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Preregistration woes explained

KAY HILTON
Editor

The dean of admissions, records and information systems met with the Faculty Senate Monday night to answer questions about the new preregistration system, the senate steering committee asked him to discuss concerns about the system, especially pertaining to student advising.

After giving a short history on the software presently in use, Cliff Gillespie addressed whether advisers should be present at the registration center. Part of the problem would be the hours the advisers would need, Gillespie said.

The center is open from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. for three weeks in a row. This would not be convenient for many teachers' schedules, mainly because of classes taught during those times, he said.

Some faculty are bothered by students no longer needing their advisers' signatures on the trial schedules. Night school students have not been required to have an adviser's signature for a few years now, Gillespie said. Some departments had elaborate and effective systems for the trial schedules, while other departments had pre-signed trial schedules available for the advisees.

"It's not fair for two students to approach the

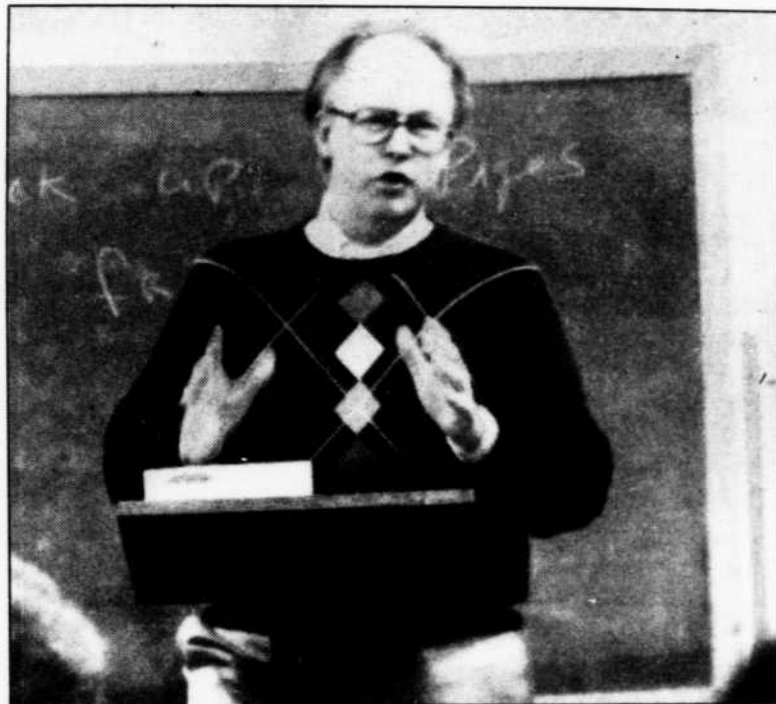
scheduling table simultaneously, and we tell one he has to have his advisor's signature, and the other doesn't. It makes us look stupid," Gillespie said.

"It's also unfeasible for a student who can't get to school and register until 6 p.m., and his adviser has already left for the day," he added.

Gillespie said the long lines prominent at last semester's preregistration would be corrected. Students were scheduled by a matrix, but there was a miscalculation. The center had estimated 1,100 students would register "on a good day," Gillespie said, but the number of seniors was miscalculated. The new schedule should now to handle 70 students an hour.

Securing transcripts of transfer students is another area of concern for the faculty. The programs used in preregistration cannot translate all transfer credits, he said, and this is especially important because of the high rate of transfer students at MTSU.

"We are the largest immigration school in the state. Half of all of our graduate students are transfers. We have 1,000 transfer students in the fall," Gillespie said. "Transfer students should be a priority."



Sharon Evans/Photographer

Answering preregistration questions: Dean Cliff Gillespie addressed faculty questions about new registration problems at the Senate Faculty meeting Monday night.

AIDS stickers show up in campus restrooms

RUSTY GERBMAN
Assistant News Editor

The Associated Student Body (ASB) has joined in the fight for AIDS awareness by placing more than 1,000 informational stickers in the restrooms on campus.

These 5x7 inch day glow green stickers will be placed on the backs of stall doors, mirrors and above urinals.

"I think it will do some good," said Todd Burnett, ASB president. "I was a little hesitant at first. I was thinking that everybody will already know what's on the sticker. But things have gotten real lax about AIDS awareness lately."

These stickers consist of three parts.

First, they state that AIDS virus is transmitted by the exchange of bodily fluids, such as during sexual intercourse and intravenous drug use.

Second, they explain ways to reduce the risk of contracting the virus. These suggestions include; abstain from sexual intercourse, use a condom or spermicide containing Nonoxynol 9, and do not use IV drugs.

Lastly, the stickers list telephone numbers for more information. "Maybe this will bring back some of the awareness and say, hey this thing has not gone away," Burnett said.

The whole sticker project cost a little over \$100, Burnett said. The idea for the stickers came from David Pritchett one of the joint chief of staff, who he had seen a similar sticker program will he visited the University of Kentucky.

Burnett said that Pritchett told him about the program last summer, but they did not really push hard for the program until Jan.

MTSU instructor wins annual Leo A. Codd

An MTSU Army ROTC instructor was selected earlier this month as the United States Army Second ROTC Region's best instructors.

Capt. Reginald Beaty won the Leo A. Codd Award which is given annually to the best ROTC instructor from nominees submitted by university professors of military science.

The second region, which covers a nine-state area, from Michigan to Tennessee and from West Virginia to Missouri, consists of 79 colleges and universities, according to Lt. Col. Cecil Calloway, ROTC department chairman.

As a regional winner, Beaty will now compete at the Army level against instructors from three ROTC regions, Calloway said. Final selection will be based on how well the



Capt. Reginald Beaty

instructor's students have done in Army training, instructor performance, ability to communicate, and awards and recognitions.

Beaty has been at MTSU for almost four years. He instructs the senior ROTC cadets in leadership, logistics,

administrations and military law as well as tactics, explains Calloway. He is active in intramural sports on campus and is faculty adviser to Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity.

"His selection for special recognition as an outstanding ROTC instructor is typical of the superb manner in which Capt. Beaty performs all his duties," said Calloway. "He has been a tremendous asset to the university and the military science department."

Beaty will leave this summer to attend the Army's prestigious Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. Only the top 40 percent of Army officers are selected to attend the year-long course for senior officers. He was also recently selected for promotion to major.

Campus Capsule

Bring your sweetheart to the **A.R.M.S. Valentine's Day Party** at the 'Boro. Bands playing are: the Laughing Storm Dogs, the Shindigs and Dr. Gonzo. Come party with us tonight at 9!

