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Scholarship drive nets \$10 million

Deanna Snowden Staff Writer

A three-year fund-raising campaign by the MTSU Foundation ended Dec. 31, surpassing its goal \$7 million to enhance educational opportunities at MTSU.

The Challenge Campaign was begun in 1990 to increase the quality and excellence of education at MTSU, said the Director of the Development

BEARD

"The purpose of Challenge Campaign is to provide funds meet the needs M T S U

students through academic and student programs, both endowed and unendowed, and to provide for superior or specialized equipment," said Chris Beard, interim director Development coordinator of the Challenge Campaign at MTSU.

During the three-year campaign over \$10.5 million was raised in a joint-effort by the Foundation and the university.

campaign was responsible for \$7.4 million while the rest was given by Houston Christy Foundation to help finance

construction of the new Nursing Center.

The program was the firstever fund-raising campaign in MTSU's 82-year history.

Anne Deming, president for Development and University Relations, said hundreds of individuals gave money and volunteered time to make the program a

"Success [of the campaign] is due to the hard work of many volunteers. especially Foundation board members, who, along with our dedicated staff and thousands of generous donors, made it all happen," said Deming. "It is a day for celebration at MTSU."

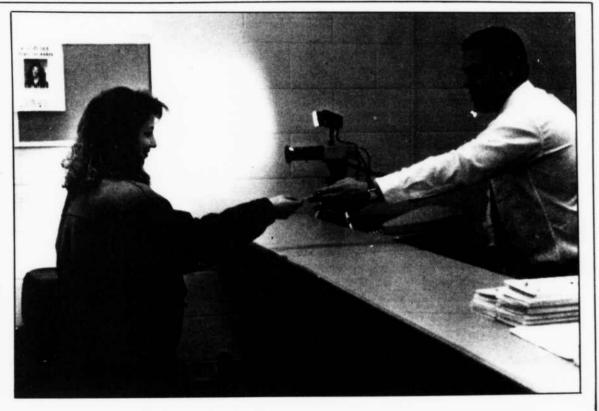
Beard said the money will be put to many different uses, including setting scholarship programs to allow students who could not afford to go to college to attend MTSU and to attract students with superior academic backgrounds.

Beard added that the money would occasionally be used to attract new professors who are experts in their respective fields.

Without these extra funds, MTSU could not compete with other schools that are capable of offering larger salaries to

MTSU President James Walker said he is pleased with the numbers reached and is

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Scott Neely, staff

HERE'S YOUR CARD: Leanne Massey gets her remade ID card from Allen Jones Friday afternoon.

Some student ID cards incorrectly coded at spring registration: administration

Christina Basiel Staff Writer

Students who had their MTSU ID cards made during spring registration may be holding an invalid card.

It has been learned that social security numbers of some students were entered into the school's computer system incorrectly, thus transferred to the cards incorrectly.

While admitting that there have been problems with the cards, Allen Jones of Public Safety and Security claims that "some, not most" of the cards must be

Jones explained that the only

way a student can know that his card," Roberts said. card is invalid is to try and use it.

"There is no way we can tell" which cards must be redone, Iones said.

According to Deborah Roberts of the Business Office, the cards hold three sets of numbers.

The first set of numbers identifies the institution where the student is enrolled. The second set is the student's social security number. The third set is the lost card code.

When a student reports his or her card missing, a new lost card code is issued to the replacement

"This is to prevent anyone else from using a lost or stolen

Roberts explained that the lost card code on some of the ID's may also have been entered incorrectly, rendering them invalid.

ARA Food Services and the library have come across a few of the troublesome cards. However, a student library worker says there has not been a real problem.

Those students who discover that they need to have their cards reprogrammed may do so Monday through Friday at the following places during the following times: Public Safety and Security office: 8 a.m. -7 p.m.; ARA Food Services: 8 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.; Business Office: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Todd Library: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.■

Continuing Studies starts distance learning program through MTSU cable TV

Warren Wakeland **News Editor**

Division The Continuing Studies at MTSU is working to further the educational opportunities of non-traditional students with the establishment of the

Distance Learning Program.

Distance learning refers to classes broadcast to the public television. MTSU broadcasts the programs over their own cable channel. The classes available at this time are for informative purposes only and are not for credit.

Dr. Rosemary Owens, dean of Continuing Studies and chairman of the Distance Learning Committee at MTSU, said she eventually wants to expand the program past just distance learning.

"These non-credit courses are a way for MTSU to get

back into distance learning," Owens said. "We're working toward totally interactive distance education, not just telecast."

The program was initially begun in the fall of 1983, but has since been dormant. Owens reinstituted the

program during the summer 1993 session.

Dr. Carolyn Hopper, Study Skills coordinator for Developmental Studies, was asked to help get the program

"Dr. Owens asked if we

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Health services installs new computer system

Warren Wakeland News Editor

MTSU Health Services has taken a step to make it easier for students to get quality medical care on campus.

Health Services Director Barbara Martin said a new records system has been installed into their computer system that allows for students to keep better track of their medical history. Previously, records were kept by hand.

"It is better for students because they can have a better record of their [medical] history," Martin said. "It gives them a complete picture when they ask for their records."

Students now must sign a patient-consent form that certifies the person is a registered student, has received the prescription listed, has been counseled in the dosage to take, length of use, any specific directions and any side effects possible from the medication, according to Martin.

Martin said this procedure will in sure sure students know all they can about the medicine they are taking.

"We are trying to encourage those [students] who don't check the medication and dosage to look," Martin said. "I don't let them take the medication until they have read what the medicine is. [Reading the medication label] is a real big deal as far as them knowing how and when to take the medicine."

Martin said the only inconvenience to the new system is that it takes a little longer to fill out the forms when a student is a new patient. However, she said students will benefit in the long run from the changes.

"[Records] will be easier for doctors to read and for our physicians to work with," she said. "Everything, including the student's old records, is included."

Martin said she is very pleased with the new recordkeeping system.

"It is much, much better," she said of the new program.

CAMPUS CAPSULE

Today

Campus Recreation is sponsoring a Parent and Child Wild Cave Trip. Anyone interested should call 898-2104 or stop by the Alumni Memorial Gym room 201. Sign-up deadline is Feb. 7.

The National Security Education Program is a federally-funded study abroad scholarship program. Undergraduate scholarships may award up to \$8,000 for an approved program. An information meeting will be held at 12:30 p.m. in Keathley University Center room 305. Undergraduate application deadline is Feb. 11. Graduate application deadline is March 1. Contact David Curry at 898-2238 for more information.

Essay contest for MTSU students on Women's History Month. Contest must focus on some aspect of women's experiences. The winner will receive \$100. Deadline is Feb. 28. Contact Jill Hague at 898-2579 or 890-0686 for more specific details.

Movie Night at the Catholic Student Center at 1023 N. Tennessee Blvd. Call 896-6074 for details.

Tuesday, Feb. 8

Gubernatorial Candidate Walter Bussart will be speaking to the College Democrats at 7 p.m. in KUC 324. Contact Thomas Mercer at 898-4292 for more details.

The Society of Professional Journalists will hold a general interest/membership meeting at 5:30 p.m. in MCOMM 150. For more details call Michelle Duke at 895-3686 or 259-8224 for more information.

Wednesday, Feb. 9

The Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia interest meeting will be 9pm. Contact Jeff Neal for more information at 896-9088.

Thursday, Feb. 10

The Placement and Student Employment office is sponsoring a Career Placement Orientation for Seniors and Graduate Students from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in KUC 324. Contact Martha Turner at 898-2500.

Saturday, Feb. 12

Children's Discovery House Presents "Stay Fit and Healthy Day" from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Contact Bev Calloway at 890-2300 for more details.

Monday, Feb. 14

Placement and Student Employment is sponsoring a Resume Workshop and Critique from 2 to 4 p.m. in KUC 324. Bring your resume for a professional critique. The Workshop continues on Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Contact Martha Turner at 898-2500 for more details.

Valentines Day Party at the Catholic Student Center at 7 p.m. Call 896-6074 for details.

Church of God in Christ, revival on campus, ministries (Cogicroc) will be having a one night revival featuring various annointed youth ministers at 7:30pm in KUC Theatre.

Tuesday, Feb.15

The Division of Continuing Studies is sponsoring a Self-Esteem for Women seminar from 7 to 9 p.m. in Peck Hall room 314A. Contact the Continuing Studies office at 898-2462 for more details.

Wednesday, Feb. 16

All administrators, faculty and staff can attend a budget seminar presented by Ramona Taylor, director of University Resources at 3pm at the Hazelwood room in the James Union Building. Topics include Changes in the THEC funding formula, and 1994-95 projected budget. OFAW members get in free. All others pay \$5 for materials. Call 898-2278 or 898-2193 for information.

