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## **Campus Briefs**

#### Sociological association hosts lecture series

The Spring Graduate Student Sociological Association Lecture Series will present "The Impact of Racially Segregated Schooling on African American and White Incarceration Risk. 1970 to 1990" tonight from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Gary LaFree, a professor in the department of criminology and criminal justice at the University of Maryland, will be giving the lecture in the State Farm Lecture Hall of the Business and Aerospace Building.

For information, call 904-8589 or 898-2125, or go to www.mtsu.edu/~gssa.

#### Women's Center to host free legal clinic Feb. 27

The June Anderson Women's Center is sponsoring a free legal clinic on Feb. 27 at 7 p.m. and is available to all students, faculty and

Appointments to speak to an attorney can be made in advance by calling the JAWC at 898-2193. Space is limited.

#### Hockey Club to hold informational meeting

The newly formed MTSU Ice Hockey Club is hosting an information and registration meeting on Feb. 17 at 4:30 p.m. in Jones Hall, Conference Room 109B. The first season is set to begin in fall 2003 with practices starting in August and games in September.

For more information, contact the club's faculty advisor, Vance Austin at 904-8075 or by e-mail at vaustin@mtsu.edu.

#### 'Movie Night at the Commons' tomorrow

Disabled Student Services and Adaptive Technologies, in conjunction with Pi Kappa Phi fraternity, will be hosting "Movie Night at the Commons" tomorrow at 6 p.m. This event is free and open to all students.

For more information, contact Josh Higgins at 898-4429.

#### Women For Women meeting to be held today

An organizational meeting will be held by Women For Women, MTSU's feminist student organization, today at 4:30 p.m. in the James Union Building lobby to plan for the new semester. This year's theme is activism through art and music. The group is sponsored by the JAWC.

For more information about Women For Women, contact the JAWC at 898-2193 or by e-mail at jawc@mtsu.edu.

#### Darwin Day celebrated with lecture today

Campus The Freethought Alliance will be hosting a lecture today at 5:30 p.m. by Robert Price of Drew University in the Learning Resources Center, Room 221. •

# Cuts may still mean raise in tuition

## Travel, equipment may see strain

By Juanita Thouin Staff Writer

In the wake of Governor Phil Bredesen's request for an 8.8 reduction in Tennessee's higher education budget, MTSU must eliminate \$7.5 million from its 2003-04 proposal.

total expenditures.

"We don't want to balance these cuts on the backs of students, but trying to make them without any tuition increase is an unrealistic picture," university President Sidney McPhee said of the state's recent budget

A spokesperson for the governor said he believes the state should run its finances the way individual families have to run theirs; if there is a decrease in revenue, then cuts must be

According to McPhee, all expenditures and revenue options are on the table.

"In terms of our quality of education, we're still very much

a bargain," McPhee said.

An annual survey conducted by the College Entrance Examination Board indicates that for the year 2001-2002, MTSU's tuition costs ranked 337 out of 547 U.S. public fouryear institutions of higher learning.

McPhee's position on raising tuition falls in line with that of the Tennessee Board of Regents.

Mary Morgan, director of communications for TBR, said that earlier news reports had not accurately reflected TBR's stance on ways to offset proposed budget cuts.

"It's too early in the game to say absolutely yes or absolutely no regarding tuition increases," Morgan said.

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## President visits Nashville



Photo by Jenny Cordle | Chief Staff Photographer

Protesters take advantage of President George W. Bush's visit to Nashville Monday along Music City Boulevard to voice their opinions about war on Iraq. Bush was in town for the National Religious Broadcasters convention.

# Bush welcomed by Nashvillians

By Callie Elizabeth Butler Assistant News Editor

President Bush came to Nashville Monday to speak on his faith-based and community initiative at the Gaylord Opryland Hotel.

Upon his arrival, Bush was greeted by supporters hosting an annual convention of National Religious Broadcasters and by protesters voicing opposition against the war in Iraq demonstrating along areas of Music City Drive.

"It's good to see friendly faces," Bush said as he began his speech. "It's good to see people with whom I've spent a lot of quality time. Thanks for - thanks for letting me come. And I'm honored to be with so many of you all who have dedicated your lives sharing the good

The audience was composed of religious supporters and honored guests, including many of Bush's close friends from Texas. Chair and chief executive officer of NRB Glenn Plummer introduced Bush.

Bush's faith-based and community initiative, See Bush, 2



Photo by Danny Grigsby | Staff Photographer

#### Air Force One waits at Nashville International airport Monday.

the topic of his speech, is a governmental move to remove barriers on the work of organizations based on faith and community and to increase these organizations' abilities to access funding in an effort to provide greater assistance to Americans in need.

"It is that spirit of love and compassion which makes healing lives work," Bush said.

# Protest held against war

By Callie Elizabeth Butler Assistant News Editor

Anti-war protesters took advantage of President George W. Bush's Nashville appearance Monday and demonstrated outside the main entrance to the Gaylord Opryland Hotel.

Demonstrators and a number of children stood, bundled in layers of clothing with colorful signs held by gloved hands, to voice their opinions to the

"The importance of this demonstration is to remind

See Protest, 2

# Prize-winning journalist expands on racial issues

By Kristin Hall

New York Times columnist Bob Herbert spoke to a packed lecture hall yesterday on topics of recent columns, affirmative action and the plight of the black male.

Herbert was interviewed by journalism professor Wendell Rawls, and gave a short question-and-answer session in the State Farm Lecture Hall in the Business and Aerospace Building.

"He's a man that represents to us an engaged journalist," said David Eason,

chair of the Seigenthaler Lecture Series. As the first black columnist in the history of The New York Times, Herbert covers issues of racism, the plight of poor, the struggle for equal rights and other hot-button issues about diversity in the United States.

"This is a columnist whose opinions are based on reporting," Rawls said, who regularly reads Herbert's column, "In America.'

Rawls first brought up the subject of at least six of Herbert's columns, a story about a small town in Texas that convicted 10 percent of its black population of drug charges without evidence.

In 1999 in Tulia, Texas, an undercover agent implicated these people of selling him drugs, but no other officers could corroborate his accusations, Herbert said.

According to Herbert, all-white juries and judges charged many of them with 20- to 99-year jail sentences, despite finding no drugs, weapons or money.

"It's a great American injustice and should not be allowed to prevail," Herbert said.

Herbert has written about many cases of unjust trials, where innocent people have gone to jail for crimes they

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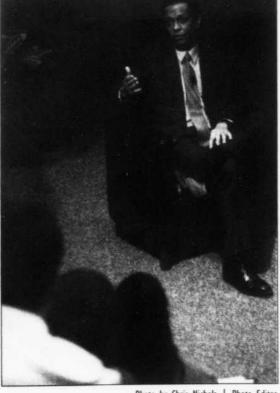


Photo by Chris Nichols | Photo Editor

Bob Herbert addresses students in the Business and Aerospace Building yesterday.

# Taco Bell contract to expire

## Decision comes after boycott

By Jennifer Bardoner Staff Writer

MTSU's five-year contract with Taco Bell will not be renewed when it ends May 15, according to Paul Stuart, director of Food Services.

