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Female students assaulted on campus



Photo by Mike Poley

An exit similar to this door in the Saunders Fine Arts Building is believed to be the one used by an unidentified person fleeing the women's restroom after an alleged assault on a female student Monday afternoon.

By CYNTHIA FLOYD and DEE PARKER

Two MTSU women have reported incidents of assault and battery in Saunders Fine Arts building during the past week and a half, Chief of Public Safety and Security Jack Drugmand said yesterday.

The latest incident occurred Monday afternoon, and the other was reported Jan. 10.

Rumors that the assaults involved attempted rape were not confirmed by officials.

In each case, the women were alone in the rest room when a black male, approximately 6'1", with "broad shoulders," entered the facility, Drugmand said.

The suspect apparently waited until the women came out of the stalls and shoved his hand in their faces, Drugmand said.

IN MONDAY'S incident, the

woman received a bruised and swollen lip when she was apparently "bumped" by the swinging door, but she was otherwise unhurt, he said.

MTSU security personnel are investigating the incidents.

"We're picking up patrol and doing more observation," he said. "We have student patrols at night—they're our eyes and ears."

DRUGMAND ADDED, however, that they had made no progress in the investigation.

"We're no further than we were before. I wish we had

more," he said.

A similar incident occurred in Murphy Center a year ago, Drugmand said, and, because the description and so-called mode of operation were the same, he said they have reason to suspect that it could be the same assailant.

"IT'S KIND OF sporadic. We can't react until something else happens," he said, urging women on campus to take such precautionary measures as traveling in pairs, being aware of one's surroundings at all times, checking deserted rooms before entering and calling an MTSU security escort when it is necessary to walk alone at night.

Murfreesboro city detectives

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Housing occupancy up

Male dorms full

By JOE ESTES

Sidelines Staff Writer

Housing occupancy is at 98 percent capacity this semester—an increase from previous spring semesters, Housing Director Ivan Shewmake said yesterday.

In comparison to other colleges, that figure is "very good," he said.

converted in the future.

Housing is expected to be at full capacity for several years.

THE ONLY OTHER school that comes close to the MTSU figure is the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, which is at 95 percent capacity, he said.

Male dorms are completely full, and the empty space is found in the female dorms, a situation Shewmake called "unique."

"Usually there is space in both male and female dorms, with more space in the female dorms," Shewmake said.

BECAUSE OF THE open spaces in the female dorms, occupants must be consolidated to conserve energy.

"In the past, if you were obstinate enough, you could have your own room," Shewmake said.

Students are encouraged to look for roommates on their own, but after the second week of the semester, the housing office will begin moving people into the vacancies.

CONSOLIDATION SHOULD be completed within a week, and no major problems are expected, he said.

Because of the overcrowding in the male dorms, some female dorms have had to be converted to male dorms. Shewmake said that one more dorm will probably need to be

By CYNTHIA FLOYD

Sidelines News Editor

Legislation authorizing a referendum in the spring ASB elections to increase the student activity fee by \$1 drew the most debate in the first ASB joint session of the semester Jan. 17.

The measure passed after lengthy discussion. Senator Jim Hester and house member Annie Boss were the only representatives voting against the legislation.

MONEY FROM THE fee, which is currently \$1 and must

be paid by every student registering for seven hours or more, goes into a fund from which any campus-recognized organization may request money for various projects.

The ASB secretary's salary is also paid from the fund.

Supporters of the bill said that the increase is necessary to provide more funds for a greater number of organizations.

"IF THERE IS anything we will do here today that affects students more, I haven't seen it," Marty Watt, senate

sponsor of the bill, said. "It is very, very important."

More than \$22,000 in requests for the funds were received by the ASB during the fall of 1983.

However, after deductions were made for the secretary's salary and 5 percent was withheld for an emergency reserve fund from the \$9,400 collected during fall registration, approximately \$3,700 was left to divide among the applicants.

THE ONE-DOLLAR increase would double the amount in the fund, which would enable the ASB to grant 75 percent of the requests, based on fall 1983 figures, Watt said.

Although students may at first object to the increase, Watt said that he is hopeful that the measure will pass in the spring election.

"I feel it's definitely needed. Students may gripe at first just because we're raising fees, but it's only \$2 and once the students realize what it is for, I think it'll pass," he said.

A COMMITTEE chaired by Dean of Students Paul Cantrell and comprised of three students and three administrators or faculty members decides which organizations should receive funds according to guidelines set by Vice-President of Student Affairs Bob Lalance,

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Photo by Mike Poley

Beat it

Freshman Michelle Ryner, left, watches as Julie Miller, also a freshman, makes a valiant attempt to clear about two inches of ice from her windshield yesterday afternoon. Though the sun was shining, it failed to melt the worst of the ice from cars on campus.

Moosher to replace Speaker Malone

ASB Senate Speaker Ron Malone is not enrolled for classes this semester and will be replaced by Chris Moosher, speaker pro tem of the senate, ASB President Mark Ross said Wednesday.

Moosher will be inaugurated Jan. 26 at noon in the Student Lounge of the University Center. ASB constitutional rule states that if the speaker of the senate is unable to complete his term after Oct. 1, the speaker pro tem will assume his title.

MALONE HAS NOT contacted the ASB office as to why he will not be returning to school this semester, Ross said.

"I feel badly about inaugurating Chris without first talking to Ron," Ross said.

But he added that Malone had an obligation to let the ASB office know that he would not be returning.

MOOSHER HAS ALREADY performed some of Malone's duties, including presiding

over the senate during the first joint session of the semester Jan. 17.

"I wasn't able to tell Chris he'd be presiding until right before the session," Ross said. "I sort of put him on the spot, but he did well."

Ross described the function of senate speaker as one of a "gate-keeper" who must protect the rights of the minority while perpetuating the will of the majority.

"PRESIDING IS A hard thing to do," he said. "One must be fair, firm and effective."

While Moosher as speaker pro tem would have essentially performed Malone's duties in his absence, Ross said that he felt a need to make it official.

"Chris needs time to establish files and learn parliamentary procedure in order to have for the next three and a half months an effective senate," he explained.

Campus Capsule

A FEW OPENINGS remain on MTSU's women intercollegiate bowling team which begins play Jan. 21-22. To be eligible to bowl, you must have a 2.0 overall GPA. For more information contact a team member or call 896-0945 on Wednesdays or Thursdays from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Leave your name and number if you call other times.

THE MIDDLE TENNESSEE Christian Center will have Monday devotionals at 7 p.m. Singings will take place Thursdays at 9 p.m. A special class, "Getting Along in the World," will be offered at 4 p.m. on Tuesdays and at 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays beginning Jan. 24. The class will deal with communication and conflict resolutions in relationships. The Center is located on Bell Street across from the Bell Street parking lot. Call the Center at 896-1529 for more details.

SIGHTS AND SOUNDS, an entertainment/music news and reviews program produced by MTSU's TV department will be having auditions for on-camera talent on Tuesday, Jan. 24, and Thursday, Jan. 26. Interested persons should come to Studio A in the Learning Resources Center at 2 p.m. on either day.

APPLICATIONS ARE now being accepted for graduate senator. Positions are also available on the ASB Traffic Committee and Student Supreme Court, as well as a director of public relations. Forms can be obtained from the ASB office, Room 304 at the University Center. For more information call 898-2464.

IDEAS FOR ASB boxes are located in the breezeway of Peck Hall and in the Grill. These boxes provide a means for student input of ideas, suggestions and recommendations for its student government.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS which plan to apply for student activity fee funds should secure applications in Room 126 of the University Center. The deadline for filing applications for the spring semester is Jan. 31.

BACCHUS WILL MEET Tuesday, Jan. 24 in Room 316 of the University Center. Members and other interested persons, including MTSU faculty, are encouraged to visit between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. Questions will be answered and semester activities discussed.

ASB

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Watt said.

Although those guidelines specify the ASB as having preference for the funds, Ross said that the ASB has applied for less money this year than it has in the past.

"The ASB has had its pockets too much in the fund, which leaves nothing but crumbs for the rest of the groups on campus," he said.

SEPARATE APPLICATIONS were filed by the ASB to cover homecoming and TISL expenses. After those deductions, only \$1,700 were left for other applicants, Watt said.

