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Blue Raiders take Vandy down in overtime

ROB NUNLEY Staff Writer

It's been said that you can never tell which Blue Raider team will show up to play on any given night.

After three straight losses, including snatching a defeat from the jaws of victory Monday night at UT-Martin, last night's game against Vanderbilt at Murphy Center was assumed by many to be a ho-hummer.

No way would Middle stand a chance against the Commodores, an SEC power for many years and masters of the 3point shot, many roundball "experts" "We can play at this level, we just have to believe in ourselves."

-Tim Gaither, MTSU point guard

felt.

But the Raiders showed the experts, the Commodores and the capacity crowd in attendance that there's still a lot of fight left in Old Blue, improving their overall record to 9-9 with an upset overtime victory, 93-90.

A huge factor coming into the game last night was the health of point guard Tim Gaither, who sat out the Martin game with an injured foot. Although listed as "doubtful" prior to the game, Tim started for the Raiders and played 37 minutes of the contest.

Coach David Farrar stated that Gaither, who as of Wednesday could not even walk, being able to play with the injury was a big confidence builder for the team.

"I was really concerned that Tim wouldn't play," Farrar said. "But I never thought we wouldn't play well if Tim played in the game."

From the opening tip, it seemed that

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Blue Raiders down Vandy for first time since 1932

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Hooks kicks off month-long celebration

Former NAACP executive director urges audience to continue the fight

MARK BLEVINS

Assistant News Editor

African-American History Month began here yesterday with a Kick-Off Luncheon in the Tennessee Room of the JUB which featuring keynote speaker Rev. Dr. Benjamin Hooks, former executive director of the NAACP.

Hooks' lecture focused on four words.

"These four words are: vote, dream, try and believe."

"Slaves cannot vote themselves free, but free men can vote themselves slaves," Hooks said quoting Frederick Douglas.

Hooks expressed concern because America's voting percentage is the lowest of any western democracy. He said that a vote not cast is a vote for the majority.

"This is an age when we need to live by our dreams, ambitions and intellect." Hooks told the full house



BLAIR MITCHELL/Staff

President James Walker (left) and Alphonse Carter Jr (right), co-chair of African-American History Month, surround Rev. Dr. Hooks as he takes the podium as the keynote speakeratthe "Lest We Forget" luncheon.

that he hopes they will be a part of making the dream of equality become true.

"The failure of life is not to have tried and failed, but to never try at all." Hooks pointed to the NAACP as a group which has always kept trying in the face of

adversity.

Finally, Hooks asked the crowd to "believe" and pointed to the work of Mary McLeod Bethune as an example.

An open forum with Hooks took place from 2 to 3 p.m. yesterday after the

luncheon.

The audience of 40-50 people came to the forum with questions for Hooks.

Responding to a question about declining interest in African-American concerns, Hooks said the work of the world is done by the busy people.

"Take the few, work with them and let it grow. If there are five who work, take them and go forward."

He said that the time for the NAACP is not over and that there is still work to be

"There is room for prepared people."

"Don't let black power people tell you that only white people need physics—we're going to have a colony on the moon [and black people are going to be there]."

Other highlights of the luncheon included vocal selections by MTSU vocal instructor Dina Foy and a dramatic reading by Elise McKelvy titled "Don't Worry."

Celebrations today include a Zimbabwe musical performance with Chartwell Dutiro and Friends at Wright Music Hall at 7 p.m. The Zimbabwe African musical instruments display opens today at the Art Barn Gallery and will close March 5.

Friday, a gallery talk with Zimbabwe musicians will be held at the Art Barn Gallery at noon with a reception following.

MTSU NEWS

Mass Commrades hit high schools to recruit students

TRIPP BALLARD

Staff Writer

The Mass Commrades, composed of representatives from organizations in the College of Mass Communications, are laying the groundwork for an ambassador program to recruit new students to MTSU.

The Mass Commrades are composed of presidents, vice-presidents or other members of the 15 mass communications. They formed last semester to serve as a liaison between the faculty and the students.

"This organization was formed to create better communication lines between the administration and the students because many times the administration doesn't always know what the students want," said Heather Thomas, Mass Commrade secretary.

The ambassador program, known as "Project Spring Break," includes interviewing interested students from the college, training these individuals and sending them to their hometown high schools over Spring Break.

The idea behind this program is to get students

with firsthand experience in the mass communications program into their old high schools to explain all the different aspects and positive things the department has to offer new students.

"This is the best type of recruitment available," said Dr. Deryl Leaming, dean of the College of Mass Communication and sponsor of the Mass Commrades. "It gives our students the opportunity to express what they like most about MTSU."

Department heads will lead training sessions for the recruits to familiarize themselves with all the aspects of the College of Mass Communications.

"We hope this program will get MTSU's name out to students who might not ordinarily hear it," said Jeanette Gipson, president of the Mass Commrades. "We also believe that by using MTSU students to present the material, we will get a better response from the high schools students because they will relate better with college students."

An interest meeting is scheduled for today at 4:30 p.m. in room 103 of the John Bragg Mass Communication Building. Interested students should contact Dean Leaming's office for more details. ■

CORRECTIONS

In the Jan. 26 edition of Sidelines, Dr. Carmen Westwick was inaccurately identified as the chairman of the Nursing department. She actually is the chairperson of the NHC Chair of Excellence in Nursing.

Also, the SGA does not grant each campus organization \$3,988 as stated in the story, but distributes money based on individual need after the organization has petitioned the committee that oversees the SGA activity fund.

Sidelines apologizes for the errors.

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Campus Capsule

Thursday, Feb. 2
The Mass Commrades are looking for Student
Ambassadors to represent the College of Mass
Communication and will hold interviews Thur., Feb. 2 at Mass Comm Room 103 at 4:30 p.m. If there's a conflict in time or for additional info., contact Jeanette Gipson.

A deputy U.S. marshall will be speaking at the meeting of the American Criminal Justice Ass. in KUC 314 at 5 p.m. Other topics to be covered include the spring fundraiser and national competitions to be held in Wilmington, Delaware.

Friday, Feb. 3
A representative from
Scholl College of
Podiatry will be at Davis
Science Building Room 241
from 9:30 a.m. to noon.

Saturday, Feb. 4
The Annual Pancake
Breakfast at the Wesley
Foundation, across from
Gore and Clement Halls will
be held Sat. Feb. 4 from 7-11
a.m. All you can eat
pancakes, sausage and
drinks. \$3 adults, \$2
children.

Monday, Feb. 6
The MTSU Student
Chapter of ITVA, The
International Television
Ass., will meet at 4:30 p.m.
in Mass Comm 104. All
students interested in mass
communication are invited
to attend.

MTSU Right to Life meets at 6:15 p.m. in KUC Room 317.

Tuesday, Feb. 7
Adult Children of
Alcoholics (ACOA) is a 12
step support group for
people raised in alcoholic or
other dysfunctional
atmospheres. If you are
interested in getting a group
started and would like to be
charter member, come by
KUC 312 at 2 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 8
International Student
Coffee Hour will be held at
the Hazelwood Dining Room
of the JUB from 3:30-5 p.m.
come enjoy fellowship
among students, faculty and
the community.

The Tenn. Ass. of Political Science Students have an organizational meeting at 7 p.m. in KUC 315.

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"Help Us Go The Distance," a project to benefit the Leukemia Society of America is looking for volunteers to help with their national campaign. Call Carl Adkins at (615) 259-3660 if interested.

The MTSU Ad Club will hold their first meeting on Mon. Feb. 13 at 6 p.m. in Mass Comm Room 150.

The MTSU Wellness
Center will be sponsoring a
FREE Blood Pressure
Screening on Wed., Feb. 14
from 11-1 p.m. in KUC
lobby. There will also be a
drawing of 10 chances to
win a FREE one-month
membership for you and a
friend to the Wellness
Center at MTSU.

The Gamma Iota Sigma Insurance Fraternity is hosting its Quiz Bowl. All MTSU clubs and organizations are invited. It takes place Feb. 23 at 6 p.m. in Room 324 of the KUC. Entry fee is \$15 and 1st place wins \$80, 2nd-\$40, 3rd-\$20. Call Dr. Hollman (898-2673) or Tom Stratton (895-5007) to enter.

If anyone is interested in studying Ayn Rand and the philosophy of Objectivism, write to: MTSU Box B-890, M'boro, TN 37132. Email: m_c_000b@frank.mtsu.edu

MTSU Equestrian Team meets every Monday at 7 p.m. at the TN Livestock Center Sales Arena.

