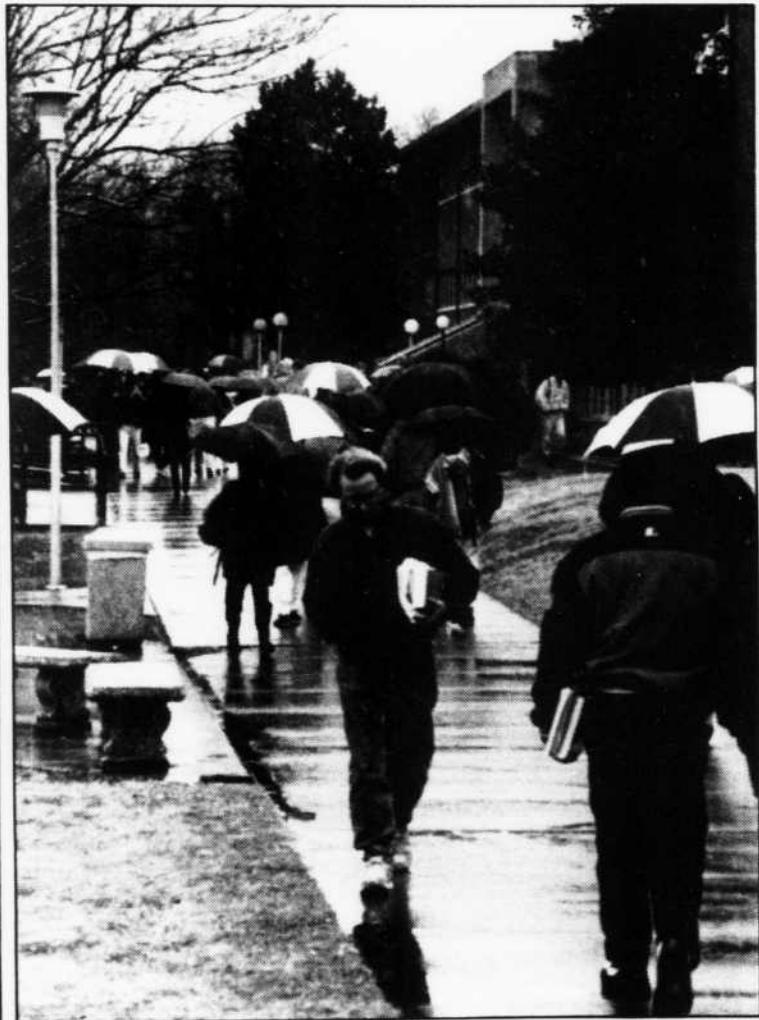


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**I DON'T LIKE MONDAYS:** Students slog together through a steady snow on their way to classes Monday. The bad weather couldn't keep classes from meeting.

## Intersession merges with summer school

DAVID A. SMITH  
News Writer

Beginning this summer, the three-week term traditionally known as "Intersession" will undergo a name change, says Sherian Huddleston, Director of Records.

The term that normally follows the spring semester and precedes the summer sessions will now be included as part of the summer sessions and will be referred to as "Session I."

"Intersession used to be known as a separate term of its own," Huddleston said.

Having Intersession as a separate term caused some problems, Huddleston said, especially with those being academically suspended following Intersession classes.

"Some students would get

suspended at the end of Intersession on Friday, and with summer session starting the following Monday, there was not enough time to notify the students that they had been suspended from their pre-registered summer session classes," she said.

There should be no effect on students or teachers and it should make registration easier, she said.

Students will now be able to register for all summer sessions at one time instead of having separate registrations for intersession and summer sessions, Huddleston added.

"Most students thought of it as part of summer school anyway, so all we did was take it and put it truly under the umbrella of summer term," she said.

## Inadequate training could hurt grads in the job market

WARREN WAKELAND  
Special to Sidelines

Employers believe that college graduates have a difficult time finding work in their chosen profession because they don't get enough of the proper training while in school, according to two different business owners.

Mark Rodison, president of the Quantrill Group, and Griffin Mahoney, president of

as a high school diploma meant 15 years ago."

Rodison advocates looking at graduate school as a way for students to further enhance their educational resumes.

"Internships don't do enough, but that's all there is to help students get adjusted to the real world," said Rodison. "There are little or no jobs available for students who have less than a 3.0 grade point

'The real world is five classes on the same subject seven days a week, with no Daytona Beach in March and no summer breaks.'

—Mark Rodison  
President, The Quantil Group

Accountants 'R' Us, believe that internships are what get graduates ahead, but they alone do not do enough for the student.

"Internships are the only way students have to show an employer they can do the job, but students need more," said Mahoney. Mahoney advocates doing internships in both major and minor subjects.

"It gives you a shot at a job in two fields. That's very important in a day where a bachelor's degree means as much

average. Even one semester of graduate school looks good on a resume. It can help an employer make a choice."

Rodison believes universities need to do more to help students prepare for the real world.

"College graduates don't get enough simulation in college of what big business is really like," said Rodison. "The real world is five classes on the same subject seven days a week, with no Daytona Beach in March and no summer breaks."

## ARA makes additions to food services

KAY KINGSLEY  
News Editor

New restaurants and additions to existing dining facilities will be on campus by the end of spring semester, said Doug McCallie, ARA Food Services Director.

A Taco Bell and Subway will be added to the Sub in the James Union Building, McCallie said. Chick-Fil-A will take the place of "Leghorns" in the Grill in Keathley University Center.

A pizza and pasta bar will be installed in Corlew Dining Hall.

"It is just a matter of installation at Corlew," McCallie said. "We already have the

equipment. Our goal is to have it ready right after spring break."

Woody Ratterman, SGA Food Service Committee chairman, said the new additions were the result of ideas presented by a weekend task force committee set up last year by MTSU President James Walker.

"I was on that committee, and we found that students were wanting these types of services so they wouldn't have to go off campus to find them," Ratterman said.

Ratterman said the additions also are made with the intent to help problems with the freshmen meal plan.

"Right now the facilities

Mahoney believes students need to take life after college more seriously.

"In college you have three hours of class and four hours of homework per day," said Mahoney. "In life, business is comparable to eight hours of class and four hours of homework. Students don't seem to be ready for this."

Bob Griggs is the business intern coordinator for the department of Recording Industry Management, and a Fall 1992 graduate of MTSU with a B.S. degree in Recording Industry Management. Griggs said employers look for three main qualities in hiring college graduates.

- The individual needs to show responsibility for the job. "You have to show the employer you'll not just do [the job] half-assed, and I try to prove it in my job here everyday," Griggs said.

- The individual needs to know the material and not be afraid to ask for help. "You can't be afraid to say 'I don't know'. You don't want to be labeled as a know-it-all," Griggs said.

- The individual must enjoy the business and the people he or she works with. "You have to like

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dictate where the students go," Ratterman said. "If freshmen could use their meal cards at the Grill, no one would go to the other three facilities. We already have around 15,000 people eating at the Grill every week."

Ratterman said the new restaurants and pizza and pasta bars will help spread the students out to the different cafeterias on campus.

McCallie said nothing new will be added at this time to Woodmore cafeteria.

"We don't have any plans right now for Woodmore," McCallie said. "We are discussing plans for the future."



## NEWS BRIEFS

### Talk show woos students

He may not be a David Letterman, but Dr. Shin Lin of Johns Hopkins University and his hot new talk show are attracting students in droves.

Lin, the associate dean of the School of Arts and Sciences at the university, is teaching the wonders of biomedical research to his students in a talk show format every Monday night.

Lin, who plays host, finds "celebrity" doctors and scientists to chat about different topics

every week ranging from "Biomechanics of Living Tissues," to "Charting a National Course for Research on Cardiovascular Diseases."

"One night I was watching Johnny Carson — I was a big fan of his — and I thought that his format might solve my problem. So I'll be like Johnny, or maybe like Oprah," he said.

"The point of this course is to allow undergraduates with no background in science to come

and be educated in an entertaining way," Lin said. "There will be a minimum of graphs and charts. It's not all fun and games, though. There will be serious science."

Lin asks questions about their families, careers and personal interests.

While students have to pass an exam at the end of the course, there are no textbooks and no exams.

### Secretary charged in theft of funds

A former secretary at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock has been charged with taking \$8,100 from a checking

account and petty cash fund.

Betty L. Johnson, who used to work in the school's Art Department, was charged with a

second-class felony after an audit revealed that \$8,100 was missing, reported the campus newspaper, the UALR Forum.

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## CORRECTIONS & CLARIFICATIONS

In Feb. 15 *Sidelines*, "Friction arises over SGA proposals" stated two bills would be voted on in the Feb. 25 student election. This is incorrect. The only bill to be voted on in the

Feb. 25 election is raising the GPA standards for SGA members from 2.0 to 2.5. *Sidelines* regrets the error.

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## CAMPUS CAPSULE

### TODAY

**Kappa Delta Phi** will meet at 6 p.m. in KUC 324, joint meeting with MTSU Ed. Assoc., Phi Delta Kappa and area teachers. For more information call Dr. Youree, Box 184.

