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## Dean Elam leaves for University of Mississippi

Chris Crockett  
Staff Reporter

It's time to move on. Dr. Rick Elam, who has been dean of the College of Business for 3 years, is leaving MTSU to accept the position of the first holder of the Reynolds Chair of Accountancy in the E. H. Patterson School of Accountancy at the University of Mississippi.

Elam will be leaving his position at MTSU at the end of July and will start his new job in mid-August.

"I will leave with good memories of Murfreesboro and MTSU," Elam said. "I think my greatest contribution as dean of the College of Business has been to strengthen our student services, particularly in the area of advising, and to position the college and university for major changes in the undergraduate curriculum in the years ahead."

The Reynolds Chair of Accountancy is part of a more than \$16 million gift in honor of University of Mississippi Alumnus E. H. "Pat" Patterson in recognition of his 25 years of service to Donald W. Reynolds and the Donrey Media Group created by Reynolds.

In response to this gift, university officials have renamed the school the "E. H. Patterson School of Accountancy."

"The School of Accountancy offers me a unique opportunity because it is one of the most aggressive programs in the country," Elam said. "For example, it is the only accounting program at any major university that is not part of a business school. It is a free-standing professional school with a great deal more flexibility to innovate with curriculum."

## International Culture Week ends with annual banquet

Staff reports

It was a great flavor of culture for the 330 people who turned out for the annual banquet to close MTSU's International Culture Week on April 10.

Thomas Li-ping Tang, professor of management and marketing, was honored at the event with the Distinguished International Service Award.

A special plaque was presented in honor of the late Esther Millon Seeman for nearly 30 years of service to MTSU and the Japan Center of Tennessee.

The recognition was received by her husband, Jules Seeman, a professor at Vanderbilt University.

Tang has served as faculty advisor for the Chinese Student Association and the Chinese Culture club since 1983. He and his students have sponsored many colorful activities such as the Chinese New Year Party, Mid-August Full Moon Festival, potluck dinners and picnics.

He has served on many committees such as the International Culture Week Planning Committee, the Advisory Committee for the International Distinguished Service Award and the Multi-Culture Committee.

Tech Wubnech, director of International Programs and Services, noted that the US leads the world in foreign-student population and has enrolled more than 481,000 foreign students in institutions of higher learning this year.

"With increased mobility, refugee resettlement programs and more emphasis put on educational exchange," Wubnech said. "Americans are being exposed to more ethnic groups and races than past generations."

"This is why it is so important to have a cultural awareness week so that we may gain an understanding of the cultures and lifestyles of people from other lands who are fast becoming our neighbors and our colleagues."

Entertainment was provided by the Polynesian Reflections dance troupe and by the Celtic songs of Secret Commonwealth.

Various amateur groups added to the international flavor of the evening. Encouraged by the audience and Polynesian dancers, certain high-ranking MTSU officials were led to the stage to do a bit of hula dancing. ■

## Frist to speak at graduation

Staff reports

United States Senator and physician Bill Frist will speak to more than 1,200 graduates and undergraduates, along with their families and friends, at the May 8 commencement held in the Murphy Center at 10 p.m.

In 1994, Frist became the 54th U.S. Senator from the state of Tennessee.

Frist believes in the concept of Citizen Legislator, the idea that men and women from any occupation can contribute a valuable amount to public service because of their practical experience. Frist's predecessor, Andrew Jackson believed the same thing.

Frist is a noted heart and lung transplant surgeon and the first physician to hold a seat in the Senate in nearly 70 years.

He helped draft and pass bills establishing the portability of health insurance, the establishment of medical savings accounts, protection of patient confidentiality, a guarantee of 48-hour hospital coverage for mothers and newborns and allowing physicians to form their own health provider networks.

Committed to serve no more than two terms, Frist takes a common-sense approach to the tough problems that our nation and its government faces.

Earlier this spring, Frist and Ron Wylen sponsored an education reform measure called Ed-Flex, which was passed in the Senate.

Ed-Flex is designed to give states more flexibility to use federal funding, while removing some of the "strings" that had been attached in the past.

It also demonstrates to the public that federal education funds are being spent wisely. A similar measure was passed this year by the House of

Representatives.

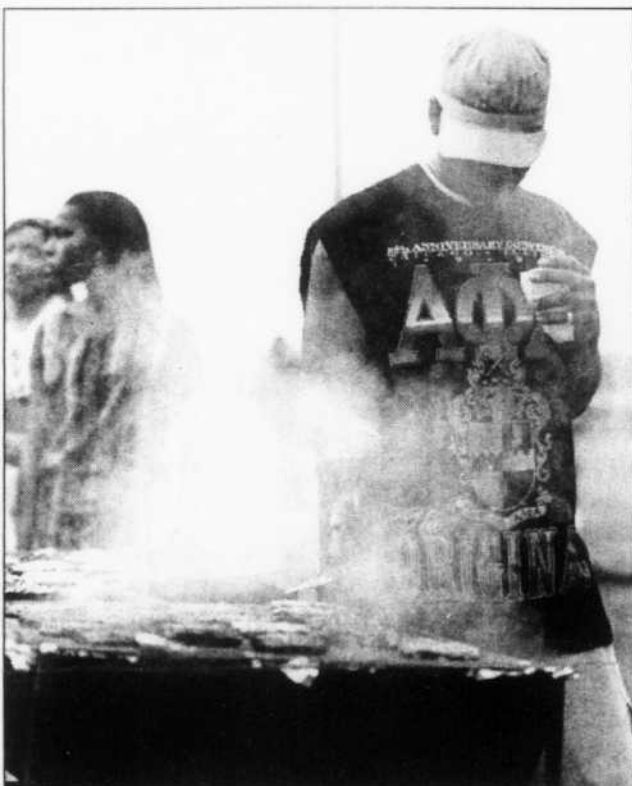
Frist is a graduate of Princeton University, the Wilson School of Public and International

Affairs and the Harvard University School of Medicine. He joined the Vanderbilt University Medical Center in 1986 and later directed the center's heart and lung transplant program, as well as the transplant center.

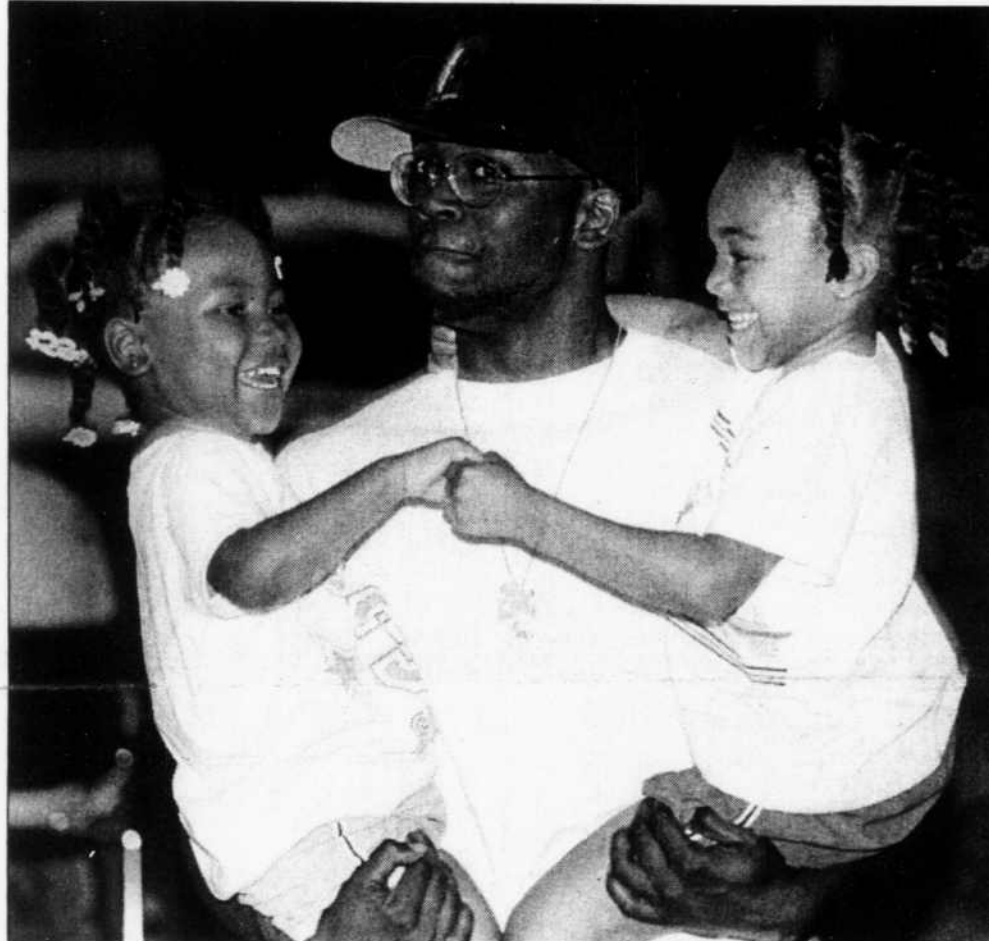
Of the more than 200 transplants he has conducted, one of them was the first pediatric heart transplant in Tennessee, while another was the first successful combined heart-lung transplant in the South.

Frist is deputy whip of the Senate and a member of the budget; commerce; science and transportation; health, education, labor and pensions; and foreign relations committees. He also chairs two subcommittees: science, technology and space; and public health. ■

## Celebrating Alpha Nic



Jamal Hipps burns some meat trying to feed the hungry people waiting in line.



Staff photos by Derrick Wilson

(Top) Dalvin Albea grimaces after being asked to babysit two children at the Alpha Nic.

(Left) William Hytche spikes the ball during a volleyball game.



## Greenland lot reserved for disabled during graduation

Staff reports

Are you a disabled person who has had trouble parking during MTSU's past graduations? If so, then your worries may be over.

University officials recently announced that the entire Greenland Lot A (the southwest portion of the Greenland Drive parking lot adjacent to Murphy Center) will be designated parking for disabled persons to help accommodate the large gathering during the May 8 graduation ceremony.

By doing this, approximately 75 parking spaces for disabled persons will be provided.

Greenland Lot A will also have a passenger drop-off area for persons with special needs.

This area will be indicated by signs posted in the lot.

Several chairs will be placed at the drop-off point for persons to use while waiting for friends or family members to park the vehicle.

There will also be parking attendants to greet and assist visitors.

MTSU's department of Public Safety suggests that all graduation guests refrain from stopping on Tennessee Blvd. in front of Murphy Center to pick up or drop off persons.

This will help prevent an unsafe traffic situation and risk of injury.

Over 1,200 MTSU graduates and undergraduates are scheduled to receive degrees at the commencement ceremony, which will start at 10 a.m. ■

## McCollum speaks at alumni-sponsored Cajun Feast Thursday

Chris Crockett  
Staff Reporter

Enough with the Ramen noodles.

Students will have a chance to sample Cajun cuisine at a cookout sponsored by the Rutherford County MTSU Alumni Chapter.

The Cajun Feast will be held Thursday, April 29, at 6 p.m. at Bubba and Kay Woodfin's, located at 1013 East Clark Blvd.

In the case of rain, the event

move to the Tennessee Livestock Center.

The event will feature Cajun gumbo, live music by Abe Manuel and the Cajuns, and presentation of the first Rutherford County Alumni Scholarship.

Speaking at the Cajun Feast will be Andy McCollum, new MTSU head football coach.

Tickets will be \$5 in advance or \$7 at the door with all proceeds benefiting the MTSU Alumni Chapter Scholarship.

For information or tickets, call 898-2922. ■

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LOW 60



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## ON CAMPUS

## MAY 7

All outstanding debts to MTSU must be paid in order to view grades via TRAM or WEBMT and/or receive a printed grade report upon request. All debts can be paid at the business office in Cope.

## ON GOING

Presbyterian Student Fellowship will host dinner and discussion on Wed at 6:30 p.m. located at the Fellowship House on 615 N Tennessee Blvd following the study there will be wallyball at 9 p.m. at the Rec Center. For more information call Rich Zeigler at 893-1787 or Andrew Lee at 867-7370.

Raider Victory Fellowship will have weekly meetings and Bible sessions on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at Corlew Hall room 719. They will meet on

Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at Cummings Hall lobby and at 8 p.m. at Felder Hall room 208. Contact Ricky Walters at 317-4541.

Dragon's Guard School of Sword Fighting and Reenactment teaches swordfighting techniques and swordplay. The school meets for practice at 7 p.m. at Middle Tennessee Christian School gymnasium on Tuesdays and Fridays. For more information contact Hunter Jones at 896-4596 or e-mail at shadowh@bellsouth.net.

MTSU Fencing Club will have practices every Monday at 8:30 p.m. till 10:30 p.m. in the Aerobics Room located in the Rec Center. The practices are geared to students of all skill levels. Contact Michael "Hunter" Jones at 896-4596 or e-mail at shadowh@bellsouth.net.

