

## Forum holds debate

By M.A. BROWN  
Assistant News Editor

A constitutional debate will be sponsored by the Middle Tennessee State University Campus Forum for 1987 on Wednesday, Oct. 21 from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Room 322 Keathly University Center.

The subject for the debate will be the issue of amending the U.S. Constitution to provide for direct popular election of the President by abolishing the Electoral College.

The purpose of the debate is to educate people on some of the intricacies of the United States Constitution.

"The Campus Forum takes no position on an issue," Thomas Vandervort of the MTSU political science department said. "The purpose of these debates is to teach people something about the Constitution through discussions."

Before the debate begins, the audience will be seated by individual choice in two sections representing viewpoints for and against the resolution. Audience members may switch sides at any time throughout the hour.

Two prepared speeches will then be given; one arguing for the resolution and one against. These speeches will be from six to eight minutes in length.

After the prepared speeches, impromptu speeches will be permitted from the audience. Audience speeches can last between 30 seconds and four minutes.

Audience members are encouraged to express their attitudes toward the ideas presented with cheers, boos, hisses, applause and other appropriate forms of verbal and nonverbal behavior.

The moderator for the event will be Jim Brooks from MTSU's speech and theater department. Brooks will ensure that all speakers are allowed an opportunity to be heard and attempt to maintain order.

Following the completion of the debate, audience members must exit the auditorium through one of two doors, each representing a viewpoint for or against the resolution. When all audience members have exited, a final vote count will be taken.

According to Vandervort, the debate is modeled after the Jefferson Foundation's "Jefferson Meetings on the Constitution" series.

The Jefferson Foundation is a non-profit, tax-exempt organization whose purpose is to enhance the public's understanding of the Constitution and to stimulate public

discussion of constitutional reforms.

Although the debate to be held at MTSU is based on the Jefferson Meetings, it is not officially sponsored by the Jefferson Foundation and ideas presented at the debate will not be from Jefferson Foundation material, Vandervort said.

A Jefferson Meeting on the Constitution involves between 100 and 150 people and takes between one and three days to complete.

A Jefferson Meeting was held in Murfreesboro in April.

Vandervort said that because of time considerations for students, MTSU's debate was scaled down considerably.

"A Jefferson Meeting takes a lot of preparation," he said. "Students normally don't have a lot of time, so we decided to make ours a little smaller."

Vandervort also said that the Campus Forum hopes to hold other constitutional debates in the future.

"We're going to try this one out and see how it flies and then see about holding future debates," he said.

Anyone with ideas for topics for future debates or suggestions for changes in the format of the debates is encouraged to contact Vandervort at 898-2709 or Brooks at 898-2640.



HOWARD ROSS

Monolingualism can be cured. Just ask these young Continuing Education Spanish students at Peck Hall about it. There are approximately five million Spanish-speaking Americans in the United States, and these children age seven to 13 want to be able to communicate in Spanish at home or abroad.

## Chi Omega appeal denied

By KIM HARRIS  
News Editor

The Associated Student Body Election Commission denied Chi Omega's appeal to enter a late Homecoming queen candidate last Tuesday night.

Chi Omega did not meet the Oct. 2 noon deadline required to enter their Homecoming queen candidate — Stacey Jones, ASB President Holly Lentz said.

Jones was serving as ASB Homecoming queen contestant co-director when she was selected by Chi Omega to be a candidate, Lentz said. Jones resigned her post to become the candidate representing Chi Omega.

"She was in charge. She wrote the rules, and she knew the deadlines," Lentz said.

Lentz said the ASB made every effort possible to inform the sorority of the impending deadline.

Thirteen of the Homecoming packets given to organizations had

the wrong Homecoming queen entry deadline date — Oct. 8 noon. Chi Omega received one of these packets, Lentz said.

The ASB mailed corrected packets to the 13 organizations and placed advertisements in *Sidelines* to announce the corrected deadline date, Lentz said. Ten of the 13 organizations turned in the names of their candidates, but two decided not to enter.

In addition, two Chi Omega members came by the ASB office at different times to pick up the packets, Lentz said.

Paula Taber, activities chairman for Chi Omega, said the basis of the sorority's appeal was on the grounds that Chi Omega did not receive a letter changing the deadline.

"I'm not saying they didn't get it, but we did mail it to them. The mail doesn't always work," Lentz said.

The advertisements in *Sidelines* were in compliance with the ASB Constitution. Under the Comprehensive Electoral Act of 1983,

which contains rules of all campus elections, *Sidelines* is the official publication used to announce all elections.

According to Article 4, section 1, "Any campus-wide election shall be made public by the official school newspaper and any other means approved by a majority of the election commission at least 14 days prior to the day of the election."

Election Commissioner Doug Kinser denied the appeal on the basis that Chi Omega "didn't have much ground to stand on." "If we let their bill go through, we would have had to let everyone's go through. It was in the rules," Kinser said.

Lentz said the decision was particularly difficult for her, since she is a member of Chi Omega.

"I had to present the case for the ASB. My sorority is near and dear to my heart, but rules are rules. It would have been the same feeling if it was my mom, sister or friend," Lentz said.

"We realize the basis of the decision was in compliance with the constitution. There are no hard feelings," Taber said.

## Campus plumbing problems fault of residents: Housing

By M.A. BROWN  
Assistant News Editor

Most of the plumbing problems at Middle Tennessee State University are created by students, according to recent findings by university Housing officials.

An investigation conducted by Daniel Sinclair of university Housing turned up evidence that residents of Sims Hall were wasting most of the building's available hot water.

According to Sinclair, students who were showering during midday were opening the bathroom windows in an attempt to keep the temperature down while showering. The windows were not being closed by students, however, and

when the temperature began to drop at night. The bathroom would get cold.

The first students to shower in the mornings would then turn on several showers as hot as possible to warm up the bathroom, and that would use a large portion of the available hot water.

Plumbing problems in apartment building L of family housing also turned out to be due to resident negligence.

Plumbers who were sent to examine a reported clogged drain in apartment L-17 found an abundance of aquarium gravel blocking the pipes.

This gravel had reportedly been dumped by the toilet of an uniden-

tified upstairs apartment for a considerable amount of time.

"We need to have more prudence and common sense used by students to help these situations," Sinclair said. "People have a responsibility to their neighbors to help avoid these situations."

Sinclair also said that not all problems were created by students, but students could greatly assist university Housing officials by avoiding such situations.

Residents of Reynolds Hall found themselves without hot water early last week.

University officials were contacted, and the situation was alleviated by adjusting the water temperature in the building.

## WMOT holds semi-annual fund-raiser; volunteers, interns needed at station

By JOHN HOLMES  
Staff Writer

Middle Tennessee State University's on-campus radio station, WMOT-FM 89.5, is sponsoring a semi-annual phonathon fund-raiser Oct. 19-25. Development Coor-

dinator Laura McComb said last week.

WMOT is not a campus sponsored radio station and is in need of public contributions, McComb said.

"The station is a NPR [National Public Radio] affiliate," she said.

According to McComb, WMOT needs volunteers to help answer phones and take pledge orders. Volunteers will only be needed a

few hours a week, she said.

McComb said she is hoping student volunteers will be interested in the station and return as interns.

"We want to utilize students as volunteers and interns," McComb said.

Volunteers and interns are required to go through a training program at the station, McComb said.

Deejay positions are open for internships. Those who intern will learn voicing, cueing and segging and diction and delivery, McComb said.