**MTSU Racquetball Club** will have challenge court from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Murphy Center Racquetball Court A. For more information call Andrew Rawlins, 849-8872. All skill levels are encouraged to attend.

**Phi Epsilon Kappa** will have a business meeting at 3:30 p.m. in Murphy Center Student Lounge, will vote in new members.

**Health Care Automation: Computing for the Next Century** will be a seminar from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. at the Middle Tennessee Medical Center. For more information contact the Adams Chair of Excellence in Health Care Services at 898-2905 and 849-4500 to register.

**Student Songwriter Association** will have Pete Fisher, a representative from Warner/Electra/Asylum Records to speak at 6:30 p.m. in Mass Comm 103.

### FRIDAY

**Interview Skills Seminar** will be given by the Placement and Student Employment Center at 2 p.m. in KOM 222, Kitty Dryden from Nashville Bank of Commerce will be the presenter.

**International Student Association** will meet every Friday from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. in KUC 316, for more information call ext. 2238.

**Health Care Automation: Computing for the Next Century** will be a seminar from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. in the James Union Building, Dining Room C.

### MONDAY

**Student for Environmental Action** will meet at 8 p.m. in KUC 305. For more information call ext. 2238.

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ation call Andy, 895-5384.

**Honors Lecture Series** will have Jacquelyn Jackson, English to discuss "A Search for Freedom: Feminist Resistance of Patriarchal Authority" from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in PH 107. Captain Craig Williams from

### TUESDAY

the Navy Blue Angels will be coming to Smyrna Airport from noon to 2 p.m. for a display of the C 130 aircraft (Fat Albert). Free and open to the public.

**MTSU Buchanan players, Connections** (In celebration of African-American History Month) will be at 8:15 p.m. in Boutwell Dramatic Arts Building in the Arena Theater. For more information call Dave Anderson at Ext. 2640 or 2716

### ONGOING

Weekly College Worship sponsored by **Presbyterian Student Fellowship** every Wednesday, 9-10 p.m. at PSF house across from Alumni Gym.

**Bicyclists and Triathletes** can start spring training now, rides leave Greenland Parking Lot each Tuesday at 2 p.m. Distance and speed to suit whoever shows up. For more information call Murfreesboro Bicycle Club, 898-2688 or 890-6051.

**The Japan Center of Tennessee** has samples of "Japanese Fabrics, Colors, and Designs" in a mini-exhibit in the Administration Building Lobby. Festival headbands, kimono fabric samples, dyed furoshiki or wrapping cloths and handkerchiefs with traditional Japanese designs will be on display through March.

**Fellowship of Christian Athletes** meets every Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. in the Blue Raider Room, underneath the home side of the football stadium. Everyone is welcome. For more information call ext. 1470 or 3234.



## African-American students eligible for special program

### STAFF REPORTS

If you are an African-American Tennessee resident considering a career in medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, pharmacy or law, you may be eligible to participate in the Pre-professional program offered by the State of Tennessee.

The Preprofessional program began in 1985 to increase the number of African-Americans in these fields. Each year, 150 residents are accepted into the program.

To be eligible, a student must have successfully completed a year of undergraduate work when they apply to PPP and be enrolled in a regionally accredited college or university. Health and veterinary applicants must have completed two semesters of biology, general chemistry and college math.

Factors considered by selection committees include the applicant's standardized test scores, GPA, perfor-

mance in core courses public or community service, personal background, and other factors that bear on an applicant's potential success.

If selected, the applicant participates in two summer institutes, each lasting eight weeks, and receives an \$800 stipend in addition to tuition, books, supplies and the cost of one round-trip fare by bus or privately-owned vehicle.

"This is 16 extra weeks of college somebody else is paying for. That's a pretty good deal for the students," said MTSU Program Coordinator John Vile.

Study areas in the first level health professions institute increase the student's comprehension and ability to apply the principals of the biological and physical sciences covered on admissions tests for health profession schools. The second level institute includes courses in biochemistry physiology, anatomy, histology and behavioral sciences.



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# Lower crime rates on college campuses than U.S. figures

### COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

While campus crime rates are increasing, they remain lower than overall statistics for the United States, according to a report by the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators.

Meanwhile, the FBI reported its first data available on the number of hate crimes for 1991. While there is no breakdown in the report by age or locality of attacks, some college newspapers have reported an increase in hate crimes on campuses and local communities.

The campus crime survey was conducted at 400 colleges and universities that are members of the law enforcement association.

The institutions represent only 13 percent of all U.S. colleges and universities, but 40 percent of all college students. There was no breakdown of specific crimes.

The number of campus crimes increased during the past three years. According to the report, violent crimes made up 3 percent of the crimes reported on campuses in 1991, and property crimes made up the remaining 97 percent. Violent crime on campuses rose 12.4 percent from 1989 to 1990 and 5 percent from 1990 to 1991.

The association said there were 71.8 violent crimes — murder, rape, robbery or aggravated assault — per 100,000 students, compared with

758.1 violent crimes per 100,000 people in the nation as a whole.

Schools with fewer than 5,000 students had the highest violent crime rate, with 105.5 per 100,000 students. Colleges and universities with populations more than 15,000 had the lowest rate of 45.7.

The FBI, meanwhile, reported that there were 4,558 hate crimes reported in 32 states that kept statistics on such crimes in 1991. "While these initial data are limited, they give us our first assessment of the nature of crimes motivated by bias in our society," FBI Director William Sessions said.

'They called us 'faggots' while hitting us, and we started to fight back and then they left.'

Intimidation was the most frequent hate crime, followed by damage or destruction to property, simple assault, aggravated assault and robbery. Murder, rape, arson and other crimes each accounted for 1 percent or less of the total.

Racial bias motivated a majority of the reported crimes, with religious bias second and sexual-orientation bias third. Hate crimes against African-Americans accounted for the highest percentage, while anti-white and anti-Jewish crimes followed.

Although hate crimes do occur on college campuses nationwide, many go unreported by students, faculty and staff.

Some are fearful that publicity will cause more problems, while others don't think that campus or city police will investigate the incidents.

Phil Martin, director of Ohio State University's Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Student Services office, told the Lantern newspaper that he was walking from a bar to his car when he and his friend were attacked by three men.

"They called us 'faggots' while hitting us, and we started to fight back and then they left," he told the newspaper. Although he and his friend were hurt, neither called the police.

The Lantern reported that as

many hate crimes were reported in Columbus, Ohio in September 1992 as were reported in all of 1991.

At Harvard University, in Cambridge, Mass., the Harvard Crimson reported that several swastikas were found drawn on an elevator of a housing tower. They were taken down, and a petition was written to condemn the graffiti.

"The petition reminds of the meaning of the swastika during the Nazi regime," Mather House Master Jeffrey Williamson told the newspaper. "It reminds the community how the use of a swastika alienates individuals from the house."

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## GUEST EDITOR'S CORNER

### Tell us what you think

In the ever-widening technological future, the media will be a two-way street. We will be able to not only control our news/entertainment source, but actually affect spin and outcome via a massive fiber optic network.

That, dear readers, is not the case with *Sidelines*. To get feedback from our readership, we have to ask questions and hope we get responses. With that in mind, please take a few minutes to peruse the *Sidelines Spring 1993 Readership Poll*.

Read it, answer a few easy questions, mail it to us at Box 42 (or drop it off at James Union Building Room 310). Simple.

1. How often do you read *Sidelines*?
2. Do you read every section? If not, which sections do you read most often? Least often?
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6. Have you ever written a letter to the editor?
7. Does the design of *Sidelines* appeal to you? What would you change?
8. What is your classification? major?

So this is it. We are seven weeks into the semester and we are looking to you, the reader. We need you to guide us so that we can be a paper you would be proud to show to your mother.

—Mike Reed

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### SGA 1, Aly 0

To the Editor:

This is in response to the "Guest Editor's Corner" printed Feb. 11.

I would like to address Charles Aly and ask him who the people he referred to as "certain elements of the SGA" were. I understand the point he is trying to make about how it seems that the "elements" involved are trying to run Mr. Lentz out of the SGA. The referendum to which Mr. Aly's article is referring to is the one to raise the minimum grade point average for SGA president, Speaker of the House, and Speaker of the Senate from 2.0 to 2.5. As it now stands, anyone can run for these three positions as long as they maintain a 2.0 cumulative GPA. I think the idea Mr. Aly is missing here is the fact that our original purpose for being here is our education.

Let me clarify a few things, as stated in the following:

1. SGA president is granted \$1,500 per semester, plus books.
2. SGA speaker of the House and speaker of the Senate are both granted \$750 per semester plus books.

This only shows that the urgent need for a raise in the GPA standards for persons running for

these positions. I don't feel personally that anyone should be given a grant of this magnitude without maintaining a scholastic minimum almost equal to the requirements for a scholarship. I also want to state that I don't think anyone was out to get Mr. Lentz and I do not know if this affects him because I'm not sure what his GPA is.