The Kingwood Heights Church of

Christ College Class will host monthly devotions every second Thursday at 6:30. Kingwood Heights Church is located at 115 East MTCS Road. Contact Chuck Mullins at 898-1086 or Alan Welker at 890-0940 for more information.

Raider Victory Fellowship will hold Sunday services at 10 a.m. in the Murphy Center. Contact Ricky Walters at 907-4079 for more information.

Campus Crusade for Christ will meet on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. in KUC room 322. Those interested may contact Courtney Rushlow at 849-7899 for more information.

The Tennis Club will have meetings every Wednesday at 7 p.m. and Saturday at 12 noon at the MTSU tennis courts. Players of all skill levels are welcome. Contact Carrie Hupp at 896-7164 for more information.

To submit an announcement for On Campus, submit information in person at James Union Building Room 310, mail information to campus box 42 or fax information to 904-8487. Due to space constraints, priority will be given to submissions with earlier deadlines.

# NATO meets to reaffirm position against Milosevic

WASHINGTON (AP)— In a summit-ending show of solidarity, NATO leaders promised military protection and economic aid to Yugoslavia's neighbors for standing with the West against Slobodan Milosevic. "If Mr. Milosevic threatens them for helping us, we will respond," President Clinton promised.

Before winding up the three-day meeting with his allies in the military operation against the Serbs in Yugoslavia, Clinton telephoned Boris Yeltsin on Sunday and urged the Russian leader to press Milosevic to accept a peaceful solution to the crisis.

"There has been this breathtaking explosion of freedom, but the old order has not yet been replaced by a new one," Clinton said, summarizing the position of the alliance as it begins its second half-century.

NATO's 19 members agreed in their talks to move toward an oil embargo to hinder Milosevic's war machine despite Russian objections and French misgivings over forcibly searching ships at sea. The leaders agreed to intensify the air attacks designed to force the Serbs to allow 1.4 million ethnic Albanians to return to their homes under international protection. But there was no agreement — and scant public discussion — of the possibility of introducing ground forces.

Clinton said the world one day would see as historic a

summit during which the leaders agreed to expand NATO's shield. "We have reaffirmed our readiness ... to address regional and ethnic conflicts beyond the territory of NATO members," he said.

In one of their final acts, NATO's leaders sat down with the representatives of the "frontline states" — Yugoslavia's seven neighbors, all feeling the fallout from the combat in Kosovo — and promised to stand by them.

"The nations of the region have risked, and even faced, armed confrontation with Serbia by facilitating and supporting our campaign to end the bloodshed in Kosovo," Clinton said.

Albania and Macedonia have been particularly hard hit, taking in nearly 500,000 Kosovar Albanian refugees fleeing from Yugoslav military action. The other neighboring countries are Bosnia, Bulgaria, Croatia, Romania and Slovenia.

"They need help and we are giving it to them," NATO spokesman Jamie Shea said. "We will not tolerate threats against them or attacks on them by Belgrade."

Summing up the three-day meeting, NATO Secretary-General Javier Solana said, "The most important message that you are going to get from this summit is the determination of all the allies and all the partners to reverse the situation in Kosovo."



## NATIONAL NEWS

## Simple math doomed income tax session

Nashville (AP)— In the end, it was a matter of simple arithmetic: proponents did not have enough votes in the General Assembly to pass a general state income tax in Tennessee.

After four weeks of a special session — at \$100,000 a week — Gov. Don Sundquist and state legislators are back to square one in their efforts to reform Tennessee's flawed tax system.

They reached that point on Thursday when Sen. Robert Rochelle, D-Lebanon, suddenly announced that no agreement could be reached on legislation to create a general income tax, remove the sales tax from grocery food, roll back state sales taxes and plug business tax loopholes.

That meant Sundquist and Rochelle could not round up the 18 votes needed in the 33-member Senate to pass the measure. The House was waiting for the Senate to make a decision before taking up tax reform in earnest.

With no new taxes, analysts say Tennessee faces a \$365 million shortfall in the fiscal year that begins July 1. Sundquist said he has notified his commissioners to be ready to lay off 2,000 workers, along with other budget cuts, if taxes are not raised.

Sundquist, a Republican who has long opposed a state income tax, crawled out on a political limb 10 days ago when he said he would sign tax reform legislation that included an income tax.

That set off powerful opposition, especially within his own Republican Party. Former state GOP chairman Tommy Hopper organized opposition to Sundquist's plan.

## Soldiers' bodies leave Fort Campbell for Dover

Fort Campbell, Ky. (AP)— "Today we grieve the loss of seven young heroes, seven mighty warriors," said Lt. Col. Douglas Carver, chaplain of the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault).

The Black Hawk helicopter toppled into a patch of trees early Thursday, killing seven and injuring four others. A team from the U.S. Army Safety Center at Fort Rucker, Ala., continues to investigate.

Those killed were members of the 5th Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment and 6th Battalion (Pathfinder), 101st Aviation Regiment, 159th Aviation Brigade.

At Dover, the soldiers' bodies will be prepared for burial in their hometowns.

## Gasoline prices rise in East, drop in West

Camarillo, Ca. (AP)— Gasoline prices continued to rise in the East but declined in the West, keeping the nationwide average about the same, an industry analyst said Sunday.

Crude oil price hikes forced pump prices up about 2 cents per gallon in states along the East Coast and the Gulf of Mexico, while prices dropped about 1.5 cents in the West and Midwest, according to the Lundberg Survey of 10,000 stations nationwide.

The national weighted average, including all grades and taxes, was \$1.2296 per gallon Friday, a 0.15 cent rise from two weeks earlier, analyst Tlibby Lundberg said.

"Behind that apparent lack of activity there, a lot has been going on," Ms. Lundberg said. "There have been price increases in Eastern and Gulf Coast states, which washed out the price cuts."

Explosions and problems in several California refineries caused prices to skyrocket in that state in recent weeks. However, increased supplies of gasoline have helped stabilize the market to knock down prices in the West, she said.

"The capacity is not all the way up to what it was, but as the situation normalizes in California, prices in the West will continue to topple," said Ms. Lundberg.

The average prices at self-service stations was \$1.1733 per gallon for regular gasoline, \$1.2748 for mid-grade and \$1.3598 for premium.



## WORLD NEWS

## Thirteen years later, Chernobyl's legacy as messy as ever

Kiev, Ukraine (AP)— Thirteen years after reactor No. 4 exploded at the Chernobyl atomic power plant in then-Soviet Ukraine, the legacy of the world's worst nuclear accident remains as messy as ever.

The downfall of the Soviet Union in 1991 provided hope for people still coping with the consequences of the April 26, 1986 explosion, offering promise that Chernobyl radiation victims would receive better treatment, that the leaky concrete-and-steel shelter covering the ruined reactor would be repaired, that an independent Ukraine would close the ill-fated plant for good. They're still hoping.

Urged by the West, Ukraine pledged to shut down the plant by 2000. Now it seems unlikely that the pledge will be fulfilled.

Last week, President Leonid Kuchma said it flat out: Chernobyl will continue to operate until the West provides Ukraine with the estimated \$1.2 billion necessary to complete two new nuclear reactors needed to compensate for the loss of the electricity Chernobyl provides.

The Group of Seven richest nations promised aid in 1995 to help Ukraine close Chernobyl, but the nation, strapped for energy and cash, has complained that the money has been slow in coming.

## Police fear racist bombing campaign after second explosion

London (AP)— Britain's ethnic minorities may be facing a wave of racially motivated violence, police said Sunday, a day after a neo-Nazi group claimed responsibility for a nail bomb that injured seven people.

The bombing in an area of London heavily populated by immigrants was the second of two attacks in eight days that have injured a total of 46 people, prompting fears of a systematic campaign to terrorize minorities.

"We retain very serious fears that this could be a continuing series of vicious attacks," said David Vaness of the Metropolitan police force. "We cannot in any way rule out the fact that those attacks might be taken to locations outside the London area."

A neo-Nazi organization, Combat 18, claimed responsibility for Saturday's afternoon explosion on a busy street in Brick Lane, home to a large Bangladeshi community. Authorities said the blast was caused by a nail bomb planted in a parked car.

The group was also among four self-styled far-right organizations that claimed to have planted a nail bomb that exploded April 17, injuring 39 people in Brixton, a racially mixed south London neighborhood.

## Thousands protest silently outside China government headquarters

Beijing (AP)— In the largest demonstration in Beijing since Tiananmen Square a decade ago, more than 10,000 people silently protested outside China's leadership compound Sunday to demand the right to freely practice a form of meditation.

Instead of loud calls for political change, adherents to Falun Gong — a brand of meditation and exercise — quietly and peacefully occupied sidewalks along the streets outside Zhongnanhai, where China's top leaders work.

From early Sunday until their orderly, peaceful dispersal late in the evening, people of all ages stood or sat on the sidewalks and did not block traffic.

Police sealed off the streets to all but buses and bikes. Uniformed police watched the crowd, but there were no attempts to interfere with the protesters.

It was unclear what prompted the sudden demonstration. But a young protester who gave his family name as Sun said followers were seeking legal protection and the right to practice Falun Gong. Officials in some areas were "meddling" and preventing people from practicing, he said.

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# The Littleton massacre: did the parents miss the warning signs?

Sharon Cohen  
Associated Press

LITTLETON, Colo. — Their friends portray them as the people next door: parents who attended Little League games, took their sons swimming and fishing, planned family trips and enjoyed the quiet of suburbia — until now.

The parents of Dylan Klebold and Eric Harris, whose murderous rampage Tuesday at Columbine High School left 15 dead, have dropped from sight, leaving friends to answer a haunting question that looms in this tragedy:

Did the parents turn a blind eye to warning signs their sons were deeply troubled?

Friends say what is extraordinary about the two families is how very ordinary they are: quiet people who celebrated Easters with neighbors, mowed their lawns, played hoops with their sons, sat on bleachers on long summer nights watching Little League.

"Eric's parents are what we would call dream parents," said Terry Condo, who coached Eric in Little League in Plattsburgh, N.Y., where his father, Wayne, an Air Force transport pilot, was stationed in the mid-1990s. "They were supportive, not critical. They didn't put undue pressure on their son."

"They raised their boys just like the rest of us," said Vicki Dehoff, a former neighbor of the Klebolds, who has known the family for 15 years. "The parents are not monsters."

But others have wondered how the parents missed so many red flags: The boys' admiration for Hitler. Their obsession with violent video games. Harris' venomous messages on the Internet, prompting one classmate's father to contact police last year after Eric allegedly urged others to kill his son.

And, of course, the boys' stockpiling of an arsenal, including semi-automatic guns, grenades and materials to make some 30 bombs.

"I think I would be a little concerned about my son's room if I went in there and I found a sawed-off shotgun barrel ... sitting out there," on the dresser, Jefferson County Sheriff John Stone said Saturday, referring to what police found in one boy's home. Bomb-making materials, he added, also were in sight.

"A lot of this stuff was clearly visible. The parents should have known," Stone added. "I think parents should be accountable for their kid's actions."

Colorado Gov. Bill Owens, on "Fox News Sunday," said if evidence of an impending massacre had been sitting in the open in a gunman's home, "perhaps charges will be filed and certainly should be filed" against the

parents.

Asked if parents should be liable if their children have guns, Attorney General Janet Reno said on NBC's "Meet the Press" that it's important to "identify who is responsible for them having guns — what they knew or should have known and take appropriate steps."

What the parents did know and when they knew it remains a mystery.

They have said nothing beyond written statements, including one Saturday from the Klebolds, saying they held a service for their 17-year-old son "who we loved as much as we knew how to love a child."

Dylan's father, Thomas, had volunteered to help authorities during Tuesday's siege after hearing his son was a suspect.

"We thought we should go to the school and try and effect his surrender, to play a role in trying to defuse what was going on," said Gary Lozow, a Klebold attorney, who contacted authorities on the father's behalf.

But it was too late.

Friends of the Klebolds describe them as caring, attentive parents.

"This is a conscientious, normal family that's done everything right," said Michael Briand, an associate of Mrs. Klebold. "This came as a bolt out of the blue because Dylan had apparently been making some progress. Apparently he was loosening his immersion in this Gothic culture."

Both Klebolds are professionals: Thomas, 52, a former geophysicist, runs a mortgage management business from his sleek \$400,000 cedar-and-glass home at the foot of the Rockies. He has been described as a liberal who favors gun control. Susan, 50, works for the Colorado community college system, helping train disabled students for the work world.

Mrs. Klebold was raised Jewish and her grandfather, Leo, was a prominent real estate developer and philanthropist in Columbus, Ohio, where a Jewish community center is named for him.

Before her son's funeral, Mrs. Klebold had her hair done and told her hairdresser that prejudice was never taught in their home and it pained her to see her son depicted as a monster.

There was no hint of family trouble years ago in the Klebold household, said Mrs. Dehoff, the former neighbor.

