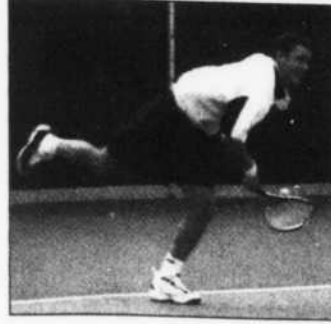




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WebMail, WebMT settle down

By Amanda Maynard
Assistant News Editor

Problems students encountered with WebMT as the semester began now have been solved.

Students were having trouble accessing schedules and registering for classes. When they managed to get on, they had to wait for long periods of time for the system to respond.

Lisa Rodgers, administrative applications director for the Office of Information Technology attributes

these problems to high back-to-school volume.

"At the beginning of the semester it's real bad," Rodgers said. She added that it wasn't just the timing, but the decreasing popularity of TRAM. "We have more people logging onto WebMT this semester than the semester before."

WebMT is MTSU's online access to university information for students and faculty. Students, for example, can register for classes, add and drop classes and check status towards graduation.

Faculty can check class rosters and post grades. Staff can view pay and tax information.

According to Jerry Gentry, associate director of OIT, most of the bugs have been worked out and he is confident that WebMT will run smoothly from now on.

No more than 200 users are logged onto WebMT at any one time during a typical school day, he said. Usage sometimes peaks at 250. During the holidays, usage was down to 50 users at any given time.

Gentry recognized there were problems after the help desk was flooded with phone calls immediately after the holiday break when students were trying to access their schedules.

"We have the problems worked out," said Gentry.

"We have a new mail server and we were having problems with the conversion (to the new server) over the holidays. We had to make a few adjustments."

Upgrades are being made, Gentry added, to make WebMail more efficient, if not more functional, than it has been in the past.

Students now are logging on and using WebMT and WebMail as normal.

"I haven't had any problems lately," said sophomore Katie Knox. "I had to wait a while when I was trying to get my schedule."

Sophomore Justin Groce agreed.

"I had trouble getting on Web-MT about two weeks ago but that was it," he said. "I haven't had any trouble with WebMail." ♦

Greeks speak out Tuesday

By Jason Cox
News Editor

The office of Greek Life will hold a Greek Speak Out on Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. in Tucker Theater.

MTSU President Sidney McPhee and Bob Glenn, vice president for Student Affairs, will speak at the event, which will serve as an open forum for those interested in joining a fraternity or sorority.

Following the Speak Out,

potential new fraternity members will meet in the Tennessee Room of the James Union Building from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Zeta Tau Alpha, Delta Zeta and Phi Chi are the sororities conducting spring recruitment. For information, call the Greek Life office at 898-5996. Students interested in going through spring recruitment must turn applications into the Greek Life office by Tuesday at noon.

A fraternity rush schedule can be found on page 2. ♦

Campus prepares to celebrate King

Events include a candlelight vigil

Staff Reports

MTSU will celebrate the birthday of Martin Luther King Jr. with a week full of events held in his name.

"The annual King community breakfast, sponsored by the Rutherford County NAACP, will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday in the

Room of the James Union Building.

President Sidney McPhee, as featured speaker, will share his thoughts on the topic of unity. The breakfast is open to the public, and tickets can be purchased in advance or at the door. Tickets will be \$8 for students and \$15 for everyone else. To buy tickets, contact Mary Wade at 904-3040.

A candlelight vigil will be held Monday night in the

Keathley University Center Theater. A remembrance program will be presented. Candles will be provided. The vigil will be co-sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Affairs and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. and Kappa Xi.

Tuesday's activities will feature a Greek Speak Out with McPhee in Tucker Theater at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, a one-man play titled "How black kin eye bee?" will be performed by Jeff Carr 7:30 p.m. in Wright Music Hall.

A tribute to King will be held during Thursday's basketball game against Arkansas State University.

Nasheed Dean will hold a lecture at 4 p.m. Friday in the Bragg Mass Communication Building, Room 103.

To find out more information about the events, contact multicultural affairs at 898-2987. ♦



McPhee

Stark land offers research site



Photo courtesy of Randy Weiler

(From left) Donald Curry, dean of graduate studies, George Murphy, biology chair, Peter Cunningham, assistant dean of graduate studies and Kevin Smith, archaeology professor, discuss a potential facility.

University plans to build a multi-purpose facility on land

By Amber Bryant
Staff Writer

MTSU plans to build a facility open to faculty and students for academic usage on an 8-acre tract of land in Hickman County.

Clifford and Pauline Stark originally donated the 963-acre property to the university more than 30 years ago to be used for educational purposes.

"[The donors] believed the university would be the best organization to make the best use of the property," President Sidney McPhee said.

Since the donation, the land has gone virtually unused due to its nearly 100-mile distance from Murfreesboro and the lack of a facility to house students and faculty on research expeditions. The MTSU Foundation planned to build such a structure, but funding was unavailable.

However, in July 2000, the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency purchased 955 acres of the land for \$830,000 for preservation, supplying the university with the needed funds and 8 acres on

which to build. MTSU continues to hold rights to use TWRA's portion for recreation classes and research.

Steve Patrick, TWRA regional manager for Middle Tennessee, said TWRA does not plan to do any logging or mark any areas off limits, but does plan to open it for deer hunting season.

If the agency does any logging in the future, it will be for the benefit of a natural habitat, Patrick said.

Most of the money will be used to fund scholarships, setting aside approximately \$100,000 to build a structure for accommodating students and faculty using the land.

The Foundation committee recognizes that such a building would need sleeping, eating and showering amenities, as well as a storage area for equipment.

The facility would be adequate for long-term experiments with minimal disturbance, biology Chair George Murphy said.

For the past six months, the MTSU Foundation and a group of faculty, administration and staff from diverse

educational fields have been suggesting ways to make the property available for various areas of study, including archeology, recreation and physical science.

The property has a large number of significant archaeological sites, Kevin Smith, associate professor and director of anthropology, told *The Record*.

The HPERs department is also planning to make use of use of the land, said chair Molly Whaley.

"We really felt that the property would suit the recreation department better than any other area [MTSU has]," Whaley said.

Regardless of any final decisions, the property will be a multipurpose tool for the university, McPhee said.

"From an educational standpoint, it will be an opportunity for us to use the property for environmental education and conservation, which are major focuses for the university," he said.

"I think [the land] provides a resource ... that we don't currently have," Murphy said. ♦

Library now offers articles on Web

By Wesley R. Bush
Copy Editor

Students waiting in line for a copy machine in the James E. Walker Library may get a long-awaited break from being nickle-d and dimed.

Reserves held for students at their professors' request are now available for download on the Internet.

"It expands our periodical database considerably," said Diane Baird, assistant professor and user services librarian, "as well as expands the usage from off-campus for those students

who are working and going to school."

The system has been available since fall 2000 but has not been used by many of the teachers placing material on reserve.

"Most of what we've found is just a matter of the professors knowing about it," said Michael Hooper, head of the electronic reserve.

"A lot of them don't know it's available."

Hooper said documents and class notes used by teachers can be scanned as visual images and saved as a PDF file, which requires Adobe Acrobat, a soft-

ware program, to view. A Frank account also is required to view copyrighted material licensed by the university.

Baird says using the Internet helps students with busy schedules.

"There are a lot of people who work all day long and then have class at night," she explained. "If they have any other life at all, they might not have time to come to the library. What this does is gives us a 24-hour reserve desk."

There is no size or page limit to what a professor can have placed on the e-reserve, but

Baird said she hopes common sense will be used when bringing material to be added.

"I have a few on now that are about 25 pages," Hooper said, "and that doesn't seem to be too bad as far as loading. Anything more than that with a modem connection is going to be fairly slow when you're downloading."

