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## Chinese student warns China's new image false

JILL McWHORTER

Editor

Now that President Bush's veto of a bill extending Chinese student visas has been upheld, a MTSU student expressed doubt about how much China's government has changed since the Tienanmen massacre.

The President justified his veto by claiming a loosening of harsh policies after the Chinese government announced the lifting of martial law in Beijing which had been in effect since June 1989.

The ruling party also claimed the release of jailed dissidents, promised not to sell missiles to Syria, to once again accept Fulbright scholars and a Voice of America correspondent into the country and a lessening of anti-U.S. propaganda.

But Xiaoguang Xu, a graduate student at MTSU, doesn't think much has changed in China, despite outward appearances.

"There have been some good signs recently, such as the release of martial law, the release of some political prisoners and some foreign exchange programs have been restored," Xu said. "I just hope we see more changes."

Xu has personal reasons to doubt the recent "consessions" made by the communist leaders of China. His daughter left China just before Christmas to come to the United States. Before she was allowed to leave China, she was required to sign a document stating she had no part in the Beijing demonstrations. His daughter is only four years old.

Xu and his wife were also angered to hear their daughter innocently singing propaganda songs praising the communist government on the way home from the airport.

Xu's continuing hopes are that arrests of students and intellectuals that were involved in the Beijing demonstrations will stop and that the list of those arrested will be opened to the public.

"The government proclaimed recently that they have already released the political prisoners, but they arrested a lot in secret and nobody knows how many."

Xu is also concerned that although martial law was "officially" lifted, armed soldiers remain a part of life in Beijing.

"The Chinese government has never changed its antipeople, anti-democratic policies," he said. "The Chinese government spokesman, his name is Yuan Nu, during his interview with Japanese reporters in Beijing, admitted this. He said, 'Yes, the numbers of the troops in Beijing have been increased, but the purpose is for the protection of the citizens."



Sandra Rennie●Stal

Xiaoguang Xu, a graduate student in history at MTSU, Chinese students both in and out of the country. He

According to Xu, the December execution of the Romanian dictator, Nicolae Ceausescu, and his wife forced the Chinese leaders to realize unless they strengthened their power over the military, allowing no room for active dissent, an overthrow might be possible.

"After the Romanian incident, the communist leaders have felt some crisis in their own dominating positions, so they use military powers to oppress the peaceful people.

"They are especially scared on some holidays. For instance, Jan.8 is the anniversary of Prime Minister Li's death, so they banned all of the social activities in Beijing."

Not only has the Chinese government banned open

discusses recent events in China and their effects on fears the lifting of martial law may be just for show.

celebrations on holidays, but it has also strictly censored all written and verbal communication that is not the official party line, according to Xu.

"After the Beijing massacre, the Chinese people have lost any opportunity to express their own opinions by using posters, demonstrations, all of the TV stations, newspapers, and public platforms at the universities or colleges; they have been banned — prohibited. If a student at Bejing University, which I graduated from, tried to put a little poster on the board somewhere on campus, they would be arrested and punished."

Xu, who before the massacre in Tienanmen Square supported the reform-minded government of China, is saddened by the control the government has over communication.

"Here, when we read the newpaper of China, *The People's Daily*, it's the organ paper of the Chinese communists. Last year, before the massacre, me and some other students, we would like to read that paper because we could gather some interesting information from our homeland. But recently we hate to read this paper."

Xu spoke of the general depression of the Chinese people due to their lack of freedom. Before Christmas, he received news of a student at Qinghua University that was so despondent that he showed his protest of the repression by jumping from the top of a campus building.

Xu is concerned that the people are also suffering

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University faculty receives PC's

RUSTY GERBMAN Assistant News Editor

Personal computers began arriving last week as part of a \$1.2 million program to make computers available for any MTSU full-time faculty member.

Former President Sam Ingram had overseen a program to provide computers for the business faculty, but last year expanded the idea to accommodate all faculty members, said Robert Corlew, vice president of academic affairs. Along with distribution of the computers, classes also began to help teachers become familiar with their operation.

By increasing efficiency, the machines should help instructors' teaching and advising abilities, Corlew said. "It's a way of improving communications," Corlew said.
"It is an upgrading of communication and of faculty."

Under the plan, any fulltime faculty member had the option of obtaining a computer. Both Apple Macintosh and IBM models were made availble and special reconfigurations were availble for special departmental needs.

Of the aproximatly 525 fulltime faculty members, close to 500 took advantage of the offer.

"Just about all of the faculty wanted one," Corlew said.

In addition to the classes, staff members with more computer knowledge are expected to help other faculty members gain basic experience on the machines.■

### Campus Capsule

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Adult Children of Alcoholics, Al-Anon Family Group will meet every Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the KUC, room 315. If you grew up or think you grew up in an alcoholic or chemically dependent family, come and find serenity. For more information, contact Thelma Schrader, MTSU Box 4084, of Carole Carroll, 898-2519.

Pi Sigma Epsilon, sales and marketing fraternity, will hold an orientation meeting Feb. 8 at 7 p.m. in the KUC, room 324.

Africa Without Tarzan is the title of a lecture by Edwin Segal, University of Louisville Department of Anthropology, to be given today at 3:30 p.m. in Peck Hall, room 109-A.

Comments on the Status of Women at MTSU will be gathered at a special meeting tomorrow at noon in the KUC, room 313. These ideas and opinions will be incorporated into an Institutional Action Plan designed to improve the status of women who work and/or study

The MTSU Observatory will be open to the public tomorrow from 8 to 10 p.m., weather permitting. For more information, contact Dr. Roy Clark, 898-2077

STUDENTS

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economically and said that whether the U.S. should supply economic aid to China is a topic of debate among Chinese

Some Chinese want the U.S. to help their homeland economically, while others feel that if economic aid is continued the communist government will view the aid as legitimazation for their regime.

"In recent months, the prime minister proclaimed several times that the government will strengthen its centrally planned economy, which is socialist like the Russian model. Private economic activities in the towns and countrysides which had been encouraged in the last five years have now been restricted.

"Many reformers were very active before the massacre, but now it is very bad for them," Xu said. "They have to keep in silence.

Xu praised Gorbachev for realizing the strict socialist economic plan was destroying Russia's quality of life, but he fears hard-lined communists in China will stick to the idea of pure socialism until China's economy is drained.

China must pay back several loans from western countries in 1990, but Xu said that since June, the exchange of manufactured products and agricultural products have been decreased, so the money to repay the loans is not

"I think this is a big reason the Chinese government tried to change its image in the world from a murderer to a kinder person," he speculated.

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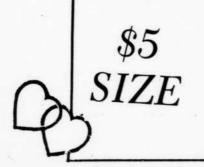
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## OPINION

## Campus pastor hopes for 'global literacy' in '90s



David Robinson PSF Campus Pastor

I got a new game for Christmas called "Take Off." The purpose of the game is to fly your fleet of jets around the world, starting and finishing in Hawaii (but of course, it was designed by an American). Along the way you land in some far-out places, countries and cities I didn't even know existed. Ever heard of Lanzhou, Kitakyushu, Surabaya, Kuybyshev, Dar el Beida, Belo Horizonte, or Ahmadabad?

These places are found (respectively) in China, Japan, Indonesia, USSR, Morocco, Brazil and India. They are seven of the over 300 cities in the world with over 1,000,000 inhabitants. By the year 2000 there will be over 500 such "world-class" multi-national cities on our planet.

I love games like "Take Off." They help me stretch out beyond my limited horizon, and see this world I live within in a different way, in a bigger, more complex, more adventurous way. What a vast, varied, beautiful and dangerous place is our planet Earth.

But how very little we know about our world. In his best-selling book, *Cultural Literacy*, Ed Hirsch details this dangerous trend as it manifests itself in higher education. Who these days can name the state capitals, the first ten presidents, or the first 25 words in our *Bill of Rights*. How often I've heard students grumble about having to take those stupid requirement courses, and how they can hardly wait to sign up for just courses in their field. In our attempt to provide specialized education to deal with our demands of the increasingly specialized job market, we've become culturally illiterate.