Mrs. Dehoff, whose daughter, Krysti, was near the school library where many of the dead were found, also is not surprised Dylan and Eric could conceal a yearlong plot to commit mass murder.

"There are so many kids whose goal in life is to hide their plans," she said. "Most of us are the last ones to see our kids in trouble. You're just blinded by ... love." ■

## Get a job



Staff photo by Derrick Wilson

Students in the recording industry management program attend a RIM career fair Friday morning. The fair was held in the main street of the John Bragg Mass Communication Building.

## Venezuelans vote on rewritten constitution proposed by Chavez

Sharon Cohen  
Associated Press

CARACAS, Venezuela — The centerpiece of President Hugo Chavez's agenda for a "social revolution" in Venezuela — his proposal for a new constitution — went before the people Sunday in a nationwide referendum.

Some 11 million Venezuelans were eligible to vote on whether to form an assembly to rewrite the constitution, and whether to approve the terms Chavez has laid out for electing the assembly's members.

Polls opened on schedule Sunday, but lines were short and voters appeared to be staying away. Still, Chavez is highly popular — his

approval ratings top 80 percent — and the measure was expected to pass.

Chavez's opponents fear he will use a new constitution to install an authoritarian regime. But the president contends the change is needed to overhaul a corrupt political system that has impoverished most of Venezuela's people.

"It's about the country's challenge to bring legitimacy to the democratic process and to reclaim the essence of what a democracy should be, generating security and justice for the people," he said moments before casting his ballot amid a throng of admirers.

A former army paratrooper who staged a bloody coup attempt in 1992, Chavez has alarmed the political

opposition by saying the proposed assembly also should dissolve Congress and the Supreme Court.

Accompanying Chavez to the polls Sunday were other leaders of his unsuccessful revolt, including Zulia state governor Francisco Arias and secret police chief Jesus Urdaneta.

Many scholars say Venezuela's 1961 constitution could be reformed without a costly and time-consuming constituent assembly. The country has had 25 constitutions since 1811, and some of Chavez's opponents believe adopting No. 26 will do little to address Venezuela's fundamental malaise.

But the proposed writ has come to symbolize Chavez's vow to shake up a system that most Venezuelans believe has failed them. ■

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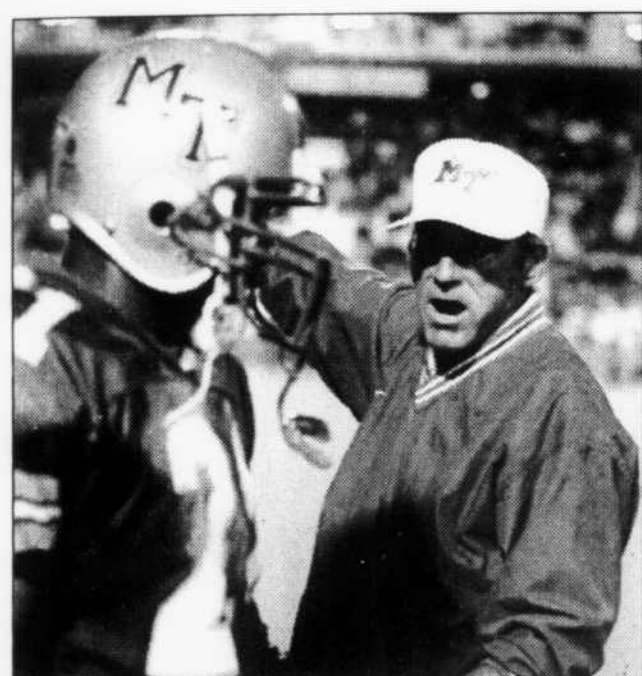
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# The Year In Pictures

Staff photos by Derrick Wilson



Former Raider coach Boots Donnelly instructs Sulecio Sanford against Eastern Illinois on Oct. 24. Sanford is the only Raider to be drafted in the NFL this year. The Chicago Bears picked him up in the seventh round.



A member of Delta Zeta puts her soul into the Greek All-Sing competition on April 15.



Lambda protests outside President Walker's home on April 6. They began the protest after the refusal to include sexual orientation in MTSU's discrimination policy. Lambda has been trying to get the phrase added for years.

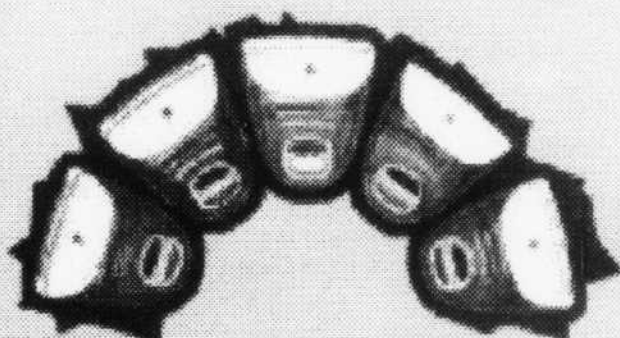
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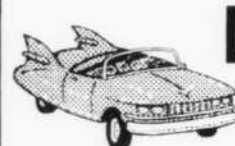


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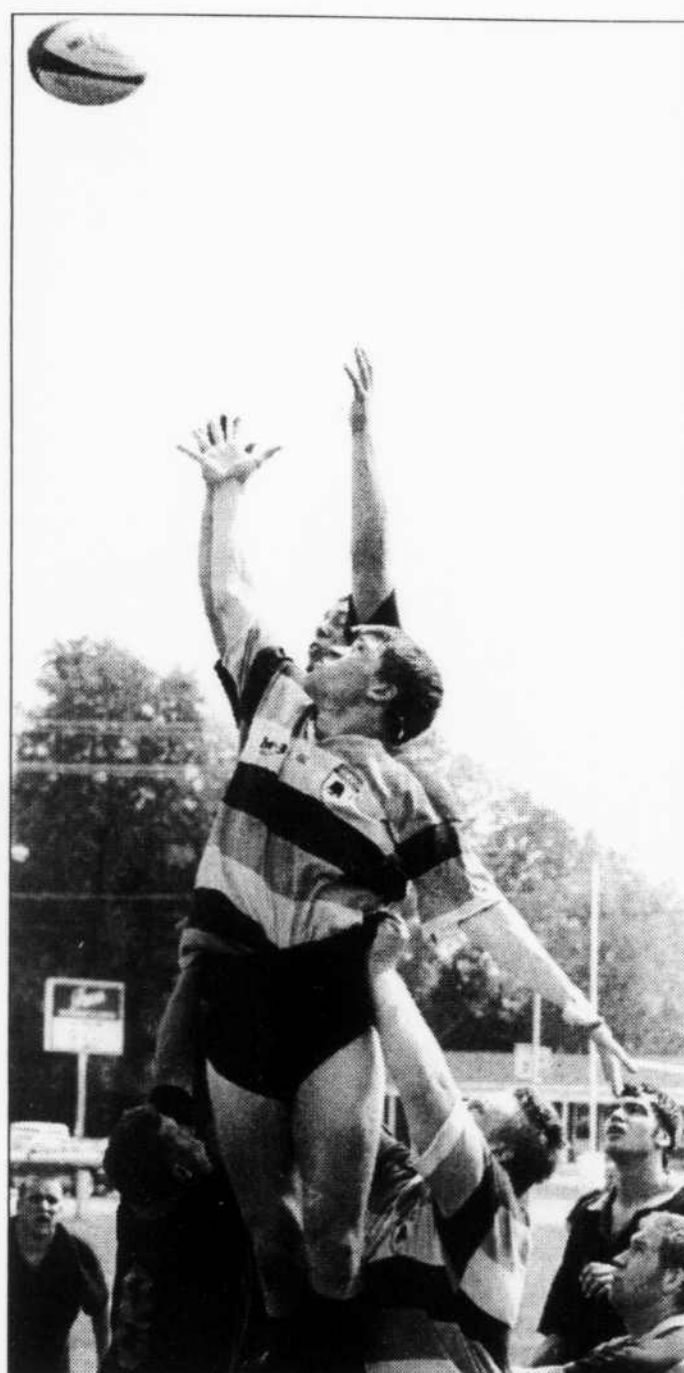
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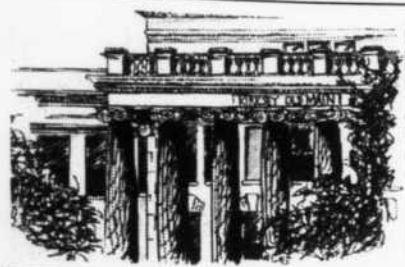
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First impression: What??? Let's clarify a few quick things. Every column I have tried to point out some misjustice in society.

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To the editor:

Coincidentally, the day that I joined Lambda in its protest against President James Walker for his refusal to add sexual orientation to the nondiscrimination policy, I had occasion to speak with Charles Kimbrough, who sold me my membership in the Nashville chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). The Nashville chapter has recognized Dr. Kimbrough's outstanding contributions by naming an award after him, as I discovered while sitting at one of the many tables he worked to fill at this year's Freedom Fund Banquet, benefiting the Nashville NAACP.

Kimbrough wished me luck in the battle against "Brother Walker's" intransigence. Mercifully, the heterosexual African-American leaders I know in Middle Tennessee disagree with Kevin Neal Fisher's attempt to dismiss discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

If, as Fisher claims, the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., would be spinning in his grave at the idea of including lesbians and gay men in his banner of universal civil rights, why did his widow, Coretta Scott King, appear on the floor of the United States Senate to show her support when that body voted on a bill to prohibit employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation?

Why did the Rev. C.T. Vivien, a leader in Nashville's sit-in movement during the early 1960s, when speaking at the inaugural meeting of the Nashville Coalition Against Racism, explicitly include lesbians and gays in his list of groups that have benefited from, and emulated, King's example.

Why did Benjamin Hooks, a former executive director of the NAACP, in response to my question two years ago at the Tennessee Conference of Historians, insist that most black civil rights leaders had always supported the civil rights claims of lesbians and gay men?

My predecessor as co-chair of the Lesbian and Gay Coalition for Justice, Horace Griffin — a black man who earned a Ph.D. in religion from Vanderbilt University and served as chair of the department of religion and philosophy at Fisk University before leaving Nashville — used to say that the religious conservatives were wrong about race, and they are wrong about sexuality.

Who better than a black gay man to know?

Very truly yours,

William B. Turner

visiting asst. professor of history

co-chair, Lesbian and Gay Coalition for Justice

### Takeover Day furthers Walker's agenda

To the editor:

April 9 marked MTSU's eighth annual Executive Takeover Day, during which dozens of management-level business professionals were permitted to enter campus classrooms and address students on corporate-career prospects in their respective fields of study. The event is sponsored by the Jennings Jones Chair of Free Enterprise Studies, which exists to promote the sorts of activities its name suggests. Executive speakers were undoubtedly hesitant to add the fact that this chair, and with it the university-endorsed right to solicit students according to its annual agenda, was literally sold to Jennings Jones by the former President of our University in exchange for 1 million dollars of funding. This sort of transformation of academic programs (and of those student minds to which they give their purchaser access) to commodity-units with a market price is not exceptional; our own university boasts of multiple such million-dollar chairs, and the offer remains, as it has for years, on the proverbial table. However, this practice is more questionable than the interests of our executive guests permit them to let on: The point is that increasingly the power to set educational agendas is given not to students or to educators, but to those with simply enough money to buy it.

President Walker's presence at this year's executive's luncheon can only be read by students as a statement of his willingness to continue the practice of auctioning off to the highest bidders those young minds in his charge. In fact, the "takeover" is only a less subtle example of a larger trend in the corporatizing of public education and of the growing dependence of these schools upon big business. The problem with this trend, which includes the recent "exclusive contract" given by MTSU to Coca-Cola, goes beyond the obvious fact that it increases the profit and thus the power of these corporations over human lives (power, for example, to pay their adolescent workers of color in a day what a single one of their products vends for in the US—such as Coca-Cola, with our support, is doing all over the third world, and typically at the expense of domestic jobs which are dissolved by the thousands in plant relocation). Equally important is the classic conflict of interest which this trend sets up: Just as newspapers must limit their coverage to content which supports the direct interests of their advertisers, the marriage of the corporate and academic worlds has the necessary effect of keeping the views of the classroom in check. This explains why the JJ Chair's commitment to promoting "free enterprise studies" must never be permitted by the university to entail any genuine critical engagement of free enterprise itself, any discussion of its benefits, drawbacks, and alternatives (which the traditional and ordinary notion of "study" would imply); instead, the virtues of the market system are assumed from the beginning, the rest being commentary, as must be the case if the support of contributors like Jones and other "executives" whose wealth depends upon this system is to continue. (So much for any "free market" of ideas, students; you'll take what you're given.) President Walker and the teachers who yielded Friday's classtime to the executives are deliberately helping to ensure a future in which a rich minority have the opportunity to dictate to the student masses whatever curriculum benefits them.