The deadline for turning in **All-Sing applications** has been extended to Tuesday, Feb. 26. If you have any questions, call 898-3156.

Attention aspiring songwriters! **RIM Writers** will hold an organizational meeting Thursday, Feb. 21, at 7:30 p.m. in Room 149 of the new Mass Communications building. Officers will be elected. For more information, call 898-5695.

The **Placement Office** is sponsoring **Teacher Recruitment Week** Feb. 25-March 1 for students interested in teaching in 1991. Sixty school districts from 14 states and the District of Columbia will participate. Interested students should contact the Placement Office in KUC 328 to obtain the schedule and to make interview appointments.

MTSU President James

Walker will be the featured speaker at the university's **Davidson County Open House**, Feb. 26, from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Briley Parkway in Nashville. Various academic and university departments, such as housing and financial aid, have information tables so students and parents can speak with teachers and administrators about MTSU. The open house is free and open to the public.

Hike the Appalachian Trail during Spring Break! Campus Recreation will hold a meeting to discuss details of the trip on March 4 at 5:30 p.m. in AMG 219. The cost of the trip is only \$30 per student, \$35 for guests. Space is limited to 10 people!. Hurry and sign up! For more information, call 898-2104.

U.S. Rep. Bart Gordon will hold an open meeting 10:30-11:30 a.m., Saturday, March 2, at the Rutherford County Courthouse Courtroom.

Students for Environmental Action will meet on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in KUC-315. The group will have an information table in front of Phillips Bookstore today.

The **Spring Honors Lecture Series** continues Monday at 3:30 p.m. in Peck Hall 107 with **Ed Kimbrell**, dean of the School of Mass Communication, speaking on "Broadcasting and War."

Weather permitting, the **Middle Tennessee State University Observatory** will be open to the public on Tuesdays, Feb. 19, from 8-10 p.m. The observatory is located east of Cummings Hall. Because a step ladder is the only access to the telescope floor, children under 10 are not encouraged to visit the observatory without adult supervision.

The **June Anderson Women's Center** is coordinating a support group for anyone within the MTSU community who has loved ones deployed to **Operation Desert Storm**. For additional information, call the center at 898-2193.

The **ASB House and Senate** will hold a joint session on Feb. 20. Members are expected to attend. The meeting will be conducted in the LRC, Multi-Media room at 6:00 p.m.

The **Omega Chapter of Gamma Iota Sigma**, a national professional

insurance fraternity, will hold an election for the "Most Outstanding Professor in the School of Business." Ballot boxes will be located in the lobby of Keathley Old Main Feb. 14 from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. All juniors and seniors with a major in any department in the School of Business are eligible to vote.

The **Junior Department of the Women's Club** is sponsoring a "Prom Dress Sale" on Saturday, Feb. 16, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. The Women's Club is located at 221 E. College St. This is a fund-raising effort by the Junior Department for needed repairs on the interior and exterior of the Women's Club.

The **Campus Recreation Office** is attempting to implement activities and programs for disabled students. All disabled students are encouraged to express their interest in horseback riding, aerobics, cycling, outdoor trips or other activities. Please contact Barton with your suggestions by Feb. 15 at 898-2104.

Alpha Kappa Psi Professional Business Fraternity would like all interested students, faculty and staff who would like to send a word of encouragement to U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf area to address these letters to Dear "Brave Heart." Letters to be sent to the Army, Air Force and Marine Corps troops should be mailed to Operation Brave Heart, c/o Operation Desert Storm, APO New York 09848-0006. Letters to be sent to the Navy and Marine Corps on ships in the area should be mailed to Operation Brave Heart, c/o Operation Desert Storm, FFP New York 09886-0006.

The **Women's History Month Celebration** is sponsoring an essay contest. The topic will be on some aspect of Women's Studies. Three

copies of the essay must be in by Feb. 15. Pick up entry forms and information sheets in Peck Hall 324.

Looking Forward, an on-campus support group for sexually abused women, will begin holding meetings 6-7 p.m. every Thursday in KUC 312. For further information, contact JoAnn at 355-1077.

Placement Office interviews scheduled include: Feb. 14, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics; Feb. 19 Peeble's Department Stores, Ryder Truck Rentals, U.S. Space & Rocket Center. Feb. 19 is also the deadline for pre-interview resume submissions for the Castner-Knott Co.

Nacel Youth Exchange Program is looking for families to host teen-agers from Spain, France and Germany and other countries this summer for four weeks (mid-July to mid-August). If you are interested, contact the local NACEL representative: Rita-Marie Maisonneuve, BDA 331, 898-2284.

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The **Seventh-Day Adventist Fellowship** would like to invite those who are interested in Christian fellowship to join them Friday night at 6 p.m. for supper and Bible study. Anyone interested is invited. For more information, call 895-6128.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets Wednesdays at 8:30 p.m. in the Blue Raider

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Governor proposes education reform in Tenn.

Before and overflow gallery packed with educators Thursday, Governor Ned McWherter proposed education reforms when he gave his televised State of the State address during a joint convention of the General Assembly.

With a promise to dedicate the next four years to education reform, McWherter revealed 23 education issues proposing 17 cost-free changes.

Some changes labeled cost-free for Tennessee taxpayers include the appointment of

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superintendents, mandatory training for school board members, providing an incentive program for improvement of school systems by rewarding and additional 5 percent in state funding, and lengthening the school year for one day of parent meetings with teachers.

Education Committee Chairman Gene Davidson, D-

tested did not come in form an HIV test specifically but were in for just a regular blood test for cholesterol or something else."

Paul Cantrell, dean of students, said he believes the sticker program is valuable. Cantrell said the the project will be a good tool to enhance the awareness of a deadly diseases that is spreading rapidly in our society.

AIDSWALK Nashville will sponsor a "Town Meeting" in March with Martion Delaney, executive director of Project Information. The meeting will be held in the HCA Auditorium at One Park Plaza at 7 - 9 pm March 15. It is free and open to the public.

Adams, said that he feels there is merit to many of the proposals the Governor outlined during his address. He said a lot of the proposals are very beneficial and would definitely provide assistance to the school systems in Tennessee.

Concerned with students who are serving in the Persian Gulf, Rep. Joe Armstrong, D-Knoxville is a primary sponsor of a bill that provides tuition credit to military reserve and national guard personnel attending state colleges or universities when performing duty during a school term.

"Although we have major legislation passing through our hands concerning education and other main topics for this year's Legislature, my mind is concerned with a bill that would aid students in armed forces programs once they return from active duty," said Rep. Armstrong.

"Once these students return to Tennessee from the Persian Gulf War, and established tuition credit will be available for those who request such credit."