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gay and lesbian students,
faculty and community
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meetings are held every
Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in the
Mass Communication
Building Room 149. For
further information please
call the hotline at 780-2293

Child Abuse Prevention of TN, a nonprofit agency,

needs volunteers to answer the statewide Parent Helpline / Domestic Violence Hotline, to work with parents of newborns in the Parent Pathway Program, to assist with Parenting Classes, or to assist with childcare during parenting classes. Next volunteer training will be in March. For more information contact Terry Ann Hull, Volunteer Coordinator for Child Abuse Prevention of TN at 227-2273.

International Student's Association meets Thursdays at 5 p.m. in KUC 316. Contact Kaysone Panyanouvong at 893-4457.

Dinner/Worship every Tue. at 5:30 p.m. at Wesley Foundation for \$2.50. Worship on Wed. at 7 p.m. and Sun. at 8 p.m.

Prayer Breakfast at Presbyterian Student Fellowship Friday mornings at 7. Contact Michael Malone at 893-1787.

"Raiders for Christ" devotional every Monday at 7 p.m. and small group bible studies on Thursdays (times vary). Contact the MTSU Christian Student Center or Eddy Dyer at 895-1529.

College Worship Wednesday nights at 9 at the Presbyterian Student Fellowship (615 N. Tenn. Blvd.). Contact Michael Malone at 893-1787.

Church of God in Christ Campus Ministries meets every Thursday in the KUC. Bible study and guest speakers. For more information call Rolanda Payne at 898-4065.

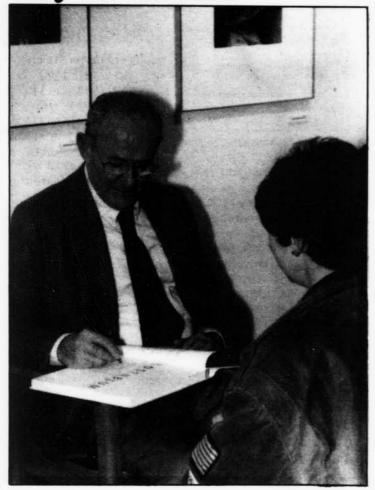
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MTSU NEWS

Only For His Fans



BLAIR MITCHELL/Staff

Walter Rosenblum, renown documentary photographer, signing his book for one of his fans in thePhotographic Gallery of the Learning Resource Center on Monday.

'Mob Murphy' gets mixed reviews

Attendance way up, but not many students played

JOEY DAVENPORT

Staff Writer

In an attempt to increase student attendance, the MTSU Athletic Department hosted 'Mob Murphy' night last Saturday at the Lady Raiders basketball game.

'Mob Murphy' night was an athletic promotion in which four individual prizes were awarded to MTSU students randomly chosen in a drawing.

Students registered their names when they entered Murphy Center before the game. Four winners were drawn and announced during half-time of the Lady Raiders game. The four prizes consisted of free books, a free meal plan, free housing, and free tuition for Fall 1995.

There were 3,800 people present during the Lady Raiders game, but only 411 students registered for the drawing. Only about 1,000 people attend the women's games on average.

"We didn't get the amount of participation we were looking for which is due partly to students having to work at night," explained MTSU facilities coordinator Linney Moore. "But we do hope to see an increase in student participation in the future."

Moore is in charge of the athletic promotions at MTSU.

A half court shoot-out contest held during half-time of the men's basketball game began this season. The half court shoot-out will continue for the remainder of the season.

A 13-foot remote control blimp was also introduced this season at the basketball games. The blimp circles inside Murphy Center during half-time and dispenses promotional discount cards to random people in the crowd.

"Promotions like these will hopefully get more students to attend the games," said Amy Smythe, MTSU junior and winner of the free housing prize. "Even if students don't win, they will have seen the game, and this might cause them to attend more games."

The Athletic Department was successful in getting University Housing and ARA Food Services' support for 'Mob Murphy' night.

"Many of the students who live on campus have a strong interest in the athletic games," said Ivan Shewmake, director of housing. "We thought it would be an advantage for housing to support this promotion."

According to Moore, future athletic promotions are being planned for other MTSU sports such as baseball and football.



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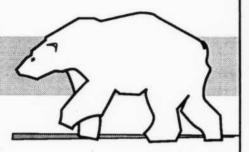
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MTSU NEWS

Dr. Montgomery to leave post in honors program in 1996

ALISA KNOLL

Staff Writer

Dr. John Paul Montgomery, Director of MTSU's honors program, recently announced that he will be returning to the English department in Spring 1996.

Montgomery is leaving

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the position after serving the usual term of five years. A replacement has yet to be named.

enjoyed the cooperation a n d

fellowship with the students," said Dr. Montgomery. "This program is a marvelous concept, and I feel things are in great shape at this point."

In the four years Montgomery has held the position, he has developed many new programs to benefit the honors students and any other students who wish to attend.

One such programs is the Honors Lyceum, an educational and

entertainment forum that encourages creativity, held each spring.

Another outstanding program Dr. Montgomery developed is the Lecture Series which recruits professors from various areas in the university to speak. It is held every Monday afternoon at 3:30 in Peck Hall 107. The focus of the spring series is "Stories of Courage and Genius."

"Dr. Montgomery is a friend first and then an administrator," said Jhean Wolfsbrother, vice president of the Honors Student Association. "He played a big part in my choosing MTSU."

This semester,
Montgomery is also teaching
two classes, American
Renaissance, a 400 level
English class, and the lecture
series, which is offered for a
one hour credit for
participating students.

"Everyone is glad he is returning to the English Department," said Dr. Strawman, associate professor of English. "My only fear is that the honors program will be without the leadership and enthusiasm of Dr. Montgomery. He has done a great job!"

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MTSU NEWS

Rucker opens Honors Lecture series on 'Courage and Genius'

MARK BLEVINS

Assistant News Editor

The Spring 1995 Honors Lecture Series began Monday with MTSU's Dr. Robert Rucker speaking about Julius Rosenwald (1862-1932), a benefactor of southern schools during his

"The impact on Tennessee has been monumental," Rucker said.

Holloway High School in Murfreesboro was the last Rosenwald school to be built that in Tennessee, Rucker said.

Rucker said Rosenwald was a Jewish man who empathized with African-American situation in America. Rosenwald contributed to Fisk University, Meharry Medical college Tuskegee University.

But Julius Rosenwald usually had a string attached Rucker encouraging each to his gifts and it was that other funds be raised from other sources. Rucker said

many communities did not have the money to contribute to schools so instead they gave their labor.

Rosenwald began the Southern Schools Project and the Southern Building Project which by 1915 had erected 80 schools in three southern states.

The lecture ended with person to realize their moral responsibility.

COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

Clinton renews vow for AmeriCorps

WASHINGTON—College students say they may head to the nation's capital to voice their support for the AmeriCorps program, which could fall victim to Congressional budget cuts.

While some Congressional Republicans are considering eliminating the AmeriCorps program, President Clinton has gone on record defending the domestic volunteer program as representing "the essence of everything I wanted to do as president."

In two speeches on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Clinton defended the national service plan, promising to veto any legislation that eliminated the AmeriCorps program.

"I was told a day or so ago that in this new Congress, there may be a move to abolish the national service corps to save money to pay for tax cuts," Clinton said at a King memorial service in "But Denver. the AmeriCorps program represents the essence of everything I wanted to do as president.

"These young people are committed to service, and if we all are committed to the idea that we are bound up with one another, then we can all be great and our country will be great.'

Republican Rep. Jerry Lewis of California, the Appropriations House subcommittee chair, is currently reviewing the \$577 million program for elimination as a way to slash \$24.6 billion out of the AmeriCorps members will federal budget, while Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich also has voiced his opposition to it.

Gingrich said that volunteerism shouldn't necessarily be paid for by the national government. "It is coerced volunteerism," he said in a "Newsweek" interview earlier this year. gimmickry."

Meanwhile, students who are participating in the program say they wonder whether the program's elimination would be worth

the money saved.

"I would think a few million dollars that goes directly to helping people is a program worth saving," said David Rivera, a 22-year-old senior at Arizona State University and AmeriCorps volunteer. "I have no idea why anyone would want to eliminate the If there are program. politicians who think we're out here standing around wasting taxpayers' money, they should come spend some time with us."

Rivera is helping the Arizona Conservation Corps in its effort to weatherize and rehabilitate homes for lowand formerly homeless people. "I just had this desire to do something different before I graduated,' Rivera said. AmeriCorps Program is a chance to do something I can build on. It's something I can be proud of."

More than 20,000 people are currently involved in the AmeriCorps program, which was part of President Bill Clinton's election campaign in 1992. He promised to create a "domestic Peace Corps" by using American citizens to work in various community programs that focus on public safety, education, human needs and the environment. program is expected to grow to 100,000 members in three

In exchange for one or two years of public service, receive \$7,500 a year in pay and an additional \$4,725 a year in grants to help finance their higher education or to repay student loans. Volunteers also will be covered by health insurance and can receive child care if necessary while in the program.