Unfortunately, it isn't the interests of the students which are winning out in this conflict. This can be seen with one glance at the homepage for the Tennessee Board of Regents, which forms the actual governing body of our college system: Appropriately, the biographies of the Board's 18 members list a banker, a stockbroker, a corporate CEO, manager and presidents, a business consultant, a member of the Tennessee Board of Economic Growth, a real estate developer, and a couple of well-to-do lawyers, but a mere two persons boasting of any experience whatsoever in secondary education! A full nine-tenths of these members, then, lack even the most elementary qualifications for their job; how can such a demographic be said to reflect a system with education as priority? The bigger point here is that all of this is neither unusual nor accidental: As is the case with all such national Boards (virtually any of which will show a demographic similar to ours), the Regents weren't chosen for any special sensitivity to the interests of university students, but rather for their friendliness to those of the business sector which they represent. The members' own job descriptions, as that of our president, will inevitably reflect this. (That our State is no exception to the general rule is reflected further in the Congressional voting record of the Board's Chairman, Governor Don Sundquist, in which he demonstrates his outright hostility to student aid on multiple occasions.)

Members of Middle Tennessee Solidarity, a campus-based socialist, feminist, anti-racist organization, met executives and passersby at the JUB on Friday to distribute literature and raise awareness about the increasing influence of private business interests upon their education. We encouraged students to stand up and declare that their minds are not for sale, despite the

wishes of our president and his wealthy bedfellows. We encourage Sidelines' readers to do the same. Parties interested in these and related concerns are welcome to contact Solidarity at eng2001a@frank.mtsu.edu.

Joshua R. Liner  
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### Fisher has his anatomy confused

Mr Fisher:

After reading "From the Heart," your column regarding Lambda's desire to alter the anti-discrimination policy for their inclusion, I wonder whether or not you have your anatomy confused. I am outraged and concerned at the ease in which you employ the noun "America" and the pronoun "we" to satisfy your paranoia.

Not everyone in the United States "mistreated... black[s]" ("America felt that was justification enough") and I doubt the whole student body will rally in an effort to stop gay and lesbian demonstrations ("We will do everything within our power to insure some appropriate standards...").

I do not want my ancestors (Native Americans and Italian immigrants) nor I, a divorced middle-aged woman, linked to your homophobic mentality. I, too, am conscious of my ancestors' past and ongoing plight of oppression; nonetheless, I choose to live in the present — sans a label-maker protruding from my back pocket — and will continue their cause by proudly walking through the doors they have opened for me and by becoming a compassionate, stable and hard-working individual within a diversified society.

I couldn't help but notice the title "Tennessee Right to Life" beneath your name. Does the "right to life" mean that every individual is guaranteed the right to live the life they choose or must they live their life according to your specific guidelines on appropriate behavior?

I ask this question because of your contradicting statements. You write that you "would never EVER suggest that discrimination against gays is acceptable," yet you also believe that "Lambda should be restricted from participating in any school activities, from requesting activity fees and BANNED from meeting on campus whatsoever." (Fisher's emphasis)

You also inquire as to "when are gay Americans gonna start fighting for their rights without dragging African-Americans, women and the disabled into their battles?" Throughout my lifetime I have made and cherished friendships with some gays and lesbians, and not once had they imposed upon me an account of their bedroom activities. The time spent developing those friendships, however, allowed me to recognize that their sexual preference is what sets them apart from the norm and is the cause of their discrimination. I believe the comparison to past suffrages is their way of pointing out that history has a tendency to repeat itself, and it those past suffrages that paved the way for them to overtly express their beliefs (i.e. the homecoming float) without being subjected to threats (any questionable attempts by Lambda to spoil our homecoming this year will be thwarted by yours truly).

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Sincerely,  
M.F. Mitchell

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To the editor:

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### Civil rights leaders support gays' struggle

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Coincidentally, the day that I joined Lambda in its protest against President James Walker for his refusal to add sexual orientation to the nondiscrimination policy, I had occasion to speak with Charles Kimbrough, who told me my membership in the Nashville chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). The Nashville chapter has been awarded after him, as I discovered while sitting at one of the many tables he worked to fill at this year's Freedom Fund Banquet, benefiting the Nashville NAACP.

Kimbrough wished me luck in the battle against "Brother Walker's" intransigence. Naturally, the heterosexual African-American leaders I knew at Middle Tennessee disagree with Kevin Neal Fisher's attempt to dismiss discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

If, as Fisher claims, the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., would be spinning in his grave at the idea of including lesbians and gay men in his banner of universal civil rights, why did his widow, Coretta Scott King, appear on the floor of the United States Senate to show her support when that body voted on a bill to prohibit employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation?

Why did the Rev. C.T. Vivian, a leader in Nashville's sit-in movement during the early 1960s, when speaking at the inaugural meeting of the Nashville Coalition Against Racism, explicitly include lesbians and gays in his list of groups that have benefited from, and emulated, King's example?

Why did Benjamin Hooks, a former executive director of the NAACP, in response to my question two years ago at the Tennessee Conference of Historians, insist that most black civil rights leaders had always supported the civil rights claims of lesbians and gay men?

My predecessor as co-chair of the Lesbian and Gay Coalition for Justice, Horace Griffin — a black man who earned a Ph.D. in religion from Vanderbilt University and served as chair of the department of religion and philosophy at Fisk University before leaving Nashville — used to say that the religious conservatives were wrong about race, and they are wrong about sexuality.

Who better than a black gay man to know?

Very truly yours,  
William B. Turner  
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co-chair, Lesbian and Gay Coalition for Justice

### Takeover Day furthers Walker's agenda

To the editor:

April 9 marked MTSU's eighth annual Executive Takeover Day, during which dozens of management-level business professionals were permitted to enter campus classrooms and address students on corporate career development in their respective fields of study. The event is sponsored by the Jennings Jones Chair of Free Enterprise Education, which exists to promote the sorts of activities its name suggests. Executive speakers were undoubtedly expected to add the fact that this chair, and with it the university's endorsed right to solicit students according to an unpaid agenda, was literally sold to Jennings Jones by the former President of our University in exchange for 1 million dollars of funding. Thus sort of transformation of academic programs and of those student minds to which they give their precious and scarce commodity of time with a market price is not exceptional, our own university boasts of multiple such million-dollar raises, and the offer remains, as it has for years, on the proverbial table. However, this practice is more questionable than the interests of our corporate guests would have it be. The point is that our university has the power to set educational agendas in given not to students or to educators, but to those with enough money to buy it.

President Walker's presence at this year's executive's luncheon can only be read by his minutes as a statement of his willingness to continue the practice of auctioning off to the highest bidder those young minds in his charge. In fact, the "Takeover" is only a less subtle example of a larger trend in the privatization of public education and of the growing dependence of these schools upon big business. The problem with this trend, which includes the recent "voluntary" merger by MTSU to Occidental, goes beyond the simple fact that it increases the corporate control over these institutions over time. It also means that the practice of auctioning off to the highest bidder those young minds in his charge. In fact, the "Takeover" is only a less subtle example of a larger trend in the privatization of public education and of the growing dependence of these schools upon big business. 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## The URHA Source

by Justin McLeod

### Barbecue

URHA is holding a barbecue Tuesday, April 27, beginning at 4 p.m. at the Recreation Center sun deck. All residents of housing are welcome to join us for some fun in the sun. For that matter, everyone on campus is welcome. However, if you would like to eat, you must bring your RHA card. If you don't have one then ask your DA or RA about getting one, or have an RA or someone we know to vouch for you. We have free reign of the outdoor pool and volleyball courts, so come ready to play. Hopefully, we will also have some musical entertainment.

### Elections

Elections for the new URHA officers were held last Thursday. As of now, the ballots have not yet been counted. I do know that there are two positions that need to be filled. If you are interested in helping your residents and want to make a difference in campus housing, talk to your local government member or an RA.

### Logo Winner

I know I promised that the winner would be announced last week, but we had problems choosing a winner from all of the fine entries that we received. Finally, we have chosen a winner. Congratulations to Corey Foster of Cummings Hall. You are the winner of the contest. We will be using the logo as soon as possible. URHA would like to thank all of the people who participated in the contest. Thank you.

### Wrap Up

The end of the school year has come upon us once again. It has been a strange one for me and, I suppose, the rest of URHA. We have had our ups and downs, but we are all better for it. I hope next year we can get more support from the residents on campus. This column was meant to be a voice of residents on campus, not just the voice of one person. I had hoped that more people would use this column to speak out about their concerns. Instead, I have had to blaze the trail by myself. I think, though, that URHA has taken a step in the right direction. We are trying to become more prevalent on campus. We want to unite residents on campus in order to make it a community of people who know and like each other. Thank you to all who have helped URHA move in a positive direction for the future and good luck on your finals. ■

### DISAPPROVAL

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were't seeking any special privileges or rights, we simply wanted to be treated equally and fairly as human beings.

People from all walks of life joined in this movement: blacks, whites, Jews, protestants, gays and religious people, liberals and conservatives, all coming together to stand up to a system that encouraged human rights abuses (did you know that in 1937, President Roosevelt, a Democrat) was presented with legislation that would have made lynching a federal crime? He refused, saying it was a "Southern problem."

Having said this, maybe a better question is this: Why is this even a topic? This is a university; we are all here to get our educations and get out. Why should an issue like sexual preference come up? What would happen if a few students got together and wanted to form a nudist club and meet here on campus?

Well, under Title IX, they would have the legal right to do so. But, technically, local laws would prevent this from happening. So, to some extent, Lambda gets some privileges others would not. Chances are, YOU THE READER, could not form a group on this campus based on your sexuality UNLESS YOU WERE GAY!!! Now, something seems unfair in all this, huh? Hmmnn.....

Discrimination does exist in our society. At some point every group in society faces discrimination. We hear of the James Byrds, the Matthew Shepards, and the Central Park Joggers of the world, but we never hear of straight white men who are victimized.

Why? Do they never get beaten

up? So, in summary, we have to either narrow our focus to concentrate on extreme cases and hope we can alter future generations attitudes and behaviors, or we turn this into a free-for-all, where every segment of society becomes locked in a Social Darwinistic battle to see who becomes the oppressors in the next generation and who becomes the oppressed.

Here's hoping, for all our sakes, we concentrate on learning to live together as one society, not fragmented. Jesus taught us to love each other unconditionally, and I try my best to do so.

Regardless of whether I approve of your lifestyle, or even if you disapprove of mine, my parents taught me to be tolerant of others. No one says I have to support every lifestyle. In fact, anything outside of a basic heterosexual Christian union seems wrong to me. That's my opinion. Just as all of you are entitled to yours, I am entitled to mine. I would happily defend your right to do as you please, and I would hope I would receive the same courtesy.

Whoops! I better stop now. Someone may find something hateful in what I'm saying. I guess anyone can find hate if they look hard enough, huh? P.S. Now if anyone finds anything hateful in this column, all I can say is...WAAAAAAHHHHHH!!!!

Til next time!

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### LETTERS

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Award out of sympathy because she had a hard childhood.

Reporter Courtney Ashford seems to have given in to the worst trend in contemporary journalism, reporting only the "juicy" human interest angle, as if that was the story. To the contrary, the story was about accomplishments, none of which were mentioned.

Judy's combination of abilities is very rare in my experience. As one of the planners with and the spokeswoman for the Student Art Alliance, she has worked tirelessly to raise the visibility of the art department and to campaign for a new facility.

In this capacity, Judy has prepared letters — to

MTSU art faculty, to Provost Barbara Haskew and to Tennessee Higher Education Commission Director Richard Rhoda to mention but three examples — that not only manage a balance in tone and expression, but also possess a seemingly effortless clarity in purpose and message. Her well developed graphic design acumen has further enhanced this campaign. Judy's 3.9 GPA is clearly well deserved.

Judy's selfless, prolonged and ongoing efforts to improve the image of MTSU — as well as the health and well-being of future art students at MTSU — surely makes her worthy of the Robert C. LaLance, Jr., Achievement Award. I thought your readers ought to know the real story.

Charles R. Jansen, Ph.D.

professor of art history ■



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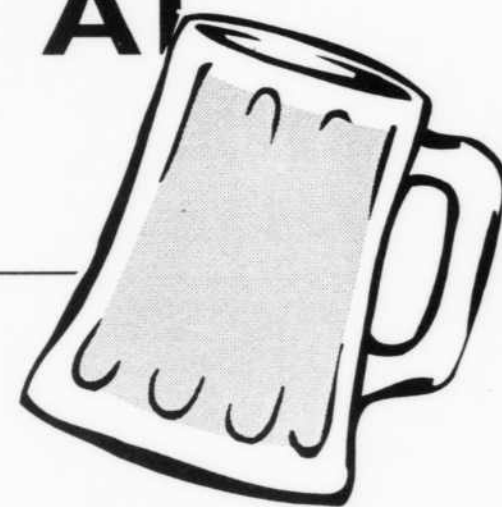
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# FEATURES

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## Ocoee...eee...eee's Rushing rapids



Stacy Jones, seated back, guides rafters along the rapid, Double Trouble, on the Ocoee River.

