a career in jeopardy.

Then came the press conference, where a teary Maggie Cox and Priscilla Robinson took the stand. Two more seniors were saying goodbye and somewhere in the background, I'm sure the fourth, Mescha Griffin, was sobbing as well.

Basketball for the seniors, and most likely the freshmen, is over. It hurt them, and it hurt me.

These are the people I've grown accustomed to seeing on Monday and Saturday nights for the past four years as I've covered the Lady Raiders. As time expired

on their careers, it did on mine as well, for I won't be back in this position next year when Heather Prater's dishing the assists or Sherry Tuckers knocking down the 3-pointers.

In other words, this was a very special group because they've allowed me to share their careers. I've felt their joy, and their pain. Customarily, at the end of the end of the season I leave them with one last clip to put in their scrapbooks, and this year will be no different. But in the same sense, I want them to know how appreciative one individual really is. To Lewis Bivens and the Lady Raiders, thanks for the best four seasons of my life, even if it is just a game.

To Priscilla Robinson: I'll never forget one night four years ago when assistant coach Dianne Cummings said that a young Priscilla Robinson had a chance to be remembered with the likes of MTSU great Kim Webb.

I laughed.

Now I'm crying because you're gone. Kim Webb is the best women's player I've seen, yet I

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# Hey Dan!



Charles Hogue, staff

## We're taking the issues to your face

*Editors Note: A few years ago Ohio Valley Conference commissioner Dan Beebe was chastised by an MTSU fan from the stands. Later, Beebe admitted he heard the guy yelling, but the fan didn't have the guts to yell in his face. After the recent OVC tournament, the 'Sidelines' staff decided to get in his face, and the above photo is to remind him that we aren't afraid to do so.*

Now that the Ohio Valley Conference is through for the year, it is time for me to get a few things off my mind.

Item No. 1: This is the one I've been begging for all year. I'll take an easy target — the officials.

The officials I've seen this year, as a whole, have been pathetic (that is the only word I could think of that my editor would let me print). They have been inconsistent, unenthused and generally horrible.

Any coach will tell you that a good official is not determined by his decision on the block/charge call, but by his enthusiasm in the game, his interest in the game, and his attitude about the game.

Thanks to a deal with the Southeastern Conference, the officials for OVC games are assigned by the SEC. Boy, I bet that really makes an official excited about calling an OVC game. He is ticked off because he's in Clarksville, Tenn. in front of 1,500 fans, instead of in Lexington, Ky. in front of 24,000.

Do you really think that official takes the game in Clarksville seriously? Of course not!

The funniest thing I heard about the officials this year came from the Commissioner of the OVC himself, Dan Beebe. On a sports-talk radio show a few



**Travis Millsaps**  
Assistant Sports Editor

weeks ago, a caller asked him who came up with this lame-brain idea of letting the SEC assign officials.

Beebe sounded shocked. He had heard no complaints about the officials from anyone, he said. In fact, everyone had told him what a much better job the officials were doing.

That is the biggest bunch of crap I had ever heard. If no one was complaining, why did Beebe just days earlier suspend Southeast Missouri coach Ron Shumate for a game for his tirade on officials? Why has Beebe reprimanded other coaches in the league for their comments about officials? If those aren't considered complaints, why the suspension and the reprimands?

This is not just my criticism. All over the OVC, people are complaining about the officials. Heck, it might have been the first time a Tennessee Tech fan and myself agreed on something.

Granted, not every official cruised through OVC games. There were some that gave their best effort every night, no matter where they were assigned, and these officials should be commended. Unfortunately, when there are three officials, it only takes one to make the entire group look bad.

This deal with the SEC is a bad one that is just going to get worse. The OVC needs to get out now and get its own set of officials. They may lack a little experience, but I guarantee they'll

make up for it in enthusiasm.