The decision comes on the heels of a nationwide boycott against the restaurant chain, which purchases tomatoes from farm workers in Immokalee,

Monday, MTSU's Solidarity group joined the fight, circulating a petition to boot the Bell off campus.

Michael Principe, Solidarity's faculty adviser, said he believes this may have something to do with the efforts made on other campuses, where he says it's been "a huge fight."

Stuart, however, says there are a number of reasons behind the decision. Admittedly, he hasn't even seen the petition yet.

"I've caught a lot of heat from various students about their policies," Stuart said. "I'm one of the few people in the world that has lived in Immokalee, Fla. I know exactly what goes on down there, and I feel for the people."

"We're here for the students. If we were on campus XYZ and the students said, 'We want Taco Bell,' and we said, 'These are the issues we have with Taco Bell.' Do you still want them?" Principe asked. "If they said, 'Yes,' knowing all that, we would try our best to get them."

Undoubtedly, this is more of a financial issue. Stuart, a selfprofessed "business person," is looking for the most "bang for the buck."

'It's got to be a win-win situation. They are the least popular national brand," he says, pointing to the fact that Taco Bell's sales don't even constitute half of neighboring Burger King's.

Another dispute he has with the company revolves around their policies on equipment and food preparation. He says they mandate that only their equipment be bought for their restaurants and that they will not allow "staging," or preparing food in advance for high volume times.

'They are very difficult to work with," Stuart said. "There's no give and take back and forth. They're almost like a

While refusing to comment on Taco Bell's reaction to all the controversy or to losing the

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Though she wouldn't rule out a tuition hike, Morgan did say an 18 percent increase - the amount necessary to absorb all of the state-mandated cuts was out of the question.

Senior history education major Daniel Rouse said he transferred to MTSU from a private school where tuition was \$13,000 a year, so a rise in educational cost would not hinder his completing his degree.

"It [a tuition increase] wouldn't force me out of school but would effect my book buying capability," said senior computer information systems major Sean Brown.

According to McPhee, other ways of balancing the budget of these is hiring restrictions.

While the number of current faculty would not be reduced, vacant and new positions must undergo a series of reviews before being filled.

Currently, there are 66 faculty openings listed on the university's Web site.

Other expenditures under review are employee travel, major equipment purchases, general expenditures and laying off administrative personnel.

TBR has suggested eliminating remedial programs as one way of balancing the budget. McPhee said that since MTSU took those measures last year, the school can't benefit from these savings.

He said a committee was in

are also being considered. One the process of reviewing possible cuts to other programs and

> Vice President for Student Affairs Bob Glenn said his department will collectively make decisions where to cut and has encouraged his employees to be very judicious in making expenditures.

> McPhee stressed that altering the budget does not mean altering MTSU's vision towards excellence.

> "While we're making these cuts we're going to try to move the university forward. We will set priorities and use our academic master plan to guide how spend our limited resources," McPhee said. •

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didn't commit.

"I frequently have this sense of helplessness. I can't wave a magic wand and make things

Herbert said discrimination against blacks occurs often in the courtroom when the defendants are unfairly judged and

"Blacks who kill whites are more likely to be executed,"

but the victim, that determines the death sentence."

Herbert spoke about the issue of affirmative action at the University of Michigan, an issue heavily covered in the news.

"It seems to me that the affir-

mative action debate is not taking into account the hundreds of years of oppression," Herbert said. "And it does not take into account the discrimination that continues today.

Herbert said that many blacks score poorly on standardized tests due to a lack of quality education in high

"We need to be a little more willing as a society in general to give a helping hand to people who are struggling," Herbert said in support of affirmative action in colleges.

Lack of education, Herbert added, is one reason why so because drugs are their source

"It's a devastating situation that has not gotten a lot of attention, and not enough attention from black leaders," Herbert said.

Herbert said that ill-advised governmental policy dealing with the drug problem combined with the failure to recognize these problems within the community is causing a lack of black male role models.

Before writing for the Times, Herbert worked for nearly 17 years at the New York Daily News as a reporter, editor and columnist.

Herbert credited his success as a journalist to a love of reading, especially Charles Dickens

# Budget: Alternatives still open Taco Bell: Workers want 1¢

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MTSU contract, calling it a "moot point," Stuart says he believes "they're probably just as happy to see it go as I am."

Taco Bell could not be reached for comment.

Of Aramark's reaction to the Taco Bell controversy, Stuart is also reluctant to comment, but points to two other nearby schools that are also letting their contracts with Taco Bell expire - Freed-Hardeman, which is located in Henderson, Tenn., and the University of Memphis.

Aramark's corporate office in Philadelphia was not available for questions, but Debbie Albert of the public affairs department did say, "Aramark is working closely with Taco Bell and all the parties involved to try to come to an equitable solution for everyone involved.

One of the parties most intricately involved is the Immokalee workers. They have organized under the group "Coalition of Immokalee Workers," which is funded by human rights organizations and churches across the country.

According to this group's Web site, workers who pick tomatoes for Six L's Packing Co., Inc., which Taco Bell contracts

with, are currently paid 40 cents for each 32-pound bucket they fill. They are asking Taco Bell for a penny more per pound, claiming that increase could double the picking rate, bringing the workers' income up to that of a living wage.

Although this issue received national attention from similar groups, MTSU's Solidarity group was reluctant to act, according to both Principe and Ryan Husak, president of the campus chapter.

"It's the only thing you can eat on campus for \$1," Husak said. "We don't want to be the group that made everybody have to pay \$5 for lunches instead of \$1."

After Husak spent several days alongside Immokdee workers last Thanksgiving, he decided to bring the fight to MTSU.

"He came back and pushed real hard," Principe said.

Although Husak's day went from 4:30 am until 5:30 pm, he only made \$17, while working in a field so full of pesticides that it caused others in the group to get sick and ruined all their clothing.

"When you're working for 13 hours in a field, you're just a work machine," he said. "In cap-

**Bush:** Conference hosts broadcasters

italism you don't make money by working, you make money by owning. The workers know that. Now they're just living to

eat. Or eating to live." While Husak doesn't believe his participation will bring down Taco Bell, he does think it

sends an important message. "We know we're not hurting Taco Bell by not having them here," he said. "But it sort of sends the signal that this is a movement that the entire U.S.

Even though this battle may be won, Husak and Principe still plan on continuing the campaign, which, according to Husak, is "trying to raise public awareness on the university level on the farming conditions of the Immokalee workers."

To this end, they plan on bringing in several workers on April 2 to describe these conditions. They are also hosting an open house Feb. 11 from 3:30-4:30 in Keathley University Center, Room 318.

As for what will replace Taco Bell in the Cyber Café, no one knows yet.

Stuart says it will be up to the budget and the students, whom he will poll through surveys and focus groups. •

# **Herbert:** Reading influential on career

right," Herbert said.

receive harsher punishments.

"It's not so much the killer,

many black males can't find jobs and are ending up in jail and Ernest Hemingway. •

## **Protest:** Faith-based initiative not an issue

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people that there are alternatives [to war] out there," said Mark Smith, a teacher at Stratford High School in Nashville. "I think one thing that is discouraging is that often times people who express an opposition to a particular government pursuit are perceived as unpatriotic, and that is incor-

Bush appeared as the featured speaker at the National Religious Broadcasters Convention. He was present to discuss his new faith-based and community initiative, which aims to increase funding and expand programming within faith-based and community groups. The crowd of more than 50 protesters were unconcerned with this issue and focused on opposition to the coming war.

