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Enrollment tops 6,000 for summer sessions

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Summer school enrollment is up 15 percent, from 1991's 5,690 to this year's 6,185, said Dean of Admissions and Records Cliff Gillespie.

Although 80 percent to 85 percent of students attending summer school are seniors trying to graduate, Gillespie said there are some freshmen as well.

"Some new students always come to summer school just to get a head start on fall," he said.

Due to larger course offerings, MTSU attracts many students from other universities who do not offer summer

courses.

"We are offering a lot more classes and, thanks to Dr. Walker and Dr. Hindman, we have the money to pay faculty to teach the classes," he said.

Rosemary Owens, dean of continuing studies and director of summer school, says expanded course offerings have also attracted more students. "We are changing the way we look at summer school. We recognize that, for many students, summer is now part of their regular school year."

Gillespie said that summer sessions are here to stay.

"We'd be foolish to try to get rid of Intersession or the other sessions."

For graphic details,
See Second Front

Walker denies appeal in harassment case

FERN GREENBANK
Editor-in-Chief

President Walker has denied an appeal filed by Dr. Powell McClellan in connection with sexual harassment charges.

McClellan, professor of health, physical education and recreation, was found guilty of violating the Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR) harassment policy by a hearing committee in December.

An MTSU student charged McClellan with sexual harassment based on an incident that occurred in a Physiology of Exercise course.

The initial order states that when an electrocardiogram (EKG) machine failed to function properly, McClellan was called in to assist four female students participating in the test.

The student attached to the machine reported that McClellan lifted her shirt to adjust the electrodes and said, "You're no Dolly Parton."

Further charges centered around requests made by McClellan to the complaining student which were "unreasonable and demeaning." The student says she complied "out of fear of retaliation."

McClellan was also charged with racial harassment, however, the committee only cited the professor on the sexual harassment charges.

The committee imposed several penalties, one of which ruled that McClellan must seek counseling "to sensitize him to the perceptions and feelings of others and assist him in conducting more appropriate and professional interactions with students."

Charles Hampton White, attorney for McClellan, filed an appeal on Dec. 23 stating that the committee members were not qualified to interpret TBR or MTSU policies.

The appeal noted that at the time of the incident there were no guidelines in force regarding administration of the EKG machine.

"Since Dr. McClellan has satisfactorily instructed students on the use of the EKG procedure for an excess of 20 years, one isolated complaint by a highly emotional student...does not justify the drastic action recommended by the committee..." said the appeal.

According to Heidi Dorris, TBR attorney, McClellan has 60 days to file an appeal with chancery court which can overturn Walker's appeal.

Ginanni steps down as English chair

DAVID A. SMITH
News Reporter

Dr. Francis (Frank) Ginanni has announced his retirement as chairman of the English department effective Aug. 1.

Ginanni, plagued recently with health problems, will leave his position after eight years of service. He will, however, resume his teaching duties in the fall.

Ginanni emphasized that the decision to step down was totally his own and that it was in no way connected to the recent dismissals and demotions that have haunted the campus this summer.

"I made this decision in March primarily as a consequence of major neck surgery," Ginanni said. "I have another surgical procedure that needs to be done and I based my decision on that."

Ginanni had considered stepping down anyway before his recent medical complications.

"I have been thinking very seriously about leaving the chairmanship anyway and had planned to announce that this fall at the opening faculty meeting," said Ginanni.

The professor said the



DR. FRANK GINANNI

decision to step down from his position was an easy one to make.

"I had been there for eight years," Ginanni said. "I just thought it was time for a new chair."

Dr. John McDaniel, dean of Liberal Arts, praised Ginanni for his long term of service.

"He has held the chair for quite a while and it is not the easiest of jobs," McDaniel said. "I have appreciated his enthusiastic and forceful leadership over the last eight years."

See Ginanni, Second Front

Choosing a chair: Case study College of Business

Selecting a department chair is not an easy matter. Replacements are not easy to find.

Many departments have their own system for selecting a chair. In the College of Liberal Arts departments differ slightly.

In the English department, for example, if a chair is suddenly vacated, not giving the department enough time to conduct a national search of its own, an interim chair is selected to serve for one year while a national search is conducted.

The English department faculty selects a department committee each year to represent them in all matters. This committee, currently chaired by Dr. Michael Dunne, interviews potential faculty, adopts textbooks, and if necessary selects nominees for department chair.

Faculty members interested in the position are urged to submit vitas or resumes indicating the talents they feel they possess that will

See Case Study,
Second Front

MTSU freshman loses life in tragic accident

FERN GREENBANK
Editor-in-Chief

MTSU lost one of its best and brightest Thursday when nursing student Bethany Rice, 21, died after falling 2 1/2 floors at the Middle Tennessee Medical Center.

Rice was employed by the hospital as a nursing assistant and had just finished her shift Monday night when the accident occurred.

Hospital officials reported that employees who witnessed the event said Rice fell over a stairway railing a distance of 2 1/2 floors.

Terry McCurdy, a spokesman for the family, explained the accident to the *Nashville Banner*. "She [Rice] went down the first, short section of steps. She was about a step away from the landing when she turned and sort of side-stepped, talking to

the girl who was coming down behind her," said McCurdy.

The spokesman says Rice missed a step and tried to catch herself on the handrail. "Her hand went over the railing, which served to throw her totally off-balance. She just instantly flipped," added McCurdy.

Rice received immediate treatment from co-workers, emergency department staff and physicians. She suffered severe head trauma and spinal injuries and died on Thursday at 5 p.m., said a hospital official.

The nursing student was the granddaughter Bill Rice Jr., founder of the Bill Rice Ranch, a religious camp designed for those with hearing impairment.

Rice was a graduate of Eagleville High school. Funeral services were held Saturday at the John R. Rice auditorium.

Jennings honored by Campus school

DAVID A. SMITH
News Writer

A Campus School supporter was awarded a plaque last Wednesday in honor of his years of generous giving.

Mr. Jennings Jones was recognized by the departing sixth grade class for his "decade of giving" to the school.

Jones' first donation was in 1982 when, through the MTSU Foundation, he gave the school its first computer.

His most recent donation to the school was a multi-media project which included a videodisk player, a color monitor, a CD-ROM, a Macintosh LC and a PC-Viewer.

At the same time, Jones made a monetary donation to

complete the networking of the school's computers.

Campus School director Rita King praised Jones for his continued generosity to the school.

"Mr. Jones is well known for his continuing support of many schools," King said. "By helping here at Campus School he shows his concern not only for the children here, but also for the student teachers that come from MTSU."

Librarian Joan Clark Mann was also quick to praise Jones for his continued support.

"He planted the seed, watched it grow, and cared enough to help complete the program."

The award ceremony coincided with the graduating sixth graders' celebration.

Campus Capsule

Campus Capsule is a service provided by Sidelines for non-profit campus groups. If you have a notice that you would like to run Campus Capsule, please fill out a Campus Capsule submission form in room 310 of the James Union Building. Items must be received by noon on Monday for Wednesday's publication.

Friday, June 12

Military Science Retirement Luncheon, James Union Building, Dining room B.

Campus Crimes

Campus Crimes is a public service of Sidelines. Crimes printed are from actual reports released by MTSU's department of Public Safety and Security

Supermodel Cindy Crawford says displaying illegal parking permits is IN this summer:

Robert E. Jackson's permit was found on June 3 being displayed in a vehicle parked on Loop Drive in front of Lyon Hall. The permit had been previously reported by Mr. Jackson as stolen. The permit was confiscated. A vehicle was found on June 3 displaying a permit which had been obtained using false information. The permit was confiscated and the student was issued a Dean's Citation. Melissa G. Harmon's

permit was found on June 3 being displayed in a vehicle parked on Raider Drive. Ms. Harmon had previously reported the permit as stolen. The vehicle was towed and the permit confiscated.

Is it missing, or is it stolen?? Dan Sinclair reported on June 4 that a Data Terminal is possibly missing from the Housing Office.

The library steals wallet from poor harmless MTSU student!! Mike Eversman reported on June 5 his wallet had been stolen from the Library.

It takes balls to break a car window: Harold Adams was driving on June 5 by the baseball field near Cummings Hall when a baseball broke out one of his windows.

I've fallen, and I can't get up!! While on patrol on June 7 an officer observed a Pepsi machine laying over on its side in the open corridor area of Peck Hall.

The misguided bike troll strikes again!! Saterial Manghane reported on June 7 her bicycle had been stolen from the bike rack between Abernathy and Ezell Halls.

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Corrections & Clarifications

Correction

Unfortunately in last week's edition there were no photo credits given on page seven. The small photo spread, which was featured in the Entertainment section featured

two Renaissance Festival photos by Eric Walkup, a Hammer photo by Dane Herndon, and a Travis Tritt photo by Gina Guthrie.

Another sizeable mistake was the miscrediting of the

Moody Blues / Chicago concert review to Don Craig instead of Don Carr. I apologize for these egregious errors and strive to eliminate such errors in the future.

—Sam Gannon

Clarification:

In last week's edition of Campus Crimes, we reported that student Wesley Bullock was arrested on a "workhouse mittimus." Our information was

taken directly from the Campus Security crime reports, however, the report was misleading.

"Workhouse mittimus" means that there was an outstanding warrant for unpaid

traffic tickets. Bullock was not actually "arrested," rather, he was given a ride to the police station by an officer to pay his fines and then returned home.

--Fern Greenbank

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Planning director retires

SAM GANNON
News Editor

After many years of service to the campus community, Charles Pigg, director of Campus Planning, has retired.

Most recently Pigg's department has been preparing for the massive undertaking of the Master Plan for campus growth.

Pigg has been involved with the Master Plan since its inception and has seen it grow and change.

We are "on the threshold of another breakthrough at MTSU," he said.

Pigg said that he reluctantly left the Master Plan; however, he is happy that he is retiring now before any major construction so that

his replacement can be involved from the beginning of the project.

Instead of planning his retirement for relaxation, Pigg plans to start another job.

"I've been offered something a little different, working with an architectural firm," he said.

"They're taking a little different perspective on things and offered me a flexible schedule," Pigg said. "It will be a transition from full-time work."

Pigg served the university for over 36 years and pledges that, although he may no longer be employed by the university, he will still be around.

"I'll really miss being



CHARLES PIGG

here. I've been a vital part of the campus community," Pigg said, "but I'll be back for cultural and sporting events. I'm not going away."

Pigg's last day on campus was May 29.

No excuses from Health Services

LAURA HARDISON
News Writer

Health Services will no longer provide students with excuses for missing classes due to illness according to a new policy adopted by the university effective June 1.

Previously, students who went to Health Services to be examined would have written notification sent to their professors stating why they came in and on what day. Many faculty members would allow this as a valid excuse for missing class.

According to Barbara Martin, director of Health Services, this new policy is long overdue.

"It's a carry-over from grade school and high school where mother had to say 'Johnny was sick and wasn't in school,'" Martin said. "We're in higher education and an excuse is between the professor and the student. Health services shouldn't be caught in the middle."

All faculty members were notified of the new policy by memo and will be reminded of it again at the beginning of the fall semester.

Introduced by Martin, the policy was approved by both Dr. James Hindman, vice president

for academic affairs and by Vice President of Student Affairs Dr. Robert LaLance.

LaLance says the time has come for a change.

"Since the issue is really the prerogative of the faculty and since it caused some awkward situations for Health Services, we decided it really wasn't accomplishing anything," LaLance said.

He also feels it will reduce

the number of students who took advantage of Health Services by requesting a note when they weren't really sick.

Yet, Martin says that Health Services will still provide notification to faculty for students who are sick for a long period of time.

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Vending machines take to outdoors

VICKI NEAL
News Writer

Vending machines in Peck Hall and Kirksey Old Main have been relocated recently because of violation of national fire codes, officials said.

Bill Smotherman, director of MTSU's physical plant, said the soft drink and snack machines were a possible hazard to students in case of a fire in Peck Hall or KOM.

"We had Pepsi machines in the stairwell," Smotherman said. "We had to get them moved outside [of Peck Hall]."

The director added that vending machines in the stairwells of KOM were moved to the interior hallways.

In a memo dated April 10,

1992, MTSU's safety officer Terry L. Logan wrote to former SGA president Shawn Burgess that the two campus buildings were "to the best of our knowledge, the only locations where this violation exists."

In the past month, four Pepsi machines in Peck Hall and two in KOM have been broken into and emptied of cash, campus security said. A MTSU officer found the vandalized machines while on patrol.

"There is greater access to the machines now, and there could be increased vandalism," said Jack Drugmand, director of MTSU's Public Safety and Security.

"Only time will tell," he added.

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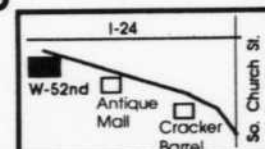
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Editor's Corner

Here's your chance to tell all...

Rather than have the *Sidelines* staff decide what new students need to know about MTSU, we're giving you the chance to play a part in shaping the attitudes of incoming students.

• Wouldn't it have been nice when you arrived here to have had the benefit of an established student's insight? Which professors have compassion? Which courses have the most to offer? On June 26, *Sidelines* will issue a New Student Edition for incoming freshmen and we want you to be involved.

We want the new students to hear your stories. When you look back on your time here, you'll probably think of that old crotchety professor who never smiled but who did take extraordinary pains to build your self esteem. We need those kinds of tales to pass on hope to others.

For every burned-out professor on this campus there are two extraordinary ones to take his/her place—just as for every apathetic student there is a handful of others who are exceptionally gifted and motivated.

Sure, you can submit horror stories too, but keep them clean; OK? If you don't want to talk about a specific course or professor, simply write an open letter to new students and impart your wisdom in that form.

Periodically this summer the *Sidelines* will run editorials and feature profiles about professors who make a difference. While excellence may be the

exception to the norm, that excellence brought to the forefront can serve as an example for other professors and students.

It's easy to see how teaching in today's higher educational institutions could be burdensome and tiring. Students' attitudes have change—and not necessarily for the better. We blame teachers for burnout or students for apathetic attitudes, lumping everyone into general categories. Maybe we should try focusing on some of the good examples.

Many of us can testify to the fact that somewhere along the line at least one teacher had a significant impact on our lives. Four years ago I walked onto the campus of Belmont University with many idealistic expectations and just as many fears. Without a doubt, the positive attitude of the professors I had during that first semester shaped the way I view my education.

At MTSU, there have been mentors as well—Dr. Jeffrey Allbritten, Dr. David Badger, Dr. Alex Nagy, Sandra Pigg and Chris Harris, to name just a few.

In the "real world" the newspaper would be able to send reporters out to comb the countryside for shining examples of education at work, but this isn't the real world. To keep our few faithful reporters from becoming road-weary, we need your help. Besides, no one knows this campus better than the students.

Send your testimonies to Box 42. The new students will thank you later.



Proof positive: Students can make a difference

Don't stop now, we're on a roll! Students are making a difference by speaking out and demanding positive change from the administration.