Item No. 2- I'll now switch gears to football. Just this past week, Morehead State University voted to eliminate the school's 63 football scholarships by 1998. Robert Eaglin, the school president, said that the move to non-scholarship football will save the university \$450,000 a year.

Now that it has no scholarships in football, Morehead plans to ask the OVC to allow some conference members to move towards non-scholarship football. However, he wants those schools that go to non-scholarship football to be allowed to compete as full OVC members in all other sports, thus preserving their NCAA Division I status.

Morehead believes that if this is allowed, other OVC schools will eliminate football scholarships.

If Eaglin's plan is passed, it should be the knife needed to kill the OVC. While schools like MTSU and Eastern Kentucky are considering making a move up in football, being in the same conference with teams going down will not help them.

Where will this \$450,000 saved on football at these schools be placed? It will probably go into other sports. The schools will be spending more money on basketball and baseball, giving them an advantage over the OVC schools that keep football.

In short, if you want to be in the conference, get all the way in. If not, don't let the door hit you on the way out.

Item No. 3- The *Sidelines* sports staff (consisting of Travis, Tony Arnold and Coley Jackson) decided to compile a quick list of the things we hate about the OVC

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## Seniors...

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don't think there's ever been a player that meant more to her team than Priscilla Robinson. For the most part, the way Priscilla played is the way the Lady Raiders played.

Priscilla, you are truly one of the all-time greats at MTSU. You've been a pleasure to watch. Because you were so smooth, a night you ended with 15 points was almost below average, while a night you scored 20 or 30 was just a typical Priscilla Robinson performance.

You've gone as hard as you could for four years and I wish you and Fred all the luck in the future.

While someone else will be filling your spot in the line-up, you'll always be there at heart, and your accomplishments will never be forgotten.

To Maggie Cox: I think Maggie's one of the roughest, toughest players I know, and it's players like that you like to have on your team. You get in her face, she'll come back in yours harder. That's her mentality and until I actually saw tears in her eyes, I thought she was invincible.

Four years ago when you looked down at the end of the bench, you saw Maggie. But hard work and that 'nobody gets the best of me attitude' made her a key member, and I think she was the most consistent player we put on the court this season.

That consistency led to 21

wins this year and, I feel assured, a lot more victories in the game of life.

To Mescha Griffin: I loved the quote coach Bivens gave me for your feature story.

"Mescha is a precious kid. She's what sports are all about."

Mescha was a role player for the Lady Raiders, doing whatever was needed, whenever it was needed in her two-year stint. While most people thought of her as a defensive player, it was the offensive touch she put on a free throw in the OVC tournament that helped garnish the win against Southeast Missouri.

After the game, Bivens said on the radio how the five he had out there at the end were the ones he had the confidence in.

Mescha was one of the ones out there, and I think that clearly says it all.

To Michelle: This one is very special to me and I think I summed it up back in January when your career ended. I know where you came from, and I know where you've been with the tragedy that struck your family.

I'd never wish that on anyone and I'm sorry it happened, but you a better person instead of dragging you down. I honestly think with a healthy Michelle Jackson, we'd be headed to the NCAA tournament next week. But we aren't and Michelle, just like the other seniors, is only a memory - a memory that I'll never forget.

Thank you all and God Bless. ■

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# Dan...

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just for the heck of it.

Here it is:

- 1) Dan Beebe.
- 2) Our football as a conference annually ranks among the lowest in the country.
- 3) Our basketball as a conference annually ranks among the lowest in the country.
- 4) Our baseball teams lost their automatic bid to the NCAA tournament, although now we have a shot at getting to the big dance via a play-off with the Southern Conference champion.
- 5) With the exception of Murray State possibly getting an invitation this season, the OVC, under Beebe, has never

sent a basketball team to postseason play (not including the tournament champions automatic berth). Some teams have posted very deserving records, thus showing the nation what pull Mr. Beebe has? My gosh, this even includes the less that spectacular NIT!