"Training depends on the person," she said.

WMOT has been on the air for five years, McComb said, and has maintained a strict "jazz/news" format. WMOT begins its broadcasting day at 5:30 a.m. with the NPR news and signs off at midnight. On Fridays and Saturdays it signs off at 2 a.m.

"Being public relies part on audience measure," McComb said.

WMOT is offering pledge premiums, starting at \$25 for a WMOT membership pledge, McComb said. Records and other prizes will also be given, according to the amount of money donated.

For more information about the fund-raiser or station work, call Laura McComb at 2800 or stop by Room 200 Learning Resources Center.



FRANK CONLEY

WMOT-FM 89.5 Director Rick Forest mans the station located in Room 200 of the Learning Resources Center.

## Minority Affairs dir. position still open

By REGINA BURTON  
Staff Writer

Three remaining applicants of 43 for the Student Organizations and Minority Affairs Director position are awaiting a decision this week by the Middle Tennessee State University screening committee.

"We want a director who is mature, possesses written and verbal skills, shows strong interest in working with students and has a warm personality that projects," Dean of Students Paul Cantrell said.

"We want someone who sees students for what they are," he said. "The color of their skin," he said.

According to Cantrell, since the resignation of Phyllis Hickerson on July 8, 1987, the office of Student Organizations and Minority Affairs has been maintained by Associate Dean David Hayes, secretary Sherrie Murray and himself.

"We've made sure the major services of the department were fulfilled," Cantrell said.

Responsibilities of the Student Organizations and Minority Affairs Director include development and

implementation of campus-wide affairs, minority student recruiting, maintaining and supervising campus-wide assistance alert programs, minority student programming and maintaining records of all student organizations on campus.

The three remaining candidates were interviewed last week, Cantrell said.

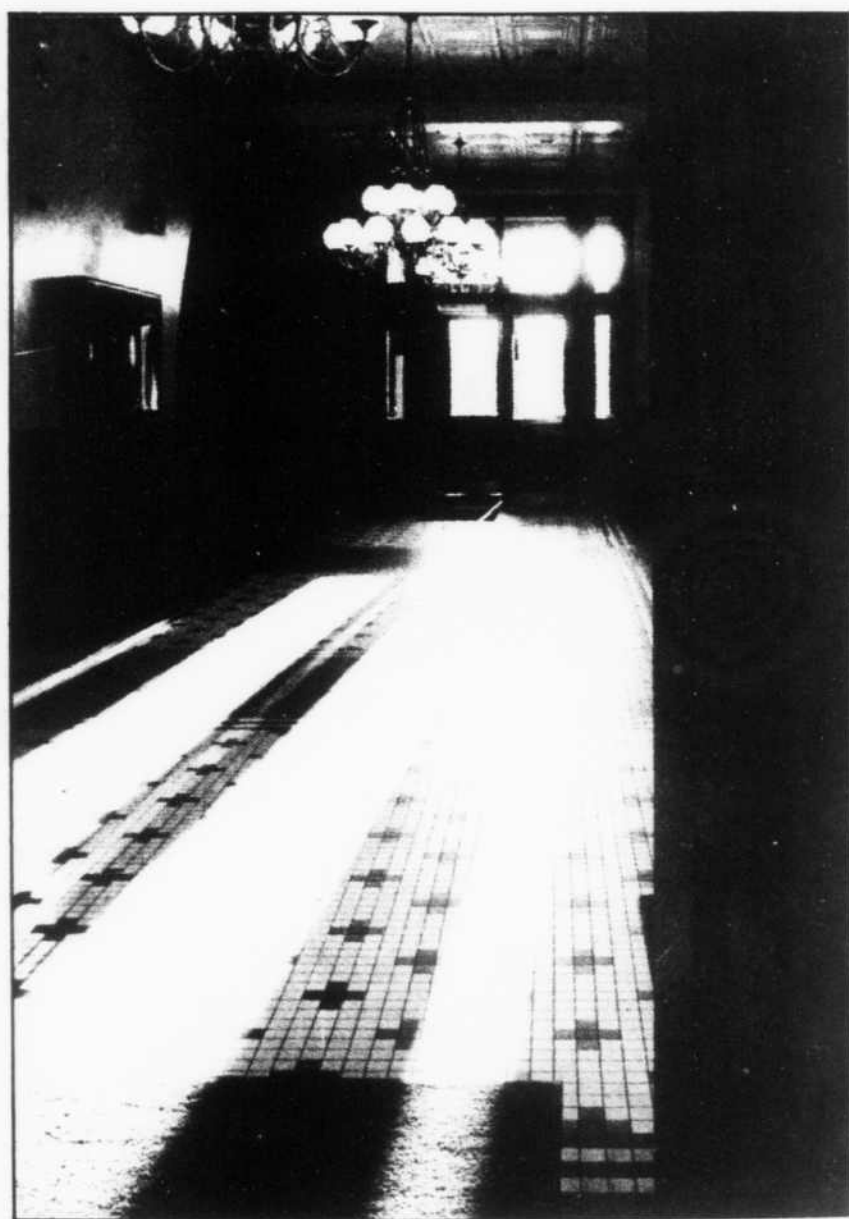
The MTSU screening committee consists of Hayes — chairperson, R.B.J. Campbell, Rhonda Rippy — minority student, Holly Lentz — ASB president and Richard B. Parent — Admissions and Records representative who also assists in minority student recruitment.

The screening committee will meet with Cantrell this week, and together they will make a recommendation to the administrative channels at MTSU.

Affirmative action will then be taken with MTSU President Sam Ingram to sign the papers to hire the new director.

Cantrell said he hopes the new director is hired soon, but it may be the first of November before the director takes the office.





WAYNE CARTWRIGHT

Early morning sunlight creates exaggerated shadows at the Rutherford County Courthouse, reflecting a fall atmosphere.

## Campus Capsule

STEA is having a cookout today at 4:30 p.m. at the home of Race Bergman, 1511 Elrod Street, behind the Wesley Foundation. Al Mance will discuss the career ladder program for Tennessee teachers. Please attend!!!

Gamma Beta Phi will have a meeting on Oct. 13 at 6:30 p.m. in the Multi-Media Room Learning Resources Center.

The Association of Non-Traditional Students will hold its monthly meeting on noon Wednesday, Oct. 14 in Room 313 Keathley University Center. Mrs. Barbara Martin from Health Services will speak.

The Phi Mu Delta Pre-Professional Honor Society will hold its first meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 13 at 7 p.m. in Room 104 Davis Science Building. Dr. Lisa Lowe, a Murfreesboro pediatrician will speak.

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Entries for Campus Capsule should be typed and delivered to the *Sidelines* office Room 310 James Union Building or mailed to the newspaper office through campus mail, P.O. Box 42.

## New MTSU mathematics club formed

By ROSEMARY COLLINS  
Assistant News Editor

Middle Tennessee State University has a new Mathematics club that is geared toward anyone interested in math, Brian Conley president of the MTSU Mathematics club said.

The requirements to join are not as stringent as those needed to join Pi Mu Epsilon, Conley said.

The math club is just getting organized and currently has 35 members.

"It's pretty shakey now because we don't have a constitution and are still in the planning stages," Conley said.

"Right now we're going to look at the general organization constitution that the university hands out, and we're going to fit it toward the MTSU Mathematics Club," Conley said.