Beginning in the fall, Deere Hall will be a female dormitory. Why is this so wonderful? Because for too long female students have only had access to interior-corridor dormitories with community bathrooms. In the traditional female dorms, the lobbies are locked between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. and residents must share a bathroom with 24 to 66 other residents. Deere Hall, one of six exterior-corridor dormitories on campus, has a private entrance to each dorm room. The bathroom facilities are connected to the room instead of down a hall, and bathrooms are shared with a maximum of seven other residents.

So why has it taken so long for women to have access to exterior-corridor dorms? After debating over two hours last semester with MTSU Housing Director Ivan Shewmake, I found out. Shewmake at first said the reason women couldn't live in exterior-corridor dorms was because they needed the protection of a security officer

REBECCA RUCK
Opinions Editor

and a locked lobby at night. This comment bothered me so terribly that I consulted a lawyer to see if this type of "protection" was legal. (By the way, it's not.) Later, Shewmake added that he just didn't know there were female residents who would prefer an exterior-corridor dormitory.

Although this discrimination should have never happened, at least Shewmake listened to my complaint and then took the time to conduct a survey of female residents to see what they thought. When the results proved unequal housing was a problem, steps were taken to correct it.

More administrators should learn this procedure. There are so many other problems that need correcting. Students have been requesting extended library hours for years. We keep getting the same excuse, "lack of funds." I think the problem is lack of priorities. Administrators are budgeting funds for a new library when they can't even keep the one we've got open past 11 p.m. Indoor landscaping has taken priority over better library services. This has got to end.

The problems get even more serious. MTSU has almost sixteen thousand students but doesn't have a full-time health-care physician and recently lost its family planning program. To make matters worse, we are told by the administration that condom machines are inappropriate. Just ask any disabled student on campus about lack of administrative aid in solving accessibility problems in several of the buildings on campus. The list of injustices goes on.

We need to continue to be the activists for positive change. If the administration is blind to the deficiencies on campus then it is up to us to help them see. It's sad that this is the way it has to be—we should be spending our time trying to study before the library closes.

**Next week
we talk
politics**

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Sidelines announces: 'The Hotline'

As you can tell from today's "Editor's Corner," *Sidelines* wants to make the newspaper a voice for the students. We hope to ask for your submissions on a variety of topics over the coming months because there is more to MTSU than the handful of staff members can cover. As editor, it's my job to see that the paper does not reflect only the views of those on staff.

To that end, we've installed an answering machine that actually works and we urge you to call with your opinions and suggestions. The machine will be turned on between the hours

FERN GREENBANK Editor-in-Chief

of 3 p.m. and 8 a.m. Monday through Friday and 24 hours a day over the weekend.

Just as the "Letters to the Editor" policy states that unsigned letters will not be printed, a message left on the machine without a name and box number/phone number will not be printed. If you prefer that your message not be printed, please be sure and state this preference.

We've been warned that students are too apathetic to actually pick up the phone and

call or write a letter to the editor, but we've chosen not to heed those warnings.

Over the past spring semester, the newspaper enjoyed a growing relationship with the students. Under the direction of editor Terry Massey, letters poured in to *Sidelines*. Not all of them were positive but the criticisms were helpful, too.

Believe it or not, we are genuinely committed to improving your campus news source and we're asking for your help to do that. Gotta run now and turn on that answering machine.

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Accountability over special interest

I grew up believing that every person's input helps Congress and the President overcome even the most daunting challenges. Although sometimes frustrated with the system, I still believe each individual can make a difference—I've seen it happen.

For instance, a Rutherford County man helped eliminate wasteful spending at Veterans Administration hospitals nationwide when he wrote me about the improper use of medical equipment at a VA hospital. A constituent's phone call about an experience with a 1-900 phone scam resulted in my legislation which was the foundation for national consumer protections passed by the House and Senate.

But one of the best examples of individuals' voices making a difference are the Middle Tennesseans who complained about being squeezed out of federal student financial aid programs. They rightfully wanted to know why the federal government continued to cut back assistance to help provide an education to students from working families, the people who pay the lion's share of the taxes.

My investigation of their concerns uncovered a well-intentioned federal program gone seriously awry. Scores of irresponsible schools, especially some for-profit trade schools in Tennessee and elsewhere, are cheating students and threatening to bring down the entire program under the weight of skyrocketing loan defaults.

The facts are clear: Default costs have gone from less than \$300 million in student loan defaults—10 percent of program costs—in 1983 to more than \$3.5 billion—54 percent of costs. In the \$6-billion-a-year Pell Grant program, the Education Department can't even tell me whether a grant recipient ever showed up for class. Waste and abuse is

CONGRESSMAN BART GORDON Guest Commentary

curtailing eligibility for millions of students at a time when college tuitions are climbing beyond the reach of many Americans.

Ultimately, constituent concerns led to proposals to eliminate \$1.3 billion a year in waste from student aid programs. Many of the ideas are in the House version of the five-year, \$100 billion Higher Education Act (HEA), which is now being finalized by a House/Senate conference committee.

But the fight to bring accountability to federal student aid programs hasn't been easy. And, it's far from over. High-powered special interest groups are still at work, making a concerted effort to convince the conference committee to leave open loopholes that have allowed irresponsible schools to bilk the system.

The day before the March 26 House vote on the HEA, an article in *The New York Times* described a handful of House members, including myself, who were pushing serious, common sense integrity in federal student aid. The article characterized what we were up against; a slick "million dollar a year" lobbying

campaign by for-profit trade schools to block program reforms. The special interests were already claiming they'd "won the war."

When billion of dollars are at stake, it's reasonable to subject schools — some of which get 90 percent or more of their revenue from federal programs — to this kind of fair oversight. The public knows that it doesn't make sense to let schools fill their pockets, regardless of whether students are getting the education they need to have a chance at a better life. Federal programs should direct students to schools where training, counselling and course completion are priorities, not after-thoughts in a recruiting ad.

When it comes to our investment in education and training, we don't have a dollar to waste.

In the 25 years between 1948 and 1973, the productivity of American workers increased an average of 2.5 percent a year and incomes rose significantly. But since 1973, productivity has edged up only .7 percent a year. Not surprisingly, wages have remained at a virtual standstill. It's not a matter of work ethic or ambition or ability, it's a question of skills; too many Americans lack the background needed to perform productivity in a changing workplace.

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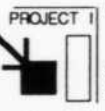
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Eric Walkup/Photographer

PUB-LIC SPORT: Avid dart throwers can attain dart nirvana at local establishments like the Campus Pub.

Take aim at a new trend: Dart throwing

DAVID A. SMITH
Special to *Sidelines*

What was once kept behind closed doors in the kids' rec room or hidden in the corner of some sleazy beer hall has emerged as the new trend of the '90s. The pool tables and video games are still there, but bar patrons are now crazy about darts.

Dart throwing is popular in pool halls, game rooms, restaurants, and watering holes across the country. Dart teams and leagues have formed in major cities. Locally, members of the Busch Dart Team, the Rutherford County Dart League and the Middle Tennessee Dart League throw every night in the area.

Dart tournaments in the United States were almost unheard of a decade ago and have just started trickling outside of the larger metropolitan areas. Locally, Gentlemen Jim's holds a dart tournament every Tuesday night with a steadily increasing crowd.

Although the popularity is just starting to grow in the United States, the game has been popular in Europe for about 70 years.

The beginnings of the game are sketchy, but the modern game began in Europe around the turn of the century. Brian Gamlin is credited with inventing the present-day dartboard

just before his death in 1903. The dartboard is 18 inches in diameter and is located eight feet from the throwing line, with the center of the board resting five feet eight inches from the ground. The object of the game is to throw darts at the board to score points.

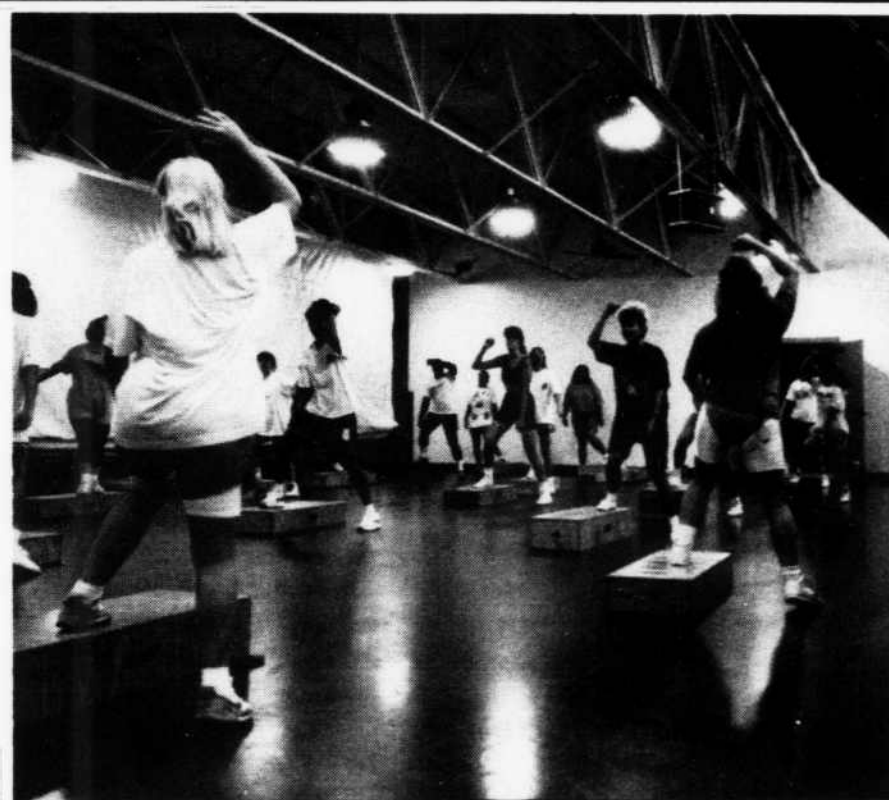
The board is divided into 20 numbered segments, high numbers alternating with low numbers. The outer ring of the board is worth double the point value of the segment; the inner ring, three times the points; and the center "bull's eye," 50 points.

A number of game variations can be played on a dartboard. These include games that can be played alone, in pairs or with teams. Around the World, 501 Countdown, 301 Countdown, Tic-Tac-Darts and Cricket are just a few of the more popular games around town every day.

Murfreesboro is blessed with a number of bars that still have the old cork-centered boards and steel-tipped darts. These are the boards and darts used by members of the dart leagues and by dart diehards.

Other Murfreesboro establishments have embraced consumerism and replaced their old

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Eric Walkup/Photographer

STEPPING INTO SHAPE: Sports Com's bench aerobics classes are packed to capacity with men and women of all shapes and sizes.

Step into great shape: Music and a box

AMY W. CREIGHTON
Special to *Sidelines*

There is no universal name for it. Some call it step classes, others call it bench aerobics. Either way, everyone is stepping into shape with this new form of exercise.

The tool used in step exercising is called a bench. It is about five feet wide, has a handle on one end, and looks like a small step a child might use to reach a water fountain. You can adjust the level of the bench by raising or lowering the step.

This exercise combines aerobics with the up-and-down movement of stepping. The workout is set to music and lasts for 30 to 40 minutes. The intensity of the exercise increases as you raise the height of the bench; beginners starting at a level of four to six inches, advanced ranging from 10 to 12 inches.

"[Stepping] is more steady than normal aerobics," explains Kathy Conway, an aerobics instructor at the PACE center here in Murfreesboro. "It hits you from the waist down and especially works the front part of the leg."

Conway's routine begins with a 10 minute warm-up, then progresses through 30 minutes of bench routine and abdominal exercise. She finishes the workout with cool-down exercises.

Janice Bugg of Sports Com

believes that benching is the most popular aerobic exercise. She claims that step classes are filled before other aerobics classes.

"We offer 21 step classes," says Bugg. "Each class averages 35 to 40 people. We start taking reservations at 7 a.m., and they fill up right away. We could have more classes, but we just don't have the time."

Stepping can be seen everywhere you turn. If you turn on your television to the cable sports network, you might see aerobic instructors using benches during their workouts. A variety of benches can be found in catalogues such as *Spiegel*, *Sears* and *J.C. Penney* catalogues in the exercise equipment sections. The prices usually range from \$59 to \$150 and the benches feature a wide selection of colors.

Why is benching quickly becoming the new craze in exercise?

"I think the reason the bench classes are so popular is because there are only so many steps involved and you don't need a lot of coordination to do the exercise," replies Bugg. "Because people sweat so much when they do this exercise, they think they are getting a better workout."

No matter if you call it benching, stepping or split-level dancing, this new brand of exercise is stepping into style.

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ALIEN³

Just when she thought it was over ... just when she thought she could rest easy ... just when she thought it was a bad dream ... the bitch is back!

Warrant Officer Ellen Ripley (Sigourney Weaver) crash lands on a subterranean mining planet, still fresh from fighting the aliens of *Aliens*. The planet is inhabited by a band of brutal criminals, just your basic rapists and murderers.

Film

These criminals ran the mines on the planet when they were still active, but when the mines closed the guys stayed on in a sort of male-monostatic-religious order. By the way, the place is completely infested with lice — that's why everyone's bald.

Besides the disarray Ripley, a female, brings with her to the mining planet, she also brings, of course, an alien.

After recuperating from being suddenly jolted awake from "hypersleep," Ripley shaves her head and readies the 'holy' men to fight the holy terror. Little does she know that she brought two aliens back, not one.

As you might expect, the acid-dripping alien wreaks havoc in the complex and dines on most of the inmates.

With no munitions of any kind and a rescue ship hours away, one would think that Ripley and her crew were doomed. At least that's how it seems for most of the movie; this film has an incredible feeling of dread to it.

Considering all it went

through, *Alien³* is really good. All in all it had three directors and innumerable script drafts; the original movie idea called for *Alien³* not to include Ripley, but to bring her back for a fourth *Alien*.

One of the better qualities of the movie is its grittiness—the realness of it. This film has a lot of the 'look' of *Alien*, but it is also very predictable, and not as scary as *Aliens*. Responsible is first-time director David Fincher, whose most noted accomplishments include Madonna's "Vogue" and "Express Yourself" videos.

Weaver is great once again in her alien-battling role. The last scene will become a classical movie moment—I won't spoil it for you.

The only humanistic view of Ripley is when she is in the company of her love interest (Charles Dance), a fallen doctor.

One of the original endings had called for Ripley to be saved by the leader of the criminals (Charles S. Dutton) while she flew off into space, but Weaver wouldn't allow it.

Will Ripley survive this alien attack? Will there be any more *Alien* movies? I'll tell you this much, if more *Alien* movies are made, Warrant Officer Ellen Ripley won't be in them.

Pay the matinee/student discount price, it's worth both your money and your time. Is it better than the first two movies? I wouldn't say that it's better, just different in a really good way. It's also one of the better sequel-type movies I've seen in a long time (see my comments for *Lethal Weapon 3*) — Sam Gannon.

ENCINO MAN

"Aoooooohoooo Bud-dy, Ohh he's so ga-ree-see", blurts Stoney (Pauly Shore) when he and Dave (Sean Austin) find Link (Brendan Fraser) awakened from his cryogenic sleep in *Encino Man*.

Dave and Stoney find a prehistoric bowl while digging a pool in Dave's backyard. Seconds later, and after an earthquake, they find Link, a caveman, frozen in a chunk of ice.