6) They said a lot of work went into the OVC Tournament. Gee, we didn't see it in the line at the concession stand (because they rarely had hospitality food).

7) Conference commissioners that turn their own programs into the NCAA?

8) In the OVC Tournament program an article mentioned several professional athletes which attended OVC institutions including Richard Dent of TSU who attended long before the Tigers joined the OVC. Not a sole from Middle Tennessee State was mentioned.

Maybe Beebe can't spell Dwight Stone, Mike Caldwell, D-O-N (I know that's a hard one) Griffin, Jayhawk Owens, Marty Carter or Warren Kidd.

- 9) Unrighteous suspensions.
- 10) Dan Beebe - again for Coley.
- 11) Officiating (too long to describe here, see above article).
- 12) Meaningless reprimands.
- 13) Instead of leading the conference forward, Beebe's letting some members drag us backward.
- 14) Beebe's Scott Edgar-like hair cut.
- 15) Beebe's Dick Fick -like figure.
- 16) Tennessee Tech.
- 17) I guess we're out of space although we could go on forever. We'll OVC-ya! ■

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Here are the brackets for the 1994 NCAA men's basketball tournament for 'On the Line.' You will be responsible for filling them out when the pairings are announced on Sunday afternoon. After filling them out, use the number listed beside the team as reference throughout the bracket. For example, if Arkansas is #32, and you think they will win, simply write the #32 in the next bracket and so on. For each correct pick, you will receive a win and everyone is in the running. For further info, see the box below.

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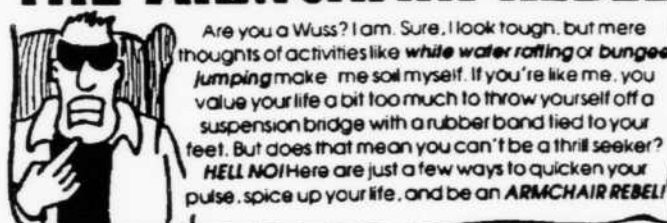


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## THE ARMCHAIR REBEL







Carl E. Lambert, staff

**ON THEIR CYCLE:** Samantha Reynolds and Abi Jett perform "The Cycle," a dance about birth midwifery, Wednesday afternoon in the Tennessee Room of the JUB.

## Mock Trial in national top 10 for third year

Kelley Lloyd  
Staff Writer

MTSU's Mock Trial team won Top 10 honors for the third year in a row at the national mock trial tournament.

The team reached the nationals by placing first and second in the Southeast Regional Competition held at Kennesaw College in Georgia last January.

MTSU's Championship Flight team included team captain Kim Miller, Jason Whatley, Doug Sloan, Tracey Brakebill, Rachel Oesch, Devin McClendon and Cara Loeffler. Their record of five wins and three losses earned them seventh place in the competition.

MTSU's Gold Flight team included team captain Chesley Harris, Keith Slocum, Todd Mitchell, Mandy Smith, Lisa Lee, Pam McClure, Barry Reid, Eric Koehler and Roy Roberts. Their record of 5-1-2 earned them fourth place.

Two members of the team brought home "All-American" honors. Kim Miller of the Championship Flight team won for placing in the top 10 attorneys, while Eric Koehler of the Gold Flight team won for placing among the top 10 witnesses.

Dr. John Vile, chairman of the political

science department, and Dr. Thomas Van Dervort, professor of political science, have been the teams' coaches for the last five years.

Both coaches agree the teams are very talented. Both believe next year's team will be just as good as this team, because there are not too many seniors on this team.

"The students have a good enough track record that I have a lot of confidence in them," Vile said.

"Most people don't realize how much teamwork and effort goes into the process of competing," Vile added. "We have made a real good name for ourselves."

"The students have done very well in the past two years and are certainly capable of meeting national competition," Van Dervort said. "It makes us very proud of MTSU."

Four freshman were on the teams this year. One won a trophy during competition.