"The club grew out of a need in that there is only one organization

presently on campus, the national organization, Pi Mu Epsilon, which requires members to be math majors, have a certain G.P.A. and have finished certain courses," David Sutherland professor in the mathematics department said.

This is a way to involve students, especially freshmen that are not able to join Pi Mu Epsilon, Sutherland said.

"We've had a lot of encouragement from the national organiza-

tion — the Mathematics Association of America — to have an open membership club," Sutherland said.

The math club has a problem solving group and hopes to make plans to participate in the state regional competitions, Conley said.

Anyone interested in Math is encouraged to join the club and the next meeting will be a joint meeting with Pi Mu Epsilon, Conley said.

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HOWARD ROSS

MTSU cheerleaders caught at Mississippi Valley game. As the cheer went up, the temperature went down.

## K-Apartments named in honor of Dr. Ezell

By KIM HARRIS  
News Editor

The Middle Tennessee State University Building Name Committee has decided to name K Apartments after distinguished alumni Kenneth Ezell, Public Relations Director Dorothy Harrison said yesterday.

"He has been a member of the Board of Regents for a long time, and he has been very supportive of the alumni. All these things added up to the decision to name the building after him," Vice-President of Academics and Chairman of the Building Name Committee Robert Corlew said.

"Always, Dr. Ezell has been guided by his vision of action in the best interest of this university," MTSU President Sam Ingram said. "It's appropriate now to recognize his support by naming this important student housing facility in his name."

A 1935 graduate, Ezell is currently a Murfreesboro dentist, Harrison said. He was named Distinguished Alumnus in 1970. In 1981, Ezell was inducted into the Blue Raider Hall of Fame which recognizes athletes and others who have made significant contributions to the MTSU athletic program, she said.

The Building Naming Committee consists of faculty, administration and alumni appointed by President Ingram, Corlew said.

In order to name a building, suggestions are made by the committee. Ingram then makes the choice and refers the decision to the State Board of Regents, Corlew said.

The committee meets once a semester, he said.

Corlew said there are still buildings, streets and facilities to be named. He cited as examples married housing and High Rise dormitory.

The apartments will be named in a 10 a.m. ceremony at Wright Music Building on Oct. 31, homecoming day.

## Alcohol Awareness Week Oct. 19-25

From Staff Reports

Colleges across the nation are preparing for the fourth annual National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week by reading tests that will show how responsible college drinkers are.

However, Middle Tennessee State University will not be taking part in the week, said David Hays, associate dean of students.

"We're participating, but not when everyone else is," Hays said. "It's the week before Homecoming, and it's almost impossible to get Greek participation."

There will be an observance of the week in the spring, Hays said.

"We are doing something in the spring semester, but we don't know what format it will take," he said.

A release from the Will Rogers Institute in White Plains, N.Y., stated that colleges participating in the week this fall will "test young people on their knowledge of alcohol."

No one at the Institute could be reached for comment.

"Far too many accidents are caused by young people who get

behind the wheel of a car thinking 'I'm fine. I only had a few beers,'" the release stated.

"Maybe that's why 50 percent of all driving fatalities are caused by drunk drivers. And why two-thirds of all those arrested for DWI 'just had a few beers.'"

The Equivalence Aptitude Test,

which will be used to test students, measures a person's knowledge of alcohol.

"To pass the E.A.T. you must know this simple but crucial formula: The most common servings of beer (12 ounces), wine (5 ounces) and distilled spirits (1 1/4 ounces) contain equal amounts of alcohol," the release stated.

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Each book is affixed with a game sticker which contains a special scramble message. At the end of the term, when the students bring the books to the bookstore on campus, the message will be decoded to determine if the student wins a prize. About one out of every two students will be a winner — and each student will know instantly if he or she has won. Students increase their chance of winning with every additional stickered book they bring to Buyback.

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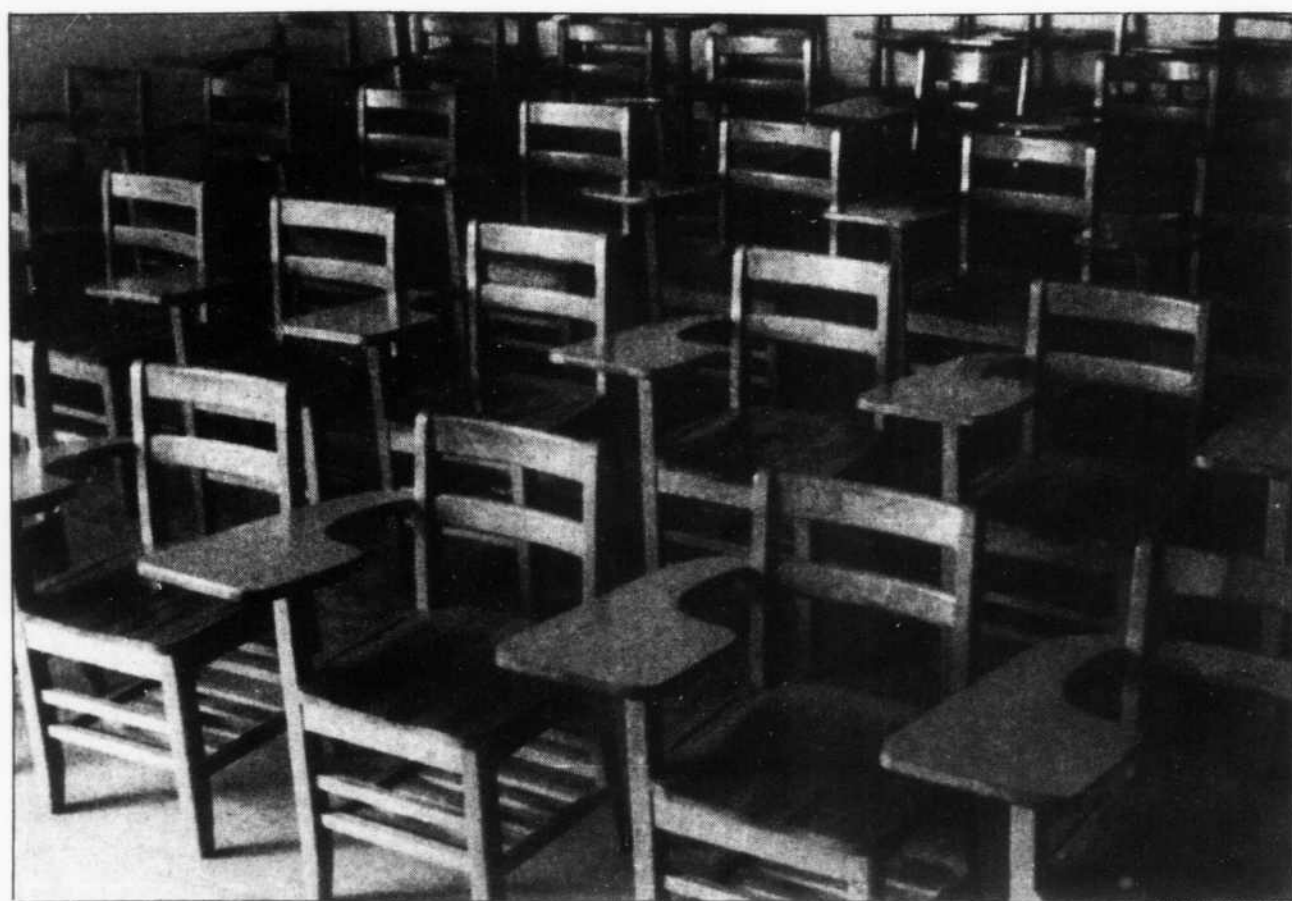
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# EDITORIAL



Would Middle Tennessee State University's classrooms resemble this one if teachers quit enforcing mandatory class attendance?