In closing, I just want to encourage everyone to get out and vote "yes" on Feb. 25 for the referendum to raise standards for students receiving SGA money.

Don Gandy  
 SGA Election Comm.  
 Box 6323

### It's the system, man

To the Editor:

Mr. Dave Chinn recently encouraged students at MTSU to take part in the community and to "communicate with one another to find solutions to remedy the many problems of our university."

One of the problems Mr. Chinn addressed was an overall dissatisfaction with our present Student Government Association. Mr. Chinn described the current SGA as a "self-serving group of individuals who only cater to the administration's needs," and he expressed the belief that "an

alarming percentage of the student body wants to impeach the SGA President, Toby Gilley."

He blamed president Gilley for the faults of the SGA entirely, and I wish to encourage Mr. Chinn and all other students here at MTSU who agree with him to reconsider your beliefs.

It is my opinion that the failure of the Student Government Association is not due to "a self-serving group of individuals," but instead due to the system itself.

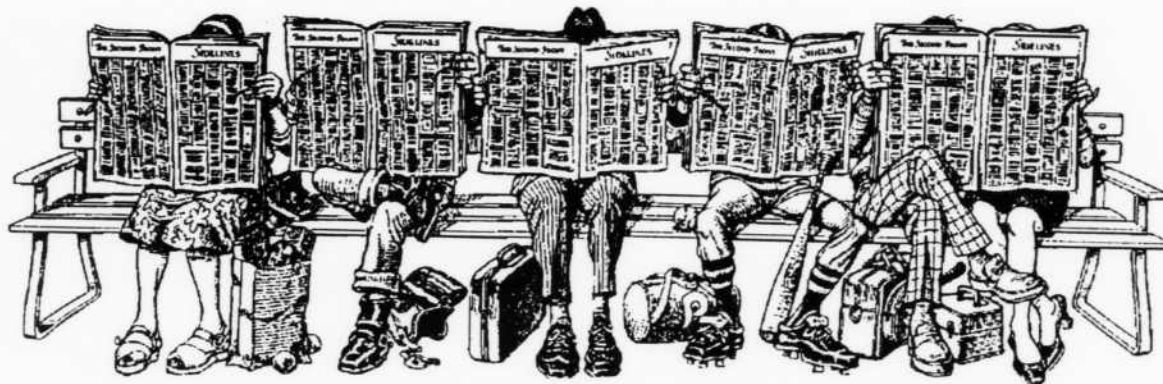
President Gilley recently gave proof that the current SGA is structured in a manner which leaves Student Government Officials no choice but to "conform to administration needs." In his guest commentary, appearing on Feb. 15, president Gilley said that, "the president receives \$3000 a year and the two speakers are awarded \$1,500 annually." This money is given to them as scholarships for their service to the Student Government Association.

If this scholarship money comes from the administration and you were SGA president or one of the two speakers, would you dare ignore the administrative recommendations or demands placed upon you?

Who wants to bite the hand

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## Letter

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that feeds them?

It is my opinion that the current structure of the SGA is faulty and that we, the students of MTSU, are being greatly wronged by this government.

It is also my opinion that we should look to the past to find solutions to the problems of today:

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles, and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and Happiness."

Yes Mr. Chinn, the student government has completely ignored our, the students', recommendations and it is our right and responsibility to "throw off such a Government, and provide new Guards for future security."

These words are in the second paragraph of America's Declaration of Independence, and it is my belief that these words can be utilized today. It is within our power "to alter or to abolish" the SGA, as the authors of the Declaration suggest.

I charge you, Mr. Chinn, and all other students of MTSU to follow in the footsteps of America's founding fathers, listen to their legacy and act upon their words.

Will Gibson  
General Delivery

## Forget the elephants and donkeys

To the Editor:

Oh well!! The election of 1992 is now behind us. Once

again, we face four years of an establishment, pro-government President. We also face many forces that threaten our economic and social well-being. Our new President calls for "sacrifice", but **who** will be the lambs that must pay for government incompetence and mismanagement? The 19 million voters who voted against the traditional, socialist rule of the two parties should not be looked over or denoted as "flakes", "kooks", or "anarchists". They believe, as I do, that Democrats and Republicans have strayed away from the basic principles of our Constitution and the rights of **all** people to "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness".

Big government creates misery, poverty, and the ultimate collapse of our system of free enterprise and expression. Democrats and Republicans, whether it be higher taxes or the abolition of abortion rights, pass laws designed to mandate "what's **best** for you." Only **you** should decide "what's best for you", and government should stay out of your life. If you believe in **true** limited government, say no to the pachyderms & jackasses. Join the true party of limited government and individual liberty - the Libertarian party.

I wish our newly-elected President well in the next four years. However, in 1996, the "revolution from within" will come even closer to realizing its goal.

In Liberty,  
C. Stewart Pratt  
College Libertarians  
Box 3200

## Score one for Aly

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to comments made by current SGA president Toby Gilley in the Feb. 15 edition of *Sidelines*. To precede my rebuttal, I would like to provide a bit of basic journalistic knowledge. It is directed to Mr. Gilley, as well as the apparently large number of unobservant readers of our campus newspaper. An editorial

column, such as that written by Charles Aly, is an **opinion**. By the column's page placement in *Sidelines*, any attentive reader may correctly deduce that Mr. Aly has the freedom to present any one view of any issue he chooses. (If one cares to visit the *Sidelines* office, any student may read news stories written by Mr. Aly during the summer of 1992 which demonstrate his ability to present an objective account of current events.)

The facts herein presented make Mr. Gilley's appeal to Mr. Aly to "get the facts" seem quite ridiculous, do they not?

Furthermore, Mr. Gilley, the stellar columnist you are not. (Frankly, I am not surprised at your shameless inability to present the facts—your accomplishments as SGA president, or lack thereof, have apparently left much to be desired in the minds of the majority of students at MTSU.) You purported that Mr. Aly suggested that legislation be drafted to deem "any referendum null and void if a majority of the population does not vote." IN FACT, what Mr. Aly proposed was that student fees could not be increased by the SGA without a majority voter turnout. Considering that many of us at MTSU pay our own bills, this seems reasonable.

I doubt Mr. Aly is losing sleep over your blatant misrepresentation of his ideas. He IS very open with his opinions. I feel, however, that he has at least attempted to identify with students under circumstances different than his own, which is certainly more than can be said of you.

In short, Mr. Gilley, I disapprove of your presidency. It is my belief that the small portion of students which you are representing is self-serving, unimpressive as a whole and sadly insignificant. You may think no better of me, yet there is a prominent dissimilarity between you and me—I have not accepted

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## VIEWPOINT

### Gilley: Get out of the kitchen

CHARLES ALY  
Staff Columnist

In Monday's *Sidelines*, SGA President Toby Gilley told us raising GPA requirements for officers would ensure that only the most qualified students receive SGA scholarships. He said the proposal has nothing to do with speaker of the House Ray Lentz or any other current member of the SGA. Gilley's comments make the circumstances surrounding the sudden appearance of this bill all the more peculiar.

If this proposal is as innocent as Gilley suggests, why did the bill's sponsors circumvent the normal path SGA legislation takes? Ordinarily, when a revision of the constitution is proposed, both houses debate the measure and, if approved, place it on a ballot for student ratification. We elect SGA officers and senators to debate these issues so individual students don't spend their valuable time pondering the merits of different bills.

In this case, however, the bill's sponsors decided to skip lengthy and difficult debate and go straight for a student vote. You see, if a bill is supported by a 500-signature petition it can be placed on a ballot without the legislature having to approve it. Gilley argues that the successful petition drive indicates student approval, but on a campus this size you could probably get 500 people to sign a petition ordering President Walker to give all official speeches dressed as a ballerina.

This end-run maneuver is an attempt to bypass the SGA and the serious consideration that body would bring to any debate about a subject as serious as constitutional revision. The process is supposed to be a lengthy, deliberate one in order to prevent just this sort of reckless action.

Last semester a committee appointed by Gilley proposed eliminating the House of Representatives with the same petition tactic. However, the swift reaction of outraged House members ended Gilley's first foray into autocracy.

Another by-product of this maneuver is that the revision can be voted on in a special election and go into effect before the spring campaign. Why is the SGA spending all the extra money to hold this special election when the bill can easily be voted on during the regular election in just a few weeks? If this bill really isn't about disqualifying Lentz, why the rush to waste student money and get this thing approved so darn fast?

Toby, you say this isn't about disqualifying people who seek SGA office. So, why don't we let people who have planned all year to run for office be bound by the guidelines they have been working under the entire time they've been here? This proposal may have merit, but we should take the time to debate it within the SGA and, if they approve, let the students vote after they've had more than two weeks to consider it. Frankly, Toby, you'd be a lot more credible if you weren't charging ahead, willy-nilly, and leading students into a vote on an issue that we all know deserves more attention.