Photo provided by Whitewater photography

**Stacey Jones**  
Staff Reporter

People come here from all over the world to get their pants wet. Flooded drawers and soggy shoes are a fact of life at the Ocoee River,

an attraction that brings visitors to the small town of Ocoee, Tenn., every year.

"My friends and I splashed around in the river for years, but in 1975 we got this crazy idea to raft it," says J.T. Lemons, co-owner of Ocoee Outdoors Rafting Company. "So that is exactly what we did, and believe it or not we started a company."

Now, there are over 10 companies that attract 125,000 people each season. In the busy months of July and August, the river hosts 8,000 people each weekend.

The drive to the river on the long and curvy Hwy. 64 makes everyone anxious to hit the cool water.

Equipped with paddles, helmets and life jackets, the crew gets ready for the Ocoee challenge.

Last-minute instructions are given as the passengers squish themselves into the large inflatable raft and smile at each other. Rick, the river guide, gives them a push and jumps in back to begin the ride.

"All forward," yells the guide. The passengers glance at each other and dig their paddles into the white current.

Everyone's face portrays the look of pure excitement as the raft slides over the first rapid, known affectionately as Grumpy's. There are bigger rapids yet to come, but Grumpy's definitely gives the rafters a taste for more.

After several more rapids, the current allows the guide to steer the boat to the river's side to sift the water from the boat and customers. The crew works together to empty the raft of excess water. One girl grabs the bucket and gives a friend a cold splash in the face.

Everyone gets readjusted, and Rick issues more commands such as, "left side back," "right side forward," and "dig dig dig." Soon, they hit another big rapid, Broken Nose.

"My friend and I were in the front of the raft and we got soaked," says a college student from Mississippi. "I don't think the people in the back got too wet, but my ears were ringing from their loud screams."

Next, it's time to surf. The guide instructs the crew, and with all their strength they dig their paddles into the water. The raft slowly turns, then gets faster, and now it's moving in circles. The big blue raft turns in a clockwise motion, then back the other way, continually moving. Everyone gets drenched as they slide around inside the slippery boat, keeping it balanced. The crew laughs hysterically as the raft slowly pops out of the surfing hole and moves down river.

The passengers are now dripping wet from surfing, and their arms are numb from the constant paddling. When the current eventually calms, the tired rafters, with their life jackets and helmets securely fastened, plunge into the river and float. The water is calm and a bit chilly, but the crew seems to enjoy the time to relax and splash their families and friends.

"The next section of the river is wonderful," says a 56-year-old returning customer. "We don't have to paddle. We can just sit back and watch the beautiful scenery."

The trees surrounding the river sway from side to side as the rafters breathe the moist Tennessee air. A honeysuckle scent lingers, giving the atmosphere a fresh aroma.

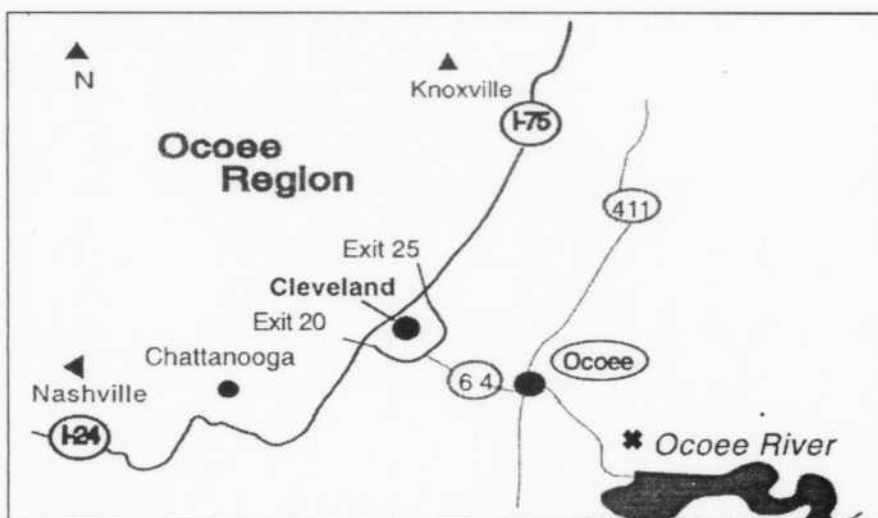
Everyone is staring into the mountains as the next rapid takes them by surprise. This rapid is named Sneaky Pete and "sneak" is exactly what it does. No one expects it as Rick yells, "Hold on!" and the raft falls down the slender waterfall.

"Where did that come from?" asks the whole crowd in unison.

"Turn around, guys!" the guide screams, "We all have to work together on this one!"

Everybody is serious as Rick yells, "Paddle forward now!"

Swish! The raft hits Double Suck. The front of the boat jerks forward into the deep hole and shoots back up, before falling into the calmness below.



Map by Stacy Jones

"Wow, that was so awesome," says Jon, a teenager from Cleveland, Tenn.

The rafters then turn the boat to the right to conquer Double Trouble, the rapid where most passenger photos are taken. Everyone has an imprinted smile on their face from constant laughter as the raft flies above the whitewater.

"I've never come across the same expression on anyone's face as they come over this Class III rapid," says John Ogden, head photographer and owner of Whitewater Photography at the Ocoee.

After everyone settles down, the raft approaches Jump Rock, a huge rock passengers can mount and jump from. The current is calm and there are no rocks.

As he positions to dive, a 12-year-old boy announces he has jumped four times.

The ride continues to excite the customers with several huge rapids, but is now slowly coming to an end.

But wait, one more rapid remains. Viewers are perched on the riverside watching the customers as they approach Hell's Hole. They slip to the side of one rock and down another. The boat turns swiftly to the left and they quickly swing through the last rapid holding their paddles and grasping for air. The passengers in front sink down into the ballooned raft, while those in back fly forward into the front seats.

Everyone is ecstatic and worn out as they head toward the raft takeout.

"Can we do it again?" ■

### If you go

The whitewater adventure is great family, friend or individual fun. The price ranges from \$25 to \$38 according to the rafting company. Customers must be over 12 years old to ride the water. Other activities are available for younger children while on the river. The rafting trip requires moderate degree of physical exertion. The Ocoee River Challenge is a one-day event, taking four hours to raft the five-mile run.

If you have the time, Ocoee has much more outdoor fun. There are beginner and expert hiking and mountain biking trails to keep you busy. Horseback riding, kayaking and canoeing, hang gliding, parachuting, climbing, repelling, fly fishing and shopping are available in the area. There is a beautiful lake awaiting out-of-town skiers and swimmers.

Scenic views are everywhere, and you should not miss capturing on film the wonderful Smoky Mountains. Picnic areas are provided alongside the lake and river. A model of the Olympic river run is on display near Ocoee Outdoors Rafting Company and the Olympic Ocoee Whitewater Center is a sight you wouldn't want to miss.

Camp sites are available at many rafting companies and other designated areas. For the less outdoors-oriented person, cabins and hotels also are close by.

It is a three-hour trip to visit the Ocoee from Nashville.

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## Kicking up their heels

*Dancers show style in 'Time Trax'*

**Vickie Gibson**  
Staff Reporter

Whatever style of dance you might prefer you could find this past weekend as MTSU dancers filled Tucker Theatre with ballet, tap, jazz, classical, hip-hop and modern styles of dance and music from every decade of the 20th century.

The MTSU Performing Arts Company's spring show, "Time Trax," performed both Friday and Saturday nights, featuring dances from the primitive "The Hunt" to the present-day "Repeat That Beat" as the program chronicled dance throughout history. It was the dance club's finale for the semester and also the last show as part of the HPER department. Dance will move to the speech and theatre department in the fall.

The variety of dance was tremendous, and so was the variety of music in the program, which was directed by student Angela Armstrong with dance instructor Anne Holland as artistic director. Lighting effects were especially dramatic and appropriate for many dances but slightly overdone at times. Costumes were mostly simple and well done, with the exception of a few obviously missing hats that spoiled the look of a couple of productions.

Presented in chronological order, the dances were choreographed and performed by students enrolled in dance classes or members of the dance club with the exception of two young ballet dancers featured in "A Gathering of Snow" choreographed by Holland in the style of Isadora Duncan.

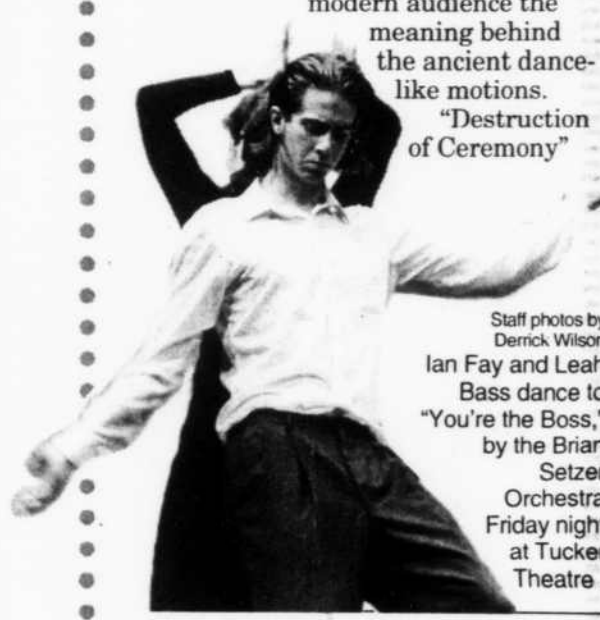
The tribute to Duncan representing the early 1900s, performed by the Duncan Dancers, was one of the program's best productions. This production was a crowd favorite with two young Isadorables, Holly Comer and Caitlin Davis-Hatcliff, stealing the limelight every time they came on stage. The young Caitlin showed she could keep up with the older dancers performing classic ballet to the music of Tchaikovsky. But "oohs" from the audience were heard whenever tiny Holly spun across the stage.

As a big fan of Bob Fosse' choreography, I particularly enjoyed Armstrong's "Big Spender" in the 60s portion of the show. The Fosse' tribute featured dancers Caroline Chambers, Rebecca Chalton, Leslie Loney, Celina Vasek, Stacie Frazier, Amanda Arthur, Susan E. Armstrong, Susan M. Edwards, Sarah Lamar, Nicole Stegner, Brandi Wilkerson, Jenny Wade and Nicole Sadler with Ian Fay as the big spender.

With a lone spotlight bouncing off his silver suit, Terry Summers ignited the stage with his self-choreographed "Street Dance" that highlighted the 1980s section of the evening.

Among my least favorites were the dances representing primitive times, such as "The Hunt" and "Egyptian," both choreographed by Angela Armstrong. They were too brief to fully communicate to a modern audience the meaning behind the ancient dance-like motions.

"Destruction of Ceremony"



Staff photos by  
Derrick Wilson  
Ian Fay and Leah  
Bass dance to  
"You're the Boss,"  
by the Brian  
Setzer  
Orchestra  
Friday night  
at Tucker  
Theatre.

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## DANCE

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choreographed by Valerie Hackworth and "Shroud" choreographed by Lisa Lewis were more involved dances that utilized great lighting techniques and were more easily understood.

The popular dancing era of the 20s was depicted in two productions choreographed by Armstrong, the too brief "Roaring 20s" and the unusual "Safe Keeping." The highlight of this era was Lori Pyles performing a solo flapper tap dance titled "B.S. Chorus" by choreographer Tommy Sutton.

The toe-tapping "My Babe" and the sexy "Cookin'," both choreographed by Armstrong, kicked off the 30s. The brief and odd "Lamentation," a tribute to choreographer Martha Graham, was performed and choreographed by Armstrong.

Nicki Russell and Pyles performed beautiful ballet on pointe in their self-choreographed "Morning Dew."

"W. W. Tango" brought humor into the popular dance as choreographed by dancers Armstrong, Francisco Ramos, Ian Fay, Cindy Clemans, David Clemans and Leah Bass.

Leslie Loney's "Ritzy Side of Town" depicted the 1940s well and was performed by Loney, Holly Scobee, Tina Harlan and Valerie Hackworth.

Holland choreographed "Standard Equipment," which depicted a televised dance show of the 50s.

The 60s portion included the music of The Beatles in "Summer of Love" choreographed by Christy Rose.

Dancers Cindy Clemans, Bass, Rose and Armstrong were wonderful in the 70s production "Where There is Lightning..." choreographed by Lisa Barley which also featured David Clemans, Rodgers Clay, Fay and Ramos. Armstrong's "Boogie Shoes" showcased the disco style that defined that decade.

The 80s were heralded with "Music You Love To Hate," choreographed by Alexis Michael and Katie Griffith, which featured well-known tunes of the era from



Angela Armstrong performs a self-choreographed modern dance as a tribute to dancer Martha Graham

dance movies such as "Flashdance" and "Footloose."