After thawing Link out, Dave passes him off as a foreign exchange student who is staying with his family, that is after he pulls a guilt trip on his parents. Then Dave enrolls Link in school.

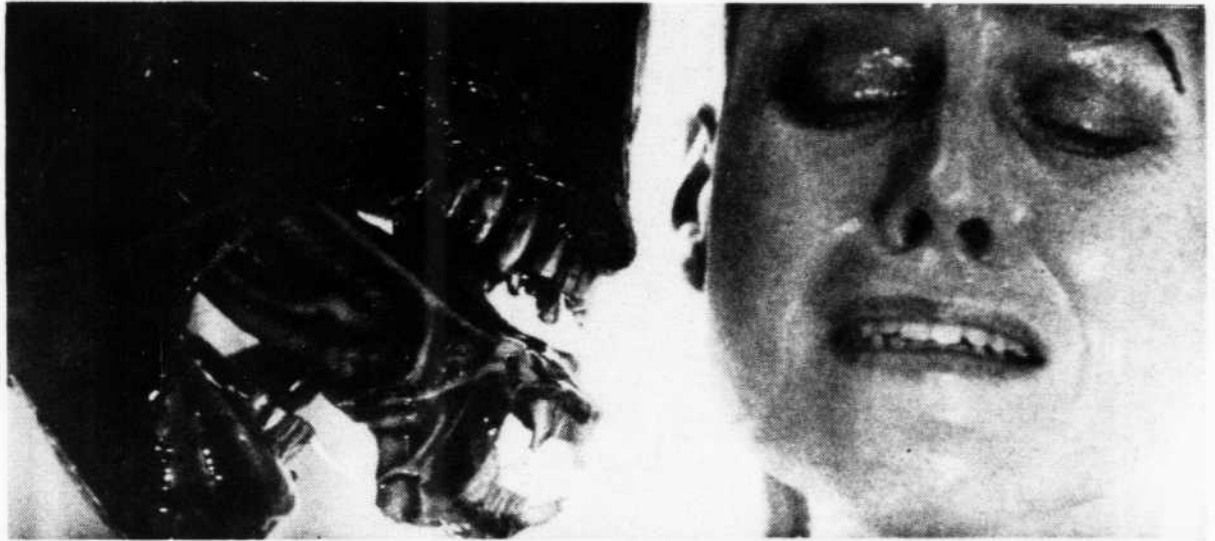
To put things simply, Dave is

a wanna-be and Stoney just doesn't care about popularity. He just wants to be Link's friend and of course make him "Stoney No. 2." Well, things happen (you'll find out if you go see it). Link is loved by everyone in school much to the dismay of Matt (Michael DeLuise), the school asshole and the boyfriend of Dave's life-long love Robyn (Megan Ward).

Needless to say, it's funny.

Then we come to the prom, which by the way features *Infectious Grooves*. Matt is quite mad when he's not elected Prom King. I won't say who won but his name begins with an L.

— Brian Rogers.



KISSING COUSINS? Warrant Officer Ellen Ripley (Sigourney Weaver) crash lands on a far away subterranean planet, but brings alien with her, in *Alien³*.



THIRD TIME IS LETHAL: Danny Glover and Mel Gibson (left to right) return to their roles as detectives Murtaugh and Riggs. This time out, they do battle with a cop gone bad.

CLEANING UP THE CAVEMAN, HE'S SO GREASY! MTV icon Pauly Shore (left) and Sean Austin (right) clean up the caveman they find in Austin's back yard in *Encino Man*.



Our reviewer risk their lives to find the truth

Alien³

Brian: Cool, I really liked the Lipton Ice Tea swan dive.

Jason: Bald glamour hawk takes on giant killer stapler? Big frothy buckets of entertainment!

Encino Man

Sam: *Wayne's World* was much better — not!

Jason: See Pauley Shore made very nervous by Wayne and Garth. See this film on video before you finish reading this!

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LETHAL WEAPON 3

Yes, the magic is back! The third and probably not the last Lethal Weapon movie is just as good as the last two.

The original cast is back, Mel Gibson, Danny Glover, and yes, Joe Pesci. Also, Jack Travis makes his movie debut in this one as a corrupt cop who causes all the trouble.

Detective Roger Murtaugh (Glover) is up for retirement but

his partner Riggs (Gibson) has other plans for him. In fact he doesn't let up a second to let Murtaugh relax.

After an extreme mess up, Riggs and Murtaugh are busted down to patrol. While on patrol one day they just happen to stumble upon a gang drug deal. Well the usual gunfight ensues and when they report back to headquarters, they discover that thousands of illegal handguns have disappeared from the police lockup and are turning up in the possession of local gang

members.

Rene Russo (Esteves' girlfriend in "Freejack") plays an Internal Affairs agent who (drum roll please...) falls in love with Riggs, just like every other female in the world.

Everything is still the same as far as comedy, car chases, and annoying little guys who say "ok, ok, ok".

Every scene is great. I loved every minute of it. In fact I've seen it twice. I just can't get enough. I.I.I..wait a minute, let's get back on track here! It's a great movie, go see it. Take your mom, she'll like Mel Gibson. - - Brian Rogers.

PATRIOT GAMES

Reviews: Good,
bad, ugly

Lethal Weapon 3
Sam: Have you seen Lethal Weapon 2? If so, you've seen three.

Jason: OK, OK, OK, I can remember when Pesci and Glover took worthwhile roles.

Vicki: Basically it is a repeat of the first two flicks with a different and touching storyline.

Patriot Games:
Brian: Yeah, go, kill those terrorists!

Sam: Alec Baldwin, please come back! I can't stand two more with Harrison Ford.

Split Second:
Sam: Go, you need a good laugh!

Tom Clancy has a very good point: the machinations of Big Government — anybody's — eventually hurt real people. *Patriot Games*, the second film version of a Clancy novel, drives this message home clearly.

Games sees the return of Jack Ryan, the reluctant hero in *The Hunt for Red October*, aged beyond his innocent, Alec Baldwin boyishness to middle-aged Harrison Ford crustiness (actually, Paramount now knows this film will profit, and sought a more bankable star). He's a teacher, having left the CIA, but he must return when Irish terrorists threaten Ryan's family after he thwarts their attempt to kill a high Parliament official. One terrorist in particular is after Ryan, since Ryan killed his brother in mid-thwart. It's personal for the hero, it's personal for the villain ... clever, eh? The climax — if you can't see it coming, brother,

you need horn-rims. It involves speedboats at night and infrared glasses (Cape...something. Silence of the...something. Hmmm.)

Harrison Ford is believable, but looks like he got little direction; Anne Archer, the wife in *Fatal Attraction*, is good, but "the wife" is never a big character in thrillers. Richard Harris, as an IRA spokesman, earns his Ph.D. from the Snidely Whiplash College of Sleazy Villainy. James Earl Jones has nothing to do but say things like, "I BELIEVE IN YA, JACK". What a waste. The script works, save for a bit about how Ryan uses satellite pictures to identify some of the villains — it's very hokey. And there's an Obscurity Seekers factor of 20.5; one terrorist was Threnadier in London's *Les Misérables*. Go see the film. Look for him. Don't grow up to be a terrorist.

- - Jason Sparks

SPLIT SECOND

There are a few good science fiction movies out there. However, *Split Second* is not one of them.

Rutger Hauer plays "Stone," a detective trying to track down a monster killing people for their DNA or something like that.

He is joined in this honorable endeavor by his girlfriend, Michelle (Kim Cattrall), and Dick Durkin (Neil Duncan).

The story is just like

Predator 2 — only worse. The monster isn't even that cool.

Stone's new partner is Dick Durkin, whose name insinuates his stupidity. They form the New Odd Couple. Stone is ... well, big, strong, and yup you guessed it ... dumb, while Dick is neat and follows the rules quite tidily.

Just like every other movie about cops and robbers, huh?

Stone gets bit by the monster and can sense it wherever it goes,

which makes *Split Second* all the more predictable.

To get to the point, they all get guns, kill it and become heroes.

This is the only movie I've ever fallen asleep in, except for *Lord of the Rings*, but I was two at the time so give me a break!

Save your money for the homeless, which could include these actors after any more films like this one!

- - Brian Rogers

The Dude-speak of Pauly Shore

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CHILLIN'.....	HANGING OUT	MELON.....	HEAD
EDGED.....	UPSET	SPONGING.....	LIVING OFF SOMEONE
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Sports

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Cummings a coach with class

Lady Raider basketball assistant has paid her dues at MTSU

PAUL YOUNG
Sports Writer

If you're searching for someone who is experienced in women's collegiate sports and who is also an all-around classy lady, your search ends at MTSU's Murphy Center.

You should ask for Ms. Diane Cummings, assistant head basketball coach for the Lady Raiders.

You better bring your running shoes though, because this lady doesn't slow down for anything.

Coach Cummings has been a familiar face around MTSU for almost 10 years now. She has served under three different head basketball coaches and watched many aspiring players enter the college as naive girls and leave as women with eyes on their goals.

With many offers from other colleges who also recognize her ability in coaching, she has chosen to remain here in Murfreesboro at MTSU. The people in the community and her loyalty to MTSU are two major factors that have maintained her tenure in the

school's basketball program. In addition, close family ties with her family in Mt. Juliet have been a consideration in remaining here.

Coach Cummings graduated from David Lipscomb in 1980. Her senior year she was team captain and voted the team's Most Valuable Player. Prior to attending David Lipscomb, she played two years at Volunteer State Community College in Gallatin.

She got her first coaching experience at Austin Peay, while serving under Coach Pam Davidson for two years. Next, she found a home at MTSU where she has been ever since.

During her Lady Raider career, she has sat on the same bench with coach Larry Inman, coach Jim Davis, and present coach Lewis Bivens.

While working for three different head coaches, Cummings has made quite a few adjustments in coaching style. Each coach is different and despite

"If people come out one time to see a women's athletic event, they will be back."

- Dianne Cummings



Dane Herndon/Photographer

DIANNE CUMMINGS

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Olympic trials next for McGhee

STAFF REPORTS

MTSU Blue Raider track star Roland McGhee will be participating in the Olympic Trials later this month after a solid performance last weekend in Austin, Texas.

McGhee placed second in the long jump event at the NCAA Track Outdoor Championships, leaping 27-0 1/2.

That's the highest finish ever for a Blue Raider runner.

The jump was also the longest a Middle Tennessee trackster has jumped before.

McGhee placed behind Arkansas' Eric Walder who finished first with a solid jump of 27-9.

Only a sophomore at MTSU, McGhee claimed his fourth All-American honor in two categories.

Referees are people too

An insight to the men in stripes who live with the calls

The alarm always goes off too early in the morning. I usually hit the snooze button at least three times. Today I'm out of bed after the first snooze.

While I am getting dressed for school, I take a minute to look at the black-and-white striped shirt in my closet. A red, white and navy blue circular patch is stitched on the top left of the shirt. The words on the patch say Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association, which is the governing body of Tennessee high school athletics.

I'll need the shirt tonight for the high school basketball game I'll be officiating. I grab my backpack full of books and take along one other item: a basketball rule book. I make sure my whistle is near the door as I leave to attend classes for the day at Middle Tennessee State University, where I am a senior in public relations. Between classes I peruse through the rule book, skipping past rules I know well and reading over those that are new or tricky. I picture the game in my mind throughout the day. I imagine possible scenarios and outcomes. I see myself reacting to each situation.

After my last class I go home and call my partner for the evening, Michael. He volunteers to drive. Michael is older and a better referee, so I pay attention to everything

KEVIN L. EPPS
Special to Sidelines

he says. We talk about the interesting games we've had during the season. Tonight's game features a girls' team that is ranked first in the state and in its class and we don't expect a close game. The boys' game, however, will probably be close, so we look forward to it.

Michael parks as close to the entrance as possible. The closer we park, the less likely we'll confront angry fans after the games.

We walk into the gym in blue jeans, loafers and jackets. We carry our uniforms in our bags. After the games we'll change back to our regular clothes and be less conspicuous. One of the home teams' coaches comes over and introduces himself. He leads us to our dressing room, a coach's office with two chairs, a desk and a small bathroom.

I put on my uniform as carefully as if I were putting on a tuxedo. An official should look professional, especially at my age. At 23, I don't look much older than the kids on the floor. Officiating is a job. Just like any other job, people will question your ability because of age, race or appearance. I try to battle that by acting and appearing businesslike.

While we're dressing we talk about what we're going to do when we get out on the

court. Some officials don't like the other official to make a call on their side of the floor. I'd rather see the right call made at the expense of my pride than for me to miss one and Michael let it go because it was on my side of the court.

At 6:15 p.m. we walk onto the court. It is senior night, the home team's girls are undefeated and the place is packed. I begin to get nervous. We stand at half court and observe the teams. My overactive imagination begins to run wild. I imagine the game being close at the end. The home team, undefeated and top-ranked, is up by one with 10 seconds left. The defense has a good position. There is contact as time expires. It's an obvious charge. The home team wins. But wait! The young ref has blown his whistle and signaled a block. The crowd is outraged! The girl makes both free throws, and the visiting team wins thanks to a miracle and a horrendous call by the dumb ref. The next day The Tennessean carries the headline "REF BLOWS UNDEFEATED SEASON."

My daydreaming had made me nervous. I watch the girls warm up and try to guess which five will start for each team. I look at the benches and recognize one of the coaches. I'm glad and I'm not. It's always nice to see a
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familiar face, but not if the face belongs to a coach. A coach will cheerfully rip out your entrails and feed them to the blood-thirsty crowd.

The horn blows. Game time. The players line up at midcourt. Michael lofts the ball into the air. My mouth goes dry. Absolutely no spit. I'm putting too much pressure on myself. The home team gets the ball, drives to the

basket and I spot what appears to be a foul by the visitors. I blow my whistle a second too early. What looked like illegal contact may not have been. An innocent girl who has practiced hard all week has been penalized by a numbskull referee. The visitors' coach must agree. She gives me a murderous glare and says things I wouldn't want my little brother to hear. It's no use getting mad about it. She's probably right.

Between the first and second

quarters the visitors' coach calls me over. She politely tells me that she has seen better-officiated games. She isn't telling Michael, so I get the message. I consider giving her a technical, but decided against it. I give her my best I- don't-care look and walk away. I do care, though. I get over the nervousness and get down to business. I make some good calls, and my confidence returns. The visitors' coach leaves me alone. By the third quarter, she's riding Michael's case.

The home team pulls away in the second half. The crowd isn't very vocal, and I enjoy running up and down the court, being involved in a sport I love. The game ends, and we rush to the coach's office. Michael makes me feel better about the first quarter. He believes my first call was a foul, too. We laugh over what the coach said to me.

The boys' game is good. They move up and down the floor quickly, and my adrenaline is flowing. The crowd is into this game. The fans scream and boo at every call that doesn't go their way. When I know I'm doing well and they yell, I get more excited.

Early in the game one of the players gets a little too excited and gives a shove. Words are exchanged. I rush to the middle of the action before the incident gets out of hand.

Michael and I separate the players. Being the unspoken leader, Michael calls the players together and tells them, in no uncertain terms, how we feel about this. I look on, pretending to be mad. I'm having the time of my life.

The game is close. The players play hard and within the rules. One kid dunks the ball so well the whistle drops out of my mouth. I cheer silently when a good play is made, and I'm as disappointed as the crowd when a good player fouls out or misses a dunk. Only I can't show my emotions. I am being paid to do a job.

I will talk to the kids, however. Some are intimidated by refs and others don't like us, but some like to joke around. At one point during the game I made a call some overly obnoxious fans didn't like. One of the kids who knew the fans walked over to me and said, "Ignore them. They're stupid." We both laughed.

When the game ends, some of the kids shake our hands. It's a good feeling because they know — better than the fans or the coaches — whether or not the

game was officiated well.

Michael and I run to the dressing room and congratulate each other on a job well done. We take our time getting dressed to give the fans time to leave. We discuss the close calls we made and decide we did well.

On the way home, we talk about our next games that we won't be doing together. When he drops me off, we shake hands. I like the guy. I go into my house and call my father. I tell him about the highlights of the game and my overactive imagination. He reminds me to do any job I have with the best of my ability and we say good night. I go to bed, knowing the alarm will be going off too early in the morning.

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the transition, Cummings learned a great deal from each one she assisted. She began her work under Inman, who was Cummings high school mentor.

"Since I played high school ball for him, we thought a lot alike," Cummings said.

After Inman left, Davis took the reigns for a single season before departing for Clemson. Cummings was set to follow him when Bivens made her an offer to stay at MTSU.

"He asked me what it would take to keep me here, I told him, and I'm here," she explained. "It's been a very good relationship."

In addition to her position as assistant women's basketball coach, coach Cummings will become the women's volleyball head coach on July 1 and she's very excited about the upcoming season.

"If we pull together, this will be the first time ever we will have a legitimate shot at the conference title," Cummings said. Four seniors will be returning to the women's volleyball team this season. Among those, Mary Richard and Stacy Devereux-Johns were originally recruited by coach Cummings and now she will get a chance to coach her recruits. Also, coach Cummings will become the administrator over Women's Athletics. She states this will give her a chance to help women's sports as a whole at MTSU.

At times, Cummings feels the way women are treated in sports is a frustrating situation. Every day she faces the fact that her male counterparts make more money than she does. She thinks this is an issue that should be addressed more by universities.

"If you put the shoe on the

other foot and ask then (men) to do the job for less, I think they would be upset," Cummings said.

Cummings feels the women athletes work just as hard as the men. On the contrary, she has witnessed the situation improve some at MTSU over the last few years.

Cummings has seen some major changes in women's playing style on the basketball court since her playing days at David Lipscomb. She sees it as a more quicker, more physical game than ever before. Players specialize more in off-season with weight-lifting and other areas, producing a stronger, more physical individual.

"Women make up for some things — like not being able to dunk a basketball — in other fundamental skills," she admitted. "Women today have to play smarter on the court to accommodate their lack of physical ability. Women, as a rule, are generally more interested in academic careers and that, in turn, makes them more aware of things on the court."

Much like the volleyball season, coach Cummings is very excited about the upcoming basketball season, too. She considers herself very lucky to be a part of both programs and she encourages students and people in the community to come out and see what MTSU has to offer. All she asks for is one visit — then she'll have you hooked.

"If people come out one time to see a women's athletic event, they will be back," Cummings said.

That's an issue that only time will take care of and if MTSU is lucky enough, coach Cummings will still be around to witness it.

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equipment with plastic-tipped darts and electronic boards. These boards usually cost 25 to 50 cents per player and normally limit the number of throws allowed per game.

The point is, dart throw-ing has become popular recently because people were getting tired of the same old bar game offerings.

"Throwing darts is a nice change of pace," MTSU senior Butch Hale says. "Darts offer a new option for a competitive game that is entertaining and challenging."

So the next time you wander up to the bar, keep your eyes and ears open for an errant throw and the sound of a bull's eye. Here's a tip for the hip: toss in a quarter, grab a set of darts and take aim at a new trend.



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SIGNS OF SUMMER: Members of Trousdale and Goodpasture High battle for a rebound at the annual summer Lady Raider basketball camp.

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familiar face, but not if the face belongs to a coach. A coach will cheerfully rip out your entrails and feed them to the blood-thirsty crowd.

The horn blows. Game time. The players line up at midcourt. Michael lofts the ball into the air. My mouth goes dry. Absolutely no spit. I'm putting too much pressure on myself. The home team gets the ball, drives to the

basket and I spot what appears to be a foul by the visitors. I blow my whistle a second too early. What looked like illegal contact may not have been. An innocent girl who has practiced hard all week has been penalized by a numbskull referee. The visitors' coach must agree. She gives me a murderous glare and says things I wouldn't want my little brother to hear. It's no use getting mad about it. She's probably right.

Between the first and second

quarters the visitors' coach calls me over. She politely tells me that she has seen better-officiated games. She isn't telling Michael, so I get the message. I consider giving her a technical, but decided against it. I give her my best I- don't-care look and walk away. I do care, though. I get over the nervousness and get down to business. I make some good calls, and my confidence returns. The visitors' coach leaves me alone. By the third quarter, she's riding Michael's case.

The home team pulls away in the second half. The crowd isn't very vocal, and I enjoy running up and down the court, being involved in a sport I love. The game ends, and we rush to the coach's office. Michael makes me feel better about the first quarter. He believes my first call was a foul, too. We laugh over what the coach said to me.

The boys' game is good. They move up and down the floor quickly, and my adrenaline is flowing. The crowd is into this game. The fans scream and boo at every call that doesn't go their way. When I know I'm doing well and they yell, I get more excited.

Early in the game one of the players gets a little too excited and gives a shove. Words are exchanged. I rush to the middle of the action before the incident gets out of hand.

Michael and I separate the players. Being the unspoken leader, Michael calls the players together and tells them, in no uncertain terms, how we feel about this. I look on, pretending to be mad. I'm having the time of my life.

The game is close. The players play hard and within the rules. One kid dunks the ball so well the whistle drops out of my mouth. I cheer silently when a good play is made, and I'm as disappointed as the crowd when a good player fouls out or misses a dunk. Only I can't show my emotions. I am being paid to do a job.

I will talk to the kids, however. Some are intimidated by refs and others don't like us, but some like to joke around. At one point during the game I made a call some overly obnoxious fans didn't like. One of the kids who knew the fans walked over to me and said, "Ignore them. They're stupid." We both laughed.

When the game ends, some of the kids shake our hands. It's a good feeling because they know — better than the fans or the coaches — whether or not the

game was officiated well.

Michael and I run to the dressing room and congratulate each other on a job well done. We take our time getting dressed to give the fans time to leave. We discuss the close calls we made and decide we did well.

On the way home, we talk about our next games that we won't be doing together. When he drops me off, we shake hands. I like the guy. I go into my house and call my father. I tell him about the highlights of the game and my overactive imagination. He reminds me to do any job I have with the best of my ability and we say good night. I go to bed, knowing the alarm will be going off too early in the morning.

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the transition, Cummings learned a great deal from each one she assisted. She began her work under Inman, who was Cummings high school mentor.

"Since I played high school ball for him, we thought a lot alike," Cummings said.

After Inman left, Davis took the reigns for a single season before departing for Clemson. Cummings was set to follow him when Bivens made her an offer to stay at MTSU.

"He asked me what it would take to keep me here, I told him, and I'm here," she explained. "It's been a very good relationship."

In addition to her position as assistant women's basketball coach, coach Cummings will become the women's volleyball head coach on July 1 and she's very excited about the upcoming season.

"If we pull together, this will be the first time ever we will have a legitimate shot at the conference title," Cummings said. Four seniors will be returning to the women's volleyball team this season. Among those, Mary Richard and Stacy Devereux-Johns were originally recruited by coach Cummings and now she will get a chance to coach her recruits. Also, coach Cummings will become the administrator over Women's Athletics. She states this will give her a chance to help women's sports as a whole at MTSU.

At times, Cummings feels the way women are treated in sports is a frustrating situation. Every day she faces the fact that her male counterparts make more money than she does. She thinks this is an issue that should be addressed more by universities.

"If you put the shoe on the

other foot and ask then (men) to do the job for less, I think they would be upset," Cummings said.

Cummings feels the women athletes work just as hard as the men. On the contrary, she has witnessed the situation improve some at MTSU over the last few years.

Cummings has seen some major changes in women's playing style on the basketball court since her playing days at David Lipscomb. She sees it as a more quicker, more physical game than ever before. Players specialize more in off-season with weight-lifting and other areas, producing a stronger, more physical individual.

"Women make up for some things — like not being able to dunk a basketball — in other fundamental skills," she admitted. "Women today have to play smarter on the court to accommodate their lack of physical ability. Women, as a rule, are generally more interested in academic careers and that, in turn, makes them more aware of things on the court."

Much like the volleyball season, coach Cummings is very excited about the upcoming basketball season, too. She considers herself very lucky to be a part of both programs and she encourages students and people in the community to come out and see what MTSU has to offer. All she asks for is one visit — then she'll have you hooked.

"If people come out one time to see a women's athletic event, they will be back," Cummings said.

That's an issue that only time will take care of and if MTSU is lucky enough, coach Cummings will still be around to witness it.

Darts:
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equipment with plastic-tipped darts and electronic boards. These boards usually cost 25 to 50 cents per player and normally limit the number of throws allowed per game.

The point is, dart throw-ing has become popular recently because people were getting tired of the same old bar game offerings.

"Throwing darts is a nice change of pace," MTSU senior Butch Hale says. "Darts offer a new option for a competitive game that is entertaining and challenging."

So the next time you wander up to the bar, keep your eyes and ears open for an errant throw and the sound of a bull's eye. Here's a tip for the hip: toss in a quarter, grab a set of darts and take aim at a new trend.



Dane Herndon/Photographer

SIGNS OF SUMMER: Members of Trousdale and Goodpasture High battle for a rebound at the annual summer Lady Raider basketball camp.

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The Second Front Page

Middle Tennessee State University

Easy scholarship money may not be legitimate

College Press Service

Many scholarship agencies offer easy money to college students, but officials say the offers might not be legitimate.

Although differentiating between legitimate scholarship opportunities and those that are scams might be difficult, officials warn students to look for certain signals.

"If someone is advertising and soliciting to you, that is a sign that something is wrong," said Tom Betz, an attorney with the University of Illinois Student Legal Service. Scams are fairly common, he said.

Students are susceptible to the idea of "something for nothing," Betz said. Newspaper advertisements and postcards soliciting information for financial

aid should be checked out.

"Every now and then it happens that people are turned down for financial aid and they spot ads in the newspapers," Betz said.

"It does seem like this time of year is a common time to see that type of ad," said Craig Munier, associate director of student aid.

George Chadderdon, a junior in engineering, recently received such an offer.

"About three weeks ago I got this postcard in the mail from the National Scholarship Foundation," Chadderdon said.

The postcard guaranteed Chadderdon \$1,698.12 because of his "present academic and financial circumstances," he said. The only criteria was that he call the agency within 72 hours.

"They just sent it to me out of the blue," he said. "They went on a long time about the organization and mentioned not to worry (about

the phone bill) because they would refund everything for the call if I wasn't satisfied."

"I applied for some scholarships, but not to this agency," he said. When he tried to call the agency, he said, the telephone was disconnected.

"I tried again and finally got through," Pryor said. He left his name and address but hasn't heard from the agency again.

Pryor and Chadderdon said they have not been charged for the calls yet.

Orlo Austin, director of the office of student financial aid, said other students have received the same letter.

Austin said the students should be "very wary and raise lots of questions" about such offers.

Students are encouraged to report complaints to the attorney general's office if they think they have been deceived, Munier said.



Sane Herndon/Photographer

GOTTA TAKE IT: This victim of the cola wars was found by a Campus Security officer Monday morning at Peck Hall. Will moving vending machines outside encourage vandalism and theft? See related story, page three.

Ginanni steps down:

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Ginanni, a 28-year veteran of MTSU, will resume his role as teacher this fall and is excited about returning to the classroom.

"I'll be teaching full time," Ginanni said, "And I'm looking forward to it."

The abandoned chair will be filled by Dr. Jacquelyn Jackson, an English professor at MTSU for the past seven years.

Jackson, who is also the director of African American Studies, refused to comment on the matter.

"I have nothing to say at this time. Frank is still the chair," she said. "I will have no comment for now."

Jackson was appointed to the position on an interim basis after the English department conducted an internal search for a replacement. McDaniel recommended Jackson to President Walker who then approved the nomination.

Jackson is expected to hold the position for a one-

year period until a permanent replacement can be found.

A search committee has not been formed yet, but McDaniel says one will be formed as soon as possible.

"A search advisory committee in the English department will be elected at the opening fall faculty meeting," McDaniel said.

The committee will come up with a list of prospects after an extensive search. A permanent chairman will be appointed by the president.

McDaniel maintains that the search for a replacement will be comprehensive.

"It's going to take about a year to complete the search, but we should have the chair filled by the fall of 1993."

Ginanni returned Monday from sick leave. He spent a good deal of time with Jackson going over the schedules for the 1992-93 school year.

Ginanni will continue his chair duties until his August resignation date.

Case Study:

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enable them to perform the requirements of the job.

From that point, the committee interviews the applicants and selects two candidates. In the case of the English department, four faculty members applied for the position (Dr. Charles Wolfe, Dr. Charisse Gendron, Dr. Jacquelyn Jackson, and Dr. William Gentry). Two were selected by the committee (Dr. Gentry and Dr. Jackson).

The two candidates interview with the dean, in this case the Liberal Arts dean, Dr. John McDaniel. He selects the final candidate (Dr. Jackson) and recommends that person to Vice President for Academic Affairs James Hindman.

Upon Hindman's approval and that of MTSU President James Walker, Dr. Jackson will take office on Aug. 1.

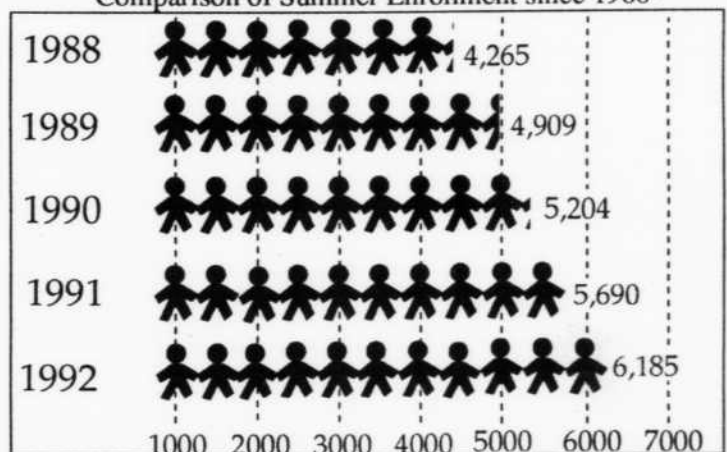
Beginning in the fall, a national search will be conducted by the department committee in the same way the internal search was conducted.

A penalty for applying for the interim position is that anyone who does apply cannot apply for the permanent position.

The graphic details

Summer Enrollment

Comparison of Summer Enrollment since 1988*



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