SOLID Training, a workshop on writing resumes will be held from 2 to 3 p.m. in KUC 313. Reservations are required. Sign up in KUC 122. Call Dr. Katie Kemp at 898-2454 for more details.

Ongoing

The Office for Minority Affairs is sponsoring "Institute for Healing Racism" every Tuesday at 6:45 p.m. in KUC 316. Contact Shara Winton at 895-9021 for more details.

The Bhakti-Yoga/Vegetarian club meets every Monday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Everyone is invited. Contact Jonathan Maxwell at 898-3801 for more details.

Students for Environmental Action meets every Wednesday at 8 p.m. in KUC 305. Call 890-5097 for more details.

The Lambda Association meets every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Learning Resource Center room 241. Contact Christy Osborne at 780-2293 for more details.

The Society of Environmental Professionals will meet at 5 p.m. on the first and third Thursdays of each month in the Wiser-Patton Science Building room 201. New members are welcome. Contact Leonard Walther at 731-1684 for more details.

The Catholic Student Center holds mass every Sunday evening at 7 p.m. Call 896-6074 for details.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets every Thursday at 7:30 in AMG 210. Call Greg Logan at 898-3081 for more details.

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

The June Anderson's Women's Center's regular office hours are 8am-4:30pm, Tuesday 8am-7pm.

POLICE REPORT

Sarah Ann Gooch, 48, was arrested on Jan. 29 for Public Intoxication.

Preston Butler Bryan III, 20, was arrested on Jan. 30 for DWI 1st Offense, resisting arrest, and consumption of alcohol under the age of 21.

A male student reported on Jan. 31 that his coat was taken from his room in Smith Hall.

Gary Mike Calgen, 24, was arrested on Jan. 30 for DWI 1st Offense.

A vendor reported his vehicle broken into on Jan. 21 while parked in front of Cummings Hall.

Kelvin Mandell Posey, 30, was arrested on Jan. 21 for four outstanding warrants.

A male employee reported on Feb 3 that two students vandalized a car while horseplaying near the KUC.

A male student reported on Jan. 28 that his vehicle had been hit while parked near Gracy Hall.

A female student reported on Jan. 30 that her hubcaps were stolen from her vehicle while parked near Familly Housing.

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African-American speaker urges racial harmony in campus speech

Jessica Clayborn Staff Writer

Dr. Richard Thomas, a professor of graduate History and Urban Affairs at Michigan State University, spoke on "Strategies for Dealing With Issues of Race" Friday evening at the Hazelwood Dining Room in the James Union Building.

Thomas, whose books include Life for Us Is What We Make It and Racial Unity—An Imperative for Social Change, spoke on the causes and solutions for racial problems in today's society.

Thomas said he feels that social structures are responsible for much of America's racial strife.

"Blacks and whites live separate lives with very little contact, and tend to get the wrong perceptions and myths [about each other]," Thomas said. "Most of these myths are based on these isolations."

Thomas also said that the lack of exchange between African-Americans and whites is preventing racial harmony and that steps must be taken to correct it.

"Blacks and whites are more polarized than any other group," Thomas said. "We must devote ourselves not only to solve the problem, but we must also find out why other solutions have failed us."

Thomas stated that new ideas are needed to solve racial problems. He feels that bringing up previous problems and their solutions are counterproductive.

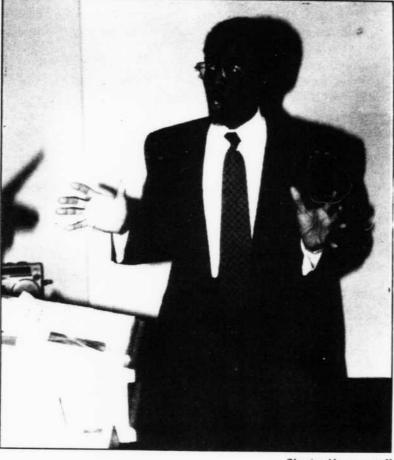
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(continued from page 1) enthused by the support the campaign has received.

"I am pleased that we have met our goal," Walker said. "Reaching this mark would not have been possible without the support, hard work and dedication of many individuals, organizations and corporations. I am extremely encouraged about the future of the university as evidenced by this level of support."

MTSU Foundation president Helene Colvin said that new campaigns will be necessary in the future.

"The Challenge campaign is a major milestone for MTSU and the Foundation," Colvin said. "In the years to come, we may be looking at raising that much in a year. As the university goes forward, so must the Foundation."



Charles Hogue, staff

DISCUSSIONS OF RACE: Dr. Richard Thomas speaks to a crowd Friday at JUB as part of African-American History Month.

"People want to solve the problem by staying in the problem. You have to start with a set of new values," he said.

Thomas concluded with the suggestion that racial groups should try to work together in harmony. Instead of pointing fingers, racial groups should learn about one another and work together on a consistent basis to make a better future.

"There is a great need for Committee.

deeper understanding of the present state of race relations and the traditional race relations model," Thomas said. "There is no reason why [blacks and whites] cannot come together to create a synergistic force."

Thomas' speech was a part of MTSU's celebration of African-American History Month and was sponsored by the African-American History Month Committee.

Learning

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could do a course on TV to foresee some of the problems that might come about," Hopper said.

Hopper said the program allows people to learn basic things about the working world without enrolling for a class.

"It fills a great need in the community," Hopper said. "It enables us to make services available to people who can't get to campus."

Hopper said she has received good feedback from the Murfreesboro community about the program.

"I'll bet I've had maybe 200 people stop me in town and say they have learned

something from the program," Hopper said. "I think there are more people watching than are really watching to learn."

Hopper likes where the program is going but knows it hasn't reached its boundaries.

"It's going to meet a real need, but it's got a long way to go," Hopper said.

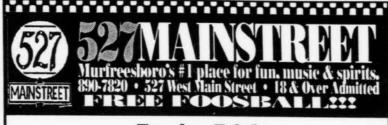
Owens echoes Hopper's

"We feel that the noncredit cable courses we're offering will help us develop the distance learning program and allow faculty to get accustomed to the camera," Owens said. "This is just the beginning."

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State employees receive raise

Tina Denise Harvey Assistant News Editor

MTSU employees recently received a pay raise after the state legislature authorized Gov. Ned McWherter to issue a 4 percent salary increase to all full-time state employees.

"That isn't a major increase but it makes for a more competitive school so we don't lose good faculty," said Dr. Duane Stucky, vice president of Finance and Administration.

"More money also enables us to recruit good faculty," he said.

In a nine-month academic year, an MTSU assistant professor currently makes about \$32,000, an associate professor clears \$40,000 and full professors make around \$50,000, according to Stucky. Deans and university officers earn \$70,000 to \$80,000, he said.

"The school's budget is derived from student fees (40 percent) and from state appropriations (60 percent)," Stucky said. State appropriations come from tax revenues.

"There has been strong support from legislators and the governor," Stucky said. "And when the state revenues allow it they have supported education."

McWherter could authorize another raise in July. State employees received a 4 percent pay raise in January and a 2 percent increase in July of last year. No raises were issued to state workers in 1991 or 1992.

"State employees have not received on-going raises for a few years," Stucky said.

Kelley Sanders, a spokesperson for the governor said, "The money was distributed to give people incentives to be teachers that could make a better future."

The total operating budget which includes faculty, staff, administrators and maintenance and providing student services adds up to almost \$100 million. The budget for faculty alone is \$36 million.

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MTSU establishes Albert Gore Sr. research center

Kelley Lloyd Staff Writer

Students have an opportunity to look back into history with the establishment of the Sen. Albert Gore Sr. Research Center.

The center, operated by MTSU professor of History Dr. Jim Neal, contains documents, pictures, articles and audio and videotapes of the former senator's career.

"What we have here are the papers, the correspondence and everything he accumulated during his career," Neal said. "We have some videotapes, some audiotapes and some articles that he wrote, as well as photographs, office research collections, clippings and documents that help people do research."

Gore, the father of current United States Vice President Albert Gore, Jr. was in the MTSU graduating class of 1932.

He served as a United States Senator from Tennessee. Gore was defeated in 1972 because of his then-unpopular stance against continued United States participation in the Vietnam War.

Gore Hall, a male dormitory on campus, is named for the former senator.

Gore and his wife, Pauline, live in Carthage, Tenn.

Neal said that only recently has the collection been made

available for examination.

"Only last February did we clear up the place where people could come and work with [the documents]," said Neal. "Before that time I had to just deal with individuals and do a lot of the work by mail."

The senator's papers were originally donated to the university in 1971 through Dr. Norman Parks, a former chairman of the Political Science Department and a good friend of the senator.

The papers were kept in storage until 1980, when room was found for the collection. Dr. Neal became interested when he was asked to help with promoting the establishment of the collection at MTSU.