After the ASB, profit-making projects, "activities to benefit all the students,"

"activities to benefit most of the students" and those that "help recognize minority students" may receive funds in that order of preference, he said.

Also considered is an organization's financial condition, of which a report must be submitted to Dean Cantrell's office along with the application to receive funds.

ANOTHER IMPORTANT factor is the number of students who will be either directly or indirectly affected by the project for which money is requested, Watt said.

Loans may also be made from the fund, although no loan requests have yet been received.

In other ASB action:

• JOHN GILBERT and Rick Hittle were confirmed by the senate as attorney general and public defender, respectively.

• Mark Ross asked ASB representatives to write their state legislators urging them to vote in favor of Gov. Alexander's Better Schools Program.

• A resolution commending the MTSU 1983 football team for its performance in this past season was endorsed. Ross said that he will present a certificate to Coach Boots Donnelly during halftime of an upcoming basketball game.

• A bill requiring future administrations to continue issuing the ASB Discount cards passed both houses.

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are aiding Drugmand in the investigation, Det. Tommy Alford said yesterday afternoon. However, one of the detectives involved said that Murfreesboro detectives were helping only with identification.

"We're not conducting any actual investigation in campus assignments," Det. Eddie Peel said.

WHEN MURFREESBORO police officer Ricky Keyt was reached by phone, he said that, as the case was under the jurisdiction of MTSU security, he would be unable to comment.

"If Drugmand makes a statement, call me back," he said.

Attempts to reach Keyt again were unsuccessful.

Officials also speculated that the assailant could be the same man who assaulted a female student last November during her early-morning jog around Loop Drive on campus.

Alcohol policy queried

By PENNY HUSTON

Sidelines Staff Writer

A study of State Board of Regents policy which forbids alcohol on university campuses has resulted in the decision to hold public hearings in the state's three divisions to obtain opinions on the issue.

MTSU President Sam Ingram, chairman of the task force studying the SBR alcohol policy, said that the committee has looked at the amount of literature on campus con-

cerning alcohol and at some of the problems other campuses that allow alcohol have experienced.

A QUESTIONNAIRE was sent out to obtain viewpoints of students, faculty, administration and alumni at several of the SBR schools, the results of which are not yet available.

The possibility that the legal drinking age may be raised from 18 to 21 may "cast a

shadow" on the recommendation of the task force, ASB President Mark Ross said.

A public meeting for expression of viewpoints of the current alcohol policy in the central division will take place on Jan. 28 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Room 16 at the Legislative Plaza in Nashville.

MTSU students, faculty, administrators and alumni are encouraged to attend, Ingram said.

Police cancel concert; no show for Murphy

By LARRY PAREIGIS

Sidelines Staff Writer

The Police were set to appear at Murphy Center on Feb. 11 but cancelled the date, Harold Smith, director of Student Programming, said.

The rock group was also scheduled for a November 1983 stop at the facility during its record-breaking *Synchronicity* tour, but routing problems prevented the Murfreesboro stop, with Police road management opting for a date at UT-Knoxville instead.

"I STILL CAN'T believe this has happened," Smith said.

"All of the contracts [for the appearance] had been signed on this end by President Ingram, and we were ready to go."

The Police are set to play two shows on Feb. 10 and 11 in Greensboro, N.C.

CELLAR DOOR Productions and Beech Club Productions are promoting the

Police concert in Greensboro.

New West and Sound Seventy Productions were to perform similar honors for the now-aborted Police show in Murfreesboro on Feb. 11.

Cellar Door and Beech Club are also sponsoring the Feb. 11 Van Halen concert at Nashville's Municipal Auditorium, which is now sold out, an official at the main Centratik outlet said.

THAT WOULD HAVE placed two concerts by major acts in Middle Tennessee on the same night.

"They [Cellar Door and Beech Club] had papers on Van Halen," Smith said. "They also had access to the Police's itinerary. They broke tickets for Van Halen a week prior to Christmas, and sell 8,000 tickets."

"Cellar Door and Beech Club were using an out-of-market promotion man for the Van Halen show, so we were

caught unawares. People in this market looked at this as 8,000 tickets taken away from the Police show."

SUMMARILY, THE Police management decided to play two dates in Greensboro with Cellar Door and Beech Club and cancelled the Murfreesboro appearance.

"This [the Police cancellation] is embarrassing, but in 1976 or 1977, we had a cancellation involving Frank Sinatra. We had already sold about \$90,000 in tickets," Smith said.

The Sinatra show was cancelled two days before the scheduled performance because the singer had the flu.

Smith said that many calls to the Student Programming office have been placed concerning the ticket controversy, since the Murfreesboro date was mentioned regularly during the holidays on MTV, which is also co-sponsoring the *Synchronicity* tour in America.

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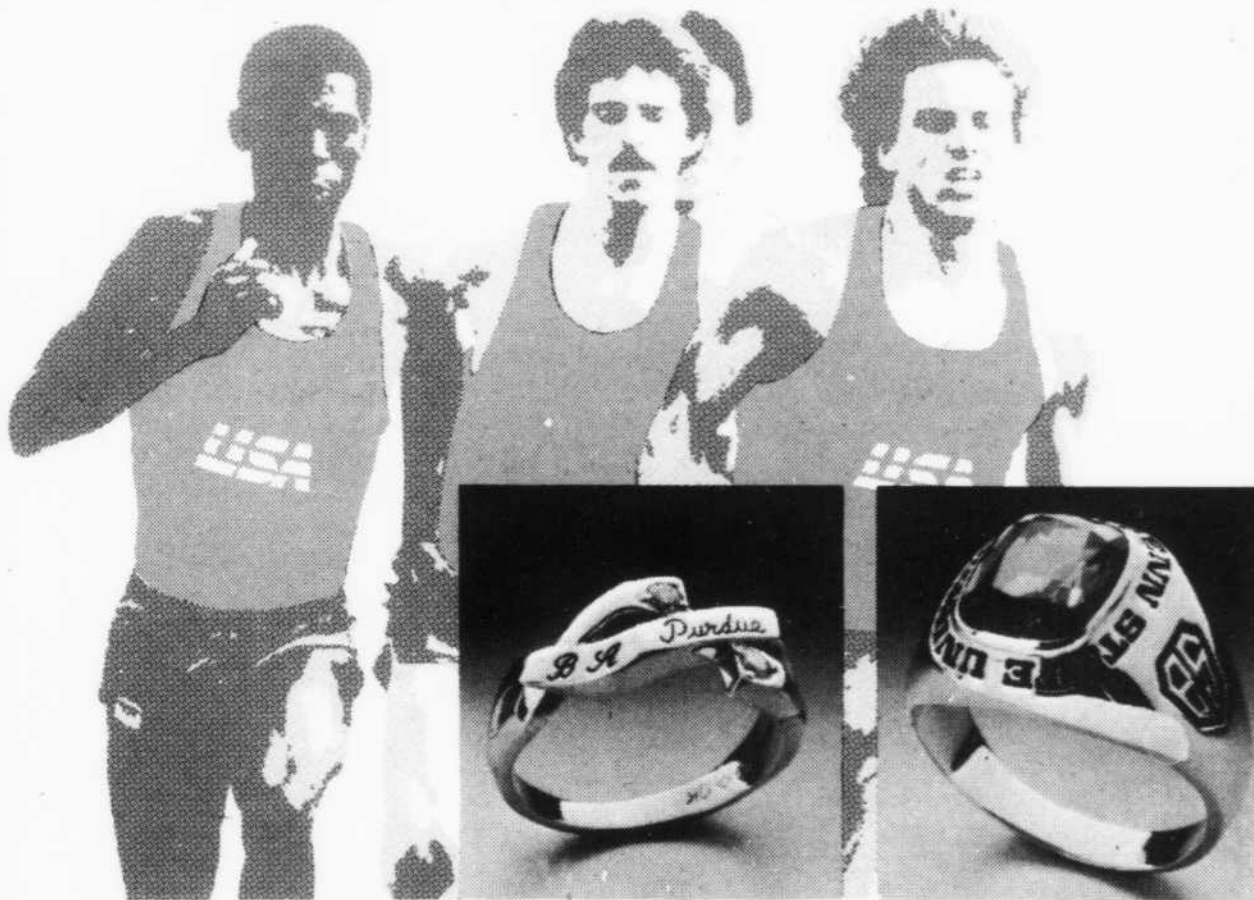
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'Computers' topic for honors lecture

By CRAIG NEWBY

Sidelines Staff Writer

Computers and their growth in today's society was the topic of an honor series lecture given Wednesday by R.S. Redditt, of R.S. Redditt & Associates, a clearinghouse for computer technology.

Redditt encouraged every student to enroll in a computer course, regardless of his major field. He advises the taking of computer courses because computers will soon be a part of nearly every business, Redditt said.

THE COMPUTER MARKET will be expanding considerably in the future, he said.

Redditt predicted that overall sales of software, the computer programs, will increase from \$7.3 billion to \$30 billion by 1988.

In 1983 Apple Computers sold \$70 million in software, he said. IBM will increase its software sales from \$500 million to \$5.3 billion in the next five years.

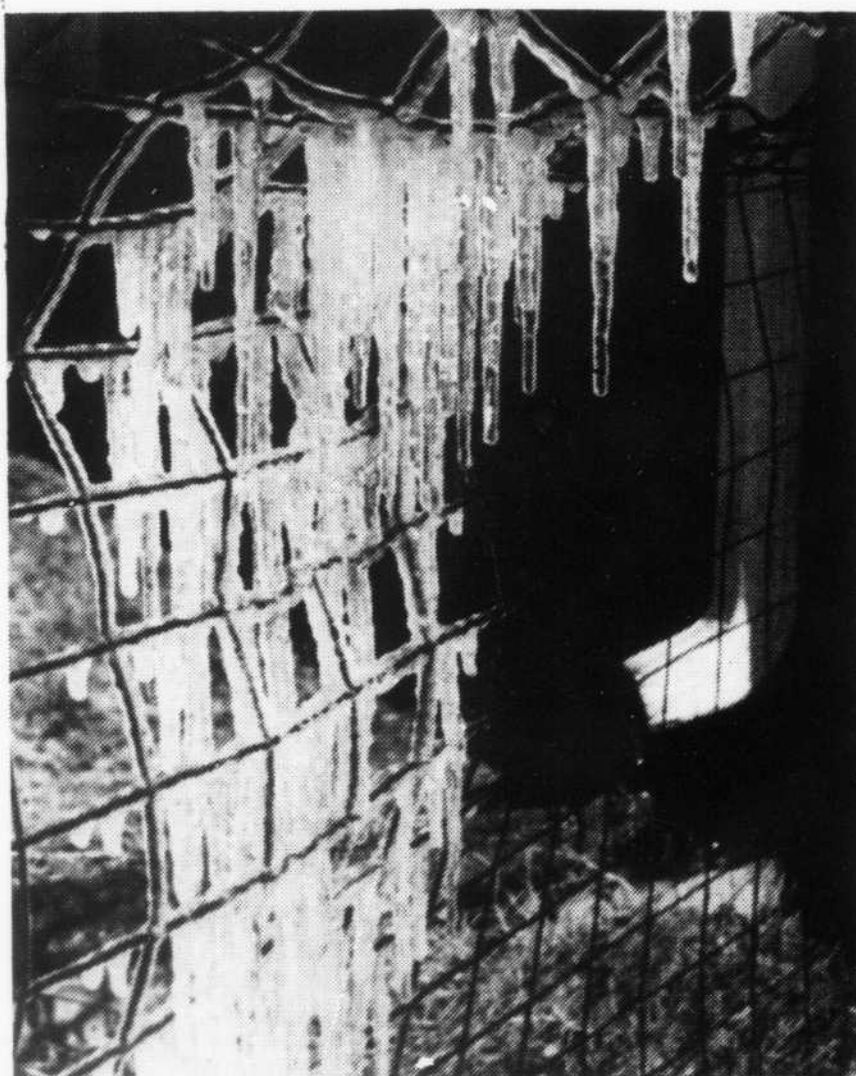


Photo by "Flash" Kimbrell

Chilling beauty

Ice storms are murder on autos, but beautiful on fences, as this frozen design on a fence near the Livestock Pavilion can attest.



Photo by Randall C. Kimbrell

Whoops!

Sometimes going for a little spin can be more trouble than it's worth, as an unidentified student learned yesterday afternoon in front of Cummings Hall. He wound up in a ditch after losing control of his car on the ice-slicked road, but no one was injured.

Gore win uncertain

NASHVILLE (UPI)—The idea that Rep. Al Gore Jr. is unbeatable in this year's U.S. Senate race is "strange," Senate Minority Leader Howard Baker said yesterday.

Baker, in Nashville to visit Gov. Lamar Alexander and plot campaign plans with the Tennessee Republican congressional delegation, gave three reasons why Gore can be beaten.

"**THERE IS A** strange view in some quarters that Al Gore is unbeatable," Baker said. "I am convinced there is a nearly even chance the Republican Party will keep the Tennessee seat I now occupy."

On other subjects, Baker said he expected President Reagan to easily carry Tennessee, figured former Vice President Walter Mondale would win the Democratic presidential nomination and declared he had no intentions of resigning his seat before the end of his term.

Baker is retiring from the Senate this year to consider a

presidential bid in 1988. Gore, D-Carriage, has all but declared himself an official candidate for Baker's seat.

BAKER SAID GORE could be whipped for these reasons:

- Gore's strength is an illusion because he has "been chosen as the Democratic nominee while he is running against an unknown quantity."
- "The Republican candidate will have every bit as much money as the Democratic candidate."

• **THE GOP NOMINEE** will benefit from President Reagan's popularity. "1984 will be a Republican year in Tennessee," he said.

• Baker's assessment was challenged by former Lt. Gov. Frank Gorrell, who is helping raise funds for Gore.

• "Sen. Baker put as good a face on the situation as he possibly could," Gorrell said. "But I would say the odds of Congressman Gore being elected this November are 10-to-one in his favor."

Booknook successful: Perkins

The Pi Sigma Epsilon Booknook was so successful this semester that the organization is making plans to offer the service again, PSE President Melanie Perkins said yesterday.

Established to give students an alternative to high bookstore costs, the Booknook took students' books at the end of the fall semester on a consignment basis. The used books were sold during registration and the first week of classes, Perkins said.

ANY BOOKS THAT were left unsold at the end of that period were to be picked up Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Money for sold books was also picked up during that time, she said.

"We may still have some books that weren't picked up, but I doubt that we have any [unclaimed] money," she said.

PSE received a 19 percent commission on each book sold. The funds raised in this and other PSE projects throughout the semester will go towards a service project to prevent child abuse, she said.

PERKINS SAID THE turnout of students who used the Booknook, both as sellers and buyers of books, was "great" and that the organization made "several hundred" dollars through the project.

"I don't know yet exactly how many students participated or how many books we handled. Some students sold us several books," she said.

The most demanded books were those for general requirement courses such as biology, history and English.

"**WE COULDN'T GET** enough of the general requirement books," Perkins said.

The concept of the Booknook originated with a California chapter of PSE. Perkins said that she heard about the idea at a PSE convention and thought it sounded like a good idea for MTSU.

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Doubling activity fee raises ?? Students to be offered choice

Finally. A democracy. The ASB plans to offer students a choice during the upcoming spring elections—whether or not to increase the ASB activity fee by a dollar.

We, as students, should ask first how the money will be used, then how that use will benefit the student body as a whole. ASB Senator Marty Watt said that the increase should double the amount of funds available for distribution to campus organizations, which requested some \$22,000 last semester.

The problem with the distribution, however, is the manner in which that money is utilized once it has been distributed—particularly by the ASB.

Of the \$9,400 collected during fall registration, only \$3,700 was left for organizational use after deductions were made for a 5 percent reserve fund and the ASB secretary's salary. After the ASB—the largest campus organization—made funds appropriations for all groups

and included its own requests for \$2,000, there was \$1,700 left to divide among campus groups.

That \$2,000 was used for homecoming activities and to send delegates to the recent Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature, ASB officials say.

Somehow it seems more appropriate to try to attempt to distribute what little funds are available in a more, shall we say, *democratic* manner. Understandably, the ASB is the largest campus organization and does merit a comparatively greater portion of the funds.

But giving one group \$2,000 for one semester's use while trying to allocate \$1,700 to 20 other groups is questionable.

If the student body approves the increase in the activity fee, the ASB should ensure that more money is distributed among more campus groups. The ASB is certainly entitled to its share, but that share should not be out of proportion with other groups' needs.

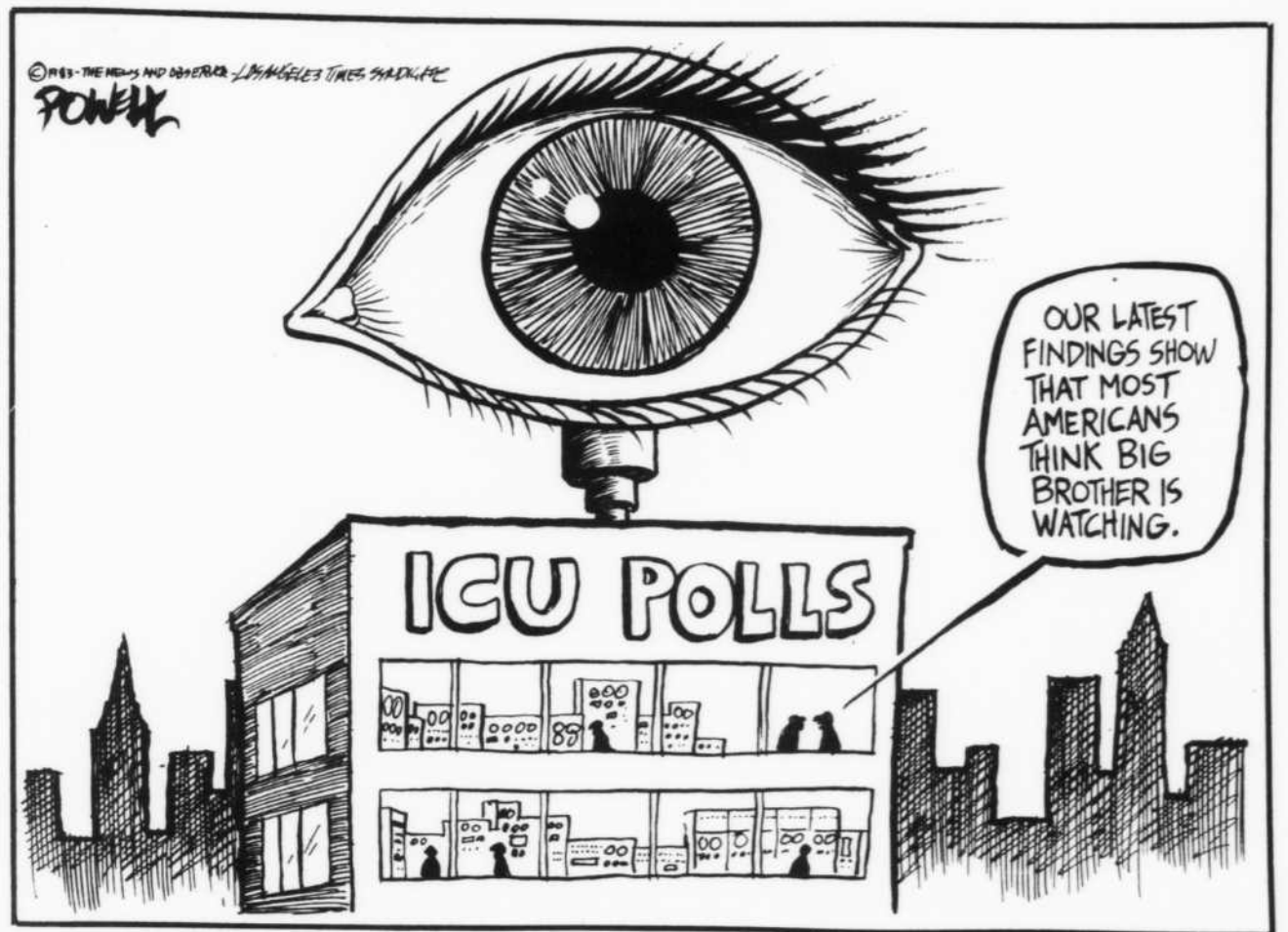
McCartney, marijuana & law

Paul McCartney's fondness for marijuana got him into trouble again this week. First McCartney and his wife Linda were arrested in Barbados for possession of the substance. After leaving the island, they were again arrested—on the same charge—in London. You'll probably remember that not too long ago McCartney was arrested in Japan for possession of a sizable amount of the popular drug.

At an impromptu "press conference" following his release, McCartney took the opportunity to argue against the

judicial double standard that allows the sale of harmful drugs such as alcohol and glue, while outlawing the use of a harmless substance like pot.

I can't help but wonder why McCartney even bothered to complain, though. As he well knows, the law doesn't apply to him anyway. While any "ordinary" citizen charged with the same crimes would by now be serving time, McCartney will be fined and given a stern warning—again. Talk about double standards.



The Farm, circa 1984: failure?

By JAMES MOORE
Sidelines Columnist

Now that 1984 is here, there will surely be plenty of comparisons made with it and George Orwell's novel *Nineteen Eighty-four*. Big Brother hasn't yet convinced us that "war is peace" (not quite yet), but that doesn't mean that Orwell's warning is to be taken lightly. The threat of collectivism still looms.

Along these lines, I was interested to hear a few days ago about the farm near Summertown, Tenn. The commune was started over 10 years ago by Stephen Gaskin and some others. This experiment in communism has run on hard times. Membership has declined as the

people there have had to face reality, that is, to capitalize.

Food and clothing used to be free, but now everyone must pay for these things. Casual drifters are no longer welcomed unless they can pull their own weight, maybe by taking outside jobs in Nashville or elsewhere. Even such "decadent bourgeois" practices as wearing jewelry, drinking alcohol and wearing leather (!) are becoming more common. I wouldn't be surprised if the Farm traded in its Bob Dylan and Cat Stevens music for Def Leppard and Motley Crue.

I don't intend to go into a tirade against these peaceful people or to put their collectivist philosophy on the level of the bloody regimes of the

Soviets or Chinese. It is only to show yet another example of the failure of socialism and communism.

While the ugly face of facism has been well exposed already, the other side of the statist coin, the left side, still remains a powerful force. Arguments for "the people" issue from the mouths of thugs carrying machine guns who lock their opposition in jail.

Despite all this, I remain optimistic about 1984, since individual rights (and heavy metal rock) are still basically secure among the First World nations. Yet, it seems contradictory that Orwell was a socialist. Unfortunately, contradiction and politics are not strangers.



Snow-driving advice: stay home

By ERIC CROWDEN
Sidelines Columnist

No matter where you live, there is a trite expression often employed to describe the drivers of the city: "----- drivers are the worst drivers in the world." Fill in the blank with your own personal favorite, be it Nashville, Atlanta, Memphis, etc.

I, however, nominate Murfreesboro.

I have personally witnessed traffic cops throw down their bright orange gloves in disgust as demented drivers turned across two lanes of traffic in opposite directions.

Turn signals are forgotten or left on for no apparent reason. Brake lights stay on constantly or do not work.

Now imagine all of these people driving on a hockey rink and you have Murfreesboro in the snow. No one has a greater death-wish, (or perhaps a

desire to test his "shield of insurance"), than the driver who braves our streets in the snow.

For some reason, people in Tennessee absolutely fly all over the road when a light dusting appears. Although I've never lived anywhere North, I know for a fact that children up there get out to push the bus if it gets stuck, and that school officials absolutely refuse to close schools even for a foot of snow.

The real fun of this inclement weather begins when you witness an accident, which I have done, or else I wouldn't have brought it up. In this instance, one car pulled slowly out in front of a second car that was speeding along at about 50 miles per hour across the ice. After the initial collision, both cars skidded into a third car sitting at an intersection.

Being the only neutral party to witness this spectacle, I found myself courted by all of the involved parties, each protesting his own innocence of any traffic violation. I couldn't help but conclude that the only true innocent was the third car hit by the first two. Wisely, I decided to withhold my comments until the police arrived.

When I did give my testimony, fumes of mute wrath steamed from the flushed skin of the first two motorists. Still, I couldn't pity either one, despite the heavy damage inflicted on their automobiles. If the first had used his eyes and the second had driven at a reasonable speed, they would have been spared their misery. A little caution and intelligent driving seems to be something a lot of drivers around here lack.