In his guest commentary on Monday, Gilley called me a liar and accused me of being a poor journalist. I don't quite understand how I could lie about my own opinion and I'm getting sick of explaining the difference between news journalism and opinion writing.

I could care less what Gilley thinks of me, but I want it to be perfectly clear to you, the student, that I am not some hot head with a personal vendetta against Gilley. My opinion of the student body leader was formed last summer before I knew Gilley from Adam.

I had been talking to Gilley about doing something about the Rec Center. Gilley, however, kept telling me that nothing could be done. He had spoken with administrators and he felt that it was too late to do anything. Every time I suggested something, Gilley shot it down.

I began to wonder why Gilley was willing to accept everything the administration

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## Gilley

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told him. Why is the SGA president asking the administration what he can do? Shouldn't he be asking the student body what they want done? Who's running the SGA, I began to wonder, the students or the administration? That's when my opinion of Gilley began to decline.

Do I think Toby Gilley is a bad person? No, I don't. I do think he is an ineffective SGA president lacking the gumption to stand up to the administration.

What has the SGA really done under Gilley's leadership? Well, the administration finally agreed to condom machines. Oh yeah, that was Ray Lentz's project. Didn't the SGA pass some measure that required student organizations seeking SGA funds to at least show up for SGA meetings? They did, but it was sponsored by Sen. Thomas Mercer and Gilley opposed it.

So, what has Gilley done? Where has he been? In a guest commentary last

semester, Gilley listed his accomplishments as SGA president. He took credit for homecoming, shortening the waiting period for emergency loans, restructuring a luncheon forum I've never heard of and for getting Dunkin' Donuts in the Grill. These are all admirable accomplishments, but relatively minor.

What single action or crusade can best describe Gilley's tenure as president? It would have to be the committee he established to abolish the House of Representatives. Unfortunately, that committee's proposal destroyed any semblance of cooperation within the SGA and paralyzed that body for well over a month.

I don't know why Toby Gilley ran for SGA president, but he had to expect to take some criticism. I can't believe he expected the media to kiss up to him like he kisses up to the administration.

And if he can't stand the heat...

## Letters

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responsibility as a highly-visible representative of over 17,000 individuals while actually catering to a hand-picked group of students and their narrow interests.

Renee Brock  
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### SGA 2, Aly 1

To the Editor:

Once again, Charles Aly is attacking the SGA, for whatever personal reasons. He accuses the SGA of not doing its job, while his idea of commitment to the student cause is sticking his tongue out, placing thumbs in ears and wiggling his fingers.

To truly understand how miscontorted [sic] and off-track he is, let us address each of his points one at a time.

1) Last semester's Constitution Revision Committee did not propose to eliminate the House of Representatives, but to do away with the old system altogether, and reform a unicameral congress that would represent all students on an even basis, not just special interest groups. It would also

require the entire congress to campaign, meet students, and run for election. I don't know what manifesto Chuck has his nose in, but it is not one in the Democratic process.

2) The Student Government did not sponsor the \$35 fee increase for the new recreation center; it was the employees of Campus Recreation who promoted the idea, and the students voted for it. Ironically, Aly himself was the one to write about it, but when myself and another senator, Brian Hopper, looked into the idea of reversing the idea, we found that there was nothing we could do, since it was in state hands at that point. Who is doing the research here?

3) The SGA has not stepped on any toes? I recently wrote a piece of legislation to allow suspended or expelled students to address the Academic Appeals Committee in person. It also calls for increased student representation and a Public Defender, but the piece has been bogged down by "certain elements" in the House of Representatives.

4) Nobody is trying to take anyone's office away. If the columnist had read the referendum legislation, he would have found that it does not affect current officers. This was explained to the SGA President, the Speaker of the House, and the Speaker of the Senate at the same time, so there would be no confusion. Ray Lentz himself commented, and I quote, "This referendum is a good idea" end quote. As far as Lentz running for president, your article was the first I had heard of it. If he does intend to run, I am sure his GPA is far above that of the M.T.S.U. average which is a 2.5 anyhow.

5) Simple enough. The students signed the petition, and the students will decide the vote.

6) The referendum only affects those students who receive a scholarship. The same type of scholarship that all other students must have a 2.8 to receive, so why complain?

In closing, I will be brief: Chuck, get your facts straight!

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## Landlocked Beachless Potato proud

### Idaho Beach House: These tubers have roots in the 'Boro

JAMES R. MC CULLOCH / PROFILE

#### Idaho is a landlocked state in the Northwest part of the United States.

It's not an ideal day in Murfreesboro for a garage band rehearsal.

Pulling up the gravel drive between rows of storage buildings, the sky is leaden and seems ready to give birth to one king-hell snowstorm.

Outside the car, a couple of members of Idaho Beach House stand around an open storage unit, huddled against 30-degree temperatures and a biting wind.

"We're gonna try to make this a short rehearsal," says lead singer Mark Roberts. In his fur-lined corduroy longcoat and fashionably trimmed beard, Roberts looks as if he would feel at home with Tolstoy in a Russian winter.

Idaho Beach House has been playing the clubs for almost two years now. They have periodically booked such popular Nashville clubs as The Exit/In and The Abyss, have received extensive airplay on Vanderbilt's college radio station 91 Rock, and have recently released a six-song EP entitled *Self*. Their roots remain very much in Murfreesboro.

"If anything ever came out of this band," Roberts says, "I would want it to be known as coming from out of Murfreesboro."

The band plays their set list straightforwardly and faithfully, with none of the theatrics and experimentation typical of a stage performance. Forty-Five cold and

deafening minutes later, the final song ends without ceremony.

"It's too short," Roberts says, slouching glumly. "We're going to need at least an hour's worth of material to headline next week's show."

"Maybe an extra-long version of 'Sweet Home Alabama?'" someone offers jokingly.

Roberts then suggests that an executive band meeting be convened in a warm place. A place that serves beer.

#### Idaho produces the majority of the world's potatoes.

As the band settles into a large booth over pitchers of red Irish beer, Jay Jones shares his opinions of the music scene in Middle Tennessee.

"When I was playing in bands in Nashville, back in the mid-eighties, Murfreesboro had a bad reputation," he says, fidgeting hyperactively.

"And some of the criticisms were legitimate, just like a lot of the criticisms about the Nashville scene right now are legitimate. There's a lot of lame stuff going on in Nashville now, some very flaccid bands."

When asked what the major difference is between the music scenes in Nashville and Murfreesboro right now, the band concludes unanimously: integrity.

"Everybody in Nashville's looking for a record deal," says Greg Layne.

"We've always had a very loyal core of

fans who come to Nashville to see us play," says Jones. "We started from nothing and eventually got enough money to make a tape...and that's how a band's supposed to work. It's not supposed to be: you record an album, call your connections, do a showcase and then get signed."

According to Roberts, 'paying dues' is an integral part of a band's relationship.

"You're missing the horrible times," he says. "Like when we recorded our demo tape during the summer of '91."

"Yeah, it was 95 degrees, and we were recording in the top of this guy's house," says Layne, taking the story. "It was like an attic. Just carrying up the equipment, we were drenched."

#### There are no beaches in Idaho—only rivers and lakes.

"I think I'm going deaf," says Roberts matter-of-factly. "You know why? Because I can stick a Q-tip in my ear a lot further than I've ever been able to before."

"Deeper penetration?" Layne asks, appearing genuinely concerned.

"Yeah," Roberts replies. "And it's feelin' real good."

Personal hygiene habits aside, Roberts has a special interest in how listeners hear and interpret the band's lyrics. Roberts and Jones are both amateur poets, and are also the band's lyricists.

"I don't know if lyrics are that important, live," Jones says. "I mean, it's

just really hard to get them across, what with a bad PA and bad acoustics."

"It does bother me, though," Roberts adds. "It's really awful when you're playing to only a handful of people and they still don't understand what you're saying. It's frustrating, like showing someone a painting that means something to you, and they just don't get it."

"It's sometimes better if the lyrics are pretty ambiguous," says Layne. "That way, certain words and phrases tend to catch in the listener's mind. If a band's lyrics are really straightforward and you catch everything they say, it's not as interesting."

"I like to think our lyrics are open to interpretation," says Jones.

"If there's one general meaning to our lyrics," Jones says, "it's to think what you want, think anything, but just *think*."

Idaho Beach House has upcoming shows scheduled for 527 Mainstreet this Saturday, Lucy's Record Shop in Nashville the following afternoon from 3-6 p.m., and at the Exit/In on March 1st. What other thought-provoking elements do they plan to add to their performances?

"We've got a friend who's done some poetry readings at our shows," says Roberts, "and we're trying to get him to let us shave his head on stage. He'd do it, too."

"Hey, I know a guy who might shave off his pubic hair," David Palmer adds excitedly.

Murfreesboro probably isn't quite ready for that yet.