Choreographer Jamie L. Parker used chorus line style moves in "Interface - Can You Take It?" Vida Whipple stood out "In The Mood" which she choreographed and performed with Gin Thomas, Nyoka Taylor, Holly Scobee, Pyles, Russell and Armstrong.

The 1990s included a wider variety of dance styles than any other decade including the energetic modern dance of "Get Live," choreographed by dancers Andrea Gooch, Brandi Grenese, Angela Gooch, and Summers.

Great lighting effects added to the presentations of "Oppression" choreographed by Cindy Clemans and Bass and "Colonization" choreographed by Seanna Parrish.

Armstrong's "Hoofin'" created its own music by the beat of the dancers' feet, sticks tapped in rhythm on the floor, and with various other objects carried by the dancers themselves.

Whipple's "Repeat That Beat" closed the show with all the dance club members dancing to music by Gloria Estefan. ■

## 1999 best and worst

Only 11 months to go 'til the 2000 Academy Awards. I'm a bit anxious after this year's, which left me with mixed feelings. Bravo for Benigni, Spielberg and Gwyneth Paltrow. But the other recipients were sad examples of lifetime achievement and industry popularity supplanting superior work. (Don't get me started on the Carrey snub.)

I immediately began pondering next year's awards and making some preliminary predictions. Most of them were pure speculation, as I realized that, in the four months of 1999 so far, I've yet to see an Oscar-worthy film or performance. With no award shows in sight (except for the MTV Movie Awards, an event so blessed with sophistication that they nominated "Armageddon" and "There's Something About Mary" for Best Picture), I came up with my own awards to honor (or dishonor) 1999's early films — films you probably won't hear about in March 2000.

## BEST COMEDY

You probably didn't see it, but Mike Judge's irreverent workplace comedy "Office Space" bests every other comedy this year. It is subversive and sour, and its barbed humor makes the comic strip "Dilbert" seem more like "The Family Circus." Judge layers hardcore gangsta rap onto his soundtrack, accompanying three techno-geeks as they stick it to "the man." Consistently laugh-out-loud funny, "Office Space" was one you shouldn't have missed.

**WORST TEEN MOVIE:** "She's All That" wasn't all that.

**BEST TEEN MOVIE:** It was clichéd beyond belief and, in some scenes, resembled an extended music video more than it did a movie, but with Jon Voight hamming it up as a dictatorial football coach and a surprising display of range by lead James Van Der Beek, "Varsity Blues" was pleasantly entertaining. Though he struggled with the Texas accent at times, Van Der Beek's efforts here and in his funny SNL hosting gig on proved he's one to watch.

**THE "EVERYONE LIKED IT BUT SHOULDN'T HAVE" AWARD:** Is it possible for Billy Crystal to be funny anymore (outside of a romantic comedy, of course)? Will Robert DeNiro stop slumming in every director's lame movie and get back into the swing of things? "Analyze This" was unfunny, unexciting, and uninspired. This mob-movie parody was so obvious, I was predicting gags before they even occurred.

**THE "CRITICS LIKED IT, BUT THEY'RE WRONG" AWARD:** Has it got drugs, sex, violence, and a pretzel-logic plot structure? Then it must be good! Not really, because "Go" goes everywhere and nowhere all at once. This Tarantino counterfeit lacked charm, focus, and interesting characterization.

**THE "WHAT WERE THEY THINKING?" AWARD:** "Baby Geniuses."

**BEST SONG:** It was in an awful movie, and they barely showcased it, but Sixpence None the Richer's "Kiss Me" is a sweet, euphoric lullaby that even the awful "She's All That" can't shame.

**MOST OVERUSED SONG:** Any concoction of sampled oldies and synthesized beats from Fatboy Slim.

**EPITOME OF COOL (MALE):** He hasn't had a movie this year, but nobody's been cooler than Vince Vaughn. With the sly wit and chivalry of a true gentleman and the affable country charm of a Golden Era cowboy, Vaughn is an incredibly watchable presence. He electrifies as a self-sacrificing friend in "Return to Paradise" and out-Normans Anthony Perkins in the "Psycho" remake. (I'll get hate mail for that one.)

**EPITOME OF COOL (Female):** Sorry, Ms. Paltrow. You're an incredible actress, but Cate Blanchett's performance in "Elizabeth" was not only cool, it was downright cold. Ms. Blanchett, you were robbed!

Okay, I've bemoaned the lack of early '99 film quality. Now, let me offer you some video alternatives. If "The Waterboy" is nowhere to be found and some junior high kid with a permission slip just yanked the last copy of "Wild Things," try one of these.

## The Movie Guy



Jared Wilson  
Staff Reporter

## FIVE GREAT '99 RELEASES:

1. "Simon Birch." Critics panned it unjustly, using the same ire they aimed at "Patch Adams" (though, in that case, they scored a direct hit — sorry, "Patch" stunk), but "Simon Birch" was sincere and poignant, and finally offered some genuine child acting talent.

2. "Antz." Prefer charm and depth to showmanship? Skip "A Bug's Life" and rent "Antz."

3. "Meet Joe Black." Have four hours to kill? That's what it will take to properly enjoy this smooth depiction of what happens when a man (Anthony Hopkins) meets his fate (Brad Pitt as Death).

4. "Men With Guns." Got another four hours? John Sayles' journey into the South American forests follows a Mexican doctor as he searches for some missing students. A riveting character study that's breadth and depth are as subtle as they are rewarding.

5. "Return to Paradise."

Looking ahead, 1999 seems fairly promising. I'm already making plans to see Tom Hanks in "The Green Mile," Johnny Depp in Tim Burton's "Sleepy Hollow," and Matt Damon and Paltrow in "The Talented Mr. Ripley." Also to come are the late Stanley Kubrick's "Eyes Wide Shut," a football film from Oliver Stone and Spike Lee's "Summer of Sam." There's great buzz for the independent thriller "The Blair Witch Project" and Kevin Williamson's directorial debut, "Killing Mrs. Tingle." There are some rumored sequels in the works, too. On the upside are the third "Scream," "Toy Story 2," and perhaps a Kevin Smith scripted "Fletch 3." On the downside, are new movies in the "Ninja Turtles," "Munchies," and "Gamera" series. Conspiracy nuts will enjoy "Y2K."

Oh, yeah, and there's some little movie by a guy named George Lucas. ■

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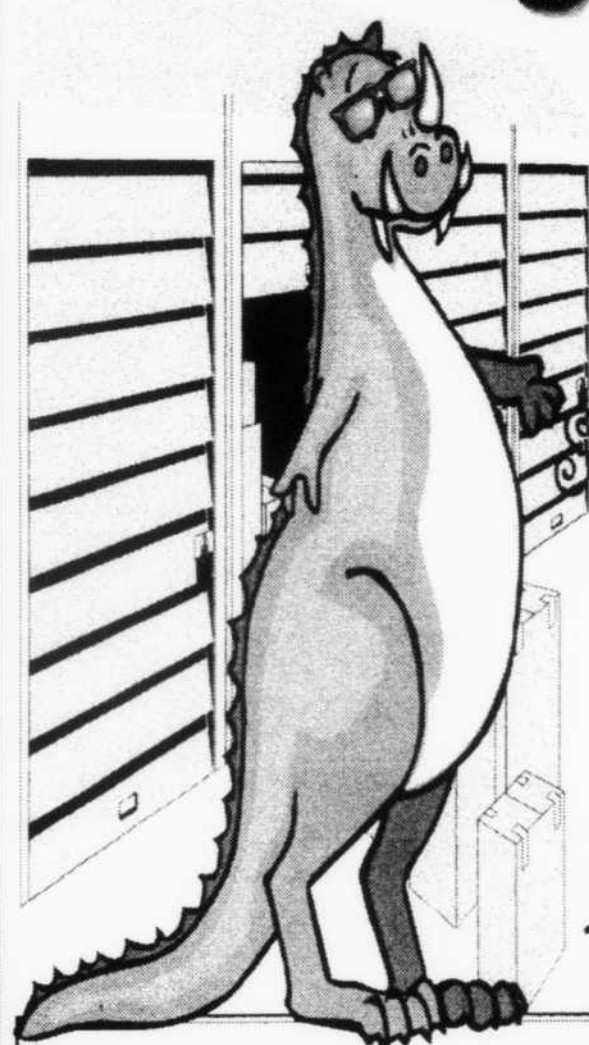
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# Former Mr. MTSU launches a career in showbiz

Ruth Peltier  
Staff Reporter

Dylan Roberson had no idea when he entered and won the Mr. MTSU contest last year that he was launching a showbusiness career, a career that is making him a music-video star.

Roberson plays the lead in the newly released John Michael Montgomery video, "Hello L.O.V.E." The video tells the usual boy-chases-girl-until-she-catches-him story, but one has to wonder what happened to the truck Roberson abandons in the middle of the highway.

The Mr. MTSU contest, sponsored by Chi Omega, was indirectly responsible for Roberson's getting the opportunity to do the video.

Roberson entered the contest representing his fraternity, Kappa Sigma. Nesie Davis, head of Advantage Models and Talent, was one of the judges of the contest. Agency representatives encouraged Roberson to sign a contract with them, and it was through Advantage that he received the

chance to do the video.

Because John Michael Montgomery's part of the video was filmed at another location, Roberson did not get to meet the star, but he still enjoyed the 12-hour day he spent working on the project.

"I didn't know what to expect at first," Roberson said, "but it was a lot of fun."

He is now hoping to do other videos, commercials and perhaps theater. He recently worked as an extra on the film, "Oblivious." Although it was produced mainly for release overseas, this film should show up in US video stores in about a year.

This summer he plans to attend the Millie Lewis Convention, a gathering of aspiring entertainers and representatives from national and international modeling and talent groups and record labels. According to Roberson, 30 to 40 percent of the performers who attend are able to find professional outlets for their talent.

Roberson, now a senior, came to MTSU two years ago to

participate in the school's recording industry program. Before he came here, he tried several different colleges and majors. He had always wanted to go into music publishing, but he had resisted the idea, because he knew how hard it would be to break into the music business.

Finally, he decided he had to follow his dream.

"I came up here to give it a shot," Roberson said. "I don't want to have to look back and say that I didn't even try."

Roberson and his father write music together and perform regularly as the Dylan Blake Band, formerly called Stone Farmers. Thirty to 40 percent of their material is original. The rest of the time they perform songs by other artists. They travel to several Middle Tennessee locations and they choose their music depending on the tastes of the audience they are entertaining.

When they play at Mainstreet, for example, they use songs from the Wallflowers or Matchbox 20. However, when they play at Clata's Place

in Dunlap, Tenn., they switch to songs made popular by Garth Brooks, Time McGraw or Merle Haggard.

When father and son are writing songs together they usually agree on the lyrics, Roberson said, but when it comes to the music they frequently argue. The elder Roberson likes country music; the younger prefers pop.

Nevertheless, Roberson says he enjoys listening to all kinds of music. The lyrics and the story they tell are more important to him than the musical style. However, he added that it is important for the music, even without the words, to make the listener feel something.

In high school, Roberson preferred the music of Led Zeppelin, but now his favorite artist is Eric Clapton.

Roberson is planning to start an internship in the field of music publishing in the fall and after graduation wants to continue in that field. He dreams of someday publishing his own songs. ■

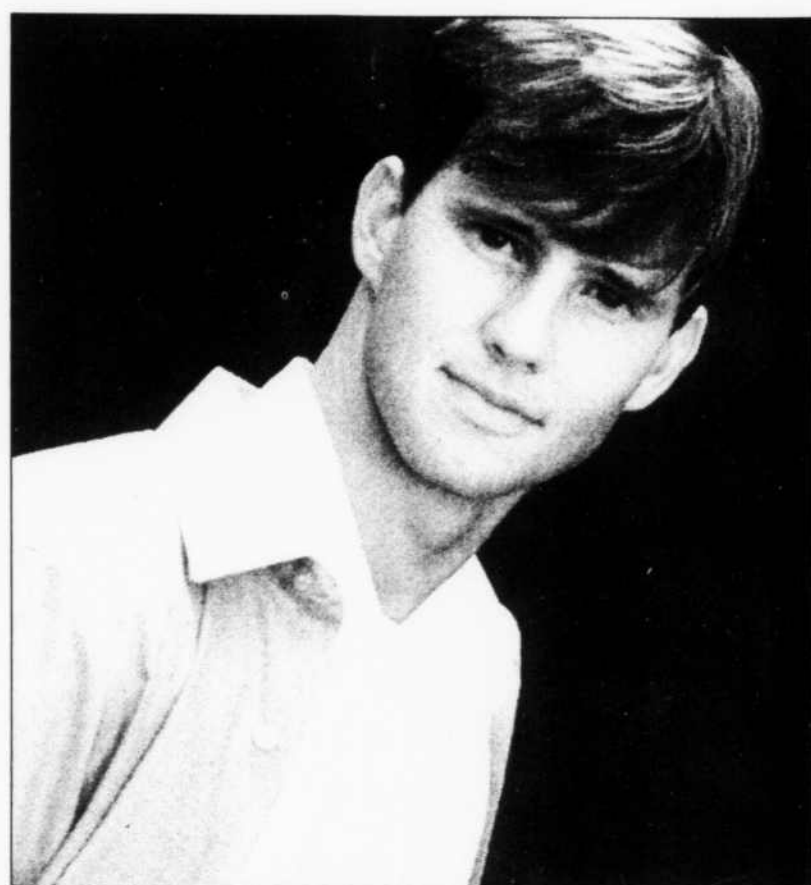


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Dylan Roberson recently starred in John Michael Montgomery's new music video.