Hooper said larger files could be broken down into separate files for better management, or links to other sources such as Lexis Nexus can be added to the page.

"If you are told to get a par-

ticular article," Baird said, "and the faculty member and library staff have already put it there, you don't have to go searching for it."

Students still can check the material out at the reserves desk in the library and professors choose whether they wish to upload them to the server.

"Libraries, as a rule, have tried to be sensitive to change as far as services are concerned," Baird said. "We now have students rushing off to jobs and families. We have the online degrees. Life has changed." ♦

How to access it

1. Access the Voyager Catalog www.voyager.mtsu.edu.
2. Under the heading "Select Search Type," choose "Course Reserves."
3. It is best to search by instructor or course number.
4. Titles that are available electronically have call numbers reading "e-reserve."
5. Choose the appropriate title, scroll to "Linked Resources" and click on "Click here to launch e-reserve" to launch Adobe Acrobat Reader. The document then will be displayed.

WORLD BRIEFS

Compiled By Jason Cox - News Editor

Fired Enron auditor cooperating with investigators

WASHINGTON (AP) An auditor said to have led a hurry-up effort to destroy documents in the Enron case was cooperating with congressional investigators a day after his accounting firm fired him, his attorneys said.

On Tuesday, Andersen said Duncan organized a document destruction effort on Oct. 23 shortly after he learned the Securities and Exchange Commission was asking Enron for accounting information.

The effort ended Nov. 9 when Duncan's assistant e-mailed secretaries to "stop the shredding" a day after the firm had received a federal subpoena for documents.

Along with Duncan's dismissal, Andersen said four partners in its Houston office would be stripped of management responsibilities.

Among them, D. Stephen Goddard Jr., an Andersen managing partner, was a major fund-raiser for President Bush's 2000 campaign for the White House.

U.S. forces questioning al-Qaida informant

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan (AP) In a possible break for U.S. military intelligence, a man claiming to have information about the operations of the al-Qaida terrorist network has offered himself for questioning at the U.S. military base in Kandahar, a Marines spokesman said Wednesday.

"Military intelligence is jumping with joy over the opportunity to question him," 1st Lt. James Jarvis said.

Jarvis declined to identify the man by name or nationality, but said he came Tuesday to the Kandahar airport, where thousands of U.S. troops are based and a detention center holds hundreds of captured al-Qaida and Taliban fighters. The man remained on the base Wednesday but was not being held as a detainee.

Powell seeks end to India-Pakistan confrontation

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) Heading into talks with Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf, Secretary of State Colin Powell is intent on keeping up momentum toward

ending a volatile monthlong stalemate with India over Kashmir.

Powell, who arrived in Islamabad Wednesday on the first leg of a five-nation Asia tour, planned an evening dinner with Musharraf and will meet with Indian officials Thursday in New Delhi.

Powell said Musharraf's conciliatory speech on Saturday and the Indian response "certainly showed that this rush toward conflict, I think, has been slowed quite a bit."

Powell said he wants "to see what we have to do now to bring this to a complete halt and then start going in reverse."

He was meeting with Foreign Minister Abdul Sattar in advance of his dinner meeting with Musharraf.

Powell said the key issue now is not a troop pullback but progress on diplomatic and political front. Once that is achieved, "then the armies can pull back."

Alabama man kidnapped during humanitarian mission

HARVEST, Ala. (AP) The State Department is looking into a report that a man was kidnapped during a humanitarian mission in Afghanistan and is being held by a tribal warlord for \$25,000 ransom.

Amanda Bowers said Tuesday that her husband, political consultant Clark Bowers, called her with instructions on how to deliver the ransom money.

"I don't know many of the details, but I'll tell you what I know," Amanda Bowers said outside her home west of Huntsville, Ala.

Clark Bowers, 37, was delivering medical supplies and other humanitarian aid by private plane when he and an Afghan interpreter were abducted earlier this month, Amanda Bowers said.

She got a call from her husband on Jan. 9, when Bowers said he wanted her to start gathering money to secure his release.

Bowers didn't say whether any ransom would be paid. It also wasn't clear if the abduction had occurred on the plane or on the ground, or where her husband is now being held.

Israeli shooting victim found dead in West Bank

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) The

Palestinian Authority said it has detained a senior PLO official whose supporters assassinated an Israeli Cabinet minister last fall — a step long demanded by Israel and apparently aimed at reducing tensions after a spate of killings of Israelis by Palestinian militants.

The detention of Ahmed Saadat, leader of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, a radical PLO faction, came just hours after Palestinian gunmen killed a 72-year-old Israeli-American man shopping for building supplies near the West Bank town of Bethlehem and a 45-year-old Israeli woman driving to a wedding north of Jerusalem.

On Wednesday, the body of a Palestinian man was found in his car near the Jewish West Bank settlement of Shavei Shomron. The victim had Israeli citizenship and was in a car with Israeli license plates. Initial reports said he apparently was the victim of a shooting attack.

The shootings came in the wake of the death of a Palestinian militia leader, Raed Karmi, in a Monday bomb blast widely attributed to Israel. Karmi's supporters have said they would avenge their leader with new attacks on Israelis.

Furor over financial freeze; Argentine rioters hit banks

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP) Popular fury over stringent banking restrictions has boiled over as enraged Argentines stormed banks and destroyed cash machines to protest the government restrictions penning up their savings.

The rising anger came as President Eduardo Duhalde promised to ease the 6-week-old banking freeze first imposed by Fernando de la Rúa last month to stem a run on the banks that threatened the country's fragile banking system.

But the widespread anger was evidence that social tensions are still running high in this troubled South American country, the region's second-largest economy.

In three cities in Argentina's interior, hundreds of Argentines ransacked banks, ripping out computers and smashing windows — including at international banks like Citibank and BankBoston. ♦

Astronomy no longer an elective

By Victoria Cumbow
Staff Writer

MTSU is offering a new astronomy class to fulfill a requirement for general studies. MTSU has offered this class for several years but without it satisfying the general studies requirement.

In the past, the college has only offered one lecture class and lab. This year, there are three lecture classes, one correspondence class and six labs. The labs have telescopes that are available to students.

The course is the same class that has been offered here before, only now it is counted as a general studies 4A requirement rather than as an elective. This semester, the class grew from 70 students to more than 300.

"It is your basic lower level intro class," said Eric Klumpe, assistant professor of astronomy.

"As far as it counting this

year for general studies requirements, MTSU is the only school in the Tennessee Board of Regents not to offer it for credit instead of an elective," Klumpe said.

All of the classes this semester are at full or almost full capacity.

"So far, I've learned a lot about the universe," freshman Shelby Craig said.

"It's a very interesting class, and I hope that it stays that way."

Klumpe hopes that students can take away a lot from this class.

"If there's any one thing, I want students to be awestruck by what our universe is made up of. I want students to fall in love with astronomy."

For more information, call 898-2130. ♦



Klumpe

Fraternity Rush Spring 2002

Tuesday
12 p.m. — All rush applications due
5-6 p.m. — Greek Speak Out at Tucker Theater
6:30-7:30 p.m. — Fraternity Orientation in Tennessee Room of James Union Building

Wednesday
7-11 p.m. — Open house, all potential recruits invited

Thursday
7-11 p.m. — Open house, all potential recruits invited

Friday
7-9:30 p.m. and 9:30-11 p.m. — Smoker parties, by invitation only

Parking Notice

Due to special concerns raised by residents of the campus community, Parking & Transportation Services will be extending department hours for patrolling the campus beginning with the Spring, 2002 semester.

Special Notice regarding Reserved Parking Spaces

Reserved parking spaces on campus are clearly designated either with signage or pavement marking. Unless otherwise noted, most reserved parking areas are reserved 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Some reserved areas on campus include:

- Persons with disabilities - reserved 24 hours a day
- Womack Lane Apartments parking area - reserved 24 hours a day
- Scarlett Commons - reserved 24 hours a day
- Greek Row - reserved 24 hours a day
- Housing Staff - reserved 24 hours a day
- Maintenance Spaces - reserved 24 hours a day
- Health Services - reserved 24 hours a day
- Library Staff - reserved 24 hours a day

Vehicles that do not have the appropriate permit or validation sticker to park in a reserved parking area will be ticketed accordingly.

All Traffic and Parking Regulations are enforced 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Please become familiar with these regulations, as outlined in the Regulations Brochure. Please contact our office if you have any questions regarding the rules and regulations. You may also access our web site at www.mtsu.edu/~parking.

We hope you have a good semester!

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Editorial

Donnelly was the right choice for the job

James "Boots" Donnelly was chosen Tuesday as the athletics director of Middle Tennessee State University.

Ever since Lee Fowler left the position to take the athletics director job at North Carolina State, MT supporters have been saying Donnelly should be the one to replace him.

President Sidney McPhee chose not to name Donnelly right away. Instead, he held a five-month-long nationwide search for the athletics director position.

The move was surprising and not understood by many, including Donnelly himself at first. However, the search proved what everyone already knew. Donnelly was and is the best candidate for the position.

McPhee made the right choice when he named Donnelly athletics director Tuesday.

He rewarded someone who has been nothing but loyal to this university and its athletics department. Donnelly has been a part of MT for 27 years.

As a football coach, he led MT to Division I-AA status and set the program in the right direction to become successful in Division I-A. Donnelly led the Blue Raiders to four Ohio Valley Conference championships and seven I-AA playoff appearances during his 20 years. Fourteen players who played for Donnelly have gone on to the NFL.

When Fowler left and MT was in need of an interim athletics director, Donnelly stepped in and led this university's athletic department. As the interim, Donnelly has secured a \$1 million pledge for the future construction of a Blue Raider Hall of Fame building. More importantly, he secured football games with Alabama and Tennessee.

These games will make \$1 million for the university. Donnelly was instrumental in the renovation of the tennis complex. He also has hired a women's golf coach, softball coach and a women's soccer coach.

Donnelly's vast knowledge of this university along with his contacts in this area give him a distinct advantage that other candidates did not have. ♦

From the News Editor

Gaylord - thanks for keeping WSM country



ask someone who has never been to Nashville about the city, it is quite likely that the first thing you'll hear is "Grand Ole Opry" and "WSM-AM."

Through WSM, names like Roy Acuff, Minnie Pearl, Grandpa Jones and Little Jimmy Dickens were introduced to the nation, which in turn brought tremendous tourism and music companies to Nashville.

While I personally wish that WSM would play more roots and bluegrass music rather than modern country music (which is mostly horrible), I believe that there are some traditions that must be kept.

To convert such a monumental station and cornerstone of Nashville into sports talk would be a dismal fate for the establishment.

Although I don't think Gaylord had much of a choice, they have managed to do the right thing. ♦

At night, WSM's signal goes as far north as Minnesota and as far south as Florida. If you

Running and looking in Alterna-MTSU

Bathroom Stall Graffiti



Nick Fowler
Staff Columnist

Joe was trapped in Peck Hall. "I came in that door, and I went around three times so I should go around nine times and go down the stairs," he thought.

He walked out of Peck Hall into the Peck Hall inner-square. "Damn Peck Hall! It's a living labyrinth out to get me."

He ran down the concrete sidewalk between Cope and Peck. And walked right into Peck Hall. It was as if he were trapped in an M.C. Escher drawing. All paths lead to Peck Hall.

"I'll just go to class," he thought. "It's the safest thing to do. I'll just play

along."

Joe walked into class and took a seat. He looked at no one.

Joe didn't notice everyone staring at him. He assumed they were looking through him.

"I must be in the way," he thought to himself. He put his head down on the desk and pretended to sleep, so everyone would be able to look over him.

But they did not overlook him. They stared right at him, bemused that he could even try to sleep while they stared at him.

Joe heard the professor enter the room. He lifted his head, looked at the professor, not expecting the professor to be looking at him.

Of course the professor was looking at him, as was everyone else in the class.

"You don't belong here," the professor said.

Joe had never felt as if he belonged. He almost laughed at the irony in the

professor's comment, before he realized that he should probably be offended. At the least, his feelings were hurt, and he lowered his head in shame. It was a pitiful sight, I assure you.

"You don't belong here, Joe. You belong here," the professor said.

Joe was confused. Perhaps you are, too, for this seemed downright contradictory.

But I will tell you what Joe would have seen if he were not looking down. He would have seen the professor pointing to another desk. You see, they had a seating chart, and Joe sat in the wrong seat.

But Joe did not know this and was sure he was trapped in some sort of existential nightmare. He now suspected that everyone was staring at him and had been staring at him the whole time.

Naturally, he "freaked out." He ran from the

room and the building. He expected to be trapped in an infinite number of Peck Halls, but everything was back to normal, sort of.

He ran out of Peck Hall onto the path leading to the library. He stopped at the new park in front of the library.

Students were frolicking in the park. Families were picnicking, students were studying, young lovers were groping. Everyone loved the new playground.

A spontaneous demonstration erupted from the crowd in the park. They sang a medley of tunes including, "We love grass, trees and concrete. Best 1.4 million dollars ever spent," and "Mindless superficiality makes my doubts go 'way."

Joe would have stayed, but the demonstration was abruptly ended when a toddler skinned his knee when he tripped while running on the concrete.

Everyone agreed that the toddler was "the cutest most precious thing," even when he was crying.

Joe made his way to the parking lot, trying not to look conspicuous.

He was sure he was busted when a valet handed him his keys. Then he realized it was only the valet. Then he wondered why the hell there was valet parking at MTSU.

He noticed valets were driving cars in and out of a huge underground parking garage.

Joe asked the valet to tell him how MTSU came to have such great parking.

"Give the students what they want," the valet said. "That's what they decided. They poured all the money into good parking. Apparently nobody really cares about what goes on in class, so long as they get a good parking space. Everybody gets a good parking space, so everyone is happy." ♦

Walker deserves more than he'll get

By Michael Schulz
Staff Columnist

Sometimes I think the death penalty is a little over the edge.

The John Walker treason case isn't one of those times. Treason is one of the most serious crimes against the people and government of a country.

The White House says it can't charge Taliban fighter John Walker with treason because of a lack of evidence.

According to the Article III, Section III of the U.S. Constitution, "Treason against the United States shall consist only in levying war against them, or in adhering to their enemies, giving them aid and comfort. No person shall be convicted of treason unless on the testimony of two witnesses to the same overt act, or on confession in open court."

Instead of treason, Walker will be indicted on charges of "aiding terrorism." Life in prison is the punishment.

Oh great, just what we need. Our prisons are choked with inmates, but there's always room for one more - one more prisoner who has made it clear he wants nothing to do with the United States.

Walker has told a *Newsweek* reporter he supports the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks in New York, Washington and Pennsylvania. According to FOX News Network, Walker claims to have had knowledge of the incidents as early as June.

Armed with an AK-47, Walker was captured fighting his own countrymen in a foreign land. That constitutes treason to me. He was trying to hurt Americans. Would that not be levying war

against the United States?

The footage I saw on the news networks was enough. I'm sure there are at least a couple million other "witnesses" that have seen the same film I saw.

Walker sympathizers say he is "confused." That's certainly true. He looks disoriented on television. I think it's shell shock. Or maybe it's fighting for an army that can't provide shoes for him.