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## Nationals storm the 'Boro

# Burnin' down houses, cutting heads on the way

CHRISTIAN ROCCO / PERFORMANCE REVIEW

I'll be honest and start this off by telling you the negatives about the show, all three of them. First of all, it was Wednesday night, which meant that I couldn't get as drunk as I would have liked to, thanks to school. Second, the doorman was a p\*\*\*\*, and third, I realized that I would never be able to play guitar like Jack Pearson. The last one was the saddest part of the show.

All negatives aside, The Nationals were without a doubt one of the most talented bands that I have ever seen. Period. Lead singer and harp player William Howse was the ultimate front-man. With his stage presence alone, William was a one man show. William Howse's harp skills are unmatched in this part of the country and his vocal power is just about as good as possible for a blues singer. This gentleman had a bandoleer filled with fifteen or so harps, even though it sounded like he could have played a couple of thousand notes on just one of the damn things.

Bass player Abe White and drummer Pat O'Connor laid down rhythm tracks during the entire show that set the tempo of the show. Abe White's style of playing was tasteful in the way that he didn't show off at

all, even though he had quite a few opportunities during the show. He played the bass guitar like it was supposed to be played, like a rhythm instrument. Pat O'Connor played like a professional by not over-playing, even though he had quite a few chances during the show. Both of these guys played with more class and style than most of their peers.

Violin player Chris Carmichael wove a pattern of sound that was something completely unique to the usual blues sound. Making the violin whine and cry - and sometimes even scream - helped to set the mood of every song he played on. As a solo instrument, there were a few spots that it was out of place, but as part of the band it was a blessing.

Here's the part of the article where I grovel and scream "I'm not worthy" at the top of my lungs. I can sum up the entire show into two words: Jack Pearson. This man is one of the best guitarists on the whole damn planet! Every guitar player that was there came up to me at one point in the show and told me what a player this man was. They really didn't need to remind me what I was seeing. I have seen guitar players like Jimmy Page, Ritchie Blackmore, Stevie Ray

Vaughn, B.B. King, Frank Zappa and Steve Vai, just to name some of the greats, and I can tell you Jack Pearson can hang with all those guys. The things that Jack did to his Stratocaster would have made Leo Fender so proud! There was so much that this man accomplished on guitar in just a few short hours, I really have a hard time describing his style and abilities.

The Nationals, as a band, showed just what the blues can do to you when it's done right. At times, the band brought the crowd up to an almost happy mood, by blues standards of course, and other times they brought you way down. I mean really low. Between Jack and William, they could make you feel however they wanted you to. That's what made them true bluesmen.

For three dollars you could have seen this show. Honestly, it was worth five times that on the musicianship alone. If you are a musician or if you're the kind of person that just likes good music, you need to see The Nationals. If you've never seen them, you can't begin to understand what a fantastic group of musicians you're missing out on. Keep your eyes open and see The Nationals!!!

## Crazy cop terrorizes young couple in 'Unlawful Entry'

BRIAN HOPPER / VIDEO REVIEW

Ever had a cop hassle you? Was he just a real butthead, the way policemen can be sometimes?

Well, then you will be able to relate to the plight of Michael Carr.

He has real problems with the law in "Unlawful Entry," new on home video release from 20th Century Fox.

The fun begins when Michael (Kurt Russell) calls the police after he and his wife (Madeleine Stowe) are frightened by a burglar. What he didn't count on is for a rather unbalanced policeman (Ray Liotta) to become obsessed with his wife.

Michael soon finds himself in the middle of another one of those movies (like "Pacific Heights" or "Fatal Attraction") in which a crazy person does all kinds of freaky things to a nice, normal family.

The really bad thing about it all is that this cop can get away with doing things to him that other weird people can't get away with, like assigning him parking tickets that he never got, cancelling his credit cards, framing him in a narcotics bust, and leaving him to rot in jail.

The feeling of helplessness is overwhelming for our hero. What can you do when a looney law enforcement official has you locked up while he goes after the woman you love? That tension is the strength of this movie.

Russell turns in a fine performance as a regular guy just trying to pay the bills who puts his trust in the wrong policeman and almost doesn't live to regret it. Liotta is excellent. There could be a future for him in "insane" roles. Stowe plays a convincing damsel in distress. The best part in this film is when Russell tries to beat the odds to come back and save her from LocoCop.

Director Jonathan Kaplan does a good job with a movie which is in what may be an over done genre. The thing that makes this one different is the fact that the villain is a highly decorated cop, trusted by the community. Liotta's portrayal of a power-abusing, sex-crazed peace officer is the most interesting thing about the film.

"Unlawful Entry" is now out on video, and it's definitely worth checking out.

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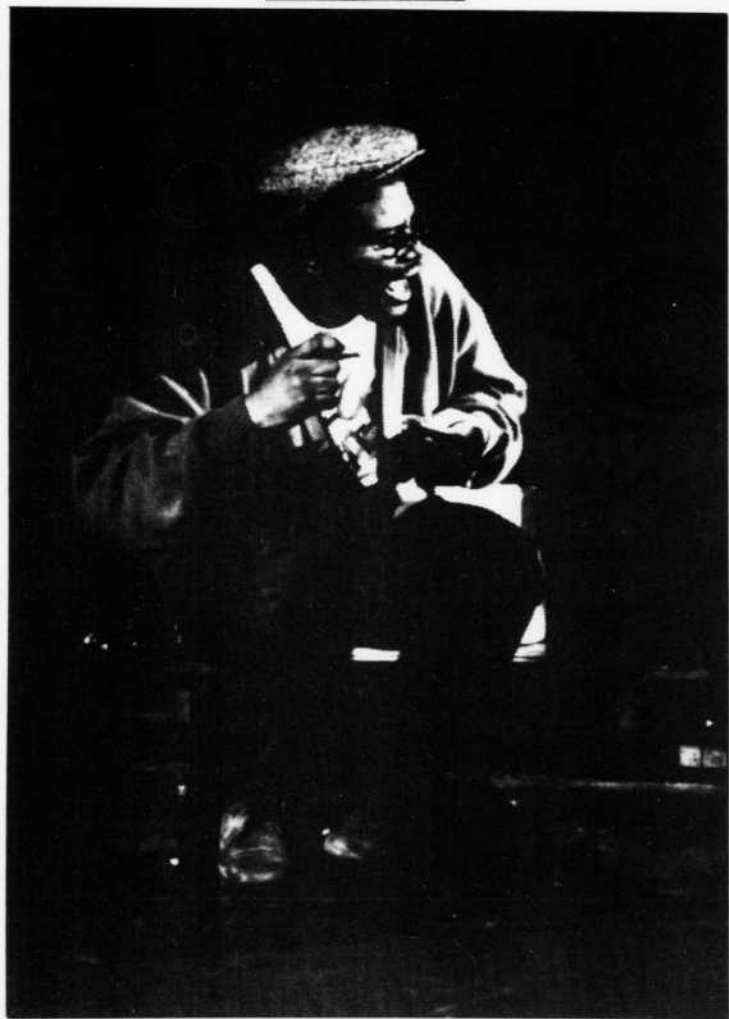
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Belinda Butler/Photographer

SOMETHING TO SAY: Kerry Boykin plays the Anderson family's patriarchal figure, Uncle John, in the Buchanan Players' "Connections"

## Play brings family's life, depth to stage

JASON SPARKS / PLAY REVIEW

The most interesting aspect of Valeria Steele's "Connections", playing through Sunday at the Arena Theatre, is the brevity of the scenes. Uncluttered by useless business or subplots, the action of the play is constantly advancing.

The play takes place during the Anderson family reunion. The central characters, Jeremy (Bryant Smith) and Monique (Tammie Flagg), are cousins who have been in love for ten years, but are unable to act on their love.

The attention they pay to each other is not hidden, and divides the family intensely. Jeremy's mother (Ketrina Lewis) and Monique's mother (Vida Werner), who hated each other for years, would prefer to see the two separate. Jeremy's brother (Richard Browder) encourages it, and a patriarchal figure named Uncle John (Kerry Boykin) stays above the fray.

The recurring theme of the play, as the title implies, is a search for connection, for feeling a bond with another human. Each character is searching for a bond, except for Uncle John, who has ample bonding, and Monique's friend Jenefer (Candace Blackstock), who believes her many male companions are bonding with her.

Stella Reed's direction is from the old objective-oriented school. I say "old" not to mock it; it's old because it works and has stood the test of time. Each

character's objective is clearly played out. Those who deserve our sympathy earn it, and those who do not, don't.

