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## Students elect new SGA officers for 2002

By Keith Williams  
Staff Writer

After three days of voting, and even more time spent campaigning, new Student Government Association officers have been selected for the 2002-2003 school year.

The offices voted on were president, executive vice president/speaker of the Senate, vice president for administration and public affairs and election commissioner.

Brandon Robbins beat out five other candidates to be selected as the new SGA president.

The other presidential candidates included Nyrann R. Bryant, Daryn Thornbury, Travis Ryan Jordan and Josh Graham.

Robbins is a senior agribusiness major. He is currently on the library committee, information technology and student activity fee committees and has had previous SGA experience as a senator.

As SGA president, Robbins has the power to call and preside over campuswide functions and can appoint officers, assistants and committees with Senate approval. He also has the



Robbins

power to line-item veto any legislation passed by the Senate. Amanda Newman is the new SGA executive vice president/speaker of the Senate. Jason Scarles was the only other candidate. Currently a sophomore, Scarles' majors are psychology and political science.

Executive vice president/vice president over the student Senate



Butler

In the event of a tie within the Senate, the executive vice president is allowed to cast the deciding vote. They must report the activities of the Senate to the president. Sophomore elementary business major Michele Butler is the new SGA vice president for administration and public affairs. Jarret Rice and Tracey Joshua Johnson were the other

candidates for the office.

The vice president for administration and public affairs is responsible for keeping the students informed of any important issues. They also work as a liaison between student organizations and the president and SGA Senate.

"I feel that the students of MTSU should be more aware of the proposed changes on campus and be able to let the voice be heard," Butler said.

The new SGA election commissioner is Willie Nelson III. His competition included Lisa Barkley, Katy M. Wansing and

Justin Broddrick.

Nelson is a junior and a recording industry major with a music business concentration.

"It is my vision for the SGA as well as MTSU be proud of their university and to take an active role in the election of its representatives," Nelson said.

The SGA office reported that approximately 1,400 students out of an estimated 19,000 voted in this election.

The new officers begin their terms starting May 1. Then, they will be learning their new roles from the existing SGA officers.

### Honors Lecture Preview

## Home ownership explored in lecture

By Lisa Thomason  
Staff Writer

There are few college students who have given much thought to purchasing a home, but those who attend the honors lecture this afternoon will be given tips on making that purchase a positive experience.

The lecture "Edifice Complex: Or How Much House Can I Stand?" will be given by Gary Scudder, a former MTSU student who now works as a pre-purchase home inspector. "[Home ownership] is a basic topic," Scudder said. "Everybody's got to have some place to live, and they need to learn how to do that in a cost-effective manner."

Scudder said he plans to address all aspects of home buying, from improving credit ratings before applying for mortgages to making an offer and closing on a house.

Because of his employment experience, Scudder will emphasize the inspection process, explaining why it is important and how to locate and engage an inspector.

He plans to use illustrated handouts to show how changes in interest rates and changes in terms can affect mortgages. He also stresses the importance of determining how much house

one can afford before seeking out a loan.

Scudder said it is important to consider lifestyle before purchasing a home.

"If you are someone who travels a lot or if you don't want to have much upkeep, you might want to consider a condo," he said. "But if you are settled and work in one location, you might rather have a backyard with a rose garden or a dog."

Scudder will reference Dave Ramsey's popular book, *Financial Peace*.

He jokingly referred to Ramsey as a "no-debt nut," saying he stresses that a person's house should be his only debt and that it should only accompany a substantial down payment.

Although buying a house might seem like an event reserved for the distant future for most college students, Scudder hopes to clarify the process for his listeners so that they will be prepared when they are ready to buy.

"Home ownership is probably the best forth-saving plan in America," he said.

Scudder's lecture can be heard today at 3 p.m. in Peck Hall, Room 109A.

The lecture is free and open to the public.

## Up til Dawn exceeds \$40,000 goal for St. Jude's

By LaQuonda Partee  
Staff Writer

MTSU's Up 'Til Dawn, a fund-raiser for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, not only met but surpassed their \$40,000 goal this year.

St. Jude has treated more than 16,000 patients across the United States and 60 foreign countries. They have estimated that daily operating costs for the hospital are more than \$500,000.

The fund-raiser was able to surpass their goal with hard work and dedication from all participants.

"We are so impressed with the amazing support of MTSU and the community. They have stepped up and helped us reach our goal," said Elizabeth Duncan and Jenny Clements, members of the Up 'Til Dawn committee and Chi Omega sorority.

The final event, the Up 'Til Dawn Celebration, was held Friday night at the Recreation

Center. The theme was "Stay up all night to help kids fight." The event kicked off at 7:45 p.m. and concluded around 7 Saturday morning.

"I haven't slept for two days and still going strong," Clements said. "It's for a good cause."

Throughout the night, there were numerous events to keep participants energized. There was a performance by Mink, a band with Coppertone Entertainment, a step show sponsored by Zeta Phi Beta sorority and Phi Beta Sigma fraternity, and Magi Show featuring Lee Lentz of Magical Entertainment, as well as many different team spirit games in which several student organizations participated.

Compared to last year's event, this year's attendance was doubled. There was a \$5 minimum donation to enter the event and many helped raise money for St. Jude Children's

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## Dyslexia center finds a home



Photo by Amy Jones | Chief Photographer

The new Dyslexia building will serve students in kindergarten through 12th grade from 138 different schools.

By Jessica Thomas  
Contributor

A new building has enabled MTSU to offer even more help to Tennessee children affected by dyslexia, a learning disorder characterized by extreme difficulty acquiring the ability to read.

Though established in 1993, the Tennessee Center for the Study of Dyslexia did not receive a permanent home until December.

"This building is designed for use rather than us adapting to a pre-existing building," Janet Camp, supervisor of educational services, said. Due to amenities such as counseling areas for families, small conference rooms and a full classroom, the center's services have more potential to expand.

"The service is where it all starts," Camp said. The center is funded to serve students in kindergarten through the 12th grade in 138 schools.

At the request of parents, the center does assessments of the school children. This assessment involves a three-hour battery of tests. After assessing a child, the center makes a recommendation to the child's parents and teachers.

"These children need particular attention to learn to read," Camp said.

"The center tries to follow each child for two years, with two to four appointments a year," Camp said. The center's staff can then provide feedback to teachers and parents.

The center also is involved in educating teachers in Tennessee on identifying and teaching dyslexic students. At a

school's request, the center schedules workshops for the teachers at that school. The center has already scheduled 26 of these workshops for this spring.

MTSU students also benefit from having the center located on campus. The center's staff is often asked to guest speak in education, psychology and nursing classes, and the new building's classrooms allow professors of these classes to schedule class meetings there.

Students earning a Master of Education degree in school counseling or psychology receive first hand instruction in diagnosing dyslexia.

"All these students spend an intensive semester with us," Camp said. "They administer assessment tests under the

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## Janitor to be extradited to Wisconsin

By Laren Anderson  
Staff Writer

A janitor at MTSU had dodged a warrant from Wisconsin until Feb. 20, when campus police arrested him on unrelated charges, according to Sgt. Matt Foster of MTSU Police Department.

Benjamin J. Heinze, 23, an Aramark Inc. janitor, was arrested on charges that alleged he stole a Sony digital recorder and a Canon camera from the MTSU chemistry department, Foster said.

After Heinze's arrest, Foster said, campus police entered his name into the National Crime and Intelligence Computer, an

FBI-sponsored bank of criminal warrants and suspect information.

The NCIC report stated that, in 1997, the Waukesha, Wis., Police Department had placed a warrant for his arrest.

The warrant stemmed from Nov. 10, 1997, when Heinze allegedly committed seven counts of "uttering" checks, according to Officer Dave Cruz of the Waukesha Police Department. He added that a check is uttered when it's cashed by someone other than the owner.

But it wasn't known that Heinze was wanted in Wisconsin when Aramark hired him three weeks ago to mop

floors and clean restrooms, according to Connie Gonzalez, the MTSU manager of the Philadelphia-based company, contracted by the university to provide dining and janitorial services.

"He seemed like a very pleasant person," Gonzalez said, but added that he had been fired.

Two forms of identification are required of Aramark applicants, Gonzalez said, and added she had called the Social Security office and tried unsuccessfully to reach his former employers, listed as references.

There was no reason to contact the police based on the information Heinze provided, Gonzalez said.

While a list of new Aramark employees is furnished to MTSU's Facility Services, Gonzalez said, the school is absent from the hiring process.

David Gray, manager of Facility Services, couldn't be reached for comment.

Before this incident, there hadn't been any previous problems with Aramark employees, according to Doug Williams, director of News and Public Affairs at MTSU.

Last semester MTSU expanded its contract with Aramark to cover 800,000 square feet of space.

A Sony Digital Handyman

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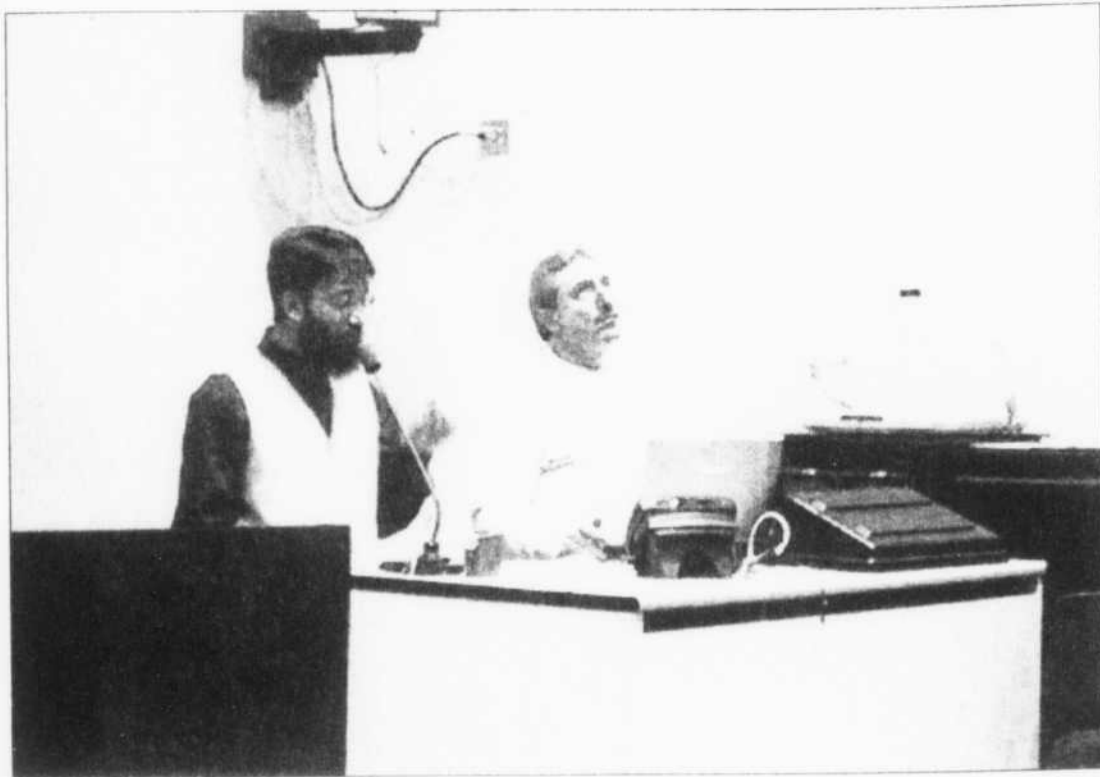


Photo by Ben Chiles | Staff

The president of the National Muslim Student Association (left) Altaf Husain discussed the problems faced by American Muslims following the terrorist attacks.

## Speaker focuses on backlash from September 11 attacks

By Ben Chiles  
Staff Writer

Altaf Husain confronted the issue of American backlash toward Muslims and terrorism for students Feb. 26 as part of Islam awareness activities sponsored by the MTSU Muslim Student Association.

"The path of ignorance will certainly lead to tragedy," Allen Hibbard said, who introduced speaker Husain, president of the National Muslim Students Association.

Husain discussed the idea of nativism, the fear of foreign elements entering and destroying from within. Nativism reaches back as far as the 1800s, when citizens felt similar fears toward Catholics entering the United States.

Congress passed legislation then to prevent Catholics from migrating into the United States and later doing such things as holding public office. Today, the government is passing nativistic anti-terrorism legislation that is affecting Muslims more than any other group citizens have feared.

One such piece of legislation is Tennessee's HB 2187 and SB 2277, which would require international students to register and check in with police once a month. Support for the bill came after the Sept. 11 attacks, when it was discovered that some of the hijackers had been in the United States on student visas.

"After Tim McVeigh, the government did nothing to militia groups, but now charitable Muslim organizations have had their funds frozen because



Photo by Ben Chiles | Staff

Husain, a social work student at Howard University, visited MTSU to kick off Islamic Awareness Month.

of suspected involvement with terrorists," Husain said.

Husain, a social work student at Howard University, also noted that more than half a million children have died in Iraq due to United Nations-imposed sanctions supported by the U.S. government.

"We grieved for the victims of September 11, but ironically, those feelings of grief were not shared by others when we grieved for Iraq or Palestine," Husain said.

Husain said backlash still occurs because Muslims have held steadfast to their ways and are not following accepted patterns of adaptation to life in the United States. After the Sept. 11 attacks, the Nashville Mosque

was stoned and several abusive phone calls were made to the four other mosques in Nashville. He added that Muslims must show their Islamic heritage along with their patriotism.

"Media tell the story which will get the greatest audience," Husain said regarding negative media coverage that has taken place. "We are working toward peace, but sometimes the media do not portray that."

March is Islamic Awareness Month in the Nashville area with more programs taking place later this month.

For more information, visit [www.muslimteen.org](http://www.muslimteen.org) or [www.msa-national.org](http://www.msa-national.org).

## Dyslexia: Center immersed in new requests

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supervision of a staff person."

Tara Joyce, the center's coordinator for adolescents and adults, is planning the dyslexia studies department's first course this summer. The course will be titled "Adolescents with Dyslexia and Other Literary Difficulties," and it will be offered in the second summer session.

Another advantage for graduate students is accessing the center's research database that dates back to 1993, when the

center was established.

"There are a lot of school psychology and education students that use this center for their master's thesis," Camp said.

"We have many more requests for assessments than we can do," Camp said. She feels that for this reason, educating and training teachers and school psychologists to identify dyslexia is important because it allows the center to work with many more children.

The center also is limited to serving students only until they

graduate high school. "There are no publicly funded services after you leave the 12th grade," Camp said.

Despite these limits, the center's capabilities are growing every day. The building will soon be able to provide distance learning, where they will be able to use a satellite to broadcast classes to other places, for example.

"There is a limit," Camp said. "But we are trying to spend our time on the things that will give the most benefits to the most people." ♦

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## Arrest: Employee caught stealing recorder, camera

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video recorder was stolen from the MTSU chemistry department Feb. 5, according to Foster, and the department's Canon ZR 25 M-C camera was pocketed Feb. 12, the sergeant noted.

The police department questioned all employees scheduled to clean the Davis Science Building, where the chemistry department is housed, he said, and added their names were keyed into a "pawn shop log."

The log tracks goods stocked in pawn shops and tries to locate stolen items, said Lt. Chris Guthrie of the Murfreesboro Police Department.

State law requires pawn shops to report newly pawned items to the police department within 48 hours to be compiled into a database and arranged by article, serial number and name.

On Feb. 20, the Murfreesboro Police Department returned a "hit" on the pawned camera, Foster said, and added the log stated Benjamin I. Heinze had pawned the Canon camera to S&S Jewelry and Loan.

Richard Jackson, co-owner of the store at 1470 S. Church St., said he didn't recognize the

camera to be stolen when it was pawned.

"People have misconceptions about pawn shops," Jackson said, and described the business as the "second oldest industry in the world."

"Criminals are typically aware of the pawnshop log," he said, and added they instead sell their wares at flea markets and salvage centers. S&S Jewelry and Loan has received only 15 stolen items in the past six years, Jackson said.

Heinze confessed to stealing the camera after initially denying any involvement in the crime, Foster said.

While campus police recovered the camera from the pawnshop, Heinze said he had sold the digital recorder to "a man on the street," the lieutenant said.

Heinze was taken to the Rutherford County Sheriff's Department, where bond was set at \$11,000 and will appear in the Rutherford County General Sessions Court April 18.

Also, if there is "no objection" cited in Tennessee law, Cruz said, he will be extradited to Wisconsin through a "governor's warrant," a compact agreed upon by the states. ♦

## Students offended by government's new drug campaign

By Mira Katz  
DC Bureau

(U-WIRE) WASHINGTON - Student activists are furious over a new "misleading and offensive" White House ad that draws a link between recreational drug users and terrorism.

The \$130 million ad campaign portrays terrorists pur-

chasing weapons and bomb materials with illegal drug money from young drug users.

Television spots began airing during the Super Bowl.

Members of the national Students for a Sensible Drug Policy said the ad oversimplifies terrorism by ignoring that many legal consumer goods can be connected to terrorism.

"These commercials are misleading and offensive," said Darrell Rogers, SSDP National outreach coordinator. "They are blaming the consumer or those with a serious health problems, the addict, for the government's failed eradication policies."

Sam McCree, president of the George Washington University chapter of SSDP,

called the new advertisements "first and foremost an outrage, which would be a light way to put it."

The GWSSDP is preparing to put out a pamphlet that will attempt to educate students about drugs and also will have a few pages discussing the effects of the current commercials on television. ♦

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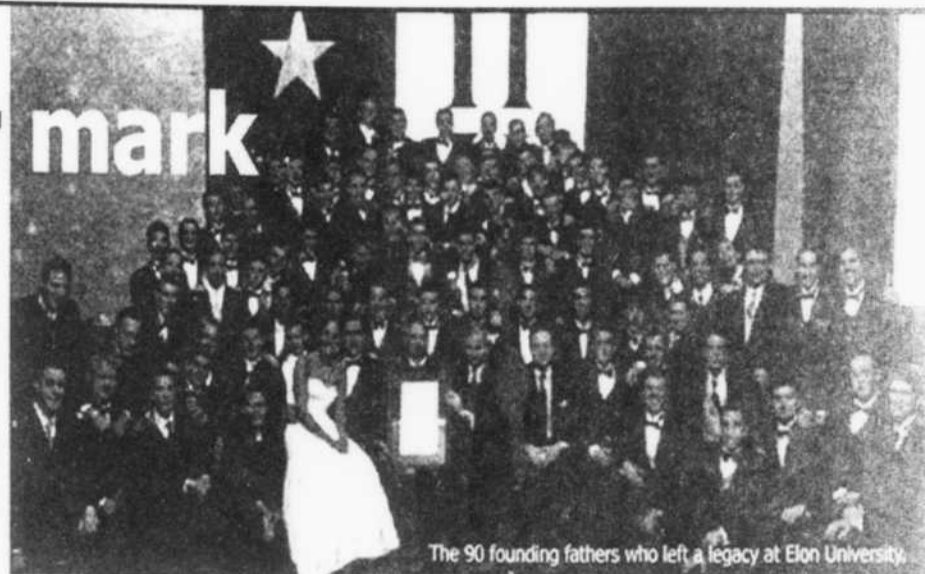
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Wednesday, March 6, 7:00 p.m.

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Wednesday, March 13, 7:00 p.m.

### Questions?

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## Up Til Dawn: Concert, step show featured at event

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Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn.

"This is a wonderful opportunity to touch a child's life," Duncan said.

The most prominent event that night was the story of a

patient at St. Jude's. Matt Spelt, a 16-year-old, was diagnosed with acute myelocytic leukemia last April and has been receiving treatment from St. Jude's since May. For more information on Up 'Til Dawn at St. Jude's Children's Hospital, contact Laurie Cook at 904-8270. ♦

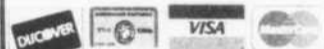
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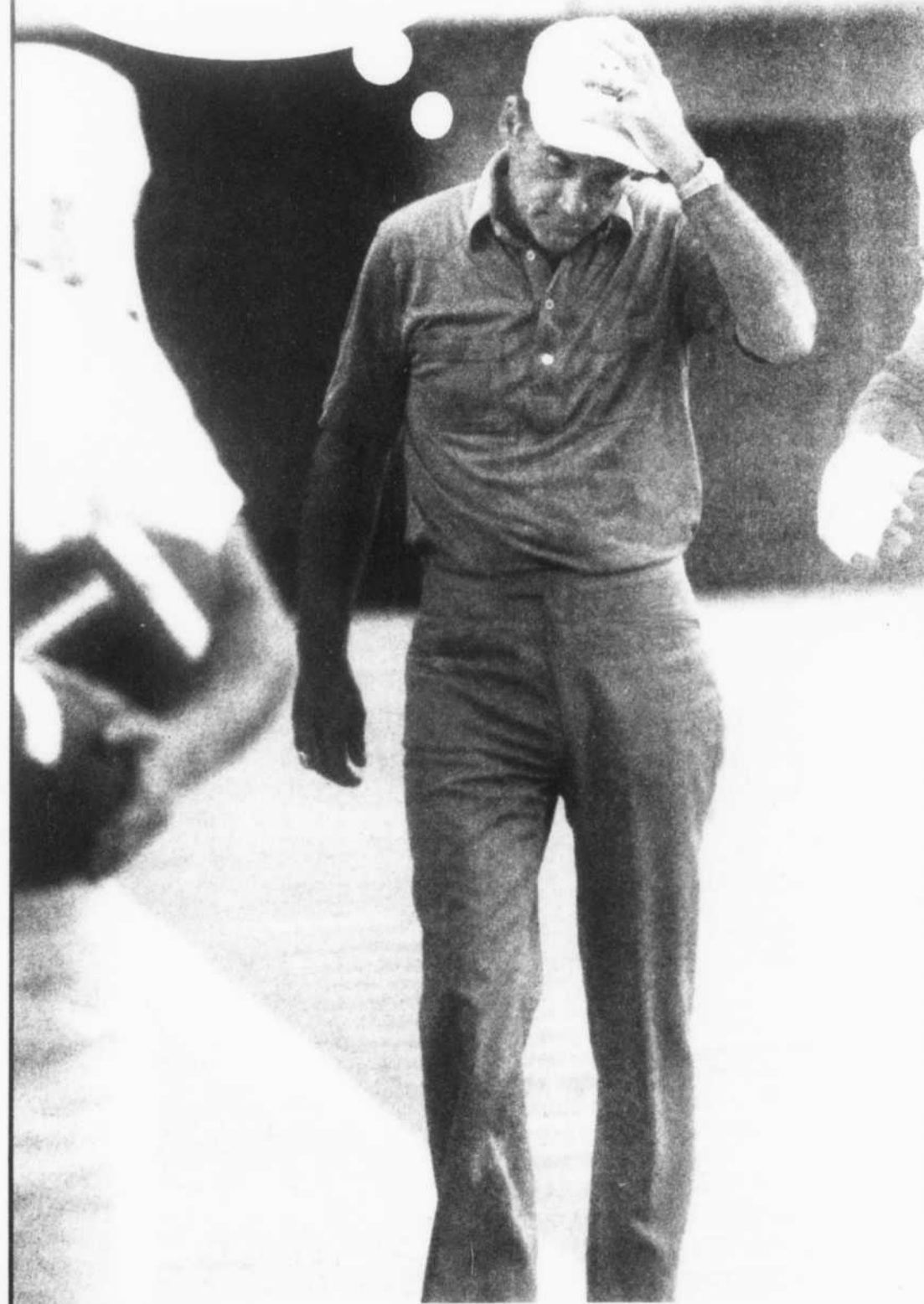
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# OPINIONS

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Monday, March 4, 2002

Murfreesboro, Tenn.

## Editorial

### Students will have no right to complain

The Student Government Association elections were held Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Sadly, it seems most of the university missed this important chance to voice their opinion on who should lead the student government. A very small percentage, 7.37 percent, of students voted in the election. On a campus as large as this one, many more students should be voting and letting their voice be heard. After all, isn't college about learning to think for yourself and stating your opinion? With voting now done online, students don't have a valid excuse for their apathy. Every college student goes online at some point during the day. In fact, the SGA moved voting online in order to increase the number of voters.

Sadly, it seems like all students seem to feel that as long as they pay money to go to this university, they can complain about anything that goes on here. When it comes to the SGA, those who don't vote should keep their mouth shut. You can have your opinion, but don't go around letting everyone hear it if you didn't take five to 10 minutes to vote.

It is obvious that students don't care about the SGA. Most likely students feel the SGA does nothing for them and has absolutely no power. This is not entirely true. The SGA has the power to pass bills such as the one that gave students free printing. The SGA also passed bills dealing with the plus/minus grading system and attendance policies.

The SGA is a way of voicing student concerns to the administration. However, it is hard to believe the administration would take the student body very seriously if they didn't get out and voice their opinion. So, if you want your opinion to be taken seriously, get out and vote the next time elections roll around. ♦

## From the Opinions Editor

### U.N. membership will not be beneficial for Switzerland



In what could be an historic event, Switzerland voted to join the United Nations yesterday, reversing a 1986 referendum that rejected the same proposition.

Swiss banks, industry and interest groups were all for the change, hoping to open up Switzerland's borders and cash in with international trade.

They, along with the Swiss government, were afraid that another rejection of full membership in the United Nations would make Switzerland seem selfish to the international community.

I really don't think so. When I think of Switzerland, the first word that comes to mind is neutrality, closely followed by chocolate, watches and "Nazi gold."

Membership in the United Nations can only destroy the decades of a neutral image that the government has honed to perfection.

Neutrality was what set Switzerland apart from all other nations in the world. All sides in the bloodiest war in European history respected its objectivity.

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In a recent debate, Swiss billionaire industrialist Christoph Blocher said it best: "We have our system of direct democracy, neutrality and federalism. We would lose all that if we became a member of the United Nations."

The same philosophies that apply to individuals also apply to countries. In our country, we respect (most) individual rights for a reason - our citizens believe that it's not the government's place to interfere with our daily lives.

It was foolish of Switzerland's citizens to give up their country's rights because now the United Nations will have the opportunity to interfere with Switzerland's sovereignty. ♦

## Killing children should have no defense

By Michael Schulz  
Staff Columnist

In a literal sense, the term premeditated means that something has been planned and thought out.

So let's see here, I am not going to kill the kids with knife because it will leave blood stains. Instead I think that I will drown them in the bath tub.

Does that not sound like premeditated murder to anyone? I think it does.

Well, that is what went through Andrea Yates' head before she drowned her five children in the family bathtub.

Should the fact that "mommy dearest" changed her mind from one method of brutality to another should elevate her to Parent of the Year status? This is a real crazy lady that we are talking about

here. At least that is what her lawyers will try to get you to believe.

The oldest of the Yates children was seven years old. He actually tried to run away from his mother when she approached him.

Having chased him around the house she caught him, and in her moment of "temporary insanity" she killed her first born by holding him underwater.

I know that people have gotten off on the temporary insanity defense before, but this would be ridiculous.

The question in court is: Did she know that the action (of murder) was wrong when she was doing it? Who the hell cares what she was thinking when she was doing it?

She knew it was wrong before she did it, and she knows that it was wrong now. She even called

the police on herself and told them what she had done. That is not the act of a mentally incapacitated person. Insane people don't call the police and confess their crimes. I would expect most insane people don't even know what a crime is.

I have too many questions that will probably go unanswered in dealing with this trial. I can't begin to imagine what would make a person carry out such an act.

I want to know how someone can distinguish from right versus wrong 99.9 percent of their life and then for 15 minutes one day forget it all.

I am curious as to how an "acute psychotic episode" is an excuse for murder. Especially for a murder of multiple helpless victims.

I want to know how someone could sympathize with Andrea

Yates. When a terrorist sets a bomb off in a public place they are not classified as having a psychotic episode. They are usually billed as murderers in the news.

If they kill kids in the process they then become baby killers. So what do we do about that? We don't say, "Aww, he was just having a bad day."

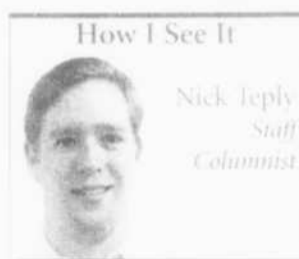
We are ready to string them up and kill them. Andrea Yates terrorized her children.

I can only imagine the fear and confusion that was in their eyes as their mother betrayed them.

I don't think that she will have the same look in her eyes when she goes. ♦

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## Investigating our government's Social Security scam



How I See It  
Nick Teply  
Staff Columnist

It has been called everything from the greatest financial triumph of the 20th century to social insecurity, but the fact remains: Social Security is headed for bankruptcy in the near future without adequate reform. Is there anything that can be done so that the workers of today receive the retirement benefits they need in the future? The answer is, absolutely yes.

Social Security was originally implemented in 1935 to provide retirement benefits for the elderly of America. Money is transferred from the paychecks of younger people in the workforce and disbursed to retirees.

The plan worked like a charm, as there were plenty of workers to support the aged. At that time, payroll taxes were 2 percent of the first \$300 earned, hardly a burden to America's workforce. By 1950, there were 16 workers paying into the system for every

retiree. Since its implementation, however, Social Security has undergone many changes. People started living longer, and there were more retirees for the system to fund. Politicians have raised the Social Security tax more the 30 times.

Many who have trusted in this system have mistakenly believed that they have a Social Security account. The truth is there has never been a Social Security account for every American.

Today the behemoth system collects 12.4 percent of your paycheck, counting your employer match. In addition, there are now only 3 workers paying into the system for every retired person. When the baby boomers begin to retire in a few years, that number will only be two.

Right now there is a surplus with more money being transferred in than is flowing out of the system. The "lock box" or "trust fund" that politicians talk about is nothing more than an accounting trick to hide the problem. It's nothing but IOUs the government borrowed from future generations. In 2016, when the current

system runs a deficit, the government will need to raise taxes or cut benefits.

That thought spells financial devastation for seniors. One in 10 already lives below the poverty line. Raising taxes is simply not an option either, as supplementing benefits would require a massive tax increase.

The solution is to privatize Social Security. Under full privatization, the 12.4 percent taken from your paycheck would go into an account similar to a 401(k) or IRA. Regulations would prevent certain investment options, but investors would still have a myriad of options from which to choose. At no time, however, would the government invest money, as this could lead to government ownership of private business.

Current returns on Social Security are pathetic. The average 30-year-old, two-income couple can expect about a meager 1 percent per year. With those dismal returns, many could do better invested in a savings account or savings bonds.

Consider if the couple invested in a privatized Social Security. They could have over half a million dollars socked away for

retirement. That is a very conservative estimate. With their money invested in index funds, they could expect an annual return of 7 percent.

Best of all, workers would truly be secure in knowing that should they meet death before retirement, their families would receive their accounts. Right now, the only money families can depend on from Social Security is a \$255 death benefit - money that won't even pay for the funeral.

President Bush spoke favorably Thursday of personal retirement accounts. While the president does not support full privatization, his plan is a step in the right direction. Critics of the president, like Sen. Tom Daschle (D-S.D.), rely on distortion of the facts and fear tactics to keep Americans leery of privatization.

Privatization, however, would allow those who are risk adverse to shy away from options such as the stock market. Instead, those people could choose Treasury bills, or some other type of investment. The more risk-tolerant among us could choose mutual funds investing in hundreds of companies at

a time. For those retiring soon, or already retired, the current system should stay in place. These people could gradually be phased out of the antiquated Social Security system.

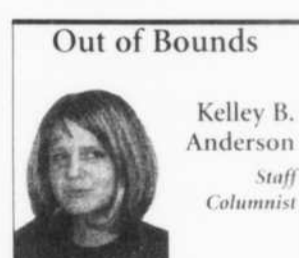
Privatizing Social Security will allow individuals to control their own financial destiny. It is estimated that \$10-20 trillion would pour into the economy and increase productivity, jobs and wages. Even our government would benefit financially, as those that it taxes will make more money.

Many Americans of all generations express skepticism about receiving any Social Security income in their retirement years. Unfortunately, this is true if the current system is not repaired.

What is there to lose in fixing something that is doomed to be bankrupt by 2038 anyway? Privatization of Social Security is the answer. You work hard for your money. Shouldn't your money work hard for you? ♦

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## Music and message should be one and the same



Out of Bounds  
Kelley B. Anderson  
Staff Columnist

I played a show recently with my band. I think the crowd dug it except that after the show a few kids said they didn't like when band "preached." I come from a very strong southern tradition of storytelling, so I love it when people talk between songs, and you learn more about the people and their experiences than how well they can throw their leg up on a monitor and solo.

I shy away from the idea of using a band or one's music simply as a political vessel, because the music really is what's most

important to me, but the two are so closely intertwined that I think it's dangerous to try to place personal in one arena and political in the other.

So if we concede, as feminists have consistently used as their platform, that the "personal is the political" and we also heed the words "write what you know," everything you do, then, will be interpreted in a political context.

There are many examples where music has been used as a means to express political concerns. The tradition of folk songs in America all have a very political slant, even when talking about the very personal aspects of everyday life.

This same characteristic more currently can be attributed to hip hop and punk. But even in classical

music, Shostakovich, writing under Soviet rule in the 1920s composed nationalistic symphonies commissioned by the government, but he used them to speak against the government.

Presenting an idea to the world is like throwing stones into a pond, but it's impossible to realize the impact of the waves you've made until they hit something, strike a chord within someone else or come back in your direction.

Ideas are the impetus for action and music is an abstract representation of an idea. Ideas, music, action - in any order, they make ripples that spread, overlap and interlock becoming not only a representation of our society, but its very fabric.

Actions are not isolated events, and even when committed without the

intent of making a political statement, can still be analyzed as such because of the social framework in which they take place.

There are forces that allow or inhibit the social mobility of individuals that make up our society, such as economic relations, class structure and privilege.

They can be doled out or taken away by classifications such as waste and gender. Any actions committed within these paradigms is ultimately affected by them.

In response to the opinions those whose "less talk more rock" manifesto prevents attempts to incorporate music as a way of building community, I remind them that shows are fun, but at the same time I'm not here for "entertainment purposes

only." If I were, I would be Britney Spears and not be doing what I'm doing. I think music often tries to break down barriers between audience and performers.

Approaching shows with the mindset of participating in a spectator's event really diminishes the importance of the audience and the particular people that are performing.

How you do something is often more important than what you do, and why you do it sometimes overlaps the former, which leads me to my conclusion - the music is the message. ♦

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## Remember the past, change the future



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Holocaust survivor Nechama Tec speaks at MTSU.

By Beverly Jenkins  
Staff Writer

Survival was the only goal. Dr. Nechama Tec, a survivor of the Holocaust, knows this all too well.

Tec, a professor of sociology at the University of Connecticut, spoke Thursday and Friday at MTSU's fifth biannual Holocaust Studies Conference.

The focus of the conference was "Generations of the Holocaust: Legacy and Responsibility," which included topics such as "Transmitting the Legacy: Holocaust Education" and "Dubious Inheritance: Living With the Holocaust."

Tec led discussions over "The Puzzle of Gender and the Holocaust," the subject of her upcoming book, and *Dry Tears*:

*The Story of a Town* detailing her memories of her own experiences during the Holocaust.

According to Tec, survival over the Holocaust was the local point of her story for the past 35 years.

"I would never want to continue to be a survivor," Tec said.

During her speech, she often uncovers other subjects concerning the Holocaust to study and look for examples of compassion and altruism, along with instances of resistance and rescue.

"I concentrate on the voices of the oppressed rather than the oppressor," Tec said.

To find these voices, she conducts lengthy interviews with survivors and also relies on memoirs, diaries and archival

information.

In some of her work, she attempts to correct the false perception that all Jews went passively to their deaths during the Holocaust. Tec said she addresses the "silence about this topic" and shows that some were defiant and risked their lives to rescue other Jews.

Much of her lecture discussed Jews who found refuge in the Belorussian forests after escaping from ghettos. Russian soldiers, some who were attacked by Germans and some who were ex-POWs, also hid in the forest and called themselves partisans. The Russians allowed some Jews into the small groups they formed. The forest was a dangerous place for Jewish women, who were viewed as useless to the Russians. They were sent away from groups to tend for themselves and some were raped or murdered. The only woman who was kept was the one with useful skills in the forests, such as nurses.

Some in the forest even came into their own, and Tec said one of these women was a doctor, nicknamed three Jewish pigskin brothers named Yoram, Avner and Zeev and the topic of her book *Deliver Us: The Bielski Partisans*. Yoram Bielski, the commander, aimed to save as many Jews as possible. Their group became known for accepting all Jews, despite their gender, health or age.

Tec interviewed Yuvia Bielski when he was 81 years old. She described him as a self-educated man with a very charismatic persona.

"When I entered the room, he filled it with his persona," she said.

The Bielski partisans went into the forest with 10 followers

in 1942. By 1943, their group had grown to 400 members, and to 1200 by 1943. The unit was mostly comprised of women, children and older people. Women were always accepted and given protection but were not always treated as equals.

"Women were defined as sex objects," she said. They secured their position in the group by the men they were associated with. Despite their lowered position, the women were never raped or dismissed.

Tec sought other differences in gender by interviewing male and female survivors. When she asked her subjects if they noticed any differences between men and women during the Holocaust, many of them became uncomfortable.

"There was a certain uneasiness in their answers to Tec, and many refused to answer at all. They felt that discussing gender would 'overshadow' the Jewishness of the victims," Tec said. "Jews were persecuted and murdered regardless of their gender."

Being Jewish was a death sentence, she said. "You were destined to die."

Tec agrees that discussing gender was not overshadowing the Jewishness of the Jews. "Jews were persecuted and murdered only because of their Jewishness," she said. "You cannot explain the differences in behavior by their Jewishness," she said because they were all Jewish. In addition, studying gender helps to understand how different people cope in extremes.

Tec said she loves talking to survivors, but if she senses that something is too painful, she backs away. She shared her own painful experience in her memoir *Dry Tears: The Story of a Jew Childhood*.

Born in Poland in 1931, Tec endured three years of the Holocaust as a child.

"We were not children during the war," she said. "We had to grow up fast."

During her second discussion, she spoke about gender in relation to her memoir. Tec said that she gave her father a lot of attention in the book but not her mother. She said she was not a feminist when she wrote about her experiences.

"I did not give [my mother] proper expression," she said.

Discussing her parents brought up another question: Would she put her children in the same situation that Tec's parents put her in? Instead of splitting apart, her parents decided to try to survive together with their children. But this was not the case for everyone. Some parents sent their children away, hoping to give them a better chance of survival. Sometimes one situation worked and sometimes the other one did. The large toll of Holocaust victims shows that any attempt at survival frequently failed.

"You never knew how you would behave unless you were in the situation," Tec said. "Decisions were made both ways. Some were tragic [and] some weren't."

Successfully hiding in Poland depended on several factors—knowing Polish, looking non-Jewish, having contacts and appearing to be at ease. Tec integrated herself with the Catholic culture and passed as a Catholic in distress.

"Most Jews," she said, "lived in a different world."

For instance, they ate differently and spoke a different language. Her parents told her not to have sad eyes because Jews

had sad eyes.

"I related to myself differently when passing as a Catholic," she said. "At first it bothered me a lot."

She said living as a Catholic allowed her to find out why people hated Jews. She learned the myths about Jews that they believed. Her father would tell her that the Catholics were ignorant to the truth and advised her to pity them, but she said she could not feel sorry for them, she added, however, that she did not hate them.

Tec wrote her memoir in a certain way that she said she hopes to help "the reader identify with the situation." She said she wants readers to internalize the evidence and said "it is much easier when it is personal."

"I am very grateful when people read about the Holocaust," Tec said.

Sonia Hedgepeth, a professor at MTSU and coordinator of conference, has known Tec since 2001.

"It gives us another window on humanity in order to develop empathy for all living things," Hedgepeth said on the importance of continuing to study the Holocaust.

MTSU student and a resident nurse for Health Services Yvonne Mendelsohn gained empathy by listening to Tec speak.

"I don't want this to happen again in my country," she said.

Kanya Panovong, another MTSU student, also learned from Tec's experience.

Knowing about the Holocaust adds quality and substance to our generation," she said. "Through that, we can understand the damage of ignorance that starts with one idea and one person." ♦

## MTSU junior competes for Miss Tennessee title

By Rebecca Parker  
Staff Writer

Hair, makeup, dresses — many people think that this is all that is involved in being in a beauty pageant, but for junior Jessica Heim, this is definitely not the case.

Heim won the title of Miss Lexington, a preliminary for Miss Tennessee, and will now go on to compete in the Miss Tennessee pageant in Jackson, Tenn., June 19-22. Miss Tennessee is in the Miss America pageant system, which is different than the Miss USA system. In Miss Tennessee, there are four categories — interviews, which count the most toward the points awarded; talent, which is second in points; and swim wear and evening gown, which count the least.

"There's a lot more to pageants than people think," Heim said. "It's not just glamour and glitz."

"With these pageants, they are trying to find an ambassador for Tennessee who is a good role model with good morals, a talented young lady," Heim said.

"I've learned so much from the interview process. It's a real growing experience," Heim said. She explained that it helps in practice for interviews for a career, interaction with people and with communication skills.

"I watch CNN like nobody's business to review for interviews," Heim said. Sometimes it's completely on current events or your platform, she explained. When you become Miss Tennessee, you promote a drug free Tennessee. The contestants also have a platform or something they stand for, Heim's is community service.

"I love the talent," Heim said about her talent singing. "Singing is my life, I love being able to perform and sing."

All the preparation for what Heim has done has so far has been on her own, with help from her mother. She explained that once you win a pageant you are given a director who helps



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Jessica Heim juggles pageantry and going to college.

get clothes together," they don't coach, they just help along the way," Heim said.

Heim was in Miss MTSU last year but was unable to compete this year despite her plans to. Her win of Miss Lexington made her ineligible because they are both preliminaries for Miss Tennessee.

Heim may love pageants, and participating in them, but there is much more to her than just dressing up and looking pretty.

"It's all comes down to time management," Heim said when asked how she manages it all the activities she participates in.

Between being the membership committee chair for Raider Reps for three years, the vice president of student ambassadors, a blue bell last semester, in the Concert Corral Choir, in Alpha Delta Pi sorority and schoolwork, it's amazing that Heim can fit time into her busy schedule for pageants.

Among all these things, Heim is also the vice president of Phi Beta Sigma, a member of Gamma Beta Phi, Phi Kappa Phi, Tau Omicron and was a

SOA for Customs last summer.

Heim explained that with all the activities she participates in, she is trying to prepare herself for the future.

Heim began doing pageants when she was younger. She started with Little Miss Coffee County, and Little Miss Milk Maid. Heim explained that her mom thought it would be fun, and she had always loved watching the Miss America pageants on television.

"I was just a little girl dressed up," Heim explained. She said that she was not into the makeup and hair aspect, she was just a natural little girl.

Her family and friends support her in what she does. "Whether I did it or not my family would be supportive, they would be 100 percent behind me," Heim said.

Her friends are also supportive.

"They know it is a dream of mine, and they want me to reach it," she explained.

Heim said, "My dream is to go to Miss Tennessee, what happens from there is up to God." ♦

## Dear Annie

### Finding the right path

Dear Annie,

I'm wondering if the direction I've chosen for my life is right. I had my direction in life all planned out. I was going to have a job in sales and paint as a hobby. My major is marketing and my minor is art. I love my art classes, and I feel successful in that area. My marketing classes aren't going so well. I'm really having trouble in my accounting class. I'm starting to doubt that I would even make a good salesperson. I've thought about following my dreams and becoming the next Monet, but I'm afraid I won't make enough money painting. I know that is terrible to say, but I don't want to be a starving artist. What should I do? I'm afraid to change my plan. Do you have any suggestions?

—Directionally Challenged

Dear Directionally Challenged,

This is a common problem. Almost everyone I know has struggled with what they wanted to do or be at one point in their life. It must be our age. But the good news is that we're not too old to change our plan.

Do you even like sales, or are you just in it for the money? If your answer is yes, then maybe you should get a tutor to help you get through the accounting class. Otherwise, you could try a major in advertising and a minor in marketing. With a minor in marketing, you only have to take one accounting class. With this combination, you can still do sales.

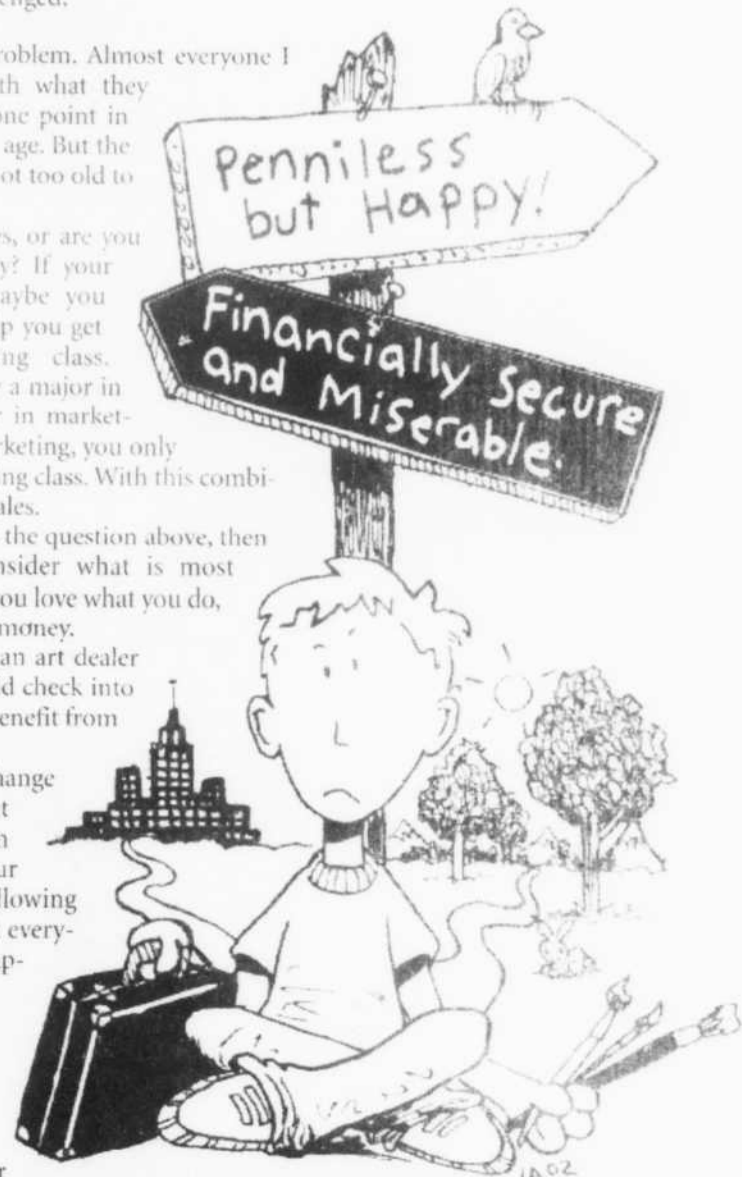
If you can't decide on the question above, then maybe you should consider what is most important to you — that you love what you do, or that you make lots of money.

Maybe you could be an artist and sell paintings. I would check into other jobs that could benefit from your artistic abilities.

Don't be afraid to change your plan. You don't want to look back years from now, dissatisfied in your job, and regret not following your dreams. Money isn't everything, and it can't buy happiness.

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

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# Heritage is theme at culture festival



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Children danced to drum songs from their heritage.

**India Stone**  
Staff Writer

The 2002 MTSU Powwow was held at the livestock center this weekend where Native Americans from many tribes could get together to share their culture with the Murfreesboro community.

Members of the Choctaw, Cherokee, Creek, Shawnee, Sioux and many other Indian nations and non-natives could be found doing ceremonial dances and talking with attendees.

"A powwow is a get together

of all the tribes," said Robert Hill, Cherokee. "It's like a family reunion. You see people you haven't seen all year, and everybody comes together with food and dancing."

Hill is a member of the Shadow Wolf Singer Drum team, one of the several trums present, who performed for the dances.

"There are a lot of powwow circuits in the United States, and we've pretty much hit all of them in the southeast and northeast," said Gina Hill, Cherokee.

The drum teams weren't the

only music at the powwow. Dave White, a native American musician, showed off several of his flutes. One was crafted by his friend using PVC pipe.

"Almost anything can be recycled into something beautiful," said White as he proceeded to play a beautiful tune called Meadowlark on his plastic flute.

The Grand Entry, a procession of all of the powwow participants in the powwow, began on Saturday morning and was followed by a prayer spoken in a native tongue. Afterward, a flag song was performed to pay tribute to the flags of Tennessee,

America, the Cherokee nation, the Warrior Society and others.

After the flag song came the victory song, implying victory at coming together under one nation.

Next came the veteran song, where all veterans were asked to go down to the ring and join the natives in a celebratory dance. About 20 to 25 warriors emerged from the crowd and took part.

The general idea of the veteran song, said several natives, was to remember that being united keeps nations strong

"If Indians had gotten

together, history would have been a little different," White said.

Native Americans value the American military and could be seen sporting U.S. flags with their feathers.

"What we considered warriors back then is basically the same as they are today," Hill said. "The warriors back then would protect the villages and protect the families - same as today."

Hill said anyone who is a veteran can join the Warrior

See Powwow, 8

## CAMPUS EVENTS

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### Monday, March 4

Student Programming presents classical guitarist Michael Gulezian at 7 p.m. in the Studio Theatre. For more information, contact Timmy Gibbs at 898-2551.



MTSU Films presents *Harry Potter* in the Keathley University Center Theater at 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and at 6 p.m., Friday and Saturday. Admission is \$2. For more information, call 898-2551.



The Survival Honors Lecture Series presents "Edifice Complex: Or How Much House Can I Stand?" with guest speaker Gary Scudder, a home inspector, in Peck Hall, Room 109A from 3 to 3:50 p.m. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 898-2152.



The American Red Cross will be on campus today on the third floor of the KUC between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.



MTSU's College of Liberal Arts presents "An Evening with Jane Alexander: From Broadway to Hollywood to Washington" as part of the 2002

William and Westy Windham Lecture Series. Alexander, a Tony and Emmy award winner, will speak at 5 p.m. in the Tennessee Room of the JUB. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 898-2534.



The Learning Resource Center's Baldwin Photographic Gallery will be exhibiting "Astral Allusions," which features 60 16" x 20" chromagenic color prints by New York photographer Jane Schreiberman, through April 24, 2002. The exhibit will be available for viewing between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, between 8 p.m. and 11:45 a.m. Saturdays and between 6 p.m. and 9:45 p.m. Sundays.

### Tuesday, March 5

The June Anderson Women's Center presents a lecture on the different forms of healing from traditions such as folk, spiritual, holistic, naturalistic and Chinese. The lecture will be in the Sun Trust Room of the Business and Aerospace Building from 3 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.



### Thursday, March 7

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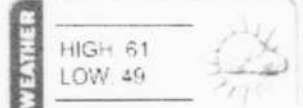
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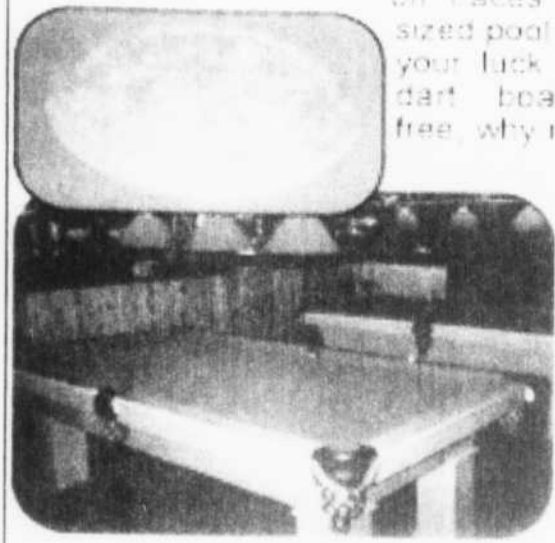
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## Blue Raider Basketball

# Men pull out 48-47 win

By Justin Ward  
Staff Writer

The Blue Raider basketball team (14-14), No. 3 seed in the Sun Belt East Division, defeated the No. 6 seed in the West, the University of South Alabama (7-21) 48-47 Friday for their first win over the Jaguars since joining the league last season and their first win in the conference tournament.

In the first half, the Blue Raiders only led with the first shot made by Steven Jackson 2-0. USA led by as much as 12 points with 5:30 left. The score was 27-20 at the end of the half.

With the game tied 45-45 with 1:17 left, Lee Nosse knocked down a three-pointer to put the Blue Raiders ahead. Henry Williams cut the lead to 1 on a jumper for USA. L.B. Abney forced an MT turnover

with 4 seconds remaining. Adam Salow couldn't connect on two jumper attempts. Abney's final chance to win the game behind the three-point line with less than a second remaining was blocked by Nosse.

"It was just a great pass from my point guard," Nosse said about his three-point shot to seal the game. "I just caught it and was able to put it in. I bobbled it a little, but that may have helped me draw the foul."

Tommy Gunn and Nosse both had 12 points for the night. All 12 of Gunn's points came in the second half. He was 5-of-6 from the floor and 2-for-2 behind the three-point line.

Henry Williams and Benjamin Sormonte both scored 12 points to lead USA in scoring.

"I told the team that South

Alabama was a very tough draw for us," Blue Raider head coach Randy Wiel said. "We said that we couldn't afford to turn the ball over and we did a good job of protecting it tonight. We got good looks in the opening minutes, but we couldn't get the ball to fall. South Alabama is a good defensive team and they do a good job of trying to take you out of what you want to do."

Nosse was selected for the All-Sun Belt Team and Gunn received an honorable mention at halftime of the game preceding the Blue Raiders' contest.

The win against USA advances the Blue Raiders to the quarterfinal round where they will face New Mexico State. Results of the game were unavailable at press time. Check Wednesday's issue of *Sidelines* for results. ♦



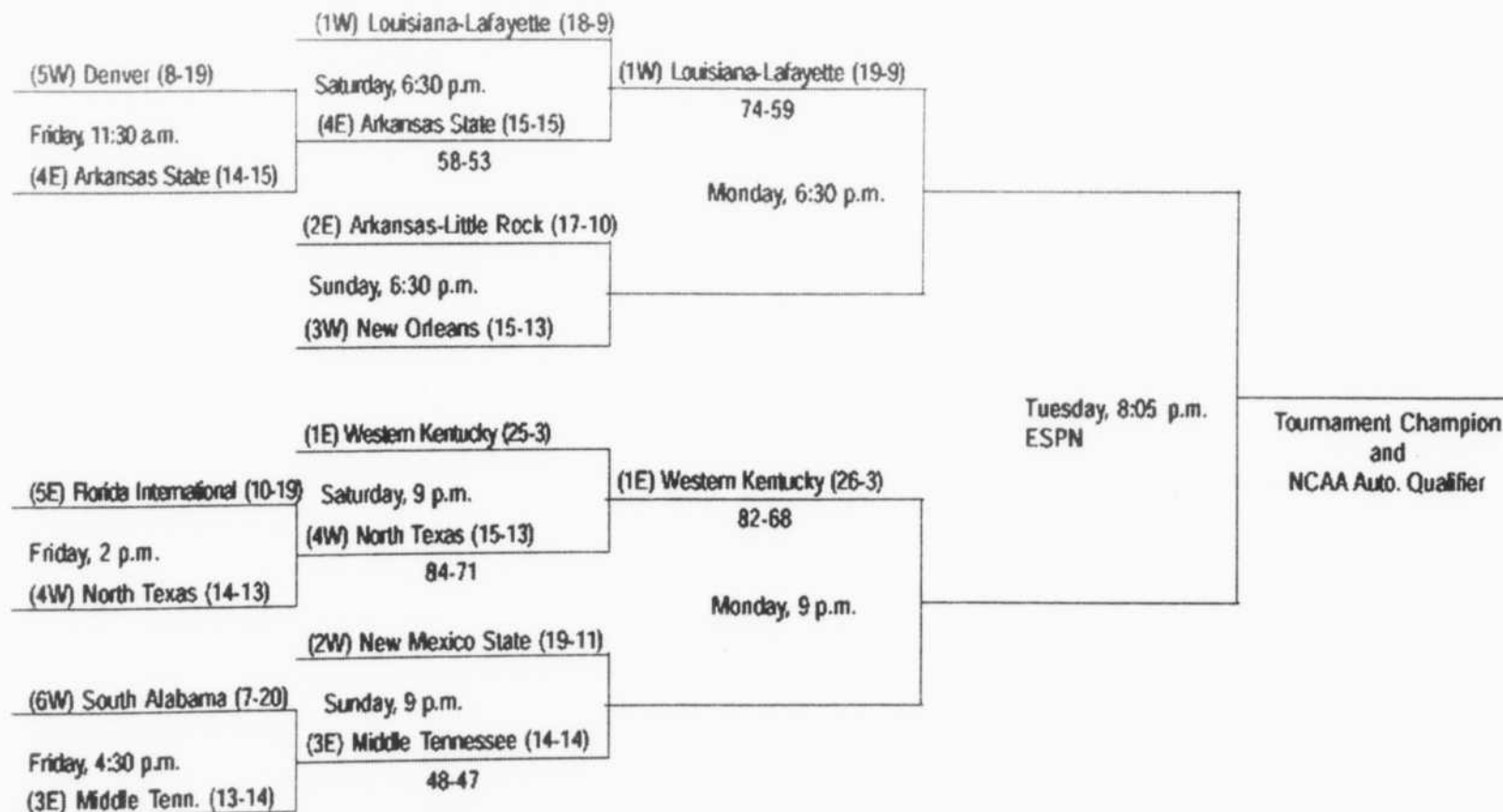
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Sophomore guard Tommy Gunn goes up for a layup in a Sun Belt match-up with Denver Feb. 16. Gunn scored 12 points as the Blue Raiders advanced to the second round of the Sun Belt Conference Tournament with a 48-47 win. Gunn averaged 13 points a game during the regular season.

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Blue Raider  
Tennis

# Blue Raiders hold on to perfect record

By Rebecca Pickering  
Assistant Sports Editor

With a 4-3 victory over Memphis Saturday at the Racquet Club of Murfreesboro, the No. 21 nationally ranked Blue Raider tennis team is now 8-0 on their spring campaign.

In doubles action, the Blue Raiders were unable to capture the point. The No. 47 tandem of Kirk Jackson and Daniel Klemetz pulled out an 8-4 win over UM's Richard Magney and Michael Chamberlain. Trevor Short and Greg Pollack fell to Alex Bucewicz and Michael La Haie 8-5. After coming out strong in the beginning, the No. 5 team of Oliver Foreman and Robert Gustafsson dropped a 9-8 (3) decision to Ben Strapp and Lee Taylor

Walker of UM.

"We were expected to beat them quite comfortably," Foreman said. "Having the chance and letting it go was kind of frustrating."

With the doubles point lost, the Blue Raiders came out strong, seeking the necessary singles wins, which they received.

"Being where we are in the rankings, most of the teams we'll play see our match as one that will make their season if they can beat us," MT head coach Dale Short said. "I'm extremely proud of the way our guys are handling this pressure."

Playing in the No. 1 position, Klemetz, ranked No. 15 nationally, pulled off a two-set win over Magney, 6-2, 7-6 (2), despite numerous disputes over line calls.

"I've played matches where there have been a few line calls that have lost me the match," Klemetz said, "but a few times the ref has overruled the guy and I've won. It's kind of frustrating sometimes, but you just have to get use to it."

Klemetz is 6-1 on the season, losing his only match to Roger Anderson of Georgia Tech last weekend in his first outdoor match of the spring.

"I always struggle in the beginning of the outdoor season," Klemetz said. "I've played indoors 80 percent of my life in Sweden, so I am more use to that."

Sophomore Michael Staniak had a slow start in singles, having not had the opportunity to warm up in doubles action, but easily came back to defeat Walker in the No. 4 position 6-3, 6-4.

"The season's looking good," Staniak said. "The team's got off to a flying start so far."

Unlike Klemetz, Australian native Staniak has played most of his life on outdoor courts. Although he is getting more comfortable playing indoors as his time in America lengthens, he is looking forward to playing outdoors for the remainder of the season.

No. 97 Foreman pulled out a win over Bucewicz 6-3, 6-4.

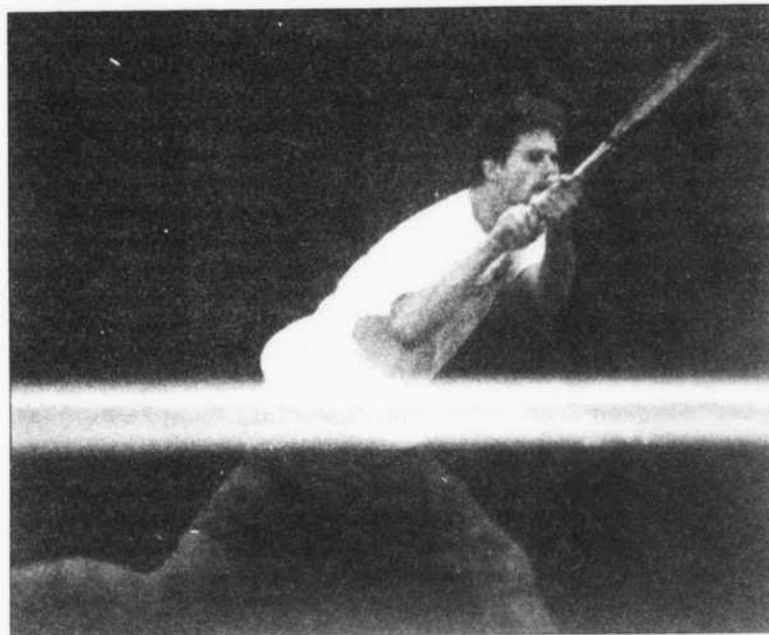


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Robert Gustafsson reaches out for the backhand return.

Playing in the No. 2 position, No. 40 Gustafsson sealed the match for the Blue Raiders with a 4-6, 6-3, 6-1 victory over Strapp.

Short dropped a 6-3, 10-4 decision to La Haie, and Jackson fell 3-6, 7-6 (5), 10-4 to Chamberlain.

Chamberlain, who played for MT two years ago, was happy to return to his alma mater.

"It's something I've been looking forward to since we got them on the schedule," Chamberlain said. "They are a really good team, and we knew we had to play well to compete with them."

The Blue Raiders will take on No. 54 Virginia Tech at 2 p.m. today at the Racquet Club of Murfreesboro. ♦



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Daniel Klemetz concentrates on making the perfect serve.

## MT vs. Memphis Results

### SINGLES

1. (15) Daniel Klemetz (MT) def. Richard Magney (UM) 6-2, 7-6 (2)
2. (40) Robert Gustafsson (MT) def. Ben Stapp (UM) 4-6, 6-3, 6-1
3. (97) Oliver Foreman (MT) def. Alex Bucewicz (UM) 6-3, 6-4
4. Michael Staniak (MT) def. Lee Taylor Walker (UM) 6-3, 6-4
5. Michael Chamberlain (UM) def. Kirk Jackson (MT) 3-6, 7-6 (5), 10-4
6. Michael La Haie (UM) def. Trevor Short (MT) 6-3, 6-4

### DOUBLES

1. Stapp/Walker (UM) def. (5) Foreman/Gustafsson (MT) 9-8 (3)
2. (47) Klemetz/Jackson def. Magney/Chamberlain (UM) 8-4
3. Bucewicz/La Haie (UM) def. Short/Pollack (MT) 8-5

Lady Raider  
Softball

# Lady Raiders split games at tourney



Photo by Amy Jones | Chief Photographer

Laura Brockman smashes a hit at the Tech tournament.

## Game 1 – Middle Tennessee 1 (5-5) Virginia Tech 2 (7-3)

Player	AB	R	H	BI
SHERMAN, Lisa 2b.....	3	0	0	0
PHILLIPS, Kip cf.....	3	0	0	0
MARTINEZ, Jennifer dp...	2	0	1	0
McCRAW, KATIE pr.....	0	0	0	0
DECAMINO 3b.....	3	0	0	0
CHERINKA, Megan 1b.....	2	0	0	0
CORMIER, Kelly 1b.....	1	0	0	0
AZEVEDO, Lindsay c.....	2	1	2	0
BROCKMAN, Laura rf.....	2	0	0	0
BUHL, Erica lf.....	1	0	0	0
GROTHAUSE, Leah ph.....	1	0	0	0
POLSTEEN, Jennifer lf.....	0	0	0	0
WAY, Ashlie ph.....	0	0	0	0
SILVA, Steffi ss.....	1	0	0	0
HIEB, Kristina ss.....	1	0	0	0
PREATOR, Stacy p.....	0	0	0	0



Megan Cherinka

## Game 2 – Middle Tennessee 6 (6-5) Tennessee Tech 0 (5-4)

Player	AB	R	H	BI
SHERMAN, Lisa 2b.....	3	0	0	3
GROTHAUSE, Leah ph....	1	0	0	0
PHILLIPS, Kip cf.....	4	2	0	1
MARTINEZ, Jennifer p....	4	1	3	3
McCRAW, KATIE pr.....	0	1	0	0
AZEVEDO, Lindsay c.....	3	0	1	0
DECAMINO dp.....	4	0	1	1
BROCKMAN, Laura rf....	4	0	0	0
HIEB, Kristina 3b.....	3	1	1	0
CORMIER, Kelly 1b.....	1	0	0	0
WAY, Ashlie ph.....	1	0	0	1
POLSTEEN, Jennifer pr...	0	1	0	0
SILVA, Steffi ss.....	3	0	1	0
BUHL, Erica lf.....	0	0	0	0



Lisa Sherman

By Brandon Gregg  
Staff Writer

The Lady Raider softball team (6-5) split their opening day games at the Frost Classic in Chattanooga Friday, losing to Virginia Tech 2-1 and beating Tennessee Tech 6-0.

In the first game of the day, Middle Tennessee couldn't rebound after Virginia Tech scored in the bottom of the seventh to take a 2-1 victory.

VT's Tiffany Hurt tied the game at 1 with a solo home run in the bottom of the fifth inning. Maura Green led off the seventh inning with a single to left for the Hokies. A Hurt sacrifice bunt moved pinch runner Erin Lawrence to second. An error on the bunt allowed Hurt to reach first. Carmen Farmer laid down another sacrifice bunt, putting runners at second and third. Sarah Prossie hit an infield single to score Lawrence with the

winning run for the Hokies.

MT junior Stacy Preator (1-3) took the loss on the mound, allowing 8 hits and 1 earned run while striking out 7. Ashlee Dobbe picked up the win for VT, tossing a complete game and allowing just 3 hits and 1 unearned run.

Lindsay Azevedo finished the game 2-for-2 at the plate and scored the team's only run.

Game two proved to be more successful, with the Lady Raiders posting a 6-0 shutout over Tennessee Tech.

Senior southpaw Jennifer Martinez (5-1) pitched a complete game shutout, allowing only 3 hits and striking out 8. Martinez helped her cause at the plate, going 3-for-4 with 3 RBIs and a run scored.

MT scored first in the fourth inning. Kip Phillips reached first on an error to start the inning and Martinez followed with her second home run of the season, giving the

Lady Raiders a 2-0 lead.

The Lady Raiders added 3 runs in the fifth. Kristina Heib singled. Ashlie Way reached on a fielder's choice and Heib scored on a throwing error. With two outs, Phillips reached first on an error allowing pinch runner Jennifer Polsteen to score. Phillips stole second and was sent home on a Martinez single.

MT added a run in the seventh for the shutout win.

Saturday's games against the University of Arkansas and Baylor University were canceled because of weather. MT's game against Marshall scheduled for Sunday night was canceled because of the death of a Marshall player.

MT's final game of the tournament against Lipscomb University scheduled for Sunday at 4:30 p.m. was also canceled because of bad weather. ♦



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Lady Raider softball players pass around high fives in celebration of their win over Tech.



# Raiders hope to advance to tourney

By Angelica Journagin  
News Editor

After provisionally qualifying 9 people and the women's 4-by-400 relay team, the men's and women's track teams find out today who will be going to the 2002 NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships Friday in Fayetteville, Ark.

In the best position to make the cut is senior Godfrey Herring who as of March 2 had the ninth best time in the nation in the 400-meter dash. Herring ran his latest NCAA qualifying time of 46.53 seconds at the Sun Belt Indoor Track and Field Championships.

Herring has previously competed in the NCAA Championships and has earned All-American honors three times. All-Americans in track are earned by runners who place in the top eight in their event. Herring's last NCAA attempt in May at the outdoor championship ended with him in fifth place.

Leading the pack in the men's 400 is Louisiana State University's Alleyne Francique and Pete Coley with times of 45.35 seconds and 45.37 seconds, respectively. LSU won the team championships last year and is one of four teams in Division 1 considered to be a contender again this year.

Another top team is Auburn University who also has two competitors in the top 5 in the 400-meter dash. Sanjay Ayre's time of 46.19 seconds and Shameron Turner's 46.21 seconds have seeded them in the fourth and fifth spots.

Mardy Scales is in the next best position to make it to the meet in both the 200-meter dash and the 60-meter dash. Scales is currently No. 16 in the 200-meter dash and No. 11 in the 60-meter dash.

Once again, a top four team has taken the top two positions in the 60-meter dash. This time the University of Tennessee-Knoxville's Justin Gatlin's 6.54 seconds and Leonard Scott's 6.56 seconds are the meet's best times.

Like Herring, Scales competed in the NCAA last year in the outdoor season as a freshman. Scales did not qualify for the finals in either the 200-meter dash or the 4-by-400 relay, which he ran with Herring.

Another member of the men's team who will again be competing in the NCAA Championships is Jasper Demps in the 60-meter hurdles. Demps is going into the championships seeded at No. 29 with a time of 7.89 seconds.

Last year Demps qualified for the NCAA semifinals in the 110-meter hurdles, but finished No. 7 in his heat and was unable to earn his second All-American honors.

The last member of the men's team to provisionally qualify for the NCAA Championships is Chris Koger in the high jump. Koger won the gold in the Sun Belt Championships and squeaked by with a provisional qualifying height of 7 feet. Previously this height had put Koger below the top 25 in the NCAA standings, however, this weekend at the Last Chance Tournament hosted by Iowa State University he jumped his best height ever of 7 feet, .25 inches, improving his chances for tomorrow.

Another jumper who qualified is Rob Jordan, with a distance of 15.60 meters in the triple jump. Jordan matched the provisional qualifying mark at the SBC Championships.

While the men are going into Monday in better position to be chosen, the women's team has a larger selection of people.

The Lady Raiders' have provisionally qualified three people in the triple jump Kim Freeman, Letitia Eady and Stephany Reid. All three jumpers took medals in the long and triple jump during the SBC Championships.

Freeman is in the best position with a distance of 12.77 meters to seed her at the No. 16 spot. Last season Freeman went to the Indoor meet and finished at No. 11 in the triple jump.

Next is Eady in the No. 34 spot with a distance of 12.60 meters. Rounding out the three jumpers is Reid who qualified at the Last Chance meet this weekend with a distance of 12.50 meters.

New rankings for those who qualified Friday had not yet been released at press time.

Also qualifying this weekend was the Lady Raider's 4-by-400 meter relay team with a time of 3



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**Travis Clevenger (above)** prepares to race.

**Kim Freeman (right)** leaps in the long jump.

minutes, 38.18 seconds. Running on the team was Rosemary Okator, Lanora Gray, Kishara George and Bromeka Holmes.

Okator has also provisionally qualified in the 200-meter dash with a time that equals the provisional cut-off line. Okator's time of 24.05 seconds puts her in the No. 36 spot in her event.

The last member of the women's team that has a chance of competing in the NCAA Championships is Kelley Smith in the 55-meter hurdles. Smith ran her season best time of 8.01 seconds at the SBC Championships. Her time does not place her in the top 30 of her event.

For the members of the track teams who make the cut Monday, the NCAA Championship will be on March 8 and 9. ♦





## NCAA qualifiers

### Men's qualifiers

Name	Event	Provisional time	Qualifying time	Date qualified
Mardy Scales	60-meter dash	6.72	6.66	1/26/02
Mardy Scales	200-meter dash	21.25	21.08	12/08/01
Godfrey Herring	400-meter dash	47.25	46.53	2/2/02
Jasper Demps	60-meter hurdles	7.90	7.89	1/16/02
Rob Jordan	triple jump	15.60	15.60	2/24/02

### Women's qualifiers

Kim Freeman	triple jump	12.55	12.77	2/24/02
Letitia Eady	triple jump	12.55	12.60	2/24/02
Stephany Reid	triple jump	12.55	12.60	3/1/02
Rosemary Okafor	200-meter dash	24.05	24.05	2/24/02
Kiohara George	4-by-400	3:41.80	3:38.18	3/1/02
Lanora Gray	4-by-400	3:41.80	3:38.18	3/1/02
Rosemary Okafor	4-by-400	3:41.80	3:38.18	3/1/02
Bromeka Holmes	4-by-400	3:41.80	3:38.18	3/1/02



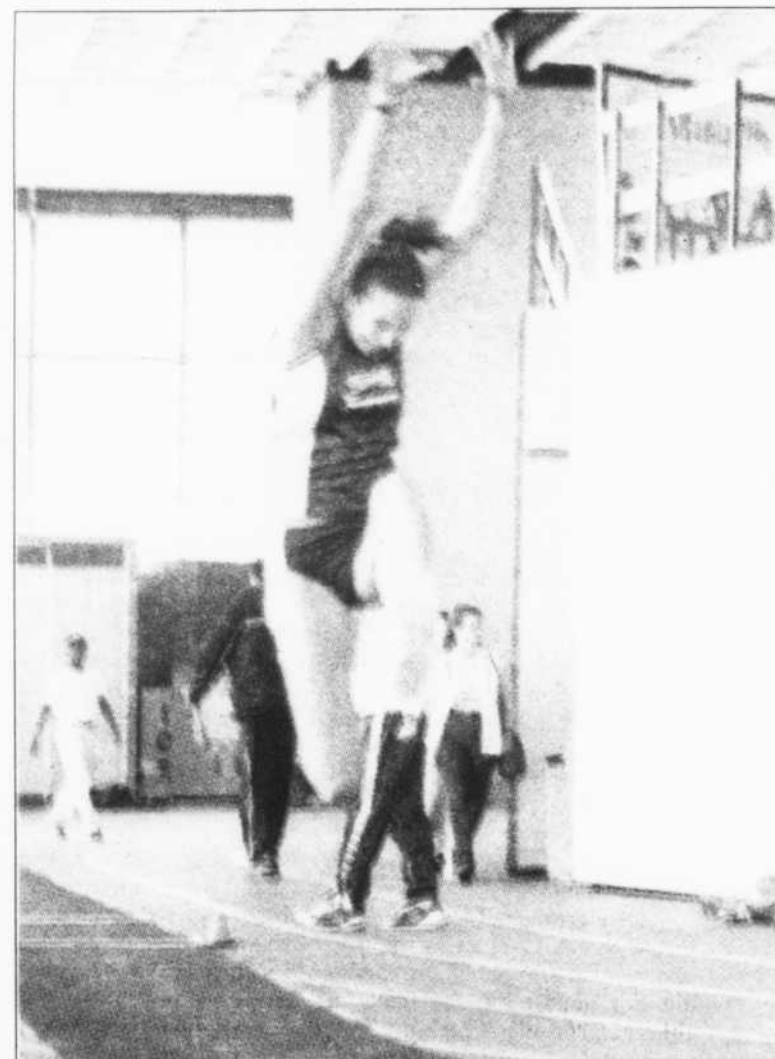
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Brad Orr sprints in the 60-meter dash during MT's meet leading into the SBC Championships.



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(Above) Jasper Demps soars over the hurdle in the 60-meters.  
(Below) Stephany Reid jumps during the long jump event.



MT

## Track Q&amp;A

# Dean Hayes speaks on coaching

## Coach has won many honors at MT

By Joe Womac  
Contributor

Dean Hayes has coached track at Middle Tennessee for 37 years. He has won 35 championships, 24 men and 11 women, over his years here. Hayes also won 15 Ohio Valley Coach of the Year honors and six Sun Belt Coach of the Year honors.

He talks about his expectations leading up to the Sun Belt Championships and his thoughts on the teams performance in the championships.

You've been here at Middle Tennessee for 37 years and the team has always had an outstanding group of sprinters and jumpers. Do you have any special coaching methods that are targeted toward this particular part of the program?

Hayes: The first thing is always recruiting. But since we have always been strong in that area, our program has always been oriented toward the sprinters, jumpers and,

*"This is the first Sun Belt Championship that we have hosted since we've been in the league, not just in track, but in any sport."*

— Dean Hayes, MT track coach

in a number of instances, our jumpers have been sprinters or hurdlers. Therefore, they have had the opportunity to be in multiple events. Roland McGee is an easy example because he was able to place in the NCAA twice in the 55-meter and at the same time he was a seven-time All-American in the long jump. The people who were sprinters became jumpers, and those who were jumpers became sprinters. That is really what we've lived on.

We have several defending champs this season. What are their chances for repeating this season?

Hayes: Right now, Kim [Freeman] is leading the triple jump, and she has also qualified for the NCAA, so she has a good chance. Jasper [Demps] has the number one time in the 55-meter hurdles, so he's got a good chance. Godfrey [Herring] has, by far, the fastest time in the Sun Belt in the 400-meters, so he will have a chance.

Chris Koger has a good chance in the high jump. Most of the people who are defending from last year will have a good chance to repeat.

For fans who really don't know much about the competition, who are some of the competitors that they should look out for?

Hayes: On the women's side, Beneke Wilson and Anita Edwards are two sprinters from Florida International who are pretty good.

On the men's side, Chris Johnson from Arkansas-Little Rock is also qualified for the NCAA in the 55-meters to go along with Mardy Scales, who is our own. He and Mardy should have a great battle there. Greg Lee, who is also running with Arkansas-Little Rock, is running pretty well in the high hurdles.

Who are the top teams from both the men's and the women's?

Hayes: I have not seen the poll because it has not come out yet, but I would guess that on the men's side that it would be Middle Tennessee or Arkansas State, with Western Kentucky and Arkansas-Little Rock just behind. Arkansas-Little Rock lacks in some events, but they have a lot in the distance runners. Western Kentucky is going to get some in the distance and maybe a little here or there, which adds up for them. On the women's side, I would say it's probably Middle Tennessee or Florida International. Arkansas State won the outdoors last season, so they are going to have a little and the same thing for Arkansas-Little Rock. Little Rock won the cross country for both men's and women's, so the distance runners that they have are going to score them a lot of points.

Who should the Middle Tennessee fans look for to step up?

Hayes: On the men's side, we have Mardy Scales, who has both the 55-meters and 200-meters, where he has the best time in the

200M. Godfrey Herring, who has been an All-American, is tough in the 200M and the 400M. Chris Koger in the high jump. Rob Jordan, who had knee surgery last year and wasn't able to compete for us, has the leading triple jump this year, and he's also up there in the long jump.

On the women's side, we have Rosemary Okafor, who has done a wonderful job in the 55-meters and the 200-meters. She will challenge both of them. Bromeka Holmes and Kishara George in the 400-meters. The long jump and the triple jump is our big one, and we have six people there, which Kim Freeman leads the triple jump and Letitia Eady leads the long jump, and they are both high in the other jumps. Kelley Smith is the leader in the high hurdles in the conference. Both the men's and the women's mile relay is favored to win too. If we are lucky enough to win them, that really closes off the meet in good fashion.

Is there anything that you would like to say to the Blue Raider fans?

Hayes: This is the first Sun Belt championship that we have hosted since we've been in the league, not just in track, but in any sport.

What do you think of your team's performance in the Sun Belt Championships?

Hayes: One of the hardest things in sports to do is repeat as champions, which says a lot about Middle Tennessee. Both our teams have worked so hard and dedicated themselves to winning this championship. I am proud of their effort and the way they represented our university this weekend. ♦

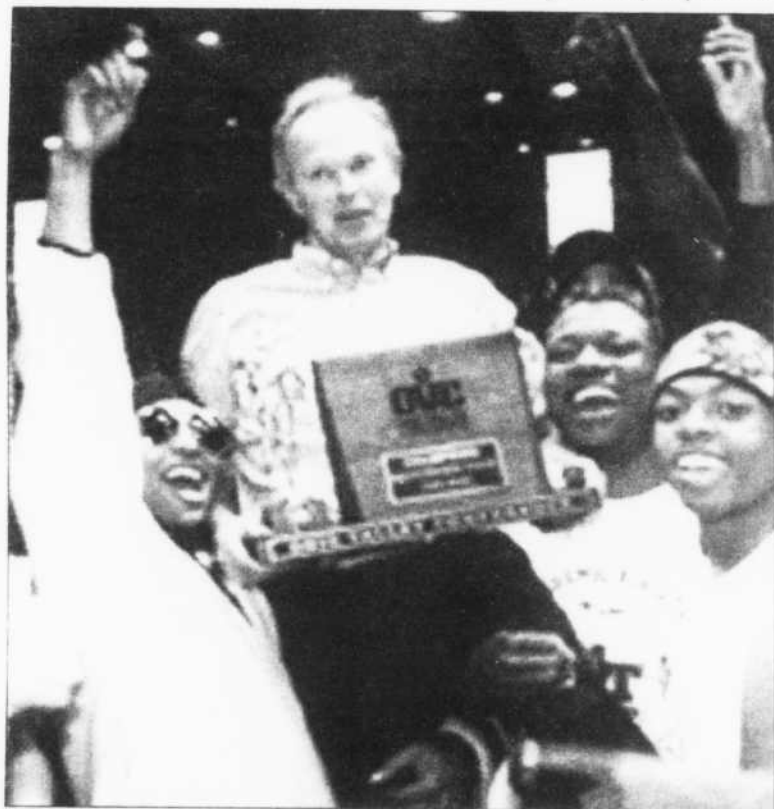


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Coach Hayes celebrates one of his many victories at MT.

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**Tamara Munsch swings.**

## Lady Raiders fall in invitational standings

The Lady Raider golf team continues to fall in the standings at the

Lady Moc Invitational held at the Imperial Lakes Country Club in Lakeland, Fla.

Lady Raider golfer Tamara Munsch started the tournament Friday by shooting a 78 to put her in a tie for No. 12 overall. The team shot a first-round 333 to put them at No. 14.

North Carolina State University and the University of Miami tied for first place after round one with a score of 310.

The Lady Raiders slipped to No. 15 after having one of the worst scoring days in MT history on the par 72 Imperial Lakes Country Club Course Saturday. The Lady Raiders had a score of 339 for the second round, giving them a total of 672 and placing them at No. 15 out of 18 teams.

The second round scoring for MT was led by Kandace Burnett, who shot an 83 putting her at No. 40. Tamara Munsch, who was No. 12 after round one, fell to No. 31 after shooting an 85 in the second

round.

Kristin Lynch is in a tie for No. 66 after a round of 86 Saturday, while Kemmerlee Pennington carded an 85 to tie for No. 74. Amanda Harter had a 91 in the second round to stand in a tie for No. 80.

James Madison leads in the team standings after round two with a total score of 624.

Sunday's results were unavailable at press time. For complete results, refer to Wednesday's edition of *Sidelines*.

## Western Kentucky's Marcus gets 3 awards

Western Kentucky's Chris Marcus was honored with three awards for his performance in last week's basketball games.

Wednesday, Marcus was named *Sports Illustrated* Player of the Week. He led the Hilltoppers to wins over Middle Tennessee and Kentucky State in recent weeks.

The 7-foot-1-inch, 285 pounder from Charlotte, N.C., averaged 29.5 points and 13 rebounds during the two wins.

He was one point shy of a career high with 32 points in the win over KSU and had 15 rebounds. In the following game against MT, he had 27 points and 11 boards. It was his first start since Nov. 27 when he was injured with a broken foot.

His other awards include *Collegeinsider.com* Star of the Week and Sun Belt Conference Player of the Week.

WKU is ranked in the top 25 with a 25-3 record and is playing in the Sun Belt Tournament this week. The Hilltoppers defeated the University of North Texas Saturday

to advance to the semifinals of the Sun Belt Conference Tournament.

## Sign-ups for intramurals drawing to a close

Tuesday is the last day to register for intramural softball. Anyone wishing to play should contact Campus Recreation at 898-2104. Arena football, midnight basketball and water basketball sign ups end March 12. Play for arena football and water basketball begins March 18. Midnight basketball begins March 15.

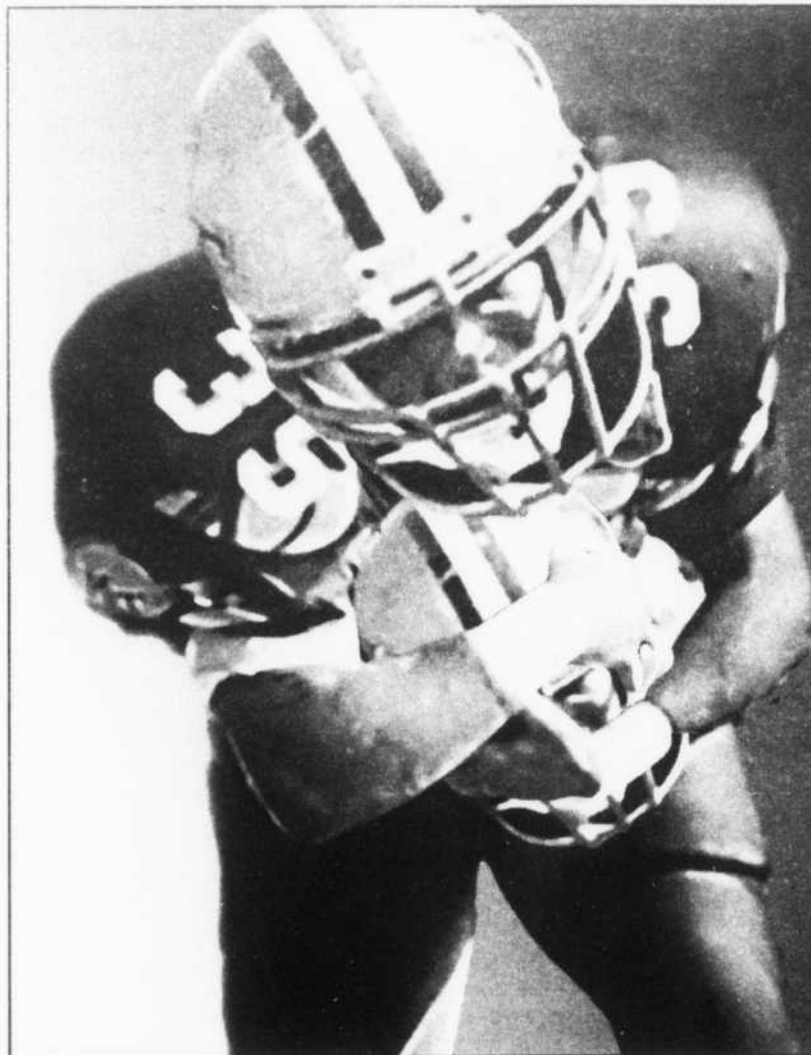


**Marcus**

## TSSAA girls tournament comes to MT this week

The TSSAA girls basketball tournament starts Wednesday. The tournament ends Saturday, with finals in Division II at 1 p.m., Class A at 3 p.m., Class AA at 5 p.m. and Class AAA at 7 p.m.

All games will be at the Murphy Center.



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## Blue Raider Baseball

# Blue Raiders improve to 6-2 with wins

By Kevin Rose  
Staff Writer

The Middle Tennessee baseball team improved to 6-2 on the season with a pair of victories over the weekend in the Governors Wingate Classic held at Austin Peay State University.

The Blue Raiders used a gutsy performance by freshmen relief pitcher Chris Mobley and a game-winning home run by fellow freshman Brett Carroll to take a 6-5 win against Illinois State University Friday.

Saturday the Blue Raiders used another big day offensively from Carroll and a save from freshman Danny Borne to hold on for a 12-9 win against Eastern Michigan University.

Friday the Blue Raiders jumped on ISU starter Todd Stein for 3 first inning runs. Marshall Nisbett

reached on a walk. Justin Sims and Josh Archer loaded the bases with back-to-back singles. Carroll plated Nisbett and Archer with an RBI double down the left field line. Carroll came around to score on a sacrifice fly by Derrick Phillips, making the score 3-0.

The Redbirds answered with 2 runs in the bottom of the first. Mike Saunches belted a fastball from MT starter Adam Larson over the right field wall for a two-run homer, closing the gap to 3-2.

The Blue Raiders increased the lead to 4-2 with a run in the top of the second. Doug Kunicki led off with a double and scored on a throwing error by second basemen Scott Legan with two outs.

ISU evened the score in the bottom of the third with 2 runs. With one out, Jon Peacock singled off Larson and moved to second on a wild pitch. Lance McMillian fol-

lowed with a walk. Peacock scored when Brett Carroll botched a double play ball hit by Jeremy Accardo by throwing it into right field. McMillian moved to third on the error and scored on a fielder's choice by Greg Blaesing.

The Blue Raiders took a 5-4 lead in the top of the fourth when Kunicki scored on a passed ball by Stein. Kunicki singled, stole second and reached third on a fielder's choice by Jason Howarth.

In a back-and-forth game, the Redbirds evened the score again in the bottom of the sixth. Legan led off the inning with a single and moved to second on a balk by Larson. Legan moved to third on an error by first basemen Kunicki and scored on a double play ball hit by Jake Perganson. The score remained tied at 5-5 until the top of the ninth.

Carroll won the game for the

Blue Raiders, hitting his first career home run in the top of the ninth. Carroll took a 2-1 pitch from reliever Dave McDonald over the left-center wall for the win.

Mobley (1-0) closed the door in the ninth by striking out the last two batters. Mobley, who picked up his first win as a Blue Raider, is getting accustomed to coming out of the pen.

"I did it in high school," Mobley said. "It gets your adrenaline going. I think it's easier for me to pitch when the game is on the line."

Mobley pitched the final 3 innings and gave up no runs on 1 hit while striking out 3. Larson started for the Blue Raiders and went 6 innings, giving up 5 runs, 2 earned on 7 hits while striking out 5. McDonald was tagged with the loss for the Redbirds after pitching 1 1/3 innings giving up 1 run on 2 hits.

Carroll led the Blue Raider offense with 2 hits and 3 RBIs. Archer and Kunicki added 2 hits apiece. Kunicki also scored 2 runs. Phillips had the other RBI for the Blue Raiders.

Saturday the Blue Raiders held on for a season sweep of Eastern Michigan with a 12-9 win.

The Blue Raiders continued their ways of scoring early by plating 3 runs in the bottom of the first. Chuck Akers led off with a single and scored on a two-run blast from Nisbett. Singles by Archer and Carroll and a walk to Kunicki loaded the bases for Nate Jagers. Jagers took a pitch in the arm, making the score 3-0.

The Blue Raiders increased the lead to 5-0 in the bottom of the third. Archer walked to lead off the inning and scored when starting

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# Men sweep Eastern Michigan in doubleheader



Photo by Amy Jones | Chief Photographer

Kris Smith takes a swing at bat. Smith played designated hitter in the game against Eastern Michigan Thursday.

By Kevin Rose  
Staff Writer

The Middle Tennessee baseball team (4-2) got back on the winning track Thursday afternoon by sweeping a doubleheader against Eastern Michigan University (2-3) at Reese Smith Field.

The Blue Raiders used a strong performance by relief pitcher Jeremy Armstrong (1-0) to win game one 3-2. In game two the Blue Raiders a 5 run fifth inning to take an 8-2 victory.

The Blue Raiders got on the board first in game one. In the bottom of the first, leadoff man Chuck Akers singled up the middle and scored on a Justin Sims RBI double, making the score 1-0.

The Eagles reached starting pitcher Stephen Kines for 2 runs in the top of the third. Ryan Goleski doubled with two outs and scored on a two-run home run by Derrick Peterson. The Blue Raiders evened the score at 2-2 in the bottom half of the

inning. Akers led off with a double and scored on a single by Sims.

Blue Raider head coach Steve Peterson went to his bullpen in the fifth with the score tied 2-2. Armstrong entered for Kines and pitched effectively after struggling at Troy State last weekend.

"My confidence was down quite a bit after this weekend," Armstrong said, "but coach told me a couple of days ago he was going to keep running me out there. The bullpen has got to pick it up if we are going to win games this year. So it was good to see the bullpen come out and do the job today."

Armstrong was impressive in his 3 innings of work, allowing only 1 hit and striking out 4 to pick up the win. Peterson was pleased at the way his bullpen responded, especially Armstrong's performance.

"Talking with Jeremy after we came back from Troy," Peterson said, "he gave me a lot of confidence. He was disappointed at how he was throw-

ing. He was not shying away from his responsibility."

The Blue Raiders won the game in their last at bat, in the bottom of the seventh. Marshall Nisbett and Sims hit back-to-back singles. Nisbett advanced to third on a fielder's choice by Josh Archer. Nisbett scored the winning run when the Eagles botched a double play chance.

Sims led the Blue Raider offense in game one with 3 hits and 2 RBIs. Jason Howarth and Akers had 2 hits apiece. Carroll had the game winning RBI.

Blue Raider starting pitcher Steven Kines worked 4 innings, giving up 2 runs on 5 hits. The EMU offense was led by Peterson's two-run home run. Ryan Ford (0-1) took the loss after going 6 2/3 innings, giving up 3 runs on 9 hits.

In game two Travis Horschel started on the hill for the Blue Raiders. Horschel bounced back from an ineffective start against Troy State. He picked up the win, working 5 1/3 while giving

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Blue Raider  
Football

# McCollum hires staff to fill vacancies

## Offensive line coach promoted

### Staff Reports

After losing coaches to other places for the past month, Middle Tennessee head football coach Andy McCollum was able to fill those spots by elevating one coach and adding two new coaches to his staff Thursday.

Offensive line coach Steve Campbell will now have the task of running the offense as new offensive coordinator along with coaching the offensive line. The new defensive line coach will be Fred Tate who had the same job at Southwest Texas State last season. The new receivers coach Blake Anderson comes from the University of New Mexico.

Another move that McCollum made was adding the duties of assistant head coach to Kevin Fouquier. Fouquier is the recruiting coordinator and linebackers coach for the Blue Raiders.



Campbell

"We lost some good coaches recently, but I feel very strongly about this group," McCollum said. "These guys have experience and want to be at Middle Tennessee. All are very enthusiastic, great family people and care deeply about student-athletes and what we believe in. I am excited about getting the whole group together."

Campbell was hired for the offensive line position from Division II Delta State Jan. 23. He has been named Division II Coach of the Year and was coach at Delta State for the past three seasons. In 2000, he led Delta State to the Division II National Championship with a 14-1 mark. His record at Delta State was 1-8 during his three seasons there.

"I visited with four top quality coaches for the offensive coordinator position, but I always kept coming back to Steve," McCollum said. "He is a sharp individual who knows what we need to get done at Middle Tennessee. He's organized, energetic and works tirelessly. Steve will continue running the Middle Tennessee system, which is what we wanted to do."

Anderson graduated from Sam

Houston State. He played college ball at Baylor and Sam Houston State. The past three seasons he coached at the University of New Mexico, the first two seasons as running back coach and last season the receivers coach. He is from Hubbard, Texas and has coached at Trinity Valley Community College, Howard Payne University, Sam



Fouquier

Houston State and Eastern New Mexico.

"By moving Steve Campbell up, it allowed me to hire a quality wide receivers coach," McCollum said. "Blake is a terrific coach and exceptional recruiter who I have tried to hire the past two years. I am fortunate to have him on staff and a part of the Blue Raider family."



McCollum

Tate is a 1996 graduate of Southern Miss. This past year at SWT, he had two of his players make the Associated Press All-American Team (DT Clenton Ballard and LB Greg Pitts).

"Fred brings a ton of energy to this staff," McCollum said. "He worked our summer camp and I was very impressed with his teaching skills and the way he related to the players. We're proud to have him on board."

The Blue Raiders will open spring practice March 13 and conclude with a spring game April 13.



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Blue Raider  
Baseball

## Game: Raiders on the road to David Lipscomb today

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pitcher Anthony Tomey fielded a grounder hit by Carroll and threw it down the right field line. Jagers doubled to score Carroll.

EMU didn't reach Williams until the top of the fourth. With one out, Tim Clouse singled. Nate Jagers misplayed a potential double play ball, allowing Ryan Ford to reach base. Clouse and Ford scored on a triple down the right field line by Brain Bixler, closing the margin to 5-2.

After Williams cruised through the fifth and sixth inning, the Blue Raider offense exploded for 6 runs in the bottom of the fifth. The inning started with back-to-back doubles by Carroll and Kunicki. Kunicki's double drove in Carroll. After an RBI single by Jagers, a walk by Howarth and RBI double by Akers, Tomey was done for the day. Dave Pieron entered and was greeted by an RBI triple by Nisbett scoring Akers. The inning ended with the Blue Raiders having batted around and increasing the lead to 11-3.

The Blue Raiders added a more run in the bottom of the sixth on a homer by Carroll before the Eagles got to Williams in the top of the seventh. Greg Anglin hit a three-run homer making the score 12-0.

Williams got out of the inning without allowing any more damage. Williams finished the day after going 7 innings and giving up 6 runs, 3 earned on 8 hits and 6 strikeouts.

Chase Swing entered in the eighth for Williams. Chase walked the lead-off man but got Bixler to hit into a 6-4-3 double play. After back-to-back two-out singles, Ryan Goleski hit a three-run homer to right off Swing, closing the gap to 12-9. Danny Borne entered for Swing and worked the final 1 1/3 for his first career save. Tomey took the loss for the Eagles.

The Blue Raider offense was paced again by Carroll, who had 4 hits, 1 RBI and 3 runs scored, and hit his second homer of the classic.

"Coach has been on me about staying back," Carroll said. "I just wanted to stay back that time and let my hands do the work."

Carroll was 6-for-10 in the two-day classic. Akers and Jagers had big days with 3 hits and 2 RBIs, respectively. Nisbett added 3 hits for the Blue Raiders.

The Blue Raiders will take a four-game winning streak to David Lipscomb University tomorrow. The Blue Raiders will take on the Bisons at 2 p.m. and return home Wednesday to face them at 3 p.m.

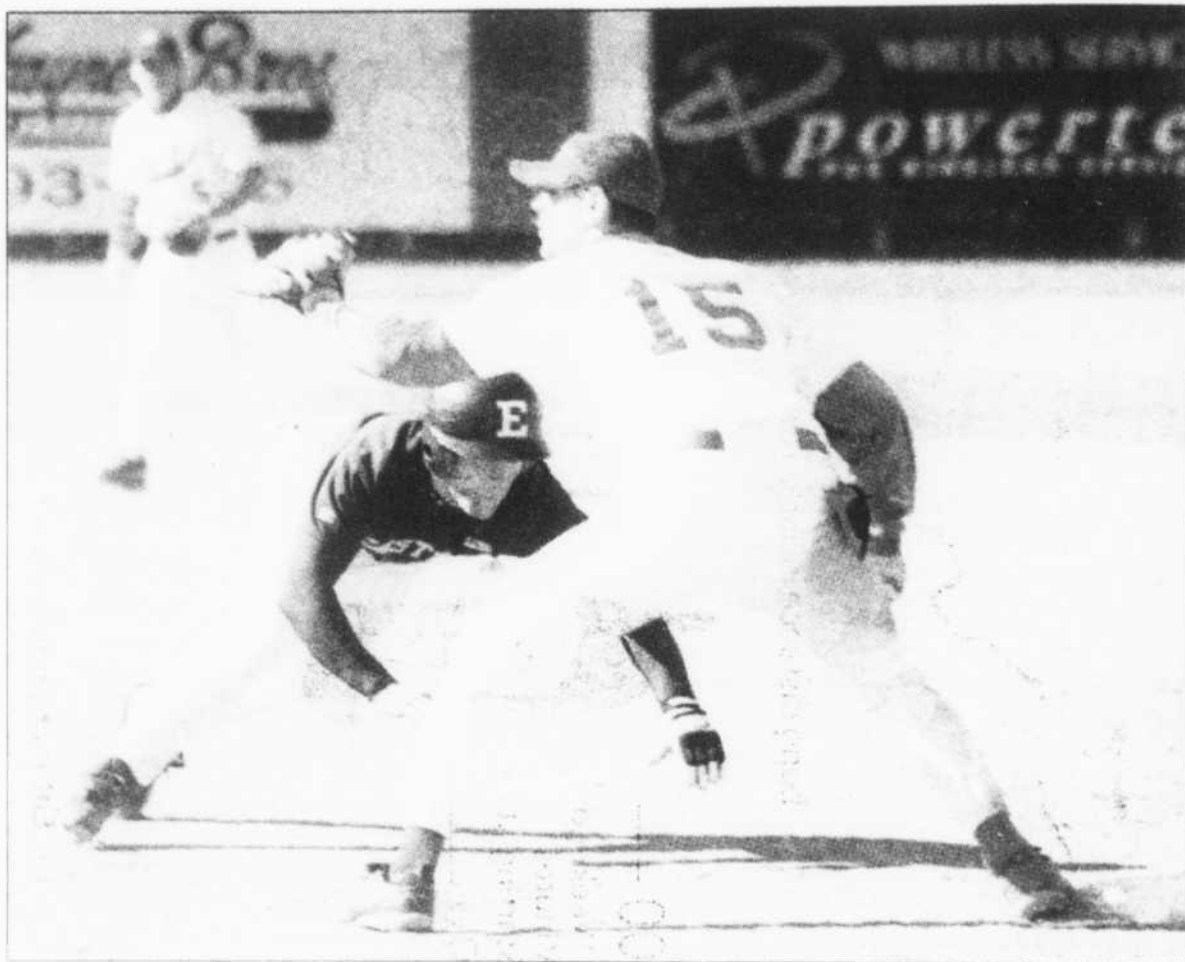


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First baseman Doug Kunicki attempts to pick off an Eastern Michigan runner in one of Thursday's doubleheader games.

## Baseball: Blue Raiders on the board first

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up 2 runs on 5 hits and striking out 2.

"I came out there at Troy State and threw a horrible game," Horschel said. "It was good to get on the good side of coach again."

The Blue Raiders got on the board first again in game two. Nisbett walked with 2 outs. Sims singled, moving Nisbett to third before scoring on a RBI single by Kevin Suba.

The Eagles took the lead 2-1 in the top of the second. With two outs, Brian Baker singled. A single to right by Frank Garcia resulted in a throwing error by right fielder Nisbett allowing Baker to score. Garcia later scored on a triple by Ford. But that is all the Eagles could muster against Horschel.

The Blue Raiders evened the

score at 2-2 in the bottom of the second. Derek Phillips doubled to lead off the inning and moved to third on a wild pitch. Phillips scored on a sacrifice fly by Howarth.

The Blue Raider offense took the lead for good in the fifth when they erupted for 5 runs. Back-to-back singles by Nisbett and Sims chased Eagles starting pitcher Will Stewardson. Dave Pieron entered for Stewardson and was greeted with a pinch hit single by Archer. Nisbett scored and Sims moved to third on the play. A walk to pinch hitter Chris Smith loaded the bases. An error by Bixler on a ground ball hit by Phillips scored Sims, moved Archer to third and prompted a pitching change. Dale Hays was greeted with a single by Carroll, plating Archer and Smith and moving Phillips to third. Phillips

scored the final run of the inning on an Akers single.

After an error and a fly ball out, Horschel was pulled in the fifth in favor of Chris Mobley. Mobley got out of the inning with a strikeout and pick off by Phillips. Danny Borne worked the final inning for the Blue Raiders in the 8-2 victory. Mobley and Borne did not allow a hit. Stewardson(0-1) took the loss for the Eagles.

Sims led the Blue Raider offense again in game two with 3 hits. Phillips and Carroll had 2 hits apiece for the Blue Raiders. Carroll added 2 RBIs. The Eagles were paced by Garcia's 2 hits. The Blue Raider pounded out 21 hits in the double header, while the Eagles managed only 11.

The Blue Raiders return home Wednesday to face David Lipscomb University at 3 p.m. ♦



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Steven Kines belts a pitch in against Eastern Michigan.