A single demonstrator, Lori Davis, held a sign through the sunroof of a black vehicle bearing the words, "Go Bush."

'With Bush praying and stuff, he gets divine intervention," Davis said.

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"Yet, for too long, some in government thought there was no room for faith-based groups to provide social services. I have a different point of view. I believe government should welcome faith-based groups as allies in the great work of renewing America.

The White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives seeks to eliminate federal barriers on faith-based and community organizations attempting to help elevate national social problems, such as increasing drug use, assisting at-risk youth and unwed teenage mothers and families below the poverty line. The

office plans to work toward stimulating funds for these organizations and expanding tax deductions and the use of such programs for after-school services and aid for children of

"It [The Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives] will be the federal government's lead agency in promoting a policy of respect for and cooperation with religious and grassroots groups," Bush said in his blueprint, "Rallying the Armies of Compassion," outlining the new

Bush's new initiative has been met with great support as many note the need for spiritual acknowledgement in rehabilitation. Others, however, worry that it could cause a breach in the dividing line between church and state and the biases that could arise from such an

"I think the charities helping the needy, it should not matter if there is a rabbi on the board, or a cross on the wall, or crescent on the wall, or religious commitment in the charter," Bush said. "What I'm saying is, the days of discriminating against religious groups just because they're religious are coming to an end."

For more information concerning Bush's new faith-based and community initiative, go to www.whitehouse.gov.



The Housing and Residential Life Office is now accepting housing reapplication forms from returning students for the Fall 2003/Spring 2004 academic year. Students are encouraged to reapply for housing as early as possible. particularly if they are request-

ing to move to a different location on campus next year, as new assignments are made by application date. Students requesting to remain in their same location on campus next year will be given first priority to do so as long as their reapplication and \$200 prepaid rent deposit are received by the deadline. The deadline for students living in on-campus housing to reapply for housing with priority for the 2003/2004 academic year is Monday, March 3, 2003 at 4:00 PM. Students need to complete a reapplication form available in the Housing and Residential Life Office, pay the \$200 prepaid rent at the business office cashier windows in the Cope Administration Building, 1st floor, and return the reapplication form stamped "paid" to the Housing and Residential Life office in the Keathley University Center, Room 300, Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

Students also have the option of reapplying for housing with priority online at www.mtsu.edu. Housing is found under STUDENT AFFAIRS. The \$200 prepaid rent is paid by using a credit card, Mastercard or Visa, or by completing an online check. There is an additional \$10 nonrefundable service fee charged for processing the payment online.

To obtain a **HOUSING REAPPLICATION FORM**, please come by the Housing and Residential Life office during office hours, 8 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday, in the Keathley University Center, Room 300.

For additional information or questions, please contact Housing and Residential Life during office hours at 898-2971



# Mandatory Participant Meetings

If you are an Up 'til Dawn participant, you must attend ONE of the following dates:

Feb. 17, 5-6 p.m.

Feb. 18, 4-5 p.m. Feb. 20, 5-6 p.m.

Feb. 24

4:30-5:30 p.m.

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#### From the Editorial Board

## Taco Bell making run for border

Yo quiero la frescura de Taco Bell!

The word that Taco Bell wouldn't be on campus come May 15 was met with a mixed reaction within our office. Some were happy because Taco Bell had been taking heat for grossly underpaying its tomato pickers. Some were upset at the prospect of losing the precious (and cheap) sustenance the Bell provides. A lot of people didn't care.

There was one reason for the decision, however, that drew the ire of everyone - a factor in the decision was that Taco Bell would not allow 'staging' prepping food in advance for rush times, according to Paul Stuart, director of Food Services.

Well, pardon Taco Bell for having some standards for their product. No one in the history of food consumption ever considered Taco Bell a beacon of fresh-cooked goodness. The fact that Ubermark can't meet even some of the lower legal standards for serving food is not only sad - it's

Think about some of the food you get on campus now: those Grille Works burgers precooked and kept in water-filled containers every day, festering until they're warmed on the grill and put on your plate for an inflated price. What about Burger King's microwaved turds-in-wrappers that they call burgers, or the unidentifiable pieces of chicken served at a pep rally last year?

So Taco Bell doesn't want their food to taste terrible - does that justify losing a contract?

We also dispute that Taco Bell's actual sales are half that of other national brands on campus. Did Stuart consider that the Bell is much cheaper to eat at than every other national campus outlet? Were his numbers based on dollars and cents or on how many customers bought items from each establish-

Even the Taco Bell fans on the board would've understood the decision, had it been due to the social factor of the underpaid workers that pick their tomatoes in Immokalee, Fla., (even though Taco Bell doesn't own or operate the company these people work for). To kick them off campus because Aramark can't deal with the freshness of Taco Bell is inane and should be criminal. •

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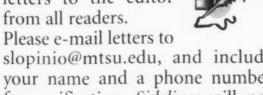
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Wednesday, February 12, 2003

# Complexities make life interesting

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Simple people are bor-

Imagine you're in the middle of a huge lecture class. Five minutes into class, a girl walks in late. She's wearing her usual combination of bright colors and cartoon characters in an especially loud combination. Unfortunately, the only seat open in the class is right next to you.

As she walks up, her unusually large smile tips you off that talking to her is only going to result in a

around meadows filled with daisies and puppy dogs. You turn around as she sits down to avoid the almost sickening cheer that she radiates.

Halfway during the lecture, the professor loses your attention. You start to look around for a distraction, and something in the corner of your eye catches your attention. You look over and see that girl doodling occult signs and antigovernment slogans in her

The conflicting personality traits in the example make for a great twist. If Happy-Go-Lucky walked over and talked about grassy fields and bunny rabbits, the image would be gross and dis-

conversation revolving turbing. There's too much cuteness in it. The character is so stereotypically simple it's overpowering.

> However, add a little variety to the mix and, viola, we've got conflict. Despite how much we may hate having to deal with it, it's that conflict that makes life interesting. For people who don't have to worry too much about disease, hunger or sudden death, the little surprises in life give the much-needed distractions that we require.

Movies and literature immortalize such mismatched characters. In John Irving's A Prayer for Owen Meany, the main character, Owen, is a scrawny kid with a highpitched, nasal voice. His friends treat him with the

same respect as a five-yearold treats a rag doll. By all accounts, he shouldn't be able to succeed in anything.

Yet, throughout the course of the book, Owen finds a way to kill a bystander with a baseball in a peewee game, monopolize the thoughts of his entire school through his newspaper column and save a few orphan kids from a grenade blast. Despite all of his problems, Owen is ultimately content with his life.

Granted, this example is fiction. Owen's traits and mannerisms are designed to make him seem an unlikely candidate to be a hero, and yet, by the end of the story, only someone like Owen could ever

accomplish everything he

That doesn't mean that we can't compare our lives to Owen's. Sometimes, people actually do pull off a somewhat complex life out of school, work, free time, social clubs and everything else that makes up life. It's easy to overlook the good qualities that make up everyone when their first impressions leave a lot to be desired.

Despite contrary belief, all of us have talents and skills. Some of us are just better at hiding them.