From Our Readers

Animal Farm idea more appropriate for current year

To the editor:

A few months ago, some adventurous soul flipped his calendar and noticed that 1984 was upon him. Numbed, he remembered Orwell's chilling prophecies of Thought Police, and the dire warning that Big Brother was watching Him. And so, since fear loves company quite as much as does misery, he told friends, and they told two friends, and so on...

By one of the laws of

geometric progression, within about three days most of the country was wetting its collective pants thinking that 1984 was almost here. Matresses were looked under, closets were checked and mouths were watched, all out of fear of the invisible yet omnipresent Big Brother, who might or might not be watching them as the whim struck him (or her as the case might be: this being, after all, 1984, Big Brother might be a he, a she, a homosexual or even an hermaphrodite.)

Well, folks, whoever started this ball rolling picked the right author but the wrong book. Rather than living in the

world of 1984, I submit that we instead wandered into *Animal Farm*. "All animals are equal, but some animals are more equal than others"—like, for instance, sacred cows such as the ASB? Beats me; I'm not from around here.

Not that I would ever criticize the ASB, nor any part thereof. To again borrow from *Animal Farm*, "Anything Comrade Napoleon says is right." Heard that one around here lately? Sure you have, and probably from Comrade Napoleon himself. But what did you expect? Besides, it beats hell out of 1984, doesn't it?

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entertainment

Flash o' flesh fascinate Dideley's females

By LYNDA TEWELL
Sidelines Features Editor

A flash of flesh fascinates frantic, fawning females as the new male dancers at Dideley's seductively sway their sinewy frames.

Faces customers heard wild shrieks coming from Dideley's interior Wednesday, Jan. 11, as Jim Baldwin decided to change his club's format to include dancers, both male and female, accommodating what he called "a need in Murfreesboro for live entertainment."

"I'VE BEEN HERE since last September, and I felt it was time to have a change," Baldwin said.

"No other place in town has live entertainment, and at the rate the response to the dancers is going, I'll probably expand the program."

"On our opening night, we had 60-70 women here to see the male dancers. The female dancers haven't been as successful at this point. Maybe people don't know about it yet."

"WHAT THE DANCERS do is good burlesque. There is no nudity law in Tennessee, so we could go all nude if we wanted,

but we wanted to keep it classy."

The dancers start out fully clothed and strip down to bikinis, but they do not go nude.

"Females dance in bikinis, with both a top and a bottom, and the males dance in bikini briefs," Baldwin said.

MURFREESBORO'S WADE Plunkett, as the male dancers' coordinator and an occasional dancer himself, agrees with Baldwin.

"We checked all the laws and decided to give it a try; it's something different," Plunkett said.

"There is nothing derogatory about it. There is no nudity, and no touching of the sexual areas of the body. I get real uptight when a girl gets too close to the dancers. It's just for entertainment."

TO SUPPLEMENT THEIR income for entertaining at Dideley's, the dancers have other jobs.

Bill Davis, a 21-year old dancer from Ohio, works at Wendy's and Frank Kintz, a 25-year old from San Antonio, works as a bartender at Stone's River Country Club.

Both Davis and Kintz have

worked as dancers at other places: Davis worked as a dancer in a Nashville club that recently burned down, and Kintz worked with Le Bare, a well-known dance company from Dallas.

"I THOUGHT EVERYONE would be uptight about what I do, but the people where I work, especially the older ones, say 'More power to you,'" Kintz said.

"At work, they know about it. The other night I was dancing and I saw this girl I work with at Wendy's. She recognized me. I just kept dancing," Davis said.

"My girlfriend was here last week. I guess she was worried I'd go home with a strange woman. She likes the idea of the money, but not what I'm doing."

"MY DAD TOLD me about this. My family thinks nothing of it. It's good fun—it's not dirty."

"This is 1984; we're not doing anything dirty. There is a difference between being dirty and being seductive. It gives the girls a chance to have a good time and to do what the hell they want. It's just them and the dancers," Plunkett

said.

"I have a good time. It's a chance to get out and have fun and get paid at the same time," Kintz said.

"IT'S SOMETHING you have to 'psych' up to do. You can't go out there and be nervous," Plunkett said.

The dancers are responsible for their own costumes. Kintz wears a kimono jacket and pants, a costume he had designed by Standing Ovations in Murfreesboro, while Davis wears his street clothes.

Along with working two jobs, Kintz is also responsible for going to class. He is a full-time student at MTSU, and plans a major in either public relations or business administration.

MICHAEL BONE, A dancer from Atlanta, plans to attend MTSU; he was kept from doing so this semester due to a grant that didn't go through in time.

But despite their busy schedules, they keep moving. And if the women keep screaming, they'll be able to see even more of the dancers—with the expansion of more shows, that is.

If you would like to see the dancers, they perform two shows, at 8 p.m. and 9 p.m., on Wednesdays at Dideley's. Females only until 10 p.m. Cover charge is \$3.

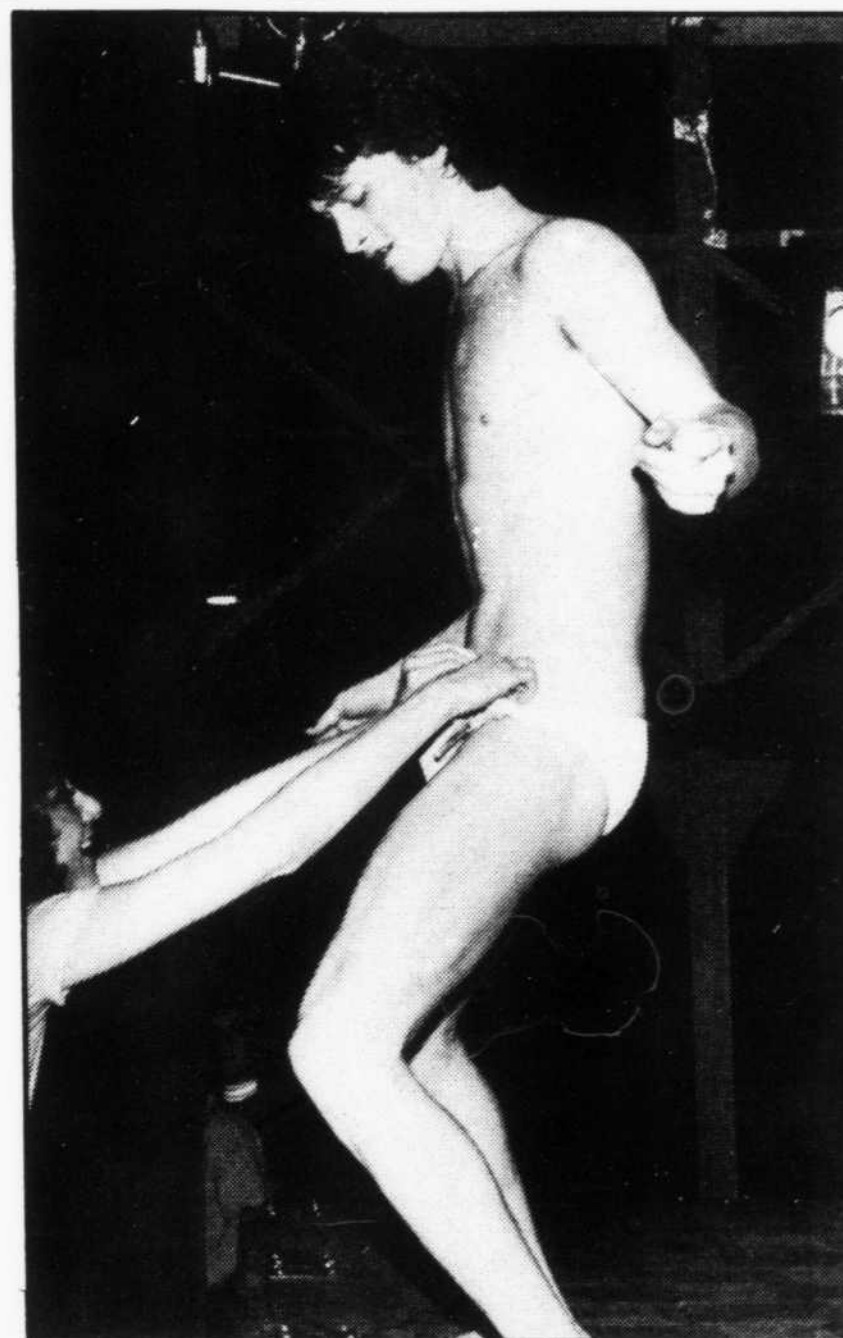


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Watch your fingernails!!