## Hoss tackles interracial dating

Here's an issue for you hardbal-  
lers — interracial dating and mar-  
riage. Everyone has a stand on it,  
like abortion, but, like most people,  
I have chosen not to think about it,  
much less openly discuss it. Yet re-  
cently, I was forced to think about  
it by a girl I'd never met.

"Would you date a black girl?"  
Rosanna asked. She had called the  
wrong number, but we'd talked for  
hours. We delved into other con-  
troversial topics, like pre-marital  
sex and abortion. I had a well-thought-out response for the other  
two, but I wasn't prepared for this.

At first, I tried to throw her off.  
"Hey, I work two jobs plus school.  
I don't have time to even think  
about girls; white, black, purple or  
green." It didn't work. She asked  
again. "Say, have you heard the new  
Michael Jackson..." Strike two, and  
again she asked the same question.

I answered "yes" just to keep my  
reputation as a "liberal, open-  
minded kind of dude." I justified  
my answer: "It's just like dating  
pretty or ugly girls, it's what's inside  
that counts (no symbolism in-  
tended)." But did I really believe  
it? I've never met a girl of a differ-

ent race who showed enough in-  
terest. Meaning I've never had to  
come face to face with it, and most  
likely neither have you. Could you  
(or I) handle it?

Probably not in a society that  
prejudges a situation and more so

### John "Hoss" Cartwright

those who participate in it. Of  
course, you wouldn't be so igno-  
rant as to stand up in court and tes-  
tify "it's illegal, immoral, etc..." But  
as a whole, you (plural) still look  
away in disgust. Walk a mile in your  
brother's moccasins. Could you do  
it? Could you face the silent sneers  
of strangers or even friends?

Picture yourself as a white,  
southern, male redneck (I know  
there's no such thing, but just pre-  
tend) with a strong (though un-  
founded) hatred for blacks. In an  
accident, you lose your eyesight.  
Just from conversation, you be-  
come interested in your regular  
nurse. When the bandages are re-  
moved, you discover she's black.  
What would you do?

A: Ask your doctor from some  
cootie spray, since you're sure all  
blacks have cooties.

## Classes part of life

A short while back, someone ran  
a column in *Sidelines*: re: class atten-  
dance. I will not mention this per-  
son or column directly because I  
do not want to attack him person-  
ally. Instead, let me talk about class  
attendance as it relates to educa-  
tion.

First, education is not a game  
where you rack up a certain  
number of points and bingo you  
win — or pass, in this case. Instead,  
education is a day-to-day experi-

ence and an important part of this  
experience is the give and take you  
have in classrooms with teachers  
and other students. Anyone who  
doesn't realize this does not know  
what a college education is.



### Don Cusic Mass Communications

The conclusion drawn is that if  
you skip class you won't be  
bothered with this useless knowl-  
edge and information. The absurd-  
ity of this should be obvious, but  
again, let me reiterate that an edu-  
cation is more than just scoring  
points.

There is also the argument that  
since students are over 18 they  
should be allowed to decide  
whether or not they want to attend  
class or not. Well, it's a nice theory,  
but there are a couple of kinks. As  
a teacher, I have been accosted by  
students irate about their grade at  
the end of the semester. They argue  
that they have attended most of the  
classes. They are lying through  
their teeth and I know it but unless  
I have taken some attendance, I  
have no "proof."

Also, I have received phone calls  
and inquiries from parents and ath-  
letic coaches asking about students  
— primarily wanting to know if they  
have been seen in class. If I don't  
have some idea of the student's at-  
tendance record, I can't answer  
their questions.

Call it covering my rear or what-  
ever else you want, the plain fact  
remains that when a student  
chooses to cut class they are often  
reluctant to accept the conse-  
quences. The result is that they  
often blame the teacher. Thus the  
teacher who does not take atten-  
dance is putting himself in a poten-  
tially precarious position.

Another point: each semester I  
receive calls from students and  
forms from the placement office re-  
questing my evaluations and re-  
commendations for students look-  
ing for jobs. If I had not gotten to  
know these students in class be-

cause they could not find the moti-  
vation or time in their schedules to  
attend class, what am I going to say  
to a potential employer?

Tests are a necessary part of  
school, although students and  
teachers can easily and readily  
point out shortcomings and pitfalls.  
Perhaps the major drawback is that  
students tend to cram before an  
exam and thus lose most of the in-  
formation they have "gained" to  
pass a test. But what a student  
learns in the give and take of the  
classroom will usually stay with  
him/her because learning is an indi-  
vidual, personal experience best ac-  
quired through interaction with  
other students and teachers. And  
some of that learning will appear  
on an exam.

Also, education is a lifelong pro-  
cess and a university helps a student  
to "learn how to learn" with

other people. Exams are only a  
small part of this process — the  
classroom experience is much more  
vital, lasting and important. Stu-  
dents who would rather sleep in,  
hang out or for some other reason  
avoid this experience should not  
waste their own time — or their  
teachers — and get out of college  
altogether. In the real world there  
is no attendance requirement and  
people may waste their lives what-  
ever way they wish.

As for the "I paid for this" line  
that seems to justify some of this  
behavior, let me remind those who  
use this argument that the amount  
of tuition paid by students does  
not cover the cost of education. The  
tax dollars collected and allocated  
by the state of Tennessee pay a sub-  
stantial portion of each student's  
education. Therefore, when you  
screw up, you're wasting taxpayers  
(and that's my) money!

The conclusion is obvious: at-  
tending classes is an intricate part  
of education because here is where  
some real learning is occurring as  
opposed to the "measurement" of  
test scores, etc. Again, any student  
who thinks they have received an  
education because they simply  
showed up for an exam and man-  
aged to rack up enough points to  
slide by is deluding himself. These  
same students will be the ones who  
will complain after they have  
graduated that they never learned  
anything in school. And whose fault  
will they say that is? Why the school  
and the teachers, of course.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Grill column denounced

Dear Editor,

Upon reading P. Kristin  
Bowker's article in Tuesday's edi-  
tion entitled "Could you be a Title  
monger?" a more accurate title  
came to mind. This article could  
better have been called "You don't  
know me, but I'm a greek." Should  
we have been impressed with her  
social affiliations? Should we have  
followed the directions set forth in  
her article by searching for her at  
the KAPPA DELTA table to watch  
her and the greeks?

Our expectations about the arti-  
cle were to read about the variety  
of patronage the grill receives (of  
which greeks are certainly a part).  
The writer's observations within  
this scope would have been suffi-  
cient and perhaps interesting.  
However, we did not expect  
*Sidelines* to be used as a commer-  
cial about one of the staff's social  
standing.

If *Sidelines* wants to be at least  
slightly respected by the students as  
a college newspaper, then it should  
utilize the techniques and format  
of a newspaper, and stop with the  
autobiographies.

Marc Miller — Box 5775  
Dave Bird — 5794  
Jim Baloree — 2532  
Greg McCarn — 5742

### Murphy review draws ire

Dear Editor,

While I respect and acknowledge  
our right to freedom of speech and  
to the press, I also hold the belief  
that one should think before one  
speaks. I am referring here to Mr.  
Conley's article on the Eddie Mur-  
phy concert.

