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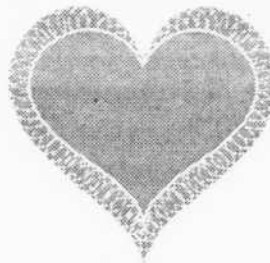
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Campus police nationally accredited

Campus police becomes eighth accredited college force in the nation.

KRYS SPAIN

Staff Writer

The MTSU Public Safety Department received national accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) March 25.

MTSU joins eight accredited campus police departments in the nation. They are one of three in the

South and the first in Tennessee. They are among the top 370 of the 20,000 total agencies in the nation.

Chief Jack Drugmand, Accreditation Manager John Wagoner, Assistant Accreditation Manager Laura Moulthrop, and Vice-president for Finance and Administration Duane Stucky recently returned from the final CALEA hearings in Washington, D.C.

CALEA evaluates and accredits state law enforcement agencies throughout the country. There were about 30 agencies

up for accreditation or re-accreditation during the hearings. Re-accreditation occurs every three years.

There are three phases to the accreditation process: the application phase which took 2 years, the on-site evaluation and the final hearings. The total process took 26 months.

Accreditation is a set of standards that has been developed by an independent agency that enables police departments to access themselves against a set of standards to increase the professional methods of law enforcement agencies.

"All police departments don't do things in a uniform manner. Accreditation holds you accountable to do certain things. It alleviates court problems. There are a lot of rules that we are required to follow to serve the community and protect their rights," says Officer Dustin Miller, "It ensures to the community that we will provide responsible for the service we provide."

The commission for accreditation for law enforcement agencies was founded in 1979 to develop a set of standards and for agencies to demonstrate

voluntarily that they meet professional criteria. The overall goal of the accreditation program is to improve delivery of law enforcement services.

Some CALEA standards do not apply to MTSU, due to the fact that the campus police department does not have corrections or holding facilities.

"There are 436 performance standards set forth by CALEA, and we're in compliance with 303 of them. Accreditation enables us to evaluate how we stack up to the optimum, what is

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Take Our Daughters To Work Day helped girls explore career opportunities

KRIS WETZEL

News Editor

The June Anderson Women's Center participated in the third annual Take Our Daughters To Work Day last Thursday to provide an opportunity for 52 girls to explore careers opportunities.

Each participating girl was sponsored by a MTSU employee, observing their work from 8:30-11:30 a.m. Amy Baptiste, Vice President of Membership and Marketing of the Girl Scouts of Cumberland Valley acted as keynote speaker at the luncheon.

"Regardless of age, gender or class, girls must be treated equal," Baptiste said.

Volunteer students were recruited by the JAWC to act as "mentors in the field" to the girls. Matched with "Big Sisters" with similar interests, they walked around campus, visited classrooms, labs and dorms and talked with faculty.

Singer, songwriter and recording artist Kiya Heartwood led the girls in a song writing workshop in preparation for their performance at the end of the day.

Participating girls were asked to construct a family tree showing the career history of their parents,



SEAN JEWETT/Staff

Kiya Heartwood, singer, songwriter and recording artist, assists the girls participating in Take Our Daughters to Work Day in a songwriting workshop. They performed their songs at the end of the day.

grandparents, aunts and uncles. They were also expected to draw a map of their world, highlights place that were important to them. High school student were asked to write their "Personal Bill of Rights."

Founded by the Ms. Foundation, 25 million students participated last year in Take Our Daughters

To Work Day.

"It is our hope that this 'Take Our Daughters to Work' day will provide a special opportunity for adolescent girls to experience the powerful impact that work has on the women who are their role models, and to glimpse the profound value of higher education in women's lives," said Candace

Rosovsky, director of the June Anderson Women's Center.

Take Our Daughters To Work Day was co-sponsored by the Girl Scouts of Cumberland Valley in Rutherford County. Joe B. Jackson, the mayor of Murfreesboro, declared by proclamation that April 27 as

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INROADS holds banquet to celebrate students

KRIS WETZEL

News Editor

INROADS held a banquet Saturday night to celebrate the outstanding academic and professional achievements of the 38 participating students.

Founded by Father Frank Carr, INROADS offers competitive training to minority students interested in a career in the business world. With 42 affiliates around the country, INROADS is celebrating its 25th anniversary.

Students selected to join INROADS must be a high school junior or senior or a college freshmen or sophomore with a 3.0 GPA. Representing the top ten percent of their class, student must express an interest in the business field.

Once inducted into the INROADS program, the student is expected to maintain a 3.0 cumulative average. Students falling below the require average are placed on probation for one semester. If they

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Campus Capsule

Today

The Middle Tennessee Symphony will present its final scheduled concert of the 94/95 season on at 8 p.m. in Tucker Theatre. The feature work of the evening will be Mahler's Symphony No. 4 with Julie Wolf performing soprano. Tickets are \$10 for classic seating, \$8 for economy seating and student tickets may be purchased after 7:45 p.m. for \$2 with student ID.

MTSU's senior dance company, Blue Moves, will be holding auditions today at Studio V on the square at 7 p.m. Dancers should have a broad background in dance, particularly modern dance. Bring tap shoes. For more info., contact Amanda at 831-0265.

Tuesday, May 2

ALL MTSU FACULTY: There will be three open forums with members of the Promotion Tenure Revision Task Force so that faculty may provide feedback on the revisions of the tenure and promotion policies here at MTSU. The forums will be held in the Faculty Senate Lounge on May 2, 3 and 4 from 2 - 4 p.m.

Upcoming & Ongoing

The 1996 African-American History Month Committee will soon be compiled. Any student interested in serving on the committee is urged to contact one of the committee co-chairs ASAP. The committee co-chairs are: Bonnie Shipp at 2655, Box 422; or Dr. Cheryl Ellis at 2893, Box 545. The committee needs dedicated, hard-working individuals who will be able

to contribute to activities by attending the planning meetings in the fall semester. There will be a few meetings during the summer where attendance is optional.

The 1995 Student Photographic Exhibit will be on display from April 30 - June 30 at the Photographic Gallery in the LRC. A reception will be held April 30 from 7 - 9 p.m. Free and open.

The PSI CHI/Psychology Club is having a spring picnic on May 2 from 4:30 - 6 p.m. at the Murphy Center Pavillion.

The Bethune-Cookman Concert Chorale will perform at the First United Methodist Church, 220 N. Church St., M'boro on May 3 at 6:30 p.m. Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune founded the first singing group in 1904, with six members. The Concert Chorale currently consists of more than one hundred.

NACEL international exchange programs is looking for host families for Spanish, French and German students who will be attending school daily for three of four weeks. The dates are July 12 to August 8. For more info. call Rita Maisonneuve at the Dept. of Foreign Languages and Literatures at 5013, 2981 or 898-0862.

Summer '95 Co-op Vacancies are available for students majoring in aerospace, chemistry, computer information systems, computer science, engineering technology—design and/or electrical, interior design and marketing. Any student interested should call Wayne

Rollins, director of cooperative education.

Drum Circle every Tuesday, fair weather providing, at 5 p.m. between Peck Hall and Cope Admin. amongst the trees.

BICYCLISTS: Get fit and enjoy the beautiful spring weather with the M'boro Bicycle Club! Rides leave the Greenland Parking lot at 3:30 p.m. every Tue. Length and speed determined by consensus. More info from 898-2688. (Helmets required.)

The Erudite Emancipators meet every Thursday in Peck Hall Room 304 at 3 p.m. E.E. is an organization dedicated to help African-American students address problems and difficulties they may face on campus.

The National Assoc. of Environmental Professionals meets every Friday in VIS 103 from 11 - 11:50 a.m. Anyone wanting to participate, please join us or call.

Block & Bridle meets every Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. in SAG Room 125. Everyone is welcome!

Single Fathers: I am doing a research study concerning the rights and the problems you may have encountered with state and federal laws. Please, call me. I am interested in your stories, and I want to help change the laws for your equality. Ashley Rouse, 781-0136.

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

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

The Horseman's Assoc. meets at the Tenn. Livestock Center Mondays at 7:30 p.m.. All majors are welcome. Come share a love and interest in all breeds of horses.

MTSU students who need speech testing or speech therapy services should call the MTSU Speech Clinic, 898-2661, for an appt.

The Honors Student Association Movie Night is being held every Friday night in room 108 of Peck Hall. The first movie begins at 5 p.m. and the second at 7 p.m. Movies to be shown will posted in the Honors Lounge from Wed. until Fri. night. All HSA members are welcome and may bring one guest.

MTSU LAMBDA ASSOCIATION: A social support group for gays, lesbians and bisexuals meets every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in Mass Comm Room 104. For more info. call 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.

Hospice of Tennessee is looking for volunteer support to help provide service to terminally ill patients and their families. Call 320-1991 or 1-800-638-7046 if interested.

International Student's Association meets Fridays at 6 p.m. in KUC 318. 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 from 7 - 8. Contact Michael Malone at 893-1787.

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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 Revival on Campus Ministries meets every Thursday in the KUC. Bible study and guest speakers. Everyone is welcome. For more information call Rolanda Payne at 898-4065.

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Mural in Art Barn illustrates need for new building

JENNIFER RUSSELL
Staff Writer

The MTSU Art Barn, formerly the dairy barn, is now filling up with several colorful images in an effort to complete a mural designed and executed by MTSU art students.

Other than decorating the building, the mural is also helping to pave the way for tearing it down.

"This is an effort to not only raise awareness about the art building, but also to represent the end of its useful life," said Charles Jansen, a professor of art history.

According to Jansen, this effort began last fall when *Sidelines* published an article on the hazards of the building, making many art students aware of the situation. According to the article, the 69-year-old building has a risk of flash fire, poor ventilation and has problems with termites.

The mural idea came about after some concerned students decided to do something about the problem.

A competition for the design was held last December between the beginning art classes of Professors Tanya Tewell and Janet Higgins.

"This is an effort to not only raise awareness about the art building, but also to represent the end of its useful life."

-Charles Jansen
Professor of Art

Approximately 30 designs were submitted, and the one that was selected was created by Cinnimin Heath, Kate Malek, and Scott Ramming. About 50 students are currently working on the execution of this design.

Project director Tanya

Tewell commented that "the project is uniting mostly first and second year art students and instilling a sense of pride in them."

"The mural brings to the outside of the building evidence of the creative work that goes on inside," said Higgins.

Art Department Chairman Carlyle Johnson said, "This is giving the students a large scale, visible avenue of expression, something they can't discover in the studio."

Most people in the department know very few details about when the new facility will be built, as the approval process is still going on.

The cost of the mural project has been expensive. However, donations have been made by Bridgestone, Batey's Office Supply, Farmer's Co-op, Haynes Hardware, Hoover Paints, Sherwin Williams, Valerie Menard, Janet Higgins and Tanya Tewell.

Any other contributions are welcome and can be given to the MTSU art department. ■

Day Care Lab gives priority to children needing part-time care

DAWN SHIVER
Staff Writer

MTSU's Day Care Lab has recently resolved the issue of full-time versus part-time child care.

Some parents who had children in the program full-time were upset when a new policy was adopted which made only part-time care available.

After the parents voiced their disapproval of the new policy, a grandfather clause was added which allows parents who previously used the service full-time to continue to do so.

Nancy James, Director of the Day Care Lab, said the parents are "happy" with the new option. All of the parents have notified her that their children will be returning for full-time care in the fall.

When the full-time positions become open, they will be converted to two part-time positions. Full-time positions may still be available if there is space, but the Day Care Lab will give priority to part-time applicants.

The lab currently accommodates 24 children full-time, and those could

eventually be converted to 48 part-time slots.

Parents who use the facility part-time must choose Monday-Wednesday-Friday care or Tuesday-Thursday care.

The board decided to convert the positions to part-time to serve more students, according to James.

James does not expect many positions to open soon. Most of the children currently attending the center will be going to kindergarten in Fall 1996 and most of them are not expected to leave the center before that time. ■



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Ralph Hillman	Speech and Theatre
James Huhta	Historic Preservation
Laura Jarmon	English
Doug Mitchell	Recording Industry
John Pleas	Psychology
Diane Sawyer	Dyslexic Studies
Sharon Shaw	Sociology
Marion Wells	Biology
Beryl West	Psychology

Congratulations to each of the nominees!

The winner will be announced at the Alumni Banquet May 6. Winners receive a check presented by the MTSU Foundation.

**Sidelines will be
back June 7.**

MTSU NEWS

Music student killed in automobile accident

CINDY WOLFE

Staff Writer

Last Thursday night's final Wind Ensemble concert of the spring semester was dedicated to deceased musician and friend Keith Maynard.

Keith Maynard, an 18-year-old music education major, died at 1:51 a.m. Saturday, April 22. Maynard was hit by a drunk driver near Franklin on his way back to campus after

dropping off his girlfriend at her home in Mt. Pleasant, Tennessee.

Daniel Perkins was traveling south on Intertate 65 through Williamson County when he lost control of his car and crossed the median hitting Maynard's car head-on. Maynard was killed instantly, and Perkins is still in critical condition at Vanderbilt Hospital in Nashville. The funeral was held last Monday in Smithville. Many of the

music department faculty members and students were present at the funeral.

Maynard, a freshman at MTSU, played the french horn in the Marching Band, Symphonic Band, University Orchestra and Wind Ensemble.

Yolanda Thompson, a good friend of Maynard, said that everyone who came in contact with him knew a different aspect of his personality.

"No matter how well you

knew him he was a very, very friendly person," said Thompson.

John Miles, his roommate of three months, admired Keith's talent and focus on his future.

"He was very concerned with graduating and then working to get his master's degree in music. He was a hard worker and had a good heart," Miles said. "It's so sad that he had to go at such a young age with so much to look forward to, but he's in a

better place now."

A memorial scholarship in Keith Maynard's name has been set up by the MTSU Music Department. The scholarship will be awarded each year to an outstanding freshman french horn player. Contributions can be sent to the Keith Maynard Memorial Scholarship, Box 47, MTSU, Murfreesboro, TN 37132. ■

Hope For Kids immunized 65 children

NICKI JOHNSON

Special to Sidelines

To wrap up April's Immunization Month, the Immunization Coalition, Metro Health Department and Hope For Kids, immunized more than 65 children at Hickory Hollow Mall Saturday.

Hope For Kids, a volunteer group composed of metro health personnel and area church groups, passed out flyers Friday in disadvantaged neighborhoods encouraging parents to bring in their children and their child's shot record and update their immunization. Lisa Poole, a registered nurse and volunteer said "We

campaigned a lot in the projects and poorer neighborhoods because that's where most of the kids who need their shots seemed to be missed."

Volunteer Dr. Gary Jacques said, "Last two decades the immunization rate has fallen off to 60-70 percent of children getting immunized, in the inner cities less than 50 percent, in order to prevent an outbreak of Measles, or Mumps, or Whooping Cough, 80-90 percent of children in an area should be immunized."

More than 120 companies and over 300 volunteers were involved with the Hope For Kids project. Steven Barnes, vice president of MTSU's

chapter of the National Association of Black Journalists said "I think helping Hope For Kids is an excellent opportunity for an organization such as ours to give back to the community. Immunization is an important issue in our society and the NABJ felt we had to get involved."

The vaccination process included check-in, administering the vaccination, a play area where children were observed for reactions, and finally a trip to the free gift counter where children received toys or books for their trouble. The whole process for most took less than 30 minutes. David

Ludwig, a parent of three children receiving shots said, "It's the easiest process for us, we have good insurance but this is more hassle-free than the doctor's office where we've stayed as much as three hours for just one of them to get their shots."

"As usual we are over-saturated with volunteers which is a good thing," said Dr. Gary Jacques.

The Immunization Coalition and its volunteers visited sites at Walmart, metro area malls, fire stations schools and health departments where more than 700 children were immunized during the month of April. ■

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a day to "Take Our Daughters to Work."

"These girls who participate will experience the powerful impact that work has on women who are their role model, to explore alternatives for themselves, to explore new career possibilities, to talk about their dreams and to have someone listen, and glimpse the profound value of higher education in women's lives," Jackson said in his proclamation. ■

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expected of us," says Drugmand, "MTSU wanted to be evaluated by international standards. We're all very proud - it's great for staff morale."

"Our students today are tomorrow's leaders, we would hope that our students will leave here with the best they can get in an education," says Drugmand, "We are an educational institution-it is our business. We thought this was really important to let our MTSU family know that we are providing the best services possible."

"Student officers are an integral part of what we do. They were a big part in the accreditation. I've been an officer for over 25 years and this is one of the finest groups of student officers I've worked with."

Benefits in receiving accreditation include improved organization, personal satisfaction, career development, professionalism, prestige, positive public relations, high morale, and budget justification, to name a few.

"Achieving accreditation gives the officers a sense of pride by giving the recognition that they deserve," says Miller. "Accreditation increases professionalism and publicly recognizes what we do and it lays out the guidelines."

"Students are paying for these services and we want the students to know that if they need it, we help to provide the best service possible," Drugmand said.

"Chief Drugmand and his staff are to be commended for their hard work, dedication and commitment in their pursuit of this most significant accomplishment," says President James E. Walker. "The accreditation will benefit the University and the entire University community."

Campus police departments have to meet the same requirements as any other police department in the country. The net

result is no difference in what they do. The methodology is different because the clients are different. It serves a specialty area, the campus.

"It is an honor for our campus to receive this," says Stucky. "I think it is going to gain increasing importance throughout the nation for college campuses to seek accreditation for their public safety departments. I think it will receive more attention as time goes on, to make sure that our public safety departments meet the same standards as is expected of non-university public safety departments."

"Accreditation increases professionalism and publicly recognizes what we do and it lays out the guidelines."

-Dustin Miller
Security Officer

Moulthrop says, "We are setting standards to protect and serve the public. We are striving for excellence to better the department and going the extra mile. Getting the accreditation was going the extra mile."

There are four training sessions annually, they send people to at least two of the four.

"It is a high honor to receive the accreditation, it is something to strive for," says Moulthrop. "It is a constant process to make sure everything is organized and updated."

Drugmand has received many congratulatory letters from several different agencies throughout the U.S.

In one such letter, Director of the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation Larry Wallace, wrote "I fully understand the dedication, professionalism and unity it

takes to achieve this coveted award. I am sure you are very proud, as we are, in your commitment to providing the best services possible to the faculty and students of MTSU."

TBI received their accreditation last November.

The accreditation process was planned by John Wagoner and Laura Moulthrop.

"Under Wagoner's leadership, we started this process by organizing all the officers into subcommittees and they all had input into how we were going to comply with the standards," says Drugmand. "It was a participatory thing with our entire department. It isn't for the chief, the assistant chief or even the University-it's for the department. If they don't buy into it and see the worth than it doesn't mean a lot. It was worth the effort."

MTSU Dean of Admissions/Records, Cliff Gillespie says, "Campus safety is one of the more important aspects of the total campus culture in any university. Our accredited police department should tell prospective students that MTSU believes in having the highest caliber of officers and the safety of our students is foremost on our list of priorities."

On May 4, a formal presentation will be made in conjunction with the annual employee award ceremony. It will be an invitation-only luncheon and will be at 11:30 a.m. in the Tennessee Room. Margaret Levine, associate director of CALEA, will give a background of what accreditation is and present the award and certificates.

Invitations have been sent to police chiefs and accreditation managers in departments throughout Rutherford County, as well as to members of the Tennessee Coalition for Accreditation and to several public officials. The annual employee award ceremony will follow the presentation and will include the student officers. ■

INROADS

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continue to receive below a B average, they are dropped from the program.

INROADS students spend their summer months interning with Fortune 500 companies. The corporations pay the students a salary along with a certain fee to INROADS for the use of their interns.

Every Saturday INROADS students attend special classes that teach interviewing skills to advanced business math. They attend lectures held by the presidents and chief executive officer of

corporations who share their experiences in the business world.

"It is quite advantageous for any student interested in business," said Linney Moore, INROADS alumnus. "INROADS offers the brightest minority students in corporate America."

INROADS offers training in management skills, effective communications, business sophistication, academic and technical training and community involvement. According to statistics from the INROADS/Nashville Inc., over 95 percent of INROADS/Nashville graduates gain employment

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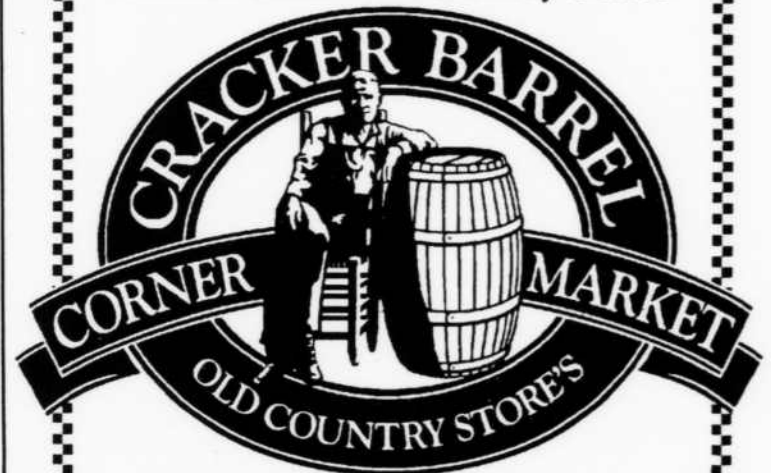


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COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

Most new teachers avoid urban schools

CARBONDALE, Ill.—The best-trained education majors are choosing to teach where they're needed least, according to an education researcher at Southern Illinois University.

Most newly trained teachers are choosing to teach in small towns and

state certification as teachers. "They won't teach as effectively as those who train and prepare to teach," said Gilbert, adding while these teachers may know their particular field well, they often don't understand child development.

A recent survey Gilbert conducted with 193 prospective teachers reinforces previous research that shows most teachers come from rural settings and plan to return to similar settings to teach.

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The shortage of trained teachers in urban schools may be the greatest source of educational inequity for poor and minority urban students, Gilbert said.

Because of the shortage, urban schools frequently hire people who may be college graduates but have had no teacher training, which means they are ineligible for

Associate professor at SIUC see white, female, monolingual, monocultural students entering teaching," she said.

Most of them come from non-urban settings close to their home. "There aren't many students coming into teacher preparation from ethnic groups."

But not all the news is grim. While one-quarter of all newly hired teachers in urban schools lack teacher training, one-quarter are very well-trained, having earned master's degrees, said Gilbert. ■

Art auction promises financial success

NEW YORK (AP) — A brooding portrait in blue by Pablo Picasso has the art world aglow with anticipation.

Not only could it bring more than \$10 million but its quality is emblematic of the top tier of impressionist and modern art for sale during the spring round of auctions that begins Tuesday.

Such an assemblage of high-end art, with estimates reaching eight digits, hasn't been seen in the auction houses since the boom years that culminated with the historic sale of Vincent Van Gogh's "Portrait of Dr. Gachet" for \$82.5 million.

"These are the best sales we've had in five years in terms of the quality of the pictures," said Alexander Aspis, head of the impressionist and modern department at Sotheby's, where the Picasso will be offered.

Some 1,400 works of impressionist, modern and

contemporary work worth around \$250 million will go on the block during the next two weeks at Sotheby's and Christie's.

The impressionist and modern sales next week are generating most of the excitement. This week's contemporary sales don't have the same dazzle; the works lack star quality or are not fresh to the market.

The high caliber of the Picassos, Renoirs and Matisse stems more from chance than any upward shift in what has been a less-than-inspiring market for the last several years. Some of the best works come from the estates of important collectors who died last year.

The Blue Period Picasso comes from the estate of banker Donald Stralem and his philanthropist wife, Jean, whose grandfather was Philip Lehman, the banker and art collector. Stralem died in 1976 and his wife died last year. ■

THE NATION & WORLD

Vietnamese commemorate war with emphasis on peace

HO CHI MINH CITY, Vietnam (AP) — Twenty years ago, Communist tanks rolled down a broad avenue and smashed through the gates of the South Vietnamese presidential palace to seize power and reunite the country.

On Sunday, more than 10,000 soldiers, students and children paraded down the same broad, leafy boulevard carrying flowers and balloons and posing for pictures with their former enemies — Americans — to celebrate the anniversary of the war's end. No recriminations were heard against the United States, which Vietnam now wants diplomatic and trade ties with. Mayor Truong Tan Sang opened the ceremonies

by praising the patriotism that led so many to their death, but never even mentioned the United States.

North Vietnam seized power from the last remaining officials of the U.S.-allied government on April 30, 1975, ending a war that cost more than 3 million lives. Most Americans had fled the city only hours earlier in a desperate helicopter evacuation.

On Sunday, Vietnamese scrambled to have their pictures taken with American journalists and tourists, and once past the reviewing stand soldiers flashed peace signs and thumbs-up at an American veteran with a camera.

"It was like they were happy

just to see me," said Jeff Fredrick of Tallahassee, Fla., who had part of his right leg blown away in 1968 by a

"I look at it detached, as a celebration of their independence."

—Jeff Fredrick
Veteran

mine. "I look at it detached, as a celebration of their independence. How could I hold a grudge?"

The friendliness is more

than just official policy. To many Vietnamese, Americans coming back represent the return of commerce and tourism and revival of normal ties with the West after years of relative isolation.

Behind the smiles, however, Vietnamese emotions run deep about a war that set brother against brother.

"This celebration is for the winners," said a former southern army officer surnamed Tran, one of many still angry over the punishment meted out to them by the victorious North after 1975.

Even some Communists question whether their leaders threw away lives needlessly in open attacks

against the mighty U.S. military machine such as the 1968 Tet offensive. A teacher burst into tears when asked about her memories of the war, explaining that many relatives fought in the war and not all came back.

Unlike in the United States, where the war has been openly and hotly debated, the Vietnamese have never been allowed such catharsis.

But across the spectrum of political views, Vietnamese young and old were emphatic in agreement that they never want another war.

"Never — never," said Tran, 54. "No one dares to say that terrible word." ■

Implanted pig hearts in baboons show way to cross species

NEW YORK (AP) — Scientists who grafted pig hearts into baboons say they have taken a major step toward the routine transplant of animal organs into people, a high-tech answer to the shortage of human organs.

The pig hearts carried proteins that markedly reduced damage from an initial and normally devastating assault by the immune system.

This attack, called

hyperacute rejection, has been considered the biggest barrier to routine transplants of animal organs into people, and the new work shows it has been overcome, researcher Jeffrey Platt said.

Platt is a professor of experimental surgery, pediatrics and immunology at the Duke University Medical Center in Durham, N.C. The study, done with colleagues at Duke and the biotechnology company Nexttran in Princeton, N.J., is

reported in the May issue of Nature Medicine.

About 90,000 people a year in the United States could benefit from transplants, but the potential human supply is only 8,000 to 14,000 donors annually, said Roger Evans of the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. Evans is on a national committee studying the use of animals as donors.

In hyperacute rejection, the immune system unleashes proteins that can destroy a

transplanted organ's usefulness within minutes. This process is different from the longer-term rejection that transplant recipients stave off by taking drugs.

The challenge was to protect pig organs against hyperacute rejection without shutting down the immune system's ability to unleash the destructive proteins on disease-causing bacteria and viruses.

The answer lay in creating strains of pigs carrying two

human genes that tell the pigs' blood cells to make two proteins to deliver to the heart's inner lining. Scientists hoped these protective proteins would dampen the immune system assault after transplant.

Scientists have now produced pigs that continuously create the protective proteins in their hearts, which should provide longer-lasting protection, Platt said. ■

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8:00-8:50 a.m.
9:00-9:50 a.m.
10:00-10:50 a.m.
11:00-11:50 a.m.
12:00-12:50 a.m.
1:00-1:50 p.m.
2:00-2:50 p.m.

Wednesday, May 3, 7:00-9:00 a.m.
Monday, May 8, 7:00-9:00 a.m.
Monday, May 8, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Friday, May 5, 8:00-10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, May 3, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Monday, May 8, 12:00-2:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 3, 12:00-2:00 p.m.
Friday, May 5, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Monday, Wednesday

1:00-2:15 p.m.
2:25-3:40 p.m.
2:00-3:15 p.m.
3:00-4:15 p.m.
4:30-5:45 p.m.
6:00-7:15 p.m.

Monday, May 8, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 3, 2:30-4:30 p.m.
Monday, May 8, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
Monday, May 8, 4:00-6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 3, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
Monday, May 8, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday

8:00-9:15 a.m.
9:25-10:40 a.m.
10:50 a.m.-12:05 p.m.
12:15-1:30 p.m.
1:40-2:55 p.m.
3:05-4:20 p.m.
4:30-5:45 p.m.

Tuesday, May 9, 8:00-10:00 a.m.
Thursday, May 4, 8:00-10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, May 9, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 4, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
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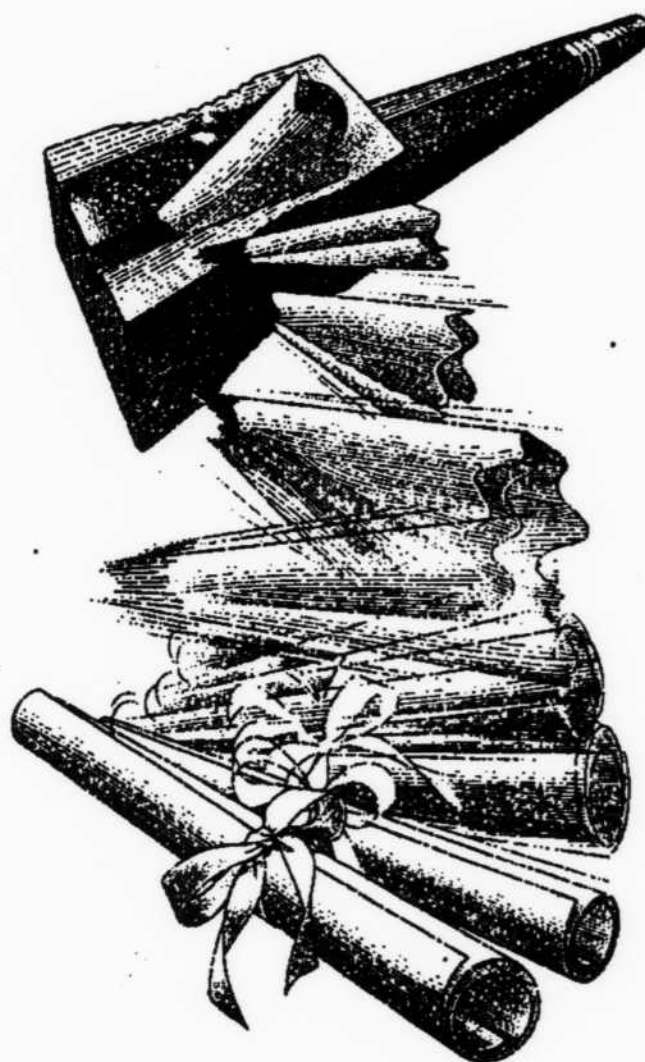
Evening Classes

Exams for evening classes not listed above will be May 3-9 during regularly scheduled class meeting times.

Saturday Classes

Exams will be on Saturday, May 6, from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

NOTE: Exams for classes meeting at other times are to be arranged by the instructor between May 3-9.



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Study shows that doctor-patient AIDS transmission minimal

ATLANTA (AP) — The largest study yet of AIDS transmission from health care workers to patients found no evidence that the virus was passed along.

"I think most people should be reassured by these findings," said Dr. Mary Chamberland, one of the study's authors.

Americans have worried about the risk since the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention concluded in 1992 that Florida dentist David Acer infected six of his patients with the virus. Investigators say they may never learn how the six were infected.

"This is not anything that is happening with any frequency," Chamberland said. "In fact, it's happened only once."

The likelihood of doctors infecting patients is so small that the CDC has not even tried to put a number on it, Chamberland said.

The CDC studied HIV infection among 22,171 patients of 64 physicians, dentists, technicians, podiatrists and other health care workers infected with the human immunodeficiency virus.

The patients had treatments ranging from teeth cleanings to obstetric or orthopedic operations, according to the study in the May 1 issue of the *Annals of Internal Medicine*.

Of the 113 patients infected with the virus, 28 had been infected before seeing their doctor or dentist.

Other risk factors, such as intravenous drug use and

unprotected sex, were responsible for the infection of 62 people.

Five of those infected had no identified risk factors, but genetic testing showed none had HIV matching the health care workers' viruses.

Fifteen had other potential for exposure and three were still being studied, the report said.

The CDC has recorded 1,377 cases of AIDS among doctors and 365 cases among dental workers in the United States through 1994. ■

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TONYA KEEN

Special to *Sidelines*

What God has united together, let no man come between. Kay Neely and her fiancée, Nicole, mean no man.

Kay, 33, is a Photography Coordinator and coaches an all-men's softball team during the summer. Nicole, 21, is a full-time MTSU student with two part-time jobs. But even with such hectic schedules, the wedding remains their top priority.

The wedding is officially set for May 20, 1995. It will be at the Brentmeade Congregational Church in Nashville. Although marriage for Kay and Nicole is illegal in Tennessee, they plan to walk down the aisle and say their vows like any other couple.

"Every couple has a need to be recognized. When you find your soulmate, it's not only important to make that personal commitment to each other, but to share it with the community," Kay explains.

Kay's voice lowers and her sincerity is overwhelming. "Being gay doesn't make that desire go away."

"To me, I am taking back what was taken from me. The government has taken the right of acknowledgment away from me, but it can't take away my commitment to my partner."

"All my life I've heard No you can't. Well Yes I Can."

Five churches in Nashville agree with Kay's philosophy. They conduct a ceremony before God to unite gay couples together, but term it a Holy Union instead of a wedding.

"It is a wedding, though," Kay argues. She contends that there is no difference between a 'straight' wedding and a 'gay' wedding. "The ceremony in both cases is merely to make the private commitment public

and to celebrate the relationship."

Kay and Nicole celebrate their relationship together everyday. But the government still doesn't recognize homosexual couples, much less celebrate their relationships.

"The fact that the government doesn't recognize same-sex marriages is a major setback," Kay says.

"When a man and woman get married, the woman automatically takes the man's last name. Lesbian couples pay for their names to be the same and have to lie about it, also."

Kay recalls that two of her friends had a Holy Union and to have the same last name they had to hire a homosexual lawyer to go before the judge and tell him that the reason was because one of the women was extremely ashamed of her family name.

"A boldface lie... but what other choice did the government give them?" Kay asks.

Such is the case with same-sex marriages—they aren't legal. The government doesn't recognize them. Kay argues that non-recognition of same-sex goes way beyond the issue of name changes.

"Government non-recognition hurts our community on the level of moral standards as well."

Kay argues that a long, drawn-out divorce is not a threat, which makes it way too easy for couples to just walk out of the marriage.

Kay and Nicole have discussed this issue thoroughly and have mutually agreed to try everything from counseling to a guru before calling it quits.

Kay states that "marriage is a lifetime commitment that you make before God and everybody."

And as a God-fearing Christian, Kay takes the 'before God' part very seriously.

Flipping through her Bible, Kay murmurs under her breath, "God didn't mean for humans to judge one

another," she holds her place in the Bible and looks up, "and our society is very judgmental."

"For instance, the Bible says Jesus was a nice-looking man in his 30s. He was unmarried and he hung around with 12 other men everyday. He even kissed them on the cheek."

Kay continues, "Say for instance that he lives in our community right now, Nashville in 1995. What would our society say about him? They'd call him queer."

Standing on her soapbox and the support of the Bible, Kay states that "in the old testament there are passages that say men should not sleep with men and women should not sleep with women. Man wrote those passages, just as man wrote modern day law that says that homosexuality is wrong. Nowhere in the Bible does God say that being gay is a sin."

When God looked down on the sins of the world he became angry and sent Moses with the 10 commandment; there was no hidden clause or 11th Commandment that says that loving someone of the same sex will keep you out of the gates of Heaven."

Kay pauses for a moment and looks up toward Heaven. Her voice is faint but sure. "God has a plan for the rest of my life and hopefully it includes Nicole."

So, May 20, Kay and Nicole shall make that long walk down the aisle... together.

The gay community seems to prefer walking to the altar together rather than being "given" to the other. It is an active attempt to break the stereotype that the woman should be passed from the possession of her father to the possession of her husband.

Laughing at the thought, Nicole says "which one of us would be the boy and which one of us would be the girl, anyway?" ■

Reviews of absurd reviews of absurd reviews, etc.

JASON YOUNG

Staff Writer

My heart is heavy as I sit in front of this computer. Why? Can you believe that this is the last issue of *Sidelines* for the semester? Well, it is. My heart aches.

I realize that some of my articles have been, to quote my friend Eric, "A waste of valuable pizza coupon space." I also realize that there is enough bad news in this country. I can see countless Michael Stipe's walking on the proverbial cars in their lives, but if my articles have made just one of those hood denting, lip sinking people stop and say, "What the heck am I doing," I will I feel as if I have done some good. If I have given people a laugh, I have done some good. If I give people another page to shove under their bird's cage, I have done some good. If I have taken up valuable coupon space, I apologize.

Even though I have created articles that may not have been what some may call "news," I think it is! And what really matters here? I am a journalist and what I say should be news, well, it oughta be news! Oh sure, you can say that I have no journalistic value to my articles, but show me a better review of traffic lights! You can't! Why? I don't know, but all of my work is done in an attempt to better my fellow students and this fine establishment we call Middle Tennessee State University.

My medication is starting to wear off, so I better wrap this one up. On a scale of one to five outdated pizza coupons, I give the *Reviews of the Absurd* for the spring semester a heart burning three. ■

Buddies of Nashville

MARCUS RANDLE

Special to *Sidelines*

At the tender age of seven Matt has all the potential to become the next prominent brain surgeon, but only one thing is missing: you. Will you be the key to unlock Matt's future?

Matt, an only child, finds himself playing on a dusty, dirty, and broken glass-filled playground all alone, longing for someone to come and play with him or for some willing adult to come and help prepare him for the challenges and obstacles that lie ahead in his life.

He's being raised by his mother who works herself to the bone by working full time and by

cooking and cleaning when she comes home every day. Matt is looking for someone to unlock the door to opportunity, so he can achieve his dreams and goals for the future. He wants to become a doctor, but he doesn't know what it takes to become a doctor. Would you be the key to unlock the future of Matt's dream?

Imagine what you would be if you hadn't had someone to look up to or pattern your life after. Buddies of Nashville was established for this very purpose. It is a non-profit organization that offers disadvantaged youth the opportunity to have someone who is willing to take the time to take them to the movies, the zoo, or catch a ball game together.

Buddies of Nashville was established in 1969 to assist single parents in keeping their child or

children on the right path, instead of taking the road filled with drugs and gangs that is headed for failure or sometimes even death. Currently, Buddies of Nashville serves Nashville, Smyrna, Lavergne and most of Davidson and Rutherford counties. No expansion of the program is planned in the immediate future. The youths are between the ages of eight to 13 and you have to spend at least three to four hours, for three days a week with the youth. There are 200 volunteers and more than 350 youths in the program. You have to work with the Buddies of Nashville for one year and be willing to assist the youths in any way possible," explains Melissa Obert, social worker with the organization.

BUDDIES

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Buddies of Nashville also has a mentor program that is designed for adults who cannot spend time with a youth at their home. If you do not have a car, you can spend time with the student at school to help them with their homework or just sit and talk to the youth about any problem that he may be having. You only meet with the youth one day a week for at least three to four hours.

"The teacher at the school picks out the student who is in the most need of help in schoolwork for the mentor program," explains David Jordan, a social worker at the organization.

To become a big buddy you must attend an hour-long meeting and fill out an application. Afterwards, you go through a screening process in which you list four references who will mail their responses about you back to Buddies of Nashville. You also have an hour-long interview, and a police background is done to ensure that you do not have a criminal background.

Before you are accepted your application goes before

a committee for approval or disapproval. Visits are made to your house to ensure that you are able to keep your house under control before you try to give someone else some advice on life. Your auto insurance and driver's license are verified to ensure that everything is in order. It takes three months or longer to be approved and matched with a youngster. If you are interested in joining the Buddies of Nashville or you just want some more information on the program call 329-9191 and ask for David Jordan.

If you enjoy fishing, running, canoeing and football you can be sure that you will be matched with a youth who has the same interest as you do. Buddies of Nashville's program is designed with everyone's interest in mind.

The door of opportunity is waiting for you to open it for a deserving youth who is in need of a friend. Don't let Matt miss his opportunity to become a doctor or become successful in life itself. Why not be the key to Matt's future so he can have a good shot at making it to the top, just as you had the chance? ■

FEATURES

Eurobus offers an alternative to Eurail

STAFF REPORTS

Eurobus—the first serious competition to the Eurailpass in Europe—begins this month as buses pull out of Amsterdam on a route connecting 19 major European cities.

The network, headquartered in London, operates on a pass system similar to the Eurailpass that allows travelers to hop on or off the route for periods of up to three months.

"Eurail has never had any real competition because running a bus network through the whole of Europe was nearly impossible until very recently," says Eurobus founder Max Thomas.

"Customs regulations created logistical problems, a difficulty relieved with the new free trade laws that now govern Europe."

Thomas says Eurobus aims to compete with the Eurailpass on the basis of price and service. Eurobus offers an unlimited two-month pass at \$250 for travelers 26 and under.

"Our value for students is exceptional. We're offering first-class service for less than what you'd pay for a second-class train ticket," says Thomas. "One of our missions will be to educate U.S. travelers to the fact that motor coach travel is more comfortable and often faster than train travel." Eurobus utilizes luxury Volvo motor coaches.

But Thomas says Eurobus is mostly attractive to budget travelers for the other services it offers which are not available when purchasing a rail pass.

"Each of our drivers is a trained tour guide with a knowledge of local history and places of interest, so you have someone at your disposal at all times with a native's knowledge of the area. We show on-board videos of the various regions we're traveling through plus we maintain an on-board travel library.

"Since we run buses, we can offer door-to-door service to a selection of hotels, hostels and campgrounds. And we offer much better security than a train could provide since only registered Eurobus pass-holders are allowed on board."

Contact points have been established in every city along the route so travelers can send messages and receive them from friends and family back home.

Operations on the continent are based in Munich, where a centralized message center feeds out information to passengers

and buses on the network.

"If someone in the U.S. needs to reach a traveler with a valid Eurobus pass, all they do is call a hotline number in Munich, Germany, and the message is delivered to the passenger the next time he boards a bus," says Thomas. Eurobus provides travelers with a pre-paid telephone card in order to dial the Eurobus reservations and information line in Munich.

Current Eurobus capacity is 40,000 seats, according to Thomas. "However we have the resources to add extra buses and thousands of extra seats within 24 hours whenever needed," he says.

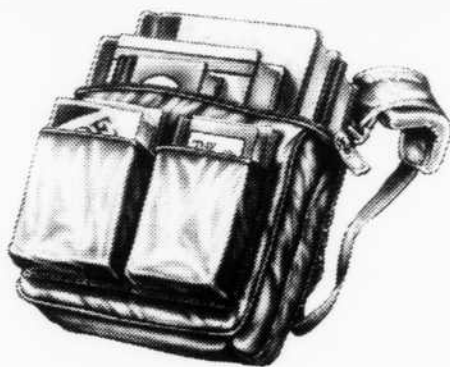
Eurobus stops in Austria, Belgium, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Holland, Hungary, Italy and Switzerland.

"Our route includes Prague in the Czech Republic," says Thomas. "That's one of the hottest destinations for independent travelers in Europe, and Prague is not available on the Eurail system."

Travelers age 26 and under can purchase an unlimited two-month Eurobus pass for \$250, or a three-month Eurobus pass for \$325. By comparison, a first-class Eurailpass valid for only 15 days runs \$648.

For more information about Eurobus in the U.S. call Eurotrips toll-free at 1-800-517-7778. Or write Eurotrips, PO Box 1288, Lake Worth, FL 33460-1288. Tel: (407) 582-7982. Fax: (407) 582-1581. ■

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FEATURES

Watch out for those summer allergies

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CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va.—Ah-ah-achoo. Sniffle. Sniffle.

Spring allergies. For many, they are the enemy, the source of sleepless nights and runny noses.

"Most people come in with symptoms of a runny nose with clear discharge, runny, watery eyes that itch and a nose that itches," said Harriet Kolmer, who is serving her fellowship in the allergy clinic at the UV Health Sciences Center. "These are typically symptoms of hay fever."

For some people, however, allergy symptoms far exceed hay fever's common discomforts.

"If someone has asthma, they may have chest tightness and shortness of breath," Kolmer said.

Various pollens cause most of those symptoms.

"The main allergens are grass and trees," Kolmer said. "Usually tree pollen starts in the beginning of April and lasts throughout all of April. In May and June, grass pollen is present. Ragweed is typically a fall, August and September weed that causes allergies."

Unfortunately, allergy sufferers have few options short of living in a plastic bag.

"There's little you can do short of avoidance and staying indoors, which we don't recommend," Kolmer said. "Mainly just take antihistamines."

But students expressed wariness for drugstore relief.

"I used to have a prescription, but

I became immune to it," first-year UV student Mandy Renaghan said. "I tried over-the-counter medications, but they made me really tired. So now I just bring a lot of tissues with me to class."

"There are some prescription antihistamines that don't cause sedation," Kolmer said. "Seldane, and the newer one, Claritin, tend to be less sedating."

But other options exist for those suffering from persistent symptoms and nasal cavity inflammation.

"There are anti-inflammation nasal sprays," Kolmer said. "One is steroids which don't get absorbed into the system. Another is Cromolyn, which also reduces inflammation. They both allow someone to breathe a little easier through the nose."

An otolaryngologist, or ear, nose and throat doctor, also helps allergy sufferers.

"We see allergy patients primarily because people are tired of having congestion in the spring and fall," said Michael Ward, an Otolaryngology resident at the Health Sciences Center. "They often have nasal congestion, and clear drainage is impeded."

Otolaryngologists prescribe antihistamines and steroid nasal sprays to cut down on congestion, Ward said.

Allergy shots are another common option for allergy sufferers. The shots, which doctors give for extended periods of time, are sometimes used if a patient does not

want to take medication but is absolutely miserable all summer from allergies, Kolmer said.

"With hay fever allergies, some people stay on shots for 15 to 20 years, while some get shots for five to six years and then stop taking them and are fine," she said.

Sometimes, if doctors do not treat and alleviate those allergy symptoms, allergies can lead to sinusitis and sinus infections.

"Sinuses are normally air filled pockets located in the forehead, over the cheeks and deep in-between the eyes," Ward said.

Sinusitis is a sinus infection obstructing the sinus; normal draining pattern.

"Allergies can cause sinusitis," he said. "With allergies, you could get the lining on the nose so swollen you can impede draining and bacteria backs up, causing sinusitis. Other things also cause sinus infections, like colds."

Renaghan sometimes experiences sinus infections because of allergies. But she said, "Sometimes your sinuses can be full and you can have problems with allergies without it being due to a sinus infection."

"Not all allergies, though, will lead to sinusitis or a sinus infection," Ward said.

Besides complaints about pollen, medical workers often deal with dangerous bee stings during the summer.

The number of bee stings "definitely rises starting in the summer in our clinic population,"

Kolmer said. "We haven't seen a rise yet, but I imagine in the next month or so the numbers will probably rise."

Allergic reactions to bee stings can be dangerous and are potentially life-threatening.

"Treating the bee sting depends on the reaction," Kolmer said. "If it makes the throat swell so the person cannot breathe, we can treat it with immunotherapy, which is the same thing as allergy shots."

Shots for bee stings involve a process called desensitization. A person is given small doses of what they are allergic to, such as bee venom. As the doses increase, tolerance builds up in the body.

"The desensitization usually takes three to four years to complete," Kolmer said.

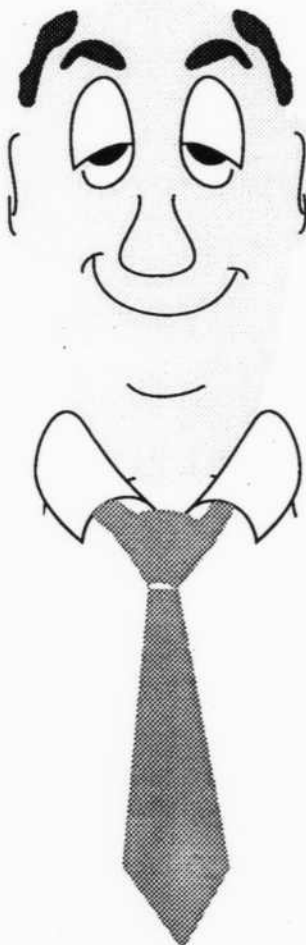
Bee-sting patients also may carry an epi-pen, allowing a person to give themselves a shot of epinephrine if a bee stings him.

Regardless of the allergy's nature, sufferers should be aware of their own body's reaction to summer's outdoor obstacles and be prepared to fight the stuffy noses.

Allergies tend to run in families, but such trends never can be certain, said Sharon Krause, a registered nurse with Student Health's general medicine division.

"Anyone can become sensitive to almost anything at any time in their life," Krause said. "But there is some tendency [for allergies] to run in families." ■

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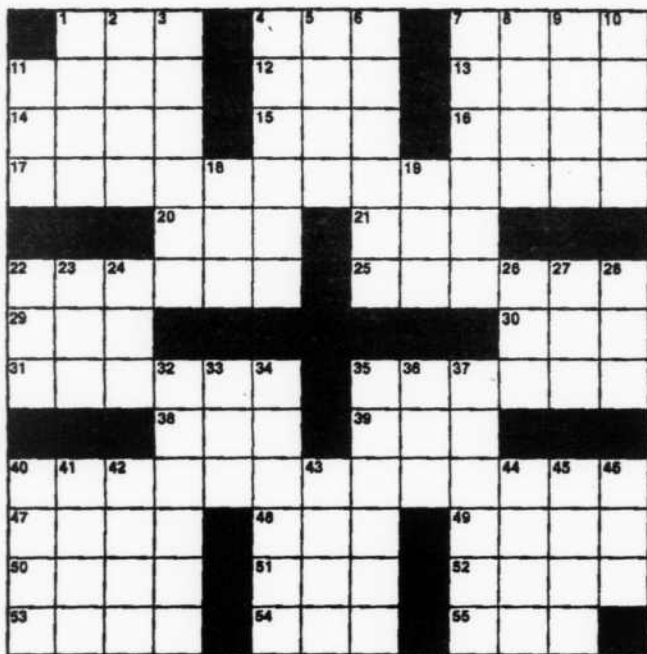
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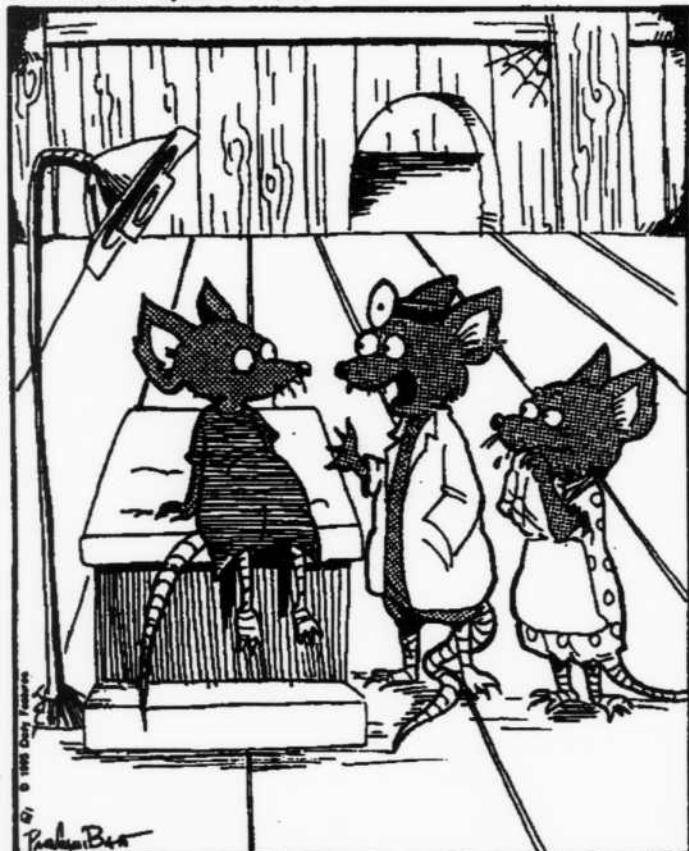
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During opening week of the 1995 Major League baseball season, the lack of fan attendance shows that

WORD ON THE STREET



Drew Butler

many fans want to punish the game for its latest work stoppage. Not for Opening Day. Not during the humid days of summer. Not for the pennant stretch or the playoffs.

For some, never again.

Let's stop fooling ourselves. Let's quit pretending that you'll never return. Face it: You need baseball, but baseball also needs you.

Baseball is not like a bad TV Movie of the Week that you can just turn off. For true baseball fans, you just can't go on with your life as if the game never existed.

Sure, people have gotten turned off because of all the talk of dollar signs, instead of steal signs. But a real fan, no matter what, is with their team whether that team is in last place or first place.

I consider myself a real fan. That's why I'll be in my usual position in the left-field bleachers in Cincinnati's Riverfront Stadium, home of the Reds. I'll be their ASAG (As Soon After Graduation).

But I'm only back with conditions.

Instead of a half-hearted attempt to stay away, use the situation to make a grab of power.

So in the spirit of the founding fathers' of the American revolution who spoke up when things weren't right, we need to draft our declaration of rights, a fan's bill of rights who might say. It could go a little something like this:

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all fans are created equal. That these fans are endowed either with their ticket stub or remote control to certain

MTSU sweeps Tech, host Conference tourney

ROB NUNLEY
Senior Sports Writer

The Blue Raiders clinched at least a tie for the OVC season championship this weekend with three-game sweep of Tennessee Tech, 6-4, 2-1, 8-1.

The sweep moved the Raiders' overall record to 26-21, while their conference record moved to 14-3.

Senior right-hander Richie Conway started the first game of Saturday's doubleheader. The staff ace struggled a bit, giving up three earned runs on seven hits in 4 1/3 innings of work.

"Richie was just off," Coach Steve Peterson said after the game. "I'm not going to make any excuses for him, he just had a bad day."

Middle was able to keep game one fairly close, thanks to RBI from Craig Reavis and Clay Snellgrove in the first two innings, but going into the sixth inning down 4-2 it appeared that Tech would take the first game.

But the Raiders were able to load the bases in the bottom of the inning. Snellgrove was hit by a pitch with one out in the inning, and advanced to third after back-to-back two-out singles from Will Fraley and Reavis.

Jamie Walker followed

Reavis, and connected off Eagle starter Erik Sabel's 0-2 pitch for a grand slam over the left field wall, his eighth homer of the season.

"He just made a bad pitch," Walker admitted after the game. "He had me down in the count, and I was really just trying to make contact."

Closer George Oleksik came on with two outs and two on in the Eagle seventh, and with only one pitch was able to get Eagle Chris Dudney to fly out to right field to end the game and record his eighth save.

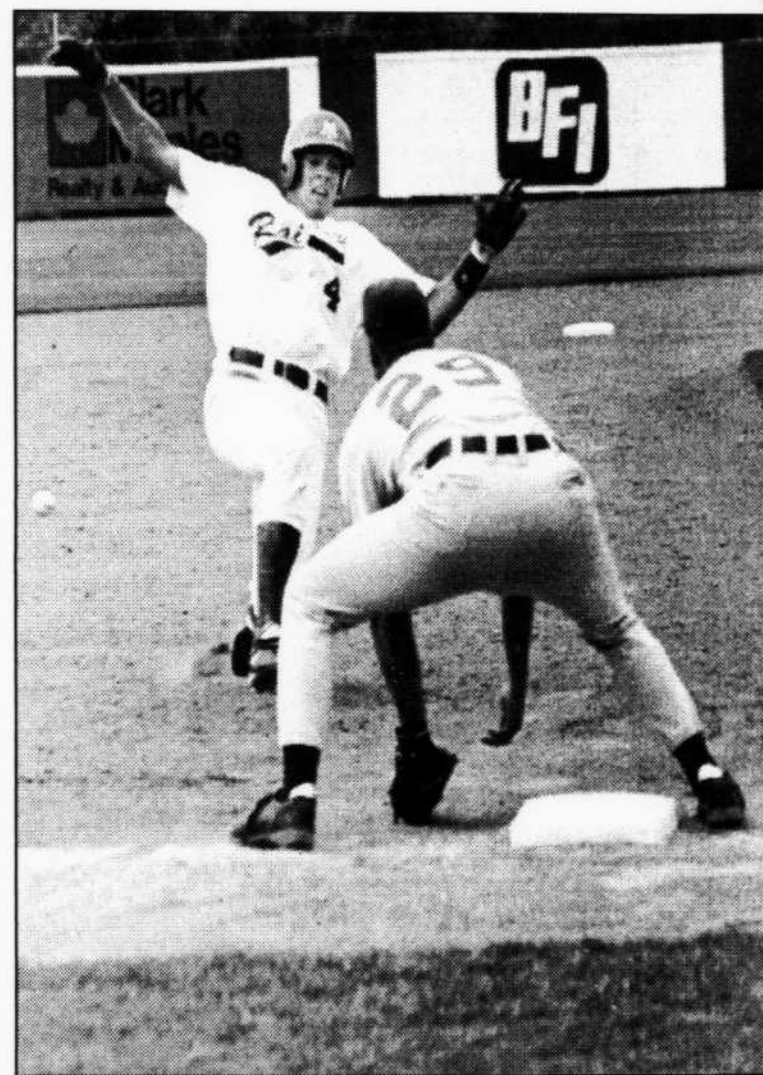
Jason Stanton took the hill for Middle in game two. Stanton and his counterpart from Tech Keith Hedrick worked very quickly, as the entire second game took only 1:16 minutes to complete.

Tech was able to finally crack the scoreboard in the fifth, as second baseman Jamie Tucker doubled to center field scoring catcher Shane Smith, who had singled.

Raider right fielder Chris Goggin tied the score in the bottom of the inning with a line drive homer to left, and Craig Reavis scored on a wild pitch in the sixth to give the Raiders the lead.

Oleksik came on in relief of Stanton in game two, and pitched 1 1/3 perfect innings

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CHARLES HOGUE/Staff

Slide!!

MTSU outfielder Jordan Beddies slides into third base trying to beat the throw from the Tennessee Tech outfield in yesterday's game. MTSU swept the three-game series and clinched at least a tie for the OVC title.

Athletes honored at sports banquet

STAFF REPORTS

MTSU athletes received awards in Murphy Center Friday night in what is now the Charles Murphy Awards Dinner.

Athletes representing every sport received awards at the ceremony. Seniors and MTSU Male and Female Student Athlete of the Year also received awards.

Kelly Holcomb and Heather Prater took the Student-Athlete of the Year awards. Rhonda Hall and Brigham Lyons won the Giant Step award that goes to the athlete who overcame obstacles to excel in the classroom.

Most Outstanding Student-Athletes for each sport include: Kippy Bayless

for football; Angie Raffo for volleyball; Sherry Tucker for women's basketball; Tim Gaither for men's basketball; Jill Booth for softball; Craig Reavis for baseball; Mia Florence for women's track; Micah Otis and Keith Watkins for men's track; Nick Shelton for golf; Michelle Wilson for women's tennis and Fred Niemeyer for men's tennis.

Athletes named to All-OVC teams got recognition at the dinner.

The namesake of the event, Murphy was football coach at MTSU between 1947 and 1961. He also was athletic director from 1947 until his retirement in 1981. In the 1930s, he lettered in three sports at MTSU including football. ■

Can I Get Your Autograph?



CHARLES HOGUE/Staff

MTSU outfielder Chris Goggin signs a hat for young fans during an autograph signing session after the Blue Raiders' win against Tennessee Tech yesterday. Dixie Youth baseball players received free admission to the game when they wore their uniforms to Jones Field.

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SPORTS

It's Back! Major League Baseball opens season

BEN WALKER
AP Baseball Writer

Despite all the hitting by Jose Canseco and pitching by Greg Maddux, something was missing Wednesday during the first big day of the baseball season — fans.

Even with free tickets in some places, crowds were much smaller than usual for opening day, just as many teams feared, following the 232-day strike.

Only 24,091 fans showed up in Atlanta, where the Braves sold out most of their games last season, and there were just 24,170 in Kansas City, where grandstand seats were free. Milwaukee drew its worst opening-day crowd since 1973, and though the New York Yankees had 50,000, that was about 6,500 fewer than last year.

Many fans were booing and carrying protest signs — and worse.

Chicago White Sox outfielder Mike Devereaux had a beer dumped on him late in the game at Milwaukee. In Kansas City, a fan caught a foul ball and threw it back on the field,

and was cheered.

"That was just my way of saying, 'Hey, here's one back at you,'" Bryan Kuhn after the toss. "I figured with all the money both sides whine about losing during the strike, they probably needed it more than I do."

In Atlanta, star pitcher Tom Glavine, active in the player-owner negotiations, was jeered. Overall, attendance at six afternoon openers was down in five parks, compared with last year.

"After 8 1/2 months, it's something that's going to happen," said Brewers owner Bud Selig, the acting commissioner who called off last season's World Series. "We got a lot of work ahead of us. It'll take some time and we're not underestimating that."

In Cincinnati, a plane circled Riverfront Stadium pulling a banner that read: "Owners & Players: To hell with all of you."

Inside the park, a sign barbed players who were ignoring the pickets put up by locked-out umpires at other stadiums. "Why are you crossing the picket line, you hypocrites?" the banner

said.

"It doesn't really feel like opening day," admitted Reds fan Virg Nortman, 76.

There were some cheers, naturally. Hall of Famer Joe DiMaggio got a big ovation when he threw out the first ball at Yankee Stadium.

Also on hand, in Atlanta, was Felicia Shotkoski, widow of Braves replacement pitcher Dave Shotkoski, shot and killed in an attempted robbery during spring training. She attended at the invitation of the team.

The major league season started Tuesday night in Miami, where the Los Angeles Dodgers beat the Florida Marlins. It was the latest opening day in baseball history, and followed a spring training shortened to three weeks.

The cut-down spring took its toll, especially on pitchers who did not have plenty of time to prepare for the season.

Kevin Appier of the Kansas City Royals had a no-hitter in progress through 6 2-3 innings against Baltimore, but was pulled to save his arm. The Orioles got a hit in the eighth inning against

reliever Rusty Meacham.

New Royals manager Bob Boone was booed when he took out Appier. There has been only one opening-day no-hitter in history, by Bob Feller in 1940.

"Obviously, I'd like a chance to finish the game and get a no-hitter," Appier said. "But to throw that many more pitches is a risk and you really can't do that. I understand where he's coming from. That's the farthest I've taken one, but I understand why I was taken out."

"I hope that something like this gives the fans momentum as far as coming out to the ballpark again. I would have loved to see it sold out."

Fans were not the only ones missing.

Outside Kauffman Stadium, about 15 umpires wearing their uniforms carried signs saying "Umpires Locked Out" and "Baseball Unfair to Umpires." Other umpires, who have not been able to work out a contract with owners, picketed at Yankee Stadium.

"We don't want the players to stay out. All we want is

the players to play and say, 'We need the umpires back,'" NL umpire Eric Gregg said. "Amateurs aren't qualified."

Replacement crews, made up of former major and minor league umpers, plus college and high school umpires, are calling the games instead.

"He called some strikes that I know were balls, and the other way around. The inconsistency of it — that's what you notice," Yankees pitcher Jimmy Key said of former big league ump Bill Deegan, who worked the plate with an old-fashioned, balloon chest protector.

Canseco, playing his first game in Fenway Park, had a big bases-loaded single for Boston.

Before the game, Canseco signed autographs for 15 minutes.

"You all are going to cheer for me, right?" he asked. "No matter if I strike out?"

With tickets at half-price, the Red Sox drew 32,980. The crowd was announced as a sellout, although there were about 1,000 no-shows. ■

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SPORTS

Baseball Salaries Down

NEW YORK (AP) — The average salary in baseball declined nearly 10 percent following the players' strike, but the drop was caused largely by expanded rosters.

A study released Saturday by The Associated Press showed the average was \$1,073,582, a drop of 9.7 percent from the \$1,188,679 average on opening day last season.

But following the strike, teams began this year with 28-man rosters instead of the usual 25. Most of the extra players earn the major league minimum of \$109,000. Subtracting three players per team at the minimum raises the average to \$1,173,498, a drop of just 1.3 percent.

"I had no real expectations," union head Donald Fehr said Saturday. "I knew there were a lot of contracts kicking in at high numbers and that would tend to offset the reductions in the other areas."

Only once since free agency has the average salary dropped for an entire season. In 1987, during the owners' conspiracy against signing free agents, it dropped \$86 to \$412,454.

"Obviously," acting commissioner Bud Selig said, "the clubs have made

some adjustments to their losses and the economics of the past year, and in many clubs' case the last two, three and four years."

While many players took paycuts following the strike, the rise in pay for top stars was dramatic. Cecil Fielder of the Detroit Tigers is the highest-paid player this season at \$9,237,500, followed by Barry Bonds of San Francisco at \$8,000,183 and Toronto pitcher David Cone at \$8 million.

On opening day last year, Bobby Bonilla of the New York Mets had the highest salary at \$6.3 million.

With veterans taking big cuts, led by Andre Dawson's fall from \$4.3 million to \$500,000, the numbers of million-dollar players dropped dramatically. While 265 were at the \$1 million mark or higher last year on opening day, 189 are there this year, with another 26 offered \$1 million or more in arbitration and an additional seven asking for more than \$1 million.

But the number of players at \$4 million or higher jumped from 43 to 71, the number at \$5 million or more doubled from 14 to 32 and the number at \$6 million or more skyrocketed from one to 12. ■

Tyson-McNeeley fight in August?

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Mike Tyson's ready to be seen again. Soon he may be ready to fight again.

Tyson returns to the boxing scene his presence still dominates Saturday when he serves as a television commentator for a fight card in Landover, Md.

It will mark Tyson's first appearance at a boxing show since his release from prison next month, giving the public a tantalizing glimpse of the former heavyweight champion in his most familiar environment.

The appearance comes as promoter Don King works to tie up details of a proposed Aug. 19 fight against Boston's Peter McNeeley at the MGM Grand hotel-casino in Las Vegas.

"He's a warrior and he wants to get back in the ring as soon as he can," Dennis Finck, the MGM's vice president of special events, said of Tyson.

Finck declined to confirm the Aug. 19 date, saying the hotel had dates in either August or October for Tyson to fight the first of six bouts he signed for earlier with the resort.

He also declined to confirm McNeeley as a possible opponent, saying he was one

of several names mentioned as Tyson's first opponent. King, however, reportedly has been negotiating a Tyson-McNeeley fight on that date with pay-per-view and foreign television representatives.

Already, though, the World Boxing Council has elevated Tyson to its No. 1 ranking behind champion Oliver McCall, while McNeeley conveniently makes the top 10 in the organization's latest ranking for the first time.

McNeeley's manager, Vinny Vecchioni, said Thursday he believes the fight will happen, but nothing has been set.

"No contracts have been signed," Vecchioni said.

McNeeley, who needed just six seconds to knock out Frankie Hines last Saturday in Hot Springs, Ark., has long been mentioned as an opponent for Tyson.

McNeeley has a 36-1 record as a professional, including 30 knockouts, but has faced few fighters of any stature. His father, Tom, was stopped by Floyd Patterson in a 1961 title bout.

McNeeley, who was also supposed to have been a first opponent for McCall, told the Boston Herald on Wednesday

he was taking nothing for granted.

"Maybe I'll get excited when I see the contract for this one, or when I'm sitting next to Mike Tyson at a press conference to announce the fight, but tonight I'm going to go to the gym and get my work in just like any other night," McNeeley said.

The fight would be the first in more than four years for Tyson, released last month after spending three years in prison on a rape conviction.

The 28-year-old Tyson last fought in June 1991 when he outpointed Razor Ruddock in a rematch of the first fight he won by stopping Ruddock in the seventh round.

Tyson, who signed a contract with the Showtime cable network following his release from prison, will offer commentary from ringside on Saturday's fight card at the U.S. Air Arena.

The card features an IBF junior middleweight fight between champion Vincent Pettway and former three-time world champion Simon Brown, and a rematch for the vacant IBF middleweight title between Bernard Hopkins and Segundo Mercado. ■

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Editorial

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Finals are the big thing. You have to do well on finals. If you don't, you are screwed. You have to care about them, even if the class is so idiotic that you can't care.

Your grades are one of the things that will get you to the higher positions in life. After all, you haven't spent the time and money you have here to only learn what real partying is all about.

It's part of showing responsibility, that thing most of us hate but realize we will have to assume someday.

And now, I leave this paper to go out to assume some of that responsibility again. Only now I know I have to be armed with a degree to have a chance at success. In a year, I shall be so armed.

Think about it. Godspeed. W2

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Lysol for your toilet? No, just set the can on fire



Dave Barry

If you were to ask me how I came to set my toilet on fire, I would answer you in two simple words: *Reader's Digest*. I am referring specifically to the February 1995 issue of *Reader's Digest*, which was sent to me by alert reader Jeff Jerrell, who had spotted a startling article originally written for *Health* magazine by Mary Roach.

The article is about germs, which are extremely tiny organisms—many of them smaller than the artist formerly known as Prince—that can be found in huge quantities virtually everywhere. To get an idea of what I mean, conduct the following:

SCIENTIFIC GERM EXPERIMENT

Get a microscope and some spit. Put the spit on a glass slide and put it under the microscope lens. Now look through the eyepiece. You'll notice, if you look closely, that you can't see anything, because you have no idea how to operate a microscope. But while you're looking, billions of germs, left on the eyepiece by the previous microscope user, will swarm onto your eyeball—which to them is a regular Club Med—and start reproducing like crazy via wild bacterial sex. You'll probably need surgery.

Getting back to *Reader's Digest*: The February article concerns leading University

of Arizona germ scientist Chuck Gerba, Ph.D., who is a serious student of bacteria found in bathrooms. Consider the following absolutely true facts:

1. He routinely goes into public restrooms, unarmed, and takes bacteria samples from the toilets.
2. His son's middle name is "Escherichia," after *Escherichia coli*, also known as *E. coli*, which is a common type of fecal bacteria.

Needless to say I had to call this man.

"You named your son after bacteria?" was my opening question.

"He finds that it's a good conversation starter," Gerba replied. "If we'd had a girl, we were going to name her 'Sally Salmonella.'"

Gerba told me that there are definite hazards associated with his line of study.

"When you spend a lot of time taking samples on your knees in the stalls of public restrooms," he said, "people tend to call the cops on you. I've had to do some fast talking. I tell the cops, 'It's OK! I'm a scientist!' And they say, 'Yeah, right, we arrested a couple of scientists in this stall just last night.'"

Gerba told me that, in the course of his studies, he's learned some Amazing Toilet Facts:

TOILET FACT NO. 1—Based on scientific measurements of the holes in public-toilet seats, "Americans have the biggest butts in the world."

TOILET FACT NO. 2—In any group of public toilets, the first stall is likely to have the least bacteria, and the middle ones are likely to have the most, because more

people use them. (determining rate of use.) Gerba went into public toilets and NUMBERED THE TOILET PAPER SQUARES.)

TOILET FACT NO. 3—The cleanest public toilets are found in national-chain restaurants; the worst are found in gas stations.

"I'm surprised," Gerba said, "that no new life form has ever evolved from a gas station toilet."

TOILET FACT NO. 4—Every toilet user leaves a unique bacterial pattern; know this thanks to a breakthrough technique Gerba developed called (I am not making any of this up) the Commode-A-Graph.

"If there's ever a crime committed on a toilet," Gerba said, "I can tell you who did it."

(Asked if this technique could be a factor in the O. Simpson trial, Gerba replied, "Not unless he washed his hands in the toilet.")

TOILET FACT NO. 5—When you flush, a process called "aerosolization" takes place, in which the toilet shoots out an invisible cloud of tiny, germ-infested water droplets that get all over everything. In *Reader's Digest*, author Roach quotes Gerba as saying that if you keep your toothbrush within six feet of a commode, "you're basically brushing your teeth with toilet water."

So we see that a toilet is really nothing more than a use scientific parlance—Yuck Bomb. The question is: what can you do about it? Is there any way to get a toilet REALLY clean? This brings us to the truly fascinating part of Roach's article,

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It's time for me to fly

School
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Lakeland

It's the last issue of the semester—a right, everyone's top cheering.

This issue has traditionally been set aside for graduating seniors on the staff to take their shots—burn bridges, if will—at anyone and thing, as long as it's not ous.

I'm not graduating from SU, but I am graduating in the editorial staff at paper. So I feel entitled take a few shots.

The fall editor has asked to continue writing this amn, so you won't be ing rid of me. I'll just be e to follow the NFL on days again rather than ng at the office putting ether the Monday paper. t will be nice. I'll be able ave a social life for the t time in a while. That be real nice.

First, it has been a real sure to be the editor this nester. The people up e are all terrific to work h. They all take their k seriously, and it shows the quality of this ester's paper.

We currently have the llest staff in place since I involved with *Sidelines* 2 years ago, and many ple I have talked to who w what good journalism ell me that, for the first e in a while, this is a good ege newspaper. This is my doing, it's the staff.

just coordinate rything. I rarely write ys stories, I never take tos or write features or ts. The staff does it. All o is write the editorials my column. For some of , that means all I do is h and moan.

So if you think we've had od paper this semester, nk the staff. They have ted their butts to get and e you the best information sible about what happens und here.

If you think there's too h AP in the paper or too ny ads, it's because our f is not big enough to do ough stories to fill the nber of pages we get from e to time. This problem d be solved if more Mass nm students worked for paper.

have never been able to re out why this paper t swamped with nalism majors. There 1,800 Mass Comm ors in this university, fewer than 20 work at lines. This is despicable. idelines is the only

realistic outlet for journalism, PR and advertising majors to get the clips necessary to get jobs. I guess the instructors in Mass Comm don't push you hard enough to work over here. So what if you don't make minimum wage. If you're a journalism major, get used to being poor. If you are serious about wanting a career in journalism, PR or advertising, get your butts over here and start writing.

Photographers qualify for the same amount of condemnation. Our photo editor, Chuck, has worked with a grand total of three photographers this semester. As a comparison, last semester there were 10. Chuck has worked his butt off to get photos done and to get photographers in here who know what they're doing. As a result, the photos in this paper have been of a higher quality than at any time that I can remember. I truly appreciate the work he has done for *Sidelines* this spring.

There are plenty of quality photography majors here who could shoot one or two assignments a week but are too lazy to do a little extra work. Two or three extra hours a week for work samples is not much.

Here again, how are you going to get a job without being able to show samples of your work? *Sidelines* means samples for photographers. If you're serious about wanting a career in photography, get your butts over here and start shooting.

Now that I have sufficiently vilified the College of Mass Communication for not getting more students involved with the student newspaper, we're going to leave some goodies to some of the few who are involved as a gesture of thanks for all their help.

To Robin Dixon, managing editor and graphics wunderkind, I leave the number to my Swiss bank account so he can deposit into it a little of the obscene amount of money he is going to get from his summer fellowship. He's getting like \$8 million or something. Robin has been a godsend this semester—without him it would have been tough to get the job done. But he owes me.

To Kris Wetzel, news editor and resident grammatical disciplinarian, I leave all my Superman comic books. Not the ones after he died but before that, when Superman was a real superhero. You can't kill a real superhero. D.C. really screwed him over when they killed him and brought him back. Kris, you always loved

the superhero arguments that would filter through the newsroom on production night, so the comic books will hopefully remind you of good times.

Kris isn't even a Mass Comm major or minor. What does that say for some of you Mass Comm slackards?

To Mark Blevins, assistant news editor and editor-to-be this fall, I leave a copy of both of Rush Limbaugh's books. All of us know how much of a good little Republican you are, Mark. These books should give you good bathroom reading material, especially when you're constipated. Milk Of Magnesia won't work as well for you as these books. Enjoy.

To Brent Andrews, features editor and editor-to-be this summer, I leave my elegant three-bedroom, two-bath home on Carondelet. Many of you may not know what I mean, but Brent does. Brent, promise to go at least one month before accidentally burning it down after 17 too many Black Voodoos, OK?

To Janet Layman, sports editor and the baby of the group, I leave a rollaway bed and a refrigerator. You have used the official *Sidelines*

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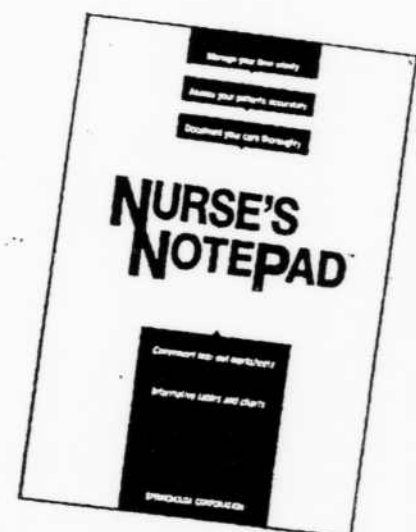
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wherein Gerba and his family, demonstrating the only way to kill all the bacteria, put laboratory alcohol on their commode bowl and—this is right on page 64 of *Reader's Digest*, if you don't believe me—set it on fire.

Let me stress right here that Gerba is a recognized toilet expert, and he had a fire extinguisher ready, and toilet-torching is VERY dangerous. You, the layperson, would be an irresponsible idiot to try it.

Fortunately, I am not a layperson; I am a trained humor columnist, and if there's one thing I enjoy, it's

a clean toilet. So I tried Gerba's technique, and I have to say that, in a darkened room, a flaming toilet has a strange kind of beauty that can only be described as "a strange kind of beauty."

I'm tempted to speculate here on whether it might be possible to use this same technique to kill bacteria on other surfaces, such as the bodies of Tobacco Institute scientists, but I think I'm already in enough trouble as it is. So let me leave you with these important Toilet Health Reminders: (1) Avoid those middle stalls; (2) Move that toothbrush; and above all (3) Don't sit down until the bowl has completely cooled. ■

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couch for sacktime way too much this semester. A bed and ice box in the office will allow you to just live up here. You probably spend more time up here than at home, anyway.

To Daniela Gopfert, production manager and the quiet one of the group (except when she's mad), I leave driving lessons and insurance. You bought a car for some reason, didn't you? Now you'll be able to drive it and have your first wreck written off. A real bonus.

You stuck by me and defended me through a tough time—it had to be very difficult for you. I will always be grateful.

To Chris Patterson, copy editor and my very best friend, I'm not leaving you anything yet. You have to wait until I graduate. Your

gift will take a lot of thinking. Besides, I'll see you practically everyday until then anyway.

To Jenny Crouch, student publications director and champion of the \$500,000 budget, I leave you Ross Perot's estate when he dies. That means eventually you'll get your daily broadsheet and enough money to pay people actual salaries to work on it.

Of course, all the money in the world can't defeat the apathy existing for this publication in Mass Comm. Sorry I can't help you with that.

And finally, to my beautiful red-headed female friend—my Cowgirl in the Sand with the sweet, sweet smile; the woman for whom my heart has lusted many times in and out of these pages over the last two years; the woman for whom I would compromise my strongest beliefs and actually stay in the state of Tennessee after I graduate to be with were she to ask—I

leave already-drawn-up divorce papers with my phone number on them when you decide it's time you can beat a hasty retreat and call me. I'll be running, I guarantee.

You didn't think I could write this piece without leaving her something, did you? She's graduating with a 4.0 GPA and in four years not five or six like most of us. Aren't you all jealous now?

So all of you know, she does have a real good man. don't hate him—I'm simply jealous. I always will be. Of course, every other guy knows who knows her jealous of this guy, too.

I am very happy for you. I will miss you much. Keep in touch. I hope I'm still invited to the wedding. I'm gonna plant the biggest wettest kiss on you...

So anyway, it's time for me to fly. I've got to set myself free. That's the way I want it to be. You know it hurts to say goodbye, but it's time for me to fly.

Until the fall, sayonara.

An open letter from a managing editor

BackTalk



Robin Dixon

To whom it may concern,

This last issue of *Sidelines* is a particularly sad one for me, because I graduate in May (supposedly). I probably won't be one of those teary-eyed

graduates on May 13, but I'd like to say good-bye in my own way.

One of the best things that has happened to me in the past few semesters is that I have met a lot of talented and devoted writers, who probably don't even know I admire their "stuff." J.J. Benson, Derick Bowers, Amy Sentille (I hope I spelled your last name correctly), Nancy Tucker, Sharon Spurling...etc., if I had a rich dying uncle I'd "coerce" him into giving me enough money to start my own funky anti-establishment magazine and I'd give all of you guys a job. Of course it would go belly up in a matter of months, but who cares? I'd be rich.

This one's for all you guys still stuck here at *Sidelines*:

Sue Mullin: Before you even knew me, you said I was a good writer (how, I'll never know!). You have given me tons of good advice and there will never be a way for me to repay you (even if I did have a rich uncle).

Brent Andrews: I have one thing to say—take it easy. Don't worry yourself to death, everything has a

unique way of working out by itself. You're a good friend. Take care of this newspaper over the summer, or I'll have to come back here and kill you. I'm totally serious.

Kris Wetzel: What can I say to the smartest person in the world, except thanks for being a great friend. By the way, I'm not nearly as dumb as I let on. I just let you think you're smarter than me.

Mark Blevins: You're a true professional, man, and I'm glad I know you. Take care of this newspaper over the fall, or I'll have to come back here and kill you. I'm totally serious.

Warren Wakeland: You've been a damn good editor this semester and you'll probably go on to make hellacious money in the P-biz. Give me some.

Daniela Gopfert: Stay away from THEM. And send me some wedding pictures.

And for Janet, Drew, Rob, Jason, Paul, Patrick, Ra, and all the rest of you guys, it's good to work beside great people.

As far as the university goes:

Mass Comm Building: Is someone ever going to fix that back door or what? I mean it's been messed up for something like two semesters now. Can't we get somebody to look at that thing? Couldn't we steal a similar door from another building? Is the reason we can't get it fixed because there's some

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Letters To The Editor

Basiel should read more about Communist ways

To The Editor;

My first point concerning Christina Basiel's Earth Day article is this: although the Soviet dictatorship may have had huge problems, they at least knew how to do propaganda. You do not influence the other party in an argument by calling them "pinko tree huggers."

Point number two: Communism, as expressed by its founders Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels, **does not** advocate "government collectivism" — least of all the type found in the old Eastern bloc countries. Yes, the basic premise of capitalism is private ownership, but communism (again as expressed by its founders) does not fight all private ownership. It resists the bourgeois ownership of all of the sole means of **production**. This may seem to be semantics to you, but it makes all the difference in the world.

Neither did Marx approve of government-controlled private property. Why would he then fight for pay raises for workers if they couldn't buy anything with their new wages? All this can be found in the *Communist Manifesto*. Don't forget that Engels was a factory owner and manufacturer. In the end all the Soviets did was trade a bourgeois-

owned means of production for a government-owned means of production. And you are correct when you point out that this does not, nor will it ever, work.

My point in all of this, Ms. Basiel, is to read the original sources. I don't fully accept anything from either the conservatives or the liberals. They BOTH have an agenda.

My next point is that lumber companies didn't always have this wonderfully generous point of view towards the environment. Have you ever seen pictures of the deforestation of the Appalachians and Smokies from the 1920s and '30s? It was conservationists and environmental groups who pushed for limits.

The final point is that capitalism and common sense do not always go together. Do you realize that, until certain Marxist ideas took hold and workers fought to be treated like human beings, as late as 1928 there were Pennsylvania steel mills still working people 12 hours a day, 7 days a week? That was a product of capitalism. That doesn't mean capitalism is, in and of itself, evil. It does mean that it is based on one basic human trait — greed, and not common sense.

In summary, Ms. Basiel, as a Christian (which some of your articles seem to imply that you are), I know better than to believe that any one particular governmental or economic system of this world is

"divinely inspired" enough **not** to be in part, or in whole, wrong. Every movement that has people involved in it will be fallible. You know this, yet seem to ignore it when it comes to your own political views. Ms. Basiel, please do yourself and us justice by researching more of what you talk about.

Truth is neither Left nor Right; it simply is.

Carl J. Badgley
Box 3181

Wakeland should learn the law

To the Editor:

In response to your "School Daze" column of April 20 ("Tennessee — it's a different universe from what I know"):

The Uniform Vehicle Code (a national code of regulations available for perusal in the Todd Library) states that vehicles must be parked "with the wheels within twelve inches (12") of the curb or edge of the roadway." It also states that it is illegal to drive "against the flow of traffic," and this point has been interpreted by multiple state courts to mean parking against the flow of traffic as well. Some state variances exist (e.g. TCA's eighteen inches) but all states observe the general regulation. I guess Georgia, Florida,

and Maryland just don't enforce the law the way they might.

As for the rule's "idiocy" (i.e. depriving us of our right to drive against the flow of traffic to make our lives easier): Yes, this does mean drivers who neglect to watch carefully may step out into traffic, but in your own words (as stolen from Winston Groom), "Stupid is as stupid does."

Which brings me to your apparent disdain for the State of Tennessee and her people. I have only one question: Why subject yourself to so many "Billy Joe Bob Puddinheads" by attending a state-run university located in the center of said state? It must make it difficult to run for the safety and sanity of the state line.

By the way — the Holy Grail has never been proven to exist, and serves as a symbol of the refusal to accept reality. A better analogy would be that TCA is the bible of Tennessee law. Also, "background reconnaissance" is redundant, and real journalists investigate and report, not whine and complain.

Brian K. Mackey
Senior

Editor's note: Georgia, Florida and Maryland all have exceptions to this law. The director of the Georgia DOT commented on the absurdity of this law when contacted for research on this column. Also, have you ever heard of humor?

Housing needs organization

Front and Center



Michael Grantham

This whole semester I've felt like I was in the middle of an episode of M*A*S*H or something.

Making alternate routes around unearthed ruins of an Agincamp were nothing compared to the blatant mess of bureaucracy the university has yet to orient itself to.

The SGA, seemingly operating on a skeletal parliamentary procedure and constitution that ignores a broader institutional policy in favor of the interests of a small minority, will have an easier time adapting due to a democratic process.

Other offices, on the other hand who profits from students directly, may have a harder time with it. As the student population inevitably increases, the opportunity for a bigger piece of the pie gets easier to hide under a myriad of misleading paperwork.

It seems that inquiring or voicing one's concerns close to the heart of some of the matters touches a nerve often left naively uncovered. These mismanaged offices' major assumption is that its customers are unaware of a

their rights.

Last Wednesday, I called the housing office to voice my concern about students, namely myself, living on campus during the summer.

The out-of-date application for summer housing has misleading and incorrect dates. I filled one out thinking I had a place to stay until the fall semester only to find I had to fill out a correction form to make up for their mistake which they didn't really care to explain.

If that weren't enough, during Session I, if you are a male, you are planned to not have hot water between May 13-20. You have to go to the fifth floor of Cummings Hall to take a shower. Why are they not just letting us LIVE there? Well, they are reserved for "workshop recipients."

I asked a girl in Housing why there is no reduction in rent due to the lack of hot water and inconvenience. She assured me this wasn't an issue, although she didn't have to deal with it herself.

I asked her if these workshop people, most of whom don't even pay to go to school here, will be inconvenienced in any way and was told no. I told her this was unfair and that I didn't want to pay for that week and she BLEW UP!

I interrupted the girl offering the option of canceling my contract. She fumed and added that Housing didn't want my

damn money anyway. When I asked to speak with Ivan Shewmake about her idea she refused to transfer me. When I asked her what her name was she refused to give it to me, bitched me out and then hung up.

The problem here is mismanagement. Instead of channeling a student concern, the student worker created a bigger problem. There is, however, no doubt in my mind that her attitude accurately represents some of the more mismanaged offices on this campus.

It is VERY easy to create an illusion of fairness. Politicians build their careers on it. It's called ass kissing and politeness. To protect itself against concerns and inquiries of a growing and demanding population there are two routes.

One is to adapt to serving students by reassessing bureaucracy. Another is to portray the office as having its hands tied by some greater powers, most often the power of their own ignorance to manage information. Both options lead to extraordinary profit.

The profit in this case is for Housing alone. By placing males in an area where electricity to heat water will be cut off for a week, the inconvenience of showering may deter students from taking so many showers or force them

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It's been a great time, but I'm definitely outta here

WORD ON THE STREET



Drew Butler

Assistant Sports Editor, Rob "You Can't Pacify Me with a Title" Nunley, as your friendly neighborhood sports columnist.

Because on May 13, I officially become alumni.

What does this mean? Well, the word alumni roughly mean "he who constantly demands the hiring and firing of coaches."

So let me say it for the world, "Save Dave." I've said it before, but then I was just a lowly student. No one really cares what students think, but now I will be an alumnus. I carry weight (unfortunately, more than when I got here). I will get my degree in public relations and go off to the real world. Although it goes without saying, I will state for the world that

I have no full-time job in my major, Public Relations.

At this point I have spent five years in classes to start a career as a waiter. No, I can't get your order right, but with my computer skills I can reproduce it on a computer.

This is not to say that college has been a disaster. I got a chance to travel all over the country on the debate team. I won money playing blackjack in a casino. I fell asleep in a women's dorm. More than once. When I unluckily lived in the dorms, I spent many a night debating what pizza is better, Pizza Hut, Domino's, Papa John's or Little Caesar. (By the way, Chicago-style pizza puts them both to shame.)

I listened, from my desk in the newsroom, as an MTSU basketball team upset Vanderbilt and had to spend more of the early morning hours rearrange the sports section in the process. I remember the sports department working on our "Save Dave" campaign.

There are so many people that I would like to thank. If I don't mention your name, it means two things. Either I didn't have that much space to mention everyone or I don't like you, and stop calling me. Some names are MTSU sports related; some are not.

Janet — Truly, "Janet from another planet." You're the best. I'll still need "All My Children" updates.

Rob — So many women, so little time. I can never see a game without those jokes. Say hi to your woman for me, at least do that before you graduate.

Tony — "Lovechunks" The man, the myth, the legend.

Everyone who's written for Sports — Thanks for all your help this semester

Everyone in Murphy Center — I could not write a story or put together the sports section of the yearbook without someone giving me a quote or information. Thanks to all the coaches and SID people. Thanks, Jim H., Joe in Sports Info.

Non-sports people:

Ghosts of Debate Team's past (circa 1990) — Wherever you are. It was probably my most memorable year in college with people like Darby, Ginger, Marty, Tim and T.A.

Bill — Give them hell in the Senate, Snoop. Beware of the dreaded Emory "SM."

Aaron — Da Bomb. Watch out for Courtney, Drip.

Scott and Brian — Rico and the Brain — Good luck in Open, you'll need it.

Zo — Two words, Where's Becky.

Chasity — The woman who saved me from T.T. How can I thank you? We'll always be friends.

C-Note — Get back where you belong.

Doc Church — Mack Daddy, you're

the only coach I could debate for. Don't run into any more walls, okay.

John and Shelia — Congrats in advance. Daddy Mack, watch out for Shelia and Bernard, something may be happening there.

PR and Advertising Majors — Is it too much to ask that the second-floor lab is open occasionally.

Kim — Good luck in grad school Trouble. If that's where you're going this week.

Michelle — Don't worry, the water will dry, eventually.

Stacey — The first person I'll forget when I make my first million.

"Huey, Dewey, Louie, Gooley, and Doc" — The only people who know what Neenerfoofen means.

Two final notes:

First, I will never step inside the new Rec Center as long as alumni must pay to use something we helped build. Note to administrators: I would not wait by the mailbox for donations from this alumnus. I'm pretty sure of some other seniors who feel the same way, too.

Second, everyone who needs writing experience should write for *Sidelines*. *Sidelines* not only give you much need clips (which you need to get internships, believe me) but looks okay on your resume.

I detest long good-byes. So I'll just say:

Good-bye. ■

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to find another place to stay that week.

If we pay for that week, Housing can take that profit and justify in its reports to Accounting that our rent paid for hot water which did not exist. That money can go ANYWHERE.

To benefit students, we can be placed in a dorm without a scheduled maintenance and get what we paid for. But this would not create a profit for this office whose sole funding is generated directly from students.

Housing, along with Phillips Bookstore and ARA Food Services, is called an

auxiliary enterprise. They profit directly from students and have minimal departmental budgets. In the real world, if this were a city of 17,000 people, they would be called monopolies.

It takes little effort to involve the Division of State Auditing to assist these offices in finding the solutions for their "tied hands." It also takes little effort for these offices to communicate reasons such as the dorm problem to concerned students.

I have yet to get an explanation for one very good reason: this is an episode of M*A*S*H, the bureaucrats are overseas, and we can live in tents and eat cake. ■

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type of math involved, and Mass Comm people are notorious for being math illiterate?

Peck Hall: I've been here for five years and I still get turned around in that building. You might as well ring bells in the rooms, because its like some bizarre Pavlovian maze or something.

KOM: I feel sorry for anybody that has classes in that basement.

I wanted to save this last part till the end because I knew it was going to sound like a severe case of sucking up. I'd like to thank Dr. Vile

for giving me a D in Constitutional Law, because if I had gotten anything higher I probably wouldn't have changed my major to Journalism. I'd like to thank Dr. Jean Nagy for saying that I "improved" as a graphic designer. And finally, I'd like to thank Dr. Himebaugh for teaching me what a journalist really is and Dr. Badger for teaching me what a journalist really does.

P.S. thanks Andy, for being a best friend. ■

Ray L. Dan

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