A lot better.

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## Resisting war against dreams

By Andy Smith Guest Columnist

Despite overwhelming global opposition and no legitimate or logical rationale, Presidentselect George W. Bush continues his plans to plunge us into war.

But last year's "United We Stand" in the war against terror has transformed into an everwidening "United For Peace." In the new antiwar movement, we find more than just the usual list of suspect activists. Skeptical Republicans, military leaders, business moguls and Gulf War veterans have joined the chorus of those questioning the Bush administration's motives for bombing Iraq.

What a difference one year can make.

For many, it's not just the impending destruction in Iraq that has us worried. In defining war without end. Bush announced his "national security strategy," a plan that looks like the consummation of his daddy's New World Order, in which one superpower rules the world with money, military might and a messianic mission. Unilateral, first strike war - or a policy of "Get Them Before They Get Us" - is no longer criminal or immoral; it's now a simple Pentagon policy, and it is, in fact, Manifest Destiny.

Bush doesn't stop with war against Iraq. He simultaneously has declared war against personal freedom and the Bill of Rights (with the exception of his sacrosanct second amendment), war against the rights of women and children, war against the environment, war against civil rights and the rights of the imprisoned and war against the poor.

Recently, in a move that would be almost comical if it were not true, Bush declared war against poetry. First lady Laura Bush

had planned a poetry symposium on the works of Langston Hughes, Walt Whitman and Emily Dickinson. However, when many of the invited guests (including wellknown American poets) responded with plans to boycott or bring anti-war rhetoric to the event, the White House hastily canceled it. In a spontaneous response, more than 5,000 bards have joined the international Poets Against the War movement that has included readings and publications.

If poets can threaten opinion and national security so easily, I cannot help but wonder what will come next. they outlaw Valentine's Day and Mardi Gras? Critics have called this the War Against Everything or the War on Dreams, and each day, an eerie, draconian reality gets ramped up to resemble these allegations. Many government proposals for fighting terror and curbing freedom mirror dark, dystopian science fiction dramas. George Orwell is in the house. The Matrix and Minority Report seem shockingly relevant. Yes, this might make a riveting movie script if it weren't really

happening. While some bought Colin Powell's recent presentation of "evidence" the United Nations, and some minds were even changed because of it, others have not been so generous in their assessment of Powell's claims. Reports have circulated claiming that part of Powell's report was plagiarized from an academic article and that the taped phone calls were blatant fabrications. To be blunt, Bush and his team have bet everything on this war and don't have the brains - or balls - to back down.

This weekend, on Feb. 15 and 16, protests will take place all over the globe in what some predict will be the largest anti-war demonstrations in history. People will gather in Nashville on 21st Avenue in Hillsboro Village at noon. Writer, activist and visionary Starhawk urges us all to participate:

"If you have marched before, march again, and this time bring more of your friends and neighbors. If you haven't marched, if you have been immersed in the demands of your own life, if you feel that your small voice makes no difference, now is the time to speak anyway, to interrupt your ordinary pursuits, to become the one small drop that just might turn the tide.

'Be public. Be visible. Be the loud, uncomfortable conscience that has disappeared from the halls of power. "And believe that

truth is stronger than lies, love trumps fear and no cabal of power can contain the multitudes when we awaken and choose life." ◆

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# Earth calls for cell compliance

A Single Voice



You think you've heard every rant there is about cell phones and cell phone users. We've all complained about the way the cell phone is making us anti-social. There have been tons of arguments against driving and talking on the cell phone. Well, here's my version of a cell phone rant.

I spent last weekend in a hospital. The first thing you notice as you walk through the door of the hospital are cell phone signs. There are either signs with a cell phone saying, "Cell phones can be used in this designated area only," or signs with a cell phone in a big red circle with a slash through it.

The signs inside every elevator and spaced every few feet on the walls in the hallways were signs stating:

"For the safety of our patients, the use of cellular phones is permitted in designated areas only (the first floor main corridor and cafeteria). The use of all phones, two-way communication devices and other devices that create radio wave interference may cause erroneous operation of sensitive medical devices and critical life support systems. When not in designated areas please turn your cellular phone and other radio wave creating devices to the off (not standby) mode. Thank you."

That sign seems pretty clear doesn't it? However, judging by the actions of people in the hospital, they should just start checking cell phones at the door.

I sat in a waiting room on the third floor. That's clearly not the first floor main corridor or the cafeteria. While sitting in that waiting room, I watched

person after person flip open his or her cell phone and call someone. The nurses had to come

in several times and tell people to turn them off. Sometimes they had to get quite stern about it and explain that the phones interfered with heart monitors and some life support machines. We were on the intensive care floor.

Cell phones often bring out people's most selfabsorbed traits. People need to ignore everyone and everything around them in order to talk to someone at that exact moment. One man was standing right next to the sign that said that cell phones interfered with medical devices. Using a cell phone on that floor could have put someone's loved one in danger.

I understand that some people are oblivious to their surroundings, but there were signs everywhere. I also understand that those waiting in the intensive care waiting room might need to contact people regarding the condition of their loved ones. But, there are pay phones on every floor outside of every waiting room and it's a quick elevator ride to the first floor.

The disturbing reality of this situation is that this is an example of how dependent upon cell phones many people have become, so much so that turning them off seemed unreasonable to them. Several people saw the sign and said they wouldn't use their phones, but didn't turn them completely off.

There are times when it's selfish and uncaring to need to be completely accessible by cell phone. People need to remember that cell phones aren't the only phones available. Sometimes they're inappropriate and even possibly dangerous. ◆

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Look for our Valentine's Day Super Spectacular issue of Sidelines!

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No, not really.

## Letter to the Editor Separation misused, misunderstood

To the Editor:

I have a difficult time going a week without hearing "separation of church and state," yet most people don't know the history behind the phrase that continually threatens to erode the freedoms and values of many Americans. Unfortunately, its original intent has been misconstrued and misapplied to conform to the ideas of individuals who steal the freedoms guaranteed by the very doctrines and ideals they uphold. The wall which Patrick Chinnery so gallantly supports with his own bricks of ignorance, was created to protect religion from the state, not the state from religion ("Separation of church, state eroding," Feb. 10, 2003).

Religion hasn't been taken out of public schools; it has been replaced with an anti-God philosophy known as Humanism. Humanists continually claim to be recognized as a religion, and yet somehow this belief system slipped by the eyes of the ever-watchful American Civil Liberties Union. Obviously, not every teacher does this, and there are those who are aware of its presence, but there are still some avid supporters of this faith who, with our tax dollars, continue to push their beliefs on students.

It's impossible to express ideas outside of the glasses through which each of us view every aspect of existence. Communication between teachers and students precludes the expression of beliefs in every response. It's impossible to remove religion from America's public schools. Furthermore, to attempt to do so is denying students their constitutional rights. To uphold this horrid act, the proponents attempt to misuse a sentence found in a letter that has no legal or judicial existence in the Constitution or any of the Amendments.

Jeff Watkins

# Sweetheart's guide for guys & girls

By Stephanie Hughes and Jenny Cordle

Features Editor and Staff Reporter

# Last minute V-day ideas

The stores are adorned with red and white, restaurants are advertising dinners for two and the atmosphere is ablaze with romance. Valentine's Day is a time to celebrate the one you love, so it just seems natural that you want to show that special someone the depth of your affection. How is that possible without exhausting the traditional gifts that are purchased every Valentine's Day?

First, a gift should express the true feelings that are in your heart. It should reflect something about you and your relationship.

Second, if you are tight on money, then buy or make gifts that are inexpensive, but still manage to be heartfelt. Some of the best gifts don't cost anything.

Third, and probably most important, the gift needs to reflect the personality of the one you love. Be original and creative with your gift and make sure that it is something you know he or she will love.

To help relieve the stress of trying to figure out what to do for Valentine's Day, here's a list of ideas for gifts and places to go that will hopefully help those of you who might not be experts in love and romance.

Girls are generally easier to buy for than guys, so we'll start with them.

## Just for her:

- Scents from Victoria's Secret such as Love
   Spell or Heavenly, or Bath & Body Works
   lotions such as Cucumber Melon or Pearberry.
- Her favorite flower(s) Roses are always good, but try and stay away from the traditional red. Also, don't feel obligated to get roses. If she likes carnations, then buy those. Check out Murfreesboro Flower Shoppe on Memorial Boulevard.
- Buy her a gift certificate to a local day spa where she can get pampered. Try Lloyd and Company Salon and Day Spa on West College Street.



## Him or Her:

- Purchase concert tickets to see his or her favorite band.
- Write him or her an original poem or love letter and read it to your significant other while watching the sunset.
- Create a CD of his or her favorite songs and try to include both of your favorite songs.
- Make a scrapbook of memories such as trips, concerts, special dates, photos and movie ticket stubs. You can buy scrapbooks at Hobby Lobby or Hallmark.
- Cook a scrumptious dinner
- complete with his or her favorite food, or you could cook the dinner together. Add candles. Scatter rose petals on the table and pop open his or her favorite bottle of wine or champagne. Top it off by putting on a slow song and dancing together. You can pick up candles at Wal-Mart, Target or Dollar General.
- If cooking is not your forte, try Demos', Milano's or Marina's. All are right here in the 'Boro and are reasonably priced. If you want to take a road trip to Nashville, try The Pinnacle, The Melting Pot, Sole Mio or Amerigo's.
- Take your honey to an upcoming play or performance such as Shakespeare's As You Like It at the Center for the Arts on the Square.
- Purchase a decorative picture frame and place a photo of the two of you in it for him or her to cherish. Check out Target for ideas.
  - Jewelry's always good.

Remember that no matter what the gift or how much you spend, it's the thought that counts. As long as you give from your heart, it's sure to be appreciated. •

# New perspectives on relationships, love

By Jason Kyle
Contributor

Valentine's Day is a holiday made for lovers, but for some, love is a little harder to come by.

"This is my fifth year here, and I have not had one single man approach me as far as for a date or anything like that," says Aimee Harwood, a senior who is visually impaired.

People with disabilities often have a harder time finding that special someone, and in most cases, that someone does not have a disability. They are often shyer when it comes to romance, and do not get approached as often.

"I have had a lot of guys that have been like, 'I wanted to ask you out, but I didn't know what that would entail,'" says Kimberly Jones, a sophomore with muscular dystrophy. "They wouldn't know what it would be like or what to expect."

Most people with disabilities do not date others with disabilities. They find it much easier to date those that are not handi"It is a lot harder to get someone to look at you differently."

Kimberly Jones
 Sophomore

capped.

"For me, that's what I prefer. It's just more practical," Jones says.

Those involved in a relationship with someone who is not огристе.

disabled say it still isn't easy.

"There are compromises that you make," says Larry Plein, a married junior with osteoporo-

sis.
"Sometimes you feel like you

are a financial burden to your partner."

For some disabled people, having a partner who's not disabled can completely change

their lifestyles.

This can cause the disabled person to experience things that they may not get to experience

on their own.

"My guy likes to show me different things and explain different things to me. We watch TV, and he'll explain it to me," Harwood says. "He enjoys doing things like that."

It can be harder for those with disabilities to get a date.

"It's a scary thought being out there in that arena again with a disability," Plein says.

"It is a lot harder to get someone to look at you differ-

ently," Jones says.

It is possible for any relationship to work, whether it involves a disability or not. It just takes

some effort.

"I think you can overcome anything if you have the motivation to do it," Plein says. ◆

# Dear Annie



Dear Annie,

My friend and I have questions for you concerning Valentine's Day. First of all, I'm single, and all of my girlfriends have boyfriends. So, my question is how can I make Valentine's Day special and not feel all down that I don't have somebody? I know the obvious answer - I'm just looking for some support. Now, my friend's boyfriend doesn't think Valentine's Day is special, and she's worried that he's not going to do anything. She wants to know if you have any thoughts about that. Can you give us some advice?

- Valentine Girls

Dear Valentine Girls,

It sounds like you need a Valentine survival guide.

If you're a single girl, there are many ways to survive Valentine's Day. For example, you could buy yourself a small box of chocolates, rent a movie and enjoy a peaceful evening. I would avoid renting romance movies - love stories and chocolate could equal tears. My point is you don't have to feel left out of enjoying the holiday. Do something special for yourself. The only way not to feel down is to simply refuse that "lonely feeling.

Your friend does have a small communication problem with her boyfriend. I would suggest sitting down with her guv for a heart-to-heart and stating that Valentine's Day is important. If Valentine's Day is important to her, then it should be important to him. It takes only small gestures to make the day spe cial (note the Valentine gift special on page four in Sidelines.)

If you have a significant other, try not to let the "hearts block your logical vision. Keep Valentine's Day simple and romantic. Don't let Valentine's Day become a relationship breaker. Keep your expectations within reason. I would avoid chanting "jewelry, jewelry, jewelry" in your head.

In my opinion, Valentine's Day is a time to celebrate love and romance. Even if you're single, you can still have an appreciation for the holiday and look forward to one day celebrating it with someone you love. As for the couples, never miss an opportunity to make the love of your life feel special.

Please e-mail your questions to DearMtsuAnnie@aol.com.



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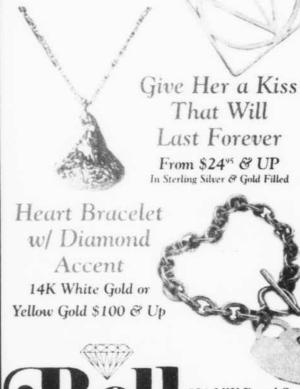
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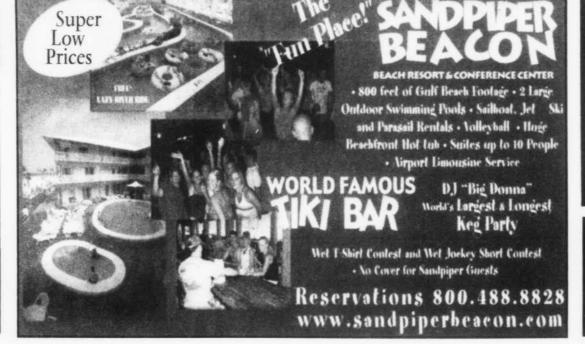
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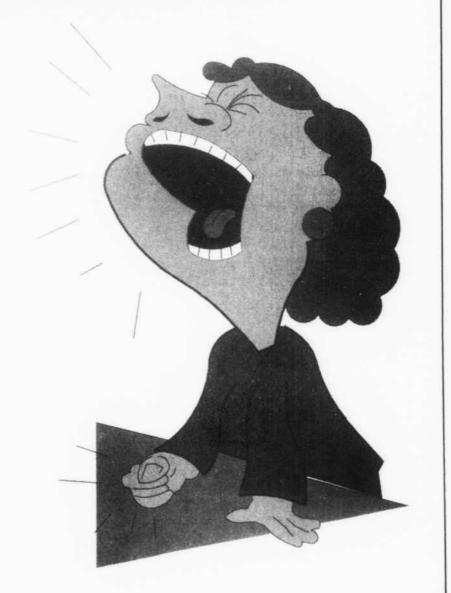
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## Golf team third at tourney

By Randall Thomason Staff Writer

Middle Tennessee's women's golf team found itself in a fourway tie for fourth place following the first round of the Golden Panther Women's Intercollegiate Tournament on Monday in Miami.

The Lady Raiders posted a team total of 334 in extremely difficult, windy conditions on the Doral Resort Course, leaving MT 25 strokes behind the leading University of Illinois.

Tamara Munsch paced the Lady Raiders with a solid round of 77, putting her into a tie for fourth overall, three shots out of the lead. Kristin Lynch recorded

an 81 to place her in a tie for 14th. Kimmerlee Pennington fired

an 84 to tie 25th. Amanda

Harter carded a 92, tying her for 61st, and Kandace Burnett rounded out the MT scoring with a 95.

Munsch

Lady Raider head coach Rachel Moore admitted that the course conditions adversely affected her team.

"The course played very long today and extremely tough," Moore said. "We really struggled with our short game."

Although overcoming the 25-stroke deficit to Illinois is unlikely, MT is in the hunt for a second place finish. The Lady Raiders trail second place Southwest Texas by four strokes and third place Bethune-Cookman by three.

MT finished the tournament in third place behind the University of Illinois and the University of North Carolina -Greensboro.

The Lady Raider's next match is the Lady Moc Invitational in Chattanooga starting on Feb. 28. •

#### **Tourney Results Final Tournament Scores** Amanda Harter 75-79-79-233 Kandace Burnett 82-77-79-239 Tamara Munsch 82-82-83-247 Grace Holmes 83-81-84-248 Kristin Lynch 88-85-78-251

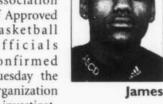
# Photo with James sends referee into hot water

By Jeff Linkous Associated Press Writer

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) - A referee is under investigation after he posed for a photograph on the court with high school star LeBron James, following a tournament game last weekend.

The president of the central New Jersey chapter of Inter-

the national Association of Approved Basketball Officials confirmed Tuesday the organization is investigat-



ing the actions of referee Tony

Celantano. James, expected to be the No. 1 pick in the NBA draft, posed with his right arm draped

A slight grin is on James' face. 'We're just trying to sort out all the facts," said Fred Dumont,

around Celantano's shoulders.

the organization's president. While Celentneo violated no written rule, it is accepted practice that officials not to pose for pictures with players, according to Dumont. He said he spoke with Celantano, who concluded he should have shown better judgment.

Dumont expects a ruling within a week. He declined to specify what sanctions could be imposed. Celantano, 27-year veteran, remains eligible to officiate, Dumont said.

"He's still free to be a referee and happens to be an outstanding referee," Dumont said. "He's a very professional person; he's an experienced official."

Celantano told The Times of Trenton the photo was taken by a relative and was not for personal use. After officiating another high school game Sunday, Celantano told the newspaper he wanted the photograph with James for a friend's child.

Celantano did not immediately return a message left at his Hamilton home Tuesday by the Associated Press.

James scored a career-high 52 points leading St. Vincent-St. Mary of Akron, Ohio, in a 78-52 victory over Westchester of Los Angeles in the Prime Time Shootout, the 6-foot-8-inch senior's first action since an Ohio judge restored his high school eligibility nearly a week

"I was at the game," Dumont said. "I don't have a problem with how the game was officiated."

The Ohio High School Association Athletic had revoked James' eligibility for accepting two sports jerseys valued at \$845 from a Cleveland

clothing store. Four days earlier, the association ruled that James hadn't violated any rules by accepting a \$50,000 Hummer sport utility vehicle from his mother as a birthday present.



By Trey Porter Staff Writer

The MT track team is slated to host a plethora of Sun Belt foes during the final home event this season.

Freshman Sean Waller jumps to impress, especially when he is on campus. During the Blue Raider Classic, two weeks ago, he flew for a personal best 24-6 in the long jump to finish as the top collegian in his respective event.

Waller not only jumps, he's a runner as well. In the Blue Raider Classic, he ran anchor on the winning mile relay team.

Franklin, Tenn., native Mardy Scales is undefeated this year in the 55/60-meter and currently holds the fastest time in the nation for the 60 at 6.60, which he set in the Kentucky Invitational.

A 2002 Indoor All-American, Scales took first in the 55-meter dash two weeks ago at blazing speed with a time of 6.26, an NCAA qualifying mark.

At the Blue Raider Classic two weeks ago, the Blue Raiders dominated the men's 400-meter. Sophomore Wesley Dupar-Scott, senior DJ Spann and senior Omar Ali all have the ability to finish strong down the

"Mardy has been tremendous and Wesley is really coming on as a sprinter," head coach Dean Hayes said.

Eves will be on Linnie Yarborough as he tries to grab another hurdles victory. Yarborough, a freshman, was the Sun Belt Conference athlete of the week two weeks ago after capturing the 55-meter hurdles in 7.41.

The men aren't the only ones who are going to be at the match. For the Lady Raiders, Rosemary Okafor is a speedster who has what it takes to win every time she lines up. The 5-foot-9-inch sophomore is coming off an impressive showing at the Indiana Invitational last weekend. Okafor won the 400m for the second time this season and is looking to do it again on Saturday.

Elsewhere in the Lady Raider ranks, freshman Meaghan Byrd is set to show her prowess in the shot put. Byrd took ninth at Indiana University this past weekend. She will be looking to repeat her last showing at the Murphy Center, where she was the

See Track, 8

# Holmes named SBC Player of the Week

Holmes

**Staff Reports** 

Middle Tennessee Lady Raider guard Patrice Holmes continues to add accolades to her already

impressive resume as the sophomore guard was named the Sun Belt Conference Player of the Week Monday for the second time this sea-

Holmes was an essential figure in the Lady Raiders' first-ever wins over conference foes University of North Texas and University of Denver to capture the award. The South Carolina native

averaged 19 points in the two games. Holmes also averaged 7.5 rebounds, 4.5 assists and five steals while shooting 41.2 percent in the pair of victories.

Holmes, a Bishopville, S.C., native, was the Sun Belt's Freshman of the Year in 2000 and is being hyped as a possible All-American candidate this year.

This season, Holmes led MT in scoring 13 times out of 23 contests and scored her single game career high with 28 points in an early season loss to Austin Peay State University. Holmes won Player of the Week honors previously on Jan.

The talented guard was a four-year starter at Lee Central High School. During her senior year, Holmes averaged 24.8 points-per-game, 9.2 rebounds, 8.1 assists and 4.5 steals. She was named All-Area amd Area Player of the Year. In addition to playing basketball, Holmes also lettered in softball and track.

Holmes and the Lady Raiders (13-10, 6-4 SBC) return to the court Thursday night against Arkansas State. •

# Tourney tickets available

Staff Reports

March Madness is just around the corner, and tickets for the upcoming Sun Belt Tournament in Bowling Green, Ky., are now for sale at the Middle Tennessee Ticket Office.

Ticket packages for the entire tournament are \$75, including admission to both men's and women's games. Single game tickets are available only on game day and prices have not been announced.

MT students will be admitted free to the Diddle Arena on the Western Kentucky campus with their ID card.

The tournament begins March 6 and runs through March 11. Both the Blue Raiders and Lady Raiders are competing.

"I think it is a great opportunity for Middle Tennessee basketball fans to make the short drive to Bowling Green," Blue Raider head coach Kermit Davis said. "Everyone seems to think that this year's tournament will be the most competitive and balanced since we joined the league. We hope to see a lot of blue in the stands when we play." •

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## Sun Belt Conference Women's Basketball News & Notes

#### Arkansas State Lady Indians

Arkansas State University picked up its first conference road win of the season as it defeated the University of Arkansas -Little Rock 53-50 in the Lady Indians' only game of the week. The Lady Indians' are 2-6 on the road with their only other away victory coming against Morris Brown on Dec. 2.

Catriece Webster led the way for the Tribe with 15 points and eight rebounds. For the season, Webster is averaging 10.4 points and 5.0 rebounds per game.

Jolie McKeirnan was just one point and rebound shy of her 28th career double-double with nine points and rebounds against UALR. Casie Lowman leads ASU in scoring with 12.4 points, assists with 3.68, steals with 2.23 and free throw shoot-

ing of 82 percent. Brooke Shelby saw action in the Tribe's last three games. Shelby had been sidelined with mononucleosis since Jan. 4.

ASU will play its final two home games of the season this week. The Lady Indians will face MTSU on Feb. 13

and Western Kentucky University on Feb. 15. ASU will hold its senior night on Feb. 15.

#### North Texas Lady Eagles

Senior Vilma Grismanauskaite played perhaps her best game in a North Texas uniform with 22 shots against Western Kentucky.

bench to score 12 points against the Lady Toppers. It is the first time that Armstrong has scored in double figures in 13 games. The Lady Eagles have now tied the school record for most

## 2003 Sun Belt Conference Women's Basketball Records

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this season for North Texas tie the single-season record set dur-

games for the first time since joining the league three

Angel Lewis recorded her third double-double

Freshman point guard Nahogany Brown

Toppers

Western Kentucky.

made her second career start against

of the season and her career with 11 points and

12 rebounds against Western Kentucky.

North Texas has now lost four straight Sun Belt Conference

Western Kentucky Lady

winning streak of the season.

The Lady Toppers have won six consecutive games, their longest

During this stretch, WKU is averaging 80.5

points per game and has outscored its opponents

fect all-time against Denver, having now won all

five meetings between the two schools after a 77-

by 18.8 points per outing. Western remained per-

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63 win Wednesday night. On the flip side, WKU picked up its first ever win against North Texas 89-85 Saturday at Diddle

The Lady Eagles won the previous three meetings between the schools.

> The game with North Texas marked the first time this season Western has played overtime. WKU was 1-1 in overtime affairs last season and has now won five of its last six OT games, dating back to the 1998-99 sea-

WKU's 89 points Saturday night are the most it has scored in a game this season.

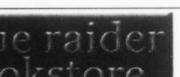
It is also the fourth time in the last five games that the Lady Toppers have scored 80 or more points.

Junior guard Leslie Logsdon tied a WKU record with seven three pointers Saturday against North Texas. The mark was originally set by Natalie Powers, who connected on seven trys during a school record 42-point performance against Middle Tennessee on Feb. 3, 2001.

Three of Logsdon's shots came in clutch situations as she nailed one with 34 seconds left in regulation, then drained two in overtime. She went on to finish the night with 29 points. •

points, eight rebounds and four blocked Grismanauskaite smashed her previous career-high in points and also notched a career-high nine field goals.

Freshman Jamie Armstrong came off the



#### Thursday - Blue Raiders vs. Arkansas St. - 7:00 p.m. Saturday - Blue Raiders vs. UALR - 7:00 p.m. \*Jackpot will be \$4,000 on

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## 150 Apt. for rent

from MTSU library 216 Airport Ave. 2 bd, living, dining, kitchen with appl ances and hook-ups for W/D. Hardwood \$500/month Matt Ward 849-2223 ext 288, leave msg Apt. for rent @ Univ Courtyard Rent \$385 Dep. \$300 but I will pay half. Move in immediately Lease ends July 31, 2003 Call 907 2261 or call forbret@comcast net Room for rent Male preferred 1 bedroom with private bathroom in a 2 bedroom apart ment. Move in anytin after exams \$425 includes, furniture appliances, shuttle service to school Ground floor at Sterling Apartment Call Nick at 423-503-6187 with any ques-Hurryl Hurryl One

two bedroom apt. Rent before Dec. and pay only \$385, includes everything-water phone, cable, and bedroom items. Lease ends July 31st. Call 308-9700

4BR, 2.5 BA. Completely Separate Master Suite with BA Den with Rock Fireplace, DR, Hdwd C/H/A, new carpet & paint. Large deck with fenced backyard \$1,275 mo. \$1,275

Murfreesboro area

deposit. 615-453 2884, 615-545-9296 155 House for rent

2 and 3 bedroo houses for rent, \$700 for 2 bedroom and \$855 for 3 bedroom 5 minutes from can pus. Appliances included. Call Neil now @ 482-1941

Large 2-stary house 3 miles from campus. spacious rooms for students. Female students preferred. \$250 a month + utilities Discounts available

\$50 off 1st month ren for the first lease. \$300 security deposit Fully furnished, washer & dryer, dish washer microwave, central H/A and Culligan

drinking water. 898-2005 Condo- 3 bed/ 2 1/2 bath near 1-24, 1,400 sq. ft. All appliances large master and kitchen, pantry, vaulted ceiling, laundry, pets, \$880, 615-423-6272

# 160 House for sale

2003 2.4 p.m. Priced bd/2bth 1 car garag and fenced in back Meredith A. Kendall, **ERA Pacesette** Partners, 1-800-527 about the Ameridrean Program

#### 165 Roommates Roommate needed for

small apt. \$255/month includes all utilities except phone and cable inter net. Male or female Small pets allowed 896-3226. Looking for 2 female roommates for a nice 3 bed/2 bath house near campus, \$360 a month per person, all util., cable and internet included. Call Ashley at 474-0002. Roommate needed for 3 bedroom apt. at SUH. Available at the end of fall semester

\$420/month includes washer/dryer, all bills (including cable.) I will pay you \$100 on move-in. Call 898-3588 or email jwh2q@mtsu.edu nate wanted \$100 deposit, \$385 includes all utilities washer & dryer, fully furnished. Call 615-

907-3962 or 931-

Roommate Needed

Female or Gay-male to

278-0043

ferred. Smokers preferred. Must be clean courteous, open-mind ed and like cats. Rent \$225/month and half utilities. Please call 217-9470 for an inter view & more details!! Ask for Jenny or leave a message One bedroom avail. in 3BR apartment at Raider's Crossings Furnished w/WD, ethernet hook-up, premium cable. Walking distance to MTSU. Rent is

share 2 bedroom

11/2 bath apartment

5 mins from campus.

Liberal Arts major pre

\$420/m. Call Jesse at 615-268-4114. Roommate wanted at Chelsea Place. \$295.00+ 1/2 util. call 896-3612. Roommate needed to bedroom w/own bath in local townhouse. utilities 615-867-7775

#### 170 Subleasing

4 bedroom, 2 bath apartment 1 or 2 male roommates need ed at Sterling University Gables Furnished, free rent for February. 2 Excellent Roommates to live with Lease ends in August Call 494 3913 or 481-5600 as for Marcus Bell One male and one female needed to sublease 2 bdrms in a 4 bdrm/4bath apartment @ Univ. Courtyards Will pay 1/2 of 1st months rent and secur ty dep. Call 347-3956 or 347-3954 ask for David or Sarah Apt. for sublease at University Courtyard ner. Last 2 weeks of May are dis-

counted. June & July are \$339 a month Includes all utilities, fur nishings, private bedroom, share bath. Call Kelly @ 893-6354 Female needed to take over lease @ Univ. Courtyard Private bed/bath \$365 month, reg. \$3851.5 minutes from campus

Call Leigh (615) 482 3090. Female wanted to sublease 1 bedroom in 4 bed/2 bath apt one

Fully furnished. \$325 a month/utilities included call Amber at 615-758-3333 or 615-430-7333.

Male subleaser need ed at Sterling University Gables startng in January. Rent is \$330 a month and I will pay you \$100 to move in! Apartment is fully furnished with W/D and has a view of the pool. Call 893-3118

Apt. for sublease at Sterling Univ. Gables on S. Rutherford Blvd. 1 bedroom available out of 4. WD included \$300 month. Move in after finals. Call Jacob at 931-286-0207 need a subleaser! \$485 per month includes everything, phone cable - full-size W/D, smoking is fine Large 2b/2b apt. Call 218-7447 Free 2 months rent, Free refrigerator and freezer w/lease agree ment \$370/month all

utilities included. Sterling Gables (male) call 604-7400 or 289-0720 or go by Sterling and ask for 933C. Sublease apartment

Nottingham Apt. Across from campus 2 bedroom 2 bath email chrispytaul@yahoo.co 180 Personals

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#### m (800) 575-2026 205 Other

Hang Gliding Information Meeting MTSU students and faculty. Special dis-counts offered including a LEARN FOR FREE offer. Sunday, 2-16-02 at 5:00 p.m. Student Rec. Center (877) hanglide Looking to start a band. Influences are mainly Radiohead, Smashing Pumpkins, Failure, Quicksand, and Hum. Let's see what happens! Call me at 896-3226 if interested

Clubs\*Student Groups Earn \$1,000-\$2,000 this semester with a proven Campus-Fundraiser 3 hour fundraising event. Our programs make undraising easy with no risks Fundraising dates are filling quickly, so get w the program! It works. Contact ampusFundraiser at 888-923-3238, or fundraiser.com

Fraternities Sororities

Classifieds are free to students. Stop by Sidelines, JUB 310 to fill out your classified

form today!

## Track: MT Classic last home match this season

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winner of the shot put at the Blue Raider Classic.

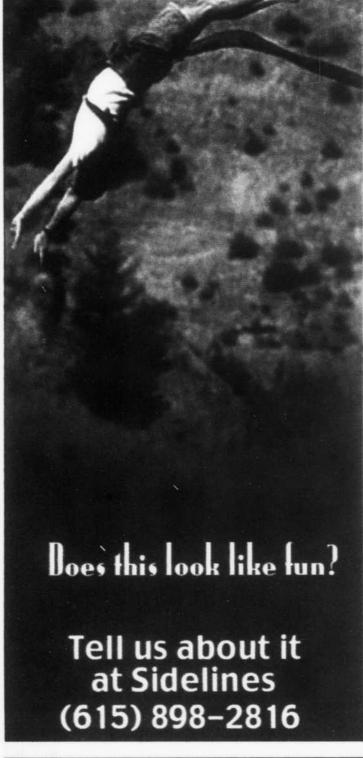
Sophomore Kishara George will be leading the way in the 400.

first through fourth in the 400 Saturday. last time they competed on campus.

Classic will be the last home a.m.

match for the Blue Raiders, as well as the last tune-up match before the conference championships in Arkansas. Southern Miss, Western Kentucky, Tennessee State and Wallace State Community College are The Lady Raiders finished all set to participate on

The Middle Tennessee Classic kicks off Saturday on The Middle Tennessee the Murphy Center track at 11



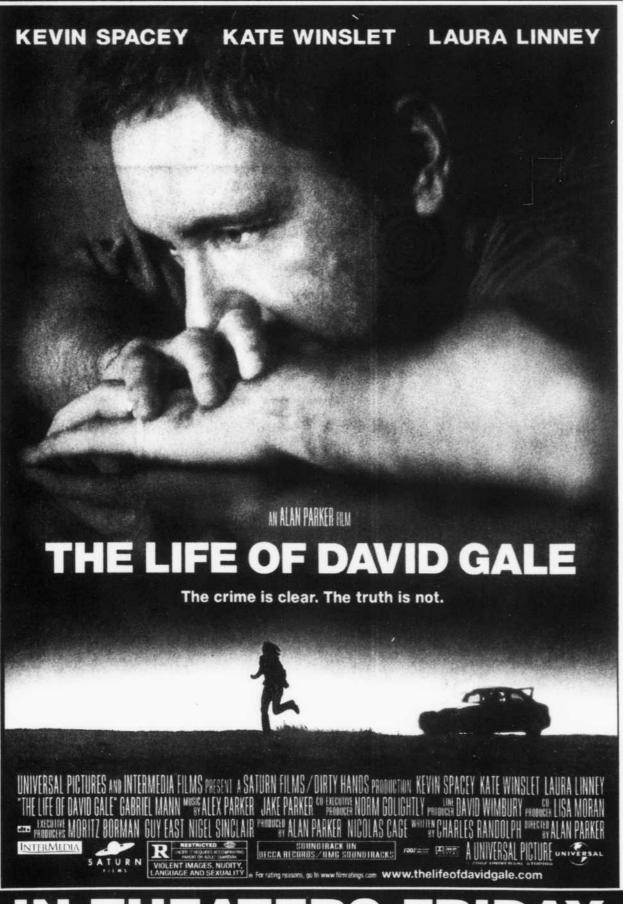
# Bescheduled This Thursday Feb 13th



Premium Draft All Night



Dance Club & Disco Kitchen



# SIDELINES

Invites you to stop by **JUB 310** 

to pick up your complimentary movie pass

Advance screening will be Tuesday, February 18th at Regal Green Hills 16 7:30 p.m.

(Next to the Mall at Green Hills)

Limited supplies. First come, first served. Pass does not guarantee admission and seating is limited.

> No purchase necessary. One pass per person.

THEATERS FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST