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Students enjoy rewards of alternative spring break

By Amy Calloway Staff Writer

Many MTSU students and staff chose an "alternative" route this spring break and went to assist a small community in Pipestem, West Virginia.

"The goal of the trip was to have an experience that was an alternative to the normal spring break experience," said Maggie

Prugh, coordinator of Student students who really experienced Development and one of the advisors on the trip. "We went to Pipestem wanting to meet a need in their community and wanting to meet a need inside of ourselves. I think we accomplished both.

"It was the best Alternative Spring Break trip I've been on since I've been at MTSU. We had an outstanding group of

the trip on a deeper level than they have in years past."

Alternative spring break is sponsored by the Office of Student Organizations and the Community Service and Raider Coordinating Council of Organizations. Those interested in going on the trip fill out an application and then go through an interview process which takes place in January.

"I wanted to go on Alternative Spring Break because I wanted to make a difference," said Beth Franklin, one of the 19 students picked to go on the trip. "It seemed that for the first time I had a chance to impact someone I never knew."

While in Pipestem, the group stayed at the Appalachian South Folklife Center which assists

people in the community with such things as home repairs, construction and landscaping. The group mainly did home repairs for one particular family, the Bennetts, while in West

"We replaced siding, painted the ceilings throughout the house, did a little painting on the outside of the house, and completely rebuilt their front porch," said Prugh.

She explained the family they helped was "fairly impoverished" and that the wood with which their entire house was built was rotting and infested with termites.

"Helping everyone that we helped really made an impact on me," said Leah Beth Bean,

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Chance Stahlhut of Beta Theta Pi talks to one of the many children who came to the Panhellenic Council Easter Egg Hunt Sunday afternoon at the MTSU president's residence.

Summer, fall editors chosen for student publications

By Courtney Huckabay Managing Editor

The Student Publications Committee selected the editors for summer and fall Friday for

Collage and Sidelines. Junior Pam Hudgens was selected as Sidelines editor in chief for fall 2001. She is a journalism major, with minors in

English and psychology. "I'm very excited about this





opportunity," Hudgens said.

Hudgens has been part of the

Sidelines staff for three semes-

ters. She has served as a staff

writer, copy editor, photo edi-

With stars in her eyes,

tor,

assistant

and news edi-

editor

Hudgens spoke of her

plans for next semester. "There are many little changes that I'm going to implement to make the paper

run, hopefully, more smoothly

and efficiently," Hudgens said. "I think all the small changes added together will have a deep impact."

The Sidelines 2001 summer editor is senior James Evans, who has served as the student newspaper's editor in chief for two semesters. The Student **Publications** Committee informed him that he is the only

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Holocaust survivor shares memory of lost freedom

By Charlene Callier Staff Writer

The terrors of living in fear in a concentration camp were shared by Holocaust survivor Elizabeth Limor Friday after-

MTSU's Holocaust Studies Committee sponsored the lecture during a banquet in the Hazlewood Dining Room of the James Union Building.

Limor told her attentive audience about her experiences during 1943-1945 while she was in a concentration camp.

"I'm here because of a miracle," Limor said. "The Germans just didn't have time to finish me off."

Limor said she never understood why the Germans hated the Jews but she felt the main reason was ignorance.

"Jews are the same as other people, not better, not worse," Limor said.

She said the Germans didn't declare war they just came into



Photo by Kristy Dalrymple | Staff

Holocaust survivor Elizabeth Limor spoke Friday afternoon in the James Union Building as part of a banquet held by the Holocaust Studies Committee.

the towns and took over.

Limor said Jews had to walk in the streets with the animals, were fed smaller portions of food and could not leave the house before 8 a.m. and had to be in before 6 p.m. every day. She said when the Germans

took over the streets, the local Jewish men fled because they were afraid of the danger they would encounter, but they had to return due to war in other towns.

Limor said when the men came back, the Germans had

them clean sidewalks with toothbrushes, carry stones back forth, anything they thought would bring down their self-esteem.

She said she left the city and wandered around for several days until she was smuggled into another town.

She had to live in a ghetto a dirty place where the Jews stayed that usually had 12 to 14 people in a two-bedroom apartment.

Limor and the other Jews that lived in the ghetto were sent to concentration camps where 48 people lived in each

The place was infected with lice and bed bugs," Limor said. "You could feel them crawling all over you."

She said men and women were separated and the children were taken away from their parents. Some of the children died after their heads were bashed

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Habitat house ahead of schedule



Photo by Kristy Dalrymple | Staff

The Habitat for Humanity program has completed the exterior of two houses and has set the foundation of two more houses located on Bridge Avenue.

By Rebecca Pickering & Lisa Thomason Staff Writers

The Habitat Humanity House being constructed by MTSU faculty, staff and students is ahead of schedule, despite delays.

MTSU volunteers began work on the house in late January, planning to work every Saturday until the house was finished. Weather delays and time spent waiting for construction specialists caused a loss of three or four work days.

Hard work by numerous volunteers has managed to counteract the delays, however. Debra Sells, dean of Academic Support Programs and director of Housing and Residential Life, said volunteers have been working at a fast pace.

"At this point the drywall is up, and the major items still left are taping and mudding the drywall, painting, putting up window and doctrim, hanging kitchen and other cabinets, and painting," Sells said.

The Habitat Humanity program builds houses for families who might not otherwise be able to afford a home.

Maggie Prugh, coordinator of Student Development and head of student organizations and community service, said that numerous campus organizations have gotten involved. With all the help, Prugh confirmed the speed of their progress.

"Our Habitat contact said he is trying to slow us down a bit so the family who will be

living there can get their sweat equity in," Prugh said, referring to the physical labor required of home recipients.

The program has been in Rutherford County since 1982 and has built 32 houses in that time, said Habitat representative P.J. Almon.

Every home is titled with the name of its particular sponsor. The MTSU house marks the first time a school has built a house in Rutherford County.

According to Sells, the idea for the MTSU house was developed by Bob Glenn, vice president for Student

Almon explained that families must apply to receive a Habitat house by completing forms similar to a credit application. Family income must fall within a specific range based on the family's size and composition. The family must be able to make interest-free mortgage payments on their home, but there is also a maximum income level that cannot be exceeded.

The Habitat for Humanity program is financed through donations from contractors, local businesses and other charities, as well as through the repaid mortgages of its beneficiaries.

Habitat's goal is to build five houses a year in the Rutherford County area. The five houses currently planned will all be built at the Bridge Avenue area. For more information about the MTSU house, contact Prugh at 904-8418 or the Habitat office at

CRIME LOG

Compiled By Matthew Kelly - Police Reporter

The following is a partial list of incidents responded to by the MTSU Police Department between April 2,2001, and April 5, 2001. This log was compiled from the actual police reports.

Female harassed after turning down date with obsessed male

March 3, 2:08 a.m. — McHenry Hall — Officers responded to a student's report that she was receiving harassing phone calls. The student told officers that she was approached by a male subject April 2 around Wood-Felder Halls. He called her by her name and said that he knew her and was going to find out about her. The suspect then asked the victim out. She told him no because she didn't know him. He then told her that he would call her so they could

The victim stated that she had not seen the suspect before and did not know who he was. The victim and her roommate received a phone call early the next morning around 2 a.m. According to the victim, it was the same male subject, but he used a different name. The suspect asked her to go to a party and again asked her if they

could go out. After she again told him no, he began to speak vulgarly. The victim hung up on him, but he called back at least three more times.

The officers took a report of the incident and planned to contact Telecom to get the victim's phone records. The victim was also told to contact the police if she sees the suspect again so that the police can stop and identify him. •

Student charged with vandalism, possession of weapon, DUI

March 5, 1:22 a.m. - Clement Hall - Officers responded to the report of a fight in the area of Judd Hall. They stopped a vehicle that appeared to be fleeing the scene and, after a field sobriety test, placed the driver under arrest for driving under the influence, first offense. The driver, identified as Jeremy L. Buma, was also charged with possession of a weapon on campus.

The disturbance started when Buma allegedly perpetrated an act of vandalism. The victim swore out a warrant against Buma and he was also charged with vandalism over \$500.

Buma, of 313 Stonehindge Way in Nashville, was transported to the Rutherford County Jail where bond was set at \$8,500. ◆

Indecent exposure lands man in jail after student complaint

March 5, 9:39 a.m. — Orchard parking lot — Officers responded to the report of a male masturbating in the Orchard parking lot, which is across D Street from Scarlett Commons. One of the officers witnessed a pickup truck matching the description given by a witness and attempted to stop the vehicle at Second Street and Rutherford Boulevard. The vehicle did not stop, despite the emergency lights and siren, until driving down Rutherford Boulevard and pulling into Greek Row.

A third officer transported a witness to the scene who positively identified the suspect. David Hollingsworth, 38, of 129 Cool Springs Drive in Murfreesboro, was charged with indecent exposure and driving without a license. Hollingsworth was transported to the Rutherford County Sheriff's Office where bond was set at

Holocaust: Student writing contest winner announced

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against the wall.

"It was nothing for them to kill Jewish children," Limor said

Limor said they were constantly beaten with rifles, the soldiers' fists or feet. They were fed soup once a day and showered once a month.

"There was a lot of togetherness," Limor said. "We all cried together and tried to help each other.'

Limor said she remembers being beaten 30 times until she passed out. She was carried to a room where they beat her again and threw cold water on her to wake her up.

During the years that she was in the concentration camp, no one committed suicide.

January 16, 1945 was the day the Germans did not show up and the Jewish people there were finally free.

Limor asked the audience if they understand what freedom is. She said it is the opportunity to express yourself, breathe and not be dehumanized.

She said she doesn't hate Germans, but she doesn't feel comfortable around them.

"I think it might have been their father or grandfather that

put me in the camps," Limor

She wrote the book Memoirs: Before, During and After about her experiences. It was intended for her grandchildren but was published for the public.

"When I wrote it down, it freed my soul," Limor said.

After writing the book, Limor said she has no problem sharing her experiences with other people because it doesn't hurt her anymore.

"I thought it was riveting," said Sonja Hedgepeth, a foreign language professor. "Her story is devastating but her life is an inspiration."

"I was shocked that somebody could go through all of this and be able to talk about it," said Rachel Maddox, a freshman majoring in nursing. "It's important that we tell the story and carry it on to the younger generation."

The Holocaust Studies Committee also announced the winner of their student writing contest at the banquet.

Maura Satchel was awarded an autographed book by Limor and a cash prize for winning the writing contest on Holocaust experience.

Editors: Evans first elected for third term as editor in chief

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student to be editor for three consecutive semesters in Sidelines' history.

"I had no idea I was the only one to be editor for this long," Evans said. "I thought for sure someone else had served longer

since this paper has been going since the 1930s."

Senior Nathalie Mornu ran uncontested for the 2001-2002 Collage editor. She has served as the literary magazine's editor since fall 2000. Mornu is a journalism major with an emphasis on magazine writing and

minors in art and American culture.

"I'm pleased I'll be able to continue taking the magazine in the same direction again next year," Mornu said. "The first issue was such a learning experience for me. I feel like now I've got me groove, have a

good handle on how to smoothly get the magazine published. With the technical knowledge under my belt, I can use next year to focus on what makes magazine successful."◆

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Break: Participants make home repairs, clean polluted creek in West Virginia

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another participant. "It made me realize how great I have it in life and how the small things don't really matter."

The group also spent a great deal of time not only working on the Bennetts' home but also spending time getting to know

"We made sure we visited with the family and got to know them. A lot of times, they just enjoyed having someone listen to them," said Prugh.

The group also worked with the Division of Natural Resources to clean up a six-mile stretch of a creek that runs through Pipestem and Hinton.

"That was probably our best day because we could really see the results," Prugh said. "When we began, we thought we wouldn't be able to make a dent in all the junk in the creek, but it looked so good when we were finished."

She explained the creek was polluted with everything from pieces of cars to trailer homes and trash, and that the group removed over five dump trucks of waste from it.

"We even made the front page of their newspaper for our efforts, Prugh said. "It was obvious we had made an impact on their community.'

Many of the group members described the closeness of the group after being on the trip beach." together.

"We now have a bond that is so strong," Bean said. "We got to see the best and the worst in people...what they looked like when they woke up and all that good stuff. I can honestly say I now have 19 new friends that I will forever keep in contact

Going on Alternative Spring Break required many of the participants to make a choice between going to the beach or going to West Virginia.

"I got a lot more out of the trip than I would have any other place," Franklin said. "I learned more about life, friends and myself than I would have on the

Bean agreed with her.

"There is nowhere on earth that could have been better than being in Pipestem, West Virginia, the week of spring break with the group I went with," she said.

Other participants included Becca Wilson (advisor), Chris Berry, Leslie Cope, Britney Denny, David Dodd, Jason Goforth, Scott Hammrich, Megan Hearon, Haley Hines, Travis Laurance, Kristen Lovett, Emma May, Thomas Roddy, Lera Rooker, Candace Smith, Micheal Smith, Sarah Mac Wilson and Susan Wilson.



Haley Hines, Leah Beth Bean and Kristin Lovett pose in front of the creek they helped clean up with members of the Pipestem, West Virginia community.



A traditional American cookout, complete with hot dogs and hamburgers, was held Thursday on the sundeck of the Recreation Center as part of International Culture Week.

Kappa Delta raises \$5000 for charity

Staff Reports

More than \$5,000 was raised for charity this weekend during Kappa Delta's annual Shamrock Softball

The Classic featured teams from two divisions - Greek and Open. Kappa Delta charged a \$2 admission fee that, after expenses were paid, went to Prevent Child Abuse

Murfreesboro Exchange Club, a non-profit organization that works to reduce harm in domestic violence cases.

Participants in the Greek division were Kappa Sigma, Pi Kappa Alpha, Sigma Nu and the Sigma Nu Alumni team. Open division participants were the Vipers, IDGAS and the Warthogs.

Placing first in the Greek

division was Pi Kappa Alpha, followed by Kappa Sigma. The Vipers took home the firstplace trophy in the Open division contest, while IDGAS placed second.

This year the event featured a homerun derby open to all MTSU students. There were 13 participants and the winner - Patrick Kinard received a plaque and a gift certificate to Logan's. •

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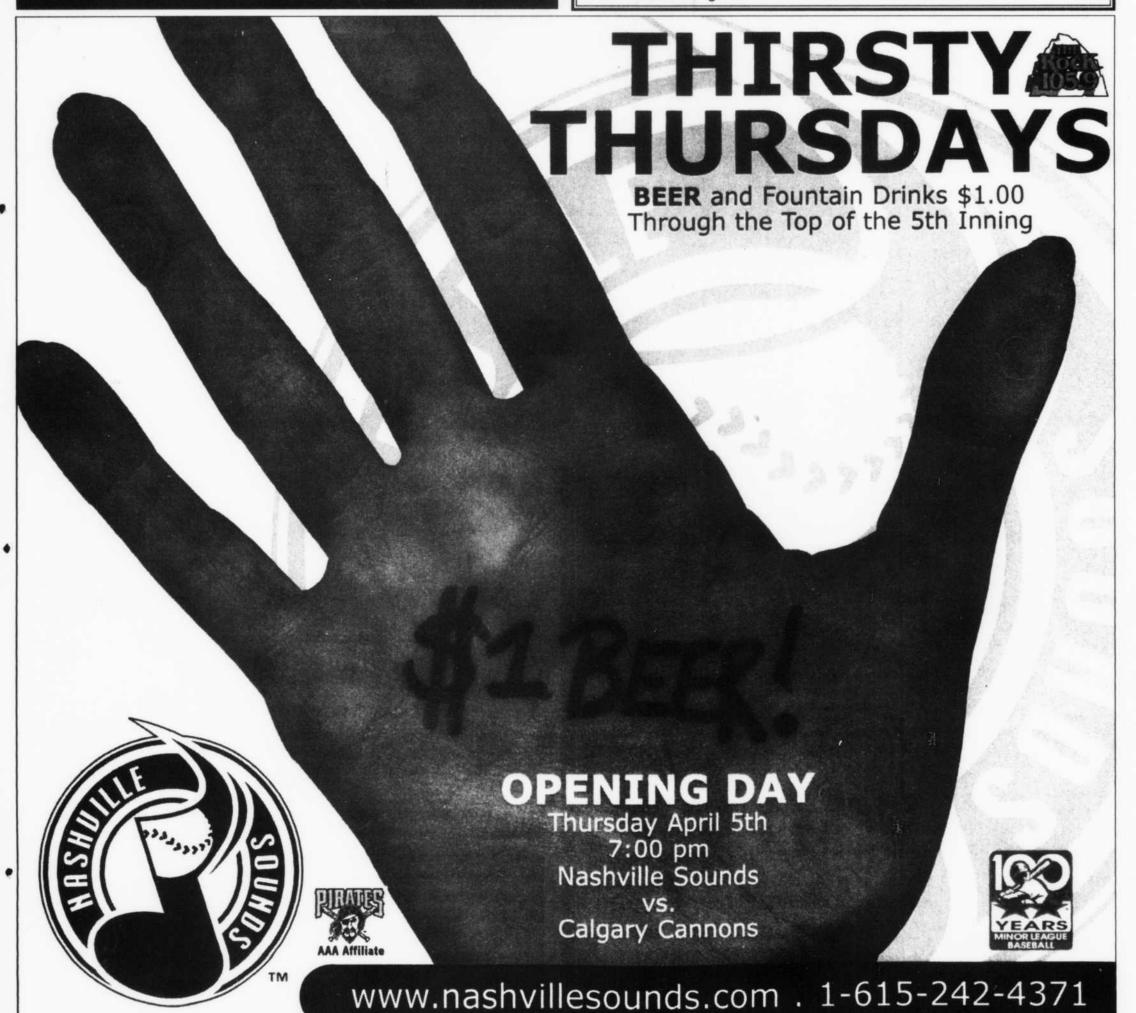
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()PINIONS