"They asked me to get involved with the campaign, to come up with ideas for the development of an archives on campus," Neal said.

Since its opening, more than 600 people have used the collection for research material. Users have come from as far away as UCLA, Yale and Cambridge-University of England.

Neal said he wants the center to be used by students as well as scholars.

"I'm really trying to make this a place not only for scholars [and] graduate students, but for undergraduates, and not just undergraduate History majors but for students in the sophomore history courses," Neal said.

The Gore Center also holds papers from a number of past presidents of MTSU including Dr. Q. M. Smith, who served from 1938-1958, and the Congressional papers of former Congressman and ex-mayor of Nashville Bill Boner.

Neal is in the process of trying to obtain more papers to help document the history of the university as well as the history of the entire region.

"I would really like to get the papers of some faculty members who are posting retirement," said Neal. "When it comes time to write the centennial of the university, there may not be much available. What may have been the archives of the university were put into a landfill a number of years ago."

"We want to collect material about the university and the area it serves," Neal said.

The hours for the Gore Center are: Monday and Wednesday from 8 a.m. -11 a.m. and noon-3 p.m.; and Tuesday and Thursday from noon-3 p.m. The center is located on the ground floor of the LRC near the Developmental Studies Office.



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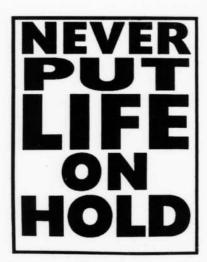
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Surgeon's prank costly when angry nurse sues NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A surgeon was ordered to pay a nurse \$5,000 for shooting a surgical staple into her buttocks as she stooped to count sponges on an operating room floor.

Lola Simpson said she was less interested in the jury award than in bringing Dr. James Bennett to task for the 1990 incident at Children's Hospital.

She said Bennett called the incident a "joke," but he could have spread infection from the patient to her.

Bennett had just finished stapling the hip of a boy being prepped for surgery when Simpson bent down to count sponges. Bennett turned the stapling gun on her.

"There was a nice muscular man standing next to him in the operating room, but he didn't think to do that to him," Simpson said.

Bennett's attorney said the surgeon may appeal Thursday's judgment.

Glider arrested on roof of Buckingham Palace

LONDON (AP) — American James Miller, who glided into a heavyweight boxing match in Las Vegas last year, was arrested on Saturday after landing a propeller-driven parachute on the roof of Buckingham Palace, police and the U.S. Embassy said.

Miller — half-naked and heckling police as he approached the palace — stripped in chilly temperatures after he set foot on the roof, a Scotland Yard spokesman said. He was not armed and was arrested immediately.

Queen Elizabeth II was not at the palace, her official residence in central London. Scotland Yard said no member of the royal family was in danger.

Miller, 30, interrupted the Evander Holyfield-Riddick Bowe heavyweight title bout at Las Vegas on Nov. 6 by floating into the open-air arena on a paraglider. He was charged with a misdemeanor.

His identity was confirmed by a U.S. Embassy official who requested anonymity. He had been in England for about a week, police said.

Miller was spotted by police as flew along the River Thames, then down a broad and leafy avenue toward the palace. Government bans armor-piercing bullet

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Treasury Department is banning the commercial sale of armor-piercing bullets because handguns that can shoot them have become available, posing a danger to police.

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms director, John Magaaw, informed all federal firearms dealers in a letter this week that the bullets could no longer be imported or sold commercially and that existing stocks could be exported or sold only to law enforcement or government agencies.

When used in handguns, they fall under the "cop-killer bullet" law that passed in 1985, Beth McGee of the National Association of Police Organizations said Friday. The law was designed to prevent the public from using bullets that pierce Kevlar vests worn by many police officers.

"How can we carry out our daily work if cop-killer bullets are whizzing through the air?" asked NAPO's executive director, Robert Scully. "If there's a market for armor-piercing ammunition, there's a buyer who wants to see a cop dead." I may not know art...



Scott Neely, staff

ART ISN'T PRETTY: Charles Cole, a sculpting I student, works on a piece at the Art Barn Friday afternoon.

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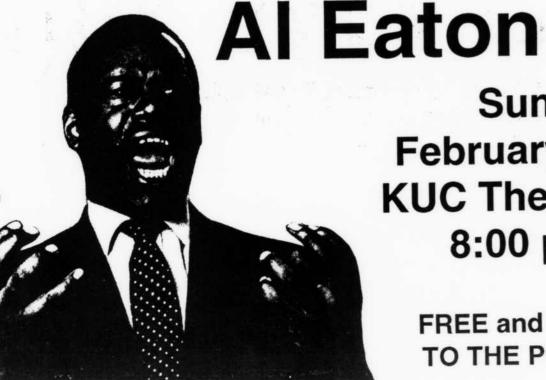
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Two stories in today's Sidelines deal with a topic of interest to virtually every student at MTSU-scholarships.

The MTSU Challenge Campaign set a goal three years ago to raise \$7 million for scholarships. The Campaign raised over \$10 million toward scholarships for students.

Also in this issue, Sidelines focuses on Dr. Patrick Doyle and his recycling program here at MTSU, which has raised over \$140,000 toward scholarships for students.

Doyle's program has students from the Biology Department going to other departments to collect paper for recycling. The program also collects newspaper and aluminum cans.

It may seem fairly remote when you are drinking a Coke (oh, excuse me, Pepsi), but you can actually help someone else attend this fine university simply by dropping your can into one of the convenient blue recycling boxes situated strategically around campus.

In the past few years, MTSU has worked aggressively to establish scholarships and recruit top students. The Presidential Scholars program was established to attract students who were at the top of their high

Face it, anything that can be done to assist students is much-needed. The majority of MTSU students must work outside jobs in order to get by while attending classes.

Most of us can watch "The Real World" and giggle at the people on there who even pretend like they are living in it. But we know what the real world is.

And we know what it takes to get by in it.

A college education, so they say, is a must these days. And there are a lot of people floating around who deserve the opportunity to be here but don't have the money.

Next time you have an extra 55 cents to buy a Pepsi from the machines around here, give some of it back to someone else. ■



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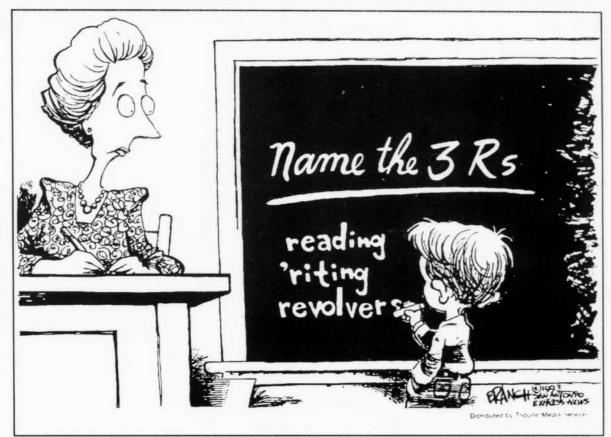
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'Dessa Rose' was not pomographic

To the Editor:

I was absolutely amazed at the front page article regarding Shannon Roberts filing an \$850,000 lawsuit because she refused to read Dessa Rose in an English class taught by Bonnie Shipp, arguing that it was pomographic.

First of all, even if it was a pornographic book, how would she know if she didn't read it? Also, if she thought that the grade was so undeserving, why didn't she appeal it? She could have gotten an Incomplete to give her time to finish the alternative book that she was

I may be mistaken, but I find it hard to believe that a school would refuse admission based solely on the "F" she received (I imagine she had to retake the course under a different instructor to fulfill credit require-

Finally, in the spring of 1992, I took English 112 under Bonnie Shipp, and was required to read Dessa Rose. I found nothing pomographic about it. As a matter of fact, I thought it to be a marvelous novel. The only objections that I could imagine anyone making would have racist connotations (one of the main characters was involved in an interracial relationship).

It seems to me that Roberts is merely trying to blame someone else for problems she has caused herself. Debra Jackson

Gun-control column was 'fully justified'

To the Editor:

I am writing for several reasons. The first is in response to the Letter to the Editor in the January 31, 1994 Sidelines over gun control. Ms. Mooney claims that Christina Basiel's article on gun control was narrow-minded when dealing with countries whose political turmoil and strict firearms control go hand in hand. Ms. Basiel was fully justified in using countries that are in constant political turmoil or are controlled by dictators, because every single one of these countries has strict regulations on the private ownership of firearms.