For me, sympathy for John Walker went out of the window long ago. Bewilderment has set in. How can an American citizen side with a terrorist group such as al-Qaida?

I don't believe for a second that he was forced to join the Taliban. He chose to go there. He chose to participate in terrorist training. In some respects that could be seen as "aid and comfort."

I say bring back the gallows.

After all, Afghanistan is a place where people get hanged for crimes against society. Hanging is a punishment military courts have used in the past.

John Walker is being spared. He's headed to civil court. It's a travesty when we can't convict someone who admits to having prior knowledge of the tragic plans for Sept. 11 but failed to warn authorities.

As for his admissions, Walker has admitted to openly accepting the Taliban rule. He also was caught fighting against American soldiers. President Bush has said, "We will make no distinction between terrorist and the countries that harbor them."

What has happened to loyalty, respect and patriotism?

It appears John Walker's parents didn't waste any time teaching little Johnny those things. ♦

My plan to help collegiate slackers

What the Smack?



Amber Bryant
Staff Columnist

The first day of school I promised myself I would become Sally Student, waking up promptly for class each morning and happily spending two hours each afternoon studying every subject.

Unfortunately, the second day of school I found myself slapping the snooze button every 10 minutes for three hours and using my would-be learning time to eat bowl after bowl of Lucky Charms and watch my beloved eight-hour *Simpsons* marathon tape.

Because this constant battle with laziness is probably a norm among college students, I propose the university make a plan available for slackers who wish to become achievers.

If you want to enroll in this program, you will be subject to manipulations designed to "inspire" you

to do well in college.

For those who are continually late to class, a scary-looking man will sneak into your bedroom or dormitory window each morning and stand over your bed with a hatchet, because nothing can wake you up better than pure terror.

If you wish to begin the morning with a little humor, for an extra fee the scary man will also stand over your parents' or roommate's bed.

You will be wired with a device that will cause you to soil your pants if you get more than six feet away from your books.

Forms will be signed to give instructors the right to murder participants who fail to turn in assignments on time or miss too many classes.

If the professor has qualms about murder, they may spread vicious rumors that you are a cross-dressing commie.

If you already are a cross-dressing commie, consider yourself lucky.

Each night you will listen to subliminal lectures

while you sleep. However, recordings will not be made of instructors who have overly nasal voices or don't use periods in their hourlong sentences, to reduce the chances of overcrowding in local mental institutions.

During Spring Break, gunmen will stand outside your home to make sure you spend every waking moment studying and doing homework. If you manage to sneak away, you will be hunted like feminists at a *Man Show* convention.

If you enroll in the program but then decide you want out, you wuss, the university will gladly refund all money.

Sure, it sounds a little fascist, but think of how proud your parents will be when they visit and find you trembling in a corner, surrounded by your books and mumbling something about blood.

So if the Big Cheese wants this university's graduates to leave here successful, responsible and schizophrenic, we should proudly adopt this plan. ♦

WHAT A SCHMUCK !!

Sidelines'
occasional watch
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mutton-heads.

Today's subject is the most insensitive, callous mistake we have ever run across.

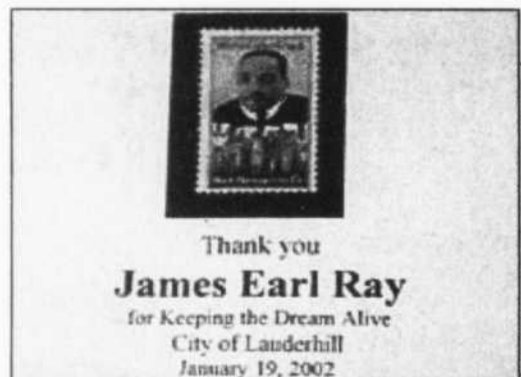
Here's the background info: every year Lauderdale, Fla., has a Martin Luther King Jr. celebration, at which they honor an African-

missed the ball on this one.

It could have been Adpro, the company that ordered the plaque for Lauderdale. But they didn't design the thing, did they?

Merit Industries at first blamed it on the fact that they hired Mexican immigrants who didn't speak or write enough English to know the difference.

We don't believe them.



Thank you
James Earl Ray
for Keeping the Dream Alive
City of Lauderdale
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American celebrity for his or her accomplishments. This year's honoree is James Earl Jones.

The *South Florida Sun-Sentinel* reported yesterday that the Texas company in charge of the casting the plaque, Merit Industries, inscribed the following words: "Thank you James Earl Ray for Keeping the Dream Alive."

James. Earl. Ray. The degenerate who assassinated Martin Luther King Jr. on April 4, 1968.

The only way this could have turned out any worse would be if the plaque was not looked at before the ceremony.

Someone really

"Ray" looks nothing like "Jones," even if you don't know the language.

Later, the company's owner, Herbert Miller, stated that it was only a typographical error.

More likely, this was some twisted schmuck's idea of a joke. We bet his parents must be very proud.

"Look, ma! I got fired, but I went out with a bang. Sho nuff!"

"Ah, son. That's great. now go git yur sheet. The rally's startin'."

We hope that everyone at Merit in connection with the plaque gets fired.

Even if they don't, they're still schmucks to us. ♦

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Textbook prices strain wallets

Some say burden on students is too great

By India Stone
Staff Writer

"The best thing about finally being a graduate of MTSU is knowing that I will never have to trek across campus with the dread of writing that enormous check," said Jody Dudding, a former MTSU teaching major.

"The worse thing was standing in those long lines holding fifty-thousand books knowing that you're going to have to pay an arm and a leg for them."

Dudding is now free from the textbook hell,

but many others are just beginning to feel the effects of the skyrocketing prices at the bookstores.

Keith Freeman and Leslie Judge are scheduled to be married in May. Because they are both MTSU students, they must budget their money to accommodate their education. Unforeseen textbook costs have cut in deep this semester, and with a wedding date quickly approaching, Freeman says he's going to have to work a few more hours to get by.

"It's pretty ridiculous. Spanish alone is going to be \$300 between the two of us," Freeman said. "We're cutting back on some of the wedding plans a little bit."

Many are feeling the effects of high textbook prices. Foundations of Financial Management by Block and Hirt sold for \$74 used this semester. It is one of many required texts for classes at MTSU, and most students are well acquainted with either Philip's or Blue Raider Bookstore. Many claim they are being raped.

"It's a lot to have to deal with, especially when some classes have really expensive books. I think the publishers do that because they

know people are going to have to buy them, so they can charge what they want," said Cole Turner, a Phillips bookstore employee.

Although students have a choice between Blue Raider and Phillips, both stores are expensive. Blue Raider tries to see what Phillips is charging for books and come down from that price a little bit, said Mark Alexander, an employee at Blue Raider. But the difference of \$2 or \$3 with a \$90 book doesn't seem to matter very much.

"I think the prices are ridiculous," said William Wilcox, a recording industry major. "First they make hundreds of copies of those books and sell them at outrageous prices. Then they turn around and buy them back for way less, even the used ones."

They know that they can take advantage of the situation so they do."

Publishers and campus bookstores have worked together for decades providing books to students who need them. Some say that although the books are expensive, they are aiding in the learning process. Others say just the opposite.

English professor Tom Strawman sees students struggling with book prices.

"The needs need to support education more so that the cost isn't going on the backs of the students," Strawman said. "Lots of scholarships include (a) book allowance because when we give book scholarships we want to free students so that they can get the most out of their education. A lot of students have to work to pay for books, and their education suffers as a result."