The bill states that the "Tennessee Higher Education Commission shall establish rules and procedures applicable to students who are seeking a tuition credit. They will have the authority to establish the procedure for application by such student to receive a tuition credit, to determine what type of documentation would be required to establish proof of active military duty, and to establish any other requirements the commission determines necessary to determine the eligibility of students for a tuition credit from state colleges and universities."

"The outline of this piece of legislation benefits many of Tennessee students who are serving in combat," said Armstrong.

"We are in the midst of a crisis and with this bill we could assist many students returning to continue their education."

After two years of listening to countless testimonies, the Special Joint Committee to Study Revisions to the Law of Conservatorships, Guardians and

Estates of Incompetents approved the final draft of a bill during this week's session.

"We have heard numerous testimonies from doctors, lawyers, banks and judges and public guardians to reach a final draft of this bill," said Rep. Brenda Turner, D-Chattanooga. "This piece of legislation standardizes procedures for the appointment of guardians or conservators and tightens requirements for all accounting and money managed."

"Within this bill we have provided more protection for the person with a guardian or conservator. In many cases we have studied, parents have abused the usage of finances awarded to a child. We feel the money should solely be utilized for the child's care, not for other uses, such as buying homes or automobiles."

The bill unifies the guardianships and conservatorships, therefore limiting many of the tedious procedures probate courts were having to

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"It will take about two weeks to get all the stickers up," Burnett said.

Pritchett worked with Barbara Martin, director of the Student Health Services, to compile general information and phone numbers for statistics on the college level about AIDS.

Martin provided information about a survey by the American College Health Association compiled during the last two years on 34 campuses.

"The survey found that two in every thousand students tested positive with virus," Martin said. "Those

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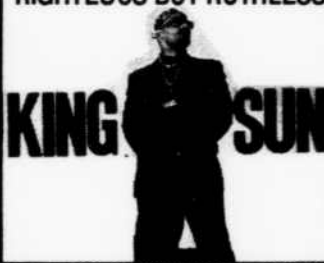
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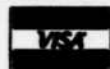
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Jones interviews with faculty to get Academic Vice President's position

MARGARET LINN
Staff Reporter

Spacing needs for classrooms and faculty offices were a major concern for MTSU's interim vice president of academic affairs when he interviewed for the job he currently holds.

Robert Jones addressed an open meeting with the Faculty Senate in the Faculty Senate Lounge Feb. 7.

"We're going to have more and more space difficulties before the new buildings are completed. Space problems is an issue that's going to get hotter before it gets colder," said Jones.

Jones believes that the academic affairs position is a role that is vital to an expanding faculty. It is also associated with the problems facing the ever increasing number of students and faculty, Jones said.

He firmly believes that the vice presidency is important because it represents MTSU, students and faculty. Jones said he wants more

faculty research grants and supports professional activities by faculty members.

Five-year faculty reviews is an issue Jones is opposed to implementing. He believes that the five-year, instead of the present 10-year, term would have no positive benefits.

"It [five-year review] would only fill filing cabinets," said Jones.

Jones said he supports the establishment of an office of faculty grants, registration reforms and a student academic advising center. He said MTSU should decentralize, though a centralized campus works for smaller universities it is out dated at MTSU.

Registration by phone is a feasible alternative for a growing college, and he expects student population at MTSU to hit 18,000 within the next five years.

Limitations on the lowest acceptable ACT scores and expansion of the Honors program in the future would, said Jones, would keep bright students coming to MTSU.

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Print shop to be expanded

The print shop is the first priority in the Master Plan. The Master Plan is a plan that will expand the Kirksey Old Main, Todd Library, and many other facilities, according to Tony Snook, manager of the shop.

The Print Shop is in need of additional space and proper facilities in order to operate

effectively by the university's standards. Last semester 7,525,000 copied paper was distributed throughout the campus, but only 965,000 were copied by the Print Shop. The reason for this is that the shop doesn't have certain facilities for the various departments on campus.

"The Print Shop has a lot of potential, but we have only used half due to lack of facilities," said Snook.

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Lambda Association of MTSU is a support organization for gay and lesbian students, faculty, staff and their supporters. For more information write to: P.O. Box 624, MTSU.

AA Unity Group meets Wednesdays at noon in KUC 311.

MTSU Catholics meet at the Catholic Center. Check sign for weekly activities. Sunday Mass at 7:30. 1023 N. Tennessee Blvd. 896-6074.

Co-op jobs are available for summer and fall '91. Opportunities include biology, chemistry, geoscience, physics, mathematics, computer science, environmental science and related disciplines. U.S. Department of Energy deadline is March 15. Support includes academic credit, \$200/week, housing and travel reimbursement.

Murfreesboro Young People's Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets 8 p.m. Wednesdays at 601 Bell St. Anyone interested is welcome. For more information (or a ride) call Rick, 898-3190.

The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi is accepting applications for the National Fellowship competition. Graduating seniors with outstanding academic and leadership records are encouraged to apply. For more information and applications, contact the Phi Kappa Phi Fellowship Committee c/o Melanie Thomas at P.O. Box #13 or call 898-2586. Application deadline is Feb. 8.

How to prepare job resumes and prepare for job interviews will be discussed by two media professionals when the Society of Professional Journalists meets Thursday, Feb. 21, at 7pm in KUC 316. For additional information call Dr. Glenn Himebaugh, 898-2205.

Campus Capsule is open to the MTSU community for public service announcements and meetings of general interest. To have an item included, bring typed or printed copy to JUB 310 by 4:30 p.m. weekdays. Items will be included as space permits and with timeliness taken into consideration.

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"It is important for probate courts to manage these cases," said Turner. "During our study we discovered records that haven't been reviewed in 13 or 14 years. Our court systems are backlogged and it's difficult to check the financial status of guardians and conservators in the caring for and individual. Hopefully we will overcome all these obstacles with a newer, more refined law that will help everyone concerned with this issue."

Consumers will benefit from a bill that requires insurance companies to give notice to many bank customers in a bill recently filed and sponsored by Rep. Calvin Moore, D-West Point.

"It is a consumer bill that will essentially effect people across

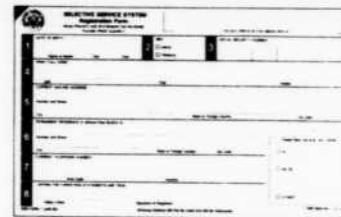
the state," said Moore. "It has proven to be a problem for many consumers that I have talked with and something needed to be done."

If the bill is enacted it will require that "any insurance company which increases its premiums shall give 30 days notice of any increase to a customer who has an account paid by bank draft or pre-authorized check."