Being culturally literate is one thing, and according to Hirsch, the *necessary thing*, to hold our fragmented society together. But what about the even greater problem of a fragmented world. In over 3000 years of recorded history, there are only about 30 years in which our planet has experienced no civil or international warfare. With the exception of Antarctica, every continent around our globe is experiencing deeply rooted, complex and violent warfare at this very moment.

Antarctica is an interesting case study for an alternative to "Global Illiteracy." Right now, history is being made on that frozen continent. Six humans from six countries (including USA, USSR, China, Japan, France, Great Britain) are making a six month first ever dog sled trek across the continent. They began last fall and will finish by March. How I would love to sit in on their conversations in the evenings around the fire.

Okay, that option is not available. How else can I become more globally literate? What are ways I can expand my norizons, and better understand this world (not just Middle Tennessee, or the South, or America), this planet of over 20,000 unique ethnic groups?

Robinson's Top Ten Ways to become Globally Literate

Listen regularly to the news. I like to listen to "Morning Edition," "All Things Considered," and to the BBC's 15 minute new program on 90.3 FM, 8:00-8:15 every morning.

2. Read the paper.

3. Read news magazines. My personal favorite is *Time*, but there are plenty of others.

 Subscribe to National Geographic. For you who haven't yet learned to read, this great journal is filled with plenty of world-expanding photos. 5. Watch such PBS programs as "Nova," "Discovery," "Nature," or *National Geographic* specials. Give your T.V. appetite a break from junk food.

6. Attend an international conference. I went to one in 1987 called Urbana '87, a conference which brought together over 18,000 college students from around the world aimed at what God is doing and desires to do through us in the world. It was life changing.

7. Develop a friendship with an international student or professor. There are over 300 international students studying at MTSU, many of which know very few Americans, and have such common needs as a ride to Krogers, or where you can find a decent used car in town.

8. Learn a foreign language. Language is the truest window of a culture. Until we begin to learn the language, we stand on the outside. How amazing that it has taken over 70 years of MTSU life before the 2-years-of-foreign-language requirement was put into place. How ethno-centric and English-centric we are!

9.Travel to another country. Do it for college credit. I spent my sophomore year overseas, didn't lose a single credit towards my degree, and had one of the best years of my life growing and expanding my horizons.

10. Pray. Ask God to open your eyes and your heart to the needs of this world. Ask God to place upon your heart a weight of burden for certain people and places in this world. Allow God to move you outside of your comfort zone, out into the creative, colorful, violent, and strange place we call home.



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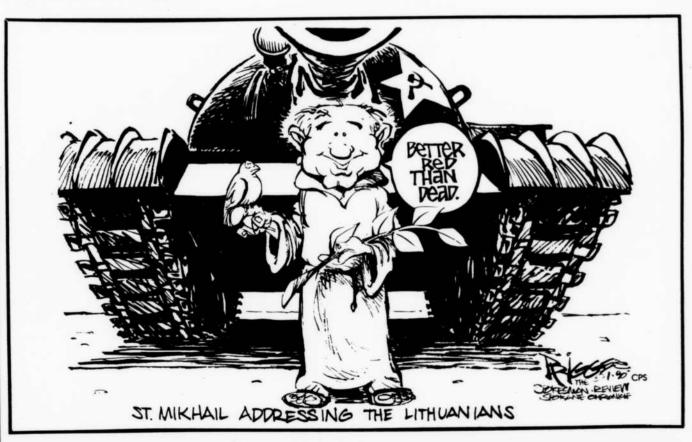
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### Letters to the Editor

### Cartoonist does it again

To the Editor:

The "cartoon" you approved for the the January 22 issue of *Sidelines* was definitely in poor taste.

While I realize that there is a drug culture on the MTSU campus, I do not believe it should be promoted in our newspaper. Not only was this cartoon offensive generally, but it was also racially discriminating. Chris Smith has a strange sense of humor.

I know that all of the content of Sidelines does not

necessarily represent the viewpoints of its staff, but I don't see this as an excuse to print offensive materials. I've also read articles where your staff has refuted letters such as this by challenging us to send you better material with which to fill your pages.

My suggestion is: if you have a blank page, print one less page and if you have a blank spot fill it with more advertisements, not offensive cartoons.

Lisa Patrick Box 5384

## **FEATURES**

## **'EEEEEEEKKKK!'**

### New Kids on the Block excite fans, give parents headaches

**BRIAN WILLIAMS** Staff Writer

Yeah, yeah, I know more about them than any other pop music lover.

I know their successful 900 number gets an average of 100,000 phone calls a week.

I know about their songs (they only have three LP's and only so many hits); and I have read (and seen) enough about them in magazines to make a photo album bigger than their parents'.

Who are they?

They are Jonathan, Jordan, Danny, Joe and Donnie — The New Kids On The Block.

On Friday, they cruised up to the corner of Tennessee Boulevard and Greenland Drive to pay Murphy Center a visit, without

### Concert Review

breaking the glass.

Being dubbed as "the hardest working kids in show business" or street-wise as a "New Edition carbon copy," they gave their fans - the majority of them having to be home before curfew — plenty of dancing, singing, moves, nice clothes and naked torsos. For non-fans — the majority being parents — they gave them headaches, and especially earaches to last them for a long time with never-ending sounds "EEEEEKKK!.

Being assigned to do this review by my editor, who said I was "the most qualified to go with an open mind," I placed aside my duties as movie critic and traded my favorite seat in the aisles for a hot pressbox flanked by Murfreesboro's finest and screaming girls (who were just glad to be there).

I wanted to be all prepared for the show, so I invested in a program (for \$12) and sold it at the end of the concert to a little girl (for \$6) for two reasons.

One, I do have a good heart, and two, the Kids were definitely putting an outrageous spanking on the parents' wallets and the fans' allowances.



perform before a sold-out crowd at Murphy Center Friday night. Events Committee.

New Kids on the Block members (from left) Jordan Knight, Joe The New Kids took turns at lead vocals and playing various instru-McIntyre, Jonathan Knight, Donnie Wahlberg and Danny Wood ments during the two-hour show, presented by MTSU's Special

All the eeeekkking my ears could have withstood filled the sold-out glass house enough to even make Monte Hale Sr. (the arena is named for Hale) rise out of his grave and buy some earplugs so he could rest in peace.

This show was definitely for the kids (both on and off stage). Putting aside the live voice, background soundtrack music of showopener Bobby Ross Avila, who looked and

danced like you know who, (Bobby Brown) and The Barbie, oops, Cover Girls, the New Kids performed for close to two hours.

ended with their popular "Hangin' Tough."

and perform instruments with the live band. While their instrumental talent was not outstanding, the "Eeeeekkk!" fans didn't seem Should I give them the star treatment? Why to notice the difference.

Being fueled by their loyal teeny-bopper fans, the group gave them a nice show to remember and definitely provided the talk Their set began with "Favorite Girl" and of the town on school Monday morning.

As for me, well, despite seeing nothing They all had a chance to lead in each song really spectacular, the kids performed well, and that is "the right stuff" in entertainment.

not, it's my review. ★★★ ■

### Dancers to perform

From Staff Reports

Sankofa Dance Theatre, a performing arts company from Nashville, will be featured tomorrow in a lecture and performance outlining the history of African dance.

Sankofa means "to fetch and bring forth" and is derived from a proverb which advises, "to go back and fetch what you have forgotten is not stealing and is no shame either.'

The dancers bring the proverb to life by reaching back to share the rich heritage from Africa through movement and live and recorded music.

During the program, forms of native African dance will be examined and translated into contemporary dance. Movements and their significance will be discussed and a physical demonstration will conclude the event.

Rossi Turner is the artistic director and choreographer for the group. Turner has performed with Fisk University's Orchesis Dance Company and Detroit's Writhm Dance Company

The program will begin at 7 p.m. in the James Union Building Tennessee Room.

## Campus Recreation offers 'something different'

JOHN MOSELEY Staff Writer

other than studies and wishing yourself into oblivion? Campus rec offers a good amount of activity to break out of the same ole same ole.

Ranging from dual and single sports activities to outdoor escapades, campus rec has the stuff necessary to outfit your needs. They rent out kayaks, canoes, mountain and ten-speed bikes, the whole outdoor camping package excluding sleeping bags, and even a jon boat.

"We are here for you," remarks Terry Smith, the outdoor Looking for something to totally immerse yourself into activity coordinator, "For a low-cost, there is an unlimited opportunity to forget yourself and just...enjoy!"

> To find out more about activities like sailing in the Bahamas, whitewater rafting, softball, raquetball, backpacking, scuba diving in the Florida Keys, and a great deal more, check out the flyers posted on bulletin boards, come by the Campus Rec office, or call 898-2104. Basically, treat yourself to something different.

### Ad class to work with Nashville firm on project

From Staff Reports

The MTSU Department of Advertising has joined with Eric Ericson & Associates for several joint advertising projects, including a case study ad for the new Park Plaza

As an assignment, students enrolled in Advertising Creative Strategy will create one-quarter and one-half page ads for the hotel. Selected ads will be produced by Eric Ericson and will run in local newspapers.

On Feb. 5, the hotel's directors of marketing and sales will meet with the class to discuss objectives and target markets for the projects.

In addition, Arthur Taylor, senior vice-president and creative director at Eric Ericson, will conduct a workshop with the class on Feb. 12 to showcase a sampling of the firm's work and to discuss how to prepare a portfolio. ■

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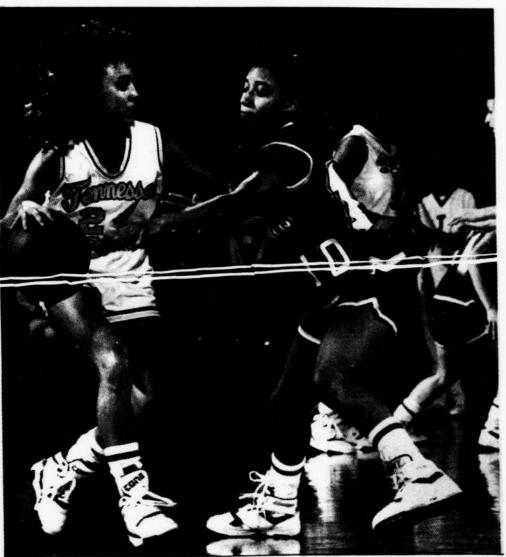
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## Tech goes 4-0 against Raiders



Playing keep away...

Sandra Rennie Staff

MTSU's Shanna Wright (10) attempts to steal the ball from Tennessee Tech's Shawn Monday (24) in Saturday evening's game against the Golden Eaglettes at Tech's Eblen Center. Tech went on to win, 79-69.

## Stubborn Lady Raiders 'just say no' to Tech rout

DAVID LEE GREGOR Sports Editor

The MTSU Lady Raiders played well against the Golden Eaglettes of Tennessee Tech Saturday night, offensively at least.

It was an uncharacteristic collapse on defense that doomed the Lady Raiders to a 79-69 loss at the hands of Tech.

Led by freshman Kristi Brown, the Lady Raiders scored four times from three-point land while holding Tech to one trey on the night. Instead of going for the jugular however, Tech went for MTSU's soft underbelly.

Led by senior forward Melinda Clayton — who scored 29 points on the night - the Golden Eaglettes camped out beneath the MTSU basket, outscoring the Lady Raiders from inside five feet 58-28, and shot a blistering 55.2 percent on the evening.

Although outplayed undemeath, the Lady Raiders stubbornly refused to let the game slip away and stayed with the Golden Eaglettes most of the game.

"We played hard," said Raider head coach Lewis Bivens. "As far as effort goes, I thought we did very well. They're a tough team, and they're hard to beat

The Eaglettes, who rank second in the OVC with a rebound margin of +8.8, snared only one rebound more than the Lady Raiders. MTSU shot a respectable 44.1 percent on the night, and 81.3 percent from the line.

Nine times the Golden Eaglettes stretched the lead to more than ten. Nine times the Lady Raiders rallied to cut the lead to less than ten. At one point during the first half, the Lady Raiders trailed by only five.

During the second stanza, the Raiders shut down Clayton, holding the senior to only six points. What MTSU was unable to shut down, however, was TTU's Monday-Moorehead connection.

Junior guard Shawn\_ Monday, the OVC leader in assists with 7.6 per game, shoveled off six assists to junior forward Angela Moorehead in the second Moorehead, scored only four in the first period, finished with 17.

Also scoring in double figures for Tech were juniors Renay Adams and Cecilia Ramsey, who scored tenpoints each.

Three Lady Raiders scored in double figures on the evening. Junior guard Stephanie Capley led MTSU with 23 points and 6 rebounds. Freshman guard Julie Morrison added 12. Junior forward Pippa Gipson scored 11 points and led all players in rebounds with 12 before leaving the game with an injury late in the game.

The Lady Raiders take a week off before hosting the Lady Colonels of Eastern Kentucky on Feb. 10.■

## Tennessee Tech gobbles hot and cold 'McD.L

TONY J. ARNOLD Assistant Sports Editor

The MTSU Blue Raiders resembled a McDonalds McD.L.T. Saturday even-

The Raiders played one half of basketball hot and the other cold, and were de-Tech Golden Eagles in quickly retaliated. Cookeville, 79-69.

The first regular-season meeting between the two saw Tech upend the Raiders 100-75 in a game marred by a bench-clearing brawl. A record crowd of 10,150 filled TTU's Eblen Center in anticipation of an even more intense game in the rematch Saturday night.

The Raiders played the first half like an all-beef Raider lead, but could get patty. MTSU's David Clark no closer than ten as the

first two points to send the Raiders on a 10-0 run.

After being held scoreless for more than five minutes, Tech finally answered the Raiders. Senior stars Milos Babic and Earl Wise hit back-toback buckets, making the feated by the Tennessee score 10-4. The Big Blue

Behind the play of starting guard Jeff Hunter, the Raiders went on a 15-4 run. The 23-8 score marked the Raiders' largest lead, at 17, with 10:37 left in the half.

"Jeff is running the ballclub well," said Raider coach Bruce Stewart. "He made good passes and played good defense."

Tech whittled away at the jammed home the game's Raiders took a 37-27 lead into the locker room.

In the second half, the Raiders looked like a bun, complete with lettuce and tomato.

Tech outscored the Raiders 13-2, taking a 40-39 lead on a three-pointer by junior guard Bobby McWilliams with 15:24 remaining.

Although they drew near, the Raiders never saw the lead again. Sophomore for-Titus Jackson's jumper at the 10:05 mark closed the gap to three.

Tech's Babic and Wise pumped the lead back up however, and burst the Raiders' bubble. The loss leaves MTSU in the OVC gutter with a 1-6 conference record.

Babic led all players with 21 points and 11 rebounds. Wise finished with 15 points and 12 rebounds. Freshman Mitch Cupples added 13 points.

Senior forward Kevin Wallace led MTSU with 14 points and 10 rebounds. Freshman guard Robert Taylor finished with 13 points. Gerald Harris and Quincy Vance each finished with 10. Vance led the Raiders with 12 rebounds.

"It was a clean game, played hard," said Stewart. "Unfortunately, it was played harder by Tech in the second half."

MTSU returns to action tonight, pitting their 6-13 record against the Akron Zips. The two met earlier in the season and the Raiders came away with a 64-61 victory in the Zips' JAR arena. Tip off is at 7:30.■

## Track team showswell in invitational-

DAVID LEE GREGOR Sports Editor

MTSU's Lady Raider track team made another good showing on the road over the weekend as they competed and placed well in the Indiana Relays.

The Lady Raiders broke seven personal and school records in the meet, and placed 10 athletes in 7 events. MTSU also in two relay events.

Kiya Thomas placed fifth in the 3000-meter run with a time of 10:31.9, breaking the MTSU record she set earlier this season. Thomas also placed fourth in the mile run with a time of 5:16.0

Freshman Koko Rowley placed second in the 55meter hurdles with a personal best of 8.1 seconds. Marsha Cleveland

Latonia Jackson finished fourth and sixth in the event respectively.

Michelle Welch competed for the injured Veronica Tipton in the triple jump for the first time ever, and placed fourth with aleap of 37'51/4". Welch also placed fourth in the 55meter dash with a time of 7.36 seconds.

Iunior Krista Hare tied for fifth in the high jumpwith a leap of 5'21/2".

Karen Barnes placed fourth in the 1000-meter run in an MTSU-record time of 3:04.5. Sharon Smith finished fifth in the

MTSU's 4 x 800-meter relay team of Elissa Davis, Barnes, Leigh Weathers and Smith finished third in

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## and Tech dominate tourney

Sports Editor

an OVC indoor tennis finished fourth in the No. 2 championship tournament over the weekend turned out to be little more than a zen defeated Morehead matchup between the MTSU Blue Raiders and Tennessee Tech Golden Eagles.

Tech won the meet and MTSU finished second as players from MTSU and Tech butted heads in 7 of .9 finals matches.

Tech's Christian Hedof the Year, defeated MTSU's Nick Sheumack 7-6 (10-8), 6-1 to win the No. 1 bracket. MTSU's Craig 2, 6-3 in the No. 5 bracket.

Haslam, who is returning What was supposed to be from an ankle injury, bracket.

> Newcomer Johan Fran-State's Mark Hamilton 6-2, 6-2 to win the No. 3 bracket for the Raiders.

"I was pretty proud of Johan," said MTSU coach Dale Short. "He played pretty well."

Blue Raider David Thornton was defeated by TTU's Glen Sugita 6-3, 6-3 man, last year's OVC Player to finish second in the No. 4 bracket. Likewise, Brian Duncan took second to Tech's Paul Sindhunatha 6-

MTSU's Robbie Williams cruised through the opening rounds of the No. 6 bracket without being scored upon, only to lose to Tech's Johan Sporsen in the finals, 6-4, 6-3.

The Blue Raiders were hit especially hard in the OVC doubles competition. MTSU's Sheumack and Haslam, reputedly one of the nation's best doubles teams, were upset in the first round by Austin Peay's Aymric Cortau and Phil Summerfield, 7-5, 6-2. Sheumack and Haslam ultimately finished third in the No. 1 doubles bracket.

In the No. 2 doubles

bracket, MTSU's team of Franzen and Thornton finished in second place to Tennessee Tech's team of Sugita and Sindhunatha, 6-4, 7-5. MTSU's Williams and Duncan finished second in the No. 3 doubles bracket to Tech's Bill Phillips and Charles Burgess, 6-3, 7-5.

"If we can get Craig [Haslam] healthy, and get some help from our young players, we'll be right in there," said Short.

The Raiders will take to the road again this weekend as they travel to Richmond, Ky. for the Greg Adams Winter Invitational. ■

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a school-record time of 9:37.69. The foursome repeated in the distance medley event, finishing fourth in an MTSU-record time of

MTSU's William Beasley won the men's triple jump competition with a vault of 53'334". The win qualifies Beasley for the Athletics Congress Championships to be held in New York's Madison Square Garden on

"I was very happy with the team because we set a lot of records," said MTSU head coach Dean Hayes.

"I was especially happy with the distance runners because they're really be-

ginning to develop now. They're very important for our chances in the OVC championships.

"We placed strongly in a lot of events. That's what's important.

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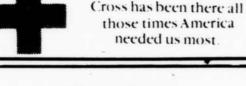












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