College students can spend anywhere from \$200-\$1,000 a semester on textbooks alone. And as long as the demand for



Photo by Amy Jones | Chief Photographer

Dan Morton, a freshman criminal justice major, buys last-minute books at Phillips Bookstore.

books on campus exists, bookstores will continue to supply at high prices. Especially when dealing with specialized books in narrow fields.

"It's kind of like the prescription drug industry," said Rachel Gastowski, a media law major. "Textbooks are something teams of people put in years of research to come up with, so they tend to be sold at higher prices. You aren't only paying for the physical book, but its contents as well."

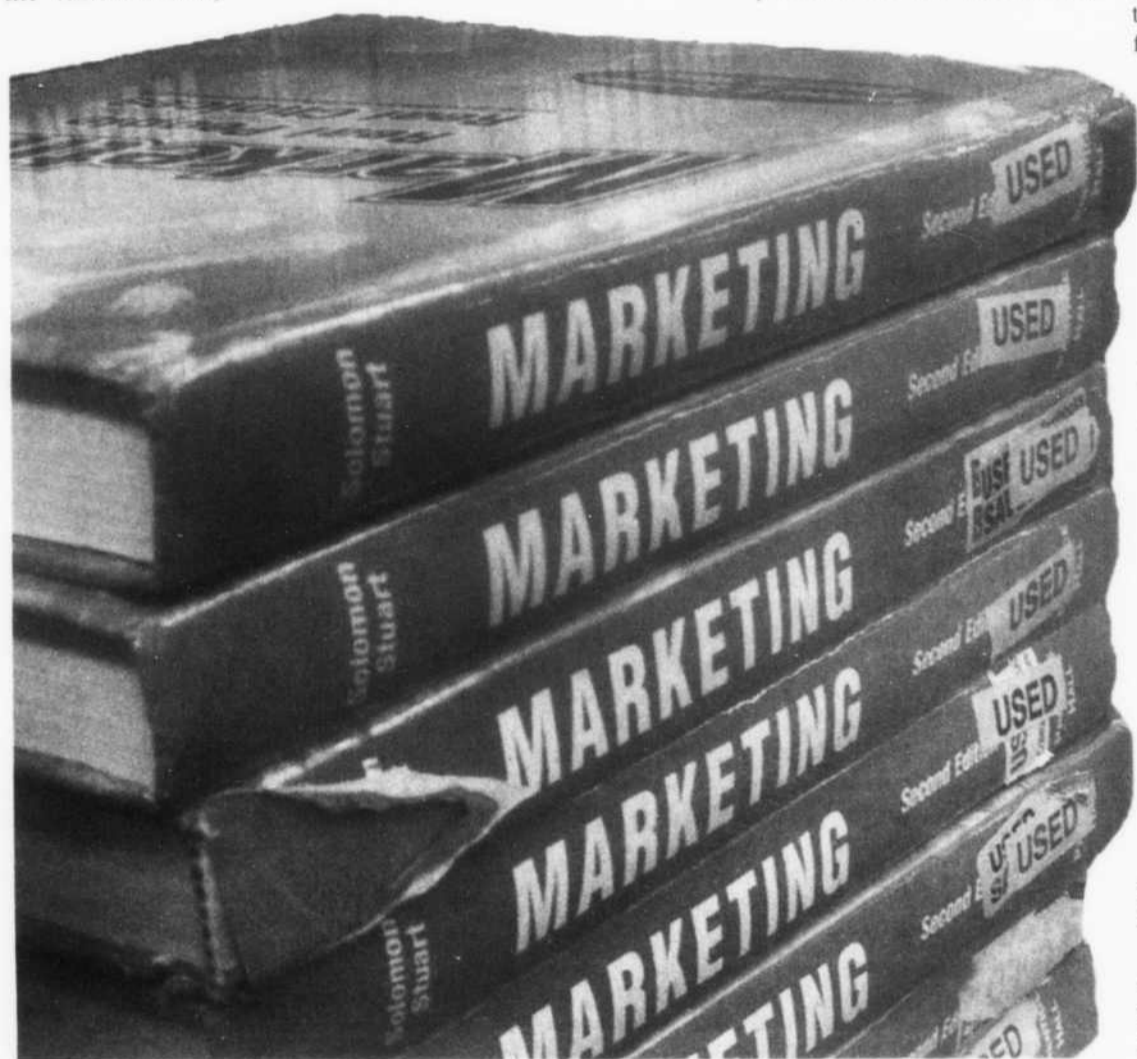
Jonathan Roth, theatrical

production major, had a mixed view.

"Schools need the revenue so they can build, prosper and grow to be a larger campus so they can get more people to show up to buy more books to generate more revenue," Roth said.

High prices could be beneficial to the growth of schools, but on the other hand, Roth said, "If colleges weren't based on the capitalist system and

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Rec center offers activities for community

Swimming, rock climbing among sports available

By Leslie Fike
Features Editor

From the moment the glass doors swung open in September of 1995 and students swiped their MTSU ID cards through the scanner, the Recreation Center gained instant popularity with the MTSU and Murfreesboro communities.

If its concrete structure and floor-to-ceiling green-tinted windows alone didn't attract their attention, though, its large facility, consisting of a weight room and cardio area that contains more than 40 machines as well as an indoor and outdoor pool and six racquetball courts, did.

"I wouldn't go to any other gym," said Celeste Morrison, an

MTSU alumna who has been coming to the Rec Center since around 1998.

Many students agree that the Rec Center is the campus hot spot and that its facilities compete with other gyms such as the YMCA and the SportsCom.

"I think we're better than everything in Murfreesboro with what we offer here," said Roger Heimerman, facility coordinator for the Rec Center.

The facility provides something for everyone, meaning a person doesn't have to be in great shape to be able to handle one of its six new stair-steppers or nine new elliptical machines.

Travis Choat, a senior and employee of the Rec Center who works out five days a week, said he uses the weight room

more than any of the other facilities offered.

"I wish there was more room though," he said, commenting that sometimes there are more students than equipment available.

Students who have used the center's facilities before are aware that they may have to wait for the machine they want.

Morrison said she walks the track many nights while waiting to do her 45 minute workout on her favorite machine—the elliptical—which is located against the inside glass wall of the weight room.

"Their track is great," she added, "but it gets monotonous walking around in a circle."

The Rec Center's indoor track was built upstairs with glass walls on two sides. One wall allows track users a view of the outside while walking or running, and the second wall enables them to see directly into

the pool and cardio areas. The track's oblong shape also allows users a view of the six basketball courts below, as well as the racquetball courts, from which, occasionally, a racquetball will coming flying out of and onto the track.

Students who like to walk or run without traffic, however, may want to use the track in the early morning before 11 a.m. or later in the evening after 8 p.m.

Andy Melton, another alumni who also uses the track and weight room, agrees with Choat about the facility being crowded.

He said one of the reasons for the crowd is the fact that Spring Break is just around the corner.

"This is as busy as the facility gets," Melton commented. "It gets dramatically busy before March, and it will slow down dramatically after."

Morrison said she has become used to the Spring Break rush every year.

"It's always busy January to March 21 because everyone wants to lose weight," she explained.

Spring Break isn't the only reason for the center's current boom, though.

According to Heimerman, New Year's resolutions are the primary reason for the Recreation Center's current boom.

Whatever reason each student, alum and Murfreesboro community member has for using the facility, whether it be that its accommodating or that it's just a determination to get fit, the Recreation Center continues to grow and attract members.

To inquire about the cost of membership for students' families and spouses, faculty family, alumni family and individual alumni, call 898-2104. All MTSU students and faculty have free use of the facility with their MTSU ID. ♦

Outdoor recreation schedule Spring 2002

Saturday, Jan. 19

Winter backpacking at Virgin Falls through Sunday. The cost is \$20 for students and \$25 for guests. There is a limit of 12 people.