In the past, MTSU teams have brought in their share of recognition from national competition. In 1992, an MTSU team placed 10th in the nation. In 1993, teams placed third in the Championship Flight and seventh in the Gold Flight. ■

## Part-timers should go for it

College Press Service

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind.—Part-time instructors are an undeveloped resource in higher education and should be encouraged rather than discouraged for a variety of reasons, two professors argued in a recent book.

Part-time instructors make up more than one-third of the faculty in the United States, although the percentage varies from

institution to institution.

"The Invisible Faculty: Improving the Status of Part-timers in Higher Education," written by Judith M. Grappa, a professor of educational administration at Purdue University, and David W. Leslie, professor of education at Florida State University, notes that colleges and universities have hired more adjunct faculty in recent years to offset increasing costs and decreasing budgets.

But that's not necessarily a negative thing, the authors argue.

"We found little to suggest that they (part-timers) are at the root of any systemic decline in the quality of higher education," the authors wrote. "To the contrary, we also found that part-time faculty are, for the most part, superbly qualified for their teaching assignments, highly committed and conscientious about doing their jobs."

## Condoms don't always work: study

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TOPANGA, Calif.—Using a condom during sex doesn't necessarily mean you and your partner will be protected from disease, according to recent studies.

Tests of 20,000 condoms show, important differences among various brands in protection from sexually transmitted disease, including AIDS, said the Mariposa Foundation, which conducts independent research on human sexuality and sexually transmitted diseases.

"Currently, consumers in the U.S. can obtain more information and data about

the performance of a refrigerator than they can about a condom," the foundation said in a news release.

Mariposa recently conducted a second testing of condoms to test viral leakage as a follow-up to an earlier study sponsored by the foundation, the University of California-Los Angeles and the University of Southern California. The results of the second trial confirmed the results of the first, Mariposa announced in February.

In the first study, 31 kinds of condoms were tested to see which afforded the greatest protection against STDs and HIV-1. The brands that provided the greatest

protection were Mentor (which is no longer being sold), Ramses Non-Lube, Ramses Sensitol, Gold Circle Coin, Gold Circle and Sheik Elite. The brands showing the highest leakage were Contracept Plus, which came in at 31st, Trojan Ribbed (30th), Trojan Naturalube Ribbed (29th) and LifeStyles Nuda (28th).

About 20,000 condoms were used in the first test, which measured how susceptible latex condoms were to leakage of viral fluid after simulating the stress of sex for five minutes on a coital simulator. About 1,000 condoms were used in the follow-up test.

## Israeli commission visits site of Hebron Muslim massacre

HEBRON, Occupied West Bank (AP) — Under heavy military guard, an inquiry commission today visited the West Bank shrine where a Jewish settler gunned down 30 Muslims as they knelt in prayer.

Hundreds of soldiers and military police were stationed on rooftops and in the streets near the 2,000-year-old Tomb of the Patriarchs, the burial place of biblical figures such as Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Sarah.

Army jeeps escorted two busloads of journalists and a separate convoy containing the commission members to Hebron. Streets were deserted because of an army-imposed curfew that has kept the city's 80,000 Palestinians at home since the Feb. 25 massacre.

The commission, headed by Supreme Court Chief Justice Meir Shamgar, climbed the steps to the main gate of the Tomb of the

Patriarchs — the route taken by Baruch Goldstein before he killed Palestinians during Friday prayers.

"Please preserve the sanctity of the site," read a sign in English at the entrance.

Water hoses lay coiled in a corner of the main entrance hall, still out after the cleansing of blood from the stone floor where 30 Palestinians were killed and 90 wounded.

Journalists were stopped by military police at the small, green iron gate where Muslims and Jews usually separate to go to their own prayer halls. It is there that the army believes Goldstein mixed in with the Palestinians to enter their mosque and then open fire with an automatic rifle.

The judicial commission has no formal power, but Israeli governments traditionally act on the findings of investigative panels.