Clinton again invoked the concept of national service as a way to help others while speaking at California State University at Northridge on the anniversary of last year's earthquake. "The role of

government in this age is to be a partner," he said. "It cannot walk away. Many solutions can be found with national service volunteers."

John Cox, a spokesperson for Gingrich, said the Georgia representative is opposed to the concept of the national service corps but has yet to propose any specific legislative changes at

But even though no decisions have been made as to whether to eliminate AmeriCorps' funding, Scott Izzo, executive director of the Student Conservation Association, has said that the new Congress will most likely place less priority on national service the movement.

"The concept will probably continue, but I don't know if the funding will," Izzo said. "AmeriCorps has really helped revive volunteerism in this country, and it would be unfortunate if the investment made in the program was cut or eliminated."

Wendy Grassi, spokesperson for the Corporation for National Service, is more optimistic. She said that she is confident that AmeriCorps program will remain intact. "We had bipartisan support when the legislation was passed," she said, "and we expect it to continue."

Eli Segal, president of the National Service Corps, said he can't understand why anyone would oppose the program. AmeriCorps claiming that it's a "funded non-mandate," which can help federal and state officials by giving academic stipends in return for "necessary" action.

"AmeriCorps aims at making local improvements," said Segal. "It's a very simple idea. We do best when the people and the government work the grass roots together."

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The staff of Collage would like to invite all artists and writers to submit any poems, short plays, sculptures, etchings, short stories, pen and inks, or photography (color or black and white) for consideration in the 1995 Spring issue. Below are the guidelines for submission. Please read these carefully. Each potential contributor is limited to three (3) submissions per catagory.

Art Work

Submissions must be appropriately presented and must have the top side clearly marked. The title of the work, media, size, artist's name, signature, MTSU box number and local phone number should be included on an attached 8.5 x 11 inch sheet of paper. Submitted works may be picked up at the end of the semester in the COLLAGE office. Any works not claimed by the end of the following semester become the property of COLLAGE.

Written Work

Poetry, short stories, and non-fiction pieces must be typed and must be submitted with four (4) copies and a single cover sheet. The submission form at the right may be substituted for a cover sheet. The cover sheet should contain the title of the work, author's name, Please turn this form in with signature, MTSU box number, and local phone number. It a piece is untitled, please indicate this and write the first line of the work in parenthesis. This cover sheet is the only place the author's name should in James Union Building on or appear. Written works cannot be returned.

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THE NATION

Former Meharry president named new Surgeon General

WASHINGTON (AP) -Dr. Henry Foster Jr., a medical school leader known fighting teen-age pregnancy in Tennessee, is President Clinton's choice for surgeon general, officials said Wednesday.

Foster, 61, former acting president of a predominantly black medical school, will replace Dr. Joycelyn Elders, an outspoken Arkansas pediatrician who was fired in December after saying school children should be taught about masturbation.

White House aides, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the announcement was scheduled for Thursday. They said Foster would lead a national campaign to combat teen-age pregnancy.

Foster was director of Meharry Medical College's "I Have A Future Program," aimed at delaying sexual activity among teen-agers by building their self-esteem, developing job skills and teaching responsibility, self-control and how to deal with

conflicts in relationships. Foster, a Nashville obstetrician-gynecologist, founded the program seven years ago in two of the city's public housing developments with start-up money from the Carnegie Foundation.

It has grown to serve about 150 youths each week.

Clinton, in his State of the Union address, called teenage pregnancy the nation's most serious social problem and urged parents and community leaders to join a national campaign "to make a difference." Aides say the campaign will involve few new initiatives, but Clinton hopes to get more people interested and involved in

The nation's surgeon generals usually receive substantial attention for their remarks on health issues - from AIDS prevention to anti-smoking crusades. But the job actually is several rungs down in the Department of Human Services hierarchy, and holds little direct authority over health programs and policy.

Like Elders and Clinton, Foster has Arkansas ties. He was born in Pine Bluff and earned his medical degree from the University of Arkansas.

Foster, who also has served as medical school dean for Meharry, guided the school through a merger involving Meharry's teaching facility, Hubbard Hospital, with Metro General Hospital, Nashville's public hospital. He has served on the advisory board of Planned Parenthood of Middle Tennessee in Nashville.

Friends and associated

predicted he won't be as provocative as Elders.

"One of his strengths is he is sensitive to a balanced approach — to the concerns of a number of groups in our society even though he's a supporter of Planned Parenthood," said Shelby Planned Tabeling, Parenthood's associate director executive Nashville.

Called "Hank" by friends and associates, Foster is described as a consensusbuilder with a mellow charm and a long resume.

"I don't think I've ever seen Hank Foster out of control, angry, anything like that," said Dr. Fredia Wadley, Tennessee's commissioner of health.

Foster took a sabbatical in July from the school to become a health policy fellow at the Association of Academic Health Centers in Washington.

He earned his undergraduate degree from Morehouse College in Atlanta and spent two years as a medical officer in the U.S. Air Force. He has worked at hospitals in Detroit, Malden, Mass., and Tuskegee, Ala.

He has been married for 35 years to a retired nurse, St. Clair. They have two grown children.

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VA sets up toll-free 'help line' for Persian Gulf War veterans

WASHINGTON (AP) - Persian Gulf Syndrome, Persian Gulf War veterans seeking information on medical care and benefits are being encouraged to call a new toll-free "help line," the Veterans Affairs Department said Wednesday.

The line is part of an outreach program set up to Gulf veterans, particularly those who are suffering from undiagnosed illnesses, the so-called

arising from service in the 1991 war.

The phone service is headquartered at a new Persian Gulf Information Center at the St. Louis VA regional office, and will be staffed with Persian Gulf War benefit specialists from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. CST, on weekdays. Recorded messages providing information will be available

at all other times.

The line, 1-800-PGW-VETS (1-800-749-8387), goes into service on Thursday.

The VA said it is also providing information on benefits, medical care and research on an electronic bulletin board system. VA-ONLINE can be accessed by people with a computer and a communications package through 1-800-US1-VETS (1-800-871-8387). ■

Financial records show recent state political campaigns costly

(AP) — Nashville Mayor Phil Bredesen spent \$9.5 million in his unsuccessful race against Republican Don Sundquist for governor, financial disclosure reports showed.

Sundquist sent his return certified mail, a spokeswoman said. State law allows final 1994 reports to be mailed or delivered to the Registry by Tuesday. The governor's campaign spending is expected to total around \$7 million.

Reports filed Tuesday also showed costly state legislative races, with at

spending more than \$100,000 in state Senate races.

State legislators earn a salary of \$16,500 a year. The governor is paid \$85,000 per

Bredesen spent \$6.5 million of his own money. which he first loaned to his campaign. But Tuesday's disclosure filed with the State Registry of Election Finance showed the mayor has repaid the loans.

He paid \$115,000 to the campaign of former Shelby County Mayor Bill Morris, who he defeated in the Democratic primary. Those

NASHVILLE, Tenn. least four candidates payments included such items research opposition materials" and \$14,000 for "software development and data entry."

> In state Senate races, Sen. Doug Henry, D-Nashville, spent \$416,000 to fend off a challenge from Republican Sharon Bell, who spent more than \$243,000.

Henry spent \$183,000 from his own pocket. Most of Bell's money was her own or from her husband, Service Merchandise executive Fred Zimmerman.



Nine Inch Nails storms Murphy Center

Reznor smashes and screams his way through energetic show

JASON YOUNG

Feature Writer

rent Reznor and company blazed into Murphy Center
Monday night for a concert that left anyone in attendance with ringing ears for the next day. The band performed for a crowd of 5,000 screaming fans, though their screams could hardly be heard over the monstrous wall of sounds blaring from amps turned well past 11.

The set used in this very technical production was as ripped and sordid as the music fans paid to see.

Lights appeared to have been tossed onto the stage at random, but amazingly kept perfect time throughout each song. The gigantic screen lowered to cover the band during "Hurt" and "Erase Me" flashed eerie scenes of destruction and decay that brought Reznor's lyrics to life in a most horrible way.



CLIFF KARELL/Staff

Screamin' into space

Industrial rock phenomenon Nine Inch Nails rocked Murphy Center Monday night for a crowd of 5,000. The show included such hits as "March of the Pigs," "Piggie," "Gave Up," and "Happiness in Slavery."

The music performed by the group was full of energy. Songs played included "Pinion," "March of the Pigs," Piggy," Gave Up," and a very destructive version of

"Happiness in Slavery." If you have ever seen The Who smash a guitar and thought it was cool, you would have been leveled by Nine Inch Nails. Every instrument on stage was smashed, beat up, busted, or dented.

One concert highlight came when Reznor pushed guitar player Robin Finck off the stage in the middle of a song, leaving the crowd to enjoy the feedback from a beat up guitar. Another Kodak moment came when the guys working on the sound board threw half-empty water bottles at the people in the front of the crowd, who were trying to make shadows on the screen.

The show, while very entertaining, was a little on the short side. Concert goers were thrown a meager hour and fifteen minutes worth of music for a \$23 ticket. The brevity of the show can be blamed on the fact that Reznor, while highly energetic on stage, was suffering from strep throat. Another reason the show seemed short was the fact that one of the opening acts, Pop Will Eat Itself, canceled due to sickness.

This was a very strange show, but many of the people around me couldn't tell. They were too busy waving at their high school friends and showing off their cigarettes to notice that a concert was going on. I guess the show really could have been a concert/pep rally. I also enjoyed watching the crowd on the floor throw people around before the music started. Thanks, MTV. Monkey see, monkey do.

ZAP ZAP ... YOU'RE DEAD

Laser Storm at Bowl 2000 draws future space cowboys

CHRIS PATTERSON

Copy Editor

As you enter the dimmed corridor and gear up, you already can feel the adrenaline rush. The two teams disperse to their separate stations. The lights darken, the music starts and you place your gun in front of the energizing pod. You hear a beep, your gun is energized and you're ready to begin.

You lower yourself to the ground, avoiding the enemy. Carefully, you look around the corner of the shields.

You study the field of your enemies to see if you can detect any movement. You can't see anything moving. No enemy fire is detected yet.

You decide to lure enemy fire. You raise your gun and fire into the opposing field.

Bleep Bleep Bleep sound your headphones as you fire several times. The red beam from your gun travels through the darkness to enemy ground.

Your shots are answered with a swarm of enemy fire. You look to see where the red beams are coming from. You spot the headset of an enemy as he peeks his head up to look for you. You raise your gun. Fire the beam. His headset is flashing. The enemy has sustained a direct hit.

Meanwhile, you find one of your teammates being fired on. You try to find the

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Moving in for the kill

Kenneth Skaroupka aims for the enemy before firing Saturday night at Laser Storm in Murfreesboro.

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source of the enemy beam.
You spot him from across the field. You stand up and take aim. Your teammate takes a hit. You fire on the enemy.
He is hit.

Suddenly, out of nowhere you hear an explosion coming from your headset. You've been hit. You jump up and run to the energizing station. Quickly you place your gun in front of the energizing pod. You wait for the beep to indicate your gun has been energized.

Revenge is on your mind. You creep back onto the field to find the person who hit you. You catch sight of her, hiding between the panels that make up the border. You position yourself to get a piece of her. You fire. It's a direct hit.

As she gets up and runs back to the enemy station, you look for a new target.

No, you haven't been beamed up by an alien life form. You've just been playing Laser Storm, Murfreesboro's newest diversion from the doldrums of dour academic drudgery.

"Laser Storm is such an addicting game. It really a good relief from the frustrations and tensions of everyday life," said Tracy Turner, senior Spanish major.

The first time you play you may not really know what to expect. You go in and think you're just going to shoot some people. By the time the 10 minutes are up, you are crawling around trying to avoid fire like it's an M-16. The advantage with Laser Storm is that you can go to the energizing pod and you're alive again.

Adrenaline is the key to playing to the game. Once you start playing and you're out on the field shooting, time stands still. Ten minutes is gone before you know it.

Laser Storm is the newest addition to the Bowl 2000 Family Fun Center on NW Broad Street. The arena opened quietly last Halloween. It hasn't been quiet since. The games run constantly just about anytime you decide show up.

"Laser Storm is like playing paintball without the pain of the balls hitting you," says Darrin Cox, a manager at Bowl 2000. "It's like a video game, but you're not playing against anything mechanical, you play against people."

Laser Storm is a very fast paced game. It is for the adventurous at heart. It's also an excellent stress reliever. You can shoot at people without hurting anyone.

If you're looking for something new and exciting to do, go down to the bowling alley and check out Laser Storm. It's a real rush.

Laser Storm is a franchise of Space Sport based in Denver, Co. Space Sport sends plans for the arena out and the owner builds it. Space Sport then installs the equipment. The nearest Laser Storm is in Johnson City, Tenn.

Games are \$4 per person and last 10 minutes. On Tuesday nights they have "Fire Till You Tire" from 6-10 p.m. You can play as many games as you can stand for \$10. Wednesday is Ladies Night. Ladies, if you love an adventure get your guy to take you. If he pays you play for free. Or get a guy friend to go with you and you both pay half price.

The fun center is open until 11 p.m. Sunday-Thursday and till 2 a.m. on Friday and Saturday. ■ MTSU Concerts presents AMA Award-Winners:

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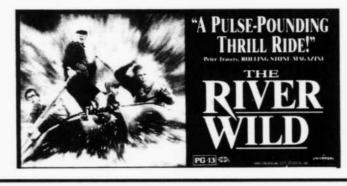
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Determination keeps stroke victim healthy

Working out helps MTSU student stay motivated and strong

CASSAUNDRA HUSKEY

Special to Sidelines

hen someone says
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think of something
that happens after college,
once we've succeeded in our
career, reached all our goals,
gotten married, had 2.5
children, bought a house,
and retired.

Now, imagine having a stroke before all that—before you even had a chance to begin your adult life. Remember that summer after high school? You were on the brink of your "real" life. Now, imagine having all that hope for the future ripped away.

That's exactly what happened to Tyson McClanahan. He had a stroke the summer following high school graduation and was left confined to a wheel chair with all his plans destroyed.

During his years at McGavock High before the stroke, Tyson was on two basketball teams, coached a soccer team, ran track, and played baseball, racquetball, and golf.

Then one evening Tyson lay down on a couch to watch a movie. His dad called him to dinner, but Tyson couldn't move; he couldn't swallow. His dad took him to Vanderbilt Hospital, and Tyson spent the next two months in a coma. The doctors said that he had a stroke, and the only warning was a headache and an upset stomach-common flu symptoms. Tyson later needed brain surgery for a blood clot. He spent one year in the hospital and two years in rehabilitation.

At first, Tyson took it as any of us would; he became severely depressed. He always led an active life, but the stroke took all that away.

However, Tyson looked beyond self-pity. He was not going to let the stroke stop him, and he's been the picture of motivation and determination ever since.

Tyson came to MTSU in 1993. Now he can be found every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, not sitting at home watching T.V., but in the Wellness Center pumping iron. Here's his workout schedule: 50 leg presses, 50 hamstring curls, 30 bench presses at 200 pounds, 150 sit-ups, and that's just to get started. All together. Tyson spends four

grueling hours in the weight room, and he's getting stronger every day.

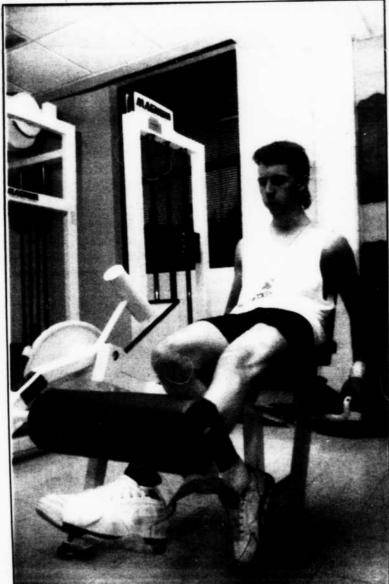
How does he stay motivated? "When I want something, I go for it," Tyson said, "I'm just disciplined, I guess."

Tyson's achievements don't stop in the weight room though. He is also a member of Gamma Bet Phi honors society and is working on a B.S. in psychology at MTSU. He plans to work with patients who have suffered head injuries.

"I just want to help them," Tyson said, "tell them they can do stuff—I did!"

Tyson, 21, still visits doctors once a year for checkups, but he leads a very independent life. He is able to walk now, but still uses a cane for support. Tyson expects his balance and coordination to return in time, allowing him to walk freely on his own. He eats right, and his workout routine definitely keeps his body in shape. He even mentioned checking into some weight lifting competitions.

Tyson has proven that he can't be stopped. So, for all non-motivated people, maybe Tyson's story will give them a little incentive to get up off the couch and start working out.



CLIFF KARFIL/Stoff

Tyson McClanahan works out in the Wellness Center Friday. He says he would like to send a message to other people with disabilities—that they can overcome obstacles by working hard and "go ng for it."

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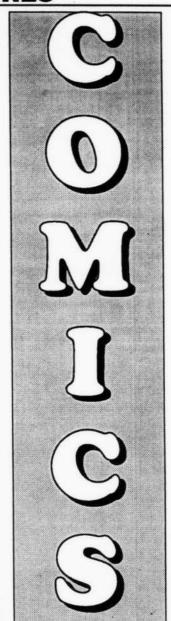
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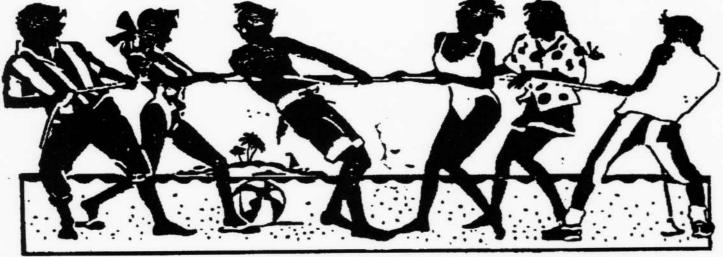






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SIDELINES

That was fun

It was magic, even on the radio

DREW BUTLER

Assistant Sports Editor

Nine Inch Nails have nothing on the show MTSU put on against Vanderbilt last night.

People who couldn't see the Nails Monday night missed an event. But if you listened to the MTSU game on radio, you missed nothing.

People listening to the MTSU-Vanderbilt game on the radio made the listen feel as they were courtside during every shot. "Nails" may have been louder but not as emotional.

"Just another day at the office," said head coach David Farrar during a hectic post-game press conference from the floor of Murphy Center.

But this wasn't just another basketball game. Some of those who didn't attend the game were listening on the radio.

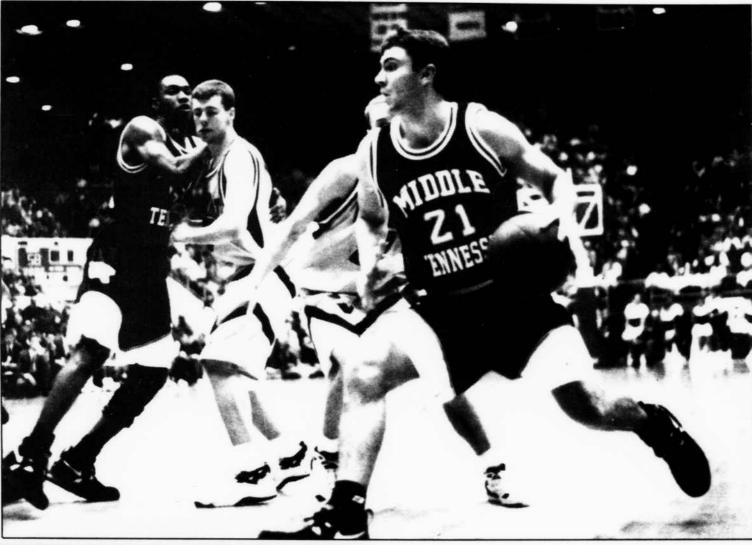
The newsroom Sidelines was no different from anyone else listening to the game. At tip-off, there was a passing interest in the game for two reasons: the game was in Murfreesboro and the opponent was Vanderbilt.

With about two minutes left in regulation, people in the newsroom discovered seemingly that the improbable was happening. MTSU was leading.

Suddenly, radios switched on. The duel calls of Dick Palmer on the MTSU network and Wes Durham of the Vanderbilt network detailed the Walkmans and small stereos were telling the story now. No one even bothered to switch on a television.

"I never even thought about the TV highlights on the 10 o'clock news," one legendary MTSU sports columnist would say later.

As Vandy's Howard Pride hit the three-point shot to send the game to overtime, disappointment reigned in



Charles Hogue/Staff

Hometown Hero

Murfreesboro native K.J. Harden looks for an assist in Middle's first win over Vandy since 1932.

Murphy Magic Back at least for now

it



Tony J. Arnold

looked like MTSU's men's basketball season was slipping down the tubes, the Blue Raiders rose to the occasion.

when

For the first time since 1972, Vanderbilt's annual Top 20 caliber team entered the 'Glass House'. That '72 team led by current Vandy coach Jan van Breda Koff and MTSU Athletic Director Lee Fowler escaped with a 69-57 win. That was the first game ever played in 'Magical' Murphy Center but in 1995, the 'Dores didn't leave unscathed.

and devour every obstacle

the bigger and deeper Vandy squad dished out at them. Undoubtedly, it marks one of MTSU's biggest wins ever and puts a much needed feather in head coach David Farrar's cap.

And what a win it was for the fans.

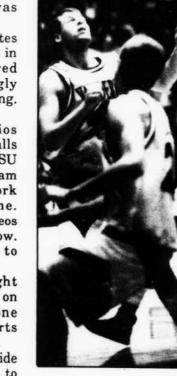
In recent years, MTSU's once proud tradition on the basketball court has suffered serious ego blows due to an NCAA investigation that leveled the program. Still though, despite disappointing set-backs coming one on top of the other, many fans came and the 9,200 in attendance last night saw a bit of the old 'Murphy Magic' back.

To me personally and others alike, it seemed like old times.

Not since 1988 when Tennessee, Georgia and Boston College came to town have so many fans filtered through the doors to see an

What a Blue Raider team that had its backs against the wall did last night was come out like a roaring lion

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Smooth Move

Blair Mitchell/Staff

MTSU 's Marcus LoVett glides to the hoop in the Raiders' thrilling overtime victory last night.

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SPORTS

Raiders to play in Georgia Dome; TSU Comes to 'Boro

Blue Raiders renew rivalry with Georgia Southern in Atlanta on September 9

ROB NUNLEY

Staff Writer

The first road trip of the 1995 MTSU football season will not only feature a familiar opponent from the past, it will also give the squad the opportunity to play in a professional setting.

On Sept. 9, the Blue Raiders will travel to Atlanta's Georgia Dome, home of the NFL Falcons, to face the Eagles of Georgia Southern.

Also a 1995 highlight will be the season opener against conference foe Tennessee State here in Murfreesboro.

Prior to last year's clash at TSU's Hale Stadium, the two teams had always played at Vanderbilt. This year, the Tigers will play for the first time at Horace Jones Field on Sept. 2.

A rivalry began in the early 1980s, the Blue Raiders lead the series 8-7 following last fall's 45-10 bashing of the Tigers.

The Georgia Southern rivalry was once considered one of the biggest in Division I-AA football, and the Eagles lead the series 6-4 after defeating the Raiders 13-10 in the final 20 seconds of their last meeting two years ago in Statesboro, Ga.

Georgia Southern's move to the Southern Conference resulted in scheduling problems that have prevented the two teams from getting together again until this year.

Bucky Wagner, athletic director at Georgia Southern and good friend of Blue Raider head coach Boots Donnelly, decided to move the game to an off-campus site since students there will not yet have started classes. Coach Donnelly feels that the quality of the two programs involved in the game will draw a large crowd of football enthusiasts to the dome.

"When Middle Tennessee and Georgia Southern play, I don't think it really matters where you play," Donnelly said. "It's going to be two fine football teams going against each other."

Coach Donnelly also said that playing on the same field as professionals will have a positive effect on the level of competition between both teams.

"I don't foresee any problems," he said.
"They'll probably even play a notch or two
above their normal everyday ability."

Junior quarterback Brian Davis, who will most likely be taking over the reins of the Blue Raiders next season, feels comfortable, although somewhat anxious, about playing in such a large venue.

"I think it will bring us a lot of exposure and bring in a lot of people from both sides," Davis said. "Overall it should be a pretty big challenge."

Coach Donnelly is confident that MTSU students and alumni will make the trek to Atlanta to see the game.

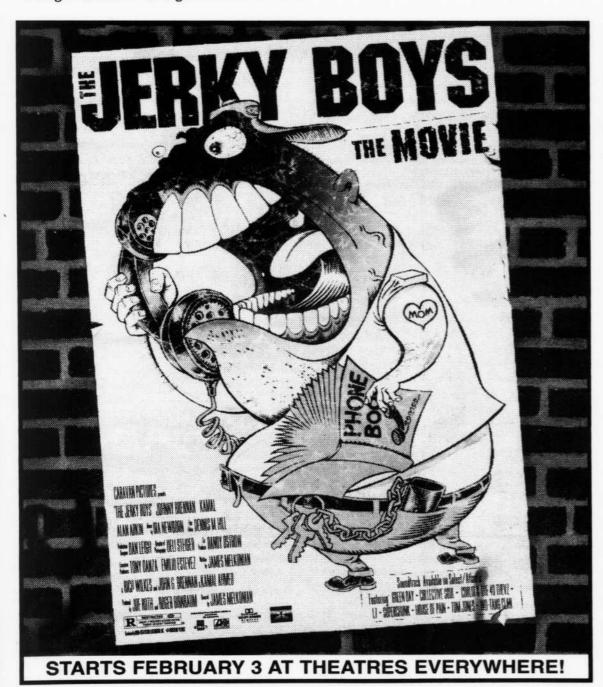
"I really hope that our fans will get excited about going to Atlanta and make a strong showing in support of our football team," Donnelly said. "I think it's going to be great."

Coach Donnelly offered one more benefit of the Georgia Dome game.

"At least it won't rain on us."

1995 BLUE RAIDER FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

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SPORTS

UTM can't set the pace; Lady Raiders pull one out

DREW BUTLER Assistant Sports Editor

The Lady Raiders posted a OVC road win Monday night at UT-Martin despite trailing by twelve points in the first half.

MTSU moved to 12-6 overall and 7-2 in the conference. The win kept the Lady Raiders one game behind the leaders in the

"All road games are mustwin situations and we played extremely well," said head coach Lewis Bivens.

UT-Martin had the shooting touch in the first half. The Pacers shot 55 percent from beyond the 3point line and used a 14-5 run late to build a 50-40 lead at the half.

"Martin is a team that can play explosively with their shooting and they were shooting well last night," Bivens said. "We had to come in and regroup at halftime."

The Lady Raiders did regroup and used a 12-2 spurt in the middle of the second half to take the lead

"UT-Martin plays hard, spreads the floor on you and causes you a lot of problems," Bivens said. "I'm just glad we're getting out of here with

Heather Prater led the Blue Raiders in scoring with a career-high 28 points. She also added five assists to tie her with Sherry Smith as the Lady Raiders' all-time assist

"Heather's strength is her versatility. She passes well, shoots well, sets up other people and plays good defense," Bivens said. "I don't think we can expect that kind of scoring every night, but it's a nice plus."

Sherry Tucker finished with 17 points with six steals and rebounds apiece. Jessica Beaty scored 15 points and pulled down 10 rebounds. Trella Thomas connected with 14 points.

MTSU rebounded from a 21-point loss to Tennessee Tech last Saturday at Murphy Center.

"Our kids bounced back and had a great practice Sunday and it was as if we hadn't lost the night before," Bivens said. "Our kids are very level-headed and I thought they had to play well to come back and win tonight."

Tennis 'Doubles' the fun at Miss. St.

TONY J. ARNOLD Sports Columnist

Call it poetic justice, but when Fred Niemeyer took aim and served across the net this time he didn't

Almost exactly a year ago, he found himself in the same position as he served with Laurent Miquelard and Jock Simmons staring back on the opposite side of the net. With the match on the line, the Mississippi State duo held Niemeyer and his partner Paul Goebel at bay.

Last week, the scenario was quite the same. Only two noticeable differences were present as Niemeyer now teamed with freshmen Julius Robberts and the same Mississippi State duo was ranked No. 1 in the nation.

"That was a big win, one of if not the biggest in school history," MTSU tennis coach Dale Short said. "Not only were they ranked No. 1 in the nation, they won the NCAA doubles tournament last year and are the defending National Champions."

Mississippi State as a team was ranked third in the nation and although the final score was 7-0 in favor of the Bulldogs, Middle Tennessee had nothing to be

ashamed of in its young tennis season.

"If we were healthy, we could have pulled it off," Short said. "Fred pulled a groin in the doubles match and we didn't want to risk hurting him more so everyone else played up. We had some three set matches and we were right there."

And being right there makes the future look bright for the defending Ohio Valley Conference champions.

"We're really a young team but I have a good feeling about this team," Short said. "We've been starting as many as four freshmen and they're all very talented. Fred and Julius are playing outstanding as is Patrick Zackrisson.

"Patrick is our only senior and he's the team captain. He didn't have a good fall camp but he's stepped up and has been playing very good. With his leadership, this team can go

a long way." Niemeyer will return to action this weekend in Dallas, Texas to participate in the National Indoors. Only the top 32 ranked players are invited each year and Niemeyer is currently ranked 19th. He also narrowly missed an invitation to play in doubles

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SPORTS

Track Team in Indiana Relays

STAFF REPORTS

The Blue Raider and Lady Raider track teams travel to the prestigious Indiana Relays at the University of Indiana in Bloomington this weekend.

There will be over 30 teams participating, although there will be no team scores tabulated.

"This meet is part of our preparation for the OVC race by improving the quality of our performance and organization," said Dean Hayes, MTSU head track coach.

This type of non scored meet gives the athletes the opportunity to work on their individual bests while competing with some of the best track athletes in the country.

The Lady Raiders will have several strong athletes competing in both the field events and the sprints.

In the shot put will be Shelley Johnson and Rhonda Hall, both of which have broken the school record this season.

Mia Florence and Nekeya Ralls are expected to place well in the long jump. Each has jumped over 19 feet this season

Nadia Graham will run for MTSU in the 400, as well as in the 4 X 400 relay, where she will be joined by Melanie Hall, Kela Henderson, Tyjuana Phillips.

The Blue Raiders will be led in the sprints by Mario Allman and Keith Watkins, a junior walk-on.

Torrence Riley is expected to be a factor in all three jumps - long, high and triple.

All-American long jumper Micah Otis placed in three events at the Indiana Relays and will participate in the same events this

Also competing for MTSU in Indiana will be Brigham Lyons, who made it to the high hurdle finals last week.

"This is a quality meet and hopefully our athletes will perform well there," Hayes said.

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MTSU basketball game and like the Raiders of old, not a bit of the adversity was in sight while the Big Blue was firmly focused on Vanderbilt.

To date, Middle's disappointing season had fans speculating what the future would hold. Would there be changes at the season's end? How could the Raiders lose six games at home so far this year? What about the promise of a better team?

Many of those questions still remain and will be unfolded in the future. However, the Blue Raider squad that played last night looked like Ohio Valley Conference champions. If they can play with Vandy, they can certainly play with anyone in the OVC.

This win not only marks one of the biggest in school history, but should also give the Raiders a boost.

Earlier this season, with the game on the line, Middle has choked. Wednesday night they stood firm and if they could do it then, certainly they now know they're capable of doing it

Perhaps, and hopefully, this will be the turning point in MTSU's season which is already half over. But, in the ill event that it doesn't work out that way and the players that showed the guts, heart, character and composure last night were simply decoys, it's a victory to cherish forever.

Not since 1932 when the final score was 39-35 had MTSU defeated Vanderbilt. And not for a lifetime will this win be forgotten.■

TENNIS

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ction as he and Robberts re ranked 34th.

"It's a great opportunity or Fred to see what he can o," Short said. "He's ecently been out for two and half months with a broken ollar bone and he's just been itting a few weeks so I don't xpect him to be in top form ut you never know."

Short's Blue Raiders

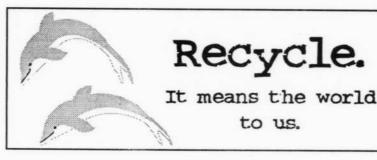
return to action at Tennessee on Feb. 12.

On the women's side of the net, the Lady Raiders have been taking some blows from very respectable opponents. Against Mobile, South Alabama and SW Louisiana last week, the Ladies were outscored 24-2.

"It's been a tough start but we're playing a tough schedule and starting four freshman at the same time," Short said. "In essence, this is probably a regrouping or rebuilding year for us, but this schedule might just toughen the girls up and it'll get easier in the conference.

"In the long run, we're just going to have to keep our heads up. Maybe with a little luck some interesting things could happen down the road. We just need to work hard and stay committed."

The Lady Raiders will travel to Georgia Tech on Saturday.



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Editorial

February a chance to learn more about unity

Yesterday marked the beginning of African-American History Month. The Multi-Cultural Affairs office has developed a month-long celebration of topics to be discussed. Sidelines will print each Monday what events will take place during the week for the celebration.

It would be wise for all students to make plans to experience at least one of the events.

History tells us that it is always advantageous to know something about your competitor. In this case, one facet of the human race.

With all the trouble that is constantly experienced in the South concerning race and racial issues, African-American History Month allows an in-depth view at the concerns of the black race as they have struggled for their rights throughout history.

African-Americans should use this celebration to encourage more harmony within their own community. Caucasians and minorities should use this month as a springboard to learn more about a culture that is foreign to them.

The events that will take place on campus this month around this celebration will serve as an opportunity to harvest unity in the human race. This is what is important.

After all, while we all may be members of the various subcultures of white, black, yellow races, et al., we are all members of the human race.

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Cuts, cuts, cuts - it's crazy!

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If the Senate

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Mary Cummins

states ratify it, it will become the 28th Amendment to Constitution, stating that Congress must balance the federal budget.

Ingenious idea, but that's just the easy part of the process. After that, Congress has to actually do it.

And what does that mean for us? Cuts, cuts, and more cuts-but from where? These cuts do have to come from somewhere, but so far the Republicans are keeping us all in the dark on that one. Smart move. It's easier to pass a law if the public doesn't know what's going on.

The Republicans won't tell us where they're cutting, but they will tell us where they're spending. One-half of one percent of the American population owns about 40 percent of our nation's wealth (that places us No. 1 in the world for inequality in distribution of wealth). But get this: the Republicans are proposing a tax cut for these very people!

It's called trickle (keep 'em) down economics. That means that while you and I are struggling to pay for college, Congress is plotting to turn even more money over to that one-half percent who own nearly half of everything already. And with the Republicans trying to balance the budget, who knows what will happen to educational grants? Good luck trying to balance your own budgets, students.

But that's not the end of Republican generosity. Let's not forget the military. Congress plans to increase defense spending, even though Defense Secretary William Perry said that the Republican plan "wastes money on an unneeded missile-defense system." On top of that, Republicans just allotted \$3.2 billion to the Pentagon, only \$1.4 billion of which is accounted for in the budget.

So, despite all this talk about the balanced-budget amendment, our new Congress has just added \$1.8 billion to the deficit. How's that for the first 100 days?

The three biggest items in the Federal budget are defense, Social Security, and Medicare. If the Republicans are not going to cut defense spending (but actually increase it) or Social Security, then all that will be left to cut is Medicare and other domestic services, such as education.

There goes Head Start, which has undoubtedly been one of the best programs to come out of our government in quite a while. And all you special education majors should be alarmed. The biggest cuts will be made in those services which have only the smallest voices to protect them.

Consider Newt Gingrich's war on the Corporation for Public Broadcasting. Polls show that the majority of Americans oppose ending Federal funding of public television, but Newt says it's too liberal and elitist. I'm picturing Bert and Ernie finally admitting their true feelings for each other after living together all those years, and a group o socialites cheering them on eating caviar and singing "Rubber duckie, you're the one..."

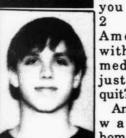
Take the Republican Culture Patrol out of the picture, and it's obvious that PBS contributes much needed quality programming to our usual barrage of TV mindlessness. Still, the federal government is under no obligation to help fund Nor is it under PBS. obligation to help fund public education (the Constitution does not guarantee us ar education-maybe we need an amendment for that).

Federal funds make up 14 percent of the PBS budget and only seven percent of the public education budget. If Congress decides PBS can do without, what's to stop them from pulling funds for schooling as well?

The Republicans' audacity in promising a balancedbudget amendment and refusing to tell us what we'll ave to give up for it is infuriating. True, we may well have to give up some things for a balanced budget, but it is ludicrous that in this time of proposed reduced spending, the military is getting unnecessary financial boosts (and you wonder why America is No.1 militarily yet lags behind the rest of the world in education), and the wealthiest people in the country are getting a tax break. But hey, aren't you glad we're getting rid of Mr. Rogers and that liberal, elitist neighborhood of his? ■

Brain dead, numb and extra funky? It's too much TV

From The Grandstand



Mark **Blevins**

What do you when cross

Americans with mass media that just doesn't quit?

get

Answer: A waxing homogenized society.

As I watched the Super last Bowl Sunday, I

began to wonder how many other people were watching the game across the country. Be it on a barstool, a bed, an overstuffed couch or a friend's couch, most of us watched some of the Super Bowl. (I even imagine some of you non-football watchers being victims of side-stream Superbowling.)

O.K., maybe you didn't watch the game. But I bet you've seen the pictures of post-quake Kobe. I'm sure you're aware that the Simpson trial has begun in earnest. Have you heard that Oprah used to ride the pipe, cocaine style? I'd bet you have.

What television shows do watch regularly? Baywatch, Sesame Street,

boys

girls, it is

time to make

something

perfectly

clear; there

is no such

thing as a

political

disease.

Viruses are

not created

by the GOP

or the DNC.

and

Question: Cops, Star Trek or all of them at once?

> Do you want to be a Mountain Man? Just drink Busch beer. Looking for love? Try America Online. Looking for a meaningful relationship? Just smile a lot. Want to improve your GPA-image? Try some smart glasses and more sweaters. Feel like "Living On The Edge?" Buy yourself a black leather jacket with tattoo included. Want to be cool, confident and on top? Try a ball cap, a pair of tan Dockers and some false ego. Want to be a really unique person? Get a Green-Day-Guy hairstyle like all the other really unique people. Want to live your life to the best of your ability? Buy a copy of "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People."

> I know. It hurts. Try Prozac: "Cause it's better than Soma!"

> I wonder how much time we spend with our mass media. I know that when I wake up in the morning, I listen to NPR's morning news. Later on I'll skim the Nashville papers. I have developed incomprehensible attachment to Shields and Grigot from McNeil/Lehrer News Hour, and it seems like my

subscription to Time should have run out months ago. I believe this behavior is rushing my ascendance to the Cookoo's Nest and I'm afraid the Republicans are going to cut back on Prozac funding whilst I visit my Rubber Room.

So, I tried a different tack while navigating through last week. It has proved quite healthy and I recommend it to anyone out there in similar predicament.

Go a few days without turning on a radio, picking up a paper or powering the boob tube.

I had some great days without the media. I began to remember that I am a citizen of my neighborhood way before I'm a U.S. citizen. I fell in love with my neighbor's dog, Moses. We spent hours chillin' in the Great American Backyard. I read a book while Moses watched some birds. Then I watched some birds. Birds are better than books on sunny days. I began having the urge to chase cars and realized why dogs chase cars: they don't like them. Moses says walking is more dignified. I'm beginning to see his point.

AIDS is not a political disease





Christina Basiel

Bacteria are distributed as political propaganda. Infections are not induced by campaign managers, politicians, or anyone else involved in the

political process. Ever since the AIDS epidemic began in the 1980s blame has been placed upon the Republican party for encouraging the spread of the disease. How ridiculous! AIDS activists on the left have accused the right to have knowingly allowed the number of people infected with the virus to increase by withholding information and money. These same extremists have claimed that an increase in infected individuals would behoove

society. The truth of the matter is, liberals have claimed to be the champions of compassion

conservatives by eliminating

the undesirables in our

All right at the expense of the individuals about whom they proclaim to care. When the Centers for Disease Control initially identified the HIV virus, the source of greatest infection was determined to be the gay bath houses in San Francisco. When the CDC attempted to close the bath houses, a battle ensued between the CDC and the Francisco San gay community. The gay community claimed that they would rather die than acknowledge the CDCs warnings.

This is not the only incidence of the left rebuffing the assistance of the right at the expense of the infirmed. When Rush Limbaugh offered a generous donation to the Pediatric AIDS Foundation in Los Angeles, he was refused because of his political ideology. Desperate children and their families became political pawns because the foundation believed that the disease is matter of politics and not biology

While it is true that AIDS is primarily a behavior induced disease, the fact is many of the diseases that we fight everyday are also behaviorly induced. Some cancers, lung diseases, problems associated with obesity, etc., may prevented through responsible behavior and

concern for one's own health. However, when individuals are ill and suffering, the truly compassionate do not judge their actions but provide comfort.

Contrary to another myth which is being circulated about AIDS, the epidemic is much more prevalent among homosexuals than heterosexuals. The nature of the virus is such that the conditions within intestines are the most susceptible to contamination with HIV than any other part of the body, excluding, of course, the blood.

When conservatives dare to challenge homosexual practices, in an effort to prevent the spread of the disease, they are labeled intolerant hate mongers. The truth is, these are the people who really do care. These are the people who wish to protect others from being infected by proclaiming the truth without drawing political battle lines.

AIDS is not about politics; it is about death. If we are to end this plague and protect our fellow human beings, we cannot be afraid of the truth. We must unite the right and the left and fight the virus together. Politics cannot save lives, unison against the disease, and the truth about its spread and prevention

Sidelines has right to take NIN photos with valid contract



Warren Wakeland

Editor

Monday evening the alternative rock band Nine Inch Nails performed at Murphy Center. According

estimates, approximately 5,000 fans attended

the show.

Apparently, this upset the band. They stayed on stage little more than an hour, refused to play an encore and, by all accounts heard to date, were terrible.

The worst thing to happen that evening, however, occurred before the

Sidelines assigned a reporter and photographer to cover the show. We had planned to present a front page story in Features about the concert with photographs and a review.

Sidelines negotiated a contract directly with the band's public relations firm. Formula PR of New York City, to arrange for tickets for the two Sidelines employees along with a photo pass for the photographer.

When the Sidelines people arrived at Murphy Center to get into the show, the tickets were available, but the photo pass was not

The reporter and photographer then decided to split up, with the reporter going in to watch the show and the photographer attempting to get the pass by working with the promoters, Cellar Door Productions of Atlanta.

The photographer, Cliff Karell, had been approved via contract by Formula PR to shoot photos for the first

three songs of the show in a special area reserved for photographers. He attempted to explain this to Rob Manley, the Cellar Door representative at the show, who refused to listen or even make an attempt to confirm Karell's information.

Karell attempted to gain entrance as a photographer until NIN began playing, to no avail.

He then used his ticket to get in and was granted entrance, with his camera bag in plain view of the ticket takers, along with his press pass. This is how we obtained the photo you see in the Features section today.

Sidelines had a written contract with the band's public relations agency to photograph the show and continues to possess this contract. It was up to Formula PR to notify Cellar Door of this fact. This obviously was not done.

Sidelines feels that it was justified in taking the photos, even though Karell technically did not have a photo pass to shoot the show

Karell was granted entry to the show, even with his camera bag in plain sight. The bag was not searched. This admission with the bag clearly visible gave Karell understood permission to photograph the show, which he did.

Karell was never asked during the show to discontinue taking photos, and no attempt was made to confiscate his film.

As for the technical permission, Sidelines currently possesses a written contract granting Karell permission to take photographs. We consider this proof of a photo pass being approved for Karell. We stand by our right to use the photos.

Thought for the Day

"When a government or group wishes to suppress freedoms, it begins with journalists because everyone knows that free speech and freedom of the press is a basis for all other human rights."

> -Terry Anderson journalist, Iranian hostage

THE LIGHTER SIDE

Forget the princess, forget about your job

NEW YORK (AP) - The public affairs chief for a city hospital was fired after failing to notify superiors about a visit from Princess Diana, officials said today.

The princess visited Harlem Hospital's AIDS ward Monday. Public affairs director Pamela Hamilton was fired Tuesday, said the Health and Hospitals Corp., which runs all city health

facilities.

"We were very pleased to learn that her Royal Highness visited Harlem Hospital, but both the president and chairman of HHC learned she was visiting Harlem Hospital as they were watching the 11

o'clock news that night," said HHC spokeswoman Audrey Kelly.

Kelly stressed that Hamilton was not fired solely because of the flap over Diana's visit, but that there had been a series of communication problems during her four-year tenure.

Kelly said it is standard procedure to notify HHC's central office any time there is a major event or incident. Because HHC is responsible for notifying City Hall, the mayor's office also was unaware of Diana's planned visit to the hospital until after it happened, Kelly

A new job description for MTSU president

Ohio ATHENS, (CPS)-The duties of a college president are pretty diverse: there are funds to raise, alumni to cajole, professors to appease and students to discipline.

And of course, if you're Ohio University president Robert Glidden, there's always the obligatory dangle from the roof of the school

gymnasium.

When Glidden found out that the university's mascot was planning on rappelling down to the basketball court from the Convocation Center's rafters during home games, he was concerned about the strength of the arena's rafters as well as the safety of his costumed student. But rather than having someone else check out the rappelling procedure for him, Glidden decided to do the legwork himself.

After receiving a few lastminute pointers from some ROTC students, Glidden was hooked to up Convocation Center's rafters and soon found himself rappelling toward the basketball court 100 feet

Calling his experience "exhilarating," Glidden approved quickly mascot's plans.

before each Now, basketball home game, some 13,000 screaming Bobcat fans cheer their mascot's descending dramatic. entrance to the arena.

Students have received no word yet on whether Glidden plans on further adding to his presidential duties by becoming a regular part of the pre-game event.

Bighead becoming big problem for fishermen

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) -To the sewage, waste chemicals and zebra mussels plaguing the Mississippi River, add one more potential problem: the highead carp.

The bighead, a species with no commercial value. apparently escaped into the river from farm ponds Arkansas and now has spread as far north as southern Illinois.

Scientists are unsure how big a problem the bighead might become. But its unintentional spread is another example, like that of kudzu and the zebra mussel, of human mistakes causing biological headaches, said Gutreuter, researcher with the National

Biological Service. The bighead is a hardy relative of the minnow that can grow up to 20 pounds. It eats algae and tiny water creatures that form the basis

of the food chain for many species of fish sought by commercial and sport fishermen.

Our concern is that if it becomes abundant it may compete with some other species that are of value to society," Gutreuter said Wednesday.

A native of eastern Asia the bighead apparently made its way into the Mississippi in the 1970s and 1980s by escaping from catfish ponds where the carp were being used to control algae, said Scott Henderson of the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission.

Gutreuter said biologists other scientists monitoring the river are keeping close tabs on the bighead and its movements, though there isn't much that can be done if the species starts causing serious trouble.

SLAM

everything was going well for Middle. Their hard-ribbed defense, a major factor in many of their wins so far this forcing season, was turnovers, as well as contesting the mighty outside shooting of Ronnie McMahan and Frank Seckar, who both rank among the top 10 3-point shooters in Vanderbilt history.

Poor shooting from both teams kept the score even throughout the first half. The Commodores' lead grew as large as five points with just under six minutes remaining in the half, but a 3-pointer from guard Marcus LoVett quickly brought Middle back within a basket. With 3:03 left in the half, LoVett slashed his way to the basket and was fouled. The lay-up counted, Marcus buried the foul shot, and Monte Hale Arena erupted as the Raiders took their first lead of the game.

"We were attacking the goal, and the second shots we were getting were allowing us to have some flow," Farrar said.

As the volume of the crowd rose, so did the intensity of the Blue Raiders on both sides of the court. While forcing turnovers and battling for rebounds, they continued driving inside on the Commodores, drawing fouls in the process. McMahan connected on a trey with just under a minute to play in the half giving Vandy a 32-31 lead, but a basket by Gaither retook the lead with :37 remaining and Paul Washington sent the fans

RADIO

the newsroom.

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During the overtime,

people in the newsroom were

buzzing. People who had

quiet optimism about

winning the game were now

openly stating the impact of

win our history," said the

editor-in-chief. "I told you

about how Louisville lost to

Towson State earlier in the

week. I knew it could

the radios stayed on. Anyone

who listened would know

that the Murphy Center

crowd was going crazy. But

After the game finished,

"It would be the biggest

into a frenzy with a jumper at the buzzer to send Middle into the locker room with a 35-32 halftime lead.

LoVett led the first-half scoring effort for the Raiders with nine points, and Gaither's six rebounds helped Middle win the firsthalf battle of the boards 29-

In the second half, the Raiders maintained the ferocity on both ends of the court that had given them the lead. Their lead grew as large as seven points, until Vandy's offense gathered itself and closed the gap. Commodore center Billy Dispralto's dunk tied the score at 45 apiece. But Middle refused to quit, and the lead continued to change hands.

Ronnie McMahan scored five consecutive points, much to the delight of the many Vandy boosters attendance, to give his squad a 68-65 lead with 3:25 remaining. But two freethrows by David Washington closed the lead to one, and Torrey Moore sank a 3pointer and hit two freethrows of his own in the last minute to put Middle on top,

It seemed the unthinkable was about to become true. But two Commodore 3pointers in the last 13 seconds tied the score at 76, sending the game into overtime and stopping the heart of every Raider fan in the gym.

We just couldn't let down," Gaither said. "We had to come back out of the huddle, keep the intensity up, and just play hard."

And play hard is just what the Raiders did. Led by

the radio listener needed confirmation through the post-game shows.

By this time, person after person came into the newsroom from the game.

"My boys did it," one person said as he walked in the newsroom.

Rob Nunley, a Sidelines sportswriter who covered the Murphy Center could nev game said, "I predicted it. I contain it. knew it all the time. By the end of the game, I was cheering."

By turning on their radios, the listeners became a small part of the game crowd.

"The fans won this game. The fans and those 13 kids won that game," Farrar said. "Your kids found a different level tonight.

Gaither, Moore, and Velvious Goodloe, Middle got on top early in the overtime and held off Vanderbilt long enough to build a lead, forcing the Commodores to start fouling to conserve the clock. A three-point play by Roni Bailey, thanks to an incredible over-the-shoulder assist by David Washington sealed the victory for the Raiders and started the celebration that climaxed with the fans streaming ou the court enveloping their team.

The Raiders had five players in double figures Gaither with 19, Goodlo with 14, 13 from Bailey, 1 from Moore, and 11 fron LoVett. Middle also ou rebounded the Commodore 58-38, with eight each from Bailey, Gaither, and Moore Also, defensive mainstay Bobby Clark and Pau Washington each contribute two blocks in the winnin

Vanderbilt head coac Jan Van Breda Kolff cite weaknesses in Commodore defense and th tenacious play of the Raider on both sides of the court a factors in the game.

"The difference was ou defense, we couldn't sto them," Van Breda Kolff said "This is their biggest game the year, and when you pla a team like that you kno you're going to get their bes shot."

"It's a real good feeling see our crowd come out an pat us on the back," Gaithe said. "It's a big win for ou school and our players. V can play at this level, we ju have to believe in ourselves

"This was a matter great emotion. Those ki paid a price for the last thr vears."

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"People will rememb this as one of the greate college basketball games our history," Farrar said.

Chip Walters, w conducted the post-gar interview with Farra started the interview wi the three words everyone w thinking.

"That was fun." ■

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