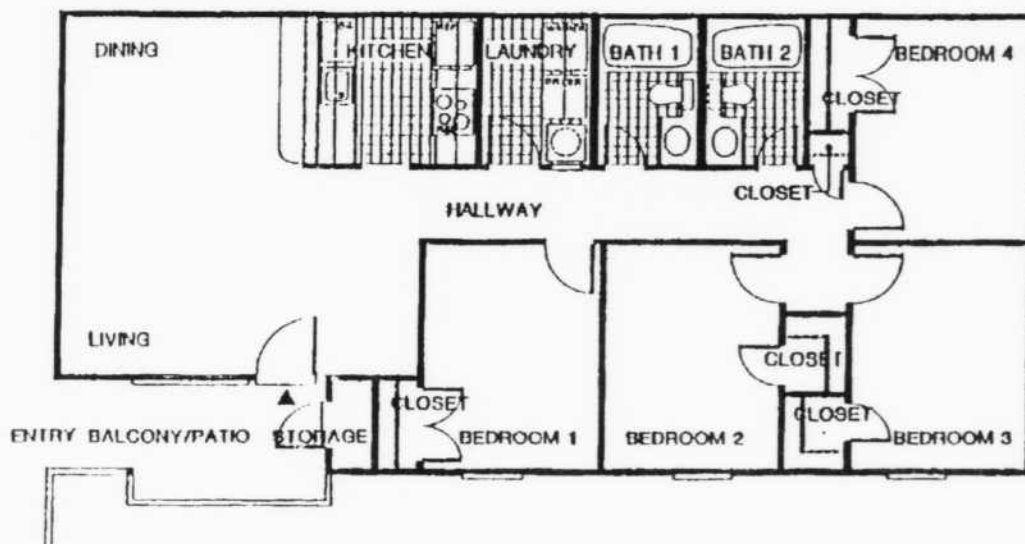
Reed allows the characters enough complexity, however, so that it isn't instantly apparent which characters deserve sympathy. The most appealing character is Monique, whom Tammie Flagg characterizes by filling her with the innocent, base emotions that accompany true love. Ketrina Lewis, last seen in "Servant of Two Masters", creates a character who, thinking of her own genuine needs, unintentionally wrongs her son. Richard Browder's character is believably bitter, but the reasons aren't revealed for some time. Kerry Boykin, as the elderly uncle, does what he can with a character who doesn't always serve a clear role in the piece (although the blues song he performs at the beginning sets up a powerful mood, and readies the audience for reflection.)

One of the functions that theatre best serves as a part of black literature is to render three-dimensional those issues the writer hopes to express. Depth, life and inevitability are added to the artist's message. "Connections", by using an average family seeking its identity, helps to bring to life the experiences of a people still just beginning to be able to tell the stories of their lives in a way they wish to tell it.

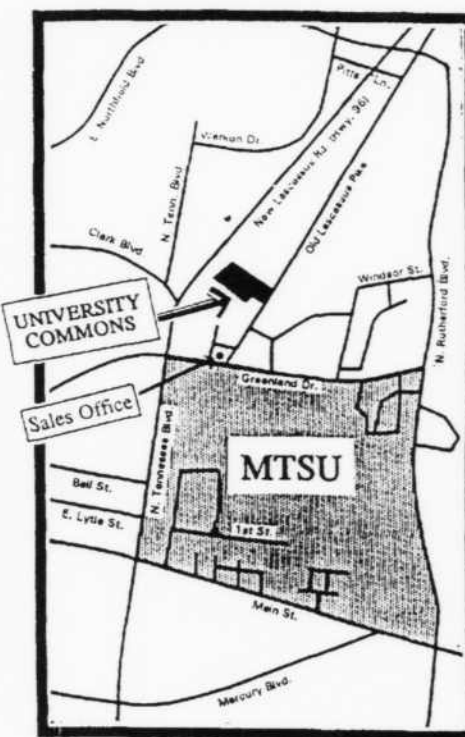
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## STAYING ALIVE!

## Lady Raiders tackle Tech, remain in OVC title hunt

TONY J. ARNOLD  
Sports Editor

Although a victory over Tennessee Tech in the OVC Championship would've been the ultimate pleasure, MTSU's Lady Raiders have to settle for simply staying alive in the OVC race.

For the first time since 1989, MTSU ended an eight game draught by downing the Golden Eaglettes 77-71 in Murphy Center Monday. With the victory, the Lady Raiders closed to within one game of TTU in the conference standings.

"It's been a long dry spell," MTSU head coach Lewis Bivens admitted. "It was a picture perfect first half and a fight in the second half. They're a great team but it's a good feeling to win at your house."

But the feeling couldn't have been sweeter for three Lady Raider seniors.

Kristi Brown, Tricia Sisson and Julie Morrison have battled Tech for over three seasons, yet Monday was the trio's first win.

"Ever since I've been here this was something I'd been waiting for to happen," Morrison, who led all players with seven assists, said. "We beat Tech and it feels great, but we can't get all

excited because it's (the OVC race) still not over yet."

Indeed it isn't. In fact, the Lady Raiders are living from game to game with each being as important as the other. Tech still leads the OVC with a 10-1 league mark. MTSU possesses a 9-2 record with only five OVC games remaining.

Both squads travel to Eastern Kentucky and Morehead this

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—MTSU Head Coach  
Lewis Bivens

weekend.

"This win gives us some confidence but we can't get relaxed and think 'Hey, we're playing good ball right now,'" Morrison said. "We have to keep attacking every game. Anything can happen in the OVC."

And anything almost happened Monday night.

Like Bivens stated, the Lady Raiders played flawless basketball in the initial half of its

SportSouth-televised contest.

Middle shot almost 58 percent in the half to build a 50-34 lead. But being the champions they are, Tech rallied back.

MTSU was unable to stop TTU center Roschelle Vaughn, who netted a game-high 31 points, and senior guard Dana Bilyeu knocked down three 3-pointers to slice the Lady Raider lead.

Trailing 73-65 with 3:43 remaining though, it appeared as if MTSU would waltz out with the victory. All it had to do was hit its free-throws.

However, the Lady Raiders missed five consecutive freebies, including three front ends of one-and-one situations. Luckily, Tech was unable to capitalize and freshman Heather Prater's two charity shots with :44 seconds left broke the draught and preserved the win that avenged an earlier 91-72 spanking in Cookeville.

"It feels great," said Brown. "I think that our defense was the big difference. We put more pressure on them and didn't let them do exactly what they wanted to do on offense. That was probably the big key."

But the real key begins

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Carl Lambert/Photographer

IN YOUR FACE: Tennessee Tech's Mary Clayton attempts to block Cherrita Williams' shot during Monday nights action in Murphy Center.

## Taylor's MTSU career through

SCOTT HASSLER  
Assistant Sports Editor

In the middle of a three-game losing streak and a season clouded by NCAA infractions, you would think things couldn't get much worse for the Blue Raiders of Middle Tennessee. Guess again.

The team learned on Monday that its leading scorer and defensive standout, Robert Taylor, will be out for the last five games of the season.

Taylor was diagnosed as having an acute fracture of the arch on his foot. Doctors say the injury is "very painful" and has limited Taylor's mobility "severely."

"He's out for the season," coach David Farrar said. "We knew that before the game tonight. It just would not be sensible or equitable to try to get him back for any part of the season."

With Taylor out, the Blue Raiders must find a way to replace his 20-points-a-night average as

well as his leadership and defense. They will have to do this through the play of newcomers Milton Dean, Rod Pryor and Tim Gaither. The team will also look up to senior Warren Kidd even more than ever.

"We are really disappointed," Dean said of Taylor's injury. "Robert is a major contributor to this team. I really feel sad for him because I can sympathize with him. It's tough to see your teammates out there on the court enjoying themselves, and you not be able to participate."

"He had a real good year this year," Dean added. "And it's fortunate that he was able to break the school scoring record before we lost him."

Despite leading the nation in rebounding, Kidd, the Blue Raider captain, expects himself and his teammates to step up a notch in their level of play in Taylor's absence.

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## Golden Eagles fly by Blue Raiders, 65-63

SCOTT HASSLER  
Assistant Sports Editor

Tennessee Tech and Middle Tennessee have always had a heated and competitive rivalry—from on the court brawls to buzzer beaters, Tech and Middle play hard.

Monday night was no exception to the rule. Both teams played with a lot of emotion. Tech eventually snuck out with the win, 65-63, continuing the Raiders three-game slide.

The last meeting with Tech earlier this year had similar circumstances. MTSU was in the middle of a three-game losing

streak, including a loss to UT-Martin on television. The Raiders traveled into Tech's domain and stole the victory.

On the visit here, the Eagles were looking for revenge.

Tech saw Warren Kidd dominate the first half of play despite two early fouls. Kidd continually moved the ball into the paint and, as a result, finished the half with 14 points and 10 rebounds.

Tech used its superstar, John Best, to keep pace. Best finished the half with 15 points. The Raiders, however, lead after one session, 33-27.

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# First pitch of fast pitch nearing

DIANNE DeOLIVEIRA  
Assistant Sports Editor

Pride and tradition are two main traits the new Lady Raider softball team and coach Karen Green hope to establish during

their first year.

"Our goal is to be competitive," said Green. "Every sport here takes pride in its program, and we want to do the same. We have to start out on the right foot."

Green, a former high school coach, was offered the position at MTSU because she had started a program at Belmont last year. She filled the position of the original coach, Janet Ross, who accepted another coaching job. Ross helped Green in the recruiting campaign before leaving.

Hanging up posters, holding team meetings and placing announcements and advertisements sparked almost 300 girls' interest in playing the fast-pitch game.

Senior co-captain Stephanie Goble made the final cut and will help lead the young team while covering left field.

"About 50 or 60 girls tried out," Goble said. "After the second cut, coach Green kept 20 girls, but five quit for various reasons."

"Considering this is our first year, we look pretty good. We've set a lot of goals to accomplish, and we feel that we can," Green said.

"We have a fast team, lots of speed, strong defensive and a strong bench with substitutes. We

just have to take each game at a time and make adjustments."

The team began winding up on Sept. 8 and has been in full swing since Christmas break, practicing six days a week and lifting weights three days as well.

"We've come a long way, and we still have a long way to go," said Green. "They've

'The girls want to give 100 percent every time they walk on the field and be in the game mentally and physically.'"

—Softball Coach  
Karen Green

worked very hard and put the effort out that it takes to become a competitive team. They've even practiced at 5:30 in the morning sometimes."

Obviously, the Lady Raiders are geared up for the season which opens its 54-game schedule Tuesday against Kentucky Wesleyan. The team has set

several challenging goals.

"The girls want to give 100 percent every time they walk on the field and be in the game mentally and physically," Green said. "We want to be competitive and make a tradition for ourselves and, of course, do well in the OVC (Ohio Valley Conference)."

Doing well in the OVC is certainly a high goal to attain considering the respect that other conference teams have already amassed. MTSU will play doubleheaders against experienced OVC teams including Southeastern Missouri and Tennessee Tech. SMO is ranked in the Top Ten in the NCAA.

And while all the games are important, the Lady Raiders have yet to get a place to call home. Although a softball field on campus is in the works, Middle will have to play this season at Samsonite Park, located on Rutledge Way in Murfreesboro.

"I know that our home field (Samsonite) being off campus is an inconvenience, but I hope everyone will come out and support us," Goble said.

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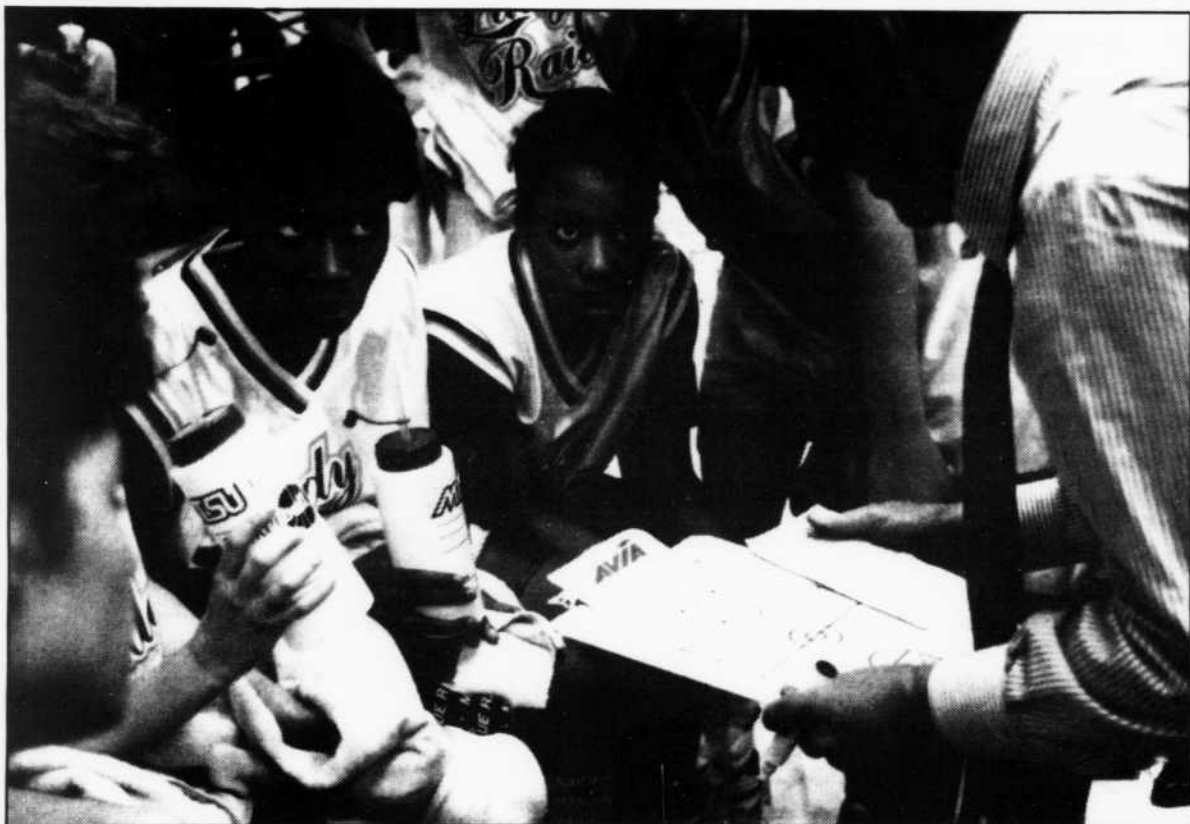
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Tue, Feb 23	Kentucky Wesleyan	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	2:30 p.m.
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Thu, Mar 4	Kentucky Wesleyan	Owensboro, Ky.	3:00 p.m.
Fri, Mar 5	Evansville	Evansville, Ind.	3:00 p.m.
Mon, Mar 8	Mercer	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	2:00 p.m.
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Tue, Mar 23	Lambuth	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	2:00 p.m.
Thu, Mar 25	SE MISSOURI	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	3:00 p.m.
Fri, Mar 26	UT-MARTIN	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	1:00 p.m.
Sat, Mar 27	EASTERN KENTUCKY	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	1:00 p.m.
Sun, Mar 28	MOREHEAD STATE	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	2:00 p.m.
Wed, Mar 31	Belmont	Nashville, Tenn.	2:00 p.m.
Fri, Apr 2	TENNESSEE TECH	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	2:00 p.m.
Sun, Apr 4	Lambuth	Jackson, Tenn.	2:00 p.m.
Tue, Apr 6	TENNESSEE TECH	Cookeville, Tenn.	2:00 p.m.
Thu, Apr 8	Belmont	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	2:00 p.m.
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Sun, Apr 11	MOREHEAD STATE	Morehead, Ky.	12:00 p.m.
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**MAPPING A PLAN:** MTSU Lady Raider mentor Lewis Bivens gives his team a pep talk during a break in Monday's action.

## Tech

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The second half was a different story. Kidd stopped getting the ball, and the Raiders could no longer keep up with Best. Somehow, the Raiders were still ahead throughout much of the second half and had a chance to win the game at the end.

With 20 seconds left in the game, Milton Dean hit a 3-pointer to pull the Raiders within one at 63-62. Tech's Maurice Houston was fouled and made one of two free throws.

The Raiders pushed the ball up the court, and Tim Gaither drove the lane for the tying layup. However, a foul was called on Gaither for charging, sending Tech's Mitch Cupples to the line. Usually, a charging foul would only result in a change of possession. However, MTSU had eclipsed the 10-foul mark of the half. For each foul over 10, the opposition automatically gets two free throws.

But the shooting woes continued. Cupples hit only one of two free throws for a 65-62 lead.

The Raiders called a timeout to set up their play. The ball was

inbounced to Ray Davis, and he was immediately fouled. Davis hit the first free throw and intentionally missed the second. Kidd snagged the rebound and threw the ball up, but it wouldn't go. A mad dash was made for the ball and eventually time ran out on the Raiders.

"Everything went according to plan," Kidd said of the last play. "Unfortunately, I didn't square myself up and take the time to shoot the ball.

"I just tried to get it off and hoped it went in or somebody tips it."

The ball didn't bounce the Raiders' way which seems to be the theme for this year's Raiders squad.

"We have not had good fortune a number of times," Raider coach David Farrar said. "Tonight was a pretty good example of that. I think the kids want to win and are willing to do what it takes to win, and I feel very badly for them."

The Raiders now stand at 9-12 overall and 4-7 in the OVC. The last major road trip of the year is this weekend when the

Raiders face Morehead and Eastern Kentucky.

After the road trip, the Raiders face Southeast Missouri and Murray State at home to close out the year.

## Alive

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Saturday when MTSU heads down the home stretch. With some wins and help from other OVC teams, the Lady Raiders will be a legitimate contender for the OVC crown.

"They're all important from here on out," Bivens said. "We've got a fighting chance. This is certainly a big win, though, and it should give us some confidence."

Priscilla Robinson led the Lady Raiders with 17 points. Prater contributed 14 while Cherrita Williams and Michelle Jackson had 12 and 10 respectively.

Middle travels to Morehead on Saturday for a 5:15 showdown. Middle disposed of the Lady Eagles 79-49 earlier this season.

## Taylor

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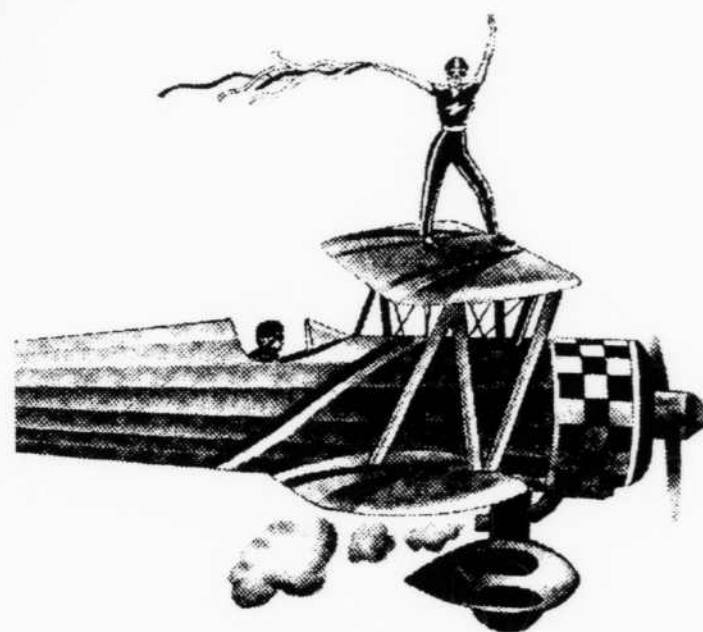
"I'll probably have to step it up on offense a little bit," Kidd said. "But other than that I don't think my role will change a whole lot. I have confidence in the other players that they'll step up their game as well."

Taylor will leave MTSU as the all-time leading scorer, but he will become the first player to eclipse the 1,700 point mark for his career. The injury occurred strangely enough during the game in which he broke the school record for points.

Taylor was driving to the

basket against UT-Martin two weeks ago when he fell and another player apparently stepped on him as he hit the floor. The step caused Taylor's injury and will now cause him to sit down for the remainder of the year.

The Raiders will make the "Death Valley" trip to Kentucky this weekend when they take on Morehead and Eastern in successive games. As the Raiders hit Death Valley, they are just hoping to come out alive with all of their players healthy, the coach indicated.



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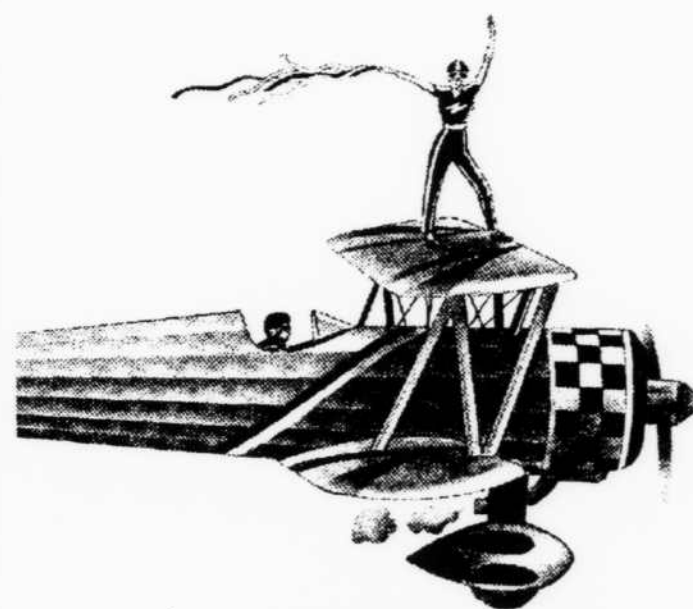
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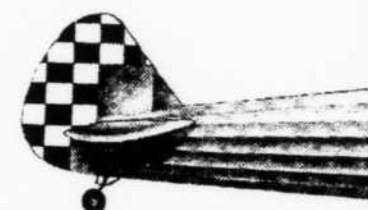
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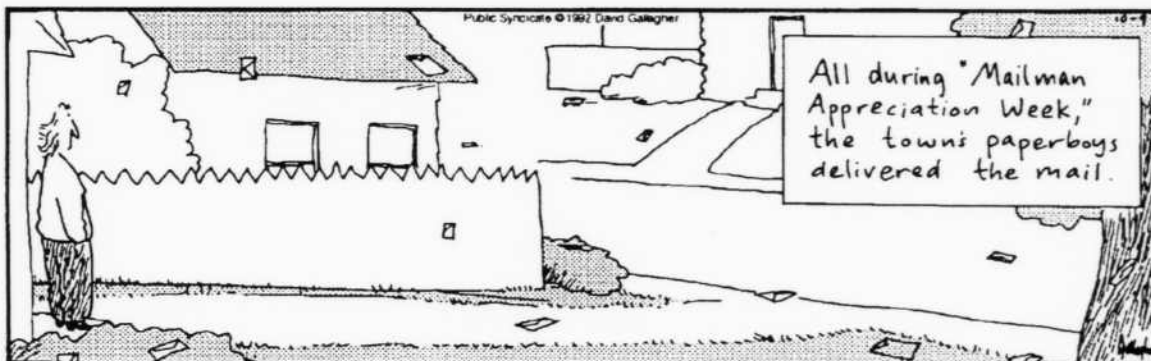




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## Alcohol search policy irks student leaders

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A videotape made by a student government task force shows that Jacksonville State University students are searched at football games for alcohol and weapons, but most alumni, faculty and parents are not.

David Nichols, director of public safety, said the screening policy at student entrances is a safety mechanism to prevent weapons and alcohol from being carried into the Paul Snow Stadium.

However, video footage of searches at a recent football game showed that regulations were strictly enforced by University Police officers at the two student entrances, while other entrances used by alumni, faculty, staff and parents, were watched carelessly, if at all.

"My main concern is that

students are being discriminated against," Student Government Association President Sam Witherspoon said. "If they're going to do it, they need to do all the gates or they don't need to search any of them. Students are being targeted directly."

A student government task force gathered photographs and video footage to illustrate the problem and presented the evidence at a student Senate meeting. Senators were outraged at the video, which showed students being screened carefully while non-students entered at other gates carrying cups, coolers and grocery bags.

The Senate took advantage of Homecoming week activities, urging students and organizations to place the motto "All or None" on their cars, floats and displays.

The SGA also approved a resolution that affirms its support for screenings, but calls

for them to be conducted at every entrance to the stadium, with "Every person entering the stadium being screened in a consistent and legal manner."

President Harold McGee contends that random screenings are conducted at all gates, but the task force disagreed.

"It's enforced only on students," said SGA Vice President Toby Schwartz.

The public safety director said he would like to screen all gates equally, but University Police doesn't have enough officers.

Students speculate that the other gates are not being screened because the university doesn't want to offend alumni. However, Pete Brooks, director of alumni affairs, said he didn't believe that was the case.

"We don't give out favors in return for support. That's a policy that can get you in trouble fast," Brooks said.

## City resolution to ban alcohol sales to minors

KENNETH HOLLOWAY  
News Writer

Students under 21 wishing to purchase beer in Murfreesboro may have to find an alternate thirst quencher if a new city ordinance prohibiting sales of beer or other alcoholic beverages to minors passes tonight.

A resolution that would make the purchase of alcohol by anyone under 21 a violation of city ordinance was passed on second reading by the Murfreesboro City Council last week. The issue will be voted on for the third, and last time, at today's 7 p.m. meeting.

The resolution would also make it a violation of city ordinance "to purchase beer or any other alcoholic beverage for any person under the age of 21," or for anyone "who is obviously intoxicated to purchase beer or any other alcoholic beverage."

If the resolution is passed on third reading, a violation of the ordinance would be a misdemeanor subject to a fine of up to \$250.

The ordinance would also require local merchants who sell beer to place notices on cooler doors and near cash

registers alerting customers that it is unlawful for a person under 21 to buy alcohol and the person may lose his or her driver's license.

City Councilman Richard Reeves said council members had until tonight to "make changes" to the ordinance.

City Council is reacting to a recent sting operation conducted by Murfreesboro City Police in which several convenience markets where found to be selling beer to people under 21.

For the merchants convicted of selling beer to minors, the retailers could not sell beer for a period of three days in January. Several convenience markets in the immediate university area where among this group.

In other business, the council approved plans for the development of a building to house both the Rutherford County and Murfreesboro school administrations.

"All we're approving...is a concept" for the construction of a building, said Councilman Jack Ross.

A committee will be formed by the city and county school boards to study the plans for the joint administration building, Reeves said.



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## Job

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what you're doing. If you like what you're doing, you'll give it your all," Griggs said.

Griggs said graduating seniors can be too impatient about getting out of school.

"So many people worry about getting out of school they don't look thoroughly at the job market," said Griggs.

Griggs believes as Rodison does about adding to a student's education if necessary.

"You shouldn't limit yourself to just a bachelor's degree. It is almost equivalent to

a high school diploma," said Griggs.

Griggs has two pieces of advice for undergraduates who will be attempting to enter the job market in the future.

- "Definitely do an internship. Two people can come in with a degree as equals. If you have references in the industry, you'll get the job."

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