Ms. Mooney used Great Britain as an example of a country where handgun control works. Handgun control works in Great Britain only because the criminals are not armed. In the United Staets, our independence was won with guns and settling the frontier was accomplished with guns, handguns included. Further regulations on the ownership of handguns would leave the average, law-abiding citizen at the mercy of criminals who will not follow firearms regulations anyway

Ms. Mooney also suggested using a shotgun for defense instead of a handgun. If she had any knowledge of guns whatsoever, she would have realized that, although the shotgun is the best home-defense firearm, it is not easily carried in public without attracting unwanted attention. She also stated that, "Carrying a handgun in anticipation of an attack is living in fear." I disagree. Anyone living in the United States should be anticipating an attack by the criminal element in this country. Carrying a handgun allows an individual to protect himself when, not if, he is attacked.

My congratulations on your attempts to maintain a balance between liberal and conservative views in the Sidelines. Before coming to MTSU, I attended UT-Knoxville and the campus paper, The Daily Beacon was strictly a one-sided, liberal rag. I enjoy the opposing views in the Sidelines. Keep up the good work.

Charles Lawson Box 1248

Professors should take voice and diction class

To the Editor:

In the process of taking voice and diction this semester, I'm learning a lot about my voice and how we are characterized and stereotyped because of it.

Being a Broadcast Journalist or, I find the course to be quite beneficial. This is why I asked the question, "Why aren't professors of MTSU required to take this

After sitting in various classes (Please see Letters, Page 11)

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MTV: Multitude of Talentless Videos

Surely, there's more to art than current music suggests

Reality Check

Jay Travis



Art is dead.
How many of you out there are old enough to remember that aberration of the 1970s, the wretched blot on our culture known as the

disco era?

I know, that God-awful fad was supposed to be making a comeback. Fortunately, that trademark of ridiculously poor taste, bellbottom jeans, is already out again in New York (about the only nice thing I have to say about that place), and I can only hope that the rest of the country follows suit (No, that would not be leisure suit.)

I guess growing up in the punk era left me a little prejudiced towards such "artistic geniuses" as the Bee Gees.

Of course, one has to really reach to grasp the socially redeeming qualities of The Dead Kennedys and Black Flag. And sadly, the current trends of both grunge and rap show no more promise of true creativity than their immediate predecessors.

The disturbing part of all this is not just a question of talent (or lack thereof). The old saying "Art imitates life" may be cliche, but it does still hold true.

Think about it a minute. Music today, with rare exception, has become a mere matter of either grinding out slightly-revamped versions of a currently popular style, such as the mediocre pablum marketed by musicians with more publicity than talent. Does the name Billy Ray Cyrus sound familier?

I'm not singling out country music, though. The range of these acts ("artists" seems a bit of a The next time some sleazy, no-talent pack of financial predators decides to board the artistic gravy train with their latest trend...chase them out of the temple.

reach here) varies from Nirvana to N.W.A., and all of them show a uniform lack of anything really new or original.

My point to all this is that if you allow that art really does imitate life, then our lives are becoming extremely bland. What I want to know is, what happened?

Here we are living in the computer age, where knowledge is supposed to double every 10 years, and we can't even come up with an original form of entertainment? Where are the new frontiers of the mind? I hate to say it, but it appears that overall,



intuition has been replaced by ingenuity. In other words, we gave up on creating and now seem to be settling on just refining what we already know.

If this is true, and we really have already peaked at our highest level of civilization, then one has to ask, "Were all the suffering, all the wars, all the generations of failing and trying again until we finally understood the answers to our questions; were all the combined trials and tribulations of humanity endured just so we could reach the apex of our culture 20 years ago?"

What a disgusting concept! If (Please see Art, Page 11)

Week in Quotes:

" (We must) make tough choices, provide for the future and make distinctions between luxuries and necessities." -- President Bill Clinton, discussing his new budget package

"Our bill does promise a lot less than the president's bill, but we are confident we can deliver on every one of our promises," -- Tennessee Congressman Jim Cooper, courting Ross Perot supporters to support his health care plan

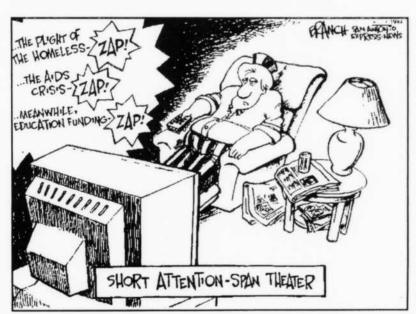
"It's been a long journey. Medgar, I've gone the last mile."--Myrlie Evers, widow of the late Civil Rights leader Megar Evers, after Byron de la Beckwith was convicted of his murder last week. Beckwith had previously been acquitted by two all-white juries in the 1963 killing

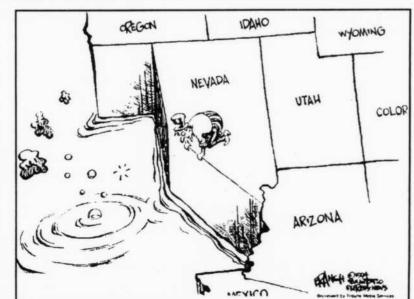
" [We are] cleaning up black people, reforming black people, turning black people towards self to love one another, not turning them against white people to hate."

Through these kinds of things, you will see that I am not a bogeyman." _ Louis Farrakhan, leader of the Nation of Islam, speaking to reporters after disciplining an aide last week who made anti-white, anti-Jewish comments

"It's hard to say what the embargo has accomplished." - George Herring, Vietnam war historian, on the United States conclusion of its 20-year embargo against Vietnam

Editorial cartoons





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Menendez overexposure typical 'bloodthirsty' tabloid TV Is anyone still interested in what's really important?

Ken-L-Ration X

MIKE REED



Recently I was watching NBC when they aired a program devoted to the Menendez brothers

trial. For those who don't know, Erik and Lyle Menendez were accused of killing their parents.

The brothers claim their crime was the result of years of physical and mental abuse. The case was heated and the attorneys were suitably flamboyant for television. When it came time for the jury to declare a verdict, they had none. The trial was thrown out and the entire process has to begin again.

This isn't the sort of case that NBC would normally dedicate an hour of prime time to. The wrinkle that has captured the attention of COURT-TV and much of the

rest of America is the fact that the Menendez brothers stood to inherit around \$14 million . (somewhere in the back of my head I hear a voice saying "ooooooooooh, so it's a profit deal").

Okay, so there's money involved and the public is interested. They love a scandal and television is a moneymaking endeavor, so NBC "Dateline," along with COURT TV, ran a special program detailing the case from opening arguments to jury deliberations. By this I mean that they broadcast photos of the dead, blood-soaked bodies, nude photos of the Menendez brothers allegedly taken by their father, interviews with attorneys on both sides and interviews with jury members. This isn't the sort of thing I'm used to dealing with at 9 p.m. on a weeknight.

NBC didn't do anything illegal. Everything that was put on the air was public information; the attorneys and jurors had the option of whether or not to be interviewed and the entire trial was thrown out, so there

was no chance of revealing anything improper. However, this case is far from over. A new jury has to be picked and this time the lawyers are going to have to find 12 people whose heads have been buried in the sand.

America is becoming

The evening news has taken on an "Entertainment Tonight" aspect. Between the flashy graphics, digital sound effects and the sleazy story budgets, it's getting difficult to tell where the public's right to know ends and the public's right to get their jollies begins.

obsessed with tabloid journalism. Media technology is advancing to the point where footage can be manipulated in extraordinary ways. The evening news is taking on an "Entertainment Tonight" aspect. Between the flashy graphics, digital sound effects and the sleazy story budgets it's getting difficult to tell where the public's right to know ends and the public's right to get their jollies begins.

Everyone seems to agree that reality-based television is not only big with Nielson families everywhere, it's also way out of control. While some people are complaining that television is too violent, the majority are setting their VCRs to tape "Top Cops" so they can watch "Real Stories of the Highway Patrol."

"Hard Copy," "Front Page," "A Current Affair," "Dateline," "20/20"--none of them can seem to stay away from a juicy scandal like the Menendez brothers.

To be considered newsworthy, a subject must fill certain criteria:

✓ Impact: Does the Menendez story affect a great number of people? No.

✓Unusualness: Is murder unusual? Sadly no, but a case can be made that murdering your millionaire parents is unusual.

✓Prominence: Before their alleged crimes, had you ever

"I wonder if I

should've stayed

in college and

it's getting difficult to tell heard of Erik and Lyle where the public's right to Menendez? Lorena Bobbitt?

✔Proximity: When at all possible, the news should have a local angle. Are you the upstairs neighbors of either Menendez brother?

✓ Conflict: People love conflict. The Menendez trial is full of conflict. So is Bosnia, Russia, Lillihammer, New York City and Murfreesboro.

✓ Timeliness: The news isn't news if it's old. The first Menendez trial is now old news, so look for the tabloids to move on.

One fact always gets lost in the shuffle when people start getting high and mighty concerning the news and the public's right to know it: Erik and Lyle Menendez are people. Their lives have been torn open and microscopically examined by a bloodthirsty press that responds to the wishes of an even bloodthirstier public.

