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Murfreesboro, TN

## Dorm renovations planned for summer

Wesley R. Bush  
Staff Reporter

Students returning to dorm life in the fall may be pleasantly surprised.

Dorm renovations are scheduled to begin on six of the 19 available dorms and several family housing units this summer, marking the beginning of a long-range plan to fix problems as well as update the rooms with new technology. These initial improvements will cost \$2.6 million and are expected to reach a total of \$7 million during the next three years.

"We're working on a housing master plan to submit to the Tennessee Board of Regents," said Debra Sells, director of Residence Life. "The plan simply shows what direction we are trying to go with housing and what we are trying to accomplish."

Sells said the board would not have to accept the plan but is a necessary step in the process to obtain approval for the work.

The bathrooms of Lyon, McHenry, Monohan, Smith, Wood and Felder Halls will be completely renovated this summer until the beginning of fall semester.

About half of the family housing apartments are scheduled to receive repairs on roofs, stairs and outer windows.

Housing and Residential Life will take advantage of the renovation time to install Ethernet connections in each dorm room, including the Scarlett Commons Apartments. The connections will allow faster access to the Internet and operate independently of standard telephone lines.

Unlike the library or other academic buildings, dorms are not funded by the state. To finance living quarters, the university must buy state bonds and repay them over a span of



Julius DeBerry plays the piano in the Corlew lobby as Sequoya Greer watches. The Corlew lobby is a popular hangout space for students.

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20 to 30 years, depending on the amount of the bonds purchased.

"We could have some of the finest dorms ever built," said Sells, "but then no one could afford to live in them. Likewise, we could make the rent extremely cheap but the buildings would be falling down."

"What we try to do is create the right balance between the two," she said.

Last March two dorm halls, Abernathy and Ezell, were closed because of unsafe condi-

tions caused by deteriorating concrete. The dorms, built in 1973, were constructed with a certain type of stone that absorbs water and slowly loses its foundation.

More than 300 students were forced to move into other dorms within three days and protested the early evacuation. MTSU extended the time allowed for the residents to move but did not permit refunds.

Other changes will also be in affect at the beginning of the fall

semester. Gracy and Beasley, dorm halls that were previously all male, will house female students.

Mary and Sims Hall will be available for private occupants. Typically dorms are reserved for two or three students, but now it will be possible to pay an additional charge to live without a roommate.

Another significant alteration of residential life is the First Year Experience program. An increase in students participat-

ing in the program has brought the need for an additional dorm hall to house freshmen students.

Corlew Hall will join Cummings in providing for these students, forcing others to choose an alternate dorm.

"I was pretty upset," said Maggie Morgan, a senior theater major who has lived in Corlew since her freshman year. "They didn't give people enough notice for the meeting about this."

In both first-year halls, three



Corlew Hall is scheduled to join Cummings Hall as a first year experience dorm.

floors will be designated for females and three will be for males.

About 21 percent of MTSU students live on campus and that percentage is expected to increase in the future.

"During fall semester," said Sells, "we typically operate at 96 percent to full capacity. The spring semester we may have a few less because of people that graduate in December."

Solutions for the problem at Ezell and Abernathy are still being discussed by MTSU and contractors. The question is whether to spend money to completely renovate the old dorms or spend extra money to demolish them and erect new buildings.

A fence will be constructed around the two dorms this summer to prevent possible hazards which may result from people walking throughout the weakened building. ■

## Students win journalism awards

Staff Reports

MTSU students won seven awards at the Southeast Journalism Conference convention last weekend.

The contest was for material published or broadcast in 1999.

Lesli Bales was awarded a first-place prize for her Honors thesis on the leadership of women editors in Tennessee newsrooms.

Bales, who graduated in December, was "Sidelines" editor in chief in the fall 1999 semester.

"Sidelines" received an honorable mention for best opinions-editorial section, awarded to the opinions staff of the fall 1999 semester.

Angela White was the opinions editor, and Becky Curtis was the graphic designer.

"Sidelines" Sports Co-Editor Josh Ezzell received an honorable mention for best sports

game story.

Zack Millican and Randall Ford won first place in the television news story category for a story broadcast on MTTV Channel 10.

Ford, the editor of "Sidelines" and a news intern at WMOT-FM, won first- and second-place prizes in the radio news story category.

Ford was also given a third-place award in the on-site competition in writing for radio.

The winners were recognized at the SEJC annual convention, held Feb. 17-19 at Georgia College and State University in Milledgeville, Ga.

SEJC has member colleges and universities from seven states.

MTSU's faculty delegates to SEJC are Glenn Himebaugh, professor of journalism, and Jenny Tenpenny Crouch, Student Publications director. ■



Staff Photo

John Pleas Award winner, Gloria Bonner, Dean for the college of Education and Behavioral Science gives an acceptance speech.

## Officials dodge explanation of two deaths

DURHAM, N.C. (TMS) — Students and faculty at Duke University are criticizing administrators for failing to acknowledge immediately that alcohol played a role in the death of a student in November.

Administrators started discussing the student's death openly only last week after a second student survived a similar illness linked to excessive drinking. Officials' failure to disclose what they knew when they knew it appears to stem from a desire to preserve the

university's image and undermines the institution's insistence that it takes excessive alcohol consumption seriously, critics say.

Duke officials say they declined to discuss the cause of Raheem Bath's death in November out of respect for his family. Bath passed out after having too much to drink and inhaled his own vomit, which led to a bacterial infection in his lungs known as aspiration pneumonia. Bath, a junior from Narberth, Pa., was hospitalized

four days and died six days after that. Duke's newspaper, based on information provided by university officials, stated only that Bath died from pneumonia.

Administrators started speaking openly about the cause of Bath's death only a couple of weeks ago when a second student fell ill after her inhaling her vomit during a heavy night of drinking. The woman, whose name has not been released, sought medical help right away and has recovered from the illness.

Duke missed a "teachable

moment" by initially withholding details of Bath's death, William DeJong, director of the Higher Education Center for Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention, told The Chronicle of Higher Education. "That was a time to remind students that the majority of college students are responsible, but that there are consequences that those who are not responsible can anticipate if they don't change their behavior." ■

## Arizona rejects plan to ban coed dormitories

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. (TMS) — College students in Arizona are breathing sighs of relief that state legislators rejected a proposal to ban coed dormitories and alcohol on public campuses throughout the state.

State Rep. Jean McGrath, a republican from Maricopa County, proposed House Bill 2594 because she said she wanted to "restore a sense of sanity on college campuses."

If the bill had been

approved, it also would have banned alcohol from public college campuses in Arizona — including for students of legal drinking age.

Legislators rejected the bill Tuesday, prompting cheers from students around the state.

"This legislation epitomized big-brother government and grossly micro-managed the university system," said Paul Peterson, student body president of Northern Arizona University. ■

## UT elections to be held online

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (TMS) — There will be no more bubble sheets to fill out or waiting in line to vote in student elections for students at the University of Tennessee.

To encourage higher voter turnout, student government officials announced that all elections would be held online this year. Students will be able to vote on the UT Web page, and no polling booths will be used.

Many students are con-

cerned about the new system, insisting it should have been phased in more gradually. They're also concerned about hackers, but proponents of the online voting say they have nothing to worry about.

"But we really have done our homework and are confident this is going to work," Rose Indriolo, the election commissioner, told the Beacon.

Online voting is also much less expensive than traditional polling booths, she said. ■

## Firefighters rescue bound student

PULLMAN, Wash. (TMS) — Firefighters putting out a blaze in Washington State University's Sigma Nu fraternity house rescued a student bound and barricaded in a room for what appeared to be the purposes of hazing, university officials said.

No one was injured in the blaze, which started Saturday when a candle ignited curtains

and left the residence uninhabitable. The fraternity's 60 residents are being moved to the house of another fraternity that has been disbanded.

Firefighters found the student bound by duct tape as they searched each room to ensure everyone had left the building.

University officials said hazing is strictly prohibited. ■



# Five college athletes killed in highway accidents this year

Avani Patel  
Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — They were young enough to enjoy the thrill of competition. Young enough to enjoy the camaraderie of being on a college athletic team. Young enough to play as hard as they worked, to live life to the fullest. And definitely too young to die.

Senior Molly Hatcher, a swimmer at Kenyon College and a graduate of Evanston Township High School, was killed Jan. 13 when the van she was traveling in hit a patch of ice, skidded and flipped. She was returning with her teammates from a training trip to Florida.

Four weeks later, four Prairie View A&M track athletes — Houston Watson, Jerome Jackson, Samuel Sturns and Vernon James II — died when the van they were in veered out of control and rolled over as its driver tried to avoid an oncoming vehicle. They were on their way to Pine Bluff, Ark., for an indoor track meet.

Since the beginning of January, at least five college athletes have been killed while traveling with their teams. Several more have been seriously injured.

And though adverse road



Photo by Barbara Davidson

Prairie View A&M students (left to right) Cicelia Como, 20, Davida Vasser, 24, and April Pinkston, 20, pay their respects to four of their friends, who were killed in a car accident on East Texas highway.

conditions may have contributed to the accidents, the real culprits, according to safety advocates, may be the vehicles in which the athletes were riding.

All of the athletes were traveling in the 11- to 15-passenger

vans commonly used by high schools and colleges to transport students.

It is a case of simple economics. The vans are inexpensive to buy and inexpensive to operate. A used van can be had for \$5,000 to \$8,000, said Robert

Christian, acting state director for pupil transport in Wisconsin. Chartering a bus for a weeklong training trip can easily equal that cost. But, in an attempt to save money, schools

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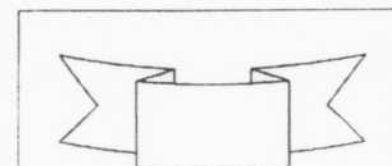
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## On Campus

To submit an announcement for On Campus, come by the James Union Building Room 308. Due to limited space, some announcements with later dates may be held.

### Feb. 24

The June Anderson Women's Center is sponsoring a free legal clinic on January 24 from 7-9 p.m. The clinic is available to all MTSU students, faculty and staff (men are also welcome). Appointments to speak with an attorney can be made by calling Candi Russell at 898-2193. Space is limited.

### Feb. 24 / March 10

The General Studies Committee will be holding a series of open forums to give feedback before a final version of the General Studies Mission Statement is drafted. The meetings will be at Feb. 8 from 2-3 p.m. in PH, Room 109A, Feb. 24 from 2:30-3:30 p.m. in DSB, Room 100 and March 10 from 1:30-2:30 p.m. in BAS, Room S126. For more information, call Bill Bradley, director of general studies, at 898-8416.

### Feb. 25

Entries for the Society of Professional Journalists Green Eyeshade Excellence in Journalism awards are due. Print and broadcast journalists may enter. For more information, call Kevin Koelling at 898-8193.

### Feb. 26

Campus Recreation is sponsoring a trip to the Nashville Predators vs. Tampa Bay Lightning hockey game for MTSU's disabled students from 4:30 p.m. to around midnight. A pre-game meeting will be held at the Campus Recreation Center at 4:00 p.m. Contact

Molly or Ray at 898-2104 for more information.

Japan-US Program of MTSU is presenting Dr. Donald Smith of University of Alabama for a lecture titled "Japanese Relations With Asia" at 5:30 p.m. in the Jade Dragon Restaurant, 1433 Memorial Blvd. The dinner/lecture will cost \$7.95 per adult person. For more information, call 898-2229.

### Feb. 28

Indian Culture Association (ICA) is holding a general interest meeting in KUC, Room 313 at 4:15 p.m. For more information, contact Smita Patel at (931)684-3101.

### Feb. 29

Campus Recreation is hosting a free-throw and 3-point contest. Participants may sign up prior to event at the Campus Recreation Center or on Court 1 on the day of the contest. Contact Chris Gravlee at 898-2104 for more information.

### March 1

Deadline for scholarship applications are due for Fall 2000 and Spring 2001.

### March 3-5

Campus Recreation is hosting a backpacking and rappelling trip to Sipsey Wilderness, Ala. A pre-trip meeting will be held at the Campus Recreation Center March 1 at 5 p.m. Contact Mitch, Sean or Karolyn at 898-2104 for more information.

### March 9

Campus Recreation and Human Services is sponsoring a Nutrition and Fitness Awareness Fair from 1-4 p.m. in the Campus Rec Lounge. Find out your body composition, weight, blood pressure, flexibility and cardiovascular fitness. Nutritional and fitness educational materials will be available to all participants. For more information, call Jerry or Allison at 898-2104.

### March 14

Campus Recreation is sponsoring a bench press contest. Participants must register by March 10. The cost is \$5 for individuals and \$10 for teams (five to a team). Contact Allison or Jerry at 898-2104 for more information.

### March 15 & 16

Two faculty open forums are scheduled to be held in BAS, State Farm Lecture Hall, Room S102/204 at 1:30 p.m. The faculty is encouraged to attend these meetings to discuss faculty issues or other university matters of interest.

### March 25-31

The Campus Recreation Center will host a ski summit to Colorado for spring break. There will be a pre-trip meeting on March 14. Two price packages are available. A \$200 deposit will reserve a spot. For more information, call Mitch, Sean or W.T. at 898-2104.

### March 25-April 2

Outdoor Pursuits is hosting a raft, canoe and funyack trip of

the Rio Grande. The cost is \$199 for students with a limit of 15 participants. For more information, call W.T. at 898-2104.

### Ongoing

The Lambda Association welcomes gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered and straight students to general interest meetings every Tuesday at 7 p.m. in BAS, Room S301. Contact Tony Gowell at 867-3658 for more information.

Cyber Cafe at Woodmore presents "Open Mic Night" every Monday from 7:30-10:30 p.m.

The MTSU Peer Education Program is currently accepting new members. Credit hours are available. Applications may be picked up in KUC, Room 303, or call 898-5453 for more information.

The June Anderson Women's Center will be hosting a weekly support meeting, "Women: Food and Body Image," Tuesdays in the CKNB, Room 124 at 3:15 p.m. The group is also holding meetings on Thursdays titled "Looking Forward" at the same time and call Mary Glantz at 898-5725.

The Student Pagan Organization holds meetings every Thursday in the second floor lounge of the KUC at 7 p.m. Anyone interested in Wicca, Paganism, Shamanism or any other alternative spiritu-

ality is welcome. For more information, contact John Bryan at 907-3328.

Raider Victory Ministry and Champions for Christ are holding weekly Bible meetings on Mondays at 7 p.m. in Scarlett Commons, Room 317. Contact Delvin Pikes at 896-2348 for more information. They are also holding worship services on Sundays at 10 a.m. in AMG Alumni Gym. The service is open to students, faculty and the community. For more information, contact Delvin Pikes at 896-2348.

The MTSU Crime Stoppers Board is currently looking for people interested in joining its Board of Directors, especially graduate and undergraduate students. If you are a full-time student or employee at MTSU and wish to apply for one of these openings, please pick up an application at either the campus police department or KUC 303.

Students for Environmental Action invite all students to weekly meetings every Wed. at 6 p.m. in Peck Hall, Room 201. For more information, e-mail Lori Bruner greenmind@home.com.

Part-time campus jobs are available in food service, catering, concessions, student patrol and dispatch. Students interested in information should contact the Placement and Student Employment Center in KUC, Room 328.

## Supreme Court to face big issues

Jan Crawford Greenburg  
Chicago Tribune

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Supreme Court returns to the bench Tuesday to face some of the most contentious issues of our time, including abortion, gay rights, public prayer and the rights of criminal defendants.

As the nine justices end a monthlong winter break, an extraordinary term of arguments and opinions is taking shape. For the next four months, they will delve into a litany of emotionally charged matters with important implications for the daily lives of Americans.

"When you see the number of cases, the range of issues and the significance of the decisions, this is the most significant term in at least a generation — maybe two generations," said Mark Levy, a Washington attorney and Supreme Court practitioner. "I can't overestimate the historical importance, both to legal doctrine and the practical effect on business and everyday people."

Those cases include challenges to so-called "partial birth abortion" laws and a dispute over whether patients can sue HMOs under federal law, as well as whether a student can

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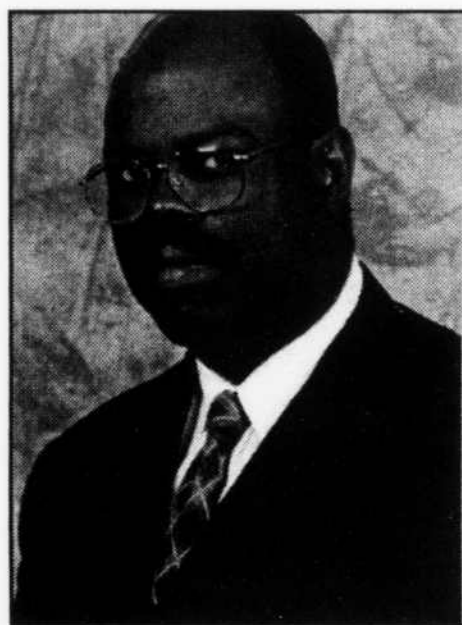


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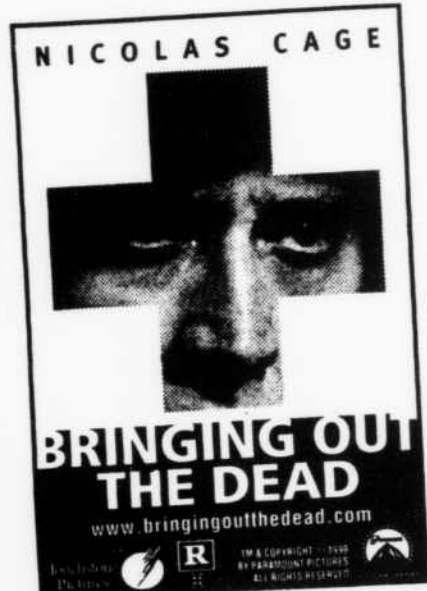
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## Death: Student athletes face danger of travel

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may be putting their students at risk.

"Structurally, they are not safe," said Alvida Petro, state director of pupil transportation and a member of the Illinois State Board of Education. "They are a box-type vehicle. They are not designed to transport people. They are not going to withstand the strenuous consequences of flipping over, rolling over."

There are measures in place to curb the use of vans at elementary and secondary schools.

"It is against federal law for a dealership to sell, lease or rent (11- to 15-passenger vans) to a school district knowing it will be used for the transportation of students grade 12 or below," Petro said.

No such standards exist for the transport of college students.

The NCAA has rules for everything from whether student-athletes can hold part-time jobs to with whom they can associate. But it provides no funding and no guidelines on transportation.

"The only travel we actually oversee is during the championships," NCAA public information coordinator Laronica Conway said.

Conway said the NCAA has no plans to begin regulating travel, even in light of the recent fatalities. "We'll look into whatever it is the schools want to do," she said.

Justin Karpinos, a Kenyon freshman who was injured in the crash that killed Hatcher, said it might be time for the NCAA to take a more hands-on role. "It is something I would like to see them look into and see if there's not something we can do about this," he said. "It may not be the NCAA's place to investigate. But it is something that should be looked into."

The National Transportation Safety Board does not keep separate statistics on crashes involving the type of vans in question. But in a June 1999 special investigation, the NTSB warned that transporting students in vans compromises safety.

"The children transported in those vehicles were not afforded the same level of protection as children transported on school buses or buses built to equivalent standards," the report concluded. The NTSB recommended that all vehicles used to transport more than 10 students be required to meet the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards, structural and design guidelines that apply to school buses.

But those recommendations are not expected to have any impact on college policies. Colleges are not covered by transportation law that applies to elementary and secondary schools. And those recommendations would be prohibitively expensive for many schools to implement.

"These vans are really the only things they can afford," said Don Montgomery, who is in group sales with Hemisphere Charter Coaches, a local travel agency.

Adding to the safety concerns is the fact that students rarely wear seat belts on these journeys. Hatcher, who was thrown from the van as it tumbled, was not wearing her seat belt, Kenyon College news director Shawn Presley said. According to fellow passenger Karpinos, it was not an option.

"We were really packed in as far as luggage was concerned. The seat belt for me was impractical. It was impossible to get to," he said. "That's not a decision I'm happy with. I've made it a point to wear my seat belt religiously since the accident."

Karpinos, who suffered a separated shoulder in the crash, is

finished competing for the season. He and his teammates will not have to worry about van safety for the remainder of the year.

"The college has decided that all student groups who are taking trips for the rest of the semester are going in buses with professional drivers," Karpinos said. Kenyon rented a bus to transport Hatcher's swim team compatriots to Evanston for her funeral in January.

Prairie View, too, has changed its transportation policy in light of the accident. "If you go over 120 miles, you have to use commercial services. The vans won't be used as much," said Ryan McGinty, sports editor of the college newspaper.

But because of the cost of hiring buses and drivers, Karpinos does not expect the current policy to stay in effect at Kenyon.

"We are going to have to travel in vans," he said.

Christian, the Wisconsin transportation expert, explained the finances. In addition to being inexpensive, vans have no regulations covering how far or how long they can be driven. Under federal law, commercial bus drivers can't be on duty for more than 10 hours at a time. Because the vans seat fewer than 16 passengers, anyone with a driver's license can drive them. The driving duty usually is handled by assistant coaches or students, who can drive all day and all night.

The vans can be rebuilt into vehicles that provide the same protection as school buses for about \$8,000 to \$9,000, Christian said. But that amount, added to the cost of a new van — "You'd start new if you were going to rebuild it into a school bus," Christian said — can easily push the price tag to \$35,000 and higher. That is more than some schools can afford, he said.

Charlie Gauthier, executive director of the National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services, a safety advocacy group, said that transportation is the first corner to be cut when schools balance their budgets.

Jeffrey Kroll, a partner of personal-injury lawyer Robert Clifford at Clifford Law Offices in Chicago, agreed.

"Schools aren't concerned with safety as much as they are concerned about getting these student athletes from Point A to Point B in as cheap a manner as they can," Kroll said. "I don't know how many deaths or catastrophic injuries it's going to take to wake up some governing body, be it the NCAA, a conference or even a college."

Carolyn Karpinos, Justin's mother and a lawyer, doesn't expect one at Kenyon, but "I wouldn't be surprised if there is a lawsuit somewhere," she said.

Presley said Kenyon has convened a committee to examine whether more transportation guidelines are warranted. At the time of the accident, any member of a Kenyon team could drive the team van, provided he or she had a driver's license from the state of Ohio. Presley said Kenyon encourages seat-belt use, but "we can't be there to make sure they buckle up."

Presley disputed the notion that safety was compromised to save money. "Money is not really an issue for us when it comes to safety," he said. "We're certainly going to consider using the vans that meet the federal-safety standards."

Even with safety standards in place, it may be impossible to prevent all accidents. The Kenyon van, for instance, hit a patch of black ice.

"We always made an effort to drive slower (in the vans)," Karpinos said. "We were just victims of circumstance."

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# Court: Supreme Court to discuss gay rights, abortion again

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pray over loudspeakers before a football game, whether police must still read suspects Miranda warnings or whether the Boy Scouts can exclude homosexuals as troop leaders.

And the justices will be producing decisions on other hot-button matters they took up earlier in the term, which began last October, including grandparents' rights, federal regulation of tobacco, nude dancing, federal aid to religious schools and limits on adult programming on cable television.

What's more, beyond the dramatic, real-world issues, the court is developing and refining theories on Congress' power in relation to that of the states. It has several cases that could limit Congress' role, including one involving the Violence Against Women Act, which authorizes victims of gender-based violence to sue their attackers.

The court is grappling with high-profile cases in virtually every major area, including freedom of speech, religion and association, as well as in criminal law, individual rights and business regulation.

Under the 1st Amendment, for example, the court is reviewing restrictions on nude dancing

and abortion protests, as well as whether, in a case involving the Playboy Channel, the government can limit adult-oriented cable television programming in order to protect children. It also has major cases involving whether public universities can use mandatory student fees to fund groups some students oppose and whether the government can provide computer equipment to religious schools.

And it will examine an interesting political case that asks whether California's primary system, in which voters can cross party lines and vote at will, runs afoul of those same association rights.

There are weighty constitutional issues involving individual rights, such as a grandparent's right to seek visitation and a woman's right to the disputed abortion procedure. And there are criminal law cases, too, which, taken together, could give police much more power to stop and question.

"So far, this is a term that probably has more important cases — not any single landmark case, but more truly important cases — than any term I can remember," said Yale Law School professor Akhil Amar.

That sets the term apart from other significant sessions which

were known for one landmark case, such as the 1991-1992 term, when the justices refused to abandon the principles of Roe vs. Wade.

Also noteworthy, Amar observed, is that the court is already rolling out high-profile opinions. Typically, the justices save the most controversial decisions for late June, just before they close up shop and leave town. But already, they've issued key rulings that, for example, allowed states to limit campaign contributions and, in a Chicago case, permitted police to stop and frisk people who run away upon seeing an officer.

The court also issued two important state's rights rulings. One was a victory for states, holding that they can't be sued by employees seeking damages under federal age discrimination laws. The other was a defeat, holding that Congress had the authority to prohibit state officials from selling personal information off drivers' licenses, a lucrative practice that brought millions of dollars to state treasuries in some instances.

Other states' rights cases still are awaiting decision or argument that could further scale back Congress' power to make states accountable under federal law. There are cases, too, involving complex questions of when

federal law preempts state law, including one involving air bags.

"Because there are so many big cases coming down, I think they have realized they can't bunch up in June. They can't get done," Amar said. "Their plate's only so big, but they keep going for more. So they've got to keep clearing things off the table."

Observers say it's partly a coincidence that the court is grappling with such momentous issues this term. But they say there are other reasons, too.

John Roberts Jr., a Washington, D.C., lawyer who argues frequently before the court, said "to a large degree, it's just chance." But he suggested that the court also feels more comfortable taking controversial cases than in recent years, when it had very few.

"I get the sense that when there are new appointees to a court, the entire court tends to tread a little more cautiously until they get a feel for the new appointees," Roberts said. "Now you've had a situation where they've been together as a group for a longer time, and maybe they all feel more comfortable taking on some of the more difficult questions."

This is the fifth term the court has worked together. The most recent appointee, Justice

Stephen Breyer, was appointed by President Clinton in 1994. Clinton appointed Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg in 1993.

Levy also noted that the court's lineup of cases is controlled, partly, by what the lower courts do. For example, the justices had little choice but to get involved when the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 4th Circuit ruled that Miranda vs. Arizona, which requires police officers to read criminal suspects their rights, no longer was the law of the land.

And some of the cases are follow-ups to earlier Supreme Court rulings, Levy said. When the court ruled in 1995 that Congress lacked authority to pass the Gun Free School Zones Act, lower courts applied the reasoning to other federal laws, including the Violence Against Women Act. The justices now are deciding whether the 4th Circuit ruled correctly, that Congress also went too far when it passed the Violence Against Women Act.

Whatever the reasons, it all adds up to high drama at the Supreme Court.

"I don't know if in the past they've shied away from hot-button topics," said Roberts. "But they're certainly not doing that this year." ■



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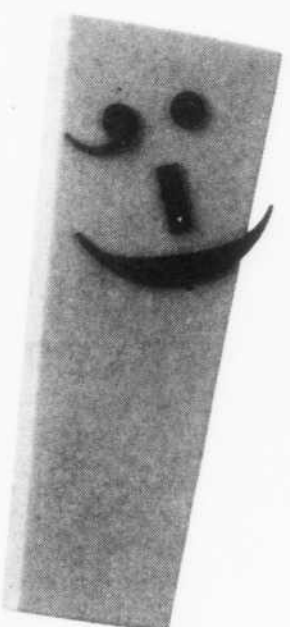
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# OPINIONS

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## From the Editor All speech should be tolerated

It seems we're all for rights — except for those of others. I think it's because of paranoia and self-indulgence.

A story on page 9 discusses the battle sparked by a Christian banner at a Texas university.

The school's new pagan organization apparently feels the sign is a protest to its own sidewalk chalkings.

This is the opposite of the freedom-of-speech cries we usually hear, wherein minority members of our Christian-dominated society claim their voices are hushed because they oppose public opinion.

The principle, however, is the same: The pagan group needs to

let other organizations express their views.

U.S. Representative Henry Hyde (R-Ill.) was right in 1991 when he made note of how freedom-of-speech rights, provided for through the First Amendment to the Constitution, are universal across the board.

"Free speech is meaningless unless it tolerates the speech that we hate," Hyde said.

If the Wiccan organization is ever denied the right to hang a similar banner, or if such an action is met by stronger opposition from other groups on campus, there is a case to be made that the group is not getting equal attention.

But that's not happened.

In fact, administrators at Stephen F. Austin State University have taken a huge leap forward, allowing the pagan group to declare itself an official organization and even advertise its meetings.

Some schools might view those as controversial moves at a traditionally conservative university.

Students in the Wiccan organization forced themselves into the "marketplace of ideas" universities seem proud of.

But then they turned it into a flea market.

Randall Ford

## Letters to the Editor

### Prof responds to GPA gripes, poor manners

I want to respond to a couple of items that I saw on the Opinions page of the Feb. 21 "Sidelines."

The first goes to Craig Dulniak, Senior Advertising Major, concerning his letter to the editor "No GPA Satisfaction."

Mr. Dulniak is correct in believing that it is possible that GPAs can be reduced by the plus/minus grading system.

It is also possible that GPAs can be artificially increased by awarding C+ for C level work, B- for C+ work and so on. I think that the majority of professors have a difficult enough

time assigning grades of A, B, C, etc., and I don't believe many of them will bother with the plus/minus business.

I know I won't be bothering with it.

Perhaps the simplest thing to do is to ask your professors whether they will be using the plus/minus system for grading. At least then you will have an idea of what to expect.

The second response is to R. Colin Fly's "Common Good" column.

I agree with Mr. Fly, that the driver who was speeding, and who then backed up so that he could have an argument with

the pedestrian, was certainly irresponsible.

What I can't fathom is why Mr. Fly seems to be concerned with whether or not the driver was a faculty member. If you break the law you need to be put into the system.

Being a "poor" college student or a "tenured" professor is irrelevant.

Did anyone note the license number of the car?

Did they provide this information to the university police?

If not, why not? If they did, what was the outcome?

A common student complaint is that faculty on campus

have little regard for the students.

On the other hand, it is my observation that some (certainly not all, but just a few) students on campus need a course in basic manners.

Perhaps there is room for improvement on all sides.

It seems to me that there is too much attention focused on "faculty prerogatives" and "student rights," and too little attention given to the responsibilities of both groups.

Terrence A. Lee  
Associate Professor of  
Chemistry

## Views from the Crowd

by R. Colin Fly, Opinions Editor

### Letting Go

Parents just don't understand

"Hi son, how are you today?"  
"Good mom, how are you?"  
"Good. We need to talk to you about spring break."

"OK."  
"We just haven't had a chance to talk yet."

"OK. . . . Would you like to talk now?"

"No. Not really. Why don't we talk later?"

"Um. . . OK, bye Mom."

Later that afternoon I went home to my computer to find three e-mail messages from mom. One more message appeared on my answering machine. Of those messages, none of them had anything relevant to say.

Dad called later. That makes six parental contacts in a 24-hour period less than one month until my teenage years are over.

I remember Will Smith, "The Fresh Prince," had the song called "Parents Just Don't Understand." My parents never did. They never will.

Don't get me wrong, I love my parents, but they're out of touch.

You see, I moved out almost three years ago to embark on the college experience. I left the nest and moved to the bright blue college landscape. My parents tried to move with me.

There are two types of parents in the world: Those who seemingly do not care and those who care way, way, way too much.

I never experienced the first kind, but I could write a dissertation on the second.

One of the problems is that my parents live less than an hour away. It's a local phone call, one they make a lot.

The second problem is that they bribe me. Maybe I shouldn't take the bribes, but I have to face the music. I'm a poor college student who will take any free handout I can get. The Campus Coupon book might as well be the college bible for me.

Other friends talk of similar horror stories.

"Why are you going there, you're just wasting money."

"Why would you date him?"

"Can't you make better grades?"

"She's probably cheating on you."

"When I was your age I was [insert lame story here]."

Parents. The pinnacle of everything great in society. Um, yeah right.

The sad part is that our parents were tormented by our grandparents. It is a vicious cycle. Parents just don't understand. ■

## Suntrust ID policy almost 'criminal'

Luke Waack  
Contributor

I was an account holder at the Suntrust branch for about a year. It was a nice place to bank. Then all that changed.

While on Christmas vacation in Reno, NV, I lost my wallet. It contained my credit cards, social security card, birth certificate and my photo I.D. My checkbook was absent-mindedly left at my brother's house, also while I was on vacation, in Davenport, Iowa.

When I returned to Murfreesboro I tried to gain access to my account. On Jan. 14, I explained my situation to Suntrust employee Beth Utz. She listened to what I had to say and sympathized with me. Unfortunately, without a state-issued I.D. or a social security card, she said I could not have access to my account.

Beth and I talked about several solutions to the problem. We agreed that I should try to get copies of my social security card and driver's license from a past employer.

I went to my previous employer and obtained copies of my driver's license, social security card and a letter from the Social Security Administration with my social security number on it.

The copy of my license was faint and illegible. The other documents were in perfect condition. Unfortunately, since I had no money, no car, not even thirty-five cents to make a phone call, I was not able to travel and obtain photo identification.

I returned to the bank on Jan. 18 with all the information from my employer and a sense of hope. Once again I spoke with Ms. Utz. She looked at all the information I had obtained. She informed me that unfortunately she still needed a photo I.D. to grant me access to my account.

By this point I was frustrated and upset. Michael Miller was the branch manager at the time. Instead of having a discussion with Mr. Miller about my situation, I was left out in the lobby while Ms. Utz told Mr. Miller her side of the story.

Mr. Miller seemed disinterested in my perspective even after I walked into his office and introduced myself. He didn't ask me any questions, nor did he make me feel like my patronage was

welcome at the bank. Mr. Miller and Ms. Utz treated me like I was a problem instead of a person.

Mr. Miller suggested that we try to obtain my signature card. A signature card is the bank's copy of your signature they take when you open an account. Mr. Miller said that we could use this to identify me. I was thankful for a solution and my hope was renewed.

That was until, after several more minutes of waiting, Ms. Utz informed me that they had no record of my signature. The bank had lost my signature card. This was the final straw.

I wanted to scream.

I just couldn't handle the fact that my own bank treated me like a criminal. There was little doubt that I was who I said I was. It was obvious that I was not some shyster trying to rob a college student. Nonetheless, I was sent away.

The feeling was one of hurt, dejection, damn near heartbreak. I lay on the couch, unable to move. I don't know what got me up out of that puddle of self-pity. Maybe it was the SPAM; maybe it was my will.

Whatever it was, it carried me to the Murphy Center.

There, with the last of my spirit and sanity hanging in a delicate balance, I obtained a student I.D. An I.D. that I did not think I would be able to get. An I.D. that the bank told me they would not accept. It was my last hope.

I crossed the street almost skipping along with renewed spirit. I didn't stop until I hit the cashier's desk.

This girl, Christy, greeted me with a smile. She looked at my information, and right away she took my I.D. to Mr. Miller.

Mr. Miller told her to tell me that it was okay, but just this once. Like I was getting off easy or something. The nerve!

I was a man again. The next day I got my driver's license with the information that my bank would not accept.

The day after that I closed my account with Suntrust.

I want to bank with a place that doesn't make me feel like a criminal. I want a bank that accepts responsibility when they make a mistake.

But mostly, I want a bank that is friendly and helpful. It has been my experience that the MTSU branch of Suntrust is not such a bank. ■

## Get Haskew out of MTSU's hair

I'm having a hard time understanding why there is a front page article in the Feb. 21 issue of "Sidelines" praising Barbara Haskew.

There have been several articles and comments in the past few weeks suggesting that she is a major supporter of the grade system change on this campus.

The view I have gotten is that she is unresponsive and uncaring to the thoughts of the students on this issue.

If this is so, why are we the students printing an article suggesting that she is a good candidate for presidency at NIU? Is it because we will be getting her out of our hair, or is it because we are two-faced and don't stand up for what we believe in?

If she is truly an advocate for change in our university that will hurt the students and that are against our wishes, the article should have been worded differently.

We should be warning NIU of her actions here instead of inflating her attributes so they will take her off our hands.

If she is president, she can do more damage than she has done here.

As students, we should stick together and think of the welfare of NIU if they choose her, and advise against it.

Heather Ham  
Business  
Management Major



## Disney screws up again with Tigger movie

Adam Shiver  
University of Central Florida

Well, Disney is doing it again. Causing controversy that is.

I recently visited my friendly neighborhood movie theater to catch a film.

I grabbed my snacks and headed to my seat just in time for previews, one of my favorite things about the whole show. As the previews progressed, I noticed one for Disney's recently released animated film, "A Tigger Movie."

As the preview started, my ears perked up at the sound of one of my favorite bands playing background music for this new Disney children's movie. I immediately recognized the catchy intro to Third Eye

Blind's hit single "Semi-Charmed Life."

In just a few seconds, the song's lyrics really sank in. They're very focused on sex and drugs.

In the first verse alone lead singer Steven Jenkins refers to oral sex and taking drugs through the nose.

The song also alludes to crystal balls and how to take it.

While many of my college friends and I love this band, there's little doubt that this song in particular is sorely inappropriate for a children's movie — or even a preview advertising one.

I'm not sure what Disney was thinking when they picked this tune for a trailer, but one thing is certain: they're only hanging themselves by doing so.

After all, people have already

gotten riled over some of their last films. Rumors still abound that that's a penis pictured on the cover art of "The Little Mermaid" and that animators spelled the word "sex" in clouds swirling throughout "The Lion King."

There have also been plenty of people noticing just how well endowed and shapely some of Disney's leading animated, female characters have been.

Does the company do this stuff on purpose? You'd think they'd be more careful given the questions that have been raised in the not-so-recent past.

Then again, after hearing Third Eye Blind's music used to peddle a children's film, maybe I'm giving Disney too much credit for maintaining its high standards for family entertainment. ■

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## For the health of it

by Autumn N. Spence, staff columnist

## Smooch for self-esteem



Kissing within an intimate relationship boosts self-esteem, according to Ellen K. Slicker, associate professor of psychology.

"We base our self-esteem on how others react to us, and when someone that you love kisses you, it validates that you are worthy of love," Slicker said.

Research also suggests that a positive attitude improves the body's immune defenses.

In this case, a kiss a day really can keep the doctor away.

"It's like a hug — it makes you feel good," said Shandora Dorse, physicians assistant of Student Health Services.

She believes that kissing can relieve tension since it involves deeper breathing and closed eyes.

But don't go kiss-crazy just yet.

Dorse warned that kissing has the potential to spread bacteria and disease, and it changes the PH levels in the mouth, which can contribute to tooth decay.

A good way to prevent excessive exposure to bacteria, disease and the various PH levels involved in a kiss is to stay monogamous.

Another benefit to kissing the same person is the level of creativity that naturally occurs when two individuals are intimate with one another.

Intimacy is not simply physical, but an honest connection between two people resulting in a spiritual experience.

Kaye Payne of the HPERs department said that while kissing is not necessarily a cardiovascular workout, it is an exciting way to boost self-esteem and can help increase the level of happiness by reducing stress, "especially if it's with someone you care about." ■

## Where were students?

### Not many attend Adult Learning in Tennessee conference

Ruth Peltier  
Staff Reporter

I understand that there were supposed to be eight students in attendance, but I only saw five, including me.

Eighty-six people attended the Adult Learning in Tennessee Conference held in the James Union Building Feb. 17 and 18, but very few of them were "adult learners."

Carol Ann Baily, director of Student Affairs, said, "More of our students might have attended if there had been activity fee money available to pay their registration fees," which were \$35 for one day or \$50 for both.

She refused to comment further "because the issue is still under review."

Most of those attending were professionals who work with adult learners as advisers, recruiters, coordinators, counselors and teachers.

The theme of the conference was "Increasing Resilience to Increase Retention."

The participants from public and private universities all over Tennessee came together to share ideas. They discussed

what resilience is and how to help adult learners become more resilient and remain in school long enough to achieve their objectives.

Resilience, according to the speakers, is the ability to bounce back from problems.

"An adult who returns to school needs to be elastic," said Meredith Anne Higgs, instructor of developmental studies.

The aspiring student is pulled in every direction by spouse, children, home and job responsibilities, while also re-learning how to study.

Tim Crowley, a counselor at Missouri Western State College and the keynote speaker at the luncheon both days, gave two very entertaining presentations on recognizing and increasing one's own resilience and encouraging others to develop resilience.

He insisted on audience participation, and participants shared their feelings one-on-one with a randomly selected partner.

Crowley believes that there are three essential components of emotional resiliency: capacity, flexibility and recuperation.

"Capacity," Crowley said, "is

the ability to respond to problems appropriately."

The resilient person does not "blow things out of proportion, but neither does he or she insist 'nothing bothers me. I'm fine.'"

Crowley defined flexibility as the "ability to adapt to the stress of change, transition and the unpredictable."

"Recuperation," he maintained, "involves the willingness to learn some form of active relaxation."

He suggested exercise, reading or meditation.

Three sessions specifically targeted students rather than professionals.

MTSU adult students Pam Sheldon and Ed Woodall, as well as Regina Hudson from the University of Tennessee-Martin, led a panel discussion called "Sticking It Out."

They presented first-hand tips on how to survive a difficult class, a horrible semester or a personal crisis, and still remain in school.

Higgs presented a student session dealing with developing resilience, especially as it deals with math anxiety.

She radiated cheerfulness and enthusiasm both while pre-

sending her material and when talking to students between the sessions.

The third session for students was a fascinating look at online classes and their use with adult learners, presented by Bob Denney and Belinda Patterson from East Carolina University.

East Carolina has just recently started offering online courses, and they already have 320 classes online.

Another highlight of the conference was a multimedia presentation by Baily that compared the traits of adult learners with the traits of coyotes.

She opened with information about the natural characteristics of coyotes and the Indian legends concerning them, then illustrated her lecture with Wyle E. Coyote cartoons.

She commended Wyle E. Coyote's never-give-up attitude. However, she pointed out his failure to read the fine print in his attempts to catch the roadrunner and his refusal to ask for help.

She also noted his dogged determination to pursue the roadrunner, although his origi-

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## Wind showcase provides forum

Staff Reports

MTSU will hold the 15th annual Wind Band Conference Feb. 24, 25 and 26.

The conference will include performances by the MTSU Wind Ensemble, the Tennessee Valley Winds and conference bands.

The purpose of the conference is to provide a statewide forum for clinics, which will improve instructional effectiveness for Tennessee instrumental music teachers.

The event will also provide selected students from across the state with an opportunity to perform under the direction of the acclaimed conductors Kenneth Bloomquist and Stanley Michalski.

Thomas Knox, retired composer of the U.S. Marine Band, will also join the conference and conduct his piece "...and grace shall lead me home."

"This conference distinguishes itself from other honor

bands," said Richard Murphy, director of bands at MTSU.

"Because it is funded by the Contest of Champions, an annual marching band contest held at MTSU, the high school students receive this opportunity at no cost."

The MTSU Wind Ensemble will perform at 7 p.m. Feb. 25.

The concert includes works by Mozart, Copland, Grainger, Shaw, Whitacre and featured composer Thomas Knox.

Professor Todd Waldecker will be featured in the Artie Shaw's "Concerto for Clarinet."

The performance will conclude with a multimedia presentation of "Godzilla Eat Vegas!"

The Tennessee Valley Winds will perform at 8 p.m. after the Wind Ensemble. The high school honor bands perform at 2 p.m. Feb. 26.

All performances will be held in the Wright Music Building and are free to the public. ■

## 'We are women and we play drums'



Photo by Robin Wallace | Staff Photographer

Members of "Voices of Africa" performed Monday as a part of Black History month. The workshop featured the history, techniques and style of playing African percussion instruments including the sekere, agogo, sankara and sangba drums.

## 'Millionaire' bride backs out of marriage

David Bauder  
Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — The woman who married a multimillionaire on national TV has something in common with other Las Vegas brides: She woke up shortly after her wedding wondering, "What was I thinking?"

Darva Conger described her odyssey on "Who Wants to Marry a Multimillionaire" as a vacation spun out of control. Now she wants her life back.

"I don't think I was thinking clearly," Conger, 34, a nurse and Gulf War veteran, said on "Good Morning America" Wednesday, a week after marrying a stranger in a television spectacle. "I committed an error in judgment."

A few hours later, her new husband, Rick Rockwell, 42, kissed her on the lips after his television proposal was accepted.

Conger said she was terrified but went along with the wedding because she didn't want to disappoint the show's producers.

She said she only got involved because she wanted a Las Vegas vacation and a chance to wave to her family on TV. Rockwell chose her from among 50 women vying for his nod in bathing suits and wedding gowns.

"Never in a million years did I ever think that I was going to be selected," Conger said. "And somewhere in the back of my mind I thought, OK, if I am selected by the man to be his bride, he's got to take it in the same way that I do. It's a TV show."

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Darva Conger, "Who Wants to Marry a Millionaire" winner

ordinarily have even a friendly relationship with."

She said she was taken aback when Rockwell, 42, kissed her on the lips after his television proposal was accepted.

Conger said she was terrified but went along with the wedding because she didn't want to disappoint the show's producers.

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"Maybe we'll like each other and get along. Maybe we'll even date, but I never in a million years ever thought of it as an actual marriage." Within 36 hours, she said she told Rockwell she wasn't attracted to him

and that the marriage wouldn't work out.

Conger, who gets to keep her diamond wedding ring and was given an Isuzu Trooper and the Caribbean cruise by Fox, said she just wants a normal life again.

"I have worked my whole life to be a credible person, a person of integrity," she said.

"Unfortunately, in two hours I destroyed much of that credibility. And that's one of the reasons that I'm here. I'd like it back."

Conger also found herself enmeshed in a spat between two morning television programs Wednesday.

While she was appearing on "Good Morning America," NBC's "Today" show advertised that Conger would be interviewed after 8 a.m.

"Today" had a car waiting by ABC's studio to whisk her away to NBC, but Conger instead stayed with Sawyer and continued the interview, bypassing "Today."

NBC believes ABC intentionally tried to derail its interview.

"I'm surprised that they would do something like that, but that's OK, because we don't play that way," said "Today" executive producer Jeff Zucker. "In this business, what goes around comes around."

But "Good Morning America" executive producer Shelley Ross said ABC planned all along to keep Conger past 8 a.m.

"Good Morning America" believes NBC was attempting to blunt ABC's exclusive story after ABC paid for Conger's trip.

"Competition is very healthy," Ross said, "but you never want to put your guest in the middle of it."

Conger is scheduled to appear on "Today" Thursday. ■



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# Indiana University student drops 245 pounds with 'Subway Diet'

Aaron Krause  
Indiana University

When registering for a class, most college students carefully consider the quality of its teacher and how it best fits into their major.

Not Indiana University senior Jared Fogle. He had something far different on his mind: the size and durability of the seats in the classroom. Welcome to the life of a 425-pound student.

Well, make that the life of a former 425-pound student. In just under a year, Fogle managed to lose 245 pounds.

His secret? Something he calls the "Subway Diet."

Last March, Fogle saw a sign containing nutritional information about Subway sandwiches. Desperate to lose weight, he decided to eat two subs every day for about a year. His meals consisted of a 6-inch sub, potato chips and a Diet Coke for lunch, and a 12-inch veggie sub and Diet Coke for dinner. He held the mayo on the sandwiches, refused to snack in between meals and ate no breakfast.

Two months later, Fogle weighed himself: 330 pounds.

"I was like 'shit' I can get down to where I want to be now," he said, fondly recalling the memory. Fogle said he immediately told his father about his success. "He was almost crying," Fogle said.

Father and son had quarreled many times about Fogle's ballooning body, which started to spin out of control when he was still in middle school. Fogle said his father was concerned and sad about his son's life — which, Fogle is quick to say, was indeed awfully tough.

"I lived in denial," he said about his obesity. "It was always somebody else's fault."

To ease his pain, Fogle said he adopted the attitude that people should either accept him for who he was, or leave him alone. He had only one good friend, J.L. Lou, whom he met in high school. Fogle said they clicked

because they were both treated as outcasts.

Lou was also just about the only person who didn't make fun of Fogle, despite having plenty of opportunities to do so. Fogle recalled once playing tennis with Lou and falling down while trying to return a serve.

"Thank God we were the only ones on the court," Fogle said. "But man, it was humiliating."

Then again, a lot of things in life were humiliating, Fogle said. He always had to make sure he pulled his car into a parking space that left him plenty of room to maneuver out of the driver's seat. Walks across campus left him so winded he needed more than 15 minutes to recuperate. He could never keep up with friends. But perhaps the time he fell asleep during a college lecture was the worst. Fogle said he started to snore — an already loud sound made even louder and more obnoxious because of his heavy frame.

But if Fogle's snoring was bothersome to classmates, imagine what some chairs would've said about him if they could've talk. "I was getting to the point where I started to break furniture," he said, adding that he managed to destroy chairs at home and at his grandmother's house. "You could hear them creaking," he said with a laugh.

Fogle can laugh now, but at the time, he said he was very depressed. As a result, his eating habits grew worse, not better. On a typical day, Fogle said he'd wake at 10:30 a.m., eat breakfast (usually more than one bacon, egg and cheese biscuit; hash browns, a sweet roll and coffee.) and go to class. His lunches were usually from McDonald's. A double quarter-pounder with cheese, large fries and a regular Coke was standard fare. Dinner was typically "three good-sized plates" of Chinese food. And don't forget the half dozen or more snack breaks he'd take in a day. "Combined with all that, I would move as little as possible," Fogle said.

Today, Fogle said he hardly

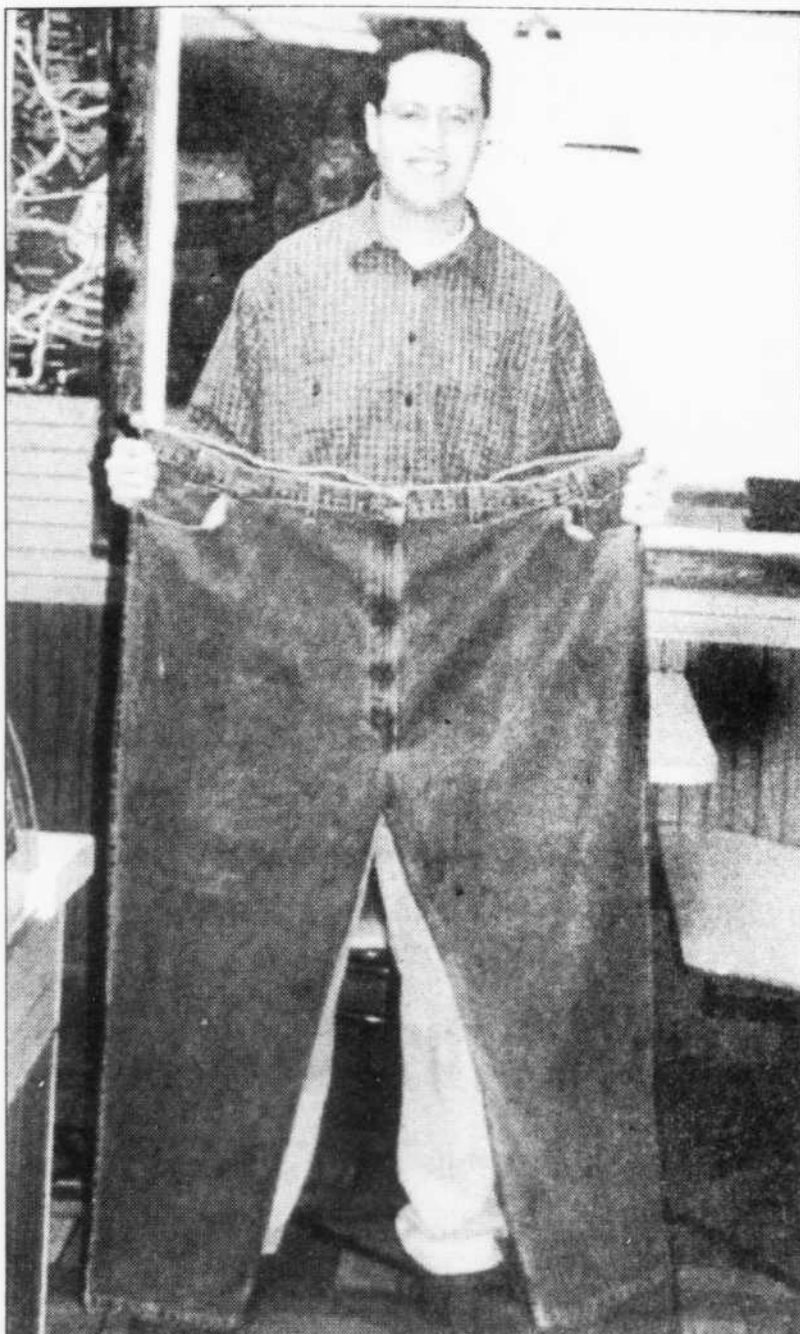


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Indiana University senior Jared Fogle poses with a reminder of his former 425-pound life.

knows the person he was. Now weighing in at 180 pounds, he has more confidence and says he enjoys life the fullest. He has a girlfriend. He even said he likes going home to spend time with his folks. Sometimes Fogle said he looks back at the past: videos of him at his heaviest leave him stunned.

"At the same time, I'm still the same person," he said. "It's just that I have my life back now."

When you're that big, you don't have a life. It's hard because you don't want to think of yourself (as) being so limited, but in actuality, you are."

Fogle's weight loss has won him a lot of praise. He appeared on the Oprah Winfrey show in early February and is the star of a Subway commercial touting his success. He's also having to schedule interviews around his classes this semester. ■

## 9021-Over

10-year-old drama may finally get boot from FOX network

Katie Bernard  
University of Iowa

Snack-packed and slipper clad, dozens of college students scurry to their favorite spot around a television every Wednesday night to undertake their weekly show: Beverly Hills 90210.

Alas, the fun may end soon. The hour-long favorite, produced by Aaron Spelling and broadcast by FOX, is in its 10th — and what is believed to be its final — season. Network officials haven't made any final announcements about the show's fate, but Rex Felis, a self-proclaimed 90210 expert who maintains the "Official Beverly Hills 90210 Web site," insists that fans should expect to see the final episode during the mid-May sweeps week. He reports that the show is getting dropped because producers don't want to shell out the money it would cost to keep the entire current cast.

Well, big deal? Couldn't the embellished lives of the characters that made the California zip code a household name be replaced with lesser known, and perhaps less expensive, actors? "Nooooooo!" about 25 women crammed around a TV at the University of Iowa's Chi Omega chapter screeched during one recent commercial break.

"I don't know what I'm going to do with my Wednesdays now," said UI senior Jen Rothman. "I've been watching this show since high school; it's become part of my routine."

The overwhelming sense of attachment may stem from the fact that many 90210 fans have grown up with the show's cast. Theirs has been a journey that has included high school, college, and now post-college careers.

"With them being a few years older I always idolized them," said UI junior Angela Short. "I remember thinking I wish I could go to a high school like West Beverly. Then, I got older and realized that it's not very realistic. Still, I got into the show and really wanted to watch it."

The inordinate lifestyles and long-running plots may have been what drew viewers into the sometimes far-fetched twists and turns of the characters.

"Donna has had every color of hair possible," said Chuck Marik, Western Illinois University senior. "The way she dresses is a joke, and she is supposed to be a designer. Is that a joke, or what?" For the women at Chi Omega it certainly is.

"We have 90210 rules," said UI junior Jen Akers. "You can only talk during the show if you're making fun of Donna."

Claire Delahaye, another junior at the University of Iowa, said she started watching the show because she wanted a corvette like Steve Sanders and a chance to shop all day like Kelly. It didn't take very long for the real world to come crashing in on her. Delahaye said she stopped watching the show last year because she wanted to follow a program with a more realistic, and down-to-earth storyline. She is now tuning in to "Felicity." Still other students say they've dropped the Beverly Hills scene to watch "Dawson's Creek" which airs on WB opposite of 90210.

Nick Weiseman, a Dawson's Creek fan, is hoping the Peach Pit crowd is on the way out. "They need to move on," he said. "Some issues go a little out there. My friends and I watch Dawson's wherever we can. Sometimes it's hard to find a TV without 90210 on, though." ■

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## Student who share birthdays with holidays forced to grin, bear it

AUSTIN (TMS) - Is there such a thing as a bad day to have a birthday?

Student after student, sticking their tongues out with a grimace, nod yes and point to birthdays that coincide with major holidays.

"The worst thing about being born on February 14th is that my birthday is overshadowed by the bright red and pink cupid, hearts, kisses, and hand-holding couples of Valentine's Day," said Genevieve Nixon, a government senior at the University of Texas at Austin.

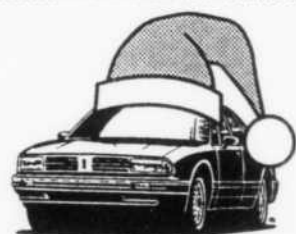
But there is a bright side. "So many people remember it," Nixon admitted. "I came home from work and literally had 14 messages on my answering machine."

"People always have candy or cards on hand so I still end up getting something," said Jaime Aguilar, a information systems senior.

Better yet, celebrities who shared a February 14 birthday include journalists Carl Bernstein and Hugh Downs, who turned 56 and 79, respectively. ■

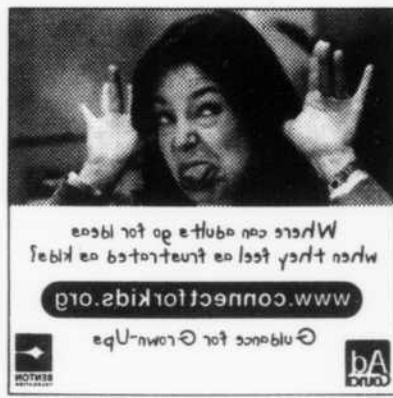
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## Religious banner pits Christian students against Wiccan students at Stephen F. Austin State University

AUSTIN (TMS) - A religious banner hung over the entrance of an administrative building at Stephen F. Austin State University has stirred toil and trouble among Christian and Wiccan students on campus.

Students with the campus' Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship hung the banner, which states, "This campus belongs to God," and quotes Psalms 24:1 — a reminder that "the earth is the Lord's and everything in it." Wiccan students claim the banner is a swipe at their beliefs.

Last fall, a group of students won the right to establish a Wiccan group despite vigorous protests from religious student leaders who didn't want the group to receive student-activities money from the public university.

In January, controversy erupted at the tradi-

tionally conservative East Texas school after chalk drawings around the University Center invited students to "pagan" meetings. The Christian group's banner went up a week and a half later.

Sarah Hudson, founder and president of the Pagan Students Alliance, told the Austin American-Statesman that the sign was "definitely about retaliation."

Chi Alpha officials insisted the banner was part of their plans to generate a greater awareness of Christianity on campus throughout the spring semester and had no connection to the pagan society.

University rules allow banners to be posted for 14 days and then taken down for 14 days before they can be hung again. ■

## Adult: No 2000 annual ANTSHE conference

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nal objective was to eat. It is easier for him to catch other kinds of food, but he ignores them.

Last Thursday evening the Association for Non-Traditional Students in Higher Education held an informal reception and networking session.

ANTSHE is moving its annual conference from fall to spring, so there will be no conference in 2000. Instead, ANTSHE is emphasizing its regional conferences this year. ■



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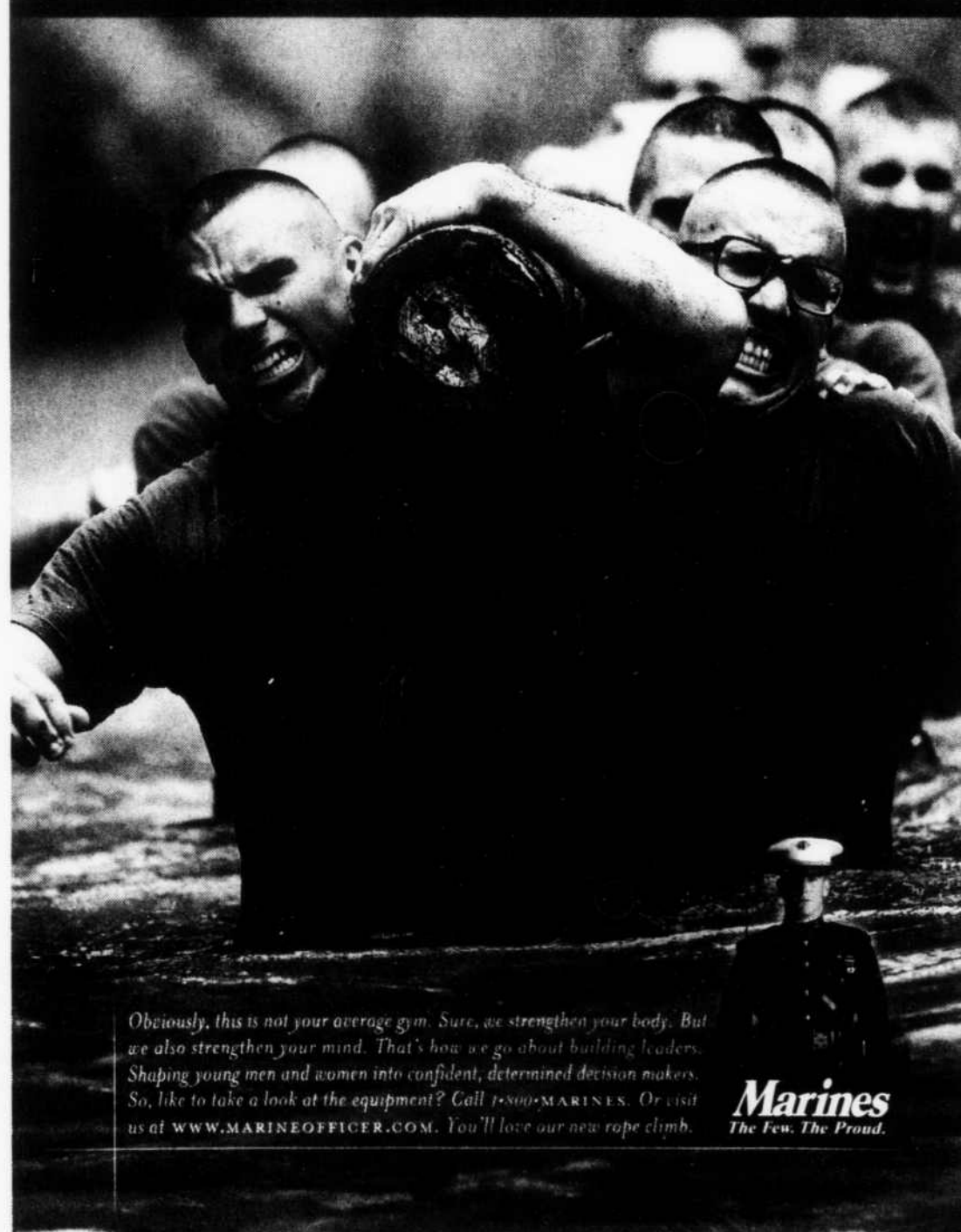
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## SPORTS

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# MTSU to battle with Murray State in rematch

Michael Edwards  
Sports Co-Editor

Murray State University is involved in one of the fiercest battles that they have been involved in over the last few years, with Southeast Missouri State University right on their heels.

The Raiders though are a fight of their own. Eastern Illinois is two games ahead of the Raiders for the final home tournament game slot with two games to play. The top four teams in the Ohio Valley Conference receive home court advantage for the first round for the first round of the tournament.

The Raiders take on Murray State and the University of Tennessee at Martin to close out the season. The Raiders beat Murray State Jan. 27 in Murray, Ky., in front of over 4,000 fans. The Raiders led most of the game and held a four-point half-time lead. But the Racers battled back and made MTSU work to win by a two-point margin.

Forward Iiro Tennngren had perhaps his best game of the year scoring 18 points, while guard Ron McKnight scored 16 points and grabbed eight rebounds. Ortiz dropped in 12 points and four steals in the Raiders' win.

For MTSU the key once again lies within the paint. When the Raiders out rebounded their opponents they won eight of 10 games. MTSU out rebounded Murray State in the first meeting 42-37 and won. Shooting is a big key to every game, but the Raiders shot only 42 percent against Murray, while the Racers shot almost 50 percent from the floor. The key in that game was rebounding.

There are some miscellaneous statistics that could help the Raiders. For instance, when Middle Tennessee makes nine

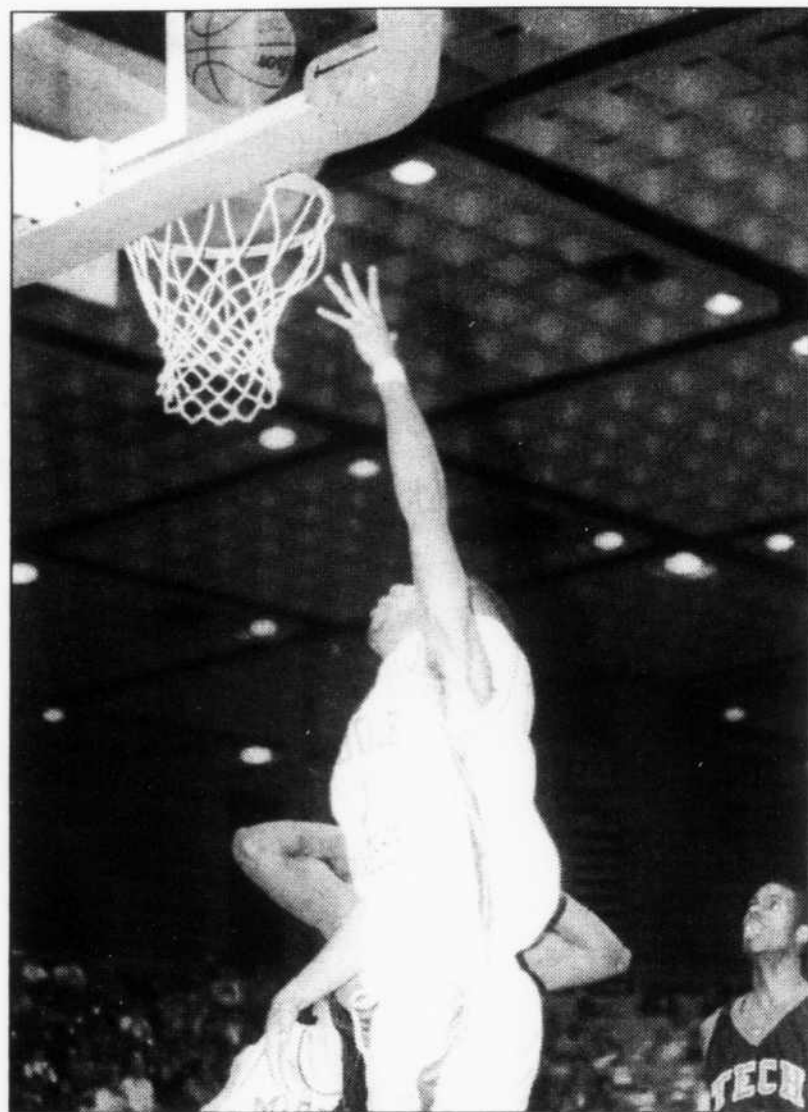


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**Ron McKnight and the Blue Raiders face UT-Martin Saturday.**

three pointers they are 6-3. As a team, when they make 20 or more assists they won six of eight games. Jonathan Whitworth has not been a prolific scorer for the entire year, until the last few weeks, but when he scores in double figures the Raiders are 5-0. Also, when MTSU's defense can generate offense, and they score 80 or more points they are 7-1.

Those statistics tell the facts. When MTSU scored from somebody, other than Fernando Ortiz, Cedrick Wallace or

Tennngren they usually win. That will be a big key for the Raiders against the Racers. Players like McKnight and center Lee Nosse have to step up be a factor for the Raiders to have chance.

The first meeting was the second game of the Raiders five game winning streak. A streak that has propelled the Raiders from the bottom of the OVC to a 7-2 record since the start of the streak. Murray State, however, may have little more motivation than MTSU. The Racers could win the conference and be the

number one seed for the OVC tournament if they win their final two games.

"They are looking to settle the score with us," forward Cedrick Wallace said. "We have got to come out and play hard and focus."

The Raiders, however, would play at Tennessee Tech if they can win the final two games, but if they lose they could have to go to Southeast Missouri, which is a team they haven't beaten since 1997 win they won at SEMO, 70-55.

"They are both important to us," Wallace said. "They are must win games. We don't think we are going to have a home game, but we just have to go out and win them both just in case we might get a home game."

"I would rather play against Tennessee Tech, they bring it to us," Wallace said. "They run. They execute. We have to execute a little better than them."

The Raiders, also, need to win both games because two wins, coupled with two Eastern Illinois losses could give the Raiders a home game.

The team thinks they have momentum right now, but if they can add two more wins going into the OVC tournament if could get them the confidence they need to beat either Southeast Missouri or Austin Peay in the tournament.

"I think we can do that. I think we can come out and beat them both," Wallace said. "We had terrible games against SEMO. They came out and got the jump on us, playing more aggressive than we were."

"Of course every game is important, but Saturday's will give us momentum into those last two games," head coach Randy Wiel said. "Now, anything can happen and the standings can change, but if we finish the way we are now, I like our chances." ■

## Track teams vying for title

Josh Ezzell  
Sports Co-Editor

The men's and women's track teams have a chance to win the Ohio Valley Conference championship Sunday and Monday at the OVC Championships in the Murphy Center.

Standing in the way for the men is Eastern Illinois University and for the women is Southeast Missouri State University.

"With the men it will be our quality against their (EIU) quantity," head coach Dean Hayes said. "They get points that hurt us because we don't have people in certain events. They are the defending champs, so we have to do our part."

The men performed well in the last meet—the Valentine Invitational. Rob Jordan won three events—the triple jump with a jump of 50 -7 3/4, a long jump of 24-2 1/2 and 400-meter dash time 48.3 seconds.

Boniface Amuzu and Steve Reid finished second and third in the long jump, while Godfrey Herring finished first in the 800-meter run, and Jasper Demps won the 55-meter hurdles with a time of 7.43.

"Hopefully we'll win this," Reid said about the OVC Championships. "We have a good chance if everybody does what they're supposed to do. If we have any mishaps we're in trouble."

Haneef Sharif and Derrick Williams finished second and fifth in the 55-meter hurdles. The men's team won the mile relay with a time of 3:20.2.

"I think we have the talent to win if everybody's doing

well," Amuzu said. "We only have two people on distance, nobody on shot put and the pole vault. We're depending on other schools to beat Eastern (Illinois) in the events in which we're lacking."

SEMO stands in the way of the Lady Raiders. The Lady Raiders beat them at the Valentine Invitational 80-47, but Hayes thinks they present a problem.

"We have to do our part," Hayes said. "They have more bodies than us. We don't have the distance runners to challenge SEMO, so the closer it is the better off we are."

Willisa Heintz won the 55-meter dash with a time of 7.06 and the 200-meter dash with a time of 24.1. Doreisha Davis and Tiffany Purham finished second and third in the 55-meter dash.

Kim Freeman won the long jump with a jump of 18-7 3/4. Stephany Reid and Jameka Collins finished second and third in the long jump.

The Lady Raiders also dominated the triple jump. Andreja Ribac won with a jump of 41-7 3/4. Jameka Collins, Stephany Reid and Kim Freeman finished second, third and fourth.

"We have been working well," Ribac said. "We've all been competitive. I didn't do my best yet. I hope I'll do my best on Monday and we'll see if that's good enough for the NCAA's."

The OVC Championships begin 3 p.m. Sunday at Murphy Center.

"Based on the last two meets we've been consistent," Reid said. "People have stepped up. This is our last year in the OVC, so it's pretty high on our priority list." ■

## Softball team ready for Vols

Josh Ezzell  
Sports Co-Editor

The softball team is off to a good start this season.

They went 4-2 at the Troy State Invitational for second place. They defeated Troy State University 1-0 and 2-1 and Alabama State University 11-1 and 14-2, while losing to Southeast Louisiana University 3-2 and 4-2.

"We had a good weekend," head coach Karen Green said. "We played strong teams from top to bottom, and I was pleased for the first tournament. The pitching did an outstanding job, and the bats will keep getting better as the season progresses."

Pitcher Jennifer Martinez struck out 11 batters and didn't allow a run in a 2-1 win over Troy State. Pitcher Stacy Preator struck out 25 and

defeated Troy State 1-0 and Alabama State 11-1.

"We've got some of the best pitchers around," catcher Melanie Manley said. "We have fast pitchers, and we have junk pitchers. They're hard to hit."

Manley went .538 with four RBIs while scoring two runs. She went 5-of-9 on day one, scoring three runs and knocking in three RBIs.

Outfielder Kip Phillips went 5-for-11 from the plate on day one, scoring two runs and knocking in three RBIs. Outfielder Erica Buhl also went 5-for-11 on day one and knocked in three RBIs.

"We're looking real good," Martinez said. "We got our jitters out. Everybody was really impressed with how we did. It's going to be a really good season."

Shortstop Steffi Silva went 3-for-4 during Sunday's 14-2 win over Alabama State. She

knocked in four RBIs and scored two runs. Outfielder Laura Brockman went 2-for-4 with a homerun and two RBIs.

Next up for the Lady Raiders is the University of Tennessee. The Lady Vols are 12-0 lifetime against the Lady Raiders. Last year they won 4-2 and 7-0.

Martinez picked up the loss in game one, and Jackie Beavers picked up the win. Lisa Warren sparked the Lady Vols with a homerun.

Sarah Ayres pitched a shutout in game two, and infielder/catcher Amanda Venable hit two homeruns.

The Lady Vols are 4-5, with three losses to No. 1 UCLA—12-1, 6-0 and 10-0 — a 9-0 loss to No. 21 Stanford University and a 4-0 loss to the University of Maryland.

Outfielder/pitcher Janette Koshell leads the Lady Vols with a .316 average, and Venable is hitting .304. The

Lady Vols are hitting .238, while their opponents are hitting .329.

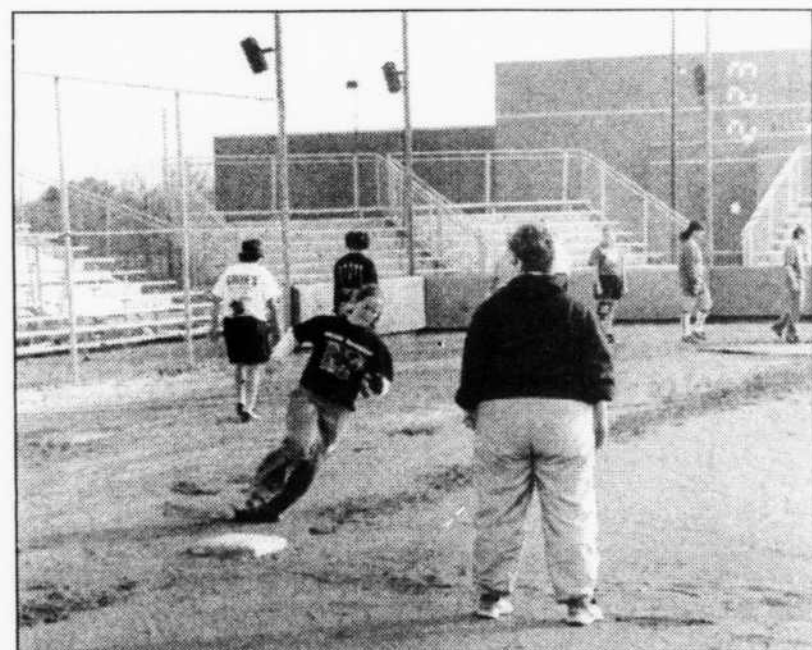
Beavers is 2-2 with a 4.13 ERA, and Leslie Poole is 1-1 with a 5.16 ERA. The Lady Vols have a team ERA of 5.73, while opponents have a team ERA of 2.01.

"You can't let a game like this get emotional," Manley said.

The Lady Raiders will also face Coastal Carolina University on Friday. They went 1-1 against Coastal Carolina last season, winning and losing 3-2.

Courtney Wallace picked up the loss in the first meeting, and Martinez picked up the win in the second meeting.

The Lady Raiders play their home opener March 1 against Troy State. They host the Middle Tennessee Invitational March 3-5. ■



Lady Raiders invade Statesboro, Georgia for the Georgia Southern Reebok Invitational.



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### 2000 Softball Schedule

Feb. 18-20	Troy State Invitational	Troy, AL
Feb. 23	Belmont (DH)	Nashville
Feb. 25-27	Georgia Southern Reebok Invitational	Statesboro, GA
Feb. 25	Tennessee	
Feb. 25	Coastal Carolina	
Feb. 26	Elon	
Feb. 26	Georgia Southern	
Feb. 27	Single Elimination Play	
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Apr. 25	*TENNESSEE TECH (DH)	Murfreesboro
Apr. 27	*AUSTIN PEAY (DH)	Murfreesboro
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# Lady Raiders bounce off Auburn

Staff Reports

Auburn, AL—The Lady Raider tennis team rebounded from a loss Friday to Mississippi State by defeating another SEC foe Auburn by a score of 5-4 at the Luther Young Tennis Center.

Tied at three following singles play, the Lady Raiders got big wins from Michaela Gridling & Tina Hojnik and

Sarah Grohnert & Stacy Varnell in doubles to defeat 43rd ranked Auburn.

In singles, Katja Kuehner won in straight sets over Simone Jardim at the No. 2 position. Varnell picked up her second singles win of the spring with a 6-3, 6-4 win over Summa Edwards at No. 5. Sarah Grohnert defeated Caroline Thompson in three sets at the No. 6 slot capping the

Lady Raiders third singles match.

"We responded very well today," remarked head coach David Thornton. "Any time we beat a ranked opponent, it only enhances our confidence."

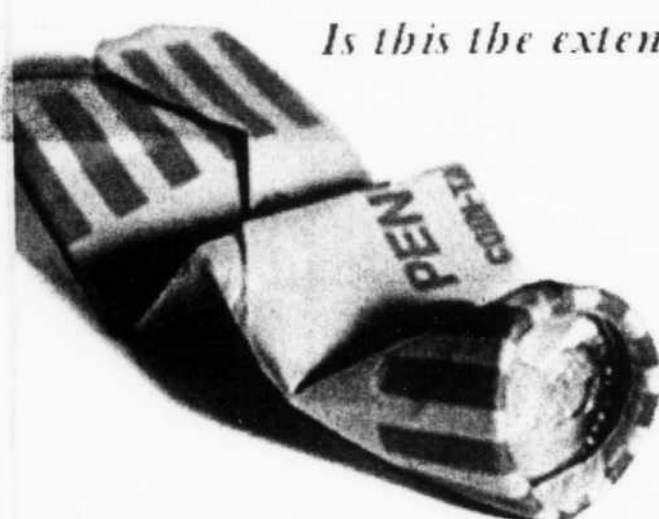
The 67th-ranked Lady Raiders improved to 5-5 on their 10-game road swing. The team will play at home for the first time this season when Troy State and UAB visit Murfreesboro on March 4. ■

SINGLES	DOUBLES
Andrea Piski (AU) def. Tina Hojnik (MT) 6-3, 6-1	Hojnik/Gridling (MT) def. Piski/Edwards (AU) 8-4
Katja Kuehner (MT) def. Simone Jardim (AU) 7-5, 6-4	Altman/Jardim (AU) def. Buchheim/Kuehner (MT) 8-4
Lucy Altman (AU) def. Tanja Buchheim (MT) 7-2(2), 6-0	Varnell/Grohnert (MT) def. Maurer/Thompson (AU) 8-5
Carolina Maurer (AU) def. Michaela Gridling (MT) 6-1, 1-6, 6-2	
Stacy Varnell (MT) def. Summa Edwards (AU) 6-3, 6-4	
Sarah Grohnert (MT) def. Caroline Thompson (AU) 4-6, 6-3, 6-2	

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# Lady Raiders on a roll

Brian Albertson  
Sports Information

The Lady Raiders picked up their seventh consecutive win with a 74-67 victory at Belmont. With the win, MTSU improves to 15-10 overall. Belmont falls to 19-8.

Guard Jessica McClure finished with nine points and eight assists. The seven game win streak is the longest for head coach Stephany Smith.

The Lady Raiders were down 14 points early in the second half but used a 21-7 run to tie it up with just under eight minutes remaining.

MTSU staged the comeback shooting 65 percent from the field, but free throws proved to be the deciding factor. The Lady Raiders shot 28 free throws in the second half, 24 more than the Bruins. Forward Jamie Thomatis and McClure each extended their consecu-

tive made free throw streaks to eleven.

The Lady Raiders also out-rebounded the Bruins 42-28, including a 23-13 rebounding advantage in the second half.

Thomatis picked up her third double-double of the season, scoring 18 points and pulling down 12 rebounds. She shot 70 percent from the field and hit all four shots from the line.

Guard Erica Lufkin also finished in double figures with 17 points. She hit 6-of-8 free throws, grabbed two rebounds and dished out three assists.

McClure finished just shy of her second double-double, scoring nine points and dishing out eight assists.

Guard Kelly Chastain tied her career-high with four blocks. She also scored eight points and grabbed seven rebounds.

MTSU returns home to play at 5:45 p.m. Feb. 24 against Murray State ■



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