Dideley's employee Brenda Pitts gives dancer Bill Davis a tip for his moves during a show on Male Dancer night at Dideleys, Jan. 18.



Photo by A. Lovette Moore

Sibling employees, Brenda and Rhonda Pitts (l. to r.), joked around with dancer Bill Davis as he shimmed at Dideley's Wednesday night.

Cotton's videotape Jan. 22

Don't forget—if you have tickets for Gene Cotton's performance at Wright Music Hall on Jan. 22—you need to be there by 7:30 p.m. for the videotaping.

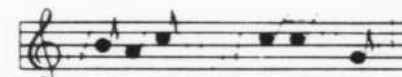
Turning Point Communications will be taping the special which will be aired later this year on cable television. Dave Nichols of

WLAC-FM will be the master of ceremonies for the special.

American Ace, Cotton's back-up band, will be performing with him. They will tour colleges and universities this year with their new show.

Cotton's last album, *Eclipse of the Blue Moon*, yielded two hit singles, "Being Here with You Tonight," and "If I Could

Get You Into my Life." His biggest hits to date are "Before My Heart Finds Out," and "You're A Part of Me," which was a duet with Kim "Bette Davis' Eyes" Carnes.



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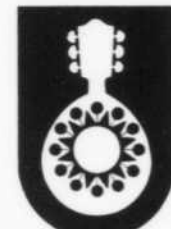
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Hoppin' Daddy Rabbits is hopin' to please

By RANDY BRISON
Sidelines Staff Writer

A new dance club called Daddy Rabbits has opened in Murfreesboro, and if the grand opening last weekend is any indication, the "rabbit habit" may become one of MTSU students' more enjoyable additions.

Located on Memorial Boulevard across from Lee's Chicken, Daddy Rabbits plays the best variety of music of any club in Murfreesboro. Last Saturday deejays Chip Walters, who works for

Nashville radio station Y107, and Rick Robbins, a KXX104 air personality, kept the wall-to-wall crowd jamming to hits by groups as diverse as Def Leppard and The Gap Band.

AND ALTHOUGH country fans may have been in the minority, enough cowboys jumped on the dance floor during the two Hank Williams Jr. songs to keep it packed.

The club's name, music and decor are all the results of owner Bill Daugherty's desire to give the people of Murfreesboro, especially MTSU

students, a nice place to go.

"I sent my son Ronnie to MTSU, and he kept telling me about the situation, but I wasn't listening," Daugherty said.

RONNIE TOOK HIS father out on the town of Murfreesboro one night and the elder Daugherty soon discovered what almost every MTSU student has encountered: there is a lack of quality nighttime entertainment in Murfreesboro.

"There's nothing for young kids to do," Daugherty said.

"No wonder they all go to Nashville."

Daugherty, his son and friends began to shape the concept that would become Daddy Rabbits. The unusual name "just came out of my mind," Daugherty said, but Daddy Rabbits, the club, was the result of getting plenty of ideas from a number of different sources.

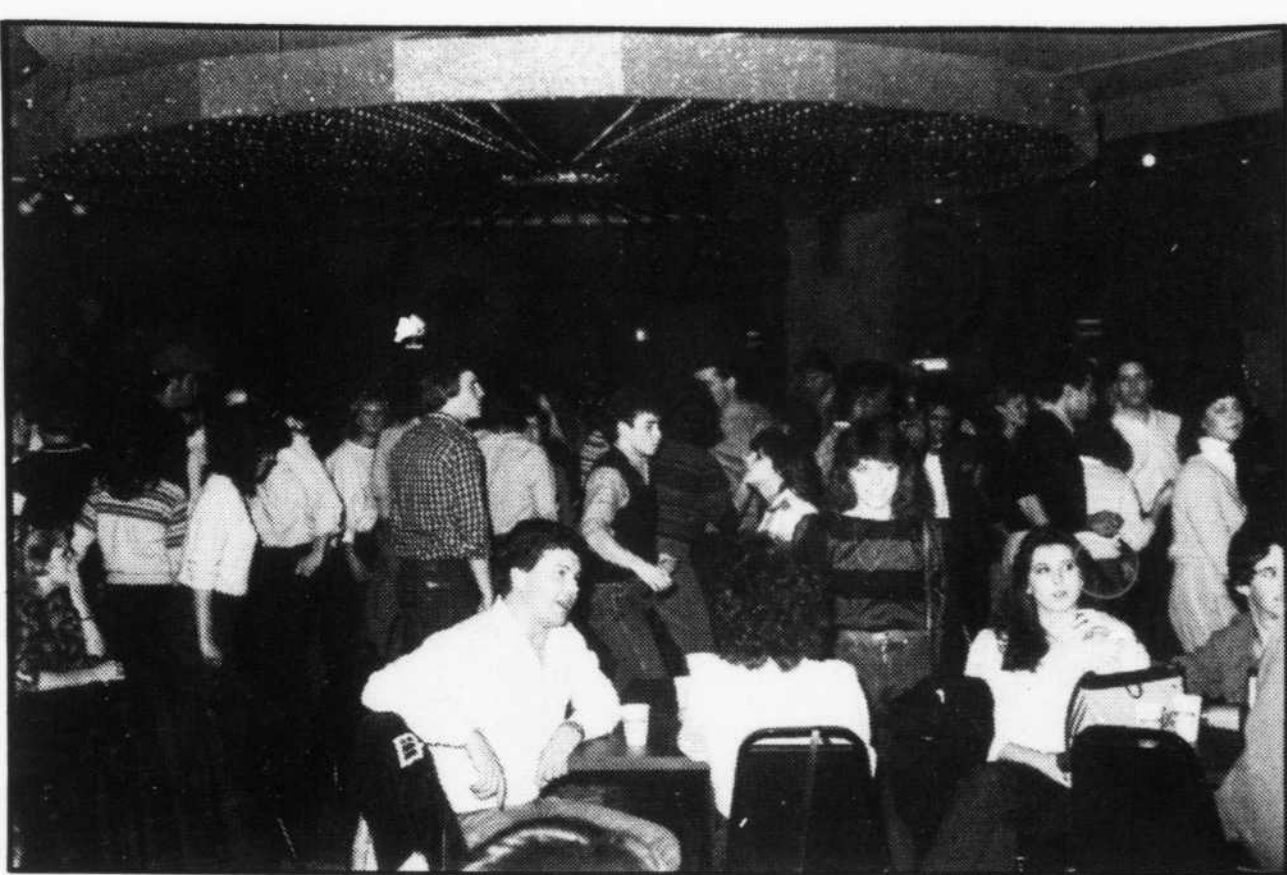
"WE ASKED PEOPLE what they wanted, and the two answers we got the most were 'clean restrooms' and 'a big dance floor,'" Daugherty said.

The dance floor at Daddy Rabbits is undoubtedly the largest in Murfreesboro, and above it is a light show which may also be the best of its kind, at least in this town. The light chase unit, as Daugherty calls it, will be run by computer.

"If you were here last weekend, you haven't seen anything," he laughed.

THE BUILDING WHICH houses Daddy Rabbits is also comfortably large, especially for people accustomed to the claustrophobic conditions of other Murfreesboro clubs. And, yes, the bathrooms (the men's, at least) were clean, even if one had to stand in line.

Presently, Daddy Rabbits



MTSU students packed into Daddy Rabbits last Tuesday night and hopped to the beat of rock, country and funk on the club's large dance floor.



There are still tickets available for the hot Adam Ant concert featuring special guests, the Romantics. Tickets for the Strip tour can be obtained at CentraTik for \$10.50 and \$11.50. But hurry! This concert promises to be wild!



Daddy Rabbits owner Bill Daugherty and MTSU student Joanna Pate proudly pose by two hoppers designed by MTSU student Jeff Fuqua.

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Sports

Blue Raiders beaten in heartbreaker

By MIKE JONES
Sidelines Sports Writer

Youngstown State's spunky Bruce Timko swished a 25-footer with three seconds left last night to hand MTSU a heartbreaking 59-57 loss, their second last-second loss in three nights.

Timko, a 5-foot-11 sophomore, launched the shot after the Penguins controlled the ball for almost the last three minutes. A pair of costly Blue Raider turnovers with just over three minutes left led to a pair of Youngstown buckets in a seven second stretch. MTSU led by as much as seven in the second half.

THE SHOT, ACCORDING to Youngstown State Coach Mike Rice, was what the Penguins wanted. MTSU's Stan Simpson said he expected probably a quick lob pass inside to one of Youngstown's big front liners. But the ringleader of Youngstown's horses, seven-foot Ricky Tunstall, had fouled out with just over three minutes left in the game.

"We had good help-side defense," Simpson said. "We wanted to protect against the

lob. He [Timko] shot the ball from a phenomenal range and it went in. But we shouldn't have been in that position anyway to begin with."

Ahead by four with just over three minutes left, the Penguins cut the margin to two when sophomore Garry Robbins sneaked inside for a hoop and then stole MTSU's inbounds pass and connected on an easy lay-up.

WITH THE GAME tied at 57, Lonnie Thompson committed a charge, and the Penguins pulled back into a stall. After calling timeouts at 50 and 16 seconds, Timko took a pass, dribbled around some and sunk the winner despite having an MTSU player in his face.

"If they had to, I thought they would hold it that long but I also thought they might try to sneak it inside for the lob," Simpson noted.

"Every loss is tough. You hate to lose. But this is the toughest loss we've had in quite awhile."

TUNSTALL, PERHAPS the most feared player in the OVC for his shotblocking ability, (continued on page 8)



Photo by Mike Poley

Lipscomb goes up for two

MTSU senior Doug Lipscomb drives toward the basket during last night's 59-57 loss to Youngstown State.



Photo by Mike Poley

Skull session

Blue Raider Head Coach Stan "Ramrod" Simpson goes over instructions during a timeout in the Youngstown State game.

Women snap skid

Lady Raiders kill Youngstown State

By MIKE JONES
Sidelines Sports Writer

MTSU's Lady Raiders blistered, scrapped and finally lambasted Youngstown State's Lady Penguins 87-59 last night, and that was the way Head Coach Larry Joe Inman wanted it.

"We're hustling, we're giving the effort. We're getting that effort now that we didn't get in some other games," Inman said. "We've got to run the ball. That's the first time all year we've been able to run the ball."

AND RUN THE Lady Raiders did.

Racking up a 43-29 halftime deficit, the Lady Raiders poured it on in the second half, trampling up and down the floor for baskets. The Lady

Raiders put three players in double figures: junior forward Jennifer McFall with 19 points, senior center Holly Hoover with 18 points and freshman guard Kim Webb with 16 points.

"Jennifer McFall played a great first half," Inman said. "Our guards, Maria Salas, Bobbie Kay Hamilton and Janet Ross, really put the heat on defensively. They did a great job defensively for us."

AS THE SCORING got a little tedious towards the end, the highlight of the game may have been a behind-the-back pass from Ross to Webb on a fast break in the second half.

Now 5-8 overall and 2-2 in the Ohio Valley Conference, Inman sees improvement in the squad, despite lackluster ef-

forts on the road at Morehead State and Eastern Kentucky last week.

"We're getting better," Inman said. "What I'm proud of is that they've put all those losses behind them. They're looking ahead."

HOOVER, THE veteran center, agreed that the running was a good cure for recent Lady Raider woes.

"I thought we ran the ball really well tonight and I think we hit the boards well, plus our outside play was a lot better," Hoover said.

The Lady Raiders return to Akron tomorrow night against Kent State. Like Youngstown State, this is the first year for Akron to field a women's team.

Men fall 55-54

Georgia Southern tops Blue Raiders

By MIKE JONES
Sidelines Sports Writer

MTSU's 55-54 loss to Georgia Southern provided fans with an exciting comeback, but provided Head Coach Stan "Ramrod" Simpson with evidence that there are still problems to overcome for the Raiders to have a winning season.

The problems are not necessarily with fundamentals, but elsewhere.

"INTANGIBLE THINGS," a drained Simpson said after the rugged Tuesday night contest. "We are going to have to keep from getting down. We're trying to solve that problem, but we're getting started too late in the game."

A slow start for the Raiders may have been the difference Tuesday night, as MTSU shot horrendously from the field in the first half, scoring only 15

points, hitting seven of 21. But the Eagles opened a man-to-man defense and Lonnie Thompson connected on a pair of jumpers easily. The next time down the floor, Georgia Southern was in a zone that would force the Raiders into nine turnovers before the half was over.

"GEORGIA SOUTHERN surprised us going to the zone as early as they did," Simpson said. "We got the shot we wanted and got the ball in position like we wanted, but we had nine turnovers in the first half and our big people just didn't protect the ball inside."

"Our defensive play in the first half was not bad, we just didn't protect the basketball."

Movement on defense, especially against a team with the quickness of Georgia (continued on page 8)



Photo by Mike Poley

Sophomore Raleigh Choice shoots a free throw against Youngstown State.

Defeated 66-60

Vanderbilt women down Lady Raiders

By DON TILLET
Sidelines Sports Writer

Lady Raiders Head Coach Larry Joe Inman got the effort he has been looking for, but his club still fell to Vanderbilt's Lady Commodores 66-60 here Tuesday night.

"I felt like we had the effort that we needed all year. If we eliminate our floor mistakes, we'll be all right," Inman said.

MTSU, PLAGUED BY 13 turnovers for the game, failed to score until the 17:23 mark of the second half when freshman sensation Kim Webb, who led all scorers with 23 points, canned a 19-foot jumper to give the lead back to the Lady Raiders at 38-37.

The Lady Raiders went up by as much as five as late as 14:03 when forward Jennifer McFall hit a 12-foot turnaround to put MTSU up 46-41.

Vanderbilt, playing its third game in four nights, came to life when Karen Booker and Harriet Brumfield combined for 14 of Vandy's next 18 points to turn a 46-41 deficit into a 57-49 lead with just 6:09 remaining in the contest.

"THE SIGN OF a good team is that, when a team is under physical duress, to come back and play with intensity," Lady Commodore Coach Phil Lee said. "MTSU played a good game tonight, and I'm sure they will play us tough in Nashville."

Lee also had plenty of praise for freshman forward Kim Webb, who gave Vandy defenders problems for most of the evening.

"She's a machine. You can't stop her; you just hope to contain her. She's going to be a great one before she's through (continued on page 8)



Photo by Mike Poley

The MTSU cheerleaders fire the fans up during a break in the action of the Blue Raider vs. Penguin game at Murphy Center last night. The Blue Raiders and Lady Raiders face Akron Saturday night at home.

Return from Dallas trip

Cheerleaders take 15th place

By ANDY REED
Sidelines Sports Writer

The MTSU cheerleaders finished 15th out of 20 squads from schools around the country who were competing in the National Cheerleaders Association Collegiate Championship last week in Dallas.

Memphis State, for the second year in a row, won the event, which determines the best squad in the country.

MTSU CHEERLEADERS sponsor Richard Walker was more than satisfied with his squad's performance. "I feel like we did a flawless performance," Walker said. He indicated that the judges' own

discretion in the areas of difficulty and style resulted in their relatively low finish.

"After their performance Saturday night, I told the squad that regardless of our ranking they could be very proud of their performance," he said.

Walker described the competition as tough. "Anytime you're competing in national competition, the competition is going to be tough," Walker said. He went on to say that the 20 teams competing in Dallas were the top 20 in the country out of approximately 2,700 colleges and universities.

THE MTSU cheerleading mentor expressed pride concerning his group of cheerleaders. "I think that the university and the community can be proud of the squad and the performance they gave in Dallas," he said.

The trip was an enjoyable experience for Walker and the cheerleaders, who were also joined by Dean of Women Judy Smith.

"The competition was very well organized," Walker said. "They had every minute planned out. They made us feel welcome there. They made everyone feel welcome, regardless of the size of the school."

Georgia Southern tops Blue Raiders

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Southern, may be one of the primary reasons for the recent Raider woes, Simpson said, as the loss marked their third out of their last four games.

"MAN-TO-MAN and zone, we haven't boxed off well," Simpson said. "But we're also ball-watching, not moving with the ball, but just standing there and watching."

Georgia Southern, whom Simpson predicted would be one of the top teams if it were a member of the Ohio Valley Conference, shot 56 percent from the field and led 28-15 at halftime.

In the second half, the Eagles jumped out to a 38-22 lead with 13:50 left, but junior forward Russell "Slim" Smith erupted for a thundering slam dunk at the 13:22 mark,

igniting the Blue Raiders to outscore GSU 15-4 over the next five minutes.

SOUTHERN OPENED back up a nine-point lead until MTSU began a run with just over two minutes remaining. Always maintaining at least a two point lead, the Eagles were patient in the closing seconds. But when LaRae Davis hit an 18-footer with 18 seconds left, there appeared to be plenty of time left to earn at least a tie.

After an MTSU time-out with 16 seconds left, Andrew Thompson fouled hot Eric Hightower of the Eagles, sending him to the line where he hit the front end of a one-and-one.

Hoping to draw a foul and a possible three-point play, Davis maneuvered for a jumper and missed with about

eight seconds left. Doug Lipscomb got the rebound and scored, but was not fouled. MTSU could not catch up with Hightower on the inbound as time expired.

IT WAS A notable offensive improvement for MTSU in the second half, as they shot 64 percent from the field. Smith wound up with 17 points and seven rebounds, while Lipscomb has 12 points. Davis, seeing more action than he had since the Tennessee Tech game, scored eight points, going four of 13 from the field.

Hightower led the Eagles with 21 points, while Bill McNair and Reggie Watson each had 10.

MTSU's record went to 6-8 with the loss, while Georgia Southern's record went to 10-6.

Vanderbilt women down Lady Raiders

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here," Lee said.

THE RAIDERS weren't through yet, however, as MTSU began an 8-2 spurt to pull as close as 59-55 on a jumper by McFall with 3:26 left. The loss of center Holly Hoover, who finished with just eight points, with 3:37 remaining kept MTSU from closing the gap even more. Hoover was forced from the game by an apparent back injury.

Vanderbilt salted the game

away by connecting on four of its last six attempts from the free throw line.

In the first half, Vanderbilt came out and assumed six-point leads of 15-9 and 19-13 with 10:23 left before MTSU began a 23-8 spurt culminating on a Webb basket with 1:45 left to give MTSU its largest lead of the contest at 36-27.

VANDERBILT TURNED that around, however, scoring the last six points of the first half and the first four of the

second to lead 37-36 with a little more than two minutes gone in the second half.

"They got into their game in the second half," Inman said.

The Lady Raiders outrebounded the Lady Commodores 56-41, a fact which Lee said has been a problem for his team all year.

The Lady Raiders will remain at home, taking on Youngstown on Thursday and the Lady Zips from Akron on Saturday.

Blue Raiders beaten in heartbreaker

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was held in check offensively, only scoring five points. He swatted away five shots, to put his total near 60 for the season.

But the real factor in favor of Youngstown was Timko, the league leader in assists. He stung the Raiders for 22 points, with either driving lay-ups or 20-plus foot jumpers.

MTSU WAS LED by senior forward Doug Lipscomb with 24 points and 13 rebounds, his best performance of the season. Russell "Slim" Smith had 12 points and nine rebounds, while the third member of MTSU's "big three," Raleigh Choice, had 11 points and four rebounds.

The Raiders return to conference action tomorrow

night at Murphy Center against Akron (7:30 p.m.), and Simpson stressed that it is crucial to play well against the Zips to stay in the conference race.

MTSU's record dipped to 6-9 overall and 1-3 in the Ohio Valley Conference, while Youngstown State's record rose to 11-4 overall and 4-0 in the OVC.

Intramural basketball tips off; Phi Beta Sigma looks toughest

By DAVID FUQUA
Sidelines Sports Writer

The intramural basketball season tips off Monday with the Greek league looking very balanced this year.

After talking with each team, here are my predictions for this season in the Greek league:

• **PHI BETA SIGMA**—This is the team to beat, with excellent speed, quickness, and good ball control ability. Key people will be Stan Hawkins and Carlos Drake.

• **SAE**—If the Sigma's should falter, look for these guys with the big front line to be waiting. Johnny Baggett and Scott Dorsett are the veterans from last year.

• **KA**—This is my sleeper pick. With Scott Mallon in control,

they will run and gun with anyone, but defense help is needed.

• **ALPHA PHI OMEGA**—Cedric Ray should be enough offense to beat most teams they will face, and with some help at the guard position, this team should be tough.

• **Pikes**—Look for this team to play some serious ball this year. They want to win and with a lot of practice they will surprise everyone down the stretch.

• **Alpha Phi Alpha**—This team takes pride in beating the Sigmas and Omegas when they meet head on, and sometimes that's enough for them to win. A good pick in the upset.

• **OMEGA PSI PHI**—I hate to bet against this team, but they have lost most of the firepower from last year's team along

with a few other veterans. It might be a long year.

• **ACR**—If they play as a team, the tough games could be closer than anyone might expect.

• **Kappa Sig**—Kim West will be the key man in the middle. If he can dominate, they have a chance, but it looks like a long year from here.

• **Sigma Chi**—Ross "Wild Man" Dewberry is a helluva football player, but if he plays basketball like he does football, then he probably will last about five minutes because of his aggressive nature. Things do not look good for the guys that love to party.

• **Sig Ep**—If you could win games with heart and spirit, then this team would be number one. The attitude they take is one of teams could learn to follow.



Photo by Mike Poley

Sophomore LaRae Davis looks for an open man as a Youngstown defender applies pressure.

Track season starts for men Sat. afternoon

The MTSU men's track team will host its first indoor meet of the season tomorrow at 12:00 on the Murphy Center indoor track against Western Kentucky and Austin Peay.

Coach Dean Hayes' squad will be aiming for its fourth consecutive OVC indoor track championship this season despite heavy graduation losses.

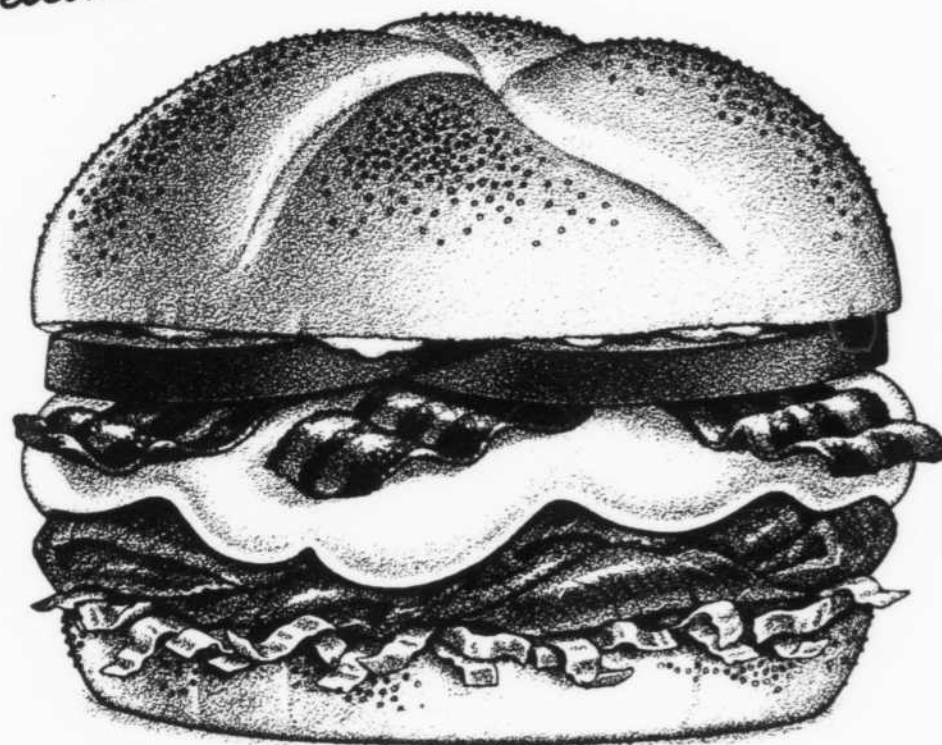
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