This story doesn't stop with the news coverage. There

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man was meant to peak at disco, perhaps we should have crawled back into the primordial slime and let the cockroaches take their turn first. Our only hope as a culture is in removing the stumbling blocks of creativity.

The next time some sleazy, no-talent pack of financial predators decides to board the artistic gravy train with their latest trend guarenteed to make you uniformly unique and transiently trendy, chase them out of the temple.

Only if we refuse to follow these pied pipers of assembly-line art can we ever hope to reignite those last dying embers of true creativity left smoldering underneath the smothering weight of pop "culture."

Next time you want a new experience, try reading a book (one which has neither been assigned to you nor is written by an author who has a contract to churn out X number of books per year) or better yet, try sitting down and writing one. Everyone has a story to tell, and I'd be willing to wager that yours is probably a damn sight more interesting than the latest single on the "Top 40 Countdown."

Travis is an Aerospace major in search of a good tune. His column appears Mondays in Sidelines.

Letters

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and not being able to understand most words in lectures, I truly stress the requirement of voice and diction for instructors.

It's very aggravating to attend a class-you're paying for-and not be able to digest the lecture from lack of articulation from the instructor. It's also depressing and honestly boring to hear a flat, crackled, muffled voice for 50 minutes. Because of it, you lack interest in the course and the class.

I'm aware this is a problem

and I'm sure others are as well. In the meantime, something should be done. I figure acknowledgment is the first step.

My concern goes beyond me. There are instructors who don't realize what is wrong with their presentation. Yet, there are others who don't care, but I do.

On behalf of other fellow students and ones to come, I'm speaking out so instructors will speak up.

Sincerely, Estella Reed

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are currently three television movies in the making that are based on the Menendez case. coming thing. As long as the public eats this stuff up, executroids everywhere will keep putting

it on, advertisers will keep buying time, protest groups will keep pressuring congress This isn't coincidence. This is a to enact regulations and the once-distinct line between what is news and what is entertainment will keep becoming more blurred.

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Biology Club turns paper, cans into profit

Jason T. Sparks Senior Writer

As you read this, you may be sitting there, peaceably noshing; perhaps you're enjoying a lovely beverage from an aluminum can. The can you're holding, if recycled, has a number of potential uses. If used for energy, for instance, it could generate enough power to keep a television on for four hours (2 1/2 if tuned to Rush Limbaugh.) Or, it could save 14 pounds of coal from being

When recycling began on MTSU's campus in 1972, it saved Dr. Patrick Doyle from being forced "to sell Krispy Kreme doughnuts" to raise money for the Biology Club. Today, his recycling efforts have saved a number of students from being deprived of an education, in that recycling on campus has raised \$140,000 in scholarship funds over

Doyle began a recycling program on campus when he was an officer in the Biology Club, and pressed with the common problem of raising money, and doing so in an original way. The first efforts at recycling were less than successful; mired by bad planning, Doyle says the first thing the club learned about recycling was "how not to do it."

In time, though, the group found some focus, and began to see some profits from recycling. The money began going directly into a scholarship fund in the name of Dr. Charles Holland, a colleague of Doyle's who was killed by a hit-and-run driver.

Twenty-two years-and 7,141,632 pounds of paper-later, Doyle says that the organization will be giving "in excess of \$10,000 in funds" this year, through several different scholarships. This year, scholarships will be awarded to outstanding freshman, sophomore, junior and senior students. Other scholarships available include field study and pre-professional grants, plus scholarships for people directly involved in the recycling program. Scholarships are also offered to

Paper has been recycled since the program's inception in 1972. Aluminum cans were first recycled in 1987; since then, 95,000 pounds of aluminum have been brought in.

Mississippi Gulf Coast offers which Consortium, programs in oceanography and marine mammology.

Students use the money for "deferring the cost of tuition, books, payment rent-however they need it," Doyle says. At the moment, the scholarships are being paid out from interest only, which Doyle feels will guarantee that the scholarship funds will "go on forever."

Paper has been recycled since the program's inception in 1972. Aluminum cans were first recycled in 1987; since then, 95,000 brought in, worth \$32,000. A computer paper drive started three years ago has brought in \$15,000.

The money from the paper drive has been used to create two new scholarships. The first is for any secretary on campus, or any of the secretary's dependants; the second is for any janitor, groundskeeper, or maintenance worker, or any of their dependents.

The reason for the scholarships, Doyle explains, is that "both groups are involved in

making the school a success."

Doyle, who recycles at home and brags of having almost never used "virgin paper" in his computer at home, is now working on publishing a new recycling program. His idea is to try to get every MTSU student to bring one pound of aluminum back after spring break. Were he pounds of aluminum have been successful in this endeavor, he could see yet another \$3,000-\$5,000 brought in for the scholarship funds.

And Doyle would be content with that, too, if he could get one other thing he's been looking for volunteers. When asked who was responsible for collecting the cans from around campus, Doyle replied, "myself and a couple of students."

"Sometimes we have volunteers — usually not." To join Doyle's erstwhile cause, contact him at ext. 2069.■

Student missionaries experience Russia

Corrie Cron

Interim Features Editor

Russia is not a place most people would choose to go once, let alone twice.

Doug Couch, a graduate student majoring in Biology and a full-time minister at Minerva Drive Church of Christ, has made two trips to Nova Sibersk, Russia. Stephen Todd, a sophmore, and a member of Minerva, travelled for the first time with Doug and the Smyrna Church of Christ last March, and both say that their experiences there have changed their lives. They went as missionaries.

"It changed my view of what's important," Stephen says after living with a family for 25 days who redecorated their home srictly for his visit.

The woman of the family worked in a factory about half a mile away, but she would walk home every day to cook Stephen

"There were a couple of days

that she said she couldn't make it home for lunch so at breakfast, she would cook my lunch then and wrap it up and say 'This is your lunch, Stephen.""

Doug says that his trips abroad have made him aware of how "blessed" Americans are and that even most Americans who do not consider themselves rich or even well-off are rich by Russia's standards.

"I think it should be a law that everyone must travel abroad," Doug says.

As expected, Doug and Stephen brought back many stories. They have stories of playing basketball with some area schoolchildren and teaching them that "children obey your parents" is the first commandment with two promises, and memories of a woman so empty of hope she felt she could not pray herself but, in tears, asked Stephen and Doug if they could pray for her.

Differences in culture, including senses of humor, were one of the main things that the



TANKS A LOT: MTSU sophmore Stephen Todd and graduate student Doug Couch seen here posing with Russian troops. The two missionaries spent 25 days living with a Russian family.

Americans had to work around.

"Stephen did a farely good job telling some American jokes," Doug says. "I guess they understood."

"I had hardly ever been out of the South, and the first foreign country I ever set foot in was

Russia," Stephen says, half in even though they were dressed in disbelief.

Overall, the two feel that the trip was successful.

Doug relayed a story that seemed to sum up the trip. In one place they visited, the people recognized them as Americans

common Russian attire. Doug asked them how they could tell.

"They said, 'We see it in your eyes," he says. "We came with hope and they were looking for

New releases make the grade

Paul Sicard

Special to Sidelines

Various — "No Alternative" (redhot/Arista)

This is the latest in the Red Hot & Blue series. The Red Hot organization raises funds to promote AIDS awareness. Prior Red Hot & Blue albums had much broader musical scopes including blues, R & B, as well as alternative rock. This one focuses exclusively on alternative Big names include Matthew Sweet, Soul Asylum, Bob Mould, Soundgarden, The Beastie Boys, The Breeders and a special unlisted track by Nirvana—making 19 cuts in all. The best cuts on the album are definitely Matthew Sweet's low budget/60's inspired rocker "Superdeformed," Soul Asylum's cover of Marvin Gaye's "Sexual Healing" and Smashing Pumpkins' "Glynnis." Most of the other big name acts' contributions seem like the band put them on this because they weren't good enough to be released on anything which might influence their income. Overall, it's a pretty cool album. I'll give it a "B."