While we are all aware of the  
nature of Mr. Murphy's humor, it  
is my opinion that Mr. Conley's use  
of Murphy's quotes (though accu-  
rate, I am sure) lacked taste and  
should not have been printed as  
such in our university paper.

I hope not to offend Mr. Conley,  
but I would hope that in the future  
he would weigh his column with a  
little more dignity and consider the  
university's interest, as our paper  
just might reflect Middle Tennes-  
see State University as whole.

Donna Vaughn  
Graduate Assistant  
Box 7

## ASB prepares for Homecoming

Homecoming is well underway  
with over 40 student organizations  
signed up to participate. This is a  
record turn-out and we are more  
motivated than ever to make a Hal-  
loween Homecoming the best yet!

The Great Bowls of Fire Chili  
Cook-off has grown even larger  
than we anticipated. With only a  
few entries still available, we are  
overwhelmed by the number of  
creative entries we have received.  
This event will surely be the high-  
light of Homecoming as we have  
just gotten word that the Budweiser

Clydesdales will be making an ap-  
pearance! In addition to their show-  
ing, they will be housed on the uni-  
versity grounds for five days. Stu-  
dents are encouraged to visit them.

The President's Club held their

Commission. We encourage all  
campus ministries to be a part of  
this group and send two represen-  
tatives to the meeting on Friday,  
Oct. 16 at 4 p.m. in the ASB office.  
For more information, contact

### Holly Lentz ASB President



first meeting Oct. 6 and had 69 or-  
ganizations represented. The con-  
stitution was approved, officers  
were elected and a vote was taken  
to hold meetings on the first Tues-  
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dent committees within the ASB.  
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MTSU parking situation. Also, the  
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If you are interested in serving on  
one of these committees, please  
come to the first meeting on  
Wednesday, Oct. 14.

Other upcoming ASB events in-  
clude:

- ♣ Tuesday, Oct. 13, 7 p.m.: Room 322 Keathley University Center. Homecoming meeting — all organizations participating must have a representative present.
- ♣ Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2 p.m.: ASB office. ASB parking committee meeting.
- ♣ Wednesday, Oct. 14, 6 p.m.: ASB office. ASB bills review committee meeting.
- ♣ Friday, Oct. 16, 3 p.m.: Room 324 Peck Hall. Deadline for Homecoming essay contest entries.

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## STEVE BEAT By KENT WHITAKER





# ENTERTAINMENT

## AFTER CLASS



Pam Harrison

The Blind Farmers from Hell perform at the benefit for Aashid at Mainstreet on Wednesday, Oct. 7. Money raised went to pay Aashid's medical bills.

## Benefit aids Aashid

From Staff Reports

A full moon hung fittingly in the sky above Mainstreet as "The Celebration of Life" took place. Friends of Aashid Himons held the benefit show to help pay hospital bills incurred early last summer when he suffered from pneumonia and pluracy.

The musician became overly exhausted while working with his own band — Afrikan Dreamland.

The benefit began at 8 p.m., and it did not end until the early morning hours.

The line-up of bands included: A Parcel of Rogues, The William Howse Band, The Blind Farmers From Hell, Riff Rath and H.R. & the Audio Blisters.

Scott Macleod and Linda Hill originally started the Friends of Aashid Recovery Fund. They were able to work out an agreement for a show with the owner of Mainstreet — Phillip Austin. Cats Records and A&R Sound also sponsored the benefit.

At first glance, Aashid appears quite frightening. Imagine a dark towering man with a greying beard and thick black dreadlocks hanging past his shoulders. Aashid's warm brown eyes and smooth, deep voice depict his mellow personality. One quickly learns that Aashid is a caring person.

His name — Aashid — translates as honor in an ancient African language.

"Honor," he says, "is a great thing to live up to these days."

Honor was the purpose of The Celebration of Life.

Aashid has many friends, and they were more than willing to help him as he has helped many others.

Aashid's three member band, Afrikan Dreamland, started playing in 1979. The band's intention was to "give an alternative to dating and mating themes," Aashid said.

Afrikan Dreamland has been successful in raising money for South African Freedom Education. SAFE provides funds for refugee scholarships in South Africa.

Aashid's life story could easily be turned into a thrilling novel. His parents enjoyed music. His mother was an evangelist and musician, and his father tap-danced and played the drums.

When 13 - years - old, Aashid hitchhiked from West Virginia to New York City with only \$1.25 in his pocket.

After that, Aashid travelled across the U.S.

Aashid said that he once reached

a stage in his life when music didn't mean that much to him. He moved back to New York City where he earned his living as a street musician. He eventually earned enough money to pay for an airline ticket to South America. He settled in Lambuga — a remote area on the Caribbean coast of Honduras.

Aashid said that during a full moon in 1979, he somehow ended up in Nashville, Tenn. He was told that his music would never be appreciated by Nashvillians.

"That's when I decided to stay," he said. "It was a challenge for me."

Aashid has returned to his music he calls the "Mississippi Delta Blues." He has two singles on the way "In my Genes" and "African Lady". Presently he performs as a one man reggae band.

Aashid said that he hopes to continue with music production, grow spiritually and "just enjoy life."

Ted Lindsey and the Democrats appearing at Mainstreet Wednesday Oct. 14 at 10 p.m. Their newest album is *Russian Women*.



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## Student Programming office fun for students, by students

By MICHELLE BRAEUNER  
Entertainment Editor

Have you ever been in the Keathley University Center in cinema watching a recently released movie and wondering why it cost so little? Have you been to see such greats as Maynard Fergusson at no cost and wondered why? Well if you did, (or even if you didn't) here's the answer. Such entertainment is the end result of a lot of hard work by any one of several committees of Student Programming.

Student Programming is an office in the Keathley University Center devoted to providing entertainment, out-of-class education and exposure to the fine arts to students. This office consists of five areas covering concerts, dances, lectures, music, drama, movies and visual art.

The first committee is Ideas and Issues. This group is in charge of providing off-campus lectures. The latest presentation was "The Root of Rock And Roll." Functions of the Ideas and Issues Committee are free and open to the public.

The next is the Films Committee. They bring the movies to the Keathley University Center cinema Monday thru Thursday. They provide a wide range of movies, everything from "9½ weeks" to "The Nutty Professor." The cost of the movies are from 99 cents to \$2.00.

The Dance Committee is in charge of coordinating the dances at the James Union Building. There is a small charge, from \$1.00 to \$2.00, to cover the cost of the groups.

The Fine Arts Committee covers a wide range of activities. They provide the alternative film series. They work with the music department to provide the concert series. They also provide special presentations, such as the up-coming performance of "Denny Dent & His Two Fisted Art Attack." These performances are free and open to the public.

The last, but certainly not the least, is the Special Events Com-

mittee. These people are in charge of booking, publicizing and taking care of the concerts in Murphy Athletic Center. They recently hosted Eddie Murphy and later this month will be setting up for Tina Turner.

Who runs this program, you may ask?

"The committees are made up of students," Harold Smith, director of student programming said. "Students need have no prerequisite to serve on a committee."

Each committee has its own

schedule of expansion. Special Events has the longest waiting list, with a year or year and a half long

wait to be contacted. Any student who is interested can fill out an application in the Student Programming office.