Saturday, Jan. 26

There will be a cave exploration at the cost of \$10 for students and \$12 for guests. The location is to be announced. There is a limit of 10 people.

Thursday, Jan. 31

There will be a belay clinic at the Rec Center at \$10 for students and \$12 for guests. There is a limit of eight people.

Wednesday, Feb. 6

There will be a kayak roll clinic at the Rec Center through Thursday. The cost is \$12 for students and \$16 for guests. There is a limit of eight people.

Saturday, Feb. 9

There will be a cave exploration at Pigeon Mt., Ga., through Sunday at the cost of \$25 for students and \$30 for guests. There is a limit of 10 people.

Tuesday, Feb. 12

There will be a lead clinic at the Rec Center at the cost of \$10 for students and \$12 for guests. There is a limit of six people.

Saturday, Feb. 16

Mountain Biking at Tsali, N.C., through Sunday. The cost is \$25 for students and \$30 for guests. There is a limit of 10 people.

For any additional information regarding these trips, call 898-2104.

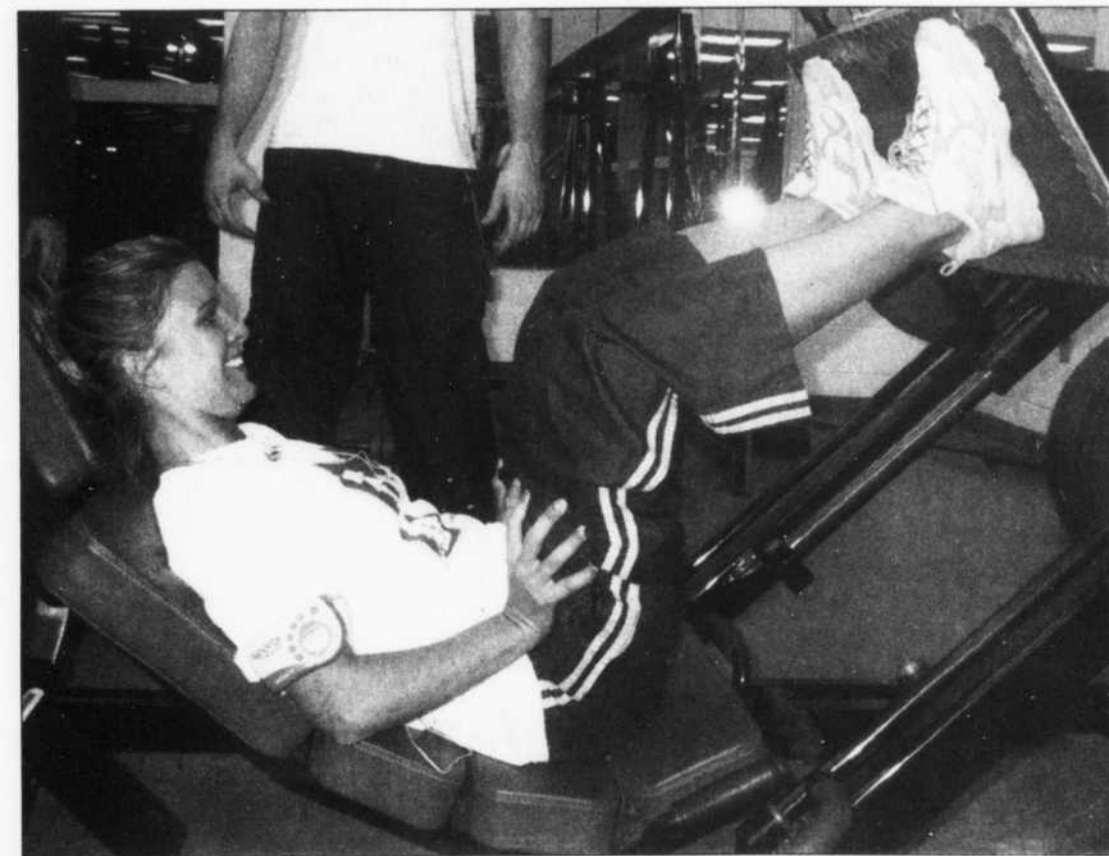


Photo by Allison Grammer | Staff

Julie Hedge, a sophomore nursing major, grins and bears the leg press machine.

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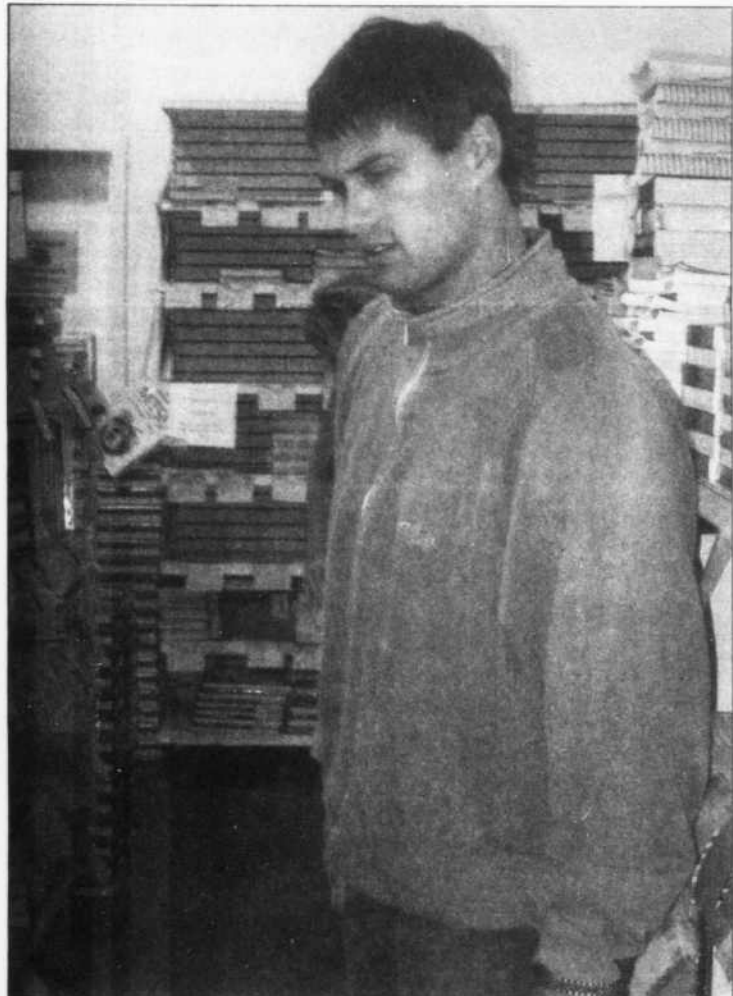


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Stephen Murphy, a graduate student for industrial/organization of psychology, browses the racks of books at Blue Raider Bookstore on Greenland Drive.

Books: Planning ahead may help students cope with increasing prices

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sought out other means of support, I think that would be just as successful minus all the harsh feelings."

Strawman shared this view by saying, "All the profit is being made by American corporations. I think we could lead better lives if we shared more and bought less.

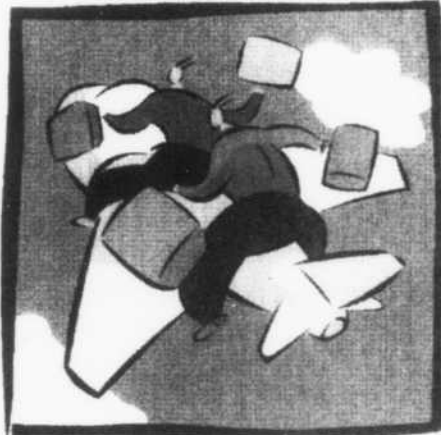
"We could have a sort of cooperative book lending library that would have text that we could check out. If the state would be fit to support books education, the cost of books could be subsidized."

This may be a good idea, but for now, students must live with the high prices and just try to plan ahead. ♦

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Sports Briefs

Compiled by Justin Ward
Staff Writer

MT plans Heisman campaign for Hicks

Dwone Hicks' decision to return for his senior year guarantees that he will be one of the top five senior collegiate tailbacks coming back in 2002.

MT has a tough schedule next season with games at Alabama, Tennessee and Kentucky. A good performance against all of these teams would back up Hicks as one of the best players in college football. Hicks rushed for 203 yards against Southeastern Conference opponent Vanderbilt in 2001.

When Media Relations Director Mark Owens was at Memphis, he successfully promoted Penny Hardaway for national player of the year.

Now it's time to promote Hicks for Heisman.

Tyrone Hicks to play for Blue Raiders

Tyrone Hicks, Dwone Hicks' younger brother, made a commitment to play football for the Blue Raiders next season.

Hicks was recruited by Louisville, Ole Miss, Southern Miss and Memphis. He decided Sunday after a visit to campus to play for MT.

The younger Hicks is expected to play cornerback for the Blue Raiders next season. He had 6 interceptions for his high school.

MT puts full-court press on cancer

The Middle Tennessee men's and women's basketball teams and the American Cancer Society are joining forces to fight against cancer.

The money raised by the Coaches vs. Cancer program is dedicated to American Cancer Society research initiatives, patient services and educational campaigns that encourage healthy lifestyle choices.

Coaches vs. Cancer Night is tonight at the Western Kentucky University game at 7. You also can call 1-800-345-TEAM to make a contribution or call Donna Victory at 615-898-2111 on campus.

This year's Coaches vs. Cancer Night is dedicated in memory of Cliff Gillespie. Gillespie, a longtime Blue Raiders fan, lost his life to cancer earlier this year.

Nosse named Sun Belt Player of Week

MT senior Lee Nosse was named Sun Belt Conference Player of the Week for the week of Jan. 7.

Nosse put up a career best 15 rebounds and 19 points against New Mexico State last week and returned Saturday night with a season high 25 points and 9 rebounds against the University of Louisiana-Lafayette.

Nosse's average was 22 points and 12 rebounds last week.

Nosse only played in four games last year because of a stress fracture in his hip that required surgery.

Nosse is back this year, and this season he's second on the team in scoring and leads the way in rebounding.

Reception honors former Lady Raiders

A reception for all former Lady Raider athletes will be held Saturday from 5-6:30 p.m. in the Alumni Center.

The athletes also will be honored before the Lady Raider basketball game that night against North Texas.

If any Lady Raider athletes would like more information about the event, contact Diane Turnham or Jim Simpson in the Blue Raider athletic department at 898-2450. ♦

Tennis team says 'Aloha'

Raiders take No. 37 ranking to U of Hawaii

By Rebecca Pickering
Assistant Sports Editor

The Middle Tennessee men's tennis team opens its season today at the University of Hawaii with a national preseason ranking of 37.

The team returns six players from its 2000-2001 campaign and adds two fresh faces to this year's roster. Returning Sweden natives Daniel Klemetz and Robert Gustafsson enter the spring season both ranked in the top 30.

Klemetz comes in at No. 12 and went 13-6 in fall individual play, reaching the semifinals in the Omni Hotels Regional Championship and the quarterfinals in the National Indoor Championships.

At No. 27, Gustafsson was 6-2 in the fall, winning first place in the CCM Labor Day Tournament in Mobile, Ala.

The individual rankings are based on individual tournaments played in the fall.

"Now it's imperative that we realize that individual performances are just what they are and from this point forward mean nothing and we have to

play as a team," head coach Dale Short said. "That was a problem last year, and this will be the real challenge."

For the first time in four years, the team finds all three of its doubles teams nationally ranked. Gustafsson and Oliver Foreman find themselves in the ninth position, while Klemetz and sophomore Kirk Jackson are ranked 34. Sophomores Trevor Short and Michael

Staniak come in at 51.

Freshman Greg Pollack joined the team in the fall. The Memphis native went 5-5 in individual fall tournament play,

team is freshman

Rishan Kuruppu. Kuruppu, of Vancouver, Canada, joins the Blue Raiders this

spring, pulling the roster up to eight.

"He's got a real strong character and a great work ethic," Short said. "He has all the attributes as far as his personality that will make a big difference in the team."

With a schedule including many top 20 teams, the Blue Raiders will have the opportunity to show their skills.

Short said Mississippi State, the

University of Miami and South Alabama should all put up a challenge for the team.

"These could be major matches if we do what we are capable of," Short said. "We have a number of players capa-

ble of making noise on the national scene."

Another addition for the Blue Raiders this spring is their newly renovated Buck Bouldin Tennis Center.

The \$150,000 project was completed mid-fall.

"We are happy with them," Short said. "They give us a competitive outdoor facility and is one of the better ones in the league."

Short said the team tries to add new amenities to the facilities every year. Although their private dollars are getting low, he hopes that in the future, MT will be able to add an on-campus, indoor facility.

The Blue Raiders' first home match will be Jan. 26 against Louisville at the Murfreesboro Racquet Club. Due to cold weather, play on the newly renovated courts will not resume until Feb. 24 when MT takes on Georgia Tech.

Today's match-up against Hawaii begins at 4 p.m. Check www.goblueraiders.com for results following the match. ♦



making it to the finals in the MT Fall Invitational. He and Staniak were 0-2 in doubles. Another new addition to the

Women try to top the hill

MT battles Western Kentucky for No. 2 spot in Sun Belt east division

By Angelica Journagin
Staff Writer

The Middle Tennessee women's basketball team will take on Western Kentucky Thursday and North Texas Saturday.

MT beat WKU twice during the 2000-01 season. UNT beat MT twice last season. However, there will be some key differences between this year's and last year's games.

The most noticeable change in the WKU Lady Toppers, who started the 2001-02 season with 11 returning players including four starters, is the presence of their new head coach Shawn Campbell.

Campbell was an assistant coach at Temple University for a season and the University of Virginia for 15 seasons before accepting the head coaching position at WKU in June.

Campbell will be relying heavily on senior guard Natalie Powers who currently is averaging 19.5 points and 3.9 rebounds per game. Powers was also the woman to watch during last season's game against MT where she put up 41 points to lead her team in scoring if not victory.

Another person of note on the Lady Topper's team is sophomore forward Leslie Logsdon. She chose to concentrate on her grades her first year instead of playing. Logsdon is averaging 13.1 points and 4.4 rebounds per game.

Despite the new head coach, returning players and new starting players, WKU has an opening record of 9-6, which trails behind last season's opening record of 11-4. Still, the Lady Toppers are number two in the Sun Belt eastern division.

MT will have to win rebounds and take advantage of the free throws that hurt the Lady Toppers in their last two losses. The Lady Raiders currently are leading their opponents by 3.1 rebounds on average per game led by senior Jamie Thomatis. They also are leading their opponents in field goal percentages.

The real test will come at the end of the game. The Lady Toppers historically have done better in the second half of their games.

Last season they came from behind four times from double deficits to pull out a win. This season, WKU's last four wins have had them either tied or behind their opponents at the half and then coming back and beating them by double digits.

The Lady Raiders have done conversely better in the first half. In the last two MT losses, second half runs made by the opposing teams hurt the Lady Raiders.

If MT expects to continue their winning run against WKU, they are going to have to hold them in the second half.

On the flip side, MT will have to capitalize on UNT's inability to win on the road.

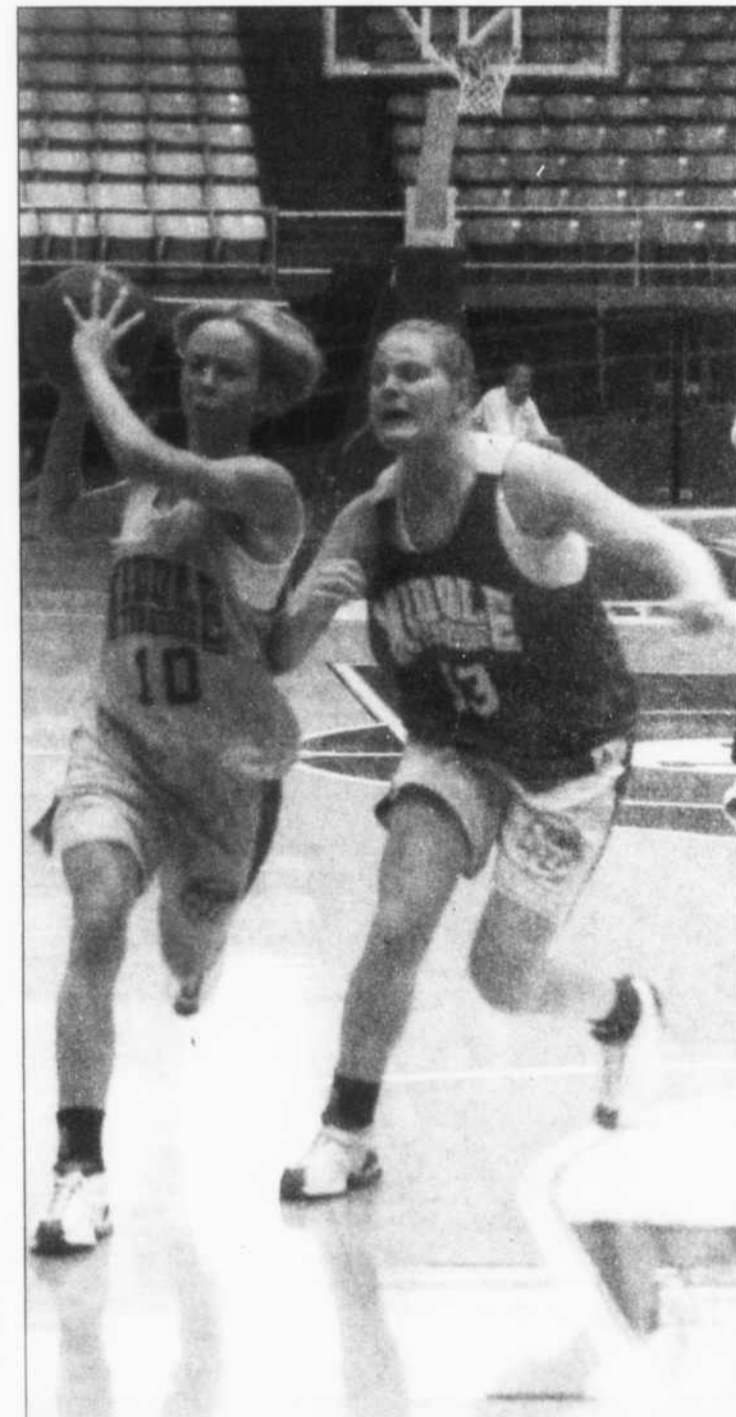


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Paula Pentilla avoids the defender in practice for WKU.

UNT's head coach Tina Slinker celebrated her 150th career win this past Saturday. All 150

wins were at home.

MT's losses to the Lady Eagles last year were all away. This season, the Lady Eagles are coming to the Murphy Center. Unlike WKU, UNT has played this year either by staying strong throughout the stretch or losing in the second half.

The winner of Saturday's game will be determined by who comes out strongest and maintains until the end. MT will have to rely on leading scorers Thomatis, Patrice Holmes and Joanna Aluka to achieve this lead.

The Lady Raiders also will have to stop the leading scorer for UNT, forward Jalie Mitchell. Mitchell has averaged 26.2 points in her past four games.

Holmes and Aluka will need to have big games against the boards as UNT leads its opponents in rebounds by a 2.1 margin.

Tip-off for the game against WKU will be tonight at 7 in the Murphy Center. Saturday's home game against UNT also will be at 7 p.m. ♦



Photo by Amy Jones | Chief Photographer

The Lady Raiders practice defensive intensity in preparation for this week's games. Freshman Renee Hall looks to pass off while under heavy guard from her opposition.

Call from
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Sports Editor

Hicks' actions commendable

Middle Tennessee has faced a growing problem in college athletics these days.

The problem facing almost every college in America is how to keep their athletes for four years. MT has dealt with this in the past year with the decisions of Dwone Hicks and Dewon Brazelton.

Brazelton chose to leave college after his junior season and was drafted No. 3 by the Tampa Bay Devil Rays. This brought prestige to our still-growing athletics department. Our program is now in the same boat as the big-time programs that lose athletes on a regular basis.

Excitement buzzed around campus. Brazelton then got into a contract dispute with the Devil Rays.

Tampa Bay didn't have enough money to give Brazelton the millions he so deserved.

The dispute led to Brazelton threatening to return to MT. Gee, that would be terrible, wouldn't it? Needless to say, Brazelton showed his true colors and took the money, though I must say it was a considerably low amount for a No. 3 draft pick.

This leads me to Hicks, who chose this week to remain a Blue Raider instead of entering the NFL draft. He was projected as a fourth round pick. Still, he could have made plenty of money. Maybe he wouldn't have gotten the multi-million dollar contract, but he would have received a good chunk of change.

Instead, Hicks chose to be a team guy instead of an individual in search of only money. At his press conference, he talked about his goals for this program and about leading the Blue Raiders to another Sun Belt championship.

"Dwone has never been an individual," head coach Andy McCollum said. "He's been a team guy."

Everyone is quick to applaud the guy who leaves because he has made it to the big time. This brings honor, prestige and validation to a college athletic program.

Give me a break. Are we not all concerned about individuals here? Why don't we worry about athletes receiving degrees?

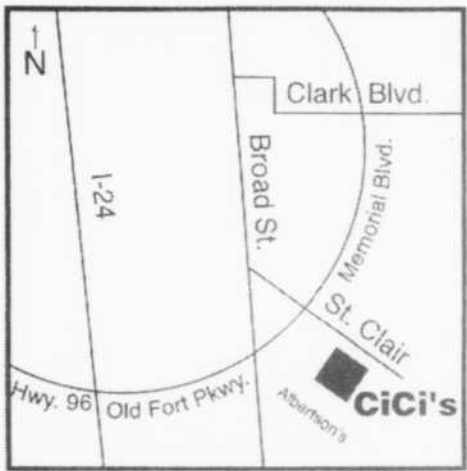
A program that focuses on graduating athletes instead of sending them off to the pros early is a real successful program. Hicks has helped MT take a step in the right direction. ♦

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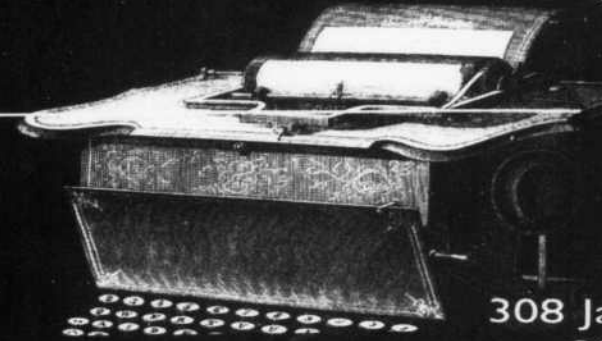
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