Swamp Zombies — "Spunk!" (Doctor Dream)

"Spunk! I don't know what it means momma, but it's such a lovely word-Spunk!" is the sound bite that opens this album. It applies to the Swamp Zombies' music too. They've got a

quirkiness to rival They Might Be Giants, but where They Might Be Giants are brainy, hi-tech, kind of guys, The Swamp Zombies are stuck in the '60s with a "down home in the swamp" kind of mentality. Titles like "Mudbog," "Ashtray" and "Oatmeal" might give you an idea of their lowbrow lyrics. They use bongos, banjos, Farfisa, guitar, Jew's harp and drums to create some pretty damn cool stuff. "Spunk!" is a worthy addition to the Swamp Zombies' repertoire. I give it an

Boo Trundle "The Vast Underneath" (Big Deal)

Open up the booklet that comes with this disc and you see pictures of Victorian looking girls on a backdrop of spiderwebs, along with a few snapshots of a rather scary looking Boo, Trundle. (Yep, that's her name). This image is a pretty good indicator of the mood of the entire album. It's a gothic-inspired collection of songs. Boo's vocals and acoustic guitar over slightly unsettling music is most what this album's about. The songs range from full blown rockers like "Pompeii" to acoustic ballads like "Greeting Faust." In between are stops at mellow, trancy guitar songs like "Lynched" or "Sunshine Swimming Horse Death." This is one of the most intriguing albums I've heard in a very long time. Without hesitation, this gets an "A" from me. Check it out.■

'Disclosure' continues Crichton's winning streak

Waka Tsunoda

AP Special Features

Michael Crichton dealt with the sensitive issue of U.S.-Japan relationships in his 1992 novel "Rising Sun" and had a huge best seller.

In his new novel, ^"Disclosure"@ (Knopf, \$24), he tackles another explosive topic, sexual harassment, and all indications are that his Midas touch continues.

The novel is an engrossing study of power politics in the workplace. The harassment case it portrays is no ordinary one - it's about a female executive harassing a male subordinate. It is, the author says, based on a true

Tom Sanders is the de facto general manager of technical divisions at a communications technology company in Seattle. The company is being acquired by a publishing conglomerate, and when the deal is finalized, Sanders expects to be appointed to the position formally. He learns, however, that someone else is going to get the job - namely, Meredith Johnson, his former livein girlfriend who now works at a branch office.

Johnson is no technological genius, but she doesn't have to be. She's good-looking and smart. She's also sexually aggressive. On her first day at headquarters, she invites Sanders into her office and attempts to seduce him. When Sanders, now married with two kids, refuses, Johnson immediately sets out to destroy him.

Sanders decides to fight back and consults a woman lawyer.

"One-fourth of all sexual harassment cases are brought by

men," she tells him. "Most of those are brought against male bosses, but one-fifth are brought against women. And the number is increasing all the time, as we have more women bosses in the

For various technical reasons, the lawyer thinks Sanders' case is not strong, but she agrees to take

Like other Crichton books, "Disclosure" is written simply and lucidly, and it reads more like a computer game than like literature. It lacks psychological depth, but it is enormously entertaining. The book also successfully dramatizes how the truth can get lost in the molasses of preconceived notions, traditional attitudes, ambitions and other private motives.

Best-selling singles of the week:

1. "All For Love," Bryan Adams, Rod Stewart, Sting 2. "Breathe Again," Toni Braxton

3. "Hero," Mariah Carey

4. "All That She Wants," Ace of Base

5. "Said I Loved You...But I Lied," Michael Bolton

6. "Again," Janet Jackson

7. "Please Forgive Me," Bryan Adams 8. "Can We Talk." Tevin Campbell

9. "The Power Of Love," Celine Dion 10. "Shoop," Salt-n-Pepa

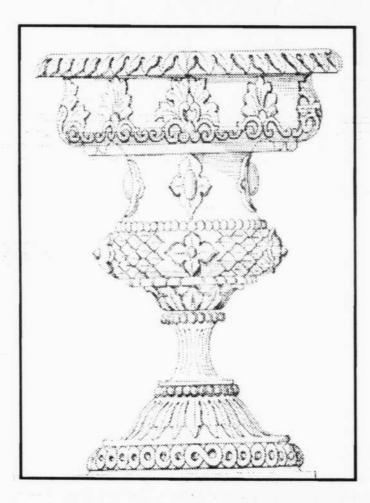
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Opera at MTSU worth the effort

Fletcher Moore Staff Writer

Last Thursday found this writer sitting dejectedly in MTSU's Wright Music Hall, reflecting on the staggering volume of work to be done before my Friday morning journey to Cincinnati. MY body was racked with the flu and my throat felt like the inside of a cement mixer. I would have been happier just about anywhere - excepting possibly Mainstreet.

As I sat there, wallowing in self-pity, a burst of rather attractive notes rolled off the stage. Perking up, I began to become aware of a flurry of angelic tones circulating throughout the hall like sweet puffs of air. Thinking perhaps I was hallucinating, I rubbed my ears, but it was no error - the room was filled with beautiful musical shapes. Quickly, with ever growing excitement, I traced the aural flood to its source. A clever deciphering of the program revealed that the three responsible wellsprings were in fact soprano Christine Brewer, mezzo-soprano Mary Ann McCormick, and accompanist Kirt Pavitt.

Those who spent Thursday night swilling beer or sitting mesmerized in front of the television missed a great deal. While I realize that many folks make a lifetime career out of avoiding opera singers entirely, the presence of Avery Fischer Hall (Brewer) and Metropolitan Opera (McCormick) veterans ought to at least register faintly in the supposedly rich minds of university students. The number of young people at this recital, however, once again seems to underscore the dearth of intellectual curiosity at this school at any rate. Those who missed it can only be pitied, for an opportunity like this does not happen often outside of New York City.

Among the high points of the evening were songs of Sibelius and Poulenc, sung by Ms. McCormick, a set of songs by Richard Hundley - particularly a setting of an e.e. cummings poem sung by Ms. Brewer, and a number of duets, including Rossini's "Cat Duet," sung on the text, "meow." My personal favorite was Ms. Brewer's rendition of a set of songs by Richard Strauss. These expansive musical landscapes showcased the extraordinary talents of Mr. Pavitt, whose playing was carefully paced and extremely sensitive, drawing the listener on through miles of rich, tortuous

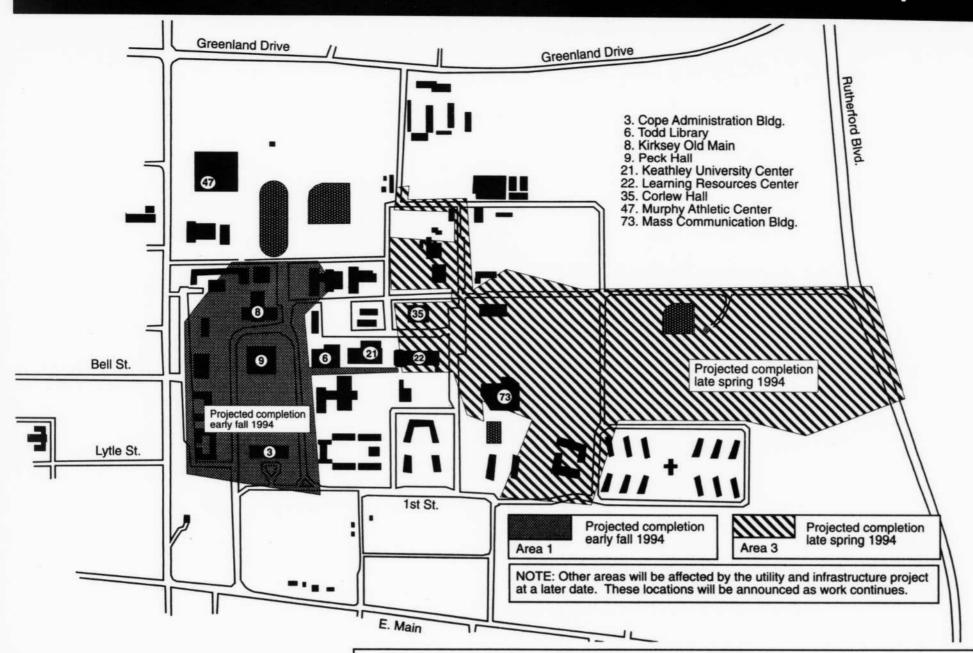
Thursday night's performance was only the beginning.

After a Friday morning masterclass, the singers remained Sunday afternoon's performance of Beethoven's Missa Solemnis with the Middle Tennessee Choral Society and Chamber Choir, the Nashville Symphony, and two additional soloists - tenor Will Griffith and bass Ed Byrom. This extremely difficult work - which constitutes one of the most ambitious performance projects taken on in my time at this university - was conducted masterfully by Raphael Bundage. The work was every bit as grand as anyone could have asked, and special congratulations belong to everyone involved, but particularly to our superb guests -Ms. Brewer and Ms. McCormick, both of whom sang with remarkable power and clarity.

The successive standing ovations at Thursday's concert go some way toward thanking these two for gracing our stage with their presences, but to that I feel must be extended further thanks. Those of us without the cash for airfare to NYC could not have been happier to see two of its finest exponents right here on our very own doorstep.

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Utility & Infrastructure Project brings changes to campus



Utility and Infrastructure Improvements

The MTSU campus is being prepared for a leap into the next century. The prospects are fantastic, but in the meantime there will be some mud, detours, and inconvenience.