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# SPORTS

## Collier shatters record in 38-7 victory



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Above, MTSU tailback Gerald Anderson goes airborne over Mississippi Valley linebacker Vincent Brown and defensive end Terrell Loveless in the Raiders 38-7 victory over the Delta Devils last Saturday. At right, MTSU quarterback Marvin Collier celebrates in the end zone after scoring his fourth touchdown of the evening. Collier's

performance broke an MTSU record that had stood for 20 years. The non-conference victory was the second straight for MTSU and lifted their season record to 3-2. The Raiders will host Eastern Kentucky this Saturday. The day has been set aside by MTSU as Family Day. (Staff photos by Howard Ross and Wayne Cartwright.)

By M.A. BROWN  
Assistant News Editor

Middle Tennessee State University's Blue Raiders used the legs of quarterback Marvin Collier to defeat Mississippi Valley State University 38-7 before a sparse crowd in Memphis' Liberty Bowl Stadium.

Collier racked up 210 yards of total offense, 172 rushing, and

broke a 20 year old school record by scoring four touchdowns in the game.

"Marvin Collier can run the football. He can deal it on the corner," Head Coach Boots Donnelly said. "It was a days work for Marvin. That's what he's supposed to do."

"I didn't do everything I

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HOWARD ROSS

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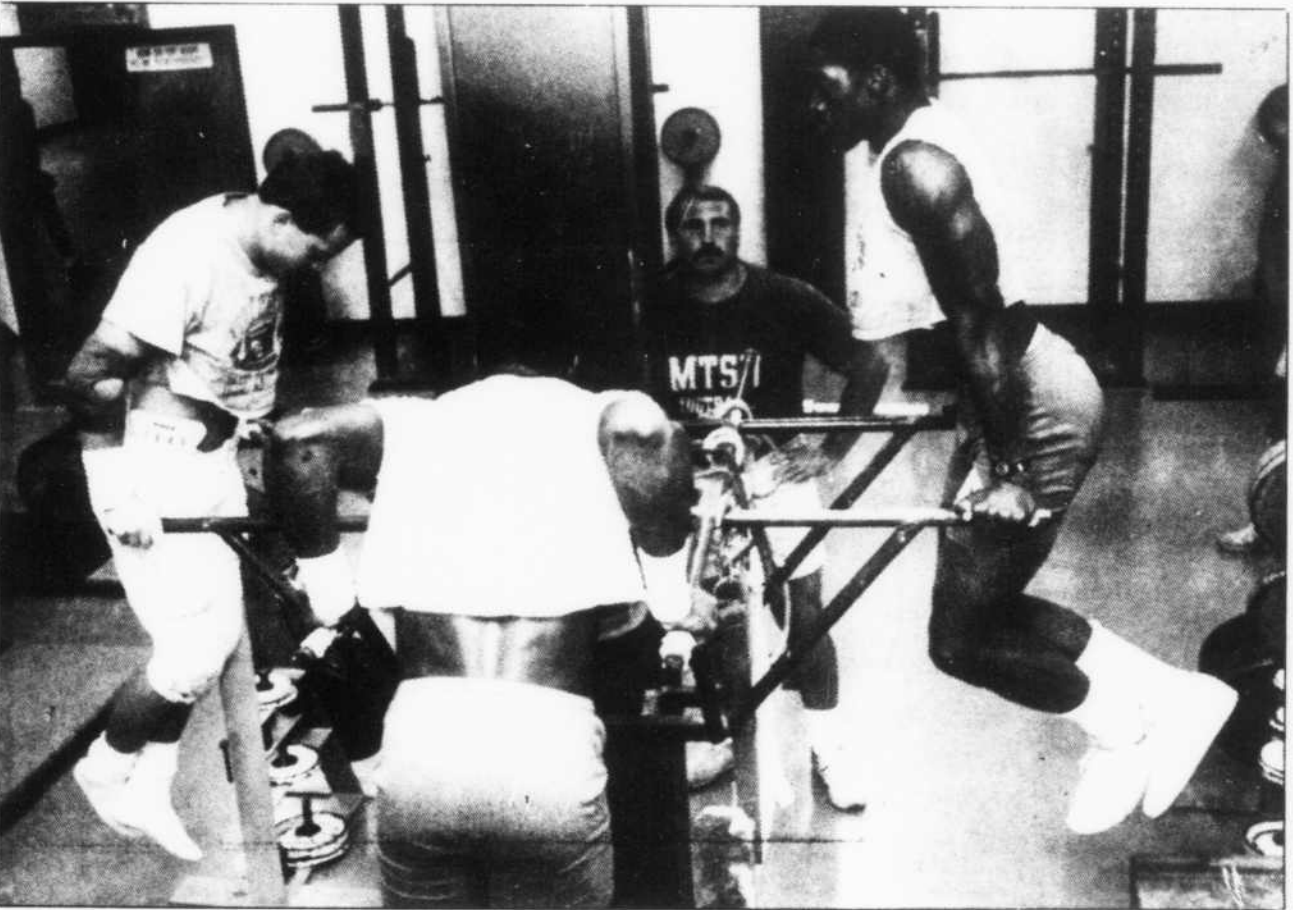
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Above, MTSU freshman Todd Suttles set the teenage national record, lifting 325 pounds at the Second Annual Festival of Strength. Below, MTSU weight instructor "Doc" Kreis supervises members of the MTSU football team during their workout.



## MTSU weight program headed in right direction

### First in a series

By TONY STINNETT  
Sports Co-Editor

Middle Tennessee State University's weight and strength program has gone through some major changes over the last year and a half — changes which have benefited all parties involved.

The weight room has modern equipment and a strength coach to

put the athletes into a working program which can develop them into better conditioned athletes.

It wasn't that way until E.J. "Doc" Kreis became the strength and conditioning coach at MTSU in the fall of 1986.

Before that time the weight facility was directed by graduate assistants. Also, there wasn't a strict con-

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## MTSU student sets national record

By TONY STINNETT  
Sports Co-Editor

Middle Tennessee State University freshman Todd Suttles recently competed in the second annual Festival of Strength in Russellville, Ky., and set a national teen-age record in the 132 weight division.

Suttles, from Lafayette, Ga., set the national record in the teenage bench press competition. He benched a total of 325 pounds to shatter the old record of 322 pounds.

Suttles also placed first in the open division, first in the best weight lifter teen-age division and first in best lifter overall. This marked the fourth tournament Suttles has placed first in.

Suttles is an undergraduate assistant to coach Doc Kreis in the weight training and strength conditioning program at MTSU.

The tournament, considered by many to be one of the biggest bench press meets in the Southeast, covered Kentucky, Indiana, Iowa, Illinois, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia. Suttles competed against 17 others in his weight class.

"I didn't have much training," Suttles said. "I worked out about six weeks, two to three times a week. Doc gave me a program, and I followed it."

"We didn't go into this thing long and hard," Kreis said. "Todd already had a good base, so what we did is we programmed him for about six weeks on a very strict program."

"We felt it was one which would have him at his peak for athletic performance and be at his best to break the existing teenage national record. What we set out to do, Todd did," Kreis said.

Suttles weighed 136 pounds prior to the competition. He felt that he would be more competitive in the 132 weight class rather than the 148 weight class — the next one up.

"I felt more competitive at 132, and I felt I would have a better shot at the record," Suttles explained. "I believe by this time next year I will have a chance for the world record."

"I have a long way to go, but with Doc's help and my training I would like to become one of the first 132

pounders to lift over 400 pounds," Suttles said.

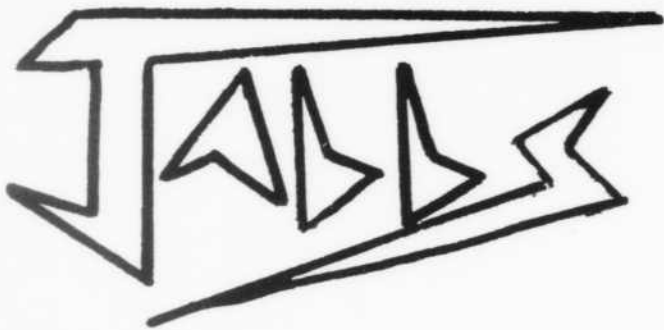
Suttles gives two people credit for his success in this tournament.

"I am thankful that God gave me the strength to accomplish what I did," Suttles said. "Doc was also a big help. He is not only good in weight training, but he is also a good person and friend. He helps me and knows what I need so he would never lead me astray. I like him better as a friend than a weight coach," Suttles joked.

Kreis implied that he felt the same way about Suttles.

"I think that MTSU is fortunate that Todd Suttles chose to come to school here," Kreis said. "I believe this is just a glimpse of what we are going to see from Todd. He has got the opportunity to do things in the field of lifting that are yet to come. His performance at this tournament put him, in his class, one of the top three bench pressers in the world."

"I believe that if I keep depending on God, believing in him, that I can do all things," Suttles concluded.



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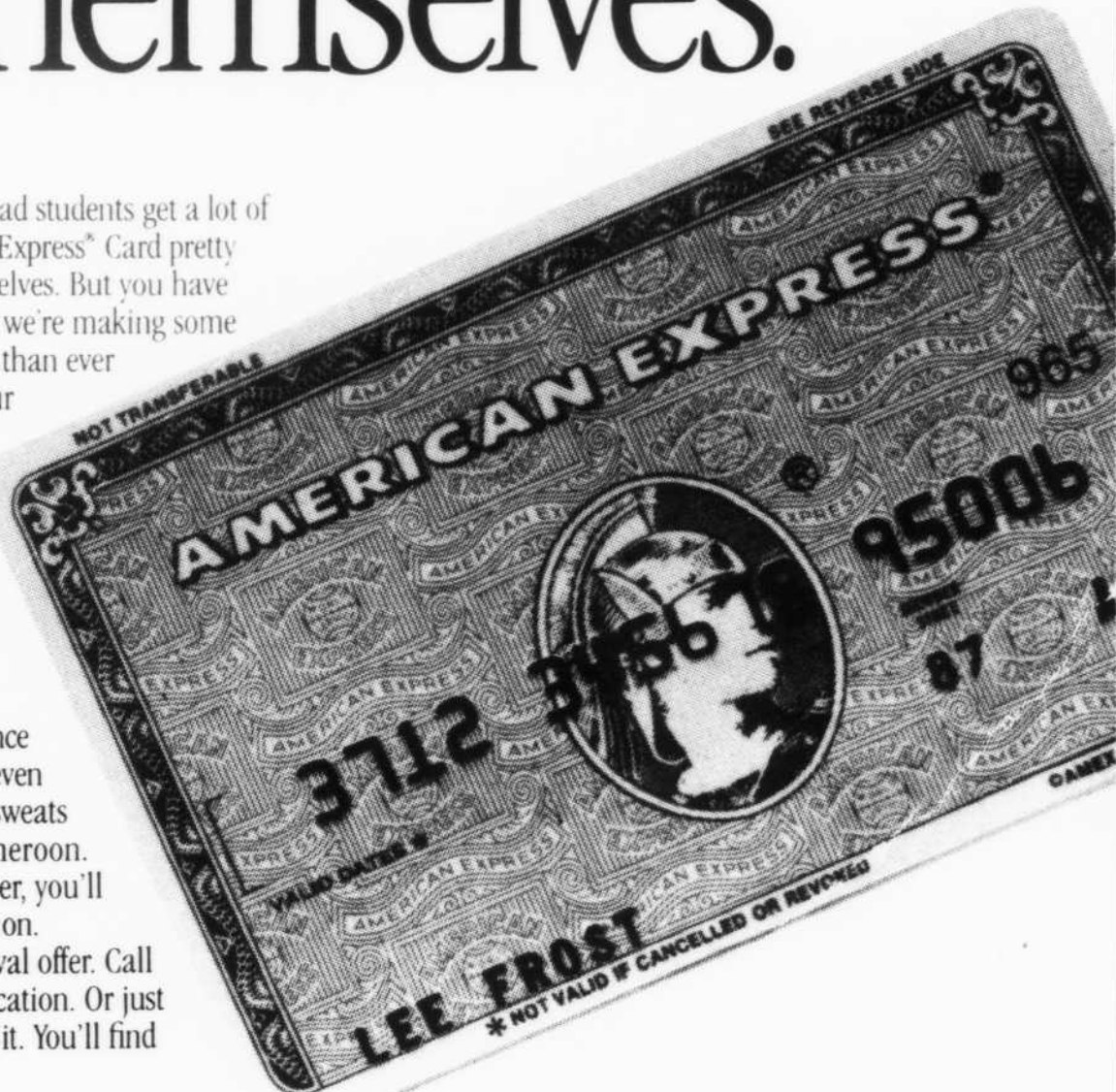
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## Sports at a glance

### Basketball practice begins Thursday

Basketball practice officially begins nationwide this Thursday and the Middle Tennessee State University men's and women's teams will take full advantage of it.

The men will practice on Thursday at 3:30 p.m. in Murphy Athletic Center. MTSU is the defending Ohio Valley Conference champions.

"We've got a lot of work to do and we're gonna roll up our sleeves and get with it," basketball Head Coach Bruce Stewart said.

### Intramural flag football playoffs get underway

The intramural flag football playoffs will kick into full swing this week as the regular season has been completed. The two top teams from each division advanced into the playoffs. The highlight of this year's playoffs is to see if Pi Kappa Alpha can win their fourth consecutive title.

### Volleyball team performs well in invitational

The Lady Raider Volleyball team split four games this weekend at the Western Kentucky Invitational. The ladies advanced to the championship round against Austin Peay State before being put out of the invitational.

### Campus Rec upcoming events

The sign-up date for the Campus Recreation golf tournament will be Oct. 12 with play beginning Oct. 14. The sign-up date for Volleyball is Oct. 19 with play getting underway Oct. 21.

### Fellowship of Christian Athletes welcomes members

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes holds a weekly meeting on Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. in the Blue Raider Room located under Red Floyd Stadium. All interested persons are invited to attend.

### Collier

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wanted," Collier said. "There are some areas where I played well and others in which I need to improve."

Collier and the Raiders jumped on the Delta Devils early, by scoring on their first three possessions to build an early 21-0 lead.

The Raiders' first score came on tailback Gerald Anderson's one-yard run with just over seven minutes remaining in the first quarter. The touchdown was Anderson's ninth of the year, which leads the Ohio Valley Conference.

From there, the 'Marvelous Marvin Show' began.

Collier scored on a 13-yard scamper on the first play of the second quarter to give MTSU a 13-0 lead.

Collier added his second touchdown of the evening 2:32 later on a four-yard dive. Collier's toss to flanker Garrett Self for the two point conversion gave the Raiders a 21-0 advantage.

Collier tacked on touchdown runs of eight-and ten-yards in the second half to complete his record setting performance.

For the game, the Raiders offense gained 414-yards rushing, while the defense held the Delta Devils to a negative six yards on the ground.

Tailback Anderson gained 129-yards on 22 carries for MTSU before leaving the game in the third quarter.

"We played very well, especially Marvin and Gerald," Donnelly said. "We were fortunate to get down to Memphis, play, and get out with a win. We needed it."

With the win the Raiders climbed above the .500 mark for the season. MTSU is now 3-2 heading into next weeks OVC showdown with Eastern Kentucky in Murfreesboro.

### Weight Room

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ditioning program instilled into the athletes.

Upon the addition of Kreis to the staff, things changed for the better of the athletes.

"I had known Coach Donnelly, Coach McCollum and Coach Bunio. I had met them before I took over as weight coach," Kreis said. "I knew what the program was basically doing. The facility, I felt, was very set and the ideas which had been encompassed were very simple just to add to. The foundation had been laid."

Kreis brought some of his personal weight equipment to MTSU. Equipment that would benefit the weight program.

"I had the equipment and it wasn't being used," Kreis explained. "These were some things I had put together over the years in a coordinated fashion."

Since taking over as strength coach, Kreis has developed one of the top weight programs of any athletic department on any level.

"I don't think of what you define as a level," Kreis said. "I think we are going to compete on a college football level, there is not but one

attitude and I think that is instilled. I don't buy this line of 'this level to that level,' we are working to do the very best we can in athletics."

In addition to developing a very sound weight program, Kreis has also put into the MTSU athletes a desire to win. He has helped many to develop physically and mentally to a point where they can compete consistently. Also, he has developed an excellent conditioning program.

"Any room in a magnitude that has equipment and all, you have to teach, train and form a technique to understand there are other people in the room," Kreis said.

Another vast improvement is Kreis' attitude that it doesn't matter what you have as long as you use it to your advantage.

"I don't think it is as important to have a good weight room as a good program or system," he said. "We can work in the hallways if we had to and we will do what it takes."

The second part of this series will focus on the size of the MTSU weight room and the situation it creates for the athletes.

## MTSU ruggers drop two of three in Mid-South Invitational tourney

### From STAFF REPORTS

Middle Tennessee State University's Rugby Club notched its first win of the season this weekend, defeating the Memphis State Rugby Club 18-8 in the Mid-South Rugby Tournament in Knoxville, Tenn.

The MTSU ruggers fell victim to a tough draw in the first round, dropping a 10-0 decision to defending champion University of Tennessee, and a bitterly contested 13-0 loss to eventual champion Vanderbilt University.

The Moosemen's season record now stands at 1-4 with five games remaining in the season.

Traditionally a back oriented team, the Moosemen displayed a strong set of forwards, while the young backline had trouble getting untracked.

Against Memphis State, the backs were finally able to get loose. Rookie fullback Ryan Reid was awarded a penalty try early in the

game when he was obstructed in the try-zone.

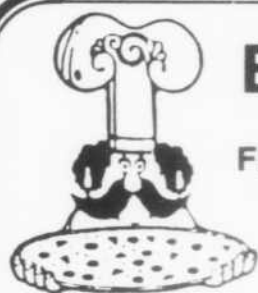
Center Eric Raney, who missed the last two games due to an injury, followed with a 50-meter run minutes later.

Reid then struck again with an unassisted 105-meter run down the left sideline.

The Moosemen converted all three kick-after attempts to lead 18-0 at halftime, then held off a spirited Tiger comeback to win 18-8.

"Our own inexperience is what really hurt us," MTSU coach Mark Williams said. "We are starting a lot of first year players and it just takes some time to come together as a team. Overall, I was quite pleased with our play."

MTSU will face Eastern Kentucky University's Rugby Club this Saturday at the MTSU intramural field, located outside Murphy Athletic Center.



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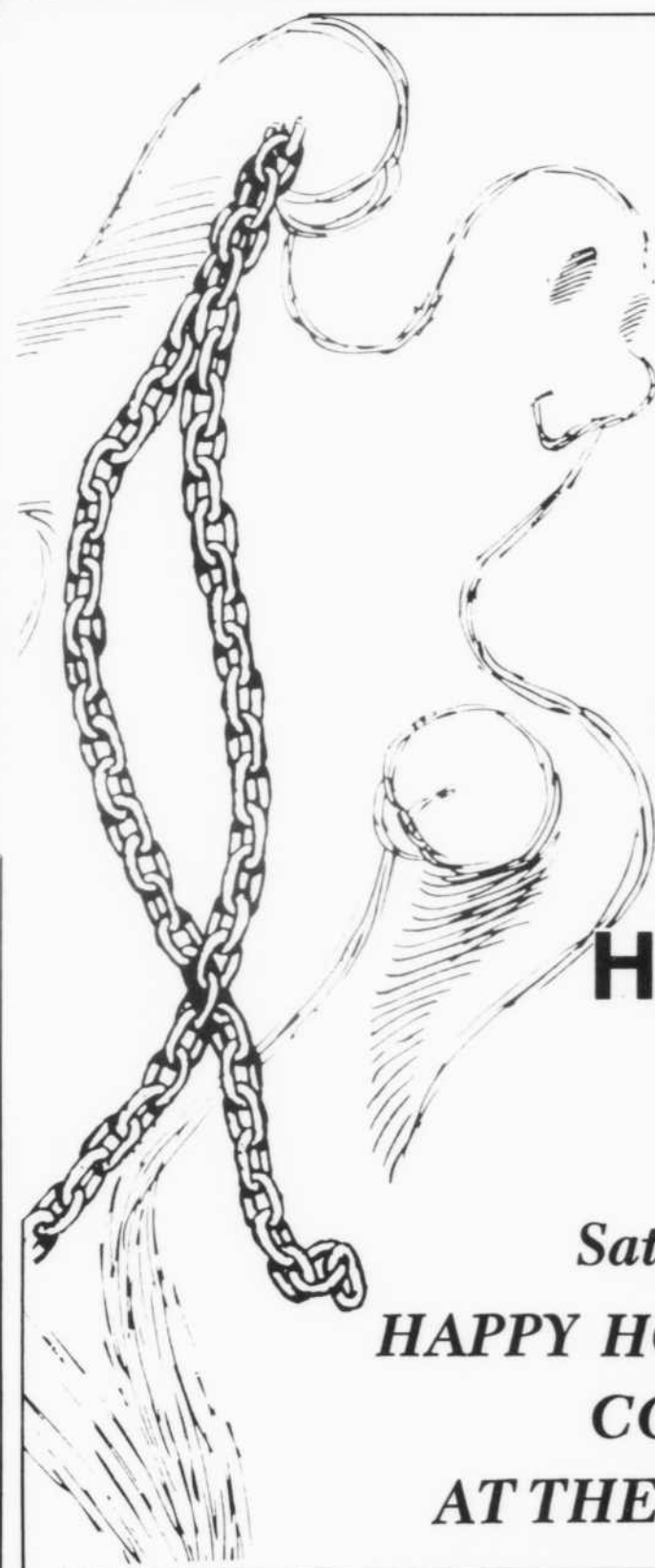
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Thursday, October 29th 8:00 p.m.  
Murphy Center  
All Seats Reserved At \$17.50

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