"Several insurance companies and agents have expressed their interest to me about this bill," said Moore. "It will benefit consumers who utilize check-o-matic or direct bank draft."

"Before this bill was filed, there was no law that required insurance companies to notify customers of a premium increase. It is a consumer bill favorable to bank patrons that use this form of banking," said Moore.

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Teachers need to get a grip

How many times have we heard instructors at MTSU say; "Students shouldn't work so much," "You shouldn't work 20 hours a week let alone 40," or our favorite "If you want to work, work. If you want to study, study."

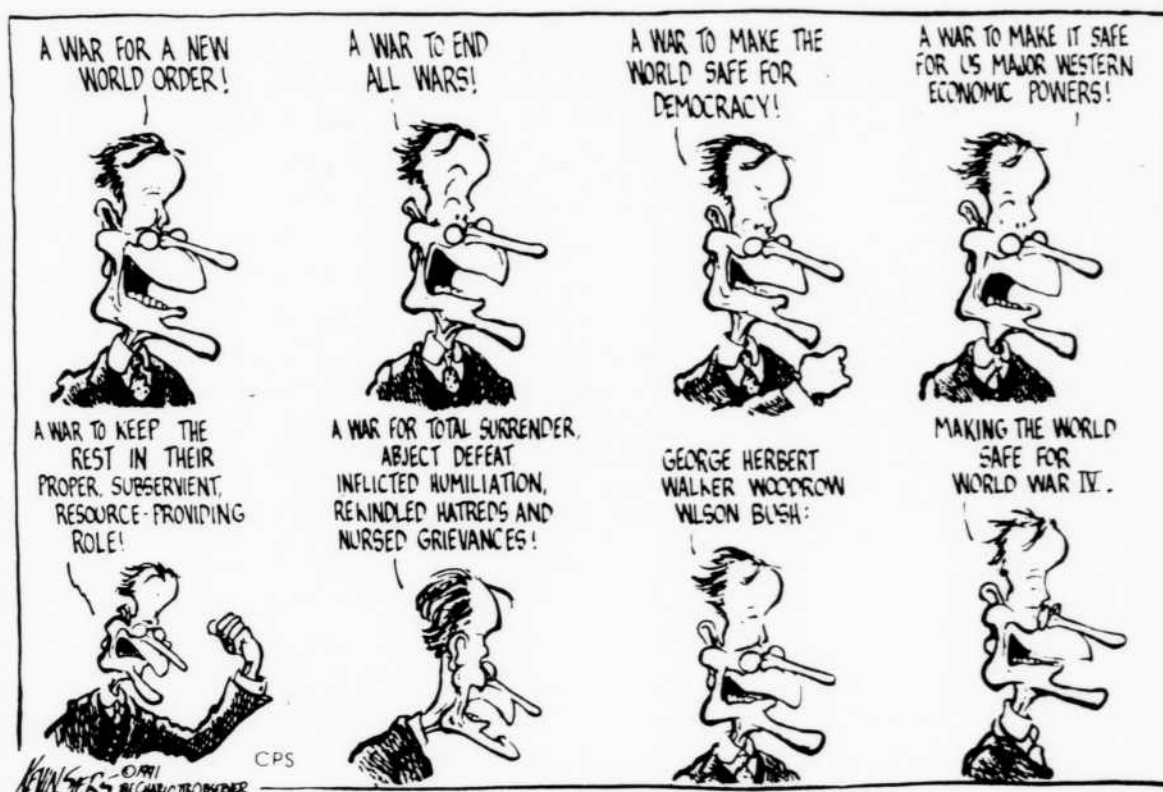
Some professors at this university need to come out of the Dark Ages. This college is not set during the *Ozzie and Harriet* or the 1950s when Mom stayed home, and Dad made enough money to send Wally and the Beav to school.

The majority of students at MTSU have to work to be here. But some of the instructors think we don't spend enough time on our studies and don't care about an education. They don't remember that they are here because we are willing to work, go to school and do little else.

Well let's just get something out in the open, most of us have jobs. Most of us could be making more money. We don't know a single full-time student who hasn't turned down a higher paying job because they would have to leave school to do it. So we cook food, serve food, clean-up food, sell used cars, sell every item known to man for a 3 percent commission, drive delivery trucks, run the video rental counters, tutor students, load shopping bags, cover little league baseball games for small-time newspapers and even dig graves.

Do we care about our education?

YES!!! We care more than anyone has ever cared for their education. Most of us fight every day to juggle work, school and a small personal life. We want to stay in this university. A university which time after time treats us as children instead of adult consumers paying for an education.



Letters to the Editor

McCash remembered

To the Editor:

On the morning of Feb. 8, Dr. William Barton McCash passed away. Not realizing the severity of Dr. McCash's immediate condition, his passing came as a complete surprise and a tragic shock to everyone who knew him.

Dr. McCash embodied what a professor should be. He demanded the absolute best from each of his students and justly rewarded those who were willing to give such dedication. In all fairness, he showed no partiality to anyone; his respect came as a reward for working hard for him.

History came to life as he lectured. When he spoke of the warfare in Vietnam, you could almost feel the impact of the bombs. When he lectured on the Jekyll Island Club, you could sense the luxuries of the lives led by the businessmen of the Gilded Age. History was not a job to him; it was a passion. Dr. McCash's intellect and ability were exhibited in his numerous lectures, articles, and books. Truly, he was a scholar in all meanings of the word.

As chairman of the history department, Dr. McCash ably served the university community. His keen sense of efficiency and his dedication to the task on hand promoted the mission of the history department and expanded its influence on each of the students who took a history course. His guidance and

administrative leadership will be sorely missed.

Dr. McCash was a brilliant man, and I consider myself fortunate to have not only had him as an instructor and employer, but to also know him as a friend. The influence on my life and the countless numbers of other students is nothing which can be lost to death. He will live on through his students and through the way he has changed lives. Dr. McCash, you will be missed by everyone who knew you, but we can take strength in knowing that you are now in a much better place.

Chris Kelly
Box 7135

Statements based on innocence and ignorance

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to your article, "Should women be in combat?". I admire Ms. Hilton's introspection of the war, but I wonder if some of her statements are based on ignorance or innocence.

I want Ms. Hilton to know that she does not sound "sexist" when she states that "...there are things that can be done to woman by the enemy that cannot be done to a male soldier...", she sounds grossly uninformed. Men can, and are, raped by other men everyday. All anyone needs to do is study our very own prison system in order to verify this fact.

As to the idea that only a woman can be impregnated

during a rape, a female civilian's chance of being raped is greater than that of a female soldier's serving today.

Also, I only hope that Ms. Hilton's judgment of "...a bullet through the heart..." for these women comes from her innocence. It does seem a little presumptuous though for someone who has probably (and luckily) never had to survive a horrible tragedy to make such a harsh statement. Many who have survived come through stronger and somehow happier than before.

Susan Ham
Box 9974.

Developmental Studies deserves second look

To the Editor:

After reading Mr. Rosing's letter, I decided to take this opportunity to present some information to the staff, faculty, and students here at school who may be unacquainted with the Developmental Studies department. Mr. Rosing's letter to Dr. Walker brought up some very interesting as well as concerning points, but I have to take issue with his suggestion for developmental studies classes.

Mr. Rosing respectfully suggested that "remedial/developmental courses be offered during the less popular times [7 a.m.; evening classes]. There ought to be some reward for students

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who've adequately prepared themselves for college work." I am a graduate teaching assistant in developmental reading so I can only speak from my own knowledge of our particular program; but I feel confident that much of the information I am going to present is characteristic of the other developmental programs (study skills, math, and writing). I did not write this letter to be a personal strike against Mr. Rosing, but I did write it to hopefully enlighten people so that one day attitudes like his may cease to exist. I initially tried to decide if he was more concerned with prime classroom space or unfair rewards for developmental studies students, but I decided that both were equally important issues and needed addressing.

I would first like to examine his suggestion on the utilization of classroom space. Until one month ago the developmental reading program operated out of two classrooms in KOM (Rooms 120 and 124). We just received another in the JUB so that some double-section classes could be separated, since our program

emphasizes the importance of individual help if needed. Last semester we continually filled both of our classrooms from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. This semester we are in the same situation except that our hours are from 8 a.m. until 7 p.m. Maybe Mr. Rosing would like us to hold our classes in the middle of the night, or could it be that he would just like to do away with our classes?

Mr. Rosing referred to our students as "inadequately prepared," and his choice of words made it sound as though the students in developmental classes are only there because they really did not apply themselves in high school. With few exceptions, he could not be more wrong. The majority of our students are learning disabled, foreign, or much older than traditional students. I was very fortunate going through school. I

graduated from here with honors and have worked hard to attain a 4.0 GPA in the Clinical Psychology program. My brother, on the other hand, is not so fortunate. He suffers from Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder (ADHD). Though he is currently in school at Cumberland University and enrolled in the developmental program there, school is always going to be very hard for him. He is no less intelligent than I, but his disorder affects his learning capacity. I am very grateful that he has understanding teachers who have recognized his desire to be successful in college despite his problem, and there are many people like my brother at MTSU, who can also be successful with a little extra help and strengthening of their basic learning skills. My question is: Should these people be punished because of something

they have no control over and are working hard to overcome? We also have many foreign students in our classes who need help with their comprehension and usage of our language. Should they be punished because they chose our school to further their education? Next, we will look at our older students. Many of these people have not been in school for years. Should these people be inconvenienced by "unpopular" class times because they need or want to refreshen their study skills? We also have had some honor student who evidently did not get what they needed during high school to prepare them for college, and believe it or not, some people choose to take our classes because they have heard how beneficial they were to other students. Developmental studies classes are not just a reward for

"inadequately prepared" students. It takes a lot of hard work and determination to pass our classes.

Finally, I would like to remind everyone of the teachers who make these classes so successful. They already teach during the "unpopular" times because of the high demand for the classes, and though I knew little about them or the program during the time I was an undergraduate, I now know that they are all among some of the most dedicated at this university. I invite anyone to come and see what we do and who we really are in developmental studies. You might be surprised to find that we are not second rate educators, but most importantly, we do not have second rate students.

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Features

Valentine's Day



Love is...

ANGELA BONDS
Features Editor

"Is it in his eyes? Oh, no that's not the way. Is it his touch? Oh, no that's not the way and you're not listening to all that I say. If you want to know if he loves you so, it's in his kiss. That's where it is," belts Cher in her latest remake of the popular 60's tune, "The Shoop Shoop Song."

But how do people at MTSU know if that special someone loves them so? Well, here's just a few replies.

"My boyfriend rubs my back. And, he's put up with me for a year and a half. I figure if he's that crazy, he's got to love me," comments one MTSU senior.

Mindy Waldron, a senior education major, adds, "You know when someone overlooks all of your faults and loves you anyway."

"I don't think it's just one thing, it's a lot of different things," explains Chris Ownby, a sophomore from Hendersonville.

Business administration major, Deborah Layne, agrees. "I think you can tell a person loves you in a lot of ways. It is in his eyes and how he looks at you. It is in his touch and how he holds you. Most of all, it's the amount of trust and respect he has for you. It's all of this."

Lucas Johnson reveals, "I broke up with my last girlfriend because she didn't lick my ear lobes, that's really important to me. But seriously, you can tell she loves you if she stands behind you in your personal endeavors, and wishes you much success."

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Holiday has unusual history

According to *World Book Encyclopedia*, Valentine's Day is a special day observed on Feb. 14. People celebrate this day by sending greeting cards called *valentines* to their special someone, family and friends. Many of these greeting cards have romantic verses and some have humorous pictures and sayings. Most say "Be my valentine." The first commercial valentines were made in the early 1800's and some cost as much as \$10.

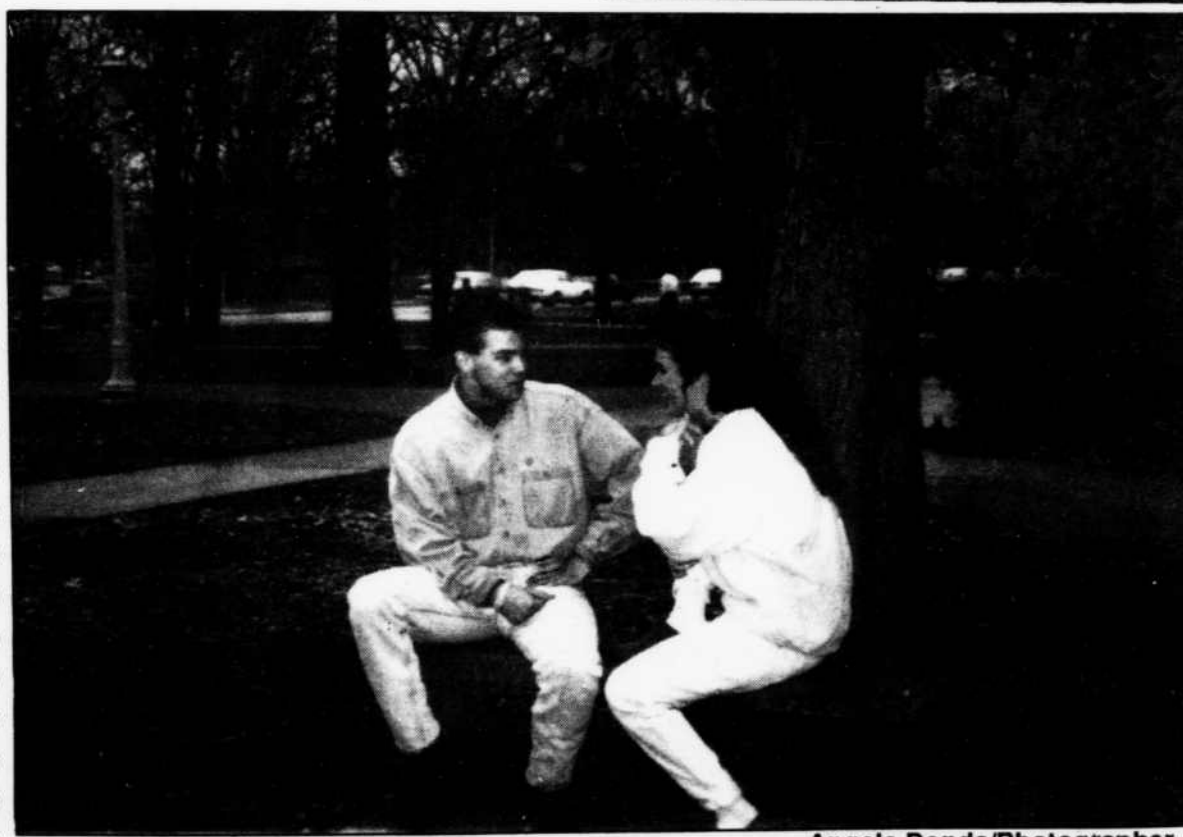
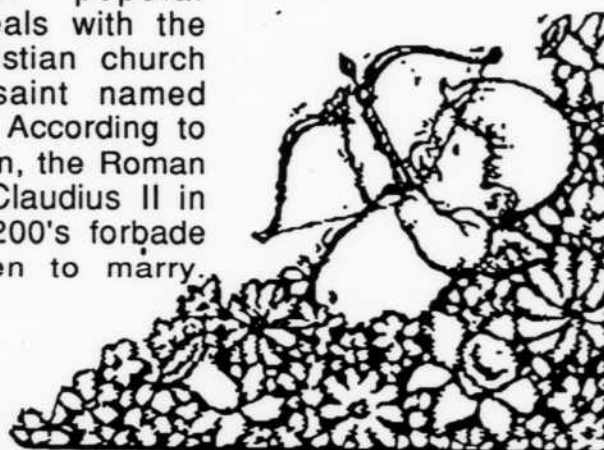
There are a few different legends as to how the holiday originated. *World Book* states that some historians trace its beginning to an ancient Roman festival called Lupercalia held on Feb. 15 to ensure protection from the wolves. During

this celebration, young men struck people with strips of animal hide. The women took the blows because they thought the whipping made them more fertile. After the Romans conquered Britain in A.D. 43, the British borrowed many of the Roman Festivals. Many link the festival of Lupercalia with Valentine's Day because of the similar date and the connection with fertility.

Another popular legend deals with the early Christian church and its saint named Valentine. According to one version, the Roman Emperor Claudius II in the A.D. 200's forbade young men to marry.

Claudius thought that single men made better soldiers. A priest named Valentine ignored the order and continued to secretly marry young couples who were in love. Many believe Valentine was executed on Feb. 14 about A.D. 269. In A.D. 496, Pope Gelasius named Feb. 14 as St. Valentine's Day.

No matter which legend you believe, Valentine's Day is a special day shared by romantics everywhere.



Angela Bonds/Photographer

COUPLE ON CAMPUS: With Valentine's Day upon us, it is easy to pick out couples on campus, especially when you aren't a part of one. Sophomore David Roddy and junior Christine Ebbeler have been dating one year tomorrow.

Valentine wish list

It's Valentine's Day once again and there are real mixed about emotions about the entire holiday. Those with romantic partners can't wait for the special little gifts that say "I love you."

Then there's the other group, those without a special someone. Those who gag at the mere sight of a heart-shaped box of candy or another corny Valentine.

Love it or hate it, today's the day. One big concern on this holiday is what get and what not to get your Valentine. A few friends and staff compiled this list to learn and live by:

What we honestly don't want for Valentine's Day:

1. A "Dear John" letter.
2. Herpes, AIDS, or any other disease.
3. A Valentine from Saddam Hussein,
4. A singing Valentine from Rosanne Barr.
5. A partridge in a pear tree.
6. Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles Video Tape
7. Dream date with Donnie from New Kids on the Block.
8. A spring break getaway for two to Iraq.
9. A 'secret admirer' card from myself.
10. The gift that keeps on giving-A Copenhagen Kiss!

What we really, really want for Valentine's Day:

1. For starters, a Valentine would be nice!
2. Gold, diamonds...
3. A lover that won't drive me crazy!
4. Calorie-free, fat-free pop tarts.
5. A romantic, candle-lit dinner and a roaring fire.
6. World peace.

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Tips to save the holiday

What you give your significant other on Valentine's Day is usually dependent on how serious your relationship is.

But whether you've been dating two days, two weeks or two years — or if you have been married 10 times either of those — forgetting Valentine's Day can have serious consequences, particularly if you happen to be of the male gender.

Believe it or not, there are some people (particularly of the male gender) who have let the fact that this is Valentine's Day slip up on them. Even with all the hype, the red hearts posted everywhere and flower commercials on every radio and television station, there are those who are just now realizing that this is the "day of love."

If you are now reading this and have not yet purchased your special person a token of your affection, you better be booking to the mall, or at least to the first drug store, as soon as you can put this down.

Don't think about calling a florist. You'd be lucky if you can find one with the telephone on the hook, much less with any flowers to deliver.

So what are you going to do in these final hours before the day comes to a close?

You might try going by a florist. There could possibly be a few, odd cut flowers laying around the floor that could pass for a mixed bouquet. They may even have a few potted, flowering plants left — any one of which will get you out of this jam.

Your best bet will be K mart, Wal-mart, a shopping mall, or if worse comes to worse, the drug store. In fact, you may be able to catch a few good bargains on Valentine paraphernalia by rushing out at this last minute.