Bill Smotherman, director of physical plant, said the "Utility and Infrastructure Improvements" project will probably begin sometime this month and is scheduled to be completed in the summer of 1995. He explained the project, part of the MTSU Master Plan approved in Dec. 1991, has several major objectives — to move existing utilities away from the site of future buildings, to increase the size of pipes and ducts to accommodate new buildings, to provide future underground pathways for electrical, telephone, and data lines, to install new drain pipes which will help regulate storm water runoff, and re-pipe the chilling plant for better control of water flow and increased efficiency of operation.

Bids were opened on Jan. 25 and the apparent low bid was \$9.9 million from Reliable Mechanical, Inc. of Louisville, Ky.

Smotherman said the contract with the construction company should be signed in early February, and construction should begin soon thereafter. "A contract is currently in the review and signature process. Ditch line work could begin the latter part of February."

For safety reasons, all of the ditches will be fenced in, causing some pedestrian detours. Smotherman said that excavation at major intersections will be done on weekends to minimize inconvenience to students, faculty, and staff.

Data lines being installed will include fiber optic cables linking 19 campus buildings.

Periodic maps will be included in *The Record* and *Sidelines*, notifying students, faculty, and staff of work areas which they may want to avoid or areas where they should allow for extra time to pass through.

February 7, 1994

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Over the next several months workers will be digging in many areas of the campus to upgrade underground computer data lines, electrical lines, drainage, and other utility lines. This work is part of our Utility and Infrastructure Improvements Project.

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James E. Walker President

Sincerely,

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Sports

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Raider squads KO'd by TSU

Tigers spank Raiders in second half

Travis Millsaps Assistant Sports Editor

Same old story, same old song and dance.

Once again, Middle Tennessee's men's basketball team played a tough and competitive game until a scoring lapse allowed Tennessee State University to run away with an 82-58 win Saturday night.

Playing before 9,023 fans, the second largest crowd ever at Gentry Center, MTSU hung tight with the defending OVC champions and trailed them only 30-28 at the half. Despite shooting only 27 percent at the half, Middle was playing an aggressive defense that also kept the Tigers from scoring.

"We were two points down and only shot 27 percent in the first half," said Raider Coach David Farrar, "so I think from that point of view you had to feel like you would shoot a little better, things would go for you and you would be a little more productive [in the second half], but in fact they didn't."

"Neither team shot well in the first half," said TSU coach Frankie Allen, "but I thought both teams (Please see TSU, page 18)



OUTTA MY WAY: Lady Raider freshman forward Jessica Beaty makes a move toward the basket during the Lady Raider loss to Tennessee State Saturday night in Nashville. Beaty finished the game with five points.

Lady Raiders fall to TSU for second time

Tony J. Amold Sports Editor

With one OVC road game remaining on its schedule, MTSU had a chance to drive the first nail in claiming an OVC basketball title Saturday night, however, it was TSU that did the nailing.

For the second time this season, Tennessee State's Lady Tigers handed the Lady Raiders a defeat, this time 86-80, moving into a first-place tie with MTSU in the league standings.

"It's a pretty scrambled thing right now [the OVC race]," said MTSU Head Coach Lewis Bivens. "Every time we've had an opportunity to show some daylight, we've been unable to respond both times with the same people and they've beat us twice."

The loss was only the third of the season for the Lady Raiders who slipped to 16-3 on the season. TSU improved to 13-6. Both squads have 8-2 OVC marks.

"We've got a long way to go, but in terms of winning the title, this was a must," admitted TSU Head Coach Teresa Phillips. "This was an awful good basketball game and an exciting game, and

(Please see Ladies, page 18)

Doubles duo headed for Nationals

Staff Reports

After defeating the top-ranked doubles team in the nation, MTSU's nationally ranked duo of Paul Goebel and Fredric Neimeyer have been selected to play in the International Tennis Association National Indoor Championships.

"This is a banner day in the history of MTSU tennis," said Dale Short, MTSU head tennis coach. We have had a lot of success in our conference and a margin of success in our region, but now we have the opportunity to make an impact on the national

Goebel and Neimeyer downed the No. 1 team of Paul Rosner and Vaughn Snymar, University of Alabama-Birmingham, in the O'Charley's Invitational last month. They followed up that win by defeating the third ranked team from South

Both squads will be at the National Indoors and although the MTSU doubles sensations have already defeated them once, this situation is a little different.

"We've beaten the top two seeds in the tournament, but we've never played under this kind of pressure," Short admitted. "It's kind of like a basketball team making it to the final four for the first time. We're not used to playing in those kind of

But he also realizes the abilities of his team is there.

"I do have confidence in Paul and Freddie's abilities," Short said.

Goebel, a senior from Hendersonville, NC and Neimeyer, a freshman from Quebec, Canada, are the first Blue Raiders to compete for a national title.

MTSU to play Sounds

Staff Reports

The Blue Raider baseball squad will host the Nashville Sounds, the AAA affiliate of the Chicago White Sox, on April 4 at Reese Smith Field with the game beginning at 6 p.m.

The Blue Raiders and Sounds met three years ago when the Nashville squad was the AAA team of the Cincinnati Reds. The Blue Raiders won that game in Greer Stadium.

Each ticket will go for a \$10 donation to support the Blue Raider Baseball Building Fund, which will finance construction of a proposed indoor baseball

facility. Student tickets will be available for \$5 each.

"This is a great opportunity, for us," said MTSU coach Steve Peterson. 'Very, very rarely will you see a minor league club play a college team on their home field.

"It will be a fun night for our players and our fans, who will nave the opportunity to very talented players."

Tickets will be available at several local businesses as well as at the MTSU athletic ticket office.

The Blue Raiders open the season Feb. 26 at Auburn. They will be at home for the first time on March 12 when they host Eastern Illinois.

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Foul-up axes first week of 'Line' picks

Due to a mistake, the first week of 'On the Line' has

Following MTSU's game with UT-martin on Monday, Jan. 31 I, Tony Arnold, inadvertently placed my note pad on top of my car while opening to door and removing something from the front seat and I didn't pick

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Ladies

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one where we never rested easy."

MTSU never rested easy either; it was a continual uphill battle to stay in the contest. Tennessee State took control early, largely in part to several easy baskets after the team broke MTSU's press.

"We have a lot of people that don't have a lot of experience that were making some mistakes," Bivens said. "It was a team thing. We had a lot of people not getting where they were supposed to be."

However, the Lady Raiders answered every call, trailing only 36-40 at the end of the half. In fact, Middle held a 34-33 lead only to see former MTSU signee Carolyn Aldridge net seven points in the final minutes to put her team up at

'Carolyn had a big night and we seem to bring out the best in her," Bivens said. But the best was yet to come.

TSU

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defended pretty well. Middle's got one staple that there always going to have and that is that they are going to defend you.

"They really contested shots and blocked out well and we didn't get many second shots in the first half."

MTSU started off the second half with Milton Dean hitting a 17foot shot to tie the game with 19:26 left in the game.

That was when the drought began. MTSU did not hit another field goal until the 10:49 mark and by that time TSU had built a 52-36 lead.

MTSU also got pounded on the boards in the second half. The Tigers out-rebounded Middle 32-12 during that period.

"We never made a basket at a critical time in the second half," Farrar said. "The ones we made were when the game was over.

"I really thought when it went to 10 [points] that we would still be able to make a game out of We wanted to execute something the very next time and could not get it done. From there on it just snowballed," Farrar said.

"The problem that got us into trouble was a lack of execution in the very beginning. We had two or three things that we wanted to get into in the first half and the way they played in the first half, we should have really been up by six or eight points. That might provided enough momentum to give us enough confidence to play a little bit better in the second half.

"But in reality, they started making 3s, they started playing a little bit better, the momentum swung and we basically, at least in my opinion until I see the film,

Largely in part to two treys from Aldridge, TSU built its lead to nine with 6:21 left in the game and MTSU had to make a move.

Just as they had done a week earlier against Tennessee Tech, the Lady Raiders mounted a run, led by Sherry Tucker who netted six points in an eight point rally,to narrow the margin to one at 72-71. MTSU even had an opportunity to take the lead but some crucial mistakes down the stretch did

"We got in a position to win the ballgame and we had a couple of crucial turnovers and a couple of bad shot selections," Bivens said. "We got where we needed to be, but it was lost long before

Aldridge had a momentumswinging-tip as the shot clock expired to spark her team to a 8-2 run to push the lead back to seven. With 55 seconds left, Heather Prater's 3-pointer closed the gap to three and with 26 seconds left, Tucker had an opportunity to cut

it to two when she was fouled on a 3-point attempt. She made only one of her three shots.

Meanwhile, Aldridge connected on six-of-eight freebies in the final minutes to seal the win.

"Give TSU credit, they played really well and they answered everything we came after them with," Bivens said.