From the staff

Crime Log worthy info for students

We've recently been getting a lot of feedback about the Crime Log that we publish in our news section every Monday and Thursday.

Some believe that it is unfair and invades privacy. Others feel they have the right to know what's happening on campus and that the Crime Log is a great way to keep them abreast of the crime that occurs.

We report burglaries, drunk driving cases and drug-related crimes, among other minor crimes. By reporting this information, students can be more aware. We should also keep in mind that there are children living on this campus, and we should be concerned with their safety.

When prospective students consider coming to a university, many of the parents are concerned with the crime rate. It's only fair that this information is easily accessible.

We understand it's not flattering to pick up a paper and see your name in it for something you may already feel terrible about. Although your mistakes are your personal business, when you break the law, it then becomes public knowledge.

It is our responsibility to report this information to the public. We don't print the Crime Log to pick on anyone. We simply print the information that is handed over to us by the MTSU police department.

The Crime Log is one of the most popular sections of our paper. Some students find the reports humorous until they see their names printed. It is not our intent to entertain the readers with these reports. We publish the Crime Log to inform, but we can't control the way people interpret it.

Many small town newspapers print crime logs, so this is nothing new. In fact, having your name printed is part of the consequences you face for breaking the law.

Maybe not having your name printed in Sidelines is an incentive not to break the law.

To be quite honest, it would be nice if we didn't have any crimes to report. However, that's currently not the case.

As we mentioned before, we don't make up the crime report like some upset students tend to think. It is created by those who commit the crimes, we just report it. Stop shooting the messenger. These people must take responsibility for their actions.

We don't judge these people, nor are we setting out to embarrass them. We're just doing our job here. ◆

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For Argument's Sake Postal service should continue on Saturdays

In response to a huge projected budget deficit, the U.S. Postal Service is considering ending service on Saturday.

If this goes through, it could be a fatal blow to the mail service.

Saturday delivery is something we have long considered necessary. In a world where business is rapidly expanding beyond the nine to five bounds, more businesses would be forced into using private services such as UPS or Fed-Ex.

It also would present a problem for many post



Jason Cox
Staff Columnist

offices in that their storage facilities and delivery vehicles would not be able to handle the additional load that would be placed on them without a sixth delivery day. Mail is always moving, even on days where it isn't being delivered, and permanently removing a day of service could cause mailroom pileups that many offices simply couldn't handle.

Unfortunately, Postal Service officials are stuck between a rock and a hard place when it comes to their funding and the way they are governed. While they receive no taxpayer funds, they're still a government agency, and the Senate must approve any major changes, such as a rate increase.

Perhaps the government

could add a very small postal service tax ... \$5 per year per taxpayer, or even less than that.

While a small amount to us, this would put several million dollars into the Postal Service's coffers. It could prevent the rapid rate increases that force us to get one cent stamps to add to the now-insufficient stamps we have already purchased.

For all of its flaws, the U.S. Postal Service is one of the best mail services in the world. You would be hard-pressed to find many governments that have a

mail service as simple and inexpensive to use as ours.

Many countries have a mail service that's so inefficient and corrupt, you would be fortunate to get two out of the five letters that were sent to you.

The Postal Services' deficit is largely due to inefficiency and the increasing use of e-mail and private services.

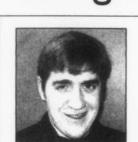
Inefficiency can be solved with innovative minds. Reducing service will only make the other options seem more attractive.

CANADIAN BACON Instant Messenger will destroy the universe

Disclaimer: This column is about AOL Instant Messenger and it would be ever-so-cutesy to write it in IM jargon, but that's just lame. So too bad.

So college is a lot of fun. Free flowing booze, unlimited sex and living with your friends. It's all good, no? (OK, well I don't drink, I can't remember the last time I had sex, and I have no friends. Fine, make me cry!)

And isn't it great when you want to hang out with your friend, let's call him Mark, and you can send an IM to MarkRulz [tool: check to see if that's a real screen name and look into liability... might have to change that] saying "yo



Patrick Chinnery
Staff Columnist

dude, wanna chill 2nite?"

Isn't that ever-so convenient?

Right, so when you're running late and he's already logged off of AIM, you need to call his cell phone to tell him you'll be late. Crap, what's his phone number? Dude, why do we always IM each

other instead of calling each other? I might remember your number if we talked on the phone.

I'm serious about this.
Why do our entire lives
revolve around this little
computer program? Sure,
it's convenient free and

computer program? Sure, it's convenient, free and easy. But we've gotten way too dependent on AIM.

I'm not even going to discuss the idea of meeting new people over the Internet and then meeting them in real life. Do you

discuss the idea of meeting new people over the Internet and then meeting them in real life. Do you know why? Because it's scary. And cybersex? Again, just plain stupid. (Please disregard the previous sentence and IM me at pwc212 immediately if you're feeling lonely. I'll be home tonight from 7 p.m.-

8 p.m. Who am I kidding? I'll be home all night.)

But I can still see the world falling apart due to the wonder of AIM.

Soon, classes are going to be held over IM, business meetings will be conducted via this medium, and I'm sure some idiot will propose marriage over IM (again, my screen name is pwc212).

I bet this country will get to the point where we conduct everything on this glorious AOL Instant Messenger. Soon we're won't even have phones. It'll just be a newer Palm Pilot with a full keyboard with mobile Internet access and, instead of calling someone, you will only

IM them.

I hope we get so accustomed to using AIM that our vocal chords will atrophy (that means wear away, look it up). We won't be able to talk anymore because we've become so dependent on AIM. Then I'll laugh at all of you and say "I warned you!"

Well, I'll have to type that to you because I won't have a voice either.

But maybe we'll all get those cool talking thingies like Steven Hawking has! Damn, that would be sweet!

So what, you may ask, is the point of this column? I have no friends. Please

IM me.◆

ON THE REAL

I don't need the money; repair the communities

It's been quite a while since I've written an opinions piece, but I had to come out of retirement to talk about the recent uproar concerning reparations.

I'll admit I don't think much about reparations, and I'm not as educated on the subject as I would like to be. However, I don't need to do a ton of research to tell you how I

The issue of reparations is very controversial and everyone seems to want to say what they want to say about it and not make an attempt to understand the viewpoint of the opposition. Sometimes you have to lay your opinions down in order to fully understand someone else's. Once you understand where they're coming from, whether you agree or not, you can then pick your opinions back up and go from there.

So I'm asking everyone to lay their opinions aside and hear a brother out. Okay, do I believe blacks should be given reparations? No and yes.

I have never been a slave and I never will be (those days are over). So, as an individual, I don't feel like America owes me anything but respect as a human being, equal rights as a U.S. citizen and equal opportunity. The only money I'm worried about is the checks I get from



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Sidelines, the campus post office and the Housing Department.

Now, if my money isn't

at the Cope Building by 8 a.m. on the 15th and last day of each month, America is going to have to worry about more than reparations because there are going to be some consequences and repercussions.

The money I work six days a week for is the only money I'm concerned with (oh, and my financial aid, let's not forget that).

Now, I'm not saying black individuals should or shouldn't be given reparations, I'm saying Shawn Whitsell doesn't expect it.

I don't need the money because I'm going to make my own way. Although I reflect on the past, I don't live in it. And even though racism and discrimination still exists, I believe in progressing and moving on and no racist will be able to stop that. Just being educated on the struggle of black people is

enough for me because that knowledge has taken me further than any amount of money could.

However, there are children, many who are black, living in the inner cities who don't have the same chances to make it in this world because of where they come from. Schools are poorly funded and these children don't have the resources most of us enjoyed during our pre-college education, like new textbooks and computers.

puters.

As a child, I thought every other kid in America went to a good school like I did. It wasn't until I was in college that it dawned on me that this was an illusion. America needs to invest money into these communities, update the educational facilities, fix up the housing and give these children a chance.

Many families in the inner city are scraping the bottom of the barrel and they never have the opportunity to build. I realize a lot of the responsibility to better communities belongs to the people who reside there, but these people need something to work with and it's the responsibility of the government to provide them with that.

This isn't a black thing because there are Asians, Hispanics and even Causasians living in the inner city. It's a human thing.

As far as white people feeling guilty or apologizing for slavery, it's not necessary. We don't need that. You don't have to apologize for something your ancestors did.

So white people, you're off the hook. (That was a joke, lighten up y'all.) But honestly, the average black man doesn't want an apology, he just wants change. That's all.

But understand this. All over America, there are rich white children who haven't even completed middle school yet but are already filthy rich from money that has been passed down to them from generation to generation. Cotton money. Money that came from centuries of free labor. And just as these people have inherited money from their ancestors, there are blacks who just want to inherit the money our ancestors worked sun up to sun down for.

(Note: I'm fully aware that all wealthy white families aren't benefactors of money from slavery. I realize some of these families are wealthy because of good ol' hard work. Please don't get it twisted).

As I was saying, some white families are still benefiting from slavery and some black families are still suffering from it. So when people say,

"What does slavery have do with today?" I say as long as people are still suffering from it, it has everything to do with today.

Now, I'm not mad at anybody for being born rich, and I'm not saying they should feel guilty about that. What I'm saying is many blacks are still trying to dig themselves out of the hole that slavery put them in, financially and even emotionally for some. So don't think because none of us were slaves that we don't still feel the effects of it.

This isn't just a black issue, this is an everybody issue, because like Dr.
King once said, "an injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

I'm not even finished saying everything that I have to say, but I hope I was able to show some of you the other side of the story.

I'm not trying to be a spokesman for black people all over the world because I realize there are people of all racial backgrounds who will agree or disagree with me. These are only the thoughts of one man.

So in the words of Indie. Arie, I say to you, "don't be offended, this is all my opinion, ain't nothing that I'm saying law."

You can pick you opinions back up now. ◆

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Letters to the Editor

Mail your comments to Box 42, drop them off at JUB 310 or e-mail them to stupubs@mtsu.edu. Letters may be edited for length, grammar or content.

Crime log does not invade privacy

To the Editor:

I decided to write because I feel the need to defend the "Crime Log" section of *Sidelines*. In response to the letter published in Wednesday's edition, I believe the "Crime Log" to be one of the most valuable assets of the school paper.

First of all, this section does not invade the privacy of others without a proper reason to do so. The perpetrators bring it upon themselves. Most of the incidents featured in the "Crime Log" result from drunkenness and the events that follow thereafter. I have no issues with drinking, but it's totally unacceptable when others are put in danger.

If someone is arrested on a DUI charge, consequences must be issued to deter repeat offenses. The "Crime Log" represents a method of deterrence.

Message: Don't break the law or embarrassment will follow. Sure, it invades a person's life. But if that person were to cause

an accident, it could lead to a deadly invasion of someone else's life.

Publishing the names of offenders is a fair consequence. Printing the addresses, however, is going a bit too far in my opinion.

Secondly, society does not deny the fact that drinking and driving is prevalent in college (as stated in the former letter). In fact, it's a stereotype that is difficult to shake off. The "Crime Log" is an informative section which challenges students to think more carefully about what they do in their spare time. Even if it helps a little, then there's certainly nothing wrong with that.

Matt Weatherly

Keep dining halls open on weekends

To the Editor:

I would like to voice support for opening the dining halls on the weekends.

Students need to eat healthy AND live within a scant budget. With the dining hall closed on the weekends, meals are more likely to come from fast food restaurants or vending machines. Neither provides the healthiest fare and are likely to be more expensive than a filling meal from the dining hall.

As a university, there is a responsibility to provide options for good eating within the financial reach of students.

I urge the opening of the dining hall for Saturday and Sunday meals, even if it's for a shorter period than during the week. Thank you for providing a forum for our opinions.

Linda Thompson

TSSAA has many positive aspects

To the Editor,

I'm not sure if you accept letters from non-students, but the referenced Opinions offering was enjoyable for its naiveté. While at the MTSU campus for the TSSAA Boys Basketball Tournament, I picked up a copy of Sidelines to find out more about school activities. And there I found the Canadian Bacon editorial that I would like to address in this letter.

Mr. Chinnery's column was well written, but the textual content

certainly was narrowly focused on only negative aspects of the TSSAA activities.

Apparently, Mr. Chinnery believes the "community" is only the immediate area around the MTSU campus. And parking allowances that are made for a minuscule five percent of the total time MTSU classes are in session annually cause such a significant problem to the student population.

Anyone living in Murfreesboro will tell you the "community" is the whole area around MTSU, not just the college campus. I expect the majority of the community gladly put up with some parking and traffic congestion in exchange for a significant increase in outof-town consumers.

Perhaps those who want to complain about the effects of the TSSAA activities at MTSU should visit the local Chamber of Commerce. There, they would find empirical data related to the number of hotel rooms rented throughout Murfreesboro during those two weeks. The Chamber can also provide information about the benefits restaurant owners and other service businesses receive from the influx of customers during the TSSAA tournaments.

Only then can one truly evaluate the effect on the total community and not concentrate on short-term inconveniences to a small percentage of the student populace at MTSU.

Every student at MTSU should be proud of their school for hosting the TSSAA events in such an efficient and professional manner. The facilities at MTSU are the best in the state and the campus is

centrally located to minimize the travel effects of tournament play.

Thousands of people per day enjoyed the TSSAA tournaments, but only because it was held at MTSU.

If the TSSAA had used shuttle buses to bring people in from nearby shopping malls and large parking lots, it would sure spread the parking problems alleged by Mr. Chinnery throughout the entire community!

David Lambert Oliver Springs, TN

New parking fee benefits everyone

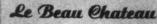
To the Editor:

I read and agreed with most of Morgan Travers' letter, "Students are not complaining about fees but rather fighting fees that are unfair." There are certain fees that students pay for every year that are never used. If there were no high-tech video screens in any of the classrooms, some students would pay a technology fee for nothing. However, there are technological amenities students gain through their technology fee, and the situation with the parking fee is the same.

No, not all students use the busses or the parking lots, or drive themselves to school. Think: where do you walk? A parking fee also means money to be able to perform upkeep on sidewalks and those parking lots that you do not park in — but you walk across.

Perhaps a reasonable solution would be charging the parking fee to everyone but lowering the cost so that it doesn't cost as much. This way, the department gets a nice sum of money and students don't wonder why they pay the same amount as one would have before, when there are now many more students contributing.

Thank you, April L. Sullivan Sophomore College of Mass Communication



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By Ray Pirre Guest Reviewer

More than 400 people attended the MTSU Jazz Fest March 17 at Wright Music Building to take in performances by more than 150 high school and middle school students, MTSU jazz ensembles and trumpet virtuoso Bobby Shew, among others.

The annual event proved to be a great day for any jazz musician or jazz lover. The afternoon was full of high school performances and music clinics, as well as a concert finale by the MTSU Jazz Ensemble I, with special guest Shew. The concert with Shew was the high point of the night for most people, including some faculty members.

"My favorite part of the day was Bobby Shew's performance with the ensemble," said Dana Landry, MTSU's jazz studies coordinator.

The day of jazz started at 9 a.m. and continued until noon with performances by five different jazz combos directed by the MTSU jazz stud-

ies faculty. During this time, high school jazz bands composed of students from Central Middle School, McMinn County High School, Gordon Central High School and Blackman High School played in the Wright Music Hall.

In addition, the MTSU Jazz Ensemble II played versions of classic jazz compositions and more recent

All in all, students from three states came to share ideas, perform and learn about jazz.

"They all played very well, and they enjoyed themselves, which is the most important thing," Landry said.

The first clinic session for the middle school and high school players, held at 1 p.m., was taught by well-known jazz educator Jamey Aebersold, who is famous in jazz education circles for his 90-plus volumes of play-a-long books and recordings. His workbooks and recordings, in fact, are considered to be some of the best jazz learning tools.

A graduate of Indiana University, with a master's degree in saxophone, Aebersold is a member of the International Association of Jazz Educators' Hall of



(Above) Bobby Shew (Below) Bobby playing Paul's pocket tuba.



Fame and currently teaches jazz improvisation as part of the music faculty at the University of Louisville.

Each summer for the past 28 years, Aebersold has taught his trademark Summer Jazz Workshops in Australia, New Zealand, Germany, England, Scotland, Denmark, Canada and the United States, and on Saturday he gave a lesson at MTSU.

During his hour-long clinic, Aerbersold simplified and made sense of some of the hardest jazz techniques, such as improvisation. The room was packed with high schoolers, college students and older jazz musicians, all of whom paid close attention as he explained ideas on an overhead projector. Aebersold detailed the importance of practice and how to practice and improvise to the best of one's ability.

"Jamey taught a great clinic. I was amazed at the number of people [who] showed up," Landry said.

The second clinic, held at 2 p.m., was taught by famous jazz trumpeter Shew, who, throughout his career, has played with many great jazz bands and orchestras such as Benny Goodman, Della Reese and Buddy Rich's Big Band, Bob Florence, Don Menza and many more. (He has also performed studio work for TV shows and movie soundtracks such as Hawaii 5-0, The Mary Tyler Moore Show, Happy Days, Laverne & Shirley, Grease (I and II), Rocky (I and II) and The Muppet Movie, to name but a few).

"Bobby Shew is one of the best and well-known jazz trumpet players of his generation," said Roger

Kugler, chairman of MTSU's School of Music and a fellow trumpeter. "He has made a name for himself playing in Las Vegas, in Los Angeles as a studio musician and as a jazz soloist throughout the world. It is a great honor for us to have him here."

During his hour-long clinic, Shew sat on stage, trumpet in hand, talking of the best ways to practice. His clinic was intended more for the jazz trumpeter. However, he also spoke of how he practices and what he practices, both of which are useful to any musician interested in

improving his or her ability. The finale concert by the MTSU Jazz Ensemble I with Shew featured "Extra Credit" by Jim McNeely, "A View From the Edge" by Eric Richards and a version of Maria Schneider's "My Lament." Consisting of one piano player, two alto saxophones, two tenor saxophones, one baritone saxophone, one bass, four trum-

pets, four trombones and one drummer, the ensemble is conducted by Landry.

Shew took the stage for the second half of the show with his trumpet and flugelhorn. He told stories about his 40 years of touring, his family in Los Angeles, his childhood in Albuquerque, N.M. and some background information on each piece of music. Several musicians joined him, including some MTSU faculty. His good friend and former student, Tom Garling, joined the band for "Body and Soul," one of the most impressive performances of the night, thanks to the solo trading between Shew and

Garling has played trombone with Frank Sinatra, Tony Bennett, Dizzy Gillespie, Chick Corea, Pat Metheny and others.

Shew played six songs with the band, including "The Peacocks" by Jimmy Rowles, "Indian Love" by Victor Young and "Salsa Caliente."

"Cubano Shout," an upbeat salsa tune from Shew's latest release, featured three MTSU students on the bongos, congas and cowbells.

"Cubano Shout' was amazing and by far the best song of the night," remarked Dave Barabaree, a

See Jazz, 3

Marriet Welson she ain't

Dr. Jeannette Heritage has been a 'modern day' woman since 1950

By Catherine Aaron

Contributor

Picture your grandmother. Perhaps she has gray hair and wrinkles, bakes cookies and pies and occasionally stores her teeth in a cup in the bathroom. Dr. Jeannette Heritage is one grandmother who definitely breaks

Working in the psychology department at MTSU, Heritage teaches psychosexual adjustment, psychology of women and psychopharmacology.

Tall and slim, with light brown hair and steel-blue eyes, Heritage is one woman who has defied convention her entire life. In 1953, a time when most women were housewives in the blossoming suburbs, she earned a bachelor's degree in pharmacy from Auburn University.

Why Pharmacy?

"They were recruiting right out of college, and it paid well."

But wasn't it hard?

Heritage shrugs, and with a dismissive wave of her hand says, "I knew I could do it."

Before graduating, she met and married her husband John.

"He volunteered to help me with my schoolwork," she recalls with a wry little grin and a twinkle in her eye. "It wasn't until later that he found out I was making better grades than he was!"

John, who also became a pharmacist, tells a slightly different version of

"She kept asking me dumb questions I knew she knew the answer to. She just didn't want me to feel bad."

And after 49 years of marriage, John

is "her greatest fan." 'The greatest thing that ever happened to me is meeting her," John says.

In 1969, after working steadily since graduation and bearing four children, Heritage received her master's degree in counseling from the University of South Alabama.

Why counseling?

Another shrug.

"It was something I just picked." Heritage prickles with irritation as So you went into teaching?

"I was offered a job in Atlanta," she recalls with obvious disgust. "It was just when integration began, and they [the school] told me not to even bother trying to teach the black students."

She glares at several bright pictures adorning the office wall.

"I went home and told my husband

Always impeccably dressed and groomed, Heritage may look like a pedigreed poodle, but she's got the bite of a pitbull. Her father raised her to be

educated and fiercely independent. 'My daddy taught me how to fight when I was young," she says proudly. "It wasn't long until my [male] cousins learned not to mess with me!"

"Messing" with this native of rural south Georgia is not a good idea.

"She'll do anything for you," John says, "but if you cross her, you'd better

In her extremely popular psychosexual adjustment class (also known as human sexuality), she treats what some see as a delicate and embarrassing subject with a combination of professionalism and humor.

"Folks," the 68-year-old grandmother addresses the class, "it's no wonder the world hates us! We've been running around trying to make everyone 'Christians' and telling them the only way to have sex is man-on-top!"

Waiting for the spattering of snickers to die down, she proceeds, "I've read the Bible from cover to cover, and let me tell you folks, that's not in there!"

Students' reactions to Heritage range from amusement to awe.

'She's amazing!" one member of her class comented. "Do you know she only has one lung? And she's as old as my grandmother!'

Another student chimes in, "I think she's way ahead of her time."

Dominating the lectern in front of a class of nearly 100 students, she preaches, "You men need to check yourselves for testicular cancer every month just like us women need to check every month for breast cancer."

Peering over her silver reading glasses, she proceeds with utter seriousness.

"For some reason, men are afraid to touch themselves."

Now she faces the class head on as giggles titter around the room.

I guess they feel like if they touch themselves, they're going to fall in love with themselves or something. They won't be able to keep their hands off themselves."

She throws her hands in the air in a show of theatrical disgust as the class erupts into full laughter.

Along with teaching three classes at MTSU, Heritage regularly attends psychology conferences, usually geared toward child molestation, is actively involved in her church and is winding up another three-year term as a Baptist

Sometimes," John chuckles, " I feel like I have to make an appointment with her. She's so busy."

In addition, she sponsors the Delta Zeta sorority and the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity, which her son, Derek had belonged to.

Those boys really like her," John says, "so do their parents!"

Have you thought about retirement? Squinting her eyes in concentration, she rocks in her chair and takes a moment to contemplate the question.

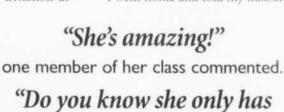
"No... not really," she admits. "Maybe I'd go back to working in a pharmacy."

I don't think Heritage realizes retire-

ment means you stop working. Today, women are expected to do it all - be a wife, mother and profession-

Heritage was a "super mom" before it was even thought possible. She was breaking new ground by example for women everywhere.

She still is. •



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as my grandmother!"

Heritage

she recalls, "They said if I could pass

the classes, I could get in." A look of contempt plays across her smooth features as the memory

"I passed the classes all right!"

Two years later, a Ph.D. in counseling psychology from the University of Southern Mississippi followed.

Why don't you have a private prac-"I can't stand people whining about

how rotten their childhoods were!" Sitting in her immaculate office,

among dozens of certificates dotting the walls, she pins me with a fierce "Your childhood is over and done.

There's nothing you can do to change it. I want to know what you can do today to make tomorrow better.

"If you keep looking behind you, eventually, you'll run into a brick wall."

there was no way I was working for people like that."

It was then, nearly 30 years ago, that she came to MTSU.

Her four children are grown and scattered across the South. The oldest, Susan, is a CPA in Georgia with two sons. Darden followed in his mother's and father's footsteps by becoming a pharmacist and lives with his wife in Alabama. Janna, her youngest girl, is a cosmetic dentist in Memphis with one son and the one and only granddaugh-

Glowing pride turns quickly to sorrow when she speaks of her youngest son, Derek, who was killed in 1988 in a car crash. Her eyes glaze over as she fades momentarily into the past.

"If I told Darden to jump, he'd say 'how high?' but Derek would say 'Mama, is this necessary?"

But that's the past.

ON CAMPUS

Compiled By Leslie Fike - Copy Editor

Monday, April 9

The Mid-South Instructional Technology Conference is at 11:30 a.m. in the JUB Tennessee and Hazelwood Rooms through April 10.

MTSU Theatre presents Company at 8 p.m. in contact William Badley at 904-8416. the Tucker Theatre through April 14. It was originally produced and directed on Broadway by Harold Prince. For reservations and ticket information, call 898-2267 or 898-2640. MTSU students receive free admission to all performances.

The "Careers: Choices and Challenges" Honors Lecture Series is in Peck Hall Room 109A from 3 p.m. to 3:50 p.m. The guest speaker is Deputy Chief Glenn Chrisman of the Murfreesboro Police Department. Free and open to the public. For more information, call 898-2152.

The KUC Art Cube is displaying an Art tion, contact Billy Colepaugh at 898-2104. Education Student Group Show through April 14.

Tuesday, April 10

The University Committee on General Studies is hosting an Open Forum: Skills and Competencies in the Cason-Kennedy Nursing Building Room 121 at 2:35 p.m. For more information, contact William Badley at 904-8416.

MTSU Films presents Creature From the Black Lagoon (3D) at 7 p.m. and It Came From Outer Space (3D) at 9:30 p.m in the KUC Theater through April 12

Wednesday, April 11

The Open Forum: Skills and Competencies is in BAS \$128 at 3:35 p.m. For more information.

Friday, April 13

Good Friday — MTSU is closed

Sunday, April 15

Alpha Phi Alpha presents Alpha Week 2001

ONGOING ANNOUNCEMENTS

The MTSU Martial Arts Club meets weekly on Tuesday and Thursday in the Recreation Center from 8:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. For more informa-

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Campus Crusade for Christ, an interdenominational campus ministry, invites everyone to attend CRU, the weekly fellowship and worship meeting Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the LRC Room 221. For more information, contact Mike Lipscomb at 848-6741 or Eric Rodgers at 896-2039.

Correction

In the April 5 issue of Sidelines, uncredited photos of RA T.J. Gontezarura were run. The photographer was Callie Butler.

Jazz: festival for all ages proves successful

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recording industry major from Trenton, N.J.

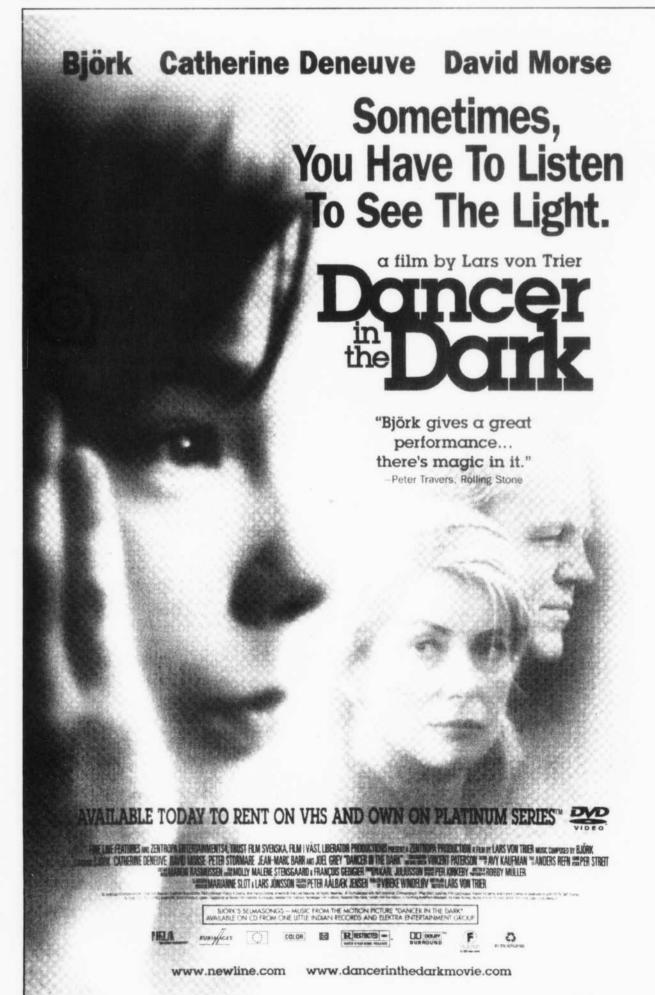
For the encore, Shew played the slow-tempo love song, "Emily," by Johnny Mandel. Shew's solos were full of emotion and left the audience in awe. Afterward, he received a standing

ovation and came out for a final

"This concert surpassed any jazz concert at the school since I've been here, and I've been here for five and a half years," Landry said. "This was the largest crowd I've seen.'

This year's festival was a jazzfilled day - rich in noncompetitive performances and clinics. Those who attended came to learn more about jazz, improve their practice skills or just enjoy the music.

"I was thrilled with the turnout and performances," Landry added, "and I hope it (the festival) keeps going in this direc-



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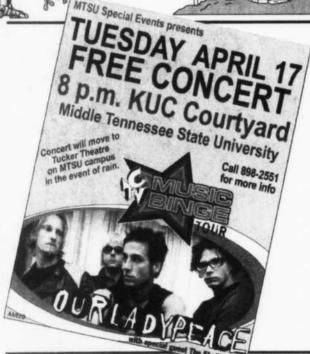
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R. Colin Fly Sports Editor

Commentary

Want to tap into the last and largest revenue pool in major professional sports? Sell your

Vancouver Grizzles' owner Michael Heisley has applied to move his team, which is losing \$50 million a year, to Memphis.

Nevermind that Memphis will replace Salt Lake City as the smallest NBA sports television market, nor that Heisley is requesting a brand new, \$250 million dollar arena to replace the Pyramid in Memphis, which was built in 1991.

Now, the final way to draw revenue is to enter his team into a naming contest with corporate sponsors.

What big company is based in Memphis? Federal Express.

So, the new name of the Vancouver Grizzles could be the Memphis Express and the new arena could be named the FedEx Forum, or how about the FedEx Arena?

Think it's far-fetched?

Federal Express recently registered the domains fedexforum.com and fedexarena.com. Memphis could wear a combination of blue, orange and green and could be accented by the seat colors.

Two tickets to an NBA game: \$90. Naming rights to an arena: \$2 million a year. Nicknaming rights to a professional team: \$6 million a year. Disenfranchising countless fans: priceless.

Finishing runner-up in the "Move to Memphis" race are the Charlotte Hornets. NBA Commissioner David Stern is on the record saying that he would do everything in his power to keep the Hornets from

The Hornets are actually just jockeying for position with the city of Charlotte for the vote this summer that will determine whether the city appropri-

ates funds for a new arena. Think the Grizzles didn't have choices? Think again.

Louisville also made a strong push to acquire the Grizzles, move them to Kentucky and change their name to the Kentucky Colonels. The name of the arena would be none other than the KFC Bucket.

That's finger lickin' good. However, a group has come to the forefront to keep the

Grizzles in Vancouver.

David Radler, a media mogul with connections to Vancouver, is planning to line up a team of buyers with their sole intent of keeping the franchise in Canada.

Radler is the president and COO of Hollinger International Inc., which used to publish The Vancouver Sun.

NBA Commissioner David Stern would like nothing more than to keep all NBA franchises in their respective cities, but until Radler, there was very little hope of keeping the Grizzles north of the border.

However, Radler himself pegs the odds of keeping the franchise in Vancouver at 5 to 1 because they have not found a majority investor, which would have to contribute at least \$60 million.

Until then, wait a few years and prepare to cheer the Memphis Express when they take on other corporate America NBA sports teams like the Seattle Internet Explorers and the Golden State Intel Accelerators. •

Panthers win two of three

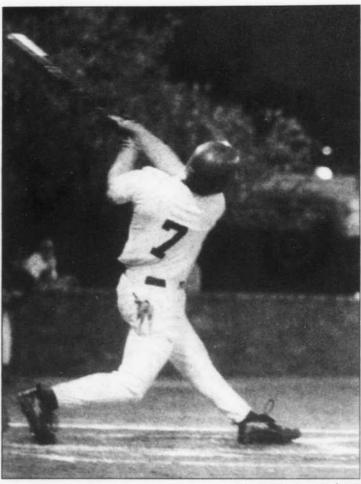


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Freshman Chuck Akers swings during Friday's 7-2 win.

By J.P. Plant & Nick Hefley

Assistant Sports Editor & Staff Writer

Head coach Steve Peterson and the Blue Raider baseball team ran into their stiffest opponent of the season over the weekend International University. The Golden Panthers from Miami took two of three from Middle Tennessee in convincing fashion outscoring the boys in blue 24-4 Saturday and Sunday. But All-American candidate Dewon Brazelton did salvage a win in the series for Middle by shutting down the most potent offense in the Sun Belt Conference coming on the heels of his two Pitcher of the Week

The junior from Tullahoma pitched his fourth consecutive complete game, giving him 16 for his career, surpassing Steve Sonneberger for fourth place all-time in Middle Tennessee history. Brazelton ran his record to 7-1 on the season as he only allowed six hits and two runs while striking out nine. Only one of the FIU runs were earned lowering his earned run average to a microscopic 1.09 for the season.

Sparkplug second baseman Josh Renick started the Raider's engine with a home run on the first pitch tossed by Panther starter Jerry Courtney in the bottom half of the first inning.

Renick led the offensive attack going 3-for-4 with two runs scored and two runs batted in. Freshman sensation Chuck Akers went 3-for-4 as well with an RBI. Catcher Kyle Thomas added two hits in three at bats.

Blue Raider bats, however, were stagnated Saturday as Panther starter William Callazo stayed undefeated behind 15 runs and 21 hits from the powerful FIU offense.

Kris Lammers (3-3) just couldn't seem to get things together as the Golden Panthers scored three runs on four hits in their half of the first. Lammers would only last 1 2/3 giving up five runs, four earned on six

Jeremy Armstrong came in for a relief effort but he fared no better than Lammers and surrendered two runs in 2 1/3 innings of work, striking out two. Armstrong left in the fourth and Kyle Sparkman came in to hopefully silence the Florida International bats.

Sparkman went two innings giving up five runs including a three-run home run to FIU's Miguel Quintana, his 13th home run of the season. He is averaging a home run about once every ten at bats. Sparkman went out in the seventh with an injury and in came Matthew Griffith, who surrendered the final five runs of the ballgame.

The Middle Tennessee offense was completely nonexistent. FIU's William Collazo (8-0) only gave up five hits over seven innings, striking out four.

The Blue Raiders' only run came in the sixth when Justin Sims started off the inning with

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Lady Raiders sweep series, deny a run all weekend

By Colleen Cox Staff Writer

The Lady Raiders swept a four game series with Louisiana Tech this weekend.

Middle Tennessee's pitching combo of Jennifer Martinez and Stave Preator shut down Louisiana Tech's offense in the series sweep. Neither pitcher allowed a run in the two games apiece they pitched. Combined, Martinez and Preator gave up nine hits in the four games.

The first game of the series came down to a close call on a shot down the rightfield line. With Middle leading 2-0 in the seventh, Louisiana Tech put runners on first and third. Shameika Cofer stepped to the plate and blasted a shot down the rightfield line. The shot could have been a three-run homer, but instead was just a long foul ball. Martinez struck-

out Cofer to end the game. Middle Tennessee scored a run in the first and fourth innings. Kip Phillips led off the game with an infield single. Phillips advanced to second a fielders choice. Martinez helped her cause with an RBI single to

In the fourth inning, Kristina Heib lined a single to right center then stole second. With two outs, Steffi Silva singled up the middle to score Heib.

Martinez finished 2-2 at the plate. She allowed only two hits and struck out eight on the mound. Heib was 2-3 with one run scored.

Miranda Knight and Bonnie Wilson had the only hits for the Lady Techsters.

The Lady Raiders struck early in the second game. Phillips led off the bottom of the first with a slap single. Lisa

Sherman followed with a single and Erica Buhl walked to load the bases. After a pitching change, Martinez bounced a grounder past second to score Phillips.

Sherman tried to avoid the tag at the plate and was called out for going out of the base line. Lindsay Azevedo singled to right center to score Buhl. Courtney Wallace's grounder bounced over the shortstop to score Martinez.

Preator made the lead stick. She pitched a three-hit shutout. Ladd, Missy Marie Villanueva, and Casey Reiff each had a hit for LA Tech.

Pitching took center stage for the third game. Both pitchers took no-hitters into the late innings and shutouts into the seventh.

In the bottom of the seventh, Martinez lined a double to the gap in right center. Azevedo then smashed a walk-off homer off the scoreboard.

Martinez gave up both of her hits in the sixth. Cofer and LaRussa both singled with two outs. Martinez shut down any threat with a strikeout.

Unlike the third game, the fourth game featured lots of offense by the Lady Raiders. Middle scored runs in the first, second, third, and fifth innings.

"We struggled with the curveball the first game," Green says explaining the difference in the offense between the third and fourth game. "In the second game we faced her again, and when you face someone three or four times you ought to be able to hit them."

Phillips once again started things off with a bouncer that the second baseman couldn't handle. Sherman laid down the

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Lindsay Azevedo slams the game-winning-homerun in game three against La. Tech.

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TUESDAY

Baseball Blue Raiders vs. Belmont Murfreesboro, Tenn., 7 p.m.

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Lindsay Azevedo gets in front of a drop pitch. She caught all four games of the series despite the extreme heat.

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Softball: Pitching dominates series

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sacrifice bunt. Phillips moved to third on a pass ball. Buhl walked. Martinez bounced one over the second baseman's head to score Phillips. Buhl went to third and Martinez moved to second on the throw to third. Azevedo blooped a single to left

In the second inning, Kelly Cormier doubled to left. Phillips was then hit by a pitch. Sherman lined a double to score the two runners.

Martinez started the offense in the third with a shot to center. The center fielder missed the ball allowing Martinez to reach third. Azevedo followed

In the fifth, Buhl hit a triple down the righfield line. Martinez walked. Buhl came home on a pass ball.

Azevedo finished 2-3 with 2 RBIs. Sherman also had 2 RBIs. Phillips and Buhl each scored to

Preator threw a two-hitter including six strikeouts.

"We got swept so the best thing to do after that is to come back and sweep someone else," Green said. "I thought it was huge. Our goal coming in was to win a minimum of three out

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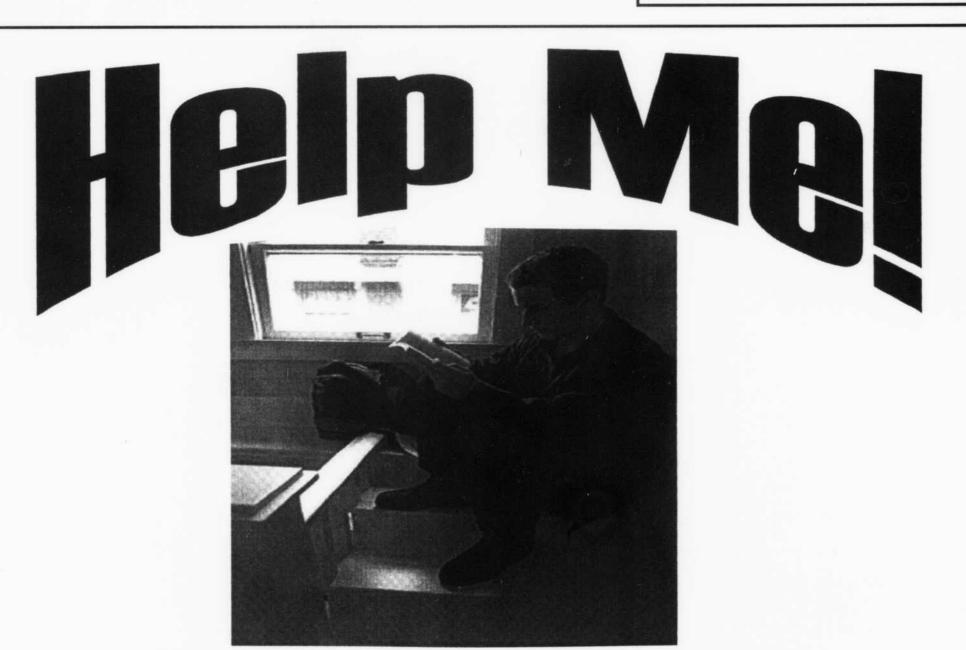
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Baseball: FIU's bats come alive, avenges game 1 loss to Brazelton

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a bunt single past the pitcher's mound. He advanced to second on a wild pitch and then got to third on a groundout by first baseman Kyle Thomas. Jason Howarth singled in Sims to put up the first and only run of the ballgame for the Raiders.

Sunday wasn't much better for the Blue Raiders as the Golden Panthers jumped out early again scoring four runs in the first inning off freshman John Williams. FIU belted out two two-run homers by Brad Eldred and Michael New as that proved the be enough as Williams picked up his first loss of the season 9-3.

Middle missed opportunities to get back into the game only

pushing one run across the plate in the fifth, sixth, and seventh innings with multiple runners in scoring position.

Coach Peterson thanked the fans in his postgame interview with Chip Walters for their support during over the weekend and vowed to prepare his team better for the remainder of the schedule.

"That's baseball," coach Peterson said following Sunday's loss.

The Blue Raiders (23-8, 6-6) are back in action Tuesday at home versus Belmont, and travel to Lebanon Wednesday to renew an old rival against Cumberland.

800 Relay team wins title in Texas, Demps sets lifetime best in 110-meter hurdles

MT Media Relations

AUSTIN, Texas-Middle Tennessee's relay team of D.J. Spann, Mardy Scales, Tanko Bramaih, and Godfrey Herring captured the 4x200-meter relay title at the Texas Relays on Saturday at the University of

The relay team won the event with a time of 1:23.69 finishing ahead of Akron and Texas.

"We performed really well today," head coach Dean Hayes said. "It was one of the most exciting races of the day.

The same foursome also provisionally qualified for

NCAA's in the 4x100-meter final taking fifth with their quickest time of the year at

Jasper Demps had a NCAA qualifying time in the 110meter hurdles placing third in the finals. His time of 13.82 is a new lifetime best.

Tanko Bramaih went fifth in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 10.39 and Mardy Scales, who provisionally qualified in the 100-meters on Friday did not compete in the finals.

The women's 4x400-meter team also qualified on Friday and finished ninth in the finals on Saturday. •



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Manon Kruse returns a serve during doubles action Sunday. Her doubles team won 8-4.

Blue Raiders skin Moccasins, 6-1

Staff Reports

#26 Middle Tennessee def.

Daniel Klemetz (MT)

Kirk Jackson (MT)

def. Jason Ontog 6-3, 4-6, 7-5 Robert Gustafsson (MT) def. Jesse Kotl 6-2, 6-2

def. Brandon Abney 6-3, 6-2 Mark Pellerin (MT)

Gustafsson/Foreman (MT) def. Koti/Ontong 9-7 Klemetz/Staniak (MT)

def. James Dickerson 2-6, 6-2, 6-1

def. Oliver Foreman (MT) 6-7, 7-6, 5-7 Michael Staniak (MT) def. Fungai Munjunja 6-3, 7-6 (5)

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn.-The 26th ranked Middle Tennessee men's tennis team downed Chattanooga by a score of 6-1 on Saturday to improve to 13-5 on the season.

The Blue Raiders' began their afternoon with a sweep in doubles play to take a 1-0 lead. That was followed by MT wins in five of six singles matches. Despite the 5-1 advantage in singles, the Mocs hung tough pushing four of the six singles matches to three sets, winning

Daniel Klemetz, ranked nationally in the top-10 earlier this year, was forced to a third set by Jason Ontog before the Raiders ace prevailed 6-3, 4-6,

Mark Pellerin also went the distance defeating James Dickerson in the six spot 2-6, 6-

MT's three straight-set wins came from Robert Gustaffson, Michael Staniak, and Kirk Jackson.

Middle Tennessee will face in-state rival Vanderbilt on Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. ◆

Middle falls 4-3

Staff reports

Mississippi State walked into Buck Bouldin Tennis Center Sunday afternoon and walked out with a their sixth win of the season against the Lady Raiders.

Carole Soubis of MSU snapped Carien Venter's ninematch winning streak in three sets, 6-3, 2-6, 6-3 and by virtue of that win, Mississippi State took the team match 4-3.

Venter and Inge Weirich were the last two matches to finish. Weirich came back from a set down to win 5-7, 6-4, 6-4, but Venter could not capture her third set in the loss. The Lady Raiders began the

day by winning two of three doubles matches to take a 1-0 lead. Manon Kruse and Stacy Varnell continued to play well, winning their fifth straight match in doubles.

Kruse also captured a singles win, who earned her first victory over a ranked opponent since her first collegiate match in September.

With the loss, the Lady Raiders' hope of a second straight trip to the NCAA tournament rests on their ability to win the Sun Belt's Conference tournament and receive the automatic bid.

The Lady Raiders have one last tune up on the road Thursday against Georgia State in Atlanta. •

Women's Tennis RESULTS #38 Mississippi State def. Middle Tennessee, 4-3

Manon Kruse (MT) def. Amelie Detriviere 6-2, 6-3 def. Carien Venter (MT) 6-3, 2-6, 6-1 def. Tanja Buchheim (MT) 6-1, 6-1 def. Michaela Gridling (MT) 6-1, 6-2 Inge Weirich (MT) def. Yumi Ueda 5-7, 6-4, 6-4 def. Niger Kaur (MT) 7-5, 6-0

Venter-Weirich (MT) def. Mattsson-Ueda 8-4

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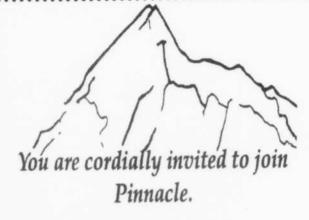




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(Above) Quaterback Jason Johnson looks to pass. (Below) Wes Stephens attempts to knock down a Johnson pass.

Defense the talk of practice

By J.P. Plant

Assistant Sports Editor

The race for the New Orleans Bowl began for the Blue Raiders Saturday morning as the blue/white scrimmage took place at Johnny "Red" Floyd Stadium. The major focus in the offseason for head coach Andy McCollum may have been replacing five letterman off the offensive line, but it was the defense that showed the most improvement following month of spring practice.

"The defense looked good," McCollum simply stated following the hour and a half controlled scrimmage.

When asked about the bright spots from the scrimmage, McCollum immediately mentioned the defense.

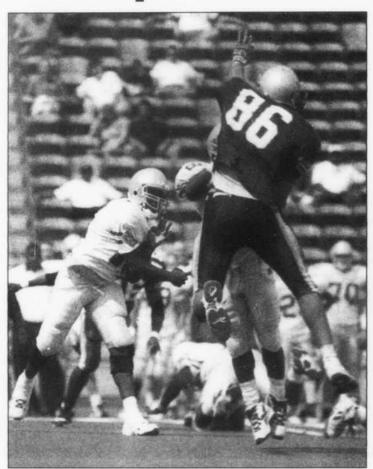
Although the score read 14-0 in favor of the offense, the defense had the most appealing statistics. Defensive end Tanaka

Scott led the much improved defense with six tackles included a sack. Converted linebacker Michael Woods had a big day as well recording five tackles and interception.

McClendon had two interceptions of his own while Jykine Bradley blocked a punt during special teams duty.

First year defensive coordinator Steve Davis was pleased at the effort and the emotion his defense displayed. Coach Davis said in an interview following the game that playing hard is the one thing they've learned during the spring.

The optimistic Blue Raiders will now concentrate their efforts for the summer on getting into the weight room as they prepare for their first official season in the Sun Belt Conference and a chance for a championship, something McCollum says he hasn't had since he's been here.





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