LOVE

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"My husband always supports me in every way. He also doesn't say a word when I go shopping, that's how I know," explains one campus administrator.

And Darryl Athans, another MTSU senior, says, "Most of all my girlfriend puts up with me, that's how I know she really loves me. But it is also in all of the little things she does, too."

So, how can you tell if he, or she, loves you so? It's up to you decide. Although it goes way beyond those three little words, there is no right or wrong answer.

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7. Passionate, steamy, romantic sex.

8. Candy, it still works.

9. Flowers, they're still the best!

10. Our troops in the Middle East to come home!

LOVELINES

Jama-

I've always lusted for you from afar, since the first time I saw you in that smoke filled bar. The mountains were classic with you in that house, the sight of you in that famous blue blouse. You snowbunny you, you read with such grace, even with one hand covering half of your face. From bleach blonde to brown went the color of your hair, I'll never forget those wonderful days, But then again, who remembers, we were all in a haze. Oh and let us not forget those two whimsical nights, God only knows you

caused enough fights! Jama you doll, you beautiful girl, won't you please, please, please give me a whirl? Valentine's Day has hit with a thus, won't you be mine? Love, YOUR MOUNTAIN STUD!!!

TERRY

I LOVE YOU with all my heart. Happy Valentine's Day.

Love,
Kim

Gary G.,
The Outback...

The dance...
The kiss, so
what's next?
Remember, Glove. You snooze, you lose!

Candy,
We have something real special, something we'll always keep. I'll always keep. I'll love you till the end.

Your Boy,
III

como un rayito de luna entre la selva dormida asi la luz de tus ojos ha iluminado mi pobre vida Negrita,

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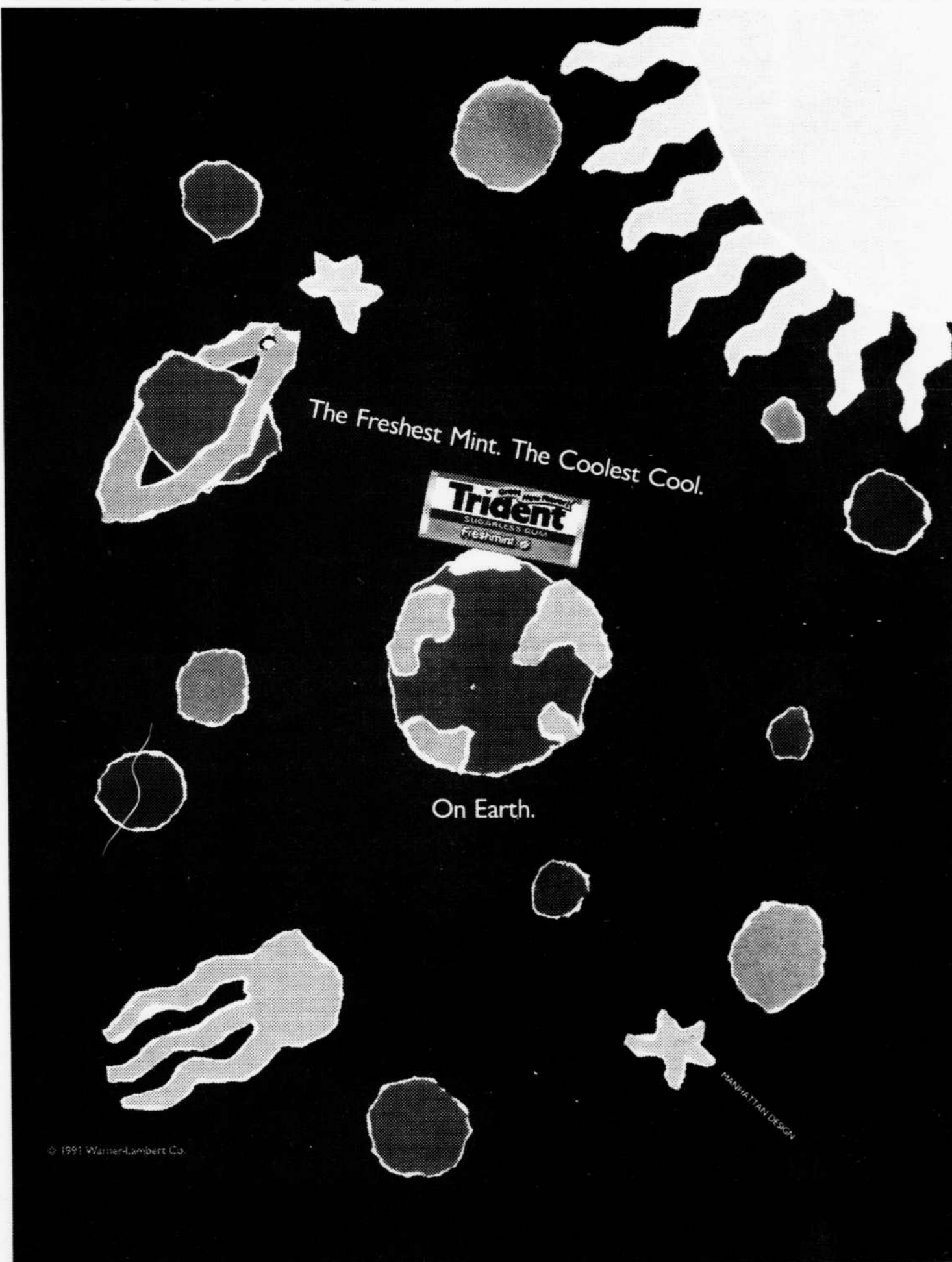
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Dulcita,
ojos negros, piel canela que me llegan a desesperar me importas tu, y tu, y tu, y nadie mas que tu

-enano

Jamas la hiedra y la pared podrian apretarse mas. Igual tus ojos de mis ojos no pueden separarse jamas.

Happy Valentines Day!





BAND SHOWS PROMISE: The Shindigs put on a great show at Mainstreet last Saturday night. The band includes (from left to right) Dean Bratcher (drums), Angela Williams (bass, vocals), Don Felts (vocals), Lance Dodson (guitar) and Eric Miller (guitar).