Tucker and Maggie Cox led MTSU with 18 points. Cox connected on 7-of-8 field goals but played only 26 minutes due to foul trouble. Priscilla Robinson netted 13.

Aldridge led all scorers with

"We played sloppy at times and we just didn't do what it takes to win close ball games," admitted Bivens. "We've been in a lot of games like this, but we didn't respond very well tonight."

The Lady Raiders now have a week off, returning to action Saturday night when it host Murray State in Murphy Athletic



Coley Jackson, stat

SAILING: Blue Raider point guard Tim Gaither glides in for a lay up against TSU.

MTSU was led in scoring by Milton Dean with 15 points. Paul Washington and Shawn Driskill both added eight. No Blue Raider had more than five rebounds.

The Tigers were led by All-American candidate Carlos Rogers who tossed in 22 points and grabbed 12 rebounds. Curtis Davis came off the bench for TSU and added 19.

Former MTSU player Jeff

Johnson had 13 points and added 17 rebounds.

MTSU fell to 5-15 overall and to 2-8 in the OVC with the defea TSU improved to 11-9, with a 7conference record.

The Blue Raiders will not have to face the league-leading Murray State Racers Saturday night. The game will be a Murphy Athletic Center with tip off set for 7:30. ■

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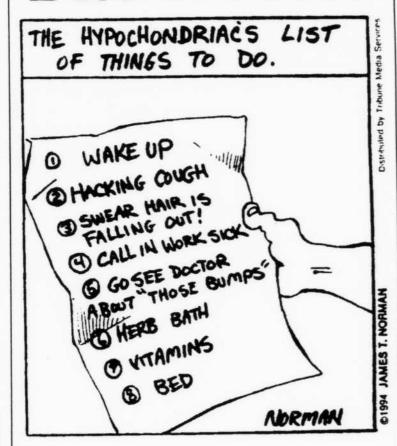
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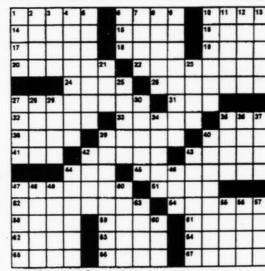
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EASY, BIG FELLA: Elizabeth Davis carefully combs Bonfire's tail in preparation for last Sunday's horse show sponsored by the Murfreesboro Pony Club.

Students pay to keep library open

College Press Service

PLEASONTON, Calif. -Chabot College's student government has donated \$12,754 to keep the library open an additional 10 hours every week. The hours of operation were cut as part of 1993 budget reductions.

Luis Molina, president of the Associated Students of Chabot College, announced the donation Jan. 18 at a meeting of the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District Board of Trustees.

The donation will allow the library to pay staff to keep the facility and computer labs open until 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, instead of closing at 7:30 p.m., and to resume Saturday

"Budget cuts have affected not only our fees and opportunities as students, but some of the valued services we may have taken for granted, such as the library-learning resource center," Molina said. "It gives us a great sense of empowerment to help the greater majority in an area of dire need."

Last year, the student government at Solano College made a donation to keep open several sections of university transfer courses that had been scheduled for elimination because of budget cuts.

fraternity member was charged with assault on an alumnus

University of Southern Maine

College Press Service

delivering an eviction notice while fellow brothers were accused of trashing a house to the tune of \$5,000 in damages when they were told to leave.

GORHAM, Maine - A

The owner of the house, the Tau Kappa Epsilon Lambda-Delta Chapter House Corp., is considering criminal and civil action against fraternity members, officials said.

Six months of increasing tension between the defunct TKE chapter, whose recognition by the national TKE organization was suspended, and the university came to a head in late January. The altercation occurred when TKE alumnus Shawn Babine, accompanied by members of the Gorham Police Department, tried to serve an eviction notice on 17 fraternity members living at the TKE house on the Gorham

Anthony P. Fiorino, a member of the former TKE chapter, was charged with assault. Babine said the fraternity members did an estimated \$5,000 in damages to the house after they learned they had been given 72 hours notice to move out.

"It was demolished," Babine said. "The stairwell leading to the second floor was torn out, and the wall where the crest was hanging and the crest itself — was wrecked. That just shows how much respect they really had for Tau Kappa Epsilon. They simply say 'boys will be boys', and that mentality is no longer acceptable within the university or the community."

Pieces of furniture were nailed high in trees, files and financial records were burned and "explicit graffiti"" about Babine's

wife and university officials was scrawled on surfaces, Babine said.

their own USM fraternity house

Students evicted after trashing

Babine and USM Vice President for Student Affairs Judy Ryan said damage estimates and criminal trespass notices have been filed through the university's Department of Police and Safety and Judicial Affairs. Student **Judicial Affairs Officer Carl Hill** has begun reviewing the case to see if adjudication through the university's judicial process is possible.

"They want to be treated like adults but they're not willing to treat anyone else with the same respect," Babine said of the

'It was demolished. The stairwell leading to the second floor was torn out and the wall where the crest was hanging, and the crest itself, was wrecked"

Shawn Babine

fraternity members. "The alumni corporation has not yet determined, but has definitely not ruled out the possibility of both civil and criminal action to recuperate damages to the property as well as an estimated \$10,000 in missing rents."

Several fraternity members contend they had been willing to relocate, but were not given a fair amount of time to complete the

"The local (TKE) board found out about a month ago that we were going to have to move out and the guys found out Saturday," two days before the eviction notice was served, said Pat Murray, a member of the fraternity.

Carl Witham, vice president of the fraternity and a house resident for three years, said he felt

the university tried to go too far to illustrate a point. "What they did was legal, but they didn't give us the chance to work it out with them," Witham said.

With 17 people living in the house and three more scheduled to move in, the crunch was on to find alternate housing. According to Witham, most have succeeded. "But," he said, "the dorms are cracking down on us, trying to keep brothers from living together" in the same room. Owners of apartment buildings have refused to rent to the fraternity members.

Relations between the fraternity and the university have been testy for several years, stemming from a history of "financial problems, physical violence, sexual assault, community disturbances, and alcohol violations," Babine said. a woman was raped during a party at the TKE house in 1990. A man who was not a member of the fraternity was convicted in the

Babine and Frank Sanders, senior director of TKE chapter services, said the fraternity had been given numerous chances to hold onto the house and the fraternity name. However, the national TKE group decided to suspend official recognition of the fraternity on Aug. 31, 1993. Members of the fraternity then decided to form an independent group that called itself "Lambda Delta," an action that further jeopardized their standing with national TKE officials, who considered the name change as the fraternity members' way of thumbing their noses at the sanction.

Sanders indicated that the national group is quite willing to consider re-establishing a fraternity at the university at some point, "but I can't imagine that happening in the near future."

Professor receives mail bomb

College Press Service

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. -Investigators are still working to determine who sent a bomb to the home of a Harvard University Medical School faculty member, authorities said.

Dr. Paul A Rosenburg, an assistant professor of neurology at the medical school who works at Children's Hospital, unwittingly averted the detonation of two sixinch pipe bombs contained in a package sent to his home in Newton, Mass., The Harvard

On Dec. 19, after Rosenberg and his wife returned from a vacation, he cut open the top of the box with a knife rather than opening the flaps, which would have activated the bombs. When he saw a metal cylinder and wires in the package, he and his wife ran out of the house and he called the police.

Correction:

In the Feb. 3 edition of Sidelines, a front-page article referred to a new DUI program operated by the Rutherford County Sheriff's Department. It should have been the Murfreesboro Police Department.

Sidelines regrets the error.

Flu season rages on, not too late to get shots

College Press Service

Think you've been spared the indignity and suffering of the flu for another year? Think again.

The 1993-94 influenza season just may have started in full swing, a Michigan State University doctor warns. "I think we've just seen a glimpse of things to come," says Dr. Ashir Kumar, an MSU pediatrician and infectious disease expert. "It's not too late to get a flu shot."

Generally the flu season doesn't get started in earnest until mid-January, said Kumar, although health clinics at colleges throughout the country began reporting cases as early as last October.

Students also are returning to colleges and universities after having been home for holiday breaks, where families gathered and swapped germs as well as

"They're picking up a whole bunch of stuff from their families and bringing it back," Kumar said.

In addition, winter is the season for indoor sports events such as basketball and hockey games, which are breeding grounds for illnesses, Kumar said. Put a few sick people in an area "screaming and hollering and coughing on each other," and you've got a recipe for flu epidemic, he said.

For some reason, the flu

season also seems to pick up steam after extremely cold winter weather subsides. People tend to congregate more in warmer weather, which results in an increase in illnesses such as colds

People who are considered to be at high risk for catching the flu, such as health workers or those with existing heart or lung conditions, should check with campus clinics or their personal physicians to get flu shots, Kumar said. Although it takes about two weeks before the shots become effective, doctors also can prescribe anti-viral medications to ward off the illness during the