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## Raiders race at MSU

Staff Reports

There were some impressive individual performances but two third-place victories.

Middle Tennessee's men's and women's track and field teams both finished third at the Jace Lacoste Invitational on the campus of Mississippi State. At one of the rare meets with scoring, both teams finished behind Mississippi State and McNeese State.

There were a couple of first-place performances for the Blue Raiders and Lady Raiders. Tori Blander won the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1:05.14. Andreja Ribac won her second triple jump of the Outdoor season with a distance of 40'00.50.

Ron Bramlett continued to excel at the 110-meter hurdles by placing first with a time of 14.10. Mario Paul, conference leader in the 400-meter hurdles, won the

event with a time of 55.35. Rob Jordan continued his impressive freshman season by winning the long jump (24'09.25) for the third time this season.

Jordan had to settle for second behind teammate Steve Reid in the triple jump. Reid won his first event of the year and in doing so set a new personal best (51'10.00) in the triple jump and also earned an NCAA provisional with the

performance.

Placing second at the meet were Godfrey Herring in the 800 meters and John Cheek in the 1,500 meters. Kyle Brown (3,000-meter steeplechase) and Darrell Arvin (400 meters) rounded out the top performances for the Blue Raiders with third-place finishes.

For the Lady Raiders, Shauntel Jennings placed second in the shot put. Kelly Smith (javelin and 100-meter hurdles), Bianca

Conley (Long Jump), Alicia Moore (400-meter hurdles) and Sabrina Smith (800 meters) all had third-place performances.

The men scored a 112 to finish behind Mississippi State's 182 and McNeese State's 121. Mississippi State's women's team scored a 222 to win the meet over McNeese State at 132 and the Lady Raiders at 94. South Alabama was the only other team competing at the meet. ■

## Raiders pounce on Parviainen from PuHu

Staff Reports

Two more have signed on.

Middle Tennessee Lady Raider basketball coach Stephany Smith has announced the signing of two players for 1999-2000 season.

Paula Pettila, a 5'8" point guard, and Mia Parviainen, a 6'1" shooting guard, have inked National Letters of Intent to play for Middle Tennessee during the late signing period.

Both Penttila and Parviainen have been playing with the Finnish national team.

Penttila, who hails from Lahti, Finland, plays club basketball for the Sifnoria Basket, helping lead the team to a sixth place finish in the Finnish league this season and a third place spot last season. This year, Penttila averaged 13.2 points per game, 3.3 rebounds per game, 2.4 steals per game and 1.4 assists per game while averaging 35.1 minutes per game.

Penttila's junior club twice won the Scandinavian championship. Her club will compete for the European Championships if it can get through the qualifying round with games against the Netherlands, Israel, Luxembourg, Switzerland and Portugal. She has also toured the US with the Junior National, playing against NCAA Division I schools.

Parviainen, a native of Helsinki, Finland, plays for the PuHu club in Finland. This season her squad finished third in the Finnish league. She played along side Penttila on the Junior National Team.

Over the past year, Parviainen averaged 7.8 points per game and 3.9 rebounds per contest. She also toured the US this fall, playing six games against NCAA Division I schools such as James Madison, William and Mary, and Virginia Commonwealth. During the tour, she averaged 16.3 points per game and 3.8 rebounds per game.

"I am very pleased to have Mia and Paula join our team," Smith said.

"I believe that they will be able to add out depth at the guard positions. They should mesh well with our current personnel and will contribute greatly to our team next season. I look for them to make an impact during their freshman season."

Penttila and Parviainen will Join April Kelley, a 6'3" post from Monroe, GA, as the Lady Raider freshman class for the 1999-2000 season. Kelley signed a National Letter of Intent during the early signing period last fall. ■

## Lady Raiders lose a pair to Murray State

Josh Ezzell  
Staff Reporter

The Lady Raiders lost both ends of a doubleheader to the Morehead State Lady Eagles 2-1 and 2-1.

The first game was scoreless, until the fifth inning, when Morehead finally broke the tie.

Sascha Cox got things started with a one-out base hit. Angie Brooker followed with a sacrifice bunt, which enabled Cox to advance to second.

With two outs, Dana Fohl stepped to the plate. After a wild pitch, on which Cox advanced to third, Fohl delivered a base hit to centerfield, making the score 1-0 in favor of Morehead State.

Courtney Wallace prevented any further damage by retiring the next batter, Stephanie Swanger.

In the bottom half of the fifth the Lady Raiders would answer. With one out, Carisa Chavez and Melanie Manley drew back to back walks, putting runners on first and second.

The next batter, Steffi Silva, delivered a double, which knocked in Carisa Chavez and tied the game 1-1.

Manley tried to score, but she was thrown out at the plate. Silva advanced to third on the play, but the Lady Raiders were unable to capitalize as Kerry Allen grounded out to end the inning.

Neither team was able to score in the next three innings, so the game continued until the 10th, when Morehead scored the winning run.

Angie Brooker delivered the game winning RBI on a

base hit to centerfield, on which Heather Hughes scored. Dana Fohl would follow with a base hit, but nothing would come of it.

The Lady Raiders went down in order to end the game.

Natalie Massingill picked up the win for the Lady Eagles; Courtney Wallace was the losing pitcher for the Lady Raiders.

In game two, the Lady Eagles put up two runs in the second, which was enough to hold off the Lady Raiders.

With one out, Alma Chapman got things started with a base hit to left field. Next, Sascha Cox reached on an error when pitcher Courtney Wallace threw the ball into centerfield while trying to force Chapman out at second.

The next hitter, Angie Brooker, struck out. With two outs and runners on second and third, the Lady Raiders intentionally walked Dana Fohl, which loaded the bases for Heather Hoyer.

Hoying made the Lady Raiders pay by delivering a base hit. Chapman and Cox scored, making the score 2-0 MSU.

The Lady Raiders scored their only run of the game in the fourth inning.

Kerry Allen led off the bottom of the fourth with a single. Rachel Atkinson followed by bunting her over to second. Next, Laura Brockman stepped up to the plate and delivered a single, advancing Allen to third.

Courtney Wallace knocked Allen in with a bunt. The score was now 2-1 in favor of MSU.

It was a defensive struggle from here on out, as neither team was able to score



Staff photo by Derrick Wilson

Lady Raiders smoke TSU 8-0, 19-0 in an OVC doubleheader on April 11. Unfortunately, the MTSU softball team lost this weekend's close doubleheader against Morehead State 2-1, 2-1.

another run.

Coach Karen Green was obviously frustrated afterwards.

"They outplayed us and

beat us," Green said.

Molly Surrat was the winning pitcher; Courtney Wallace picked up the loss. The Lady Raiders dropped to

(36-20), while the Lady Eagles improved to (24-15).

The last game of the season is on Monday against Belmont at 5 p.m. at MTSU. ■

## A new act for Broncos as Elway leaves stage

John Mossman  
Associated Press

DENVER (AP) - For years, the Denver Broncos' offense consisted of John Elway and 10 other guys.

Gradually, the Broncos became more than a showcase for one dazzling quarterback. But now, with Elway's retirement set, the Super Bowl champions enter uncharted terrain.

After 16 seasons, the unparalleled master of the two-minute drill is leaving football.

Elway all but announced his retirement Saturday in an interview with Denver TV station KCNC in Pebble Beach, Calif., where he was playing in a golf tournament.

"For so many years everything in my family has revolved around me. It's time for that to change," the 38-year-old quarterback said. "I really accomplished everything I wanted to. There's no real upside to coming back."

Later in the day, Elway told The Associated Press: "I know everybody wants to know, but I'm not going to talk about it right now. There'll be an announcement next week. That's all I have to say about it for now."

Sources close to Elway, speaking on condition of anonymity, said he has told friends he is leaving the game.

Elway reportedly considered announcing his decision two weeks ago, but owner Pat Bowlen was in Australia promoting the Broncos' preseason game there. Then last week, the announcement was further delayed because of the school shootings in suburban Littleton.

Elway's announcement could come as early as Monday. But Broncos are leaning toward a delay of several more days because of the outpouring of grief over the killings. Funerals for several victims are scheduled for Monday.

"I've talked to him and he

told me what he's going to do," Broncos coach Mike Shanahan said. "But I'm not going to comment. I'm going to let John make his announcement."

Bowlen, while declining to confirm Elway's plans, said at a charity event Saturday night: "I've known this was coming for a long time."

Bowlen bought the Broncos in 1984 and never has known a team without Elway.

"I think it's going to be odd for all of us," he said.

Running back Terrell Davis told the Denver Post: "This really lets some air out of your system. It's going to be tough to come back and not see him in the huddle. ...

"I really think this year we're going to face as much adversity as we've ever faced. We're really going to see how much resolve this team has now."

But offensive guard Mark Schlereth took another view.

"I think in the early years, it was a one-man show with

John here," Schlereth said. "It's not like that anymore."

In fact, Elway acknowledged several seasons ago that it wasn't his team anymore.

"It's Terrell's team now," he said.

While Elway earned his second straight Super Bowl title and the game's MVP honor last January with a 34-19 win over Atlanta, he missed all or part of six games with hamstring, back and rib injuries.

Instead, it was Davis, a 2,008-yard rusher and winner of the league's MVP award, who carried the team.

With Elway gone, Bubba Brister steps in. Brister slipped seamlessly into the lineup last season and guided the Broncos to a 4-0 record while Elway was out. But how will he hold up during a 16-game schedule? And will Brister at QB put more pressure on Davis?

Even Shanahan has some qualms about his new

quarterback.

Brister, who turns 37 in August, hasn't started more than eight games in a season since 1990. The backup is Brian Griese, a third-round draft choice in 1998 with limited experience.

So, the Denver Rocky Mountain News reported, the Broncos agreed to sign Chris Miller, who turns 34 in August and retired four years ago because of concussions.

"It's a great addition," Brister said. "If something happens, he has a lot of experience. You can't have enough good quarterbacks."

Brister is looking forward to taking over an offense that tight end Shannon Sharpe likened to a Ferrari.

"I just want to get in there and run the best machine in the business," he said. "I'm not stupid. I know I'm not in this alone. We have Terrell Davis and Shannon Sharpe and great receivers and a great line. We have so much to work with." ■

## Sounds win third straight

Michael Edwards  
Staff Reporter

The Nashville Sounds moved to 9-6 on the young season after beating the Salt Lake Buzz 4-3 on Saturday. The Sounds got homers out of Ivan Cruz and Aramis Ramirez to propel Nashville to victory.

Ramirez drove in three runs combined with a Cruz single RBI to make the tally four for the Buzz. Jose Guillen, who experienced some play in the Majors, is now with Nashville. Guillen went 0-4 on the day. Matt Ryan went 5.1 innings giving up one earned run and three hits. Former Atlanta Brave Brad Clontz got the save, his fourth of the year.

The Sounds are in the middle of a homestand where they will play tomorrow against Salt Lake City and four games against Colorado Springs this week. Colorado Springs comes in Tuesday for a five game series in which they will play a double header on Thursday beginning at 5 p.m.

Nashville is leading the Pacific Coast League in hitting with a .307 batting average through the first 15 games. ■



## The Hook-Up

Commentary by Josh Ezzell/ Staff Reporter

## Stephanie is kidnapped; Shane lays the smack down

Are you ready? I sure hope so, because here it comes. So, without further adieu, let's get ready for The Hook Up!!!

Ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls, children of all ages, "Sidelines" proudly presents the Road Dogg Jesse James. He was involved in a very special match against Owen Hart. I say special because of the pre-match stipulation: If Hart won, he and Jeff Jarrett were to be the number one contenders for the tag team championship; if the Road Dogg won, Debra had to show her "puppies."

The Road Dogg won, but to the dismay of most fans Debra didn't show her puppies. Just as she was taking off her bra Jeff Jarrett interfered and prevented the unveiling of her you know what's, which pissed

off every man in America.

Jesse James DX buddy, Billy Gunn, took on the man who prevented Debra from showing her goods, Jeff Jarrett. Gunn dominated this match and eventually won-by DQ. Owen Hart interfered as Gunn was pinning Jarrett.

Once again, Debra tried to take off her bra; and once again Jeff Jarrett prevented her. They both left the ring with the company of many boos.

In other action, the Acolytes faced former Ministry buddies Gangrel and The Edge. The Acolytes appeared to be in control, but Ken Shamrock changed that when he started nailing people with a baseball bat.

This angered The Undertaker, who responded by having Viscera take care of

The Acolytes. The Undertaker then called Mideon and told him not to fail in his mission.

The Intercontinental Belt was on the line when Hardcore Holly challenged the Godfather. Thanks to Al Snow, the "ho train" continued to roll along without any problems.

In the next match, Ken Shamrock and The Boss Man butted heads. Shamrock prevailed with surprising ease, but once again he ran into trouble with The Ministry.

Apparently, The Undertaker was able to find Ken Shamrock's sister, Ryan. It was obvious that "the world's most dangerous man" was worried as he went to look for his sister.

Two men that aren't so dangerous, Pete Gass and Rodney, joined Jim Ross and

the King in the broadcast booth during the match between Triple H and Mankind. Nobody won this match because the Greenwich posse interfered, with the rest of the Corporation not far behind.

Mankind was getting pummeled, until "The Big Show" saved him. Most people would be thankful for the help, but Mankind is not most people. Afterwards, Mankind said that he would see "The Big Show" in the boiler room.

Later, Mankind would return the favor while Paul Wight was being attacked by Viscera and The Undertaker. Everything between Mankind and "The Big Show" appears to be straight-for now.

Earlier, The Undertaker called Mideon and told him not to fail on his mission. That

mission was kidnapping Stephanie and he didn't fail.

According to the plan, Mideon was supposed to kidnap Stephanie after her and her father were finished talking to Michael Cole. Contrary to what you might think, Vince attacked Mideon first. Mideon was eventually able to win the fight, which resulted in Stephanie's disappearance.

Hello ladies!!! "The Big Valbowski" was scheduled to fight, but Sable decided that her announcement was more important than his match. Her big announcement was this: She is shooting her second edition of Playboy.

After the announcement, Ivory and D'Lo Brown made their way to the ring. Ivory failed to take care of business due to one Nicole Bass. Meanwhile, "The Big

Valbowski" was sizing Sable up. Unlike Debra, Sable did not flirt back.

The Rock said Stone Cold is dead. Therefore, a funeral was in order. What The Rock says isn't always right. Stone Cold was alive and well Monday Night and looking for payback.

The Rattlesnake got his payback when he destroyed The Rock's Lincoln Continental with his monster truck. Stone Cold then proceeded to drive his truck into the ring and take care of The Rock.

After whippin' The Rock, Stone Cold proceeded to take his belt and drink a beer. Shane had other ideas—he hit Stone Cold in the back with a shovel and took his belt.

That's my last column of the semester. I would like to thank everybody for your support. I'll talk to you in the fall. ■

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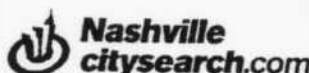
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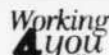


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Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) - Darryl Strawberry was suspended indefinitely Saturday while baseball investigates his arrest this month on charges of cocaine possession.

Commissioner Bud Selig put a 37-year-old outfielder on "administrative leave," which isn't defined by baseball's rules but carries the same penalties as a suspension.

Strawberry can't participate in workouts or games with the New York Yankees or their farm teams until the inquiry is completed.

"It's in the hands of the legal system in Florida and it will depend on what happens there," Selig said.

A high-ranking baseball official familiar with the situation, speaking on the condition he not be identified, said, "This is a suspension."

I don't know how to respond to this," said Yankees pitcher David Cone, who played with Strawberry on

the Mets and is one of his closest friends on the Yankees. "It's pretty vague."

Baseball's security department is investigating the circumstances surrounding Strawberry's April 14 arrest and is talking with Tampa prosecutors, the two baseball officials said.

Strawberry is tested regularly for drug use as part of the aftercare program stemming from his previous drug problems. He was suspended for 60 days in 1995 after testing positive for cocaine and another positive test would be cause for another suspension, several baseball officials have said since the arrest.

The two baseball officials said there was no conclusive agreement between owners and the players' association on the results of his most recent tests. Part of the problem, one official said, may have been the timing of the test following his arrest - the test may have occurred too late to detect any cocaine in his urine.

Strawberry has a home in Tampa, Fla., where the arrest occurred. The 37-

year-old outfielder, getting back into playing shape following colon cancer surgery last October, had wanted to resume workouts at the Yankees' minor league complex there.

Yankees general manager Brian Cashman declined comment before Saturday's game against Toronto. After the game, the Yankees players and coaches had little to add.

"I ain't no lawyer, I don't know anything about it," interim manager Don Zimmer said.

In an unusual arrangement designed to avoid baseball's luxury tax, the team signed him to a minor league contract and a consulting deal during the offseason, a package worth \$2.5 million.

New York advanced Strawberry money due him under the consulting deal but stopped the advances after his arrest, several sources familiar with the arrangement have said on the condition they not be identified.

Strawberry's lawyer, Joseph Ficarrotta, said his client intends to

plead innocent to the charges of cocaine possession and solicitation of a prostitute. A hearing date has not been scheduled.

Strawberry was arrested a few miles from the Yankees' extended spring training camp. The eight-time All-Star was charged with possession of 0.3 grams of cocaine and offering an undercover female officer \$50 for sex. He was released on a \$6,000 bond.

Strawberry said the cocaine found wrapped in a \$20 bill inside his wallet did not belong to him. And while he acknowledged discussing sex with the undercover officer, he insisted he was joking and did not intend to meet her at a motel.

Strawberry has a long history of drug and alcohol problems and run-ins with the law, including a conviction on federal tax charges.

He hit .257 with 24 homers in 101 games for the Yankees last season. Strawberry is not on the 40-man roster and has not traveled with the team this season, except in spring training. ■

MIAMI (AP) - Chris Childs hit two free throws with 20.1 seconds left as the New York Knicks overcame a 20-point deficit and the loss of Patrick Ewing to stun the Miami Heat 82-80 Sunday.

Childs, involved minutes earlier in a melee that has marked this rivalry the past three seasons, was knocked to the floor by P.J. Brown after grabbing the rebound of a Tim Hardaway miss.

Childs, who finished with eight points, drained both free throws and finished New York's improbable comeback by winning a jump ball against Hardaway in the final second after Jamal Mashburn fumbled a pass on Miami's final possession.

Ewing sat out the game with a flareup of his sore left Achilles tendon, an unfortunate turn as New York struggles to stay in the Eastern Conference playoff race. Still, the Knicks (23-21) managed to move in front of Toronto and Charlotte for the conference's eighth playoff berth. ■

# Spring game leaves Fulmer satisfied

**Duncan Mansfield**  
Associated Press

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) - It's a long way to September, but the pluses and minuses are starting to add up for coach Phillip Fulmer and defending national champion Tennessee.

Tee Martin threw for 105 yards without an interception Saturday in guiding the White team to a 20-10 statistical victory in the Volunteers' Orange & White spring game. He didn't play the second half.

The loss went to Martin's backups, Joey Matthews and A.J. Suggs.

"It is always comforting to have a quarterback coming back that you know can play," Fulmer said of Martin. "Tee Martin looked like Tee."

Matthews and Suggs "are young and are learning. They are doing some good things, but they have a million miles to go."

Martin completed 6 of 14 passes. Matthews was five of 10 for 67 yards. Suggs connected on seven of 13 attempts for 78 yards, a touchdown to Bobby Starks and one interception.

In past years, Fulmer ran the Orange & White game in a "best against the rest" format, pitting the starting offense and defense against second-stringers.

But with 14 players sidelined with injuries, the coach turned the end-of-spring extravaganza into a full-dress scrimmage before 15,400 fans in 102,000-seat Neyland Stadium.

Among the injured are starting running back Jamal Lewis and his No. 1 backup Travis Henry.

Into their shadow Saturday stepped redshirt freshman Kurston Biggers, who rushed for 71 yards on 15 attempts and scored a 1-yard touchdown.

"Kurston Biggers is a football player," the coach said. "He will

help us somewhere. He's gotten better and better and is just a tough guy."

Meantime, Travis Stephens ran for 49 yards in nine attempts without a fumble, and Phillip Crosby scored on a one-yard run.

"I really think we can run it," Fulmer said, "And if people load up on us, play eight, nine or 10 people on the front, we will have to throw it some. (And) certainly we can do that."

Tennessee graduated six players to the National Football League from the 1998 squad that went 13-0 en route to a second straight Southeastern Conference crown and the school's first national title since 1951.

The celebration from the Vols' 23-16 victory over Florida State in the Fiesta Bowl on Jan. 4 ended long ago.

But Fulmer said, "Our kids did a good job in the offseason. The biggest plus that this team has right now I think is their attitude. They know how to go to work."

Some bright spots: punter David Leaverton averaged 45 yards on four punts - and backups Sammy Frogg and Seth Reagan did nearly as well. Kicker Robert Loudermilk hit three field goals of 40, 39 and 44 yards; so did backup Alex Walls.

"The last thing we said after the championship game in the locker room was a prayer, 'Lord, let us stay hungry and humble,'" Fulmer said.

So far, the Vols' prayers have been answered.

"Overall, I think it has been a good spring for us," he said. ■

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# A ballpark turns its eyes to Joe DiMaggio

Hal Bock  
Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) - Paul Simon's haunting lyrics echoed through Yankee Stadium on Sunday, celebrating the memory of Joe DiMaggio as the team dedicated a monument to one of baseball's greatest players.

"Where have you gone, Joe DiMaggio?"

A nation turns its lonely eyes to you.

What's that you say Mrs. Robinson?

Joltin' Joe has left and gone away."

On a sun-splashed afternoon, a sellout Stadium crowd watched DiMaggio's former teammates - Yogi Berra, Whitey Ford, Phil Rizzuto, Hank Bauer, Jerry Coleman and Gil McDougald - gather for the unveiling of the granite and bronze monument, only the fifth to be dedicated in the team's 97-year history. The others honor Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig, Mickey Mantle and Miller Huggins.

All the players except Ford were in the starting lineup for Game 6 of the 1951 World Series - DiMaggio's final game. Public address announcer Bob Sheppard recited the poem on Sunday, just as he did on Oct. 10, 1951.

The invocation by Cardinal John J. Murtagh, Rizzuto addressed the crowd. Then Simon, standing in the center field, sang the song that was written for the movie "The Bad News Bears" and became an anthem of the '60s.

Then he sang the line, "Where have you gone, Joe DiMaggio?" the crowd responded with one more cheer for the Yankee Clipper, who died March 8 at 84.

Highlights of DiMaggio's career were shown on the scoreboard, including clips of his final visit to Yankee Stadium, Sept. 27, 1998, when he was honored before the final game of last season.

Joining the ex-Yankees for the ceremony were DiMaggio's granddaughters, Paula and Kathy, and longtime friend and lawyer Morris Engelberg.

Coleman remembered DiMaggio as a solitary man and recalled being in awe of him when they became teammates.

"I was raised in San Francisco. I knew more about him than any player that lived," he said. "He was the god, the icon. He was it. He was baseball."

"My first spring raining was '48. He was there. It was thrilling, the magnitude of the man. I didn't go up to him and say, 'Hi, Joe, I'm so-and-so.' Billy Martin tried to cozy up to him. That lasted about a week."

But, Coleman said, DiMaggio

was the ultimate teammate.

"Once, against Boston (Johnny) Pesky took Rizzuto out with a tough slide," he said. "The next inning, Joe led off with a hit and never stopped. He took out (Bobby) Doerr at second base. You'd see that and you'd say, 'Hey, he's our guy.'"

Coleman said he saw DiMaggio make only one mistake.

"Once, he caught the second out of an inning and thought it was the third," he said. "He took two steps and then reacted. It was the only time I saw him do something wrong. He threw to the right base, though." Bauer recalled playing center field in one game when Casey Stengel wanted to rest DiMaggio by playing him at first base. After a dozen or so putouts, DiMaggio told the manager to forget the rest days.

The monument salutes DiMaggio's accomplishment, including his recognition in 1969 - a year after the Simon song was published - as baseball's greatest living player.

It concludes with the words, "An American icon. He has passed but will never be forgotten." ■

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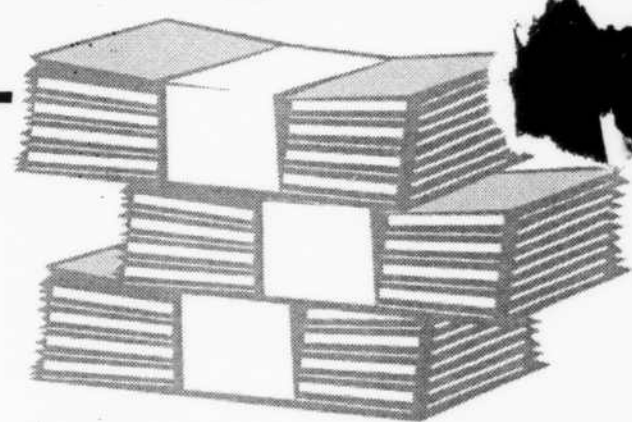
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