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## Graduate's kidney transplant successful



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Mary Nichols and Greg Maupin greet well-wishers as they leave Vanderbilt University Medical Center.

By Lindsey Turner  
News Editor

MTSU graduate Greg Maupin received a kidney transplant last Thursday and is at his home resting and recovering.

According to Maupin, 30, he is tired and sore but pleased with his "amazingly quick recovery," compared to the three-month recovery from a liver transplant when he was 18.

Maupin experienced some minor complications Friday, but they did not directly involve his new kidney.

"They discovered on Friday morning that I had some internal bleeding and pulled out 1 liter of blood from the incision area," Maupin said.

He returned home Tuesday. Maupin said the main objec-

tive during his recuperation is to "take meds and stay inactive," the latter being the most difficult for him.

Maupin has to return to Vanderbilt University Medical Center to have lab work done in the next couple of weeks.

On the Greg Maupin Foundation Web site, Maupin extends his gratitude to Mary Nichols, his kidney donor and former professor at MTSU:

"I want to thank Mary on a personal basis for saving my life. I can already tell a difference in my health. She is a fantastic woman and deserves a lot of thanks for what she did."

Nichols has to go back to the hospital Sunday.

Although it was Nichols' first major surgery, she said she was not nervous prior to it because the doctors had told her exactly

what to expect.

However, she expected to come out of anesthesia feeling groggy and incoherent - but woke up feeling like she'd gotten a good night's sleep, she said.

"When I woke up, I thought they had changed their minds," Nichols laughed, because she didn't hurt at all immediately after the surgery.

"A little later it hit me," she said. "The worst part was having to get out of bed."

"Greg was up dancing circles around me before I ever got up," she said.

Nichols has to go back to the hospital in two weeks for a check up.

Neither she nor Maupin were placed on a special diet, but they were instructed to drink plenty of water.

Nichols - an associate pro-

fessor of electronic media communication - originally did not plan to return to campus to resume teaching for another four to six weeks. She now thinks she can return as soon as next week.

"This has been not only a blessing for me and Greg, but for the transplant community," Nichols said. The fundraising and organ donation-awareness efforts begun by the Greg Maupin Foundation will continue, according to both Nichols and Maupin.

The blood drive, held prior to the surgery, met its goal, and another will be held closer to October. Another silent auction will be held as well.

Information about the Greg Maupin Foundation can be found at [www.cafes.net/greg-maupinfoundation](http://www.cafes.net/greg-maupinfoundation). ♦

## Three's company

## Overflow housing cramps students during the first weeks of school

By Kristy Wilson  
Staff Writer

With enrollment at almost 20,000 this semester, MTSU Housing and Residential Life has had to place many students in overflow residence halls.

Overflow dorm rooms house three students when no other rooms are available.

During the first few weeks of classes, at least 40 females and 12 males were placed in two overflow dorms - Gore and Clement halls, said Vicki Justice-Lowe, associate director of Residential Life.

"This is nothing compared to other years where we've had all of the overflow dorms filled and students in motels," Justice-Lowe said.

Still, some students placed in overflow dorms are not happy about the situation.

"It's terrible!" exclaimed Chastity Hyde, who lives in an overflow room in Gore Hall. "Women have a lot of necessities, and there's barely enough room for all of our stuff."

"MTSU is being so greedy," said Dekia Price, one of Hyde's neighbors. "We are living like rats. We have to pay the same amount as everyone else, but we have

another roommate."

Jennifer Horn and her roommate Megan Dotson also are disappointed with the situation.

"We should get some kind of a discount for having to live with three people," Dotson said.

Housing offers a rate reduction to those students who are inconvenienced with three persons in an overflow room beyond the first week of classes. Each student receives a 33-percent reduction in housing cost for the period of time during which they were living with more than two people.

However, some residents like living in overflow housing.

"It's fine if you get along. It's no problem," Lisa Khayerdinov said. She and her roommates expressed that they all enjoyed living together and didn't want to move out.

"It's not as bad as everyone thinks," said Kristine Vasquez, a resident of Gore Hall. "We're having fun."

Justice-Lowe also said many residents in overflow housing wanted to keep the extra roommate, and that some students are devastated

See Housing, 4A



Photo by Amy Jones | Staff

(Left to right) Ebony Boyd, Jacinta King and Ida Hood manage to survive with three people in a dorm room in Clement Hall. Most overflow residents have been assigned to different rooms, but many haven't moved yet.

## Lecture to address forestry issues

By Lisa Thomason  
By Staff Writer

The controversy over deforestation will be the subject of the second lecture in the fall 2001 Honors Lecture Series.

Warren Anderson, a professor in the agribusiness and agriscience department, will address the issue.

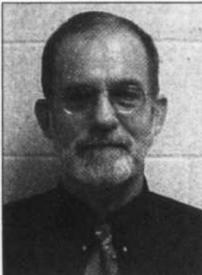
Anderson said his lecture will be in the form of an extemporaneous talk and will cover the similarities and differences between attitudes toward forestry in Tennessee and in third-world countries.

Anderson said the societies generally have one of two atti-

tudes towards forestry, which cause people to either support or oppose cutting down trees.

According to Anderson, people who take a utilitarian view focus on the benefits of using wood to cook food, heat houses and to stay warm. Others, however, focus on the beauty of living trees and oppose cutting them down.

The World Wildlife Fund refers to the controversy as the



Anderson

"Fuelwood Crisis."

Anderson will be using statistics published by the WWF to supplement his lecture.

Much of the differences in attitude are due to individual perspectives and are related to having other options, Anderson pointed out.

"Here we have energy options; there, they don't. They can either cut down trees or freeze to death."

In addition to heating their

homes, residents of third-world countries also are dependent on wood for illness prevention. Wood is used to cook food and to purify water for drinking.

"Here, the EPA might fine someone for burning too much wood," Anderson said.

"But over in India, they just want to cook their food."

Anderson pointed out that while Americans are reluctant to cut down trees, the United States is the biggest importer of wood in the world. He cited time periods in the mid-1980s when the U.S. imported

See Lecture, 2A

## Campus community affected by deaths of family member, former student

Craig Brandon Copen

Memorial services for Craig Brandon Copen, 20, of Wellington Place, who died Tuesday, Sept. 4 in an automobile accident, will be at 2 p.m. today at Jennings & Ayers.

He was the son of Mark and Virginia Copen of Murfreesboro. Virginia is an employee of Aramark Food Service on campus. Craig had attended MTSU.

Visitation was yesterday from 4-8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Amos McPhee

Funeral services for Amos McPhee will be held Saturday at Jones Mortuary in Nassau, Bahamas.

Mr. McPhee was a former school principal, a successful business man and an outstanding member of community.

He was also the father of Sidney A. McPhee, president of Middle Tennessee State University.

His wife, Catherine McPhee, eight sons, two daughters, and several grandchildren survive Mr. McPhee.

He was a founding member of the AME Church on Carmichael Road in Nassau.

Memorials may be made to Cousin-McPhee AME Memorial Fund, P.O. Box N 8947, Carmichael Road, Nassau, Bahamas (242-361-0809). ♦

# MTSU Sigmas have zeal

By Christopher Treidel  
Staff Writer

MTSU's Sigma Alpha Epsilon chapter won the John O. Moseley Zeal Award at their National Leadership School in Chicago, Ill., July 28 through Aug. 1.

"On Aug. 1, we sat at the awards banquet while various awards were given out until the very last award, The Moseley Zeal Award," said Ben Leyhew, President of the Tennessee Beta.

"It was a very surreal experience to be able to attend this year's award ceremony at Leadership school.

"To be nominated two years in a row for the highest honor in SAE is a testament to the solid ground of guys here at

MTSU," Leyhew said.

"We competed against 220 other chapters in North America and were deemed the best.

"This is the culmination of all the hard work our chapter has done in the years."

According to the official Web site of the Moseley Zeal Award, to win the award a fraternity has to excel in all areas of the fraternity - community and campus life. The award is voted on solely by the national officers of the fraternity.

The officers first nominate individual chapters and then vote on the winner.

In the 32-year existence of the chapter here at MTSU, Sigma has been nominated eight times.

This year six chapters were nominated for the award.

"We were really excited about the nomination last year, but ended up losing to the University of Richmond in Virginia.

"That was a bitter pill to swallow, but gave it gave us a huge motivator for this year," Leyhew said.

"We knew there were several areas of improvement for our chapter and we continued to focus on these. One area in particular - academics - became a big focus.

"We started a tutoring program, study hours, and class scheduling sessions, which helped us achieve the highest grade point average this spring," Leyhew said. ♦

## Legislative internships available for 2002

### Staff Reports

The Tennessee Legislative Internship Program has several spots available for internships at the state Capitol.

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For more information, call Mark Byrnes at 898-2351. ♦

## College rankings considered unreliable, biased by critics

By Lisa Stasiulewicz  
The Diamondback  
(U. Maryland)

(U-WIRE) COLLEGE PARK, Md. - Jobs are lost over it. Futures are decided by it. Fortunes are spent because of it. And lives are changed by it.

*U.S. News & World Report* began publishing its guide to "America's Best Colleges" in 1983 and has since become a veritable bible for college-seeking high-schoolers and their parents.

Criticisms of the college guide are nothing new. The latest come from Amy Graham, the former director of data research at *U.S. News*, who wrote an accusatory article in the *Washington Monthly* saying, "U.S. News' rankings primarily register a school's wealth, reputation, and the achievement of the high school students it admits."

Graham said the magazine created a system that prefers well-known universities such as Harvard and Princeton, where, she said, most of the editors received their degrees. In addition, she said *U.S. News* erroneously determines student learning by looking at the SAT scores and class rank of the incoming freshmen, which only assess the achievement of the students in high school.

The magazine's written response: "We have been working for years to find ways to measure student learning that would comport with our methods. However, *U.S. News* will only institute such enhancements when we can apply them fairly and accurately to all schools."

Kate Gargurevich, a senior elementary education and sociology major, said she believes standardized tests can be valuable in measuring student learning.

"If they are going to use incoming SAT scores, then they should also use outgoing GRE and LSAT scores and look at where the students are going to school," she said.

Though Graham admitted measuring student learning is difficult, she said the few criteria that hint at learning, such as ratio of students to faculty, which is one percent of the final score in the magazine's ranking, are not given enough weight. Meanwhile, she said other criteria do not correlate

with them at all, such as faculty salary (7 percent of the score), which she found actually has a negative correlation to student learning.

Anne McGrath, managing editor of *U.S. News'* college issue, said the magazine considered using mass student surveys like Graham suggested, but the universities are concerned with privacy issues and will not comply.

"We completely agree with the vision Amy put forth. In theory, we would use the data if it were available. It's a nice thought that we could get the universities to move in that direction," McGrath said.

McGrath further defended the magazine, saying she believes wealth is a factor in learning, especially spending per student, but only 16 percent of the overall score is oriented toward money.

As for being biased toward their own schools, McGrath noted only one of the top three editors on the issue went to a top 50 school.

Campus President C.D. Mote Jr. said he does not agree with ranking colleges; the problem, he said, is trying to quantify something that is not quantitative.

"It's basically a beauty contest, and they're trying to define beauty," he said.

Ralph Kuncl, vice provost for undergraduate studies at Johns Hopkins University, does not believe the universities should be ranked every year because he found a change in rank of five places up or down is statistically insignificant.

"Universities are unchanging from year to year, therefore it is unrealistic to rank them every year. Everyone can name the top five symphonies, but no one would be so haughty as to rank them one to five," Kuncl said.

The one thing everyone agrees on is the decision really depends on what is right for the student.

"I did look at rankings, but other factors played into my decision, too. The classes offered, the campus and the happiness of students are all things I looked at," said Stacy Taladay, a sophomore letters and sciences major.

"So much of a student's success depends on the human issues, the human experience of college," Mote said. ♦

## Lecture:

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Eastern Red Cedars from Canada which were used to manufacture pencils.

"The Eastern Red Cedar is a tree that is indigenous to this area. However, no one wanted to cut them down," he said.

He also cited the use of charcoal in America, which is produced from wood.

"I've seen people here use a 20-pound bag of Kingsford charcoal to cook a few hamburgers. In other countries, that bag would last a whole week," he said.

The business of cutting trees also plays a role in the U.S. economy, according to Anderson, because of the tax revenues that are generated.

Anderson, who is a member of many environmental organizations, pointed out that taking a side on this controversial issue requires looking at the situation from another person's perspective.

"Should we save all the trees?" Anderson asked. "No. Should we cut down all the trees? No. But there is a balance there that is often hard to find."

The Honors Lecture Series takes place each Monday from 3-3:50 p.m. in Peck Hall, Room 109. All lectures are free and open to the public. ♦

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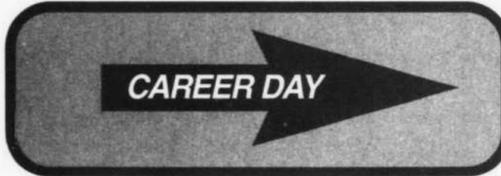
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# WORLD BRIEFS

Compiled By Jason Cox - Assistant News Editor

## Taliban judge refuses to meet diplomats about aid workers trial

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — The Taliban's chief judge refused to meet Wednesday with three Western diplomats who wanted information about the trial of eight foreign aid workers charged with spreading Christianity.

The diplomats waited for 30 minutes outside the supreme court in Kabul to see Chief Justice Noor Mohammed Saqib, who was inside meeting with other judges.

Without explanation, Saqib said it was not the right time to meet with the diplomats, who left frustrated. Saqib said the court would contact them if there was any need for a meeting.

The trial of the two Americans, four Germans and two Australians began Tuesday behind closed doors. It was not clear how long the proceedings would last.

## Bomb injures officer guarding embattled school entrance

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — A bomb injured a police officer guarding the entrance to a Roman Catholic primary school Wednesday, as schoolgirls faced shouting, stone-throwing Protestant protesters for a third day.

"When the bomb went off I was scared to turn round to look behind me. I thought the children and parents that were just behind me were dead," said Isabel McGrann, who had escorted her 7-year-old daughter Emma.

Some of the girls, aged 4 to 11, screamed when they heard the explosion from a nearby street, and a police officer was knocked down after apparently taking the force of the blast in his legs. There was no immediate report on his injuries.

None of the girls was hurt, however, and they continued on to Holy Cross school behind a heavy police presence.

Protestant Catholics have said they would keep harassing the students until Protesters stopped attacking their own vulnerable homes, which lie beside the school in an otherwise Catholic neighborhood called Ardoyne.

## South African, EU officials seek compromise at racism conference

DURBAN, South Africa (AP) — The European Union has set a Wednesday deadline for making progress in its effort to remove anti-Israel language from the world conference against racism's proposed declaration.

Controversy over efforts to condemn Israel for its "racist policies" has threatened the success of the conference, which was meant to highlight discrimination around the world. The United States and Israel left Monday after efforts to find a compromise with Arab states failed.

Several delegations, anxious to salvage the meeting, worked Wednesday to come up with new language for the declaration.

A group of South Africans and Belgians — representing the European Union — as well as delegates from Norway, Namibia and the Palestinians, worked through the night Tuesday and hoped to have a compromise draft ready by Wednesday evening, a Belgian spokesman said.

## Bush tries to avoid blame on Social Security

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats hope to win the budget debate by accusing the White House of stealing from Social

Security to pay for tax cuts and other priorities. President Bush is struggling to avoid that public-relations trap.

Noting a shift in the president's rhetoric upon his return from an August break, GOP strategists said the White House appears to be bracing for a fight with Democratic leaders and, perhaps, preparing the public for the possibility that Social Security surpluses will be tapped.

Bush introduced the new message Tuesday, between meetings with Senate Minority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., and Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D. The South Dakota lawmaker emerged from the meeting with kind words for Bush, raising hopes in the White House that Democrats won't go to war over the issue.

## Democrats buoyed by another GOP senator dropping out of race

WASHINGTON (AP) — The pace of Republican retirements is quickening 14 months before the 2002 Senate elections, with Sen. Phil Gramm of Texas the latest to announce plans to leave and the party anxiously awaiting word from Tennessee Sen. Fred Thompson on his political future.

However long it lasts, Democrats are plainly enjoying the exodus.

Democrats will be defending a slender majority in 2002. They hold 50 seats, and the allegiance of one independent, Sen. James Jeffords of Vermont.

Republicans hold 49 seats. Republicans must defend 20 of the 34 seats on the ballot next year, and are hoping to minimize the retirements.

Republicans quickly countered there was little for Democrats to brag about in Gramm's decision to step down in Texas, a state that has not elected a Democrat to the Senate in more than a dozen years. ♦

# Magistrate rules Gilley must answer questions about woman

Associated Press

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — The University of Tennessee's ex-president began giving a deposition Wednesday in a \$1.5 million sex discrimination lawsuit filed against him last year.

A federal magistrate ruled Tuesday against J. Wade Gilley when he said the former president must answer questions under oath about his hiring of

Pamela Reed, an administrator who later resigned under pressure.

The lawsuit by UT staff attorney Ron Leadbetter alleges that in his 22 months as president, Gilley promoted women and minorities ahead of white men.

Leadbetter was not promoted to vice president and general counsel when Beachamp Brogan retired in 1999.

Catherine Mizell was promoted instead.

Leadbetter sued last December, claiming Gilley discriminated against him because he is white and male.

Leadbetter cited Reed as an example of discrimination against men. At least two jobs were created for Reed in her roughly one-year tenure at UT, and Gilley directly authorized \$400,000 to fund an interdis-

plinary center she proposed.

Reed resigned in lieu of termination in mid-June, less than two weeks after Gilley resigned citing poor health and stress. UT found fabrications on her resume and problems with her finances. The center was dissolved. The university also released e-mail messages revealing a romantic link between Reed, 44, and Gilley, now 63.

Gilley's attorney, Edward G.

Phillips, had argued that Gilley has "qualified immunity" from liability because promotions were within his discretion as president.

But federal Magistrate Thomas W. Phillips denied Gilley's request for a protective order, although he limited the scope of Leadbetter's questioning.

David Duggan, Leadbetter's attorney, said he didn't plan to

ask about Gilley's personal relationship with Reed.

"I'm primarily interested in just asking about why he made the decisions that he made with respect to certain employment matters," Duggan said.

Leadbetter's suit cited the promotions of Mizell and Theotis Robinson to a vice presidency of equity and diversity as evidence of discrimination by Gilley. ♦

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Method	Lowest Expected	Typical
DEPO-PROVERA	0.3	0.3
Injections (Norplant)	0.2*	0.2*
Female sterilization	0.2	0.4
Tubal sterilization	0.1	0.15
Oral contraceptive (pill)	0	3
Combined	0.1	3
Progestogen only	0.5	-
IUD	-	3
Progestin	2.0	-
Copper T 380A	0.8	-
Condom (without spermicide)	2	12
Diaphragm (with spermicide)	6	18
Cervical cap	6	18
Withdrawal	4	18
Periodic abstinence	1.9	20
Spermicide alone	3	21
Vaginal sponge	5	18
Used before childbirth	6	28
Used after childbirth	9	28
No method	85	85

Source: Trussard, et al. *Contraception* 1990;76:558-567

**Who should not use DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?**  
Do not use DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection if you have any of the following conditions:  
• You are currently pregnant.  
• You have any vaginal bleeding without a known reason.

• If you have had cancer of the breast  
• If you have had a stroke  
• If you have or have had blood clots (phlebitis) in your legs  
• If you have problems with your liver or liver disease  
• If you are allergic to DEPO-PROVERA (medroxyprogesterone acetate) or any of its other ingredients.

**What other things should I consider before using DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?**  
You will have a physical examination before your doctor prescribes DEPO-PROVERA. It is important to tell your health-care provider if you have any of the following:

- a family history of breast cancer
- an abnormal mammogram (breast x-ray), fibrocystic breast disease, breast nodules or lumps, or bleeding from your nipples
- kidney disease
- irregular or scanty menstrual periods
- high blood pressure
- migraine headaches
- asthma
- epilepsy (convulsions or seizures)
- diabetes or a family history of diabetes
- a history of depression
- if you are taking any prescription or over-the-counter medications.

**This product is intended to prevent pregnancy. It does not protect against transmission of HIV (AIDS) and other sexually transmitted diseases such as chlamydia, genital herpes, gonorrhea, hepatitis B, and syphilis.**

**What if I want to become pregnant after using DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?**

Because DEPO-PROVERA is a long-acting birth control method, it takes some time after your last injection for its effect to wear off. Based on the results from a large study done in the United States, for women who stop using DEPO-PROVERA in order to become pregnant, it is expected that about half of those who become pregnant will do so in about 10 months after their last injection; about two thirds of those who become pregnant will do so in about 12 months; about 83% of those who become pregnant will do so in about 15 months; and about 93% of those who become pregnant will do so in about 18 months after their last injection. The length of time you use DEPO-PROVERA has no effect on how long it takes you to become pregnant after you stop using it.

**What are the risks of using DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?**

The side effect reported most frequently by women who use DEPO-PROVERA for contraception is a change in their normal menstrual cycle. During the first year of using DEPO-PROVERA, you might have an increase or decrease in menstrual bleeding, or no bleeding at all. Unusually heavy or continuous bleeding, however, is not a usual effect of DEPO-PROVERA and if this happens, you should see your health-care provider right away. With continued use of DEPO-PROVERA, bleeding usually decreases and many women stop having periods completely. In clinical studies of DEPO-PROVERA, 55% of the women studied reported no menstrual bleeding (amenorrhea) after 1 year of use, and 68% of the women studied reported no menstrual bleeding after 2 years of use. The reason that your periods stop is because DEPO-PROVERA causes a resting state in your ovaries. When your ovaries do not release an egg monthly, the regular monthly growth of the lining of your uterus does not occur and, therefore, the bleeding that comes with your normal menstruation does not take place. When you stop using DEPO-PROVERA, your menstruation will usually return to its normal cycle.

**2. Bone Mineral Changes**  
Use of DEPO-PROVERA may be associated with a decrease in the amount of mineral stored in your bones. This could increase your risk of developing bone fractures. The rate of bone mineral loss is greatest in the early years of DEPO-PROVERA use, but after that, it begins to resemble the normal rate of age-related bone mineral loss.

**3. Cancer**  
Studies of women who have used different forms of contraception found that women who used DEPO-PROVERA for contraception had no increased overall risk of developing cancer of the breast, ovary, uterus, cervix, or liver. However, women under 35 years of age whose first exposure to DEPO-PROVERA was within the previous 4 to 5 years may have a slightly increased risk of developing breast cancer similar to that seen with oral contraceptives. You should discuss this with your health-care provider.

**4. Unspecified Pregnancy**  
Because DEPO-PROVERA is such an effective contraceptive method, the risk of accidental pregnancy for women who get their shots regularly (every 3 months (13 weeks)) is very low. While there have been reports of an increased risk of low birth weights and neonatal infant death or other health problems in infants conceived close to the time of injection, such pregnancies are uncommon. If you think you may have become pregnant while using DEPO-PROVERA for contraception, see your health-care provider as soon as possible.

**5. Allergic Reactions**  
Some women using DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection have reported severe and potentially life-threatening allergic reactions known as anaphylaxis and anaphylactoid reactions. Symptoms include the sudden onset of hives or swelling and itching of the skin, breathing difficulties, and a drop in blood pressure.

**6. Other Risks**  
Women who use hormone-based contraceptives may have an increased risk of stroke, heart attack, or stroke. Also, if a contraceptive method fails, there is a possibility that the fertilized egg will begin to develop outside of the uterus (ectopic pregnancy). While these events are rare, you should tell your health-care provider if you have any of the problems listed in the next section.

**What symptoms may signal problems while using DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?**  
Call your health-care provider immediately if any of these problems occur following an injection of DEPO-PROVERA:

- sharp chest pain, coughing up of blood, or sudden shortness of breath (indicating a possible clot in the lung)
- sudden severe headache or vomiting, dizziness or fainting, problems with your eyesight or speech, weakness, or numbness in an arm or leg (indicating a possible stroke)
- severe pain or swelling in the calf (indicating a possible clot in the leg)
- unusually heavy vaginal bleeding
- severe pain or tenderness in the lower abdominal area
- severe pain, pus, or bleeding at the injection site

**What are the possible side effects of DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?**

**1. Weight Gain**  
You may experience a weight gain while you are using DEPO-PROVERA. About two thirds of the women who used DEPO-PROVERA in clinical trials reported a weight gain of about 5 pounds during the first year of use. You may continue to gain weight after the first year. Women in one large study who used DEPO-PROVERA for 2 years gained an average total of 8.1 pounds; over those 2 years, or approximately 4 pounds per year. Women who continued for 4 years gained an average total of 13.8 pounds over those 4 years, or approximately 3.5 pounds per year. Women who continued for 6 years gained an average total of 16.5 pounds over those 6 years, or approximately 2.75 pounds per year.

**2. Other Side Effects**  
In a clinical study of over 3,000 women who used DEPO-PROVERA for up to 7 years, some women reported the following effects that may or may not have been related to their use of DEPO-PROVERA: irregular menstrual bleeding, amenorrhea, headache, nervousness, abdominal cramps, dizziness, weakness or fatigue, decreased sexual desire, leg cramps, nausea, vaginal discharge or irritation, breast swelling and tenderness, bloating, swelling of the hands or feet, backache, depression, insomnia, acne, pelvic pain, no hair growth or excessive hair loss, rash, hot flashes, and joint pain. Other problems were reported by very few of the women in the clinical trials, but some of these could be serious. These include convulsions, jaundice, urinary tract infections, allergic reactions, fainting, paralysis, osteoporosis, lack of return to fertility, deep vein thrombosis, pulmonary embolus, breast cancer, or cervical cancer. If these or any other problems occur during your use of DEPO-PROVERA, discuss them with your health-care provider.

**Should any precautions be followed during use of DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?**

**1. Missed Period**  
During the time you are using DEPO-PROVERA for contraception, you may skip a period or your periods may stop completely. If you have been receiving your DEPO-PROVERA injections regularly every 3 months (13 weeks), then you are probably not pregnant. However, if you think that you may be pregnant, see your health-care provider.

**2. Laboratory Test Interactions**  
If you are scheduled for any laboratory tests, tell your health-care provider that you are using DEPO-PROVERA for contraception. Certain blood tests are affected by hormones such as DEPO-PROVERA.

**3. Drug Interactions**  
Cisplatin (amnoglutethimide) is an anticancer drug that may significantly decrease the effectiveness of DEPO-PROVERA if the two drugs are given during the same time.

**4. Nursing Mothers**  
Although DEPO-PROVERA can be passed to the nursing infant in the breast milk, no harmful effects have been found in these children. DEPO-PROVERA does not prevent the breasts from producing milk, so it can be used by nursing mothers. However, to minimize the amount of DEPO-PROVERA that is passed to the infant in the first weeks after birth, you should wait until 6 weeks after childbirth before you start using DEPO-PROVERA for contraception.

**How often do I get my shot of DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?**  
The recommended dose of DEPO-PROVERA is 150 mg every 3 months (13 weeks) given in a single intramuscular injection in the buttock or upper arm. To make sure that you are not pregnant at the time of the first injection, it is essential that the injection be given ONLY during the first 5 days of a normal menstrual period. If used following the delivery of a child, the first injection of DEPO-PROVERA MUST be given within 5 days after childbirth if you are not breast-feeding or 6 weeks after childbirth if you are exclusively breast-feeding. If you wait longer than 3 months (13 weeks) between injections, or longer than 6 weeks after delivery, your health-care provider should determine that you are not pregnant before giving you your injection of DEPO-PROVERA.

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From the staff

## Your blessings should be counted

We the staff of *Sidelines* want to take a moment to count our blessings. There are many on this campus, and no one seems to be appreciating the strides our campus has made over the past few years.

Welcoming the coming millennium, we began record years of growth and built Scarlett Commons, some of the nicest on-campus housing any of us have ever seen. And hey, there's always plenty of parking over there!

Next, the university decided to further facilitate our learning by building a gorgeous new library, superior to most prestigious universities' in size and number of volumes.

The accessories of the Business and Aerospace Building, another fine addition to campus, has become one of the university's strongest selling points to potential BBAs.

And even our yet-to-be-completed courtyard will add elegance and style to the ever-evolving campus.

Residents of Schardt Residence Hall, be thankful of those stylin' bathroom stalls and neat-o automatic flush toilets. They haven't always been there, you know. When you get the chance, why don't you thank the maintenance man who you normally ignore in the mornings for having them installed.

Pretty buildings aren't the only things our university has to offer. Because you all go home on the weekends, you may not know that some cool things happen in Murfreesboro on Saturday.

Of course there is the football game, but this Saturday, there is also the MTSU 90th birthday party (free food means you know we'll be there), the annual Pro-Am and the soccer team is also playing. So put that in your pipe and smoke it, naysayers.

MTSU is setting record enrollment numbers every year, and that gives us a unique opportunity to establish our campus as the place to be in the grand state of Tennessee. We may not be there yet, but always count your blessings that we don't go to school in Knoxville. ♦

## Choking on our own rhetoric

### Banging on My Drum



Cody De Vos  
Staff Columnist

Somebody's out to make us liberals look like dumb asses.

On the night of the MTSU vs. Vanderbilt football game, a self-appointed left-wing messiah took it upon himself to decorate Peck Hall with these sage words: GO BLUE RACISTS.

The message was written in light blue chalk (the tool of choice for true revolutionaries worldwide) and thus could be washed away easily. However, the faulty implications it left behind will surely outlive it.

It's true that Nathan Bedford Forrest, founder of the Ku Klux Klan, was

an early supporter of a state university to be located in Middle Tennessee. In fact, the ROTC building is named after him.

And it also is true that the name "Blue Raiders" is somewhat derived from his hobby of dressing up in white robes and, well, raiding.

But let's face it: our mascot is a freaking Pegasus. Before that, it was a bulldog.

I must file the notion that Nathan Bedford Forrest's ghost is secretly controlling the school like a wicked puppet master under "laughable."

And unless someone can convince me that our faculty is planning to swoop down upon the mighty winged horse's back and lay waste to our minority students' homes and families, I will continue to laugh derisively.

Of course I don't think our ROTC building should be named after one of history's greatest bigots. But

protesting MTSU's football team because of ancient ties long since broken is akin to boycotting Volkswagen because it was founded under Hitler's reign.

And, judging from the number of VW buses adorned with NADER 2000 stickers, that's not high on the far left's priority list. The gas mileage is too damn good.

I'm willing to give MTSU's more liberal student organizations the benefit of the doubt. Graffiti so asinine could not possibly be chalked up to a community determined to educate the world on actual issues.

It's even plausible that the chalk scripture in Peck Hall was done by radical right-wing students bent on making liberals look like a bunch of simple-minded clowns.

But, more than likely, it was done by some kid strung out on old Dead Kennedys songs and strug-

gling to find some holy message to carve upon the world with his saber of baby blue chalk.

Failing to note the real racist institutions and practices of America (he would have done better to decry "Aunt Jemima's Pancake Syrup" for its use of a kitchen slave as a mascot), our hero instead set upon the helpless Pegasus.

Oh, great prophet who writes under the cover of night, I hope you're reading this, because I'm about to call you a jackass.

But I could be wrong; Middle Tennessee State University could merely be a front to conceal a hotbed of clandestine racist activity.

A word of caution to minority students: I'd suggest you lock your doors and board up your windows, lest your professors "raid" your homes and hang you from sour apple trees. ♦

## Realizing your two cents is worthless

### The Imaginary Superhero



Casey Sheffield  
Staff Columnist

They are small, round and flat. Alone they are useless. They contain very little value. Because of this, they are often thrown away, dropped, run over or washed.

Everyone has them but thinks nothing of them. On my way to class this morning I saw at least 10 of them lying on the ground, but I passed them by along with everyone else. They are outdated and highly annoying.

Yes, of course I am talking about the penny.

Of all the things in today's society I find irritating, the penny is near the top of the list. Although hated for pennies seems like a minute thing to obsess over in the big picture, it is something that affects us all.

Pennies have lost their value in today's society. Nowadays, you can't go to the store and buy anything with a penny without some of the other coinage to accompany them.

You haven't been able to buy anything with them since the 1970s, and even then all you could buy was bubble gum.

Vending machines won't help you get rid of these 2.5 percent copper-plated monsters.

Pennies are a huge nuisance. Each time a person buys something, they get at least one of them back because of the pricing system.

What does a person do with the penny he gets back, you ask?

Well, he puts it into his pocket only to get washed in the washing machine, he drops it without thinking twice, he puts it into a bag or purse never to be seen again or he just might even tell the cashier to keep it.

Can you just imagine how much hard earned money each of us loses in these dreadful little coins every single year?

There is a bill in Congress, the Kolbe Bill, that proposes getting rid of the penny altogether and replacing the paper dollar with a coin dollar.

I have no beef with the paper dollar, but I would be willing to sacrifice it in order to live in a land without pennies.

Adjusting to the new dollar coins may be strange at first, but anyone who has traveled to England or other countries that use a similar system can tell you that it will become second nature in a matter of days.

The main concern with the Kolbe Bill is that things will be rounded to the nearest nickel.

Many feel that they will lose under this system, but I feel confident that if every aspect of our monetary lives is rounded properly, things will work themselves out.

I am a huge advocate of this bill, but right now it is only a bill. Yes, only a bill. And it's sitting there on Capitol Hill.

Even if this bill is not passed, it may still be the first step to awakening society to realize what a nuisance these almost valueless coins are.

Until then, my dream of being free of the penny will live on. ♦

## The time is now to choose a life of your own

### Save the Empire



Courtney Wood  
Staff Columnist

"Choose life. Choose a job. Choose a career. Choose a family. Choose a big television. Choose washing machines, cars, compact disc players and electrical tin openers. Choose sitting on that couch watching mind-numbing, spirit-crushing game shows, stuffing junk food into your mouth. Choose rotting away at the end of it all, pishing your last in a miserable home, nothing more than an embarrassment to the selfish, messed up brats you spawned to replace yourself. Choose a future. Choose life. ... But why would I want to do a thing like that?"

Renton said that in the groundbreaking movie *Groundhog Day*.

I have not seen this movie in a year. However, the other day in a restaurant, not listening to the person whom I was sitting and eating with bab-

ble on about the days past and things that meant really nothing to me, instead I listened to this family behind me.

It sounded as though their son had come home for the weekend from college, and they as a family went out to eat to have a nice lunch before he drove the endless hours it took to get back to campus, alone.

From what I picked up from my simple eaves dropping, the boy was scared, and he came home for no particular reason other than to see his parents, and his classmates that he had left behind, and more or less to take a look at his life from the outside perspective.

That family of three sat there about the same amount of time as my friend and I did.

However, in the short amount of time that they were there, he got another big talk on how he has such good potential and all he has to do is assert himself into his new life.

Go out and talk to people, join a few campus clubs, try to get to know people.

Make the best of his next four to five years so

when he gets out he can get a good job somewhere in the middle class of life, like his father had done, and get married to do the same with his kids.

His mother was concerned with him getting a girlfriend to marry. She wanted grandchildren but not until he got done with school of course.

These people were grounding morals into this child's personality until he didn't have a personality of his own.

I sat at this table for about 45 minutes, and not once did they even ask him what he wanted, what his dreams may be.

They don't care, and they never will. They want to mold him into this picture perfect young adult, to live the lives that they did.

His father worked in a middle class job his whole life to support him and his mother, at a job he hated, day in and day out. So that's his destiny, his plan, before he got the chance to help make the decision.

I wanted to tell this kid, "tell them how you really feel, don't sit quiet in that seat anymore, it isn't worth the heartache." However, I

didn't. I minded my own business. I watched as he got up and shot him a friendly grin, hoping that would help a little.

He smiled back - it was as though we sat and talked for hours just through that small smile and quick glimpse.

Don't live someone else's dream. Don't do what is mandated of you, because you are afraid not to do it.

I was lucky. My parents weren't crazy, and they never expected any more of me than they knew I could give. They knew that because they raised me well, that I would make the right decisions. They never had to make life's little decisions for me.

However, time and time again I sit back and see these kids who do only what they are told, because they are afraid that if they tell mom and dad that they really want to be an art major instead of a chemistry major, they'll lose mom and dad's support.

Choose your own life, choose your own job and choose your own career.

The only person's life you will change is your own. ♦

## Mad cow misconceptions explained

### By Tony V. Johnson

Guest Columnist

Pam Hudgens' column in the Aug. 30 *Sidelines* concerning her fear of consuming beef due to Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy, commonly known as "Mad Cow Disease," was interesting in that she directly reflected many of the common misconceptions about food and food-borne diseases that abound in our society.

As a professional food scientist, I'm always willing to share my expertise with anyone who has questions about food safety and am happy to do so herein.

BSE has never been found in the United States, Australia or New Zealand, three of the largest beef producing nations in the world. Scrapie, the closely related disease in sheep, also has never been found in Australia or New Zealand, where the vast majority of the world's sheep are raised.

Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease, a related human disease, is found worldwide at a constant rate regardless of the incidence rate of BSE. We are now confident that the reason for the high incidence rates

of Scrapie and BSE in England and Western Europe in general and the lack of it in the United States, Australia and New Zealand is the way we feed our livestock.

The infective agent of BSE is a small protein, known as a prion, that only exists in the brain and spinal column of infected animals.

In England and many Western European countries, offal (the parts of animals not used for food or cosmetic production) was allowed to be processed back into animal feed without being cooked.

This allowed the disease to be propagated rapidly from a few animals that naturally contracted the disease to the rest of the region's animals. We always cook offal before processing it into products like dog and cat food.

Although the popular press and many Web sites have indicated that BSE is transmitted to humans by the consumption of "contaminated" beef, this link has never been confirmed.

To be on the safe side of the issue, the USDA and FDA initiated steps in 1989 to reduce the possibility that any such problem

occurred in the United States.

No UK beef has been imported to the United States since 1985, and the USDA banned the importation of live sheep, cattle and goats from all countries which had confirmed cases of BSE in 1989.

In 1994, the FDA took steps to prevent the manufacturing of dietary supplements, cosmetics, drugs, biological drugs or medical devices using products from cattle that had resided in countries where BSE exists.

The United States is self-sufficient in animal feed production and has no need to import by-products for feed production (as Hudgens indicated in her column).

In 1996, national livestock and professional animal health organizations issued a joint statement announcing their establishment of an aggressive voluntary program to assure that ruminant-derived protein (e.g. offal) not be used in ruminant feed products in the United States.

The USDA, CDC and FDA initiated a joint surveillance program in 1990 for live and processed beef to further ensure that any

incidence of the disease will be detected.

Since then, some flocks or herds of animals have been identified as potentially having been fed feeds made with ruminant-derived protein (note: no evidence of disease), and they have been eliminated from the nations food supply system by being destroyed and buried.

The United States has, by far, the safest food supply in the world. The incidence of foodborne disease in this country is orders of magnitude lower than many countries in the world and is the model for food safety worldwide.

Does this mean that we don't have problems? Not by a long-shot. However, most foodborne diseases are actually caused by improper handling or preparation at home.

BSE should be the least of your worries. Pay more attention to what happens to your food as it's prepared and served to you, and you'll avoid the vast majority of the potential for disease. ♦

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(Left to right) Lauren Smallwood, Sarah Luhrs and Kelley Hagood make up the teen pop trio By Chanz.

Photo provided

## MTSU freshman joins pop scene

By Christopher Magan  
Staff Writer

Ever wonder what all those famous entertainers do before they hit the big time? They might be right here at MTSU.

Freshman Kelley Hagood's band By Chanz is a semifinalist in *Teen People's* "Five Live Search," a contest that showcases upcoming music acts. Their original song *What, What Did I Say?* will be featured in the October issue of *Teen People* due out later this month as well as at [www.teenpeople.com](http://www.teenpeople.com).

If the group receives enough votes to make the top three, they will fly to New York to compete in a battle of the bands. The winner of the contest will perform at a televised *Teen People* event.

"We were very surprised when we found out we had made it to the semifinals," Hagood said.

The Ashburn, VA.-based group was formed by Hagood after producer Ernesto Phillips heard her sing and suggested that she start a group to perform with live. Although the group has gone through several changes, they believe the line up they now have is just right.

"Sarah (Luhrs) and Lauren (Smallwood) are great. All the girls are very committed to the group," said Wesley Hagood, the group's manager and Kelley's father.

The all-female trio mixes R&B and rap to form their own unique blend of pop music. Kelley says that R&B has always been her favorite style of music and sites *En Vogue* as her favorite band.

"I love the way they are able to harmonize with each other," Keley said. "As a kid, I always listened to R&B. It was a big influence on me."

The majority of the songs per-

formed by the group, including *What, What Did I Say?* are original compositions written by Kelley, Smallwood and Luhrs.

"What sets us apart from other pop acts is the fact that we write our songs, not many other groups do," Kelley said.

Kelley visited several schools before deciding to attend MTSU as a recording industry major.

"It offered the most direct avenue toward my goal of working in the music business, and it felt like the right place," she said.

"I have met a lot of amazing people already, and a lot of them sing or play guitar."

Kelley has been involved in music since she was a young child, performing in school choirs and church vocal groups.

"Her talent was pretty obvious early on," Wesley Hagood said. "She

was always being chosen for leads and solos."

At Kelley's insistence, her parents helped locate a voice teacher that could develop her talent and fit the musical style she desired. Most voice instructors follow a classical route but Kelley was interested in a pop-R&B focus, her father said. The Hagoods turned to singer and vocal coach Renee Diggs to help train Kelley.

"Kelley was looking for a particular style. I came along and passed the test," Diggs said.

Diggs, a voice instructor for over 10 years, was very impressed by Kelley from their first meeting.

"I noticed right away that her voice had a very beautiful tone. She was nervous at first but a very eager student," he said.

Diggs has worked with Kelley weekly over the last three years.

"She has really come out of her

shell. She is a different person from when I first met her," Diggs said. "I love working with her. She is my favorite client."

More than anything, Kelley loves to perform.

"Performing live is the best, the reaction you get from the crowd is just amazing," she said. "We played a festival before I left for school and there were about 500 people there. We were signing autographs. It was great."

Kelley said that winning the "Five Live Search" could be By Chanz's big break and give them exposure on a national level.

"I would definitely like to see us get a record contract, maybe with this contest that will happen," she said.

To vote for By Chanz's song, visit *Teen People's* web site at [www.teenpeople.com](http://www.teenpeople.com) or call 1-877-915-5483. To learn more about the group, check out [www.bychanz.com](http://www.bychanz.com).

## HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT CONSTRUCTION ON CAMPUS?



"There's no parking. It's just s\*\*\*. There's better things they could be spending that money on."

- Reggie McKinny, senior, Oakdale, Tenn.

"It sucks."

- Allison Bergeron, senior, Dallas, Texas

"Why don't they level the old buildings and build new ones? They need to do that instead."

Tori Vaughn, sophomore, Chattanooga, Tenn.



"MTSU is a beautiful campus ... and then there's this big orange tape everywhere. It looks ugly on campus."

- Timothy Butler, sophomore, Shelbyville, Tenn.



"I wish I knew more about it, because it makes the campus look ugly."

- Kelly Smith, junior, Nashville, Tenn.



"I wish they would start working on the dorms."

- Adam Baker, junior, Nashville, Tenn.

# Summer Survival

## How to keep cool in the heat

By Charlene Callier  
Features Co-editor

The sun is beaming down on your neck as beads of sweat drop slowly down your back. Instead of being upset with the sweat, you realize it is a couple of degrees cooler than the heat outside.

Your head is hurting and your stomach is growling as you try to decide on a soda or a bottle of water to hold you over until lunch time. The intensity of the heat makes you look lazily into the horizon, wondering if the day will come when cool weather will finally embrace the earth.

Heat exhaustion is one of the side effects that occur during the hot days of

summer. College students seem to forget the danger they face from heat exhaustion and should take daily precautions to avoid the illness.

Here are some helpful tips that will help you cope with the heat during the remaining summer days.

**Drink plenty of water and liquids:** This is the best way to keep your body from getting dehydrated. The water intake supplies the body with the fluids that's lost through sweating.

**Try to reduce dairy intake:** You often hear your elders saying "Honey, don't drink milk while it's hot outside 'cause it will spoil on your stomach." They

were right. One of the quickest way to get sick in hot weather is to intake a lot of dairy products without digesting properly.

**Wear light clothing:** During the summer days wear light clothing so you can breath and won't get too hot. If you're afraid that you'll get too cold in the classrooms throw a light jacket or sweater in your backpack. Don't wear it to school in 90 degree weather.

**Prevent blisters by wearing comfortable shoes:** Summer days are the perfect time to wear cute sandals and flip flops. There is nothing worse than hopping around on campus with band aids

on your feet from blisters. So buy comfortable shoes. If you wear a size 8 don't try to squeeze into a 7. It will pay in the long run.

**Wear sun block and sunglasses:** These are essential items that will protect your eyes and your skin from cancer. Try to rub in sun block to prevent extra skin irritation. If you don't like sun block, then apply cocoa butter or Vaseline.

**Take time to replenish:** Don't go all day without fluids, this is the quickest way to end up sick from the heat. You have water fountains in every building so use them or buy water or drinks from the vending machine. You could even

freeze water overnight in your freezer and carry it on campus all day so that it remains cold as it melts.

**Take the Raider Xpress:** This is the perfect time to just lay back and enjoy the air conditioner while someone else is doing the driving.

**Seek Shade:** Your body will give you all types of warnings before it begins to shut down. Notice these symptoms and seek shade immediately to avoid any serious illness.

Taking precautions is the smartest way to make it during the summer days so that you can survive to sweat through another one. ♦

## Campus Events

By Leslie Fike  
Features Co-Editor

### Thursday, Sept. 6

Applications for membership to the Raider Coordinating Council of Organizations are available until Sept. 14 in the Keathley University Center, Room 306B from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. For more information, contact Chris Montage or Maggie Prugh at 904-8418.

Campus Crusade for Christ will be holding their weekly meeting, CRU, every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Learning Resources Center, Room 221. For more information, contact Mike Lipscomb at 896-9299 or Eric Rodgers at 848-6741.

Regular Season Soccer at the Recreation Center will end Sept. 11. The entry fee is \$30. For more information, contact Robert Steele at 898-2104.

Robert Lewis' exhibition, "Divine Gallery," is open in the Baldwin Photographic Gallery of the LRC from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, and 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Sunday. The exhibit will be displayed through Oct. 11.

MTSU Films presents Blow in the KUC Theater at 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. through Sept. 8. Admission is \$2. For more information, call 898-2551.

### Friday, Sept. 7

There will be a pep rally in the KUC Courtyard at 5 p.m. with a performance by comedy hypnotist Dale K, following the rally, at 6 p.m.

The softball tournament will be in the new intramural fields through Sept. 9. The entry fee is \$15. For more information,

contact Robert Steele at 898-2104.

### Saturday, Sept. 8

MTSU will celebrate its 90th birthday with a party from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on the lawn of the Alumni Center.

The Presbyterian Student Fellowship is hosting a "PSF Primetime" at 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday. For more information, contact Rich Zeigler or Mary Sigmon at 893-1787 or e-mail PSFMTSU@yahoo.com.

### Wednesday, Sept. 12

The Shape Club will be hosting a picnic at 11:30 a.m. in the Murphy Center picnic area. New members can fill out applications with a \$5 fee. For more information, call Sandra Neal at 898-2904.

### Thursday, Sept. 13

The American Veterans Traveling Tribute Wall will be displayed on the Intramural Fields through Sept. 17. Admission is free, and the display will be open 24 hours a day. For additional details, call 898-5702.

### Friday, Sept. 14

The lifeguard tryouts will be held at the Recreation Center's indoor pool from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, contact Chris Bost or Ray Wiley at 898-2104.

### Thursday, Sept. 27

The June Anderson Women's Center is sponsoring a Free Legal Clinic from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The clinic is available to all MTSU students, faculty and staff. Appointments to speak with an attorney can be made by calling the JAWC AT 898-2193. Space is limited.

## Dear Annie

Dear Annie,

One of my best friends has come back to school after being at home for the summer and is acting like she's in high school. She's concerned about being popular with the sorority girls and the fraternity guys. Maybe it's because she's single now. She had a serious boyfriend but they split this summer. She is acting irrational and impulsive. It's either her way or no way. Also, I feel like I can't trust her anymore. Like she might reveal a secret just so she'll have something to talk about. I also feel like I'm her friend when her new friends are busy. Should I confront her about this? I really want my old friend back. What should I do? - Replaced

Dear Replaced,

Summer seems to bring out the best in us... summer love, flings—separate, break-up and get back together again. Now it's back to school time (cringe). People could be in new relationships and different places in their lives. Confusing questions like, "who should I date this week?" People trying to mold their relationships into juvenile categories such as: "I love my friends who give me presents." Or my personal favorite the "friends with benefits" category.

Let's all add some "class" to our lives this semester. My overall beginning statement...

people change. We're all trying to figure out who we are and what we want. Not everyone is a round peg. Some of us are square and proud of it. Relationships change, friendships change, I've changed.

Could this be what's going on with your friend? Maybe she's changed.

My first thought - try making a new friend.

I know what you're thinking... you don't want to give up on your old friend. Well, you have two choices.

You could accept your friend can't share your secrets with her anymore. Instead discuss your latest crisis with me or your journal. She may even come around when she realizes she's losing your friendship. But it won't hurt to meet new people and make new friends.

Your other choice is to have a heart to heart discussion. Maybe confronting her isn't a bad idea. Tell her how you feel and how much you miss the way she used to be. She will either realize her behavior has been childish and change, or she'll say, "sorry" and a week later nothing will have changed.

Whatever choice you make, be patient. Give her time. Obviously, there was some reason she was your best friend.

Please e-mail questions to DearMtsuAnnie@aol.com.

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# Intense reality of 'Blow' captivates KUC crowd

By Stephanie Saujon  
Staff Writer

*Blow* is not a rollercoaster ride, it's a skydive with a broken parachute.

From beginning to end, I was intrigued. The screenplay, written by Nick Cassavetes and David McKenna, is based on the true story of George Jung, a small-town American man who was responsible for much of the powder cocaine smuggling in the United States during the disco years.

*Blow* traces Jung's childhood in New England through his high-flying days as a drug-dealing millionaire to his present whereabouts in a penitentiary.

Johnny Depp is excellent. The performance reminded me of his portrayal of Hunter S. Thompson in *Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas*, but with more concentration.

Depp plays Jung, a young hippie in the late 1960s who moves to California and starts selling marijuana to stoned surfers. After realizing he can make a lot of money dealing cocaine, he decides to make a business out of it. A few years later, he begins smuggling cocaine, which becomes hip for

movie and rock stars to use.

Jung's drug was a hit on the west coast and he became a multi-millionaire in a couple of years. Sounds great, right?

Of course not! I can't tell you everything, but I will tell you it's a really good.

The acting is outstanding. Jordi Molla, who plays Jung's best friend and partner Diego Delgado, is a snake in the grass.

Molla, who is a Spanish film star making his American debut in this film, gives a striking performance. Penelope Cruz, also a seasoned movie star in her home country of Spain, plays Jung's Colombian wife, Mirtha. She's crazy in this movie. She makes the strung-out, cursing, pregnant wife role very believable. The film co-stars Ray Liotta as Jung's father, while Paul Reubens appears as a gay hairdresser.

The film approach to *Blow* is a step in a new direction. Interesting camera angles and freeze-frame are used to draw attention to the setting and acting.

Ted Demme, the director, is also known for directing the films *Life* and *The Ref*.

In one scene, a series of particular photographs tell the story of a five-year period.

Time seems to fly by in this movie, because the story begins in the 1940s and ends in the early 21st century. The film crew was responsible for period clothing, wigs and fake fat.

The wigs get really bad towards the end of the movie, and the fake fat is just weird, but the clothes are pretty dope.

The soundtrack is appropriate, featuring artists such as the Rolling Stones, Cream, Bob Dylan and Lynyrd Skynyrd.

You won't be disappointed. Rooms full of money, machine guns and furious drug use combine with Spanish influences and beautiful women to create a Hollywood extravaganza.

*Blow* is excitement, drugs, danger, intensity, treachery and corruption. It's about a family caught in the middle of the legal backlash.

It's the true story of a man who watched his life be sacrificed for nothing.

Go see it and learn about the start of the Colombian cocaine epidemic. You're in for an intense experience.

*Blow* is playing Thursday at 7 and 9:30 p.m. and Friday and Saturday at listed times at the KUC Theater. The admission is \$2 for students. ♦

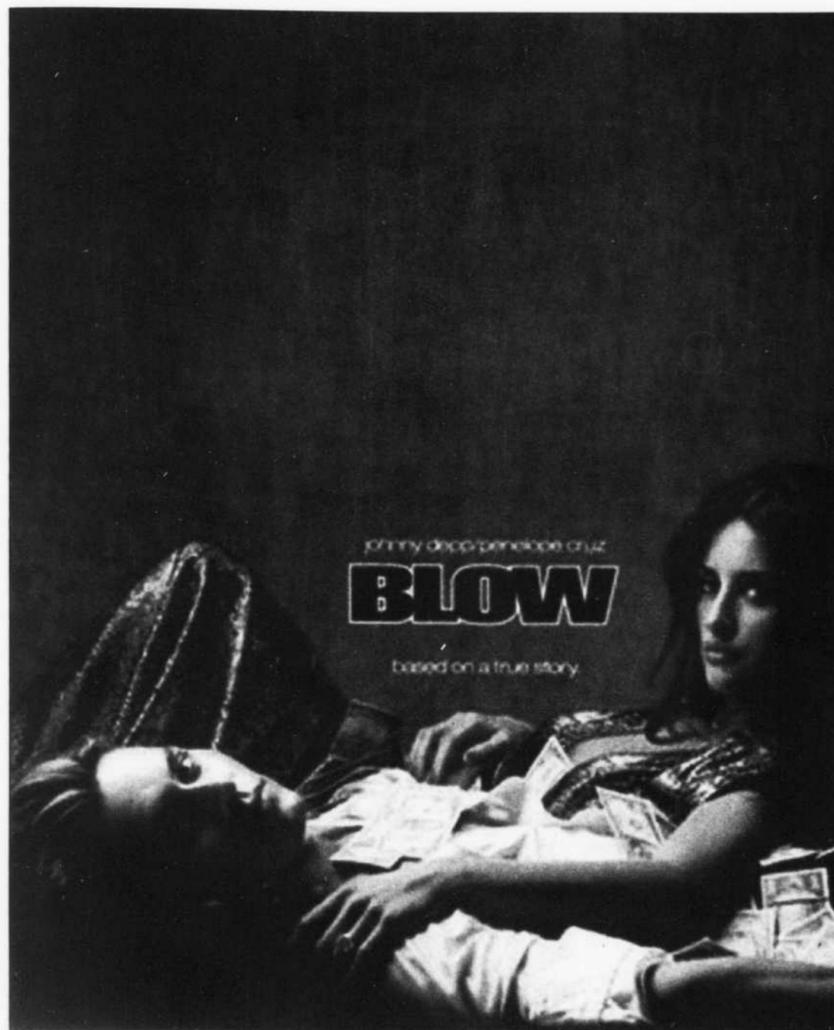
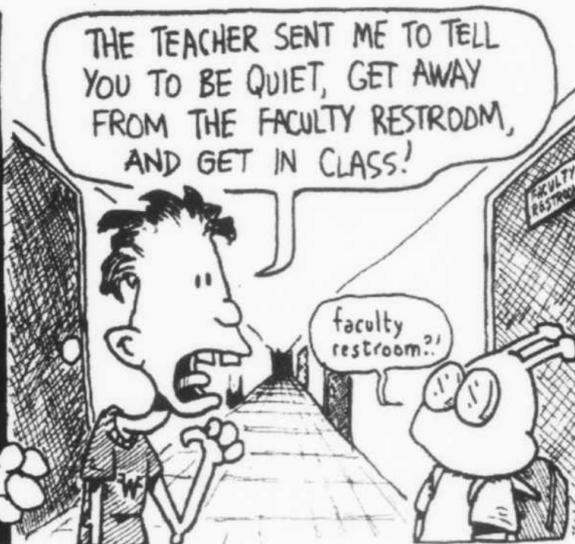
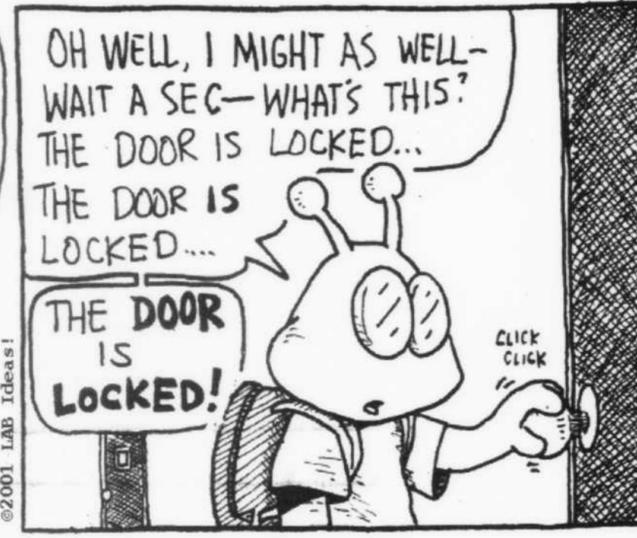
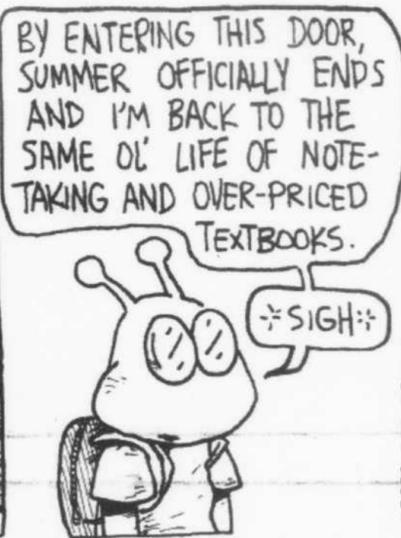
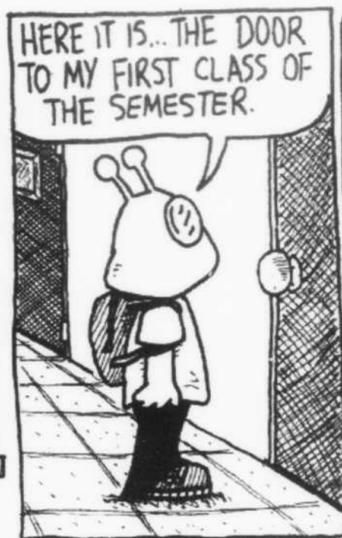


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## Raiders seek first 2-0 start since 1990

By Shane Marquardt  
Staff Writer

The Blue Raiders offensive highlight show is returning home to Floyd Stadium in hopes of extending a streak and administering a little payback.

MTSU is coming home firing after steamrolling to 608 total yards in a 37-28 victory against Vanderbilt. Couple the 600 yard performance with a six game winning streak, and Troy State may find it difficult to dodge the barreling locomotive of Blue Raider football.

"All spring and all summer [the media] have pointed toward Vanderbilt, we have not," head coach Andy McCollum said. "We're looking to play against a team that whipped us pretty good two years ago."

Troy State handed the Blue Raiders a loss in their first season as a Division 1-A program back in 1999, and now that the Trojans are moving to 1-A football, MTSU is looking to return the favor.

"We're about to face a team that is very athletic, fast and physical," McCollum says. "In a lot of ways they're more athletic than the opponent we just played."

A confident Blue Raider team will look forward to duplicating the 42-14 score Nebraska laid down on the Trojans last week.

"They are a faster team than we just played and they'll be a motivated team coming off a tough loss to Nebraska," McCollum says. "We won't have to talk to our kids too much."

But all cylinders look to be clicking with the Raider squad, and when offense and defense are working together, MTSU is an established Division 1-A program that looks difficult to beat.

A suspect offensive line came together against a respected SEC opponent and opened craters that allowed the Raiders offense to add 608 yards to their resume.

"For a unit that had question marks, I thought they played extremely well," McCollum said.

The offensive line looks to continue the progress and step out of the shadows of a star-studded Blue Raider attack.

"The true test is to work hard every week and have better stats and a better record at the end of the year," offensive lineman and MTSU offensive MVP Glen Elarbee says. "We have to get better each game."

The timing for the offensive line's progress couldn't have come at a better time, especially when faced with a difficult challenge in the Troy State defense. All-American candidate Dwone Hicks will need all the help he can get if he is to reach the hundred yard rushing mark again.

"Their defense is very fast," McCollum says. "[So] we know the challenge ahead of us."

MTSU's defense is also coming on fast, and exceeding early expectations by holding Vanderbilt scoreless in the second half of last week's game. They will need a similar effort against a potent Trojan attack.

"[Troy State] is a physical, quick team," defensive end Tanaka Scott says. "We have to

See Troy State, 4B

# MT begins quest for SBC title

By J.P. Plant  
Senior Sports Editor

The beginning to the 2001 football season for Middle Tennessee is something Blue Raider fans, alumni and supporters have been eagerly anticipating. It marked the beginning of new era in Middle Tennessee football with the inaugural season of the Sun Belt Conference. For the first

time since leaving the Ohio Valley Conference following the 1998 season, the Blue Raiders will compete for a conference championship and an opportunity to play in the first ever New Orleans Bowl.

"Our main goal is to go to [the] New Orleans [Bowl]," senior quarterback Wes Counts said.

"This is a great challenge for this program and an even better

opportunity after two years as a I-A Independent," head coach Andy McCollum said. "The league will be highly competitive despite this being the first year of play, but I definitely feel we have a chance of being there at the end. We work everyday to improve and now we hope to take another stride in the right direction after last season."

The momentum following the win at Vanderbilt could go a

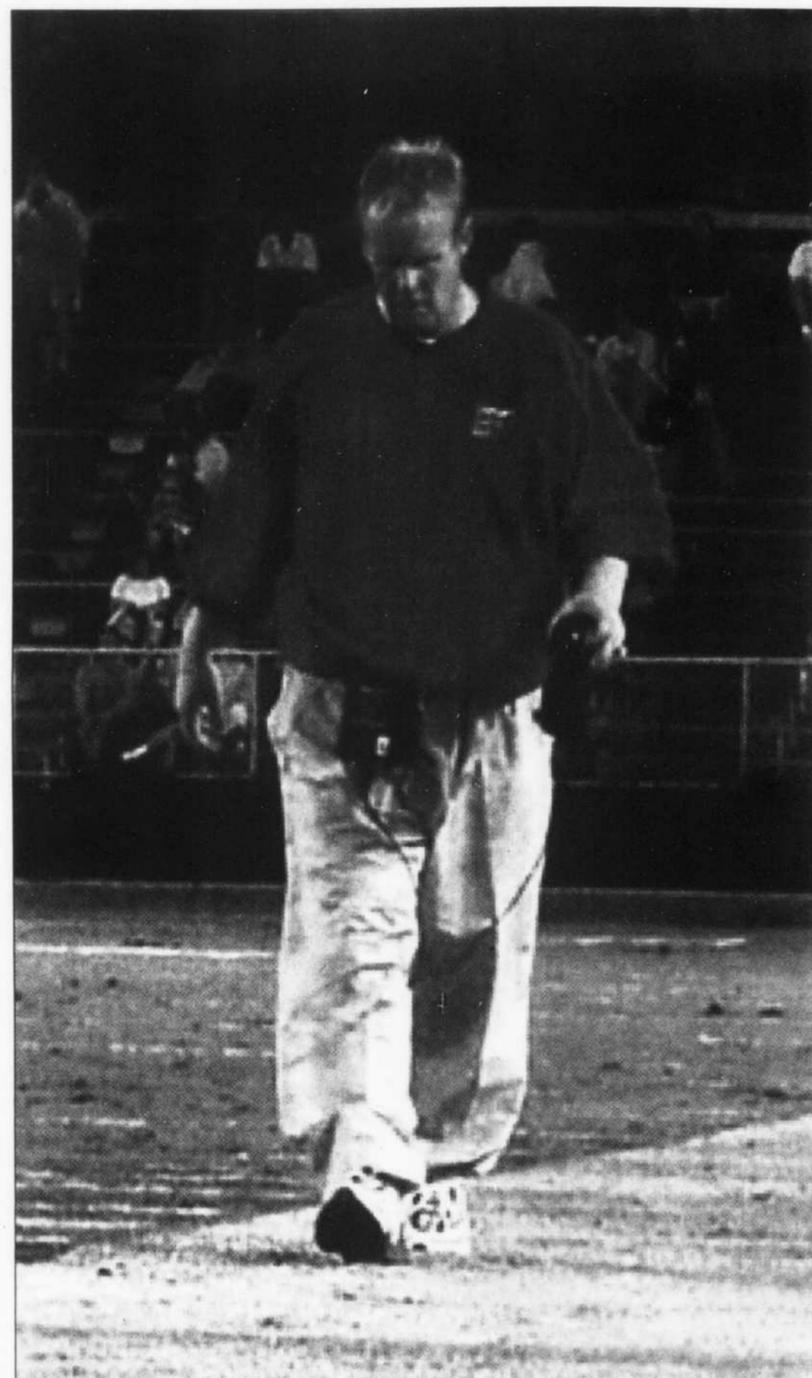
long way toward obtaining a Sun Belt title. The Raiders were already in the Blue Raiders' corner before the season began as numerous publications and polls, including the Sun Belt coaches and Sports Information Directors' poll selected Middle Tennessee to run the table in the conference and take an early Christmas vacation to New Orleans Dec. 18.

While McCollum has high hopes for this season, he simply wants to focus on his team getting better.

"The bottom line is that we try to improve a little each year," McCollum said. "Hopefully, we will be able to continue doing that. Obviously we are very ambitious for the 2001 season, but that is the case

See Quest, 2B

# Daddy Mac, the family man



Coach McCollum walks the sidelines during Middle's victory over Vanderbilt.

Photo provided

## Coach McCollum attributes work ethic, coaching career to mentor Boots Donnelly

By J.P. Plant  
Senior Sports Editor

With Middle Tennessee's first chance at a conference championship since leaving the Ohio Valley Conference in 1998, excitement for Blue Raider football is at an all time high. Add in a thrilling 37-28 victory over Vanderbilt, and anything but a New Orleans Bowl berth just won't do.

So how does head coach Andy McCollum handle the mounting pressure? Pressure to McCollum is whether he spends enough time with his family. On the football field, all he worries about is his players playing as hard as they can play.

I had a chance to sit down with the up-and-coming coach one afternoon following practice, and found out where he came from and why he is where he is.

You'll see the words 'family,' 'work ethic' and believing. He uses these words as the cornerstone of a life teaching young men the game of football and the game of life. And he also has a nice thing-or-two to say about his mentor Boots Donnelly.

What was your first football experience?

McCollum: I recall a guy that used to be a manager here named Jim Locke, who recently passed away, playing Pop Warner league. Locke was my coach and it turned out that he was a Middle Tennessee graduate - something I didn't find out till I was older. I grew up around it (football). I was a Marietta Blue Devil - my dad played there, my granddaddy played there - and everybody that I was associated with. My dad was my idol, and still is. He played football a couple of

years at the University of Georgia on scholarship. And I just grew up around football, basketball, baseball and every other sport.

Aside from your father, was there anybody else that you tried to emulate or maybe saw as a role model?

McCollum: As I was growing up as far as playing, my parents were my role models. There were people in town that really took interest in me - Rupert and Beverly Rains were people that were very close to me. My head coach in high school, Ray Broadaway, was somebody that I really respected and looked up to. And my position coach (at quarterback), Lester Williams, was somebody I really looked up to. And when I went to college, I went to Austin Peay, but because of Austin Peay, not because of Boots Donnelly. As far as learning work ethic, as far as learning to be the best you can be everyday, not taking shortcuts, not pretending, character, dignity, it all came from him. He was tough, but I was going through a time when I needed somebody to be tough. I worked for a lot of people, but I haven't worked for anyone any better, to coaches or players, than Boots Donnelly.

After starting three years at quarterback in high school, you moved to the offensive line in college. What caused that change in positions?

McCollum: They lied to me (laughing). No, they didn't see my talents. I went to Austin Peay because of Boots Donnelly and because I felt like I had an opportunity to be a quarterback. I wasn't a highly recruited guy, I thought I was, but I wasn't. I was

See Daddy Mac, 3B

# Blue Raider alum Barry Hall now a Titan

By Kristen Youngblood  
Staff Writer

Blue Raider alumni Barry Hall now has what most would consider the best job in the world-offensive lineman for the Tennessee Titans.

Last Tuesday ended what has been a tremendous learning experience for Hall. He has had the opportunity to prove his talent and play with one of the best teams in the league during mini camp, training camp and

four pre-season games.

When the last cuts were made and the 53-man roster was final at 3 p.m., Sunday, Hall stepped onto the practice field at Baptist Sports Park just like he had so many other times over the past four months. This time, however, with the certainty that he had what takes to play in the National Football League.

"I'm happy. The final cut has come and gone," Hall said. "I'm happy I'm still around. Now I am ready to work hard and play

in this league."

Hall is one of four undrafted rookies to make the squad including wide receiver Drew Bennett, safety Joe Walker, and defensive end Juqua Thomas.

"I could not be more proud than I am of Barry Hall," said Coach McCollum. "Barry has a great character, comes from a great family and is an outstanding representative of Middle Tennessee. His work ethic, his sense of urgency and his strength are reasons he is on

that 53-man roster. He's a humble kid and will never change. You see what you get."

In addition to the Titans domination over Detroit for a 3-1 preseason and Sunday's final cut, the past week was also exciting for Hall because of MTSU's highly anticipated match up and win over Vanderbilt.

"I was on the phone the entire fourth quarter with my girlfriend because our game was over," Hall said. "When we

finally won, I was tickled to death for the program at Middle and the way Coach Mac [Collum] has brought the team up to where it's at."

"When he [Coach McCollum] came here, he changed the whole attitude of the program... If it hadn't been for him, I wouldn't be here," Hall said. "He changed my work ethic around. He got me working hard and lifting harder.

See Sports, 8



7 Day Sportscast

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■ **Volleyball**  
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■ **Tennis**  
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### SATURDAY

■ **Football**  
Blue Raiders vs. Troy State  
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6 p.m.

■ **Volleyball**  
Lady Raiders at Bradley Tournament  
Peoria, Ill.  
TBA

### SUNDAY

■ **Soccer**  
Lady Raiders vs. Jacksonville State  
Murfreesboro, Tenn.  
3 p.m.

### MONDAY

■ **Men's Golf**  
Blue Raiders at Raising Cane Classic  
Hattiesburg, Miss.  
TBA

### TUESDAY

■ **Men's Golf**  
Blue Raiders at Raising Cane Classic  
Hattiesburg, Miss.  
TBA

### WEDNESDAY

■ **Men's Tennis**  
National All-American Championships  
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## Quest: Middle Tennessee competes for first conference championship since leaving OVC

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every year. We are always positive and believe strongly in what we do."

Strong belief is something McCollum has plenty of when it comes to the offense. The Blue Raiders have 21 letterman returning to a unit that was ranked 16th nationally last season.

"We have more competition at each position than we've had since I arrived," McCollum said. "Our challenge offensively will be how quickly our line play comes together. We're bigger and more athletic up front, but it remains to be seen how cohesive the unit will be. That's something that will take time, but hopefully not too much time."

Helping the speed up father time is experienced fifth-year senior Wes Counts. Counts, a product of the Boots Donnelly era, is quickly climbing the all-time lists in pass attempts, pass completions, and is already the career leader in completion percentage.

Backing up Counts is fourth-year senior Jason Johnson. Johnson, who is more athletic than Counts, gives offensive coordinator Larry Fedora a nice contrast to play with when designing his offensive scheme. But Fedora is more excited about the experience the two signal-callers bring.

"We have two very experienced quarterbacks," Fedora said. "It's a luxury not a lot of

teams have. If one is having an off day then we can bring the other one in to hopefully add some spark. They are both very competitive and push each other every day in practice, which only helps make our team better."

The backfield probably possesses the most depth of any position. With the return of 1,000-yard rusher Dwone Hicks, sophomore Don Calloway and the resurgence of senior Jamison Palmer, who missed last season to injury after leading the team in rushing two years ago, Larry Fedora has plenty of weapons to go to.

But what could be the most lethal weapon is the unlimited talent of sophomore Rashard Lee. Lee, who coming out of high school was rated the No. 1 athlete in Georgia, gives Fedora another option to give the ball to.

"Everybody knows what Dwone did last year and we have three more behind him that are capable of doing the same thing," Fedora said. "I'm excited about this bunch because they are very talented, all athletic, can catch the football and are all very coachable."

Close behind the running-backs in depth and talent are the receivers led by All-American candidate Kendall Newson. The senior from Decatur Ga. already owns nearly every receiving record at Middle Tennessee. And McCollum attributes Newson's success to his competitiveness.

"Kendall Newson is the most fierce competitor I have ever seen on the field," McCollum said. "He lines up everyday to win, and most of the time he does. He possesses the mentality you want your entire team to have."

Joining Newson is junior Tyrone Calico. A Randy Moss-type receiver, Calico compliments Newson at the wide out spot. His explosive speed and leaping ability makes him a serious deep ball threat.

Apart of the four returning starters at wide receiver from last season is Hansford Johnson. Johnson, who did nearly everything on an offense last year except kick an extra point, will bring his sure hands and fleet feet to the mix of experience receivers.

To get a grasp of the contribution Johnson made last season, he was third on the team in receptions with 31, was the third leading ground gainer with 245 yards or 20.4 per carry, and completed 3-of-4 passes for 89 yards and two scores. And let us not forget Johnson's duties returning punts and kickoffs.

Junior David Youell and sophomore Kerry Wright are expected to battle all season for the fourth and final receiver position. Youell was one of last year's big surprises catching 30 passes for 232 yards.

The tight end spot will be a battle between junior Lucas Frost and sophomore Brett Bucher. Frost, from Jonesboro, Ga., saw action in all 11 games last season, including three as a

starter. Despite not catching a pass in 2000, Frost has developed into a solid blocker, which will be key the success of the talented backfield.

The unit most dependent on the success of the backfield is the offensive line. The unit that lost four starters to graduation last year is anchored sophomore left tackle Brandon Westbrook. Westbrook, who suffered a broken leg late last season, is expected to be one of the best offensive linemen to ever wear a Blue Raider jersey.

The left guard position is wide open. Early favorites include newcomer Preston Portley, David Coy and Jonathan Proby.

Competing for starting time at center will be junior Glen Elarbee, newcomer Nathan Blasi and sophomore Josh Willoughby.

On the right side, veteran Kevin Pascoe is the favorite to start at guard. Other than Westbrook, Pascoe is the only lineman with starting experience.

At right tackle, the previously mentioned Coy appears to be the front runner. Coy has a lot of experience at guard, but has the quickness and footwork to excel at tackle.

Defensively the Blue Raiders continue to improve. The 2001 unit will be more experienced, more confident and have more speed than units in the past.

"We have showed a lot of improvement from year one to year two, but we have to contin-

ue," McCollum said. "We have improved with size and speed and now need to work on our personality and that's where our leaders have to step up. We should be better because now our talented freshmen from last year are sophomores."

With a new defensive coordinator comes a new defensive scheme. Middle will implement a 4-3 defense changing from a 3-4 defense used in the past.

Anchoring the defensive line is Tanaka Scott. The senior possesses speed with a physical punch to penetrate opponent's backfields.

Joining Scott on the defensive line are Jerry Vanderpool, Curtis Daniely and Anthony Hood.

At linebacker, McCollum has three returning starters. Scott Brown and Chris Gatlin return to the middle positions. A newcomer to the position (linebacker) is former safety Michael Woods. Coaches feel Woods' speed and athleticism is a must on the field.

Leading the way in the secondary is senior Jykine Bradley, who enjoyed the best season of any player in the secondary a year ago. Bradley, from Knoxville, TN, led Middle Tennessee in interceptions (three), pass breakups (12), and was sixth in tackles (50) from his left corner position.

Sophomore Brandon Lynch, a three-time Special Teams MVP winner last year, joins sophomore Joe McClendon as co-starters at free safety.

Muhammad Rashada, who also returns kickoffs, leads an experience duo at the right corner position along with Kendall "Rod" Higgins.

Kareem Bland and Chris Johnson are expected to battle for the free safety position.

After questions about the kicking game heading into the 2000 season were serious concerns to McCollum, this season experience nullifies any questions.

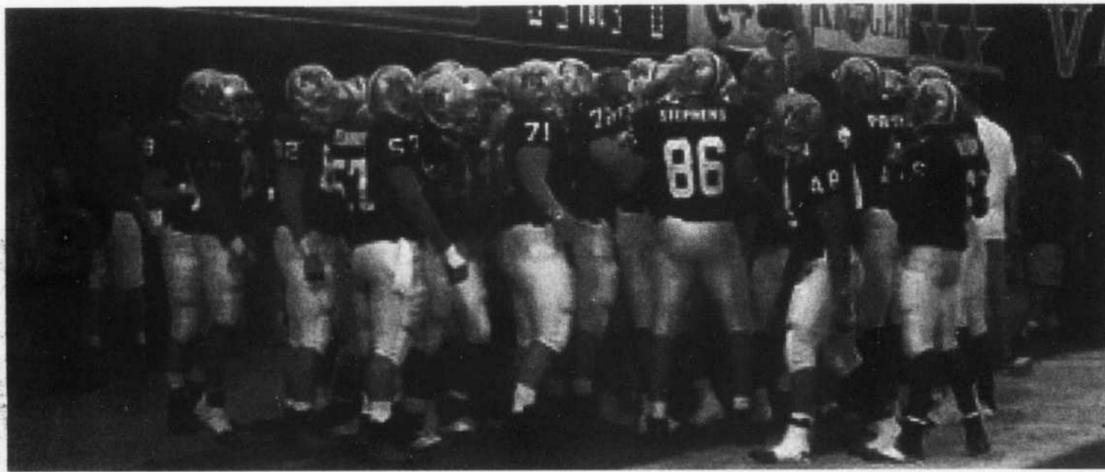
Brian Kelly is back for his sophomore season as the place kicker. Kelly connected on 11-of-13 field goals last season, including the game winner in the season finale against Louisiana at Lafayette.

Another sophomore, Robert Bittings, will take care of the punting duties.

After beating their first South Eastern Conference team in history versus Vanderbilt, the Blue Raiders are primed to make a serious run at the New Orleans Bowl.

Key games include the Oct. 6 meeting with Idaho, picked second in the conference, and the Oct. 27 meeting with New Mexico State, both of which are home games for the Blue Raiders.

The outlook is as bright as the sun (excuse the pun), and the first ever Sun Belt Conference championship trophy will reside in Murfreesboro. ♦



Blue Raiders huddle just prior to kickoff before the game against Vanderbilt last Thursday night.

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## Daddy Mac: Coach appreciates Donnelly

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recruited by the Western Carolinas, Middle Tennessees, Austin Peays, Tennessee Techs, Chattanooga, those people. I had committed to go to Western Carolina until coach Donnelly and two of his staff members came into my house. I got up there and really liked his straight forwardness. He looked at me and said do you want to play football. There was an immediate respect for him and I haven't looked back since. He took an immature kid and made me grow up. And I think if I had been in another situation, I'm not sure I would have grown up. I never really had intentions of coaching until he asked me to.

As McCollum looks up into the dark clouds hovering over the practice field next to Floyd Stadium, he recalls his first game in college:

McCollum: I'll never forget my first game against UT Martin - coach Donnelly had given us our pre-game talk that sent tears running down my face. I don't even remember kicking off. All I remember is getting up and making the first tackle. I played on the special teams until the second game when coach Donnelly came in and said 'we've got to find a place for you to play' and asked me if I would be interested in playing tight end, and I said 'yes sir, I just want to get on the field'.

McCollum was later moved to the offensive line where he started the sixth game of his freshman year and helped lead Austin Peay to its only Ohio Valley Conference championship in 1977. He played offensive guard again his sophomore year due to an elbow injury, and finally played tight

*"Coaching has been good to me, and if it weren't for the direction of my family and Boots Donnelly, I wouldn't be coaching today."*

- Andy McCollum, head coach

end his junior and senior seasons under Watson Brown.

What was it like in 1981 when you received the call from coach Donnelly asking you to come and coach?

McCollum: A couple of assistants kept calling me, one of which I played with, Keith Wright, Joe Sanders being the other. I wasn't really interested the first two times - I was traveling around playing slow pitch softball and having fun. Finally they talked me into coming up [to MTSU] to visit with the coach [Donnelly]. When I came up I had long hair, a beard and wore flip flops. As I walked into his (coach Donnelly) office he just shook his head and said 'when I recruited you, I told you that you were going to get your degree. Come and work for me at Middle Tennessee, coach for a year and get your degree.' That made sense to me and has stuck with me since.

McCollum proceeded to get his degree and his masters at Middle Tennessee which led to a nine-year stint as an assistant coach under Boots Donnelly whom he has the highest amount of respect for.

McCollum: When coach Donnelly took over this program, it was so bad. I had never seen anything like it. And a lot of people forget that. But after a couple of years he brought some of his own people into the program and we started winning. I've worked for four or

five head coaches since then, and I've learned something from all of them, but not as much as I learned from him (Donnelly). I've worked for four great guys and one sorry one. But I learned something from the sorry one as well - I learned how not to treat people. It's been a learning experience for me. My philosophies have developed from a lot of different people. But when it comes to work ethic, to out working people, to believing in what you're doing, to fighting for your kids, a lot of that comes from just one man.

You had the opportunity to coach at nearly every position in your career. Is there one particular unit that stands out to you, one that is close to your heart?

McCollum: My 1988 group I had here at Middle Tennessee. We had some good kids that year. The '85 team and the group that played Indiana in '84, both were fighters. And they loved Middle Tennessee. My '95 defensive team at Baylor that was ranked fifth in the nation - we called them the 'wild nation', a group that had six or seven players drafted [to the NFL]. Every team that has been successful that I can think of has been close. They were one unit, one force. And that's what we always talk about, being a family. I've had a bunch of good kids. I can't think of any bad ones. There has been some that needed more discipline

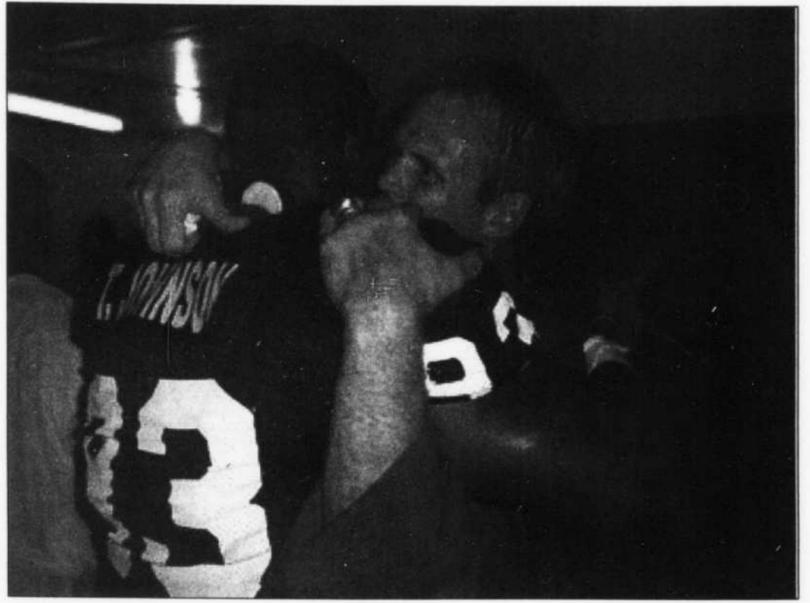


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Coach McCollum hugs one of his players following the win against Vanderbilt.

than others, but they're all kids...Coaching has been good to me, and if it weren't for the direction of my family and Boots Donnelly, I wouldn't be coaching today.

You mentioned family, how did you meet your wife?

McCollum: I met her recruiting. She had graduated from Middle Tennessee and was working part time at the Holiday Inn in Murfreesboro when I was checking in recruits. She caught my attention and we started talking. We dated and got married. We had two great kids.

Speaking of your kids, do they enjoy watching football?

McCollum: Yeah. But they don't enjoy missing dad. And that's where I've really tried to get a balance in my life for family, my staff and myself. Because I enjoy working and have 105 kids out here (Middle Tennessee), but I have two at

home. And I have to do a better job at balancing my time because my family is very special to me. My wife has done a great job and I try to get them out here at practice as often as I can and I want my coaches to bring their kids out here as well. Family is very important to me and I don't want to be one of these coaches that say 'I wish I had spent more time with my family.'

Sidelines: Switching gears back to football, there has been a lot of hype about the beginning of this season with being picked to win the conference and the renewal of a 46-year old rivalry with Vanderbilt, what is your take on the increasing press coverage?

McCollum: You know what I think J.P.? Every time somebody breaths Middle Tennessee's name, it excites the hell out of me. I think it's great. I think this is what it's all sup-

posed to be about. I just wish we could every Middle Tennessee person that's gone to this university to be Middle Tennessee people. If we would just do that, there would be a lot of excitement around here. We still have people that are waiting for us to upset somebody or beat a name (the wait is over). But we're still working our tales off and that's what I'm proud about. I don't know how good this football team is going to be. But I do know this - we've had a great fall, we've had a great work ethic and these kids will not back down from anybody. So if we get a few breaks and stay healthy, I think we have an opportunity to do some things.

Look for part II of the interview with Andy McCollum Monday Sept. 10. ♦

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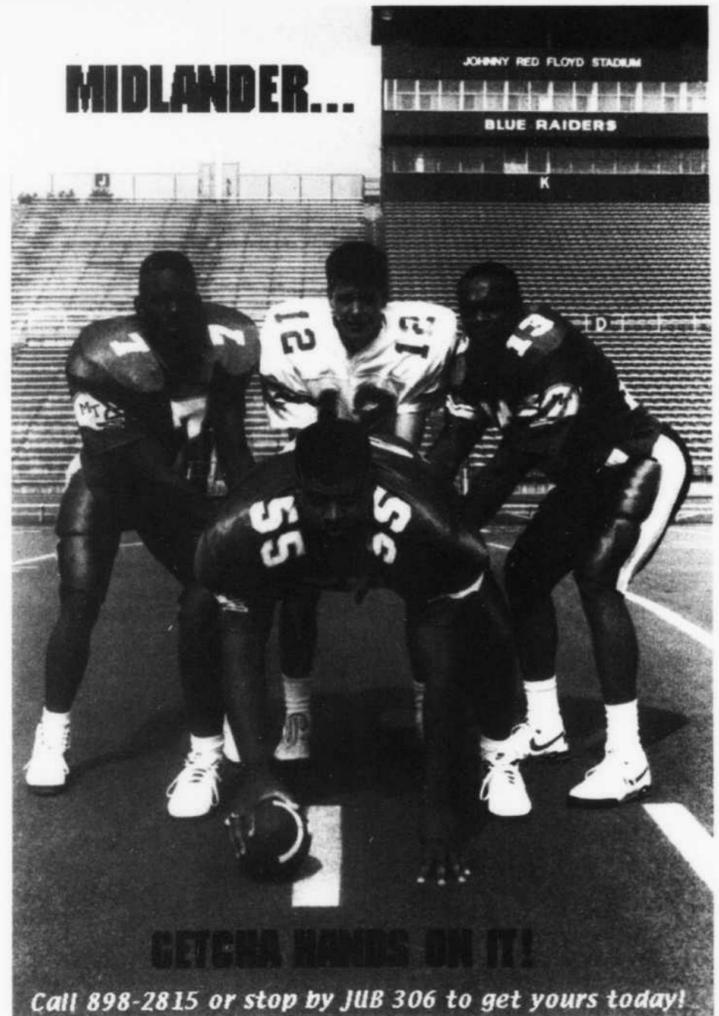
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## Troy State: Middle looks for revenge

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stay focused and play hard and make plays to be successful."

Though Jykine Bradley was named Sun Belt Defensive Player of the Week, the secondary was put under a harsh light in the Vanderbilt game. The coaching staff would like to see their performance elevate under these circumstances.

"We had a couple of breakdowns in the secondary that doesn't need to happen if we want to continue to win games," McCollum says.

This is even more poignant against a talented Trojan offense led by quarterback Brock Nutter.

"He is a good quarterback who passes well and is very consistent," defensive MVP Michael Woods says.

Woods, who led the team with six tackles from his linebacker position, will need plenty of help this week, and it may need to come from MTSU's twelve man, the fans.

"Our fans were the difference in the [Vandy] game," McCollum said. "If everyone

that was at the Vandy game will just bring one friend, we can fill our stadium up."

The Blue Raiders may need the fan support to help carry their momentum, and to prove to Troy State that it's not easy to come into Murfreesboro and take a victory out of Floyd stadium.

"It was awesome to see the stadium full of blue," Scott said. "That's what we want to see this week, too." ♦

## Sun Belt Conference

Sat., Sept. 8

Louisiana at Lafayette	at	Minnesota, 1:30 p.m.
Louisiana at Monroe	at	Florida, 5 p.m.
<b>Troy State</b>	<b>at</b>	<b>MTSU, 6 p.m.</b>
Arkansas State	at	Baylor, 6 p.m.
North Texas	at	Oklahoma, 7 p.m.
Oregon State	at	New Mexico State, 8 p.m.
Idaho	at	Arizona, 9 p.m.

## 2001 Middle Tennessee Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Aug. 30	Vanderbilt	Nashville, Tenn.	W 37-28
Sept. 8	Troy State	Floyd Stadium	6 p.m.
Sept. 22	Louisiana-Monroe	Monroe, La.	6 p.m.
Sept. 29	Louisiana-Lafayette	Lafayette, La.	7 p.m.
Oct. 6	Idaho	Floyd Stadium	6 p.m.
Oct. 13	North Texas	Denton, TX	3:05 p.m.
Oct. 20	Mississippi	Oxford, Miss.	1 p.m.
Oct. 27	New Mexico State	Floyd Stadium	2 p.m.
Nov. 3	Arkansas State	Floyd Stadium	2 p.m.
Nov. 10	LSU	Baton Rouge, La.	7 p.m.
Nov. 17	Connecticut	Floyd Stadium	2 p.m.

## Titan: Hall proves he belongs in NFL

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He knew if he kept pushing me, I could play at this level."

Hall says he sees similarities in the coaching styles of Coach McCollum and Titans Head Coach Jeff Fisher.

"They both have the same coaching philosophy. They expect you to go out and play hard. They're not going to

embarrass you and get in your face in front of everybody. But, they're going to correct you when you're wrong. And when you do good, they're going to tell you that you did good."

But that is where the similarity ends according to Hall

"It's a whole different game up here," Hall said. "It's more of a business. If you don't put out, get out. I'm glad I put out

enough to stick around."

This weekend both the Blue Raiders and the Titans will host their regular season home opener. The Blue Raiders face off against Troy State and the Titans battle an offense very similar to their own when the Dolphins come to town.

Hall's thoughts on the two teams' seasons: "I hope we end up in New Orleans...both of us."

## MT tennis hosts annual Pro-Am

By Rebecca Pickering  
Managing Editor

The Middle Tennessee tennis teams are hosting the 15th Annual Blue Raider Pro-Am Tennis Classic Friday and Saturday at the Buck Bouldin Tennis Center.

Men's head coach Dale Short, now in his 15th year with the Blue Raiders, said that this year's fundraiser would be the largest ever.

Events begin Friday with a clinic at 5:30 p.m. for participants and their families.

Following the clinic, there will be an exhibition doubles match between former Blue Raiders — Fred Niemeyer and Paul Goebel — and two former

University of Kentucky Wildcat players. Niemeyer and Goebel played together under coach Short in 1994 when they became the first duo in the program's history to earn All-American honors.

The partially renovated tennis courts will be used for play, but they are not completed. "We don't anticipate completion in a couple of weeks," Short said.

Dinner will follow the exhibition adjacent to the courts. MTSU Interim Athletic Director Boots Donnelly will make an address and the 2001-2002 tennis teams will be introduced to the MT enthusiasts.

Saturday, round-robin play will begin at 8:30 a.m. for

women and approximately 10:15 a.m. for men. A lunch and awards ceremony will follow.

"Current players, past players and others from the community will act as pros," Short said. "We will then team up a pro with an amateur for the round robin."

Amateur sign-ups began in July and consist of members of the community who participate donated \$150 to the program. Proceeds will go to enhancements on the tennis facilities.

Player registration is closed, but fans are encouraged to view the clinic and exhibition Friday and the play Saturday. Reservations and a \$50 donation are required for the dinner.

"It's a chance for people to get to know and play with our players, and to raise money," Short said. "As a non-revenue sport, this is one way to help support ourselves."

The program hopes to raise \$10,000 with the event at which the teams were hoping to show off the new \$150,000 renovations to the facilities.

For more information about the Pro-Am, or to request dinner reservations, contact the tennis office at 898-2957.

The men's tennis team is set to host the Middle Tennessee Fall Invitational Sept. 13-15. Tournament information will be posted on [www.goblueraiders.com](http://www.goblueraiders.com) prior to play. ♦



Robert Gustafsson

## Support Blue Raiders at home

By Shane Marquardt  
Staff Writer

There are many reasons to make the walk down to Floyd Stadium this Saturday, but to make it easy for those overwhelmed with classes and homework, I have made notes for you. Sidelines has even copied them, so now all you have to do is read and follow instructions.

All-American Candidates: MTSU has some good ones in running back Dwone Hicks and wide receiver Kendall Newson. And it doesn't take a Vegas

bookie to place bets on their performing against Troy State. Hicks turned the Commodores with 203 yards rushing, and after playing fullback last time he faced the Trojans, the rumor is that he is drooling at the mouth to do a little showing off in front of the Murfreesboro crowd. Mr. Newson refuses to leave the stadium unless he has received at least one catch, and the offense has been obliging him in the last 33 games of his college career. Not to mention that All-Americans are the big cats of the college landscape. And who goes to the zoo without seeing the big cats? No one will question MTSU being a zoo if they have ever tried to park anywhere near campus.

Sun Belt Favorite: That's right, 'Little Middle' is ranked number one. If the football team (with the help of the crazies dressed in Blue; see definition of fans) can hold out and win the Sun Belt, they go to a bowl game. All students have a break December 18th. Would you object to spending a day in New Orleans? That's right, darlin', the Big Easy. MTSU can be playing under the big lights of the Super Dome with some luck and a little fan support.

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have all heard the statement, "You've paid for it, now use it." Well, you paid for those tickets, now use them. The game is at 6:00 in the p.m., so do some pre-game preparation of your own and come join the pandemonium later. Wouldn't you like to see the ESPN Game Day crew in front of Floyd Stadium one day. We can take our parking frustrations out on Lee Corso, and cheer madly when Chris Fowler picks the MTSU Blue Raiders to win it all. Well, they only come to the best locations for college football, so let's make it happen.

Redemption: If for no other reason, then come out because Troy State came in here two years ago, took all the good parking, and then left with a win. I think they insulted the student body while they were at it, but that may be an instantiated rumor. But the Trojans did take off their lily white glove and slap our football team across the face with it. The least we can do is yell some insults from the stands. So, come see the Blue Raiders rip the Trojans, and maybe one day your future generations will be asking you about the revolution of MTSU football. You can tell them about watching it all happen. ♦



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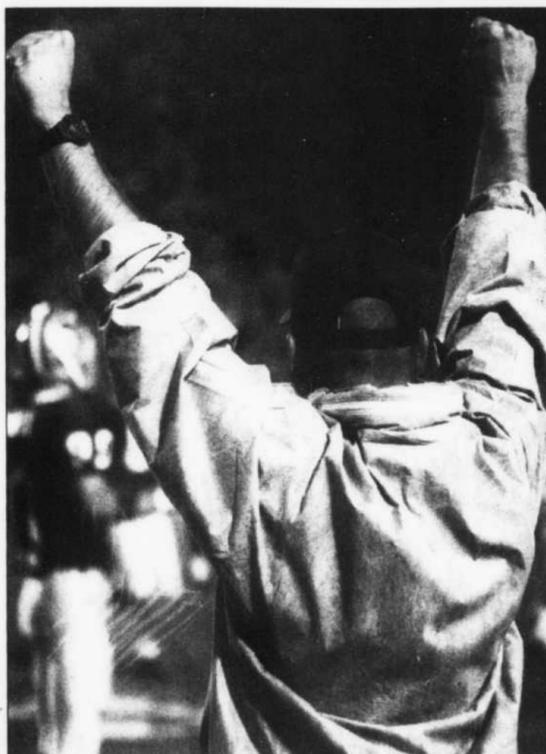
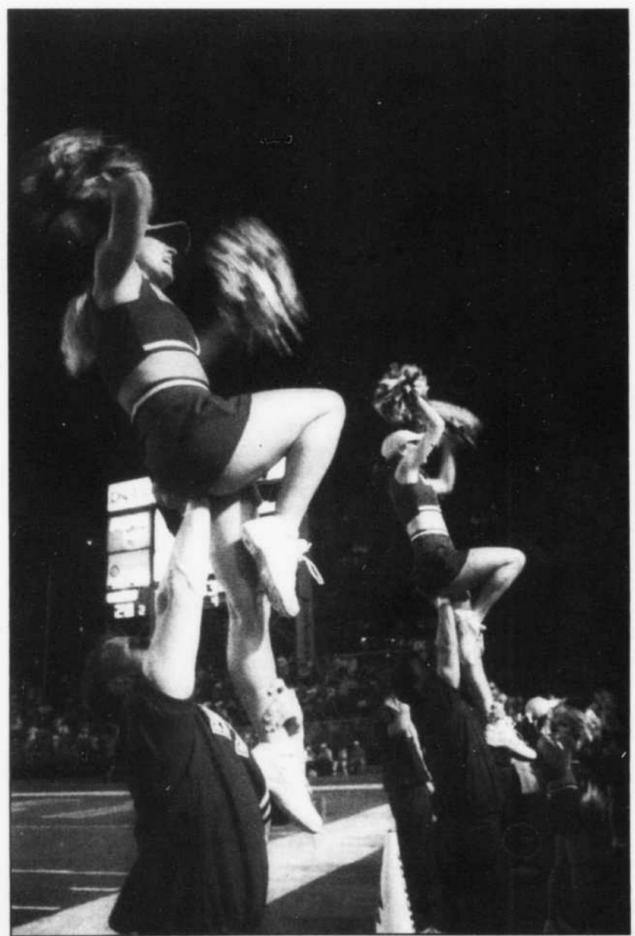
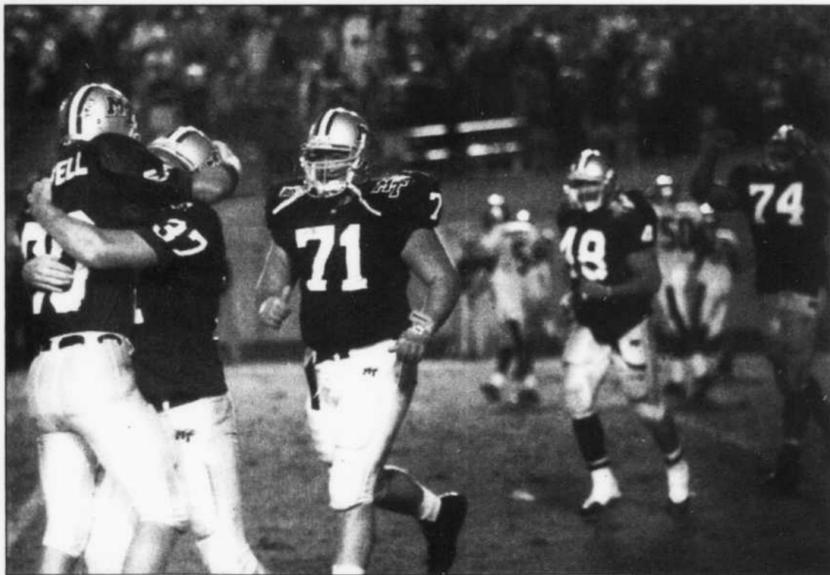
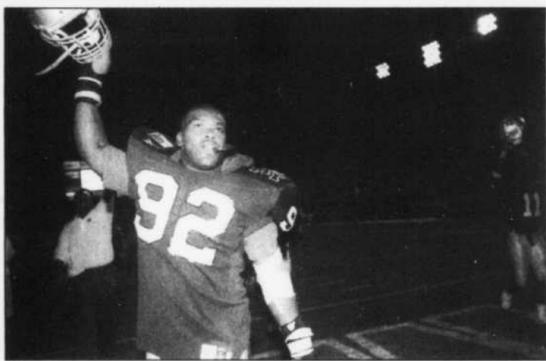
Middle Tennessee fans enjoyed a day of fun from the 'Raider Relay', to the pre-game pep rally to the thrilling 37 -- 28 victory over Vanderbilt.



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## 2001 Middle Tennessee Football Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.
1	Kerry Wright	WR	5-9	172	So.
2	Michael Woods	LB	6-1	203	So.
3	Hansford Johnson	WR	5-8	163	Sr.
4	Nick Payne	WR	6-4	179	r-Sr.
5	Muhammad Rashada	DB	5-11	168	So.
6	Wardell Alsup	DB	5-10	161	So.
7	Andre Green	QB	6-1	212	Fr.
8	Hashem Joyner	WR	5-10	152	So.
9	Andrico Hines	QB	6-3	221	Jr.
10	Chris Johnson	DB	5-10	180	Jr.
11	Kareem Bland	DB	6-1	194	r-Jr.
12	Kendall Newson	WR	6-2	185	Sr.
13	Quan Domineck	TE	6-5	240	Fr.
15	Lance Phillips	QB	6-2	216	r-Sr.
16	Jason Johnson	QB	6-2	216	Sr.
17	Wes Counts	QB	6-1	185	r-Sr.
18	Joe McClendon	DB	5-10	180	So.
19	Jykine Bradley	DB	5-10	186	Sr.
20	Robert Billings	P	6-0	200	r-So.
21	Jamison Palmer	RB	6-0	206	r-Sr.
22	Brian Kelly	PK	6-0	172	So.
23	Alvin Fite	LB	6-0	213	Fr.
24	Reshard Lee	RB	5-10	219	So.
25	Cha Cha Berry	DB	5-10	183	Jr.
26	Blake Morris	LB	6-3	213	Fr.
27	Tyrone Calico	WR	6-4	224	r-Jr.
28	Don Calloway	RB	5-7	174	So.
29	Rod Higgins	DB	5-10	168	Jr.
30	P.J. Johnson	DB	5-10	191	r-Jr.
31	Rondell Newson	WR	6-0	150	r-Jr.
32	Alvin Norris	WR	6-0	188	r-Fr.
33	Dwone Hicks	RB	5-11	225	Jr.
36	Shawn Allen	DB	6-1	186	Fr.
37	Chris Matusek	DS	5-10	200	Sr.
38	Johnathan Shaw	DB	6-0	216	Jr.
39	John Madrick	FB	5-10	230	r-Jr.
40	Chris Gatlin	LB	6-1	223	Jr.
41	Scotty Brown	LB	6-2	231	Sr.
42	Brandon Lynch	DB	6-0	177	So.
43	Avery Hatten	FB	6-2	247	Jr.
44	Fletcher Williams	LB	6-0	218	Fr.
45	Billy Durham	LB	5-11	230	Sr.
46	Chris Hough	LB	6-1	200	r-Fr.
47	Sheldon Durham	LB	6-2	223	Jr.
48	Jason Spray	FB	5-10	225	Sr.
49	Brad Cooper	K	6-3	170	So.
50	Gary Sanders	OL	6-4	312	r-So.
52	Louis Kemp	LB	5-8	210	r-Jr.
53	Joey Montalbano	LB	5-9	203	r-So.
54	Randy Arnold	LB	5-11	222	Jr.
55	Josh Willoughby	OL	6-4	338	r-So.
56	Nathan Blasi	OL	6-2	276	Jr.
57	Glen Elarbee	C	6-2	269	r-Jr.
58	Anthony Hood	DE	6-2	228	Sr.
59	Brandon Westbrook	OT	6-6	288	r-So.
65	Joe Moos	C	6-2	285	r-So.
67	Julius Gant	OL	6-4	288	So.
69	Brett Trott	OL	6-5	290	Fr.
70	Seth Grabo	OL	6-4	275	r-Fr.
71	Jonathan Barry	OL	6-2	320	r-Jr.
72	David Coy	OL	6-4	288	Jr.
73	Bill Brasch	OG	6-4	298	So.
74	Jonathan Proby	TE	6-3	285	r-Jr.
75	Brandon Parker	OL	6-7	322	Jr.
76	Shavaskey Brown	OL	6-2	332	Fr.
77	Kevin Pascoe	OL	6-3	288	r-Jr.
79	Preston Portley	OL	6-4	302	Jr.
80	David Youell	WR	5-11	178	r-Jr.
81	Reggie Polk	TE	6-2	244	r-Jr.
82	Lucas Frost	TE	6-3	267	r-Jr.
83	Sean Saylor	WR	6-0	180	Sr.
84	Reggie Jones	WR	6-3	225	Jr.
85	Chris Henry	WR	5-9	163	Fr.
86	Wes Stephens	DE	6-4	253	r-Sr.
88	Brett Bucher	TE	6-5	239	r-So.
89	Curt Brown	LB	6-2	230	Fr.
90	Samuel Smith	DE	6-4	258	Jr.
91	Steve Ellison	DT	5-11	268	r-Jr.
92	Tanaka Scott	DE	6-2	267	Sr.
93	Thomas Johnson	DT	6-3	286	So.
95	Jonathan Callahan	DE	6-4	230	Fr.
96	Curtis Daniely	DT	6-5	280	Jr.
97	Jerry Vanderpool	DT	6-3	272	r-Fr.
98	Demetrios Walker	LB	6-3	232	So.
99	Kai Zeigler	DT	6-4	285	Jr.

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 Assistant Strength Coach: Jason McManus  
 Asst. Head Coach/Defensive Ends: Kacy Rodgers  
 Defensive Coordinator: Steve Davis  
 Defensive Tackles: Howard McMahan  
 Director of Football Operations: Tom Fiveash  
 Graduate Assistant: Gary Camp  
 Graduate Assistant: Curtis Henderson  
 Head Trainer: Bobby Barlow  
 Linebackers: Kevin Fouquier  
 Offensive Coordinator: Larry Fedora  
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