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SGA and Housing trying to get students involved

By Jennie Treadway / staff

While students continue piling into their dorm rooms, the Housing Department and the SGA are planning to get them out.

"It's been a busy start for the new year," said Deb Sels, housing director, during her meeting Tuesday morning with the SGA officials. Problems with resident hall overflow has kept housing in a bind since orientation, considering MTSU reached its record enrollment of over 18,000 this year.

With the abundance of students in the dorms, ideas to connect the residents to campus events on the weekends was the main issue at hand.

"What can we do to help that?" asked SGA President Christin Baker.

They discussed the possibility of resident advisors being more assertive in encouraging the residents to get involved with MTSU activities. For example, campus events were a success during orientation by inviting new residents out of their rooms and

to events like the hypnotist and the luau. New students were very active in school events the week before classes, yet when the weekend came, the dorms were rather empty.

The problems appear when the weekend rolls around, and many students go home, leaving those without cars on their own and in their rooms.

In the past, the university has sponsored bus runs to area malls and other stores for students lacking other transportation. But because the school lost money on it, the program was cancelled.

The SGA's way of helping not only includes personal contact with the new residents, but also incorporates constant communication with housing about campus events. Then, housing will contact the residence halls to boost campus participation.

"We won't be able to do everything," Sels said, yet plans are in effect for weekly meetings with the area coordinators to discuss and



Nick Mullins / staff

SGA officials, met with Housing Director Deb Sels Tuesday. From left to right: Ryan Durham, Christin Baker, Susan Guin and Scott Davis.

coordinate ways to increase campus involvement.

Another goal for the Housing Department and the SGA, along with

the associate director for the department of education, is to set up "academic support systems" in the dorms. This way, tutorial services will be available for students at more convenient times and places.

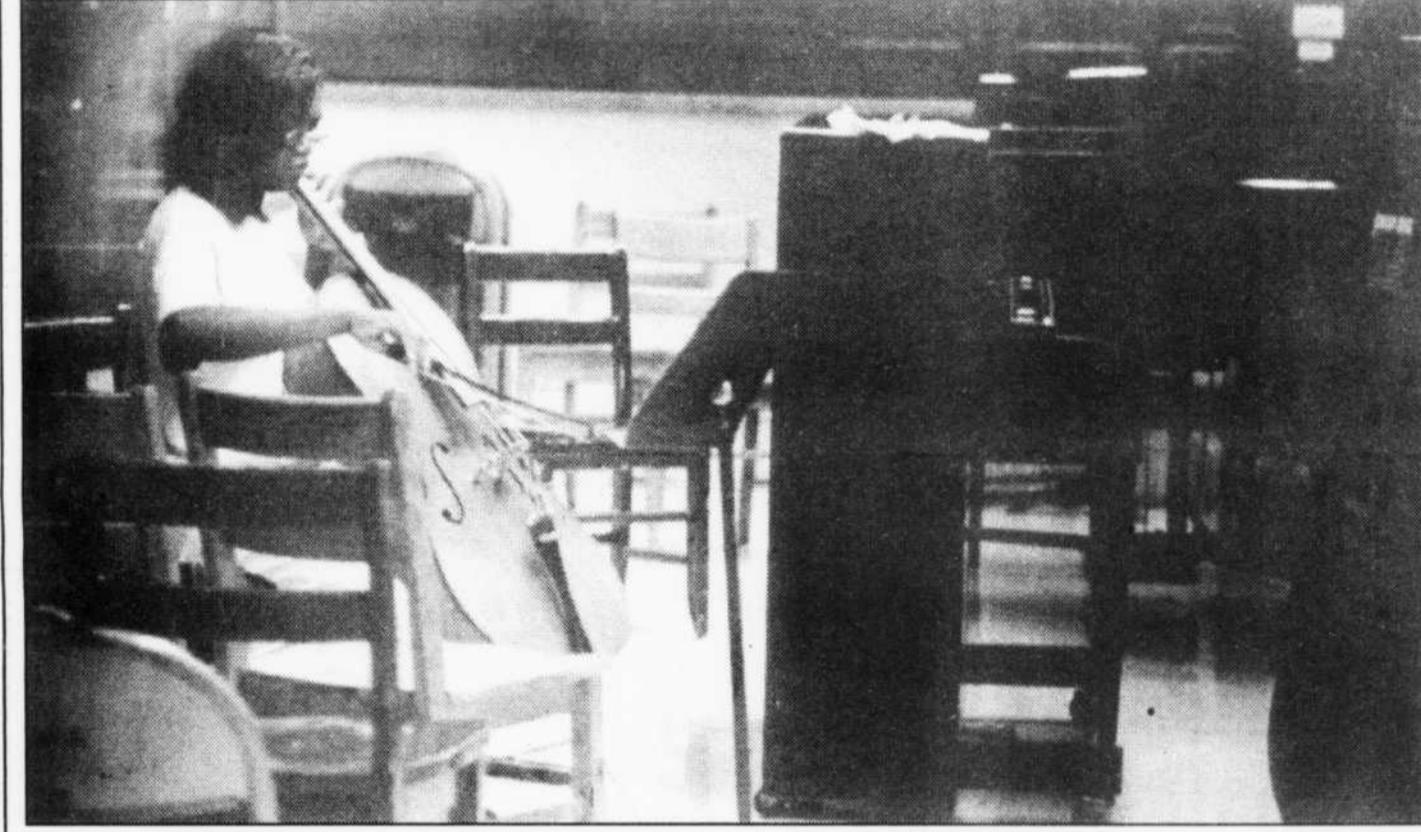
Nevertheless, MTSU has had record campus involvement this year already. Not only were the freshman out on campus during "New Student Week," but about 12 students have expressed interest in a position with the SGA.

"The RA's are letting them know what's going on," said House Speaker Susan Guin. "They're making a stronger effort."

With time, the Housing Department and the SGA hope to eliminate the "cabin fever" to which each dorm resident can relate, as Election Commissioner Scott Davis put it.

"The dorms are an untapped resource," Baker said. "They're just waiting for people to come to them." ●

Making beautiful music



Brian G. Miller / staff

Sophomore Music Performance Major, Tamar Moten practices the cello in the Wright Music Building.

Greek rush slightly different this semester

By Mary Frances Herrington / staff

As students prepare for the new fall semester, fraternities and sororities are also busy preparing for rush.

Not only has MTSU had to accommodate a larger freshman class, the Greek system has also made some changes.

The dates for sorority rush have been changed. Previously held during the first week of classes, sorority rush is now during the first week of September.

"We hope the later date will encourage more students to go through rush this fall," said Vic Felts, the director of Greek Life at MTSU. "Currently, our number of applicants is consistent with our previous fall rush numbers."

Members of Greek organizations encourage anyone who wants to meet people and become involved in campus events to go through rush.

While each organization's purpose is to serve the community, each also offers several leadership opportunities.

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President

Academics are also very important among Greeks. Both Greek men's and women's grade point averages are above the average GPA at MTSU.

As a requirement for rush, the standard GPA of 2.0 was raised to a

2.3 this year for both men and women. This allows for less rejection from confusion regarding grades.

"This will clear up problems from previous rushes when each sorority or fraternity had academic standards that were higher than the 2.0 standard," said Mary Ann Huneycutt, a sorority member.

The 25 Greek organizations on campus are divided into three sections, and each section holds its own rush.

The Panhellenic Council consists of six sororities. Their rush schedule begins Sept. 4 and ends with Bid Day on Sept. 9. Each night of rush, "rushees" must participate in scheduled activities. Also, each night has a specific theme.

Orientation begins on Sept. 4 in the KUC Theatre. Rushees will meet the Panhellenic Council and their rush counselors. Rules regarding such topics as appropriate behavior and what to wear are also discussed.

"Go Greek Night" is Sept. 5, and begins in Cummings lobby at 6 p.m.

Please see RUSH page ???

Some Greenland entrances will be closed for widening

By Heather Hybarger / staff

As construction begins to widen Greenland Drive, several entrances to the Greenland Drive parking lot will be closed.

Greenland Drive will be widened to five lanes from Tennessee Boulevard to C Street. A bike lane will also be added.

Currently, there are three entrances to the Greenland Drive parking lot. Two of those will be closed off when workers begin pouring concrete for the gutter, according to Dana Richardson, city traffic director.

The third entrance, across from Old Lascassas Road, will remain open and a traffic light will be located there.

Closing down the two parking lot entrances will alleviate some of the traffic congestion on Greenland, said Richardson, "and it will improve access to Old Lascassas."

Raider Assistance Program help place student volunteers

Gregg Mayer / staff

needs volunteer work," Lentz-Karstens said. "Students work as little or as much as they want."

Picking up garbage and delivering juices are some of the smaller tasks student/volunteers can choose from. For students able to devote more time, some organizations train student/volunteers to work crisis lines.

"It all depends on what they want to do," Lentz-Karstens said.

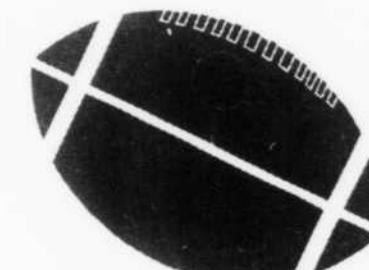
Currently, RAP is planning an "alternative spring-break." Lentz-Karstens is taking eight to ten students to Washington, D.C., to work with the homeless during March.

Helping some of the homeless in Washington, D.C., get back on their feet, and helping others simply to survive, are both part of the trip. Students will prepare food each day, teach social and hygienic skills, and perhaps learn a lot from this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

Due to the outstanding interest, students will have to fill out a special application for the trip. An interviewing process will follow.

For more information on how to join RAP, or to sign up for the Washington, D.C., trip, please call Holly Lentz-Karstens at 898-2808. ●

Football Preview Inside!



CAMPUS CAPSULE**THURSDAY, Aug. 29**

Omega Chapter of Gamma Iota Sigma Insurance Fraternity will have a bake sale fundraiser on Aug. 29 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the KOM Lobby. For more information, contact Marcus Pipkin at 849-6919.

Omega Chapter of Gamma Iota Sigma Insurance Fraternity will have its first meeting Aug. 29 at 1:15 p.m. in KOM 206. For more information, contact Marcus Pipkin at 849-6919.

A devotional under the stars will be held at 8 p.m. at the MTSU Christian Center, 1105 E. Bell Street.

FRIDAY, Aug. 30

Come see Movies 'Til Dawn. Meet at 6:30 p.m. at the MTSU Christian Center, 1105 E. Bell Street, for pizza. Movies will follow.

TUESDAY, Sept. 3

Writers' Ink, a new student organization for aspiring scriptwriters, will have an interest meeting at 4 p.m. in the Mass Comm building room 155. For more information, contact Nikki Bagwell at 896-3113.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 4

Blood chemistry and PSA profiles can be scheduled for Sept. 4 between 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. in the Cason-Kennedy Nursing Building. The cost is \$10. To schedule an appointment, call 898-5950.

President James E. Walker and MTSU invite all to the groundbreaking for the Horticulture Education Center on Sept. 4 at 9:30 a.m. The campus site is between the Vo-Ag building and the current greenhouse. Parking will be available in the Health Services Parking lot. A reception will follow.

MONDAY, Sept. 9

The Student Organization Fair will be held from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the KUC courtyard. This fair gives students the opportunity to view the many organizations that are available to them on the MTSU Campus. There will also be music, games, and free food. Call Susan Guin at 898-2464 for more information.

A Tenure and Promotion Workshop

Workshop will be held in the Hazelwood Dining Room beginning at 3:15 p.m. There will be a panel discussion with Darly Lemming, Faye Johnson, and Terry Whiteside. For more information, call Mary Belle Ginanni at 898-2910.

MONDAY, Sept. 9

Alpha Kappa Psi Professional Business Fraternity invites men and women with a major or minor in the college of business to attend a Fall 1996 rush meeting in the Alumni Center

at 5 p.m. Invest in your future today.

TUESDAY, Sept. 10

Alpha Kappa Psi Professional Business Fraternity invites men and women with a major or minor in the college of business to attend a Fall 1996 rush meeting in the Alumni Center at 8 p.m. in the James Union Building Tennessee Room.

SATURDAY, Sept. 28

Alpha Delta Pi will host a 3-on-3 sand volleyball tournament benefiting the Ronald McDonald House of Nashville. For more information, contact Jennifer Russell at 890-4298.

SENIORS AND GRADUATE STUDENTS: Get help with your job search at the Career Placement Orientation, sponsored by the MTSU Placement Center. Times for orientation are: Wednesday,

Sept. 4 at 2 p.m. and Thursday, Sept. 5 at 3 p.m. in KUC 322.

ONGOING

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

MONDAYS

The Canterbury Episcopal Campus Ministry meets Monday evenings at 7 p.m. for dinner and program at St. Paul's Church, 315 E. Main Street. Contact Andrew Wright at 898-3780 for more information.

TUESDAYS

MTSU Lambda Association is one of the largest campus groups providing supportive, social and political programming for gay, lesbian,

bisexual and transgendered students and their friends. Meetings are every Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the LRC Amphitheater. For more information, call the LAMBDA Infoline at 780-2293.

WEDNESDAYS

The Presbyterian Student Fellowship will cookout and worship every Wednesday starting at 6 p.m. at 615 Middle Tenn. Blvd. Contact Micheal Malone at 893-1787 for more information.

THURSDAYS

The Canterbury Episcopal Campus Ministry meets for lunch on Thursdays between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the KUC Grill. Contact Andrew Wright at 898-3780 for more information.

Ayn Rand readers meet every Thursday to discuss the philosophy of Objectivism. For more information, contact Lee Sandstead at 898-4048.

RUSH: Greeks pick favorites

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The sororities will divide into chapter rooms, and discuss Greek life in general, without mentioning individual sororities.

Rushees will meet in Cummings lobby at 5 p.m. on Sept. 6 for "Display Night." Rushees will be oriented to the individual sororities. Trophies and mascots will be displayed in the chapter rooms.

Rush counselors provide the entertainment on "Theme Night," Sept. 7. They will perform skits and sing songs related to their sororities and Greek life in general.

Sept. 8 is "Preference Night," where rush counselors decide which rushees they want to invite to join their

sororities and rushees decide which sororities they would like to join.

Final decisions are made on bid day, held Sept. 9. After all the bids have been received and accepted, each sorority goes on a retreat with their new members.

The concept is the same for Interfraternity Council rush, composed of 11 fraternities on campus.

Orientation is held in the JUB, Sept. 8, followed by four nights of fraternity parties.

Sept. 9 and 10, all the fraternity houses hold parties that are open to any male registered for rush.

"Smokers" are held Sept. 11 and 12. On "smoker" nights, only half of the houses are open

and parties are invitation only. IFC bid night is Sept. 13.

The United Greek Council consists of four fraternities and four sororities on campus, whose members are predominately African-American. Greek organizations in the UGC hold separate interest meetings and do not participate in rush activities. They do not accept first-time freshmen as applicants. They do have GPA restrictions and some require a certain amount of college credit to be eligible.

Students interested in fraternity or sorority rush should contact rush representatives at the Greek booth outside the KUC, or call Vic Felts in the Greek Life office at 898-5996. ●

College Republicans hold first meeting

By Gregg Mayer/staff

College Republicans kicked off the fall election year ahead of the College Democrats with an orientation meeting last Tuesday, Aug. 27, in the KUC.

About 50 MTSU students gathered in the KUC to listen to Republican candidates speak, to register to vote, and to buy "Liberals make me sick" pins.

"We just want to get people to vote," said Brian Lewis, chairman of the College Republicans. "We stress we're the ones going out there to get them to vote, but it's just important that they vote."

College Republicans have set up phone-banks to call volunteers for door-to-door campaigning.

Volunteers will also put candidate's signs on front lawns and solicit voter registration.

As far as on-campus activities are concerned, Lewis said he would like to have more interaction with the College Democrats.

"We would like to have debates on campus with the (College) Democrats," Lewis said. "Something really heated is good to see."

"Heated" does not mean pernicious. Lewis stressed the College Republicans have a good political temperament

with the College Democrats.

The College Democrats' president, Mary Cummings, is in Washington, D.C., working on an internship and is unavailable for comment. However, spokesperson Paul Canady said, "we are organizing and preparing for the November elections."

A College Democrat orientation meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 29, at 5 p.m. in KUC 316.

Lewis said the College Republicans plan to hold a "mock-election" in September.

"In 1994, (the mock-election results) were very close to the actual results," Lewis said. ●

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AmeriCorps starts program in Nashville

By Yanetra Mitchell / staff

If you have ever thought seriously about donating your time to humanitarian activities, now is your chance.

AmeriCorps, a national service program, and the Regional Intervention Program, a state model program, have formed a local partnership and are calling all people interested in pitching a helping hand to pitch it in the direction of the local community.

As a partnership, it will offer direct training programs on Sept. 28 and Dec. 7 in West Nashville, beginning at 9 a.m.

These "start-up" programs will instruct future members on how to solve child-to-child conflicts and how to manage child behavior.

The programs will also provide members with skills in child social behavior, education on early childhood, and preparation for family intervention. But just to make sure the AmeriCorps/RIP program is right for each individual, it offers an introductory trial program.

"We take individuals through a program tour before

they actually enter the process," said Michael Roden, project director at AmeriCorps/RIP.

At the national level, members of AmeriCorps serve their local communities in an array of different program duties. While student members can earn money for education after an annual service, all general members can serve communities in one of four major realms consisting of human services, education, the environment or public security.

Individuals from national, state and local nonprofit organizations sponsor AmeriCorps members. Individuals of any age or background can receive aid from AmeriCorps, but national service members must be citizens or legal residents of the U.S. and at least 17 years old.

As a state service program with an office located in Nashville, AmeriCorps/RIP members help families and teachers in local communities assist their young children and students who have problems in behavior and development.

National service members commit to 900 service hours for

one or, in some cases, two years. Each member will be provided with payment for living expenses and further educational training.

After one year of service is completed, full-time working members receive an education award of \$4,725, and part-time working members receive \$2,363.

"An educational award is paid to the institution (and) an account is set up by the institution," Roden explained. "(Members) can pay for student loans, tuition or books. Food can even be considered an educational expense."

When members enter the family's home or the teacher's classroom, they are not alone. At least one staff member accompanies the AmeriCorps/RIP member.

"Our members are under close supervision of myself and the AmeriCorps/RIP staff. We are available at any time to discuss concerns. It's for safety's sake. It's just a safety precaution going into homes in teams of two."

Students seeking a career in social work, early-childhood development, or psychology are

encouraged to apply for AmeriCorps, Roden says.

The staff at AmeriCorps/RIP suggests interested students looking to apply for the program consider compassion, dedication, talent and diligence as essential character elements. Students should keep in mind that besides acquiring leadership skills, members can also learn other valuable skills.

"They can learn hands-on skills in child behavior management and child social skills training," Roden said. "RIP is an excellent training-ground for learning those skills."

Currently, AmeriCorps/RIP has five members, but it is looking to increase that number to 15.

If you would like to join the AmeriCorps/RIP team, contact Michael Roden at 963-1177 to apply for membership.

The federal government also funds two national AmeriCorps programs students can join. Call 1-800-942-2677 to request an application for membership in AmeriCorps*VISTA and AmeriCorps*NCCC. •

UM students use the web to register

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school's main-frame system.

With the unveiling of the web site this fall, students have even more options. Students may request an e-mail record of their financial awards, for example, or check the status of their student account.

"We felt strongly that students ought to have access to their own records," said Jeff von Munkwitz-Smith, associate register.

Although the university was concerned that students might make mistakes, the new system has proved to be less problem-ridden than the old-fashioned registration with traditional staff.

"We thought students could do a better job of registering and be in more control if they could do it themselves," he said.

Another bonus is that the new system makes registration easier for international students who live as far away as Antarctica, Russia and Japan, he said. •

US Education department tries tougher crack down on campus crime

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A new complaint procedure allows students to blow the whistle if they believe their college isn't accurately reporting campus crime.

The complaint procedure is part of a larger effort by the U.S. Education Department (ED) to step up omitting the oversight of campus crime.

Under the Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act, colleges and universities are required to collect and distribute annual information about specific categories of crime, from burglary to murder. Colleges must publish yearly reports, but ED does not collect or monitor these documents, citing limited funds for oversight.

Because of this, many serious campus crimes go unreported by college administrators, say safety advocates. The new complaint procedure was created as a way to respond to concerns from students, parents or journalists, say ED administrators.

"We are learning how to do a

better job of enforcement," said David Longanecker, ED assistant secretary for higher education. He said the procedure would require students to notify one of 10 ED regional offices, which then would begin an investigation.

The "first official complaint" is by a former student against Moorhead State University in Minnesota, Longanecker said.

In the Moorhead case, Margaret Jakobson claims the university's annual reports show various inconsistencies. Moorhead's 1994 report, for example, showed seven aggravated assaults and three drug arrests for 1993, even though law requires colleges to report incidents for the past three academic years.

Moorhead State claims any errors were accidental. The institution "has been, and is, in compliance with the Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act," said Steven Butler, vice president for student affairs, in a letter to ED.

The department also is pursuing

another complaint involving Miami University of Ohio after a journalist told Congress she found huge discrepancies between the required annual report and another university publication. The annual report listed five rapes from 1990 to 1995, while the other publication included 119 rapes in a similar period, said Carolyn Carlson in testimony this summer before the House of Representatives.

The university claims the second report included off-campus incidents not covered by the Campus Security Act as well as calls to local rape crisis centers, where callers may or may not be students.

The second report was a public service provided to students and included information not verified by police, said Richard Little, Miami's assistance vice president for university relations.

ED said it also is making compliance with the Campus Security Act an issue during its regularly scheduled program reviews at colleges and universities.

Through these reviews, ED already has turned up 24 cases in which colleges and universities did not comply with what he termed "crime awareness requirements" under law, Longanecker said.

The 24 cases involve primarily trade and technical schools, according to the department. Six other institutions reported they also were not in compliance after conducting their own internal audits, he said.

The Campus Security Act, passed in 1990, requires colleges and universities to provide annual reports with:

- statistics on murders, sex offenses, robberies, aggravated assaults, burglaries, motor vehicle thefts and arrests for weapons possession and liquor and drug abuse violations;

- policies on security, access to residence halls and campus law enforcement;

- procedures for reporting crimes;

- policies on use, possession and

sale of drugs and alcohol;
—descriptions of crime prevention programs; and
—information on sexual assault prevention programs.

Colleges also must provide "timely warning" to the community about crimes that pose a threat to students and employees, according to a new notice from ED.

Only officials with "significant counseling responsibilities" is exempt from the timely warning requirement, the department said.

The ED's pronouncements come amid new interest in Congress about the need for more monitoring of oversight of campus crime. A resolution moving through the U.S. House of Representatives urges the department to make campus crime enforcement a "priority" among its many duties.

Critics in Congress also cite lax oversight by the department, which is a year behind in filing a required congressional report on campus crime. •

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THE RACE IS ON

Dole defends against Democratic attack

By Tom Raum / Associated Press

SANTA BARBARA — Bob Dole defended his economic plan against Democratic attacks, saying Tuesday it has "blown a hole" in President Clinton's lead — not the momentum toward ending federal deficits.

Shrugging off a new report showing a surge in consumer confidence, both Dole and running mate Jack Kemp portrayed the U.S. economy as listless — and their \$548-billion tax-cut plan as the tonic needed to reinvigorate it.

"President Clinton inherited a good economy, and it's gone sour," Dole told a group of local business owners in a carefully scripted event timed to coincide with the second day of the Democratic convention in Chicago.

Surrounding himself with his top economic advisers, Dole predicted Clinton would soon mimic his call for tax cuts, either at the convention or soon after.

"He's going to promise you tax relief. I don't know how many people are going to believe that, based on his past record," Dole said. "There's only one ticket talking about economic growth.... They (Democrats) have already demonstrated they don't mean it."

Dole and Kemp are taking working vacations in southern California this week. They spent Tuesday promoting their economic plan in a visit to a local beer and soft drink distributing company, taking questions from a sympathetic audience of about 100 business and professional people.

"We need to unleash the power of American workers, entrepreneurs and savers," said Michael Boskin, a Dole adviser and former economic aide to President Bush. "Sen. Dole and Jack Kemp have a

comprehensive program designed to do precisely that."

Dole's plan calls for a 15 percent across-the-board cut in income tax rates, a \$500-per-child tax credit and a halving of the capital gains tax rate to 14 percent.

Democrats have ridiculed it as economically unsound, saying Dole has not proposed adequate ways to finance the tax cuts and contending his plan would either send the deficit soaring or require deep cuts in social programs.

"When you hear President Clinton say we can't do it, it's going to blow a hole in his deficit, in his budget, it's already blown a hole in his lead — I think that's his problem," Dole asserted.

Dole enjoyed "bumps" in the polls after both the release of the economic package and the Republican convention.

Stanford University professor John Taylor, a chief architect of Dole's plan, said economic data reviewed by the group projected a growth rate next year of just 1.9 percent — down from the current rate of 2.4 percent.

But a business group that monitors economic trends reported Tuesday that consumer confidence hit a new six-year high in August. The Conference Board's Consumer Confidence Index rose 2.4 points to 109.4 this month after

rising 7 points in July. Most economists had expected a decline.

"I'd have to see what questions they asked people, but it's just not there," Dole said when asked for a reaction. Added Kemp: "The only consumer confidence index that matters is the election in November."

One questioner from the audience told Dole he had lost his job as an aerospace engineer for a large defense contractor the day before in a company downsizing.

"I stand here with two masters degrees and part of a Ph.D.," Ted Eckert, 61, of Santa Maria, Calif., said. "What can your programs do for me?"

Dole asserted that Clinton "has devastated the defense industry in California" and pressed his call for a missile defense system, saying the lack of it makes the West Coast vulnerable to a missile attack from China.

To the man who had just lost his job, Dole said: "I don't have any specific advice for you. Obviously, you're overqualified for politics."

Eckert, a registered Republican who said he supports Dole, told reporters that Dole's inability to offer much encouragement "seemed consistent with economic realities."

"I'm not looking for a handout," he said. ●



Clinton receives Democratic nomination

By John King / Associated Press

CHICAGO — Confident Democrats nominated President Clinton for a second term Wednesday, embracing Al Gore's portrait of their youthful ticket as America's "bridge to the future." The vice president said GOP challenger Bob Dole was a good man with bad ideas.

"An America not just better off, but better," was Gore's description of Clinton's first-term legacy.

Clinton's Arkansas went first and Gore's Tennessee next as Democrats staged the traditional roll of the states. It was just about midnight on the East Coast when Clinton went over the top. The White House chose the Ohio to cast the decisive votes because of its importance as a swing state in presidential politics.

Clinton, nursing a hoarse throat, watched from his Chicago hotel suite, and was shown on the convention hall's giant monitors clapping and flashing a thumbs up as the nomination officially became his again.

On the eve of his acceptance speech, Clinton left it to Gore to go before Democratic delegates and a national television audience to make the case for four more years. "Let there be no doubt," Gore said, "the future lies with the party of hope — and the man from Hope who leads it."

"A new journey into the heart of America," Party Chairman Christopher Dodd called the campaign that includes a post-convention reprise of the successful 1992 Clinton-Gore campaign bus

caravan.

The first lady and 16-year-old Chelsea Clinton were in the hall, and the president's daughter jumped to her feet and clapped when Dodd called on Republicans to "stop attacking the president's family."

Like Gore before him, Dodd saluted Dole's World War II heroism but said his former Senate colleague was a partner in Republican plans to cut Medicare, Medicaid, education spending and outlaw abortion. "Sometimes a fine person has flawed ideas," Dodd said. "This is such a time."

After a four-day train journey through five fall target states, Clinton traveled by helicopter over lake Michigan for a lakeside Chicago welcome. He voiced zeal for "the first

American campaign of the 21st century and the last campaign for Bill Clinton.... The best is yet to come."

T he convention festivities set the stage for Thursday's dramatic acceptance finale, the launch pad for Clinton's effort to become the first Democratic president to win re-election since Franklin Roosevelt in 1944.

All this played out in a United Center hall where 4,320 delegates and thousands of party activists accustomed to losing presidential elections were beginning to think they would surely win this one against Dole.

The polls fed their confidence: Clinton's lead shrunk significantly after Dole's convention two weeks ago, but fresh surveys suggest it was back in the 12-to-15-

point range.

"The Democratic Party is back," Hillary Rodham Clinton said, and indeed the Republican rout of 1994 seemed a distant memory.

Beyond the horserace numbers, the surveys showed Clinton with leads of more than 20 points among women voters. Eager to maintain the "gender gap," Democrats featured the party's five female senators on the evening program.

"Put families first and re-elect this president," said California Sen. Barbara Boxer. A recurring theme of nomination night was that November's winner would be the president not just next January but at the turn of the century.

Given that coming milestone, it was no accident that Clinton's train was named the "21st Century Express." Or that Gore, 48, led a parade of speakers making the case that the baby boom Democratic team was a better ticket to the future than the the GOP pairing of 73-year-old Dole and 61-year-old Jack Kemp.

In his San Diego acceptance speech, Dole offered himself as a "bridge to a time of tranquility," suggesting a return to the values of his childhood was the tonic for America at the dawn of the new century.

"Senator Dole offered himself as a bridge to the past," Gore said. "Tonight Bill Clinton and I offer ourselves as a bridge to the future."

In California, Dole said of Gore: "I feel sorry for him. Apparently, he's the hatchet man for the Democrats." But he did not respond directly to the Democratic criticism.

Gore said Republicans wanted to defeat Clinton so they could stock the Supreme Court with anti-abortion conservatives, undermine public education and let polluters write environmental laws. After each assertion, delegates joined Gore in chanting "But we won't let them." ●



Regrettably,
all sections
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Grad student kills professors

College Press Service

SAN DIEGO—A San Diego State University engineering student is accused of fatally shooting three professors as they waited to hear the defense of his master's thesis.

Fred Martin Davidson, 36, walked into an Aug. 15 meeting with the professors, pulled out a semi-automatic weapon and fired 20 rounds, stopping once to reload, police and witnesses said.

All three professors were shot multiple times and pronounced dead on the scene, police said. Three students who told police they were at the lab to hear Davidson's presentation were not hurt.

Campus police arrived at the Engineering Building after gunshots were heard and said

they found Davidson in the hallway with a 9 mm handgun.

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Preston Lowery, 44, associate professor of mechanical engineering; and Constantinos Lyrintzis, 36, associate professor of aerospace engineering.

San Diego State president Stephen L. Weber called the professors "three of our brightest and most promising teachers. Our fallen colleagues...devoted their all-too-short lives to the noble work of education."

The university immediately set up a crisis hotline and encouraged staff who were in the building at the time of the shooting to remain at home.

Davidson received his undergraduate degree in aerospace engineering from San Diego State in 1991. He was enrolled in the master's mechanical engineering program. ●

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Fifth year is on the house at Clark U.

College Press Service

WORCESTER, Mass.—At Clark University, students are taking advantage of a two-for-one-deal.

Two degrees for the price of one, that is.

In 1994, the university decided to reward each student who finishes a bachelor's degree within four years by footing the bill for a fifth year of education.

At current prices, that's a \$19,000 perk.

Students can use the freebie to obtain their master's degree in art, business or health administration. The only catch is that students must maintain a B-plus average, or a 3.25 grade-point, while completing their bachelor's degree, said Kate Chesley, a Clark spokesperson.

Last year, Lehigh University in Pennsylvania

began offering a fifth-year-for-free to students who maintain an A-minus, or 3.5 g.p.a.

Clark recently surveyed first-year students and found that 70 percent said the program was "influential" or "very influential" in their decision to attend the university, Chesley said.

Almost half intend to pursue their advanced degree at the university, the survey found. ●

Women having abortions use birth control: study

College Press Service

WASHINGTON—Six in 10 women who have had abortions say they did so after their birth control method failed, a new survey says.

Compared to the 1980s, 12 percent more women said they were using contraceptives during the month they became pregnant, according to the Alan Guttmacher Institute, a non-profit group that surveyed nearly 10,000 abortion patients.

"It is encouraging that more women having abortions are practicing contraception," said Jeannie Rosoff, president of the institute. "Our study clearly shows that the large majority of women are motivated to prevent an unwanted pregnancy and avoid abortion in the first place."

The survey further revealed that contraceptives usually failed when misused.

A study published in the institute's journal, Family

Planning Perspectives, found that half of 103 college students taking the birth control pill were skipping three pills each month.

Even though contraceptive use is often imperfect, it reduces the likelihood of having an abortion by about 85 percent, the institute said.

College-aged women, or those in the age group 20 to 24, make up the largest number of women having abortions, or 33 percent, the survey said. ●

News Odds and Ends

TOWSON, Md. (AP) — When Barney the search dog was diagnosed with cancer, Baltimore County fire department decided to ask for donations to raise the \$3,000 for his chemotherapy.

They ended up collecting \$43,000.

"I was totally flabbergasted," Battalion Chief Stephen Lancaster said Tuesday. "We weren't expecting the overwhelming response from the citizens."

Barney is being treated with injections for an enlarged lymph gland, fire officials said. The 8-year-old golden retriever is credited with rescuing 40 people in more than 100 searches. The treatment is expected to last three years.

Lancaster said the money left over will be used to create a fund for future canine illnesses, and to buy, train and equip more dogs for the unit. ●

MONROE, Wis. (AP) — A contest to see how long it would take to wear out a continuously running bottom-of-the-line Maytag washer turned into a nearly four-year marathon at Bob's Specialty Service.

It was Dec. 1, 1992, when Bob Leibold started the washing machine in a promotion by Maytag dealers at his store, which sells and repairs the washers.

He rigged it to keep operating and expected it to run about 2 1/2 years. That prediction brought some odd looks, chuckles and entries from customers trying to guess when it would stop, he said.

"At first I thought it would drive us crazy," Leibold said. "It had a ticking noise. I thought we had pulled a bad one out of inventory. About a month later though, we noticed it didn't make a sound anymore."

The contest cost about \$1 a day in electricity and five gallons of water a week. The machine pumped out over 56 cycles a day and 392 cycles a week.

On Aug. 16, after 32,500 hours, the Maytag stopped. Leibold calculated it was the equivalent of 193 years of use by a family of four.

Dwight Hull guessed the correct day and won a washer of the same model. ●

MUNCIE, Ind. (AP) — Here comes the bride ... and Garfield!

Janina Mearie Max and Thomas Smith, of Chaska, Minn., were married Wednesday in the middle of an exhibit featuring the cartoon cat at the Muncie Children's Museum.

The bride, wearing a Garfield bow in her hair, was escorted by Garfield. The groom's tie was decorated with Garfield and hearts.

And true to form, Garfield could not let

things go smoothly. He tried several times to run away with one of the wedding rings.

Max said she got the idea for having her wedding at the museum after seeing the staff give a greeting on ABC's "Good Morning America."

One of the couple's wedding gifts was Wednesday's Garfield comic strip framed and autographed by Garfield creator Jim Davis, a Muncie native. ●

RED LAKE FALLS, Minn. (AP) — Music might just transcend all languages, even bovine.

While working on Louis Schafer's dairy farm, singer Vern Sutton softly sang a few stanzas of "Oh What a Beautiful Morning" to about 35 Holstein cows as he scraped manure into the gutter.

Sutton, the director of the University of Minnesota's School of Music, says the cows have given more milk since he arrived on the farm last week.

"I like to think it's because of my singing, but Louis doesn't think so," Sutton said.

In June, Sutton's students performed "Elixir of Love" at the farm as part of their traveling "Opera on the Farm" series.

Sutton told Schafer he should come back to the farm to make up for costing the family downtime while preparing to welcome 1,500 spectators to the show.

"Louis said 'You're on,' so we agreed on late August," Sutton said. ●

SAN DIMAS, Calif. (AP) — They hung on to their water scooters through the Summer Olympics and the Republican Convention. They didn't let go despite the sun, the heat, the gnats and the boredom.

But Tuesday, after 34 days, rivals in an amusement park endurance contest finally let go and the park decided to award one \$3,000 "Wet Jet" scooter to each.

"It got to the point where all the days just blended into one huge long boring day, all meshed together," said 15-year-old Donny Pulley, who survived on pretzels, water and fried chicken strips. "I learned not to join contests."

When the Cystic Fibrosis "Hands on Marathon" began at Raging Waters park July 26, there were 20 contestants. After one week, though, only Pulley and Michael Segrest, 35, were left.

They spent 11 hours a day for 34 days on the scooters, going home every night to sleep. During the day, they had to keep one hand on the scooter and were allowed to take a five-minute break every hour. ●

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Letters to the Editor

Mother's struggle with illness inspires son

Dear Editor,

I am doing something now that I should have done a long time ago. I'm letting everyone know that someone doesn't have to win a medal in the Olympics to be a hero. I have no doubt that many people share this belief. We all have people in our lives that have influenced us enough that we have actually shaped our lives at some point around the example they have provided for us.

My mother is a special person. First of all, let me say that I turned 21 years old in June, and I have no memory of my mother being healthy. She's been through everything and she's been everywhere, including places like the Mayo Clinic. The most recent of her numerous diagnoses is multiple sclerosis. The doctors told her several, not one or two, but about five years ago that she needed to stop working. Nope. Sorry. The word "stop" is not in my mother's vocabulary (neither is "slow," just ask the Metro Police Department). She kept on working, and working, and working. And I have just kept praying and praying that one morning she could wake up and not be sick. Just for one day. There's a song that says, "I wish I could take the pain away/If you can make it through the night, there's a brighter day." I wish that were true.

In order to really understand why I'm writing this, I guess I should say a little bit about myself. I am an educated, opinionated individual with an insatiable curiosity. I'm a good student with average grades, which is far below my potential. I used to

blame her for this. It is true that almost every night before a test or on the day I had to give some presentation in class, I'd call home and find out that she had to go to the Emergency Room again, or she'd had a "bad day." I thought about this a great deal. It almost got to the point where I wouldn't call home or even go home on the weekends just so I didn't have to deal with seeing her sick. But I soon decided that it's not a bad thing to care about someone you love so very much. What kind of son would I be if it didn't bother me that my mother was in the hospital again? She tries to hide her pain and fear from everyone, but she can't hide it from me.

I've studied about MS so much that I may have made it worse on myself. I know what she has in store for her future. I know that this disease, instead of just killing her, will eat away at her one piece at a time. She is just so strong that I would like to believe that if anyone on this planet has a chance at beating this thing, she can, not Jackie Joyner-Kersey, or Dan O'Brien, but my mother. Unfortunately, if she loses this race, she won't get a silver or bronze medal. One morning, she might wake up paralyzed, but she keeps fighting. I don't know if I could do that. I can honestly say that I owe her everything, and I would give up anything if only I could somehow repay her for what she's given me. She is by no means perfect, but she is my mother, my friend, and my hero.

Sincerely,
Jonathan Cothran
P.O. Box A151

Library staff responds to Sidelines' criticism

To the Editor,

Historically, the Library staff's response to criticism of Todd Library in the Sidelines has been to ignore it and continue to work with the 1,386 (on average) people using the Library daily. However, since Jeremy Stanley's remarks in the New Student Edition of Sidelines apparently were aimed at biasing an entirely new student generation against the Library, sight unseen, I feel some response is necessary.

Since Mr. Stanley has done such a thorough job of telling new students what Todd Library doesn't do, let me tell your readers some of what the library does do. In fiscal 1995-1996 (July, 1995 - June, 1996) Todd Library:

- Added 11,840 new books and 45,603 units of microfilm and microfiche to a collection already totaling 440,000 titles
- Subscribed to 5,244 magazines, journals, and newspapers
- Provided access to our own and other library collections through 21 electronic indexes and over 60 print

indexes

- Increased the number of terminals available to the public to 10
- Checked out 163,252 items to users — another 167,639 were used in the library
- Answered questions or gave other assistance to users 75,763 times
- Provided library instruction sessions to 55 classes
- Completed 10,179 interlibrary loan transactions — either requesting material from another library for one of our users, or providing material to another library for its users.

Certainly, Todd Library is short on seating space, and the rising cost of periodical subscriptions keeps the number of journals lower than anyone, faculty, students or librarians, would wish. However, I do feel the resources and staff of Todd Library can answer the research questions of most of MTSU's student body. I invite all students to see for themselves.

Sincerely,
Harriette H. Gaida
User Services Librarian

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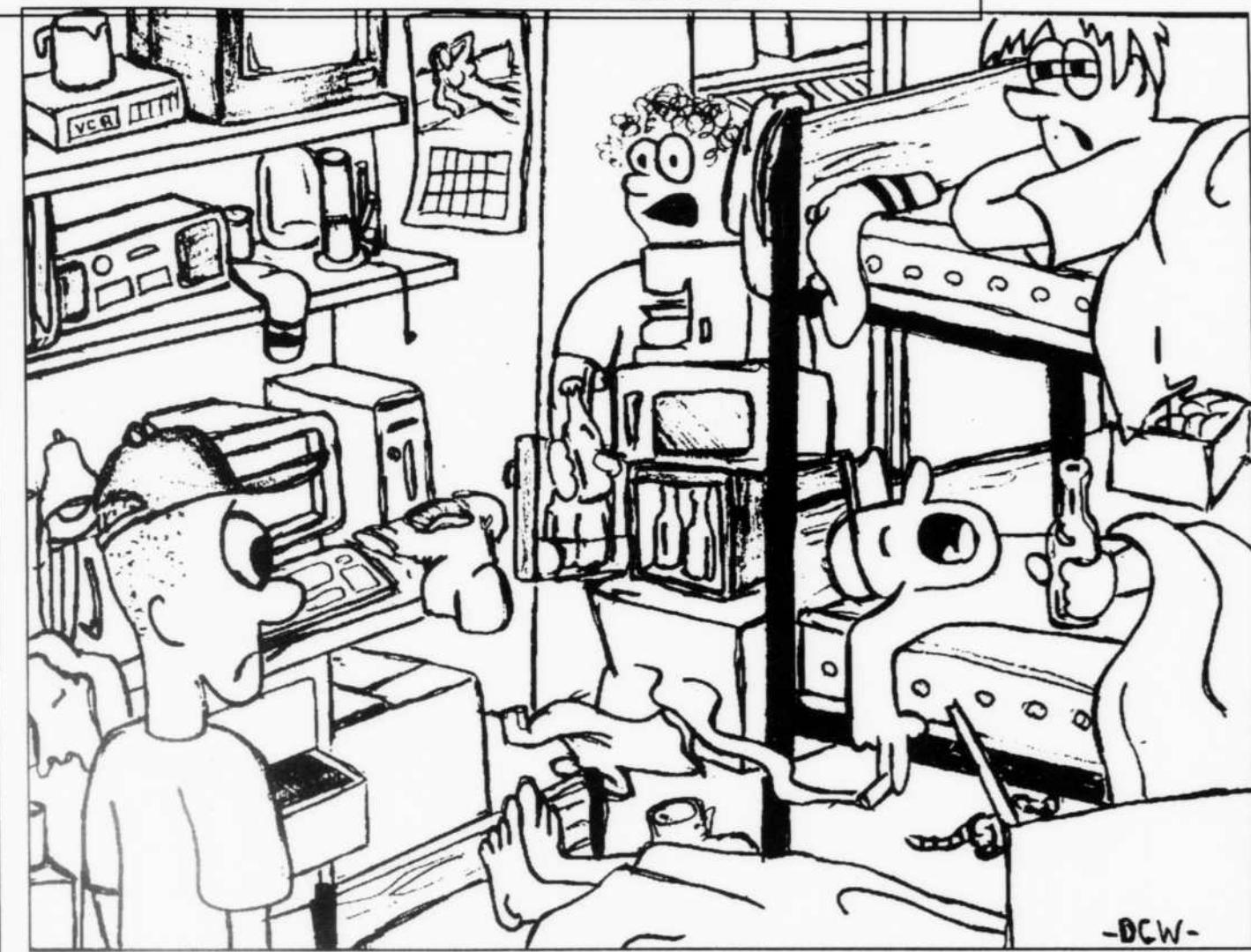
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Another roommate?



In our view

Giving credit where it is due

We, as *Sidelines* editors, are tired of griping about things that are wrong with MTSU.

We would like to take this space to say how much we appreciate some things around campus that don't always get recognition.

A walk across campus and it is hard not to notice the flowers and trees. There is usually always someone working on the flower beds or mowing the grass.

The grounds services crew put a lot of hard work into beautifying our campus.

We would like to say thank you. We appreciate your effort.

Students often don't appreciate all that is involved in making this campus beautiful. It is clear through the amount of litter scattered across sidewalks and greenery.

That is where janitorial services come in, and they are rarely recognized for their hard work.

They work odd hours. They clean up our messes. How often do we thank them?

Both the grounds services crew and the janitorial staff work hard to make the MTSU campus a better place to be.

For that, you are appreciated.

*These are the opinions of the *Sidelines* editorial board.*

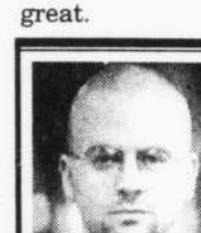
CORRECTION

The Economic Outlook Conference begins registration at 8:45 a.m., not 8:45 p.m. as reported in an article published in the Aug. 26 issue of *Sidelines*. *Sidelines* regrets the error.

Sex between partners should remain pure

Sex.

The mere mention of the word has people paying attention. It is one of the most basic drives in nature. In today's world, sex between consenting adults is considered OK. It wasn't too long ago that sex was taboo. Some people once considered it to be a necessary evil, and definitely not something to be enjoyed. However, I think sex will be great.



From Where I Stand

Scott
Link

I say "will be" because I am a virgin. I decided long ago to wait until I was married to have sex. Right now some of you are thinking, "What? Why would he wait?"

With all the sexually transmitted diseases out there, sex is just plain dangerous. We've all heard the spiel about safe sex, but condoms fail. Not always, not a lot, but it happens. The only way to be absolutely safe from a sexually transmitted disease is to not have sex until your married.

Another very real reason to wait is the fact that sex causes pregnancy. Biologically, that is main function of sex. People need to remember that sex

is nature's way of continuing the human race. Most birth control devices are more than 90% effective, and the percentage is even higher if people use a combination, like condoms with spermicide. However, abstinence is still the only 100% effective method for not getting pregnant.

With modern medicine we can protect against a lot of the diseases and unwanted pregnancies, but there is no such thing as a condom for the mind. Sex is not just a physical release, but is an intense emotional and psychological experience.

Roller coasters are a thrilling ride. The best one I have ever been on is the "Orient Express" at Worlds of Fun in Kansas City. Every time I get on a new coaster I remember the past ones, and inevitably rank the new one in accordance with past experiences. If I do this with an amusement park ride how much more would I do it with sexual partners? Would I rank the women I sleep with? Would I keep a list of who is best, worst, and in between?

If my wife and I have never had sex before marriage, the sex in our marriage will be the best sex we will ever experience. There will be no comparison. Some might ask how we would know if we were sexually compatible. How would we know we weren't?

My sexual relationship with my

wife will be better if I wait, but that means denying my desires, which are to sleep with every attractive girl I see, and to sleep with every girlfriend I love. You see, that is where the "rubber meets the road" if you will. It is easy to make a blanket statement and say I will not sleep with someone before marriage, but it becomes intensely personal when you are showing your affection for a person and the flesh wants to consummate the relationship. You don't want to stop, but know you should. It is very difficult then. This is a decision that you have to make before you get into a position where sex is the next step. Then you have to stand strong enough to hold to that decision.

So, what if you don't hold to that decision or have already had sex? While it is true that you can never go back, you don't have to keep going forward. Stop! Stop taking risks with your health. Stop adding to a list of sexual partners. Keep the future sexual relationship with your spouse as pure as you can.

For me, the most important reason to wait is that God said to. Looking at these other reasons, it becomes easier to see why he would tell us not to have sex before we are married. I guess he had our best interests in mind all along.

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Are You at Risk?

Studies show STDs affect a large number of college-age people

By Dylan Ross/staff

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ollege is a strange place sometimes. While one might be sitting in class soaking up that groovy wisdom of the ages the livelong day, all sorts of opportunities to be careless and stupid come out once the sun goes down.

A bit too much partying and a couple of mistakes may cause you to break out in a cold sweat when you see the right numbers. Numbers like these:

According to an editorial published in the August issue of Men's Fitness, 47 percent of college males and 32 percent of college females have had unprotected sex in the past year.

The same article reports that the Centers for Disease Control and the American College Health Association estimate that one of every 500 American college students is infected with the HIV virus.

A free brochure distributed by the American Social Health Association states that Americans under the age of 25 account for two-thirds of new STD infections reported each year.

In light of these alarming statistics testing for sexually transmitted diseases is now more important than ever, especially for sexually active college students. And some friendly people right here in Murfreesboro want to make this task as easy as possible.

According to Angel Stephens, public health representative at the Rutherford County Health Department, scheduling tests for a slew of unfortunate ailments is as simple as picking up the phone and mustering up some guts.

"People can call in, make an appointment and tell me exactly what they want," Stephens says. "We test for gonorrhea, chlamydia, syphilis and HIV."

Anyone with symptoms or suspicions must first make an appointment for testing. After a wait of about two weeks, results can be obtained by phone.

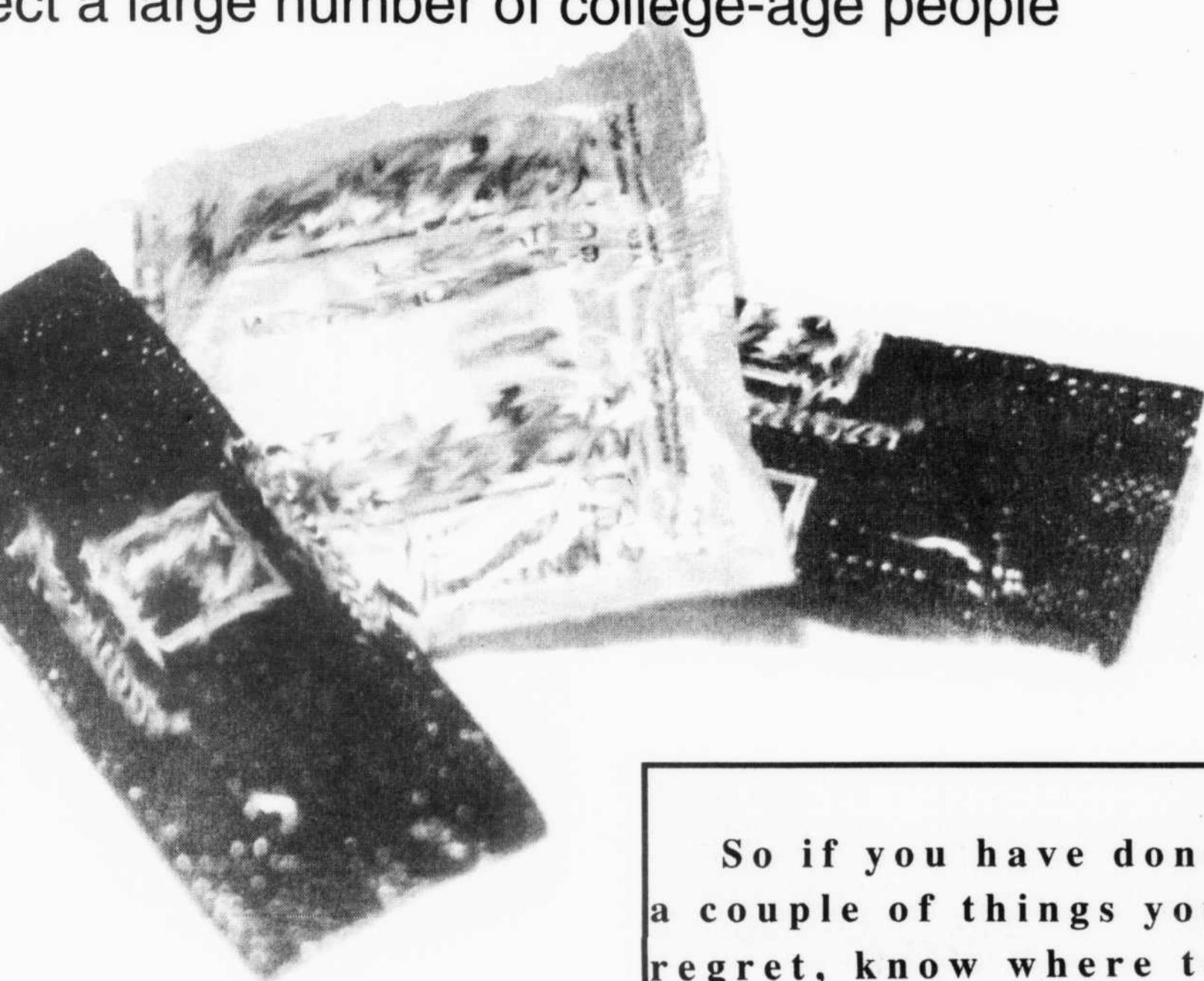
Of course, an ounce of prevention is worth a truckload of penicillin, so know what puts you at risk. You are at risk if you:

- have sex with a person you know has an STD
- do not use condoms correctly every time and the whole time you have sex
- share syringes to inject drugs or steroids
- have had sex with people who do any of the above

Tela Provost, director of the Department of Health Services at MTSU, emphasizes that "the department also offers contraceptive services."

Although free condoms are generally not the most sensitive or comfortable condoms, they can still protect against STDs.

Both men and women who are sexually active should carry condoms. Remember to always use latex condoms. Although they



aren't fool proof they can greatly reduce your chance of contracting an STD.

One encouraging statistic stands tall among all the unfavorable numbers. A survey of 1,000 college students from universities nationwide, conducted by Playboy, reveals that despite the fact nine out of ten American college students are sexually active, the majority of these practice serial monogamy.

Fifty-seven percent of the males and 71 percent of the females interviewed stated that they had engaged in intercourse with only one partner in the past year. This means that you have a chance to stay safe - don't blow it.

Our college years are a strange and perplexing time. Don't get confused - be smart, use a condom and stay healthy; get stupid, don't use a condom and get sick. *

So if you have done a couple of things you regret, know where to go.

- Rutherford County Health Department, located at 303 N. Church St., @ 898-7880
- MTSU Health Services @ 898-2988
- American Social Health Association (ASHA) offers several free resources to help young adults learn why the use of contraceptives and adequate communication are important for their sexual health. They can be obtained by calling 800-972-8500.
- For a home HIV test call 1-800-THE-TEST

E-mail is your ticket to the world

By Jeremy W. Stanley / staff

An old buddy of mine who was an accomplished hacker used to swear up and down that I would be perfectly content in a world where the most sophisticated device was a toaster oven.

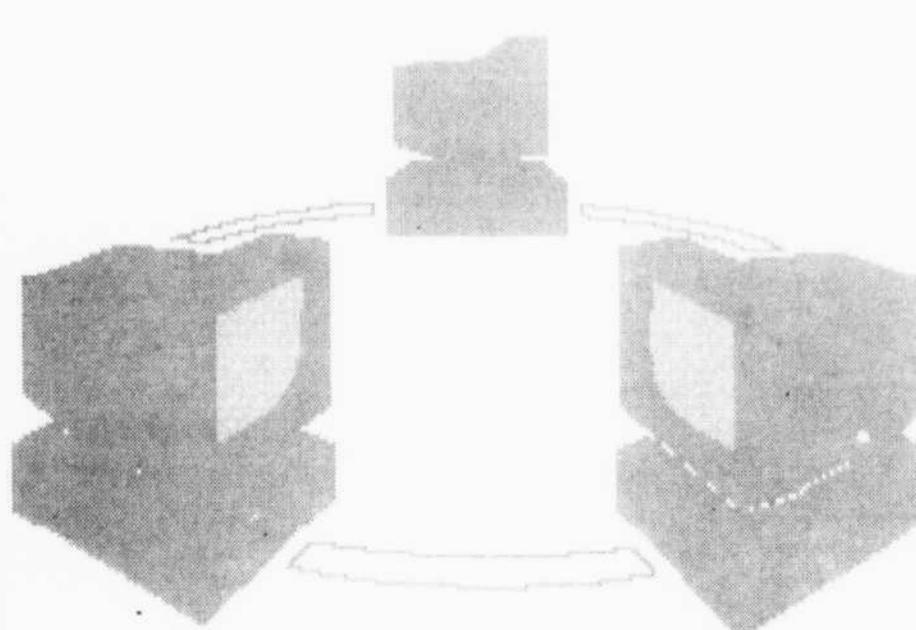
He was right (not that I'd give him the satisfaction of admitting my incompetence, it gives guys like him inflated egos).

You see, I'm the type of guy who'd rather do the math on his fingers than find a calculator; whose greatest feat of technological wizardry is finding the slot to put the paper in the printer. I'm a dinosaur at 21 and I'm not alone.

There are a lot of people out there like me. You may be one. If you are, this article is specifically aimed at you. It is aimed at you because you are missing out on opportunities that you can't afford to overlook. Specifically, you have not discovered the joys of e-mail. Don't scoff. Electronic mail is a great tool for the college student, and, better still, it is easy.

The first thing you need to do is get a Frank account. Who is Frank, you ask? He is the Hewlett-Packard 9000 computer system. It is through accessing this computer system (or one of its predecessors, Bonnie or Clyde) that you do anything with your school account.

You get your account by making a pilgrimage into the bowels of the Cope Administration Building to find the Office of Information Technology. After descending into this man-made sinkhole you'll find a basement



hallway. There, just when you believe yourself completely lost, you'll find a student worker who is somehow still able to smile and ask for your ID. Then they'll give you 11,000 pages of instructional material (so you need not cut out this article unless you just want to put a smile on my face) and a print out with your user name and your password. And that's it. You don't pay anything as long as you are an undergraduate.

So, now that you have the address, what is it good for? For one thing, you can write to anybody in the whole world and have them receive it nearly instantaneously for a fraction of the cost of a phone call (Can you hear the cry of terror from AT&T?).

E-mail is also a gateway to what are known as list servers. These are groups that a person can join for free that allow them to converse with people with similar interests. There

are list servers for journalists, geologists, sci-fi fans, Volkswagen owners and just about anything you can imagine. All you have to do is to get involved with one of these groups is to find their address and request membership. From then on you will be privy to what the people in that group are discussing and can participate and ask questions. These groups can be invaluable when doing research. Furthermore, they are great ways to meet people of similar interests.

Finally, but in no means lastly, e-mail enables you to enter the chat lines and to buy products on the World Wide Web and other systems.

Once you have a sense of what you are trying to do, the real stress begins, right? Wrong. Be smart and go to the Learning Resource Center or some of the other computer labs and ask for help. They're perfectly willing (and most are able) to lend a hand.

Just to get you started, the first thing you do when in Windows is look for the icon (the little picture) with the word terminal written under it. Double click on the icon and then type "telnet frank" and press the enter key. At this point you'll receive a "login" prompt. At this point you'll type your user name, which you received from OIT, and then press enter. Another prompt will then materialize asking for your password. This was also given in your materials but you can change it to something you can remember. A final prompt, "Local," then appears, giving you some options. You can type "pine," which some of you may have heard is

the easiest to use of the e-mail services, or you can type "netmenu."

I suggest that you use "netmenu". It is a directory of everything you can do on-line. From here you can get on the World Wide Web at the prompt named "Lynx" or get on search engines or just check your e-mail. It is a fine helper for people that are still unsure of what they want out of the system.

Once on-line, a few questions will inevitably come up. One I had to overcome myself was, "What is my address?" Your address, I found, is your user name, which is also your account name on Frank, the symbol @ and frank.mtsu.edu.

A second question I've had to overcome is, "Does the case of the letter matter while I'm typing it in?" The answer is yes. Frank uses the computer language UNIX, which is case sensitive. If it is capitalized, do so, if not, don't.

We could go on like this all day. Once you get started working on-line the questions will feel like they'll never cease. I can only leave you with what Larry Burris, the chair of the Journalism Department told me, "The best thing to do to learn this stuff is sit down and do it. In time you'll have it beat."

Any questions about e-mail or other on-line services on campus should be directed to the Office of Information Technology at ext. 5345.

College girls don't marry for money

College Press Service

A man's personality and looks—not his stuffed wallet—will win the hearts of women.

That's according to researcher Michael Cunningham, a psychology professor at the University of Louisville, who conducted three experiments on what college women look for in men they date or marry. Honesty, nice appearance and time for family life all ranked ahead of a man's fortune.

"It appears that Paul McCartney and John Lennon were correct in their prediction that 'Money Can't Buy Me Love,'" said Cunningham, who presented his findings at the recent American Psychological Association symposium.

The research conflicts with notions that men seek out good-looking, "Baywatch"-type mates, and women search for surgeons, investment bankers and others who would make rich husbands.

Past studies have shown that men and women find personality traits such as kindness and understanding more attractive than good looks or wealth, Cunningham noted.

He criticized popular writers for exaggerating gender differences and "portraying women as sex symbols to men, and men as success symbols to women."

In the first experiment, 118 college women were asked to choose among hypothetical men to date or marry.

The men were presented in terms of dominance, honesty and wealth. Dominance was described through the man's competitiveness in tennis playing. His wealth was either a \$20,000 annual salary or a \$200,000 annual unearned income from a sweepstakes' winning.

Most women said that a man's bank account did not matter when it came to having sex with him on a date.

But as far as regularly dating or marrying him, his wealth and dominance were definitely attractive, but only if he were honest, too, the women said.

For the second experiment, 54 females and 52 males were told to think of the lab as a dating service. Participants

chose their dates after looking at photographs and hearing if the person had "several million dollars" or was "just scraping by," and had a good or bad personality.

When told to choose a mate on one selling point, men were more likely than women to pick a date who was good-looking, but poor and unpleasant.

About 50 percent of the women picked a man who had a good personality, and 29 percent chose the guy whose good looks were his best feature.

Defying the stereotype that women choose men for their wealth, only 21 percent of women said they would date the man with money but nothing else. "Of course, the fact that 21 percent of the women wanted to date an ugly and unsupportive millionaire suggests that wealth has some attractiveness," Cunningham said.

In the third study, 103 women were asked to choose a husband among four men: Pat, an extremely good-looking flirt with a history of infidelity; Chris, a plain-looking guy known to be loyal and helpful; Sandy, a surgeon with a \$500,000 salary but no time for a family; and Robin, a high school teacher who brings in only \$20,000 but loves kids and has time for his family.

About 60 percent chose Robin, the teacher. Far fewer women, only about 13 percent, picked Sandy, the surgeon. Even less, about 3 percent, wanted to marry the handsome rogue with a penchant for cheating.

In the same experiment, the gender of the potential "mates" was switched, and 36 males were asked to choose a wife. Again, 60 percent picked Robin, although more men than women, about 15 percent chose Pat, the good-looking but unfaithful flirt.

Cunningham explained that the findings, with regards to wealth, might not reflect the sentiments of all women. "The research was limited in that it focused on college students, none of whom were struggling to avoid starvation," he said.

College women can reasonably expect to earn high income themselves, so their mates' fortunes might not be as important, he said. •

AC/DC shakes the ground from MTSU

Staff reports

The Murphy Center played host to AC/DC on Monday. The ultimate heavy-metal machine is touring in support of its sixteenth album, BallBreaker.

Traffic around the MTSU campus was worse than usual as fans flocked to the Murphy Center, where they were pumped and pummeled by riff-laden rock 'n' roll which could be heard as far as three blocks away.

Much to the dismay of parents and preachers everywhere, AC/DC has sold over 80 million albums, championing the adolescent call for more sex, more drugs and more rock 'n' roll.

Breaking free of the rumors that have plagued the band for years, not one member of the band ate the head off even a single concert-goer. If concert-goers were disappointed in the lack of decapitations in the show, you couldn't hear their dismay over their screams and chants for more.

AC/DC isn't really about being as bad as you can, only enjoying the naughtiness of thinking about being as bad as you can.

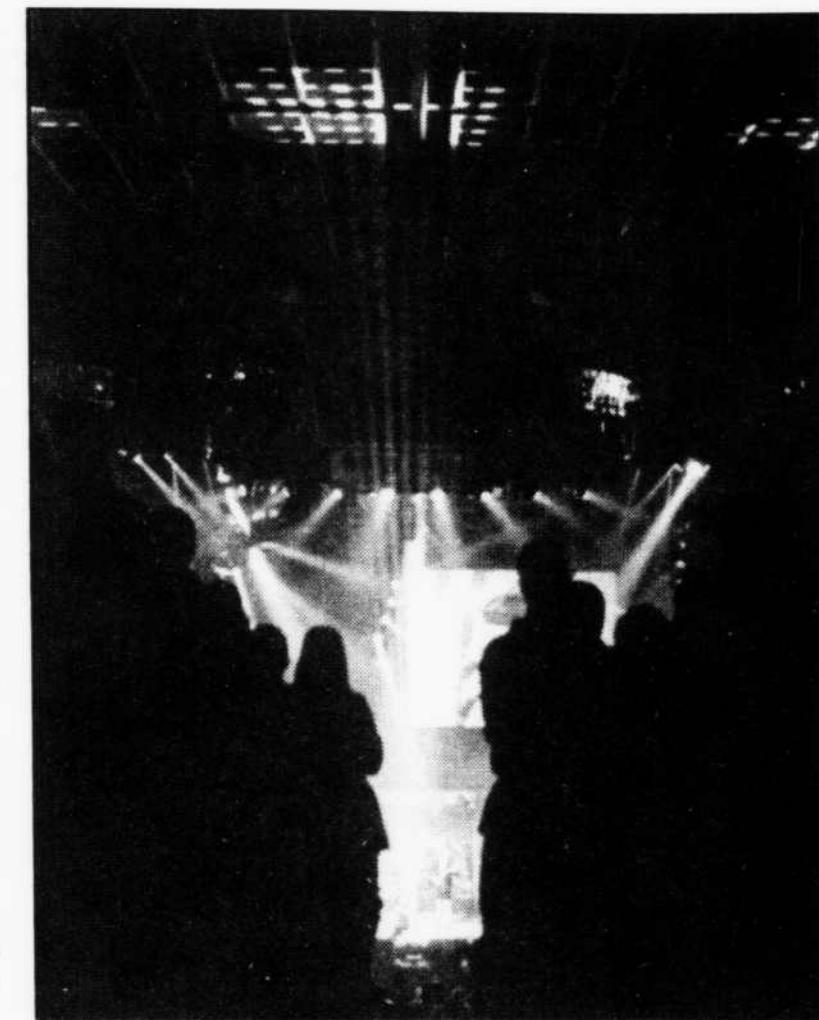
Of course some folks took their naughtiness too far. Twenty-eight arrests for any number of different "dirty deeds," ranging from public intoxication to drug possession, were recorded on the evening of the show. Most of the arrests were misdemeanor drug offenses. Although many students were in attendance, no MTSU students were arrested.

"Students aren't generally our problem, it's people from outside the Campus area," said Director of Public Safety John Drugmand.

Whether this means that MTSU rockers are drug-free or smart enough to leave their stash someplace safe, no one can really be sure, but we're all happy they know how to get out of trouble.

Many students may not care for the attitude of AC/DC and are probably upset that such a traditionally raucous act was booked on such a benign and peaceful campus.

Others students have grown up screaming along with Highway to Hell and revel at the chance to revert to the juvenile anthems of their youth. •



These heavy-metal dinosaurs shake the ground with every step. AC/DC is still proving that it can make real "ball breaker" albums and rock as loud as cannons.

The Cure rides again

College Press Service

Nashville Cure fans will have to break out their hair spray and black leather pants soon. The Cure will be appearing in all their giddy glory Monday, Sept. 2, at Starwood Amphitheater.

The first two tracks on the Cure's umpteenth disc certainly don't fit the dour'n'downbeat image that Robert Smith and Co. meticulously sculpted in their first two decades or so in the biz. "Want" pulses along with a terse vibe that's borderline lusty, while the caterwauling guitars on "Club America" drive home the song's twin themes of abandon and decadence.

After that, though, it's back to more traditional Cure turf: droning yet quite often catchy melodies, loads of synth washes and Smith's plaintive wailing. That means there's plenty here for longtime Cure fans, but little else to reach the unconverted. •

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 Thursday Sept. 5, Ladies Night - Alex Ogburn @ 9 p.m.

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 Friday Aug. 30, Mud Brothers with Janie Grey \$4, @ 9 p.m.
 Saturday Aug. 31, Butterscotch Bicycle \$4 @ 9 p.m.
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**1996 FOOTBALL
PREVIEW**

Raiders 1996 fortunes rest on players in the trenches

By Keith Russell / staff

If the 1996 edition of the Blue Raiders hopes to improve upon last season's 7-4, third-place OVC finish, then they will once again have to address serious questions at a key position.

Last season, it was the MTSU secondary that had a rocky road to travel, as four freshmen were inserted into the starting lineup, giving

"If we have a major negative right now, the offensive line is something we need to turn into a positive," Donnelly said. "People will exploit your weaknesses."

In trying to shore up that perceived weakness, the key will be in establishing a starting unit that can be relied upon to do the job, says MTSU offensive coordinator Tom Fiveash.

"Probably the most important thing we have to do offensively is to decide on who the front five will be. Right now, not all five have come to the forefront."

How soon those five linemen emerge will play a huge role in the efforts to improve upon a Raiders ground game that, while taking good care of the

football (a league low six fumbles), fell to an uncharacteristic 6th place in conference rushing last season and had a yards per carry average that was the OVC's second worst. Additionally, a replacement for second team All-OVC tailback Brigham Lyons is also on the agenda.

In that regard, the consensus is that junior tailback Lebrian McGill is up to

"I'd be lying to you if I said we weren't expecting big things from our defense."

Todd Tanney
defensive coordinator



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Junior Toby Walker teams with split end Dee Mostiller to form one of the conference's best receiving tandems. Last season the two combined for 1,600 yards receiving and 9 TD's.

the challenge of filling Lyons' able shoes, after coming off of a 705-yard, 5-TD 1995 season as the Blue Raiders number two threat out of the backfield. As for who will fall into line behind McGill, the task is expected to be split up between freshmen Charlie Walker and Johnny Baker, as well as South Carolina transfer Robert Smith.

Another transfer, ex-Vanderbilt signal caller Ronnie Gordon, arrived in Murfreesboro to add depth to the quarterback position, where junior Jonathan Quinn returns after emerging as the starter

early last season. Quinn improved steadily as the season progressed last year, peaking with a record-breaking 356-yard performance against UT-Martin.

Returning to flag down Quinn's passes will be perhaps the OVC's best receiving tandem in senior Dee Mostiller and junior Toby Walker. The two combined for over 1,600 yards receiving and 9 touchdown receptions last season, and are expected to be an even greater threat this time around. Sophomore Gary Davis, after winning the praise

of coaches in preseason practice, is also expected to give the offense some much needed pass-catching ability at the tight end position.

Defensively, the Blue Raiders appear formidable, with 10 starters and five seniors anchoring a unit that gave up the conference's third fewest points, a distinction the team received despite the fact that it was in its first year of making the transition to a new 4-3 defense.

"We're certainly a much more experienced team defensively than we were last

year," Tanney asserts. "I'd be lying to you if I said we weren't expecting big things from our defense."

Much attention has been placed on the defensive line this summer, which includes All-OVC defensive ends Anthony Hicks (8 tackles for a loss) and Anthony McCord (6 sacks).

"There has been a great deal of publicity made about our front four," Donnelly notes. "They have experience, they have some size, and they can play."

Behind the touted front line is a linebacking core that will have to do without junior Kris White, who, before suffering a knee injury, was expected to relieve some of the loss felt by the departure of All-OVC selection Nathaniel Claybrooks. Without White, the defense will look to senior Vince Akridge—coming back after a year off due to a knee injury of his own—and sophomore Brian Chastain to rise to the challenge.

The aforementioned secondary, meanwhile, is expected to be better off with a year of game experience under their belt. Sophomores Cedric Stegall (4 INT's), Darrell Love, and Antonio Smith (2 INT's each) will once again play a major role, as will transfers Tyail McMullen and Terrell Neismith. Senior strong safety Shawn Kelley is also expected to contribute to the cause.

On special teams, the Raiders return place kicker Rhett Kopp (6-9 FG's) and punter Brandon Thomas (41.1 average) from a year ago, and also have the punt return capabilities of Mostiller (6th in OVC) to call upon if needed. •

Competition nothing new for MTSU's Quinn

By Doug Malan / staff

Jonathan Quinn's football career - to borrow a title from Enigma, his favorite pre-game music - has come out from the deep.

The 6'6", 230-pound junior quarterback spent his early days of football in relative obscurity, playing center and right tackle into his high school years.

He knows how it feels to languish on the bench, the victim of an offensive system in

high school that failed to cater to his size and drop-back passing style.

Before his senior year at McGavock H.S., the option offense was scrapped, and Quinn became the starting quarterback for the first time, comfortable with the new, passing-rich playbook.

Quinn's size — he was 6'5" as a junior — and arm strength made him an attractive college prospect, despite only one year as a starter.

Texas, Memphis State and

several OVC schools courted him before he decided to venture to New Orleans and begin his college career with Tulane's Green Wave.

The decision soon proved to be a turning point in Quinn's life.

"New Orleans was . . . an experience," he said. "It was a new world for me after growing up in Middle Tennessee. It was a constant party."

While some college students may relish the opportunities (or pitfalls, depending on your perspective) the Crescent City offers, Quinn reached a different understanding, as far as football was concerned.

"New Orleans made me realize who I was," he said. "But, I didn't leave because of the city itself."

After two years at Tulane, Quinn packed his bags and found a home at MTSU.

Because he moved from Division I-A to I-AA, he didn't have to sit out a year after transferring, a blessing for a Blue Raider squad looking to replace graduated incumbent Kelly Holcomb.

But the quarterback job was not handed to Quinn immediately. He found himself

in a hotly contested battle with Shelby Parker in the first half of '95 before emerging as the number one starter.

In 1996, Quinn would like to pick up where he left off.

"I'm excited about keeping the starter's spot," said Quinn, who finished last year with 1,724 passing yards, placing him 65 yards out of the MTSU career top ten in that category.

"But there's also the added pressure of being number one. The team is on your shoulders."

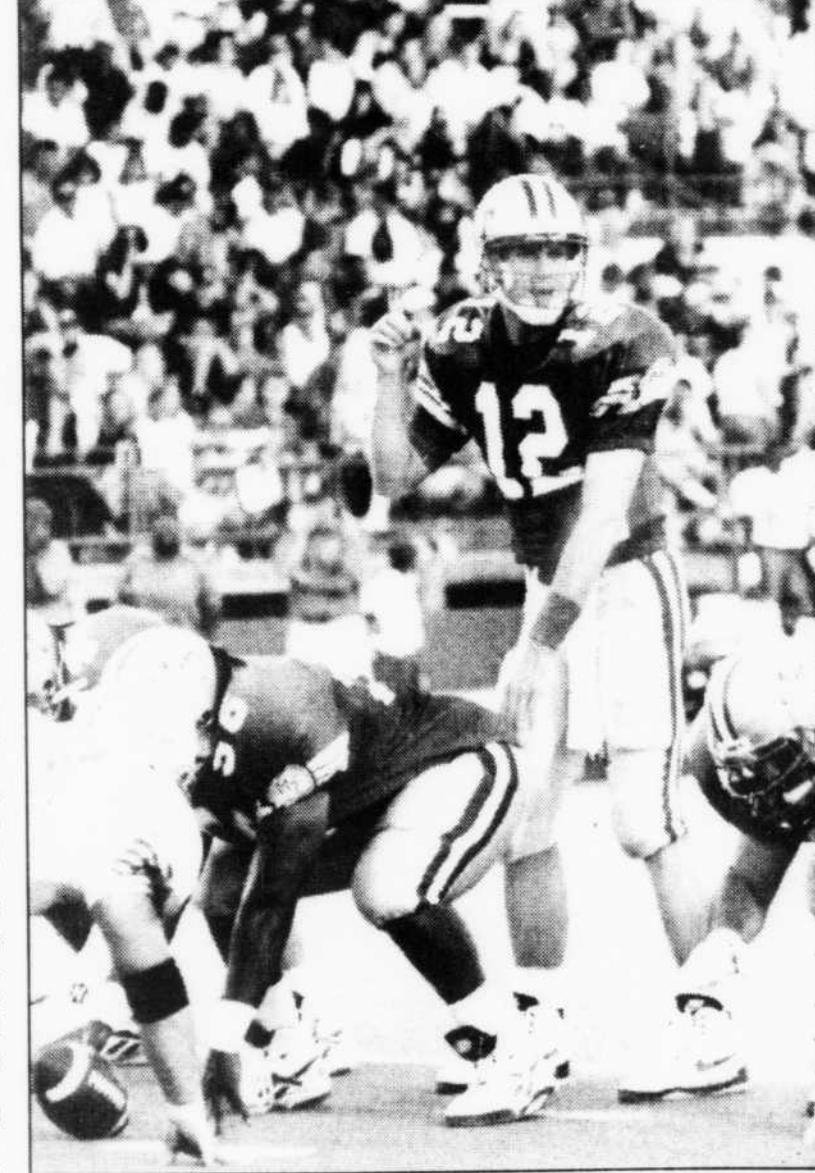
One guy who could possibly help Quinn is Vanderbilt transfer Ronnie Gordon, who has experience as a quarterback and wide receiver. Freshmen Clay Styles and Bryan Freese provide added quarterback depth.

Although he takes pride in being the starter, ask Quinn about personal goals and you'll be met by modesty.

"I just want to help lead the team to the OVC championship and the post-season," he said. "We have a good offensive scheme. I feel comfortable and the coaches have us prepared to win week to week."

"We must now work toward total team cohesiveness."

But it's difficult to avoid focusing on Quinn and harboring thoughts of his



Quarterback Jonathan Quinn calls the signals during last season's 11-7 victory against rival TSU.

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Raider fans now know the truth: Ole Blue a female sharpei!

By Corrie Cron / staff

The mystery and androgyny surrounding MTSU's mascot ends now. In an exclusive interview with Sidelines, Ol' Blue spoke candidly of the physical changes she underwent over the summer and why she does what she does for Blue Raider football.

Through strange and unexplained growth changes in the mascot's life, she now stands at 4'11" tall as opposed to the taller stages from previous seasons. Because of this new height, Ol' Blue looks somewhat like a sharpei

or MC Hammer.

"Ol' Blue is more like a puppy [than a dog]," says the mascot about herself.

When asked if she feels the need to make up for her height, she answered no, because the fact that it's different means the attention is already there.

Although her height puts a new spin on her performance, it doesn't dominate her thoughts. Her main goal is to be there for the students.

"As long as I can make people laugh, that's all I'm after," she says. "I want people to have a good time at the

games."

She also wants more students to get involved. Of course that means causing a little bit of mischief. Ol' Blue wouldn't reveal all her plans for the upcoming season, but fraternity flags seem to be a hot target. And no one is safe from being mimicked by an almost-five-foot blue dog.

Picking on fellow Raiders is all in good fun, but she saves a little meanness for the opposing teams, including picking fights with the other teams' mascots.

The MTSU hound talks about her

job with affection. Although it can get hot, she enjoys what she does.

"I have so much fun doin' it," she says. "Oh I love it!"

Ol' Blue, with her antics and enthusiasm, resembles another mischievous pup who is also her hero. Snoopy.

Ol' Blue says she likes Snoopy because of "his sense of humor, how he makes people laugh, and 'cause sometimes Snoopy gets the shaft."

When asked to elaborate on how she gets shafted, a mournful look creeps into her hound dog eyes.

"Sometimes Ol' Blue would like a hug," she says, "but she doesn't always get one."

However, she is proud of herself and the MTSU cheerleaders, who were recognized at the University Cheerleaders Association Spirit Camp at UT Knoxville with several trophies and ribbons.

Among other awards, Ol' Blue earned a Superior Mascot Trophy and second place in a spirit skit.

The cheerleaders also received several awards, including Best Fight Song.

WNAB schedules six Raider broadcasts

By Lesli Bales / staff

Thanks to WNAB's desire for local programming, MTSU will have more television coverage than ever before. WNAB, also known as Channel 58 (Cable Channel 15), will broadcast six MTSU football games this season, the first being Saturday's game against Louisiana Tech. All games on WNAB will air at regularly scheduled game time.

"This is a situation that just worked itself out," said Chip Walters, Marketing and Promotions Director for MTSU. "WNAB needed local programming and we needed exposure."

Head coach James "Boots" Donnelly will also be receiving a lot of attention as his self-named weekly coach's show will be broadcast on three different networks. WNAB

different networks. WNAB will air "The Boots Donnelly Show" Sunday mornings at 9:30, Sports South will run it Thursday afternoons at 3:30, and it will air Monday-Friday at 5:30 p.m. on MTSU's very own Channel 8.

SportsSouth will also air the Eastern Kentucky game, but game time will be moved from 3 to 6 p.m. to accommodate the network's schedule.

"This is a great thing. It should enhance our marketing and increase our stature, because when people see you on TV, they tend to take you more seriously," Walters said. "It will also help in recruiting and help our image as more people will see us and the great things that are happening here. It's definitely all positives."

Construction on Johnny "Red" Floyd Stadium begins after the final home game on Nov. 23. The student section on the East Side will be torn down in order to rebuild a greater amount of seating.

Transition to 1-A a challenge for team, administration

Staff Reports

Making a transition to Division 1-A sets several challenges in front of the Blue Raider team. MTSU must endure major construction of a new stadium, build up the average paid attendance of each game, and face tougher well-known teams at the turn of the millennium.

Construction on Johnny "Red" Floyd Stadium begins after the final home game on Nov. 23. The student section on the East Side will be torn down in order to rebuild a greater amount of seating.

In order to advance to Division 1-A, MTSU must have a stadium that seats at least 33,000. When completed, the new stadium will seat



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approximately 34,000. It currently holds 16,000 seats.

Although the new stadium will almost double current seating capacity, there is the possibility of expanding that capacity even further to hold 70,000.

The total cost of the

renovation will be \$25 million with \$2 million coming from student fees, approved by both the Tennessee Board of Regents and a student/faculty referendum.

While more seats are being built, the Athletic Department is trying to fill the seats that

Quinn: Ready for what season has to offer

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chances at pro football based on, if nothing else, his size and raw ability.

"I don't know about that," he said sheepishly. "I guess I could make it physically, but I need to put it together mentally."

Quinn also feels he needs to work on "footwork and accuracy" after completing 48 percent of his passes in 1995 with eight touchdowns and seven interceptions. One thing he won't need to worry about is

already exist.

Another requirement of the move to 1-A is that home games have to average 17,000 tickets sold in the season prior to the move. Last season's average per game was 11,100, demanding an increase of 6,000 in paid attendance.

Middle Tennessee's Raiders plan to become a Division 1-A team in the Fall of 1998. Several games are already planned against SEC and Big Ten teams beginning that season. Vanderbilt, Mississippi State and Illinois will all be opponents in '98. Recently, the Athletic Department announced that MTSU will face the University of Florida in the year 2000.

Raider football is the final sport at the University to compete at Division 1-A level.

If you can't be at the game, broadcasters bring you Blue Raider play-by-play

By Lesli Bales / staff

last year at the close of the first half of the Georgia Southern game. In the time span of only about a minute and a half, Georgia Southern scored three touchdowns to take the lead.

When he's not painting a verbal picture on the radio waves, Preston is an investment representative for Edward Jones Investors in Murfreesboro. He and his wife Merrili, chief clinical dietitian at Baptist Hospital, live in Murfreesboro with their son, Preston, age 4, and their daughter, Shelby, age 2.

Dick Palmer, play-by-play announcer for both Blue Raider football and basketball, is in his 16th year at MTSU. A native of Murfreesboro and a graduate of MTSU, Dick spent five years in Memphis where he did play-by-play duties for pro football, basketball and baseball. He is now full-time operations director at Palmer Wholesale Company in Murfreesboro.

There are three exciting games that stand out in Dick's mind as being his most memorable experiences with Blue Raider football. He recalls

BLUE RAIDERS 1996 TV FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

WNAB, Channel 58 (cable channel 15) telecasts:

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Louisiana Tech	7 p.m.
Sept. 7	Tennessee State	6 p.m.
Sept. 14	UT-Chattanooga	6 p.m.
Sept. 26	Murray State	7 p.m.
Oct. 5	Jacksonville State	2 p.m.

SportsSouth Cable Network schedule:

Oct. 19	Eastern Kentucky	6 p.m.
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a game against Tennessee Tech in Cookeville in the early 80's where MTSU was trailing. Luckily, the Blue Raiders blocked a punt late in the game, caught it, and ran it back to score a touchdown to win with only one minute left in the game.

Fast forward to the late 80's in a game against Youngstown State in Ohio. The game went into overtime, ending finally with an amazing catch by fullback Tony Burse.

But probably most amazing was a playoff game against Indiana State. The game went into triple overtime, ending finally and dramatically when MTSU blocked a try for a two-point conversion and won by a score of 42-41.

Chip Walters has been the Marketing and Promotions Director for Athletics at MTSU since January of 1993. He's

been here since his freshman year of college back in the Fall of 1981. "I fell in love with Blue Raider football then, and have never given up on it," he says.

In addition to handling marketing and promotions, Chip also does sideline reports, pre-game shows and locker room interviews for MTSU. His most memorable moment is also the 1984 playoff game against Indiana State that went into triple overtime. "That was a big steppingstone for us because they were ranked number one in the country," Chip says.

He also vividly remembers a game against Florida State in which Blue Raider Joe Campbell went across the goal line doing a flip.

Chip is originally from Columbia and now resides in Nashville.

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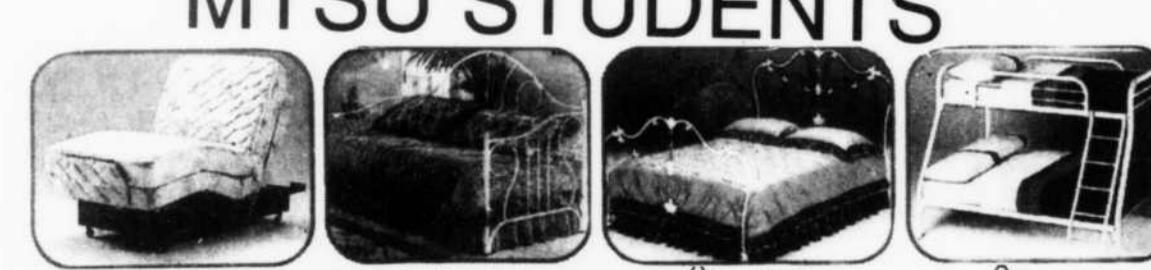
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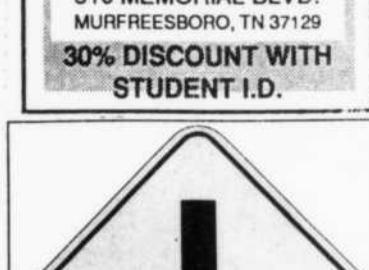
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1996 Football Schedule

LA Tech

Louisiana Tech
Tech: Date vs. MTSU: Aug. 31 Time: 7 p.m. Site: Ruston, La. Stadium: Aillert Stadium (30,600)

Last meeting: LT 21, MTSU 13 (1984)

Series Record: LT leads 1-0

About the Bulldogs:

Team Colors: Red and blue

Head Coach: Gary Crowton (1st year)

1995 Record: 5-6

1995 Division I-A Ranking: none

Players to Watch: WR Chad Mackey (90 rec., 1,253 yds.), QB Jason Martin (2,606 yds. passing, 24 TDs), CB James Crockett (6 INTs).

What Chip says: "The keys will be how our secondary will react against their passing game, and also how our offensive line will reach after losing seniors last year."

What Coach Tanney says: "They expect to have one of the most potent offenses in football this year. It's our job to try and slow them down."



Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Aug. 31	Louisiana Tech	Ruston, LA	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 7	Tennessee State*	Nashville, TN	6:00 p.m.
Sept. 14	UT-Chattanooga	Murfreesboro, TN	6:00 p.m.
Sept. 28	Murray State*	Murray, KY	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 5	Jacksonville State	Jacksonville, AL	2:00 p.m.
Oct. 12	Austin Peay*	Murfreesboro, TN	2:00 p.m.
Oct. 19	Eastern Kentucky*	Murfreesboro, TN	3:00 p.m.
Oct. 26	Southeast Missouri*	Cape Girardeau, MO	2:00 p.m.
Nov. 9	Tennessee-Martin*	Martin, TN	1:00 p.m.
Nov. 16	Eastern Illinois*	Murfreesboro, TN	2:00 p.m.
Nov. 23	Tennessee Tech*	Murfreesboro, TN	2:00 p.m.

* Denotes OVC game

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Home games in bold

Tennessee-Martin

Tennessee-Martin:

Date vs. MTSU:

Nov. 9

Time: 1 p.m.

Site: Martin, Tenn.

Stadium: Skyhawk



Stadium (7,500)

Last meeting:

MTSU 45, UTM 17

Series Record: MTSU leads 16-7-1

ABOUT THE SKYHAWKS:

Team colors: Royal blue, orange and white

Head Coach: Don McLeary (11th year)

1995 Record: 5-6 (4-4 in OVC, 5th place)

1995 Division I-AA Ranking: none

Players to Watch: WR Lenny Harris (53 rec., 790 yds., 5 TDs), QB Jeff McCrone (2,517 yds. passing, 17 TDs), RB Nikki Jackson (63 rec., 425 yds.).

What Dick Palmer says: "Martin embarrassed us a couple of years ago, but we got them back (last season). I expect us to win."

Tennessee State

Tennessee St.: Date vs. MTSU: Sept. 7 Time: 6 p.m. Site: Nashville, Tenn. Stadium: Hale Stadium (16,000)

Last meeting: MTSU 11, TSU 7 (1995)

Series Record: MTSU leads 9-7

ABOUT THE TIGERS:

Team colors: Royal Blue and White

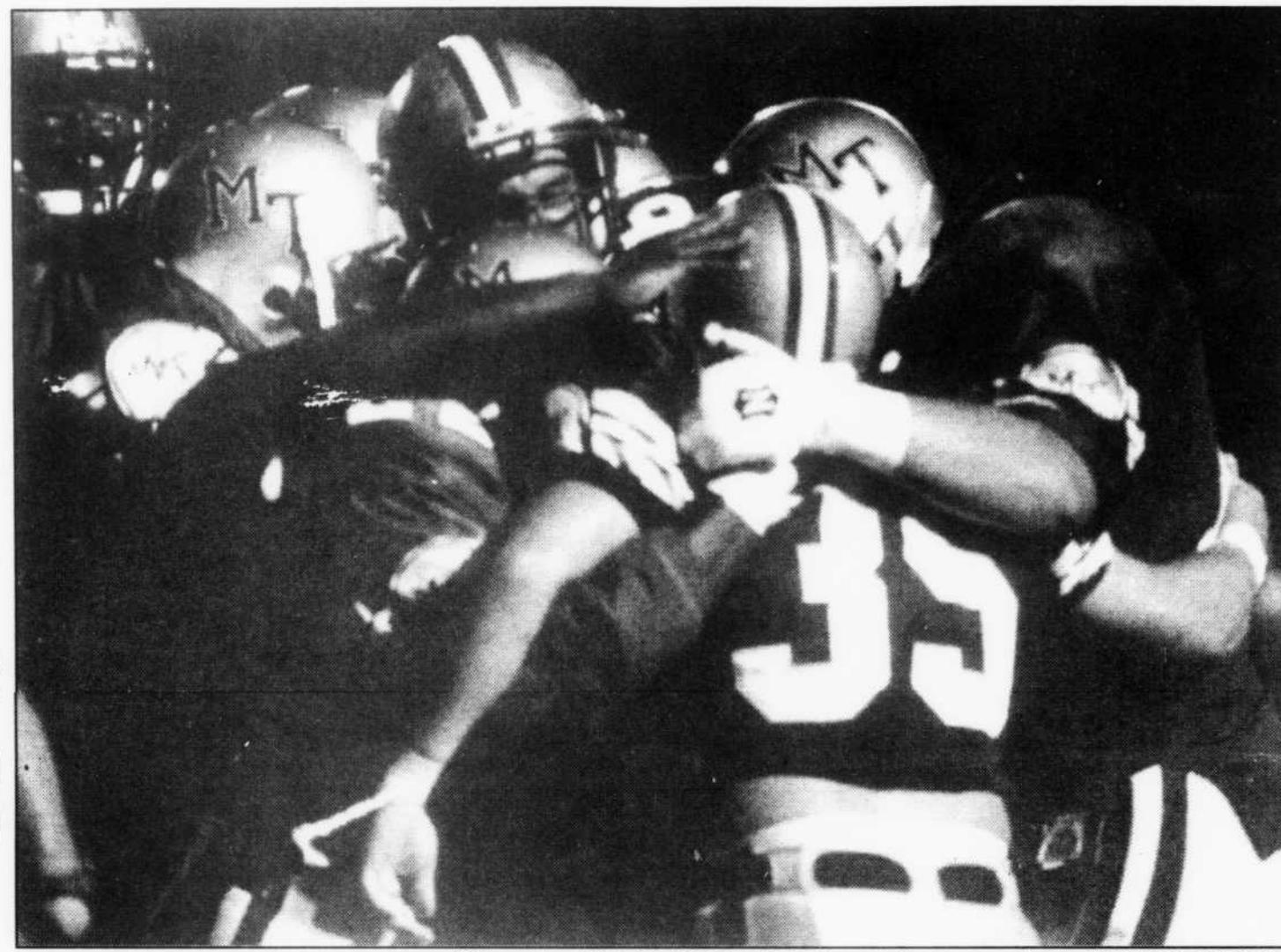
Head Coach: L.C. Cole (1st year)

1995 Record: 2-9 (1-7 in OVC, 9th place)

1995 Division I-AA Ranking: none

Players to Watch: HB Jarick Hillery (644 yds. rushing, 5 TDs), LB Ryan Falker (113 tackles), WR Jerome Hurd (53 rec., 644 yds., 6 TDs)

What Dick Palmer says: "They have a new coach and we don't know much about him or how he'll run the team. I think it will be decided in the fourth quarter."



Murray State

Murray St.: Date vs. MTSU: Sept. 28 Time: 7 p.m. Site: Murray, Ky. Stadium: Stewart Stadium (16,800)

Last meeting: MSU 34, MTSU 0 (1995)

Series Record: MTSU leads 35-28-3

ABOUT THE RACERS:

Team colors: Blue and gold

Head Coach: Houston Nutt (4th year)

1995 Record: 11-1 (8-0 in OVC, 1st place)

1995 Division I-AA Ranking: 4th

Players to Watch: CB William Hampton (8 INTs, 4 returned for TDs), QB Mike Cherry (2,084 yds. passing, 16 TDs), DE Anthony Hutch (4.5 sacks)

What Preston says: This will be as difficult of a road game as (MTSU will) see all year. The motivation after last year's lippin' will be strong."

What Coach Tanney says: "What else can you say? They're the defending OVC champs, they embarrassed us at home last year... We have to go out on their field and find out what we're made of."



Players to Watch: RB Amel Jackson (657 yds. rushing, 8 TDs), DE David Mahaffey (6 sacks), OG Jason Hass (6-4, 297 lbs.).

What Chip says: "This will be one of the scariest games of the season! They have great personnel, and are very well coached. They were here two years ago, and we won by eight, but the game ended with them on our 5-yard line. This game will be determined by whoever makes the most breaks for themselves."

Austin Peay

Austin Peay: Date vs. MTSU: Oct. 12 (Homecoming) Time: 2 p.m.

Site: Murfreesboro, Tenn.



Stadium: Johnny "Red" Floyd Stadium (17,000)

Last meeting: MTSU 43, AP 0 (1995)

Series Record: MTSU leads 36-12-2

ABOUT THE GOVERNORS:

Team colors: Red and white

Head Coach: Roy Gregory (6th year)

1995 Record: 3-8 (2-6 in OVC, tied for 6th place)

1995 Division I-AA Ranking: none

Players to Watch: FB Jacob Dickson (607 yds. rushing, 5 TDs), LB Phil Hancock (106 tackles, 3 fumble recoveries), WR Gary Williams (51 rec., 730 yds.)

What Preston says: "They should be improved since last year, but playing the Raiders at home will be a difficult task for the guys, especially at Homecoming."

Eastern Kentucky

Eastern Kentucky: Date vs. MTSU: Oct. 19 Time: 3 p.m.

Site: Murfreesboro, Tenn.



Stadium: Johnny "Red" Floyd Stadium (17,000)

Last meeting: MTSU 42, SEMO 0 (1995)

Series Record: MTSU leads 7-0

ABOUT THE INDIANS:

Team colors: Red and black

Head Coach: John Mumford (7th year)

1995 Record: 5-6 (5-3 in OVC, 4th place)

1995 Division I-AA Ranking: none

Players to Watch: LB Bobby Haggerty (136 tackles, 2 fumble rec.), DB Greg Klund (3 INTs, 88 tackles), DT Angel Rubio (3.5 sacks in '94)

What Chip says: "This is one of the better defensive teams in the league, especially at home. We need to establish offense early and not let their defense get on a roll."

Eastern Illinois

Eastern Illinois:

Date vs. MTSU:

Nov. 16

Time: 2 p.m.

Site: Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Stadium: Johnny "Red" Floyd Stadium (17,000)

Last meeting:

First meeting

Series Record: 0-0

ABOUT THE PANTHERS:

Team colors: Blue and gray

Head Coach: Bob Spoo

1995 Record: 10-2 (5-1 in Gateway Conference)

1995 Division I-AA Ranking: 12th

Players to Watch: RB Ibrahim Bawa (388 yds. rushing, 2 TDs), DT Brian McGavock (8 sacks), OG Chris Dunkle (6-2, 345 lbs.)

What Chip says: "This is the team to watch out for. No one really knows what to expect, but they went 10-2 last year. They are huge up front. They might not win the league, but they end up being the team that determines who will, because they have a good chance to defeat at least one of the three top contenders (MTSU, Murray St., Eastern Kentucky)



Tennessee Chattanooga

Tennessee Chattanooga: Date vs. MTSU: Sept. 14 Time: 6 p.m. Site: Murfreesboro Stadium: Johnny "Red" Floyd Stadium Last meeting: MTSU 24, UT-C 17 (1990)

Series Record: UT-C leads 24-10-1

ABOUT THE MOCS:

Team colors: Navy and Old Gold

Head Coach: Buddy Green (3rd year)

1995 Record: 4-7 (2-5 in Southern Conference, 7th place)

1995 Division I-AA Ranking: none

Players to Watch: TB Tyrone Coleman (445 yds. rushing, 4 TDs), QB Jeff Peters (1,082 yds. passing, 10 TDs), SS Ron Faugue (93 tackles)

What Chip says: "Their program has been on the rise. They intend to go I-A in the near future and they're gearing up. It should be a fun game, because both teams like to run and throw, both have good tradition. It's going to be a good series to play."



Jacksonville St.: Date vs. MTSU: Oct. 5 Time: 2 p.m. Site: Jacksonville, AL Stadium: Paul Snow Memorial Stadium (15,000)

Last meeting: MTSU 45, JSU 37 (1994)

Series Record: MTSU leads 7-1

ABOUT THE GAMECOCKS:

Team Colors: Red and white

Head Coach: Bill Burgess (12th year)

1995 Record: 7-4

1995 Division I-AA Ranking: none

What Preston says: "They should be improved since last year, but playing the Raiders at home will be a difficult task for the guys, especially at Homecoming."

Southeast Missouri

Southeast Missouri:

Date vs. MTSU:

Oct. 26

Time: 2 p.m.

SPORTS & RECREATION

Thursday, August 29, 1996

SIDELINES

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Raiders face tough LA Tech in season opener

By Doug Malan/staff

With seven offensive starters returning from an explosive 1995 season, Louisiana Tech looms as a potential problem for MTSU in its football opener Saturday in Ruston, La.

Last year the Bulldogs racked up yardage that belied their 5-6 record. Playing in the Big West Conference, Tech finished 14th in the nation with 450 total yards per game, while scoring more than 25 points seven times and more than 40 points three times. The problem was a porous defense that yielded 34 points a game.

This year, the Dogs have received a minor facelift. They are no longer affiliated with the Big West; instead, they decided to join the ranks of the independents. The coaching staff has been slightly adjusted as well. Gary Crowton, who was Tech's offensive coordinator in '95, is in his first year as head coach while still carrying the responsibilities of controlling the offense.

Despite the changes, Louisiana Tech plans to continue its prolific offensive output. That should not be difficult considering the returning skill position players and Crowton's

background with a certain Provo, Utah, school that historically views defensive series as resting periods for its scoring machine.

"A lot of what we do here is based on BYU's offensive system, but we have evolved to form a distinct offense, too," said Crowton, who graduated from Brigham Young University in 1983. "Our offense is definitely our strength." More pointedly, their quarterback, receivers and running backs are Tech's major pawns.

Wide receiver Chad Mackey returns as the nation's leading receiver after grabbing 8.2 passes per game in 1995. The 6'2", 195-pound senior hauled down 90 passes with 1,255 yards and nine touchdowns last year and provides a large target with 4.4 speed.

Another featured target will be tight end Josh Bradley, who caught 40 passes for 505 yards while scoring five times a year ago. Crowton feels extremely confident in the abilities of his receiving corps. "This group of receivers is as good as I've had anywhere, including Boston College, BYU and Georgia Tech," he said.

Where there are productive wideouts, there is usually a proven quarterback. And for the Bulldogs,

the offensive impetus is senior Jason Martin, who last year set school records with 2,606 passing yards and 24 touchdowns while completing 56% of his passes. The team leader was 20th in the nation, producing 237 yards per game in total offense.

Joining Martin in the backfield is tailback Lee Ragsdale, who seems primed to have a breakthrough year. The shifty ballcarrier finished 1995 with 768 yards rushing and five touchdowns while becoming one of only three rushers with 100 or more attempts to average seven yards per carry. Neither of the other two backs placed in the top 20 in rushing yardage. Also returning is running back Jason Armstrong after a season in which he gained 689 yards and scored seven touchdowns in spot duty.

On the offensive line, a quick look at the returning players would cause one to believe that this is a major weak spot, considering Tech lost four starters from last season. But Crowder feels that the 1996 O-line will be better than a year ago. The one returning starter is tackle Clay Hopkins, who is part of the line that averages 308 pounds per man. Two junior college all-Americans, Justin Moss and Robert Saums, are expected

to strengthen the line along with behemoth Chris Crudup, a 6'10" 380-pounder with moderate speed.

Defensively, Tech must replace seven starters from a unit that, although giving up loads of points, was rather opportunistic finishing with a +11 turnover ratio. Cornerback James Crockett returns as a senior after finishing third in the nation in total interceptions with six while also notching 81 tackles. Safety Eric Starks returns with a team-leading 91 tackles.

On special teams, wingback Dean Jackson is back after gaining 11 yards per punt return in 1995, placing him 18th in the nation in that category.

Crowton believes that MTSU has a legitimate shot at defeating his squad. "I'm concerned with how they mix up their defensive schemes. We have to be consistent in recognizing their sets. And offensively, they do a good job with the play-action pass and we must keep tabs on (wide receiver Dee) Mostiller," he said.

Louisiana Tech is the lone Division I-A opponent on the Blue Raider schedule.

River running; rest just Stone's throw away



Brent Spicer

OUTDOOR CORNER

Tennessee is blessed with more creeks, rivers, ponds and reservoirs than just about any state, ranking right up there with Maine and Washington. We bolster to the top of the freshwater list, however, by the incredible diversity of our waters. From the slow dingy rivers in the Mississippi River Basin to the clear mountain streams in the Smokies, Tennessee truly has it all.

A great way to experience many of these waters is in a canoe, made out of plastic materials. It is safe, efficient to paddle and quiet; allowing you to enjoy yourself more while being able to see the wildlife that lives in or near the river.

The major source of running water to satisfy your thirst for adventure while in Murfreesboro is the Stones River, made up of the East, Middle, and West Forks. These forks have enough water to keep one busy for years, not to mention all of their tributaries. And all three forks are great for canoeing because of their relatively easy Class 1 rapids.

Now, if you were wondering why in the world I think you have canoes and kayaks in your dorm closets to use, let me reassure you that our Campus Recreation Department does have canoes, kayaks, accessories and other outdoor equipment for students to rent, at very low rates. The prices on their canoes (\$8 for a day or \$15 for a weekend) are less than half you will pay any commercial outfitter (usually at least \$20 a day).

I haven't had the thrill of kayaking the Stones River yet, but I have enjoyed canoeing much of it. Before we go any further, however, you should know that one of the rules of canoeing is that everyone inevitably tips their canoe on at least their first trip. Don't worry, though; tipping a canoe in the Stones is not a scary experience (provided you can swim). Just hold on to the canoe until you find a suitable place along the bank to get out and regroup. Almost all canoes will float even when filled with water, so don't worry about it sinking to the bottom of a deep pool.

Of course, with poor planning, anyone can turn a safe trip into a hairy situation. I remember one interesting afternoon canoeing and fishing the Stones with three buddies in two canoes. Either the trip was longer than we had planned or we may have fished too long, but regardless, the darkness came too soon. As luck would have it, it was also a new moon that night, which wasn't a big deal. At least, not until the batteries in my flashlight breathed their last.

The two scoundrels in the other canoe had a small flashlight that worked fine, but that didn't help my partner and I much, since they were 50 yards in front of us. We ended up tying the two canoes together, which severely hampered our maneuverability, but also made us as stable as a barge. I had to learn to canoe almost totally by sound and feel that night, but the stars were brilliant, and I can laugh about it now.

The only experience that might be frightening for you on a normal day would be going over one of the dams located along all three forks like, oh, Walter Hill for example. This 15- to 20-foot dam, considerably higher than other area dams, is obviously dangerous and avoided by paddling to shore and carrying the canoe around (a practice also known as portaging). The great thing about canoes, though, is that they are very easy to portage around obstacles. I would suggest asking a person at the rental center or someone else familiar with the area before heading down a river. However, if you do go down the river without asking, remember that anywhere the river slows for more than a half mile without a rapid, expect to portage the canoe around the dam that is sure to be ahead of you.

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Tennis teams have high hopes for fall tournaments

Fall Sports Preview: TENNIS

By Marcy Eibel/staff

This year's MTSU tennis team has once again hit off in hopes that this season will be even better than last year. The fall season usually consists of tournaments rather than dual competition that is played in the spring. This allows the team to both better prepare themselves for the spring season and to attract the public's interest. They will start the fall season with such tournaments as the Pro-Am, the Men's Fall Classic, and the National Clay Court Finals.

"I hope to see the community get involved this year and be aware of the teams' potential," said Dale Short, director of tennis and head coach of the men's team.

To start the community involvement process, the tennis team will host the 10th annual Pro-Am Tournament on Sept. 13-14. The team hopes to see a great deal of community involvement at this fundraising event. Players will play doubles in a "round robin" format, where everyone plays everyone else regardless of rank.

A dinner party will take place the night of Sept. 13 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Garden Plaza Hotel, and then players will compete on Sept. 14 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the MTSU varsity courts. There is a \$150 fee per amateur and numerous prizes will be given out.

This competitive yet social fundraiser is a great opportunity for the team to be exposed throughout the community.

Another upcoming event is the Men's Fall Classic, which will take place on Sept. 20-22. Most of the teams competing in this annual event

Signs are right to herald football season in Middle Tennessee: Boots

By Lesli Bales/staff

The crickets are getting louder and the caterpillars are beginning to devour the trees. That means it's football time in Middle Tennessee, said Coach Boots Donnelly at his first faculty/media luncheon Monday.

"The first ballgame always makes me extremely nervous and extremely excited," Boots began. "As coaches, we have to have [the players] prepared for whatever may happen."

And a lot may happen Saturday night against Louisiana Tech. The last time these teams met was in the Division I-AA playoffs in 1984. Boots remembers it well.

"Sad memories," he recalls. "They blocked a punt and gave the ball to the slowest man on the team, and he went 80 yards against us to score."

Besides having a rich tradition of winning and turning out NFL players such as Terry Bradshaw, Tech is ranked 14th in the Conference and

are from the mid-South, and plans are still being finalized. However, teams such as Kentucky, Vanderbilt, Tennessee Tech and Austin Peay could possibly be in the line-up.

In addition, the Raiders will participate in the National Clay Courts Tournament on Sept. 26-29 in Baltimore, Md. This tournament is an extremely difficult one to qualify for. Players must be ranked very high in the country, and they must go through a series of steps in order to qualify to be in the main draw.

Two MTSU players who are automatically qualified for the main draw are doubles partners Anthony DeLuise and Fred Niemeyer. Both DeLuise and Niemeyer were named All-Americans last year. Fred Niemeyer, a senior this year at MTSU, is a native of Magog, Quebec, and his partner, senior Anthony DeLuise, is from Melbourne, Australia. Both men will be returning this season ranked in the top five in doubles and top 40 in singles.

Along with the returning top five players from last year, three new players have been added to the lineup. They are Jim Madrigal of Nashville, Calvert Cook of Cleveland and Belal Hamadeh of Memphis.

"We are really excited this year, we have our top five returning and three new players," stated Dale Short. "We hope to see some added depth to the lineup this year."

The women's team, coached by David Thornton, return five of last year's top seven performers. Among the returners are Amy King, Courtney Genosi, Jennifer Bryans, Melinda Ryan, and Alexandra Toelle. New players include Kim Glassman, a transfer from the University of Tennessee, and Clare Seveire, a transfer from Belmont.

"This should be one of our most solid years. We have four of our top six players returning and a couple of new faces," Short said.



Brian G. Miller/staff

Keep Your Eyes On The Ball

Amy King concentrates on leading the MTSU Women's Tennis Team to another successful season.

Sports Shorts

This week's schedule of games and events of local interest (all times are Central):

OVC FOOTBALL

Thursday, August 29
Eastern Illinois at Western Michigan, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, August 31
MTSU at Louisiana Tech, 7 p.m.
Florida A&M at Tennessee St., 6 p.m.

SEC FOOTBALL

Saturday, August 31
Bowling Green at Alabama, 2 p.m.
Southern Miss at Georgia, 3 p.m.
SW Louisiana at Florida, 5 p.m.
Ala.-Birmingham at Auburn, 6 p.m.
Idaho St. at Ole Miss, 6 p.m.
Louisville at Kentucky, 5:30 p.m.
UNLV at Tennessee, 6 p.m.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

The women's soccer team won their first scrimmage yesterday, beating Cumberland College 2-0. Lynn Wright scored both the goals to lead the Lady Raiders.

Saturday, Aug. 31
MTSU vs. Mississippi State at Mississippi State

LADY RAIDERS VOLLEYBALL

UMass Tournament, Amherst, Mass.:
Friday, August 30
MTSU vs. Providence, 8 a.m.
MTSU vs. SW Texas, 1 p.m.
Saturday, August 31
MTSU vs. Tulane, 8 a.m.
MTSU vs. UMass, 6 p.m.

INTRAMURALS

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Fulmer says Vols not looking past UNLV

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — No. 2 Tennessee's fans may be focused on the Florida game, but coach Phillip Fulmer says the Vol players aren't — at least not now with UNLV knocking at their door.

The Rebels come to Knoxville on Saturday to open one of the most anticipated seasons in Tennessee history. But it seems the fans are absorbed by things that will come later — particularly the showdown with Florida on Sept. 21, the Volunteers' chances for a national title, and quarterback Peyton Manning's shot at the Heisman Trophy.

UNLV could get overlooked in an atmosphere like that, but Fulmer says it won't happen.

"I think our team needs to be alert. It's something they do not need to take lightly, and I don't believe they are," he said Wednesday.

Tennessee, coming off an 11-1 season, is a

prohibitive favorite for Saturday's 7 p.m. game. The Rebels finished 2-9 last year and were very generous with yards (allowing 535 per game), points (47 a game) and the football (39 turnovers).

Rebel coach Jeff Horton made some moves in the off-season. He hired a new assistant coach so defensive coordinator Stan Eggen could concentrate on those duties alone. He hired Charlie Stubbs, a veteran who was at UT-Martin last year, as the new offensive coordinator.

And he sought help on the field. Nineteen of the 25 players the Rebels signed in the off-season are defensive players. Plus, they have a new quarterback, redshirt freshman Jon Denton.

Fulmer said all that makes it difficult to know what to expect Saturday.

He said the Vols should begin the season in reasonably good health, with only tailback Brian Darden (wrist) and offensive guard Jeremy

Shadrack (kidney) listed as definitely out.

Fulmer said the only starting spot still open is the kickoff job. Freshman David Leaverton and walk-ons Chris Hogue and Robert Loudermilk are competing for it, he said.

River Running

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While floating down the river, try this tip and see if you don't enjoy yourself immensely. Take time to stop frequently along the river. This can include stopping to eat a shore lunch, to rest a while, or for no other reason than to relax (which, after all, is why you came to start with).

When fishing with my father during my youth, I noticed that he would often lie down on the bank next to a stretch of ripples in the stream. At first I thought he was giving up on the fish in frustration, but soon I realized that he was taking advantage of the slow fishing to take in all the sights, sounds, and wonders of nature. If you take my father's example, you too can be inspired by those same wonders. See the rhythm of the tumbling stream and the array of colors around you. Hear the sound of the gently rippling water, accompanied by the songs of the birds and the whispers of the wind through the trees. Feel the cool sand against your back and water rushing through your feet.

Stopping to relax is now one of my favorite things to do while visiting a stream. I suggest you try it too. Even if you have to plan a shorter trip,

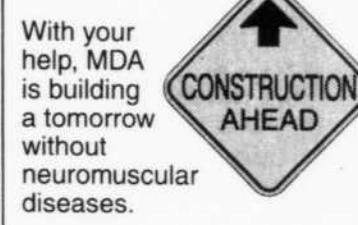
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trust me, you won't be sorry.

If you want to go canoeing on the Stones or anywhere else (such as running the white water in the Hiwassee or Ocoee rivers in Southeast Tennessee for the adventurous or experienced), the best advice is to buy a Tennessee Topographic/ Backroads Map to help plan a trip on the fork you want, for the length you want, and the put in and take out spots that are best for you.

The map usually costs around \$15, but you will wonder how you lived without it before long, especially if you continue more outdoor pursuits. And happy canoeing!



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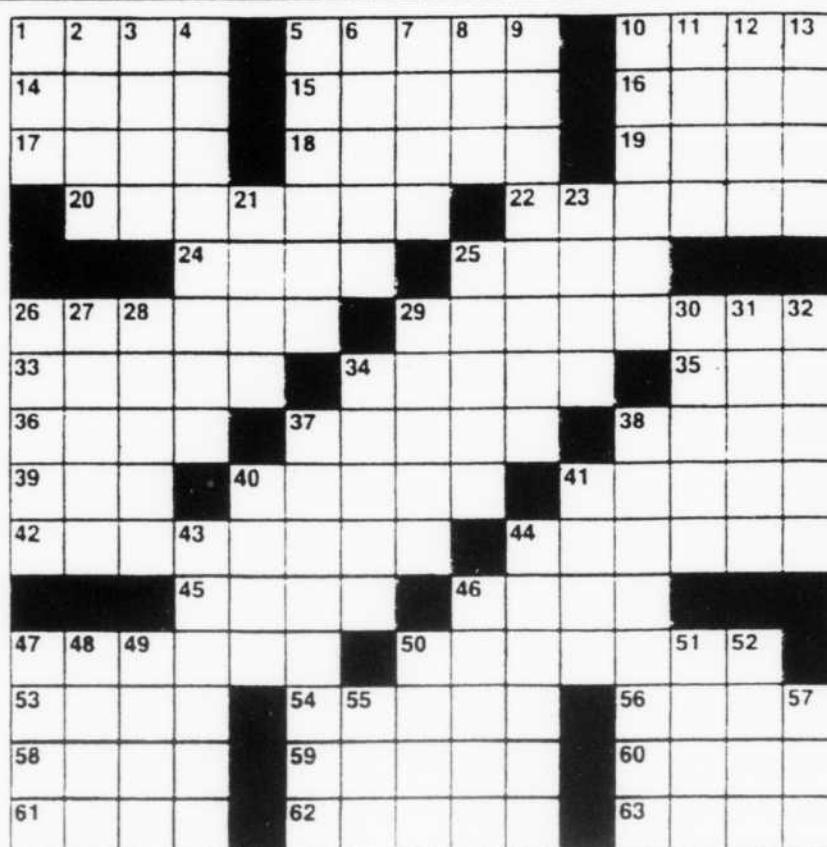
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SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

MONDAYS 12:00 - 12:50

1. SPIRITUAL GIFTS

What are they? Do all Christians have one? How do you discover yours? Teacher: Jan Gregory. Class begins September 9, for 4 weeks.

2. HISTORY OF CHRISTIAN MUSIC (Part I)

This survey will cover the earliest forms of Christian songs from the New Testament era through Gregorian chants to 19th century hymns. Teacher: Charles Nored. Class begins October 7, for 3 weeks.

3. ONE WAY TO GOD?

The exclusive claims of Jesus vs. contemporary pluralistic views of salvation. Teacher: Don Edwards. Class begins November 4, for 3 weeks.

FRIDAYS 12:00 - 12:50

1. BAPTIST THEOLOGY TODAY: ESSENTIAL OR IRRELEVANT?

Is there a place for uniquely Baptist theological beliefs in modern Christianity? Four Baptist distinctives will be studied: the authority of the Bible, the priesthood of all believers, local church autonomy and religious liberty. Teacher: Dr. Irvel Harrison. Class begins September 13, for 4 weeks.

2. FAITH AT STATE

How to be a Christian at a secular university. Teacher: Ken Polk. Class begins October 11, for 3 weeks.

3. WORSHIP: TOP PRIORITY FOR TRUE BELIEVERS

What is worship? What is my role in worship? Are models and methods of worship changing today? Teacher: Marion Arbuckle. Class begins November 8, for 5 weeks.

Faculty

Marion Arbuckle: B.S., Middle Tennessee State University
M.Div., Southwestern Baptist Seminary
Don Edwards: B.A., Union University
M.Div., Southern Baptist Seminary
Jan Gregory: B.S., Mississippi State University
M.R.E., Midwestern Baptist Seminary

Irvel Harrison: B.S., University of Southern Mississippi
M.Div., Southwestern Baptist Seminary
D.Min., Southern Baptist Seminary
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