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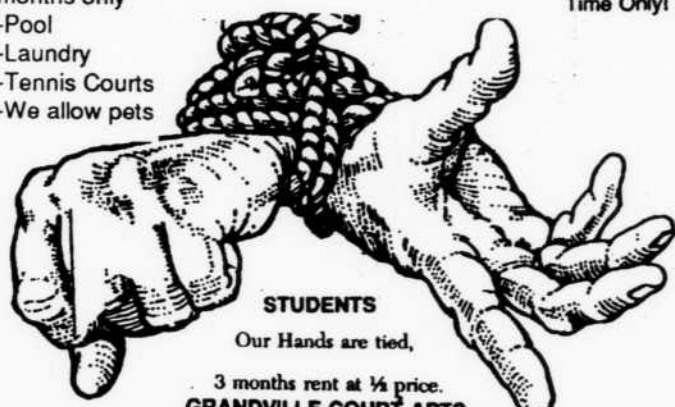
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Local band on the rise

"What's a better way to spend a Saturday night" asks Don Felts, lead singer for the local band, the Shindigs.

We can't think of a better way than watching the Shindigs at a crowded Mainstreet.

ANGELA BONDS and ANDREW BOSTAPH Concert Review

A wild and unruly crowd was on hand last Saturday night when the Shindigs stormed into Mainstreet for what turned out to be an exciting and really entertaining performance.

With fluorescent paint splashed on members of the band as well as the equipment and fans beating the stage in enjoyment, the Shindigs rocked the house with some crowd-pleasing tunes.

One song, "Pretty Dress," which has been number three on WRVU '91 for about three weeks, was great.

The band only performs original music and this music shows real promise. The original works are a collective effort by the band members, but Dean Bratcher (drums) is responsible for most of the lyrics.

Other members include Angela Williams (bass, vocals), Eric

Miller (guitar) and Lance Dodson (guitar).

Although Don and Dean started building the band three years ago, the band as it is now has been performing together about six months.

Each member has had a diverse musical background from older metal style to progressive/industrial to church choir music.

The combination of these influences has lead the band to type their style as alternative with pop appeal, "a little bit of something for everyone."

At the moment the Shindigs have no plans for an album, but they are serious about their music. Playing their own music

is very important to them and they also want to do some traveling. They think life on the road would be great.

The band is currently facing a setback. Guitarist Eric Miller joined the Marines and will be leaving within the next few days. They are trying to find a replacement as soon as possible and they have some tentative shows in Nashville planned if they can find a replacement and pull it all together.

Keep your fingers crossed that the Shindigs can pull it all together. They are a sharp up-and-coming band with a lot of promise. You can catch them tonight at the ARMS Valentine party at the Boro.

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The University of New Orleans is offering college students a summer study program in France. The UNO-Montpellier Summer School is a four-week program of intensive instruction in French language and culture that will be offered from July 2-July 30 in Montpellier, France. College students who have completed at least two semesters or six credit hours of French and are in good standing at their universities may apply. For more information and a brochure, contact Dr. Jean R. Cranmer or Dr. James B. O'Leary, UNO-Montpellier Summer School, P.O. Box 569, University of New Orleans, New Orleans, LA 70148. (504)286-7455.

The Buddies of Rutherford County will be hosting the Buddies of Rutherford County Volunteer Orientation on Tuesday, February 19 at 6:15 p.m. at the Advent Lutheran Church. The church is located at the corner of Tennessee and Mercury Blvds. For more information call 890-0765.

The Nashville Academy Theatre will open "Most Valuable Player" on Monday, February 11 and runs through February 28. The play is a compelling drama for young audiences that focuses on the struggle of the first black player-Jackie Robinson-in the all-white sport of baseball. Tickets are \$3.75. For more information call 524-9103.

The Japan Center of Tennessee presents a mini-exhibit of Japanese masks in the lobby of Cope Administration building. Demon and fox masks are among the items on display through March. The Cope building is open from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. weekdays and 8 a.m. until noon on Saturdays.

Stephen R. Treadway, a member of the staff of the Cheekwood Botanical Gardens, will exhibit his collection of insects in Cheekwood's Botanic Hall through Feb. 17. There is no additional charge to attend

beyond the regular gate fee.

Selections from the Betty and Mitchell Boyd Collection of Contemporary Art, one of Nashville's best collections of contemporary sculpture and painting, is on exhibit until March 1 at Metro Arts Off-Broadway Gallery, 111 Fourth Ave. S. The gallery is open Monday-Friday from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m.

The Museum of Tobacco Art and History is hosting an exhibit of 100 meerschaum pipes through Feb. 23. Admission is free. The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. For more information, call 271-2349.

The Nashville Symphony's "1991 Nashville Scene Symphony Sampler" is now on sale for four mid-season concerts and special offers from four Nashville area restaurants for \$49.50. The sampler may be purchased through Ticketmaster by calling 741-7777 or 800-333-

4849. Ticketmaster is open from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Studio Art '91 features art from university-level faculty from Middle Tennessee in the Metro Arts Downtown Gallery in Church Street Centre. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday-Saturday and noon until 5 p.m. Sunday. The exhibit will be on display through March 17.

The Nashville Symphony Orchestra will present legendary ballet artist Rudolf Nureyev in a special Valentine's Day performance of "Nureyev & Friends: The Farewell Tour" conducted by Maestro Kenneth Schermerhorn. The performance will be at 7:30 p.m., Feb. 14 in Jackson Hall at The Tennessee Performing Arts Center in Nashville. Tickets are \$25, \$35 and \$50 and are available by calling Ticketmaster at 741-7777 or 800-333-4849.

The Cumberland Science

Museum will be having special appearances by Batman Saturday, February 23 from Noon-4:00 p.m. and Sunday, February 24 from 12:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

The Southern Women's Show runs March 21-24 at the Nashville Convention Center. Food, cooking, health care, career opportunities, travel planning, and fashions shows are just a few of the main attractions of this year's show. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for youth 6-12, children under six are free. Child care provided by KinderCare for children 3-6, two-hour limit. Hours are 10 a.m.-9 p.m. daily, except Sunday, noon-6 p.m.. For more information call 1-800-334-0248.

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Angela Bonds
Features Editor

MTSU's Eta Zeta Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha recently won the Cumberland Region's "Best Pledge Education Program" award.

The award was presented to Tim Sells, Chapter President, at the Cumberland Regional Conference held Saturday, February 9, in Memphis.

There are fifteen chapters of Pi Kappa Alpha in the Cumberland Region which includes all chapters in Kentucky and Tennessee.

"It was great to be chosen for this award out of fifteen other chapters. Willie Farris did an excellent job with our pledge program last fall and we are currently revising the program to make it even better," explains Sells.

The MTSU chapter will also be celebrating their 20th anniversary at their Founder's Day Banquet on March 2, at the Holiday Inn in Murfreesboro.



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Sports

Raider attack is back

Big Blue decks Tech in Cookeville, 95-88

TONY J. ARNOLD

Sports Editor

MTSU's Blue Raiders went to Cookeville Monday night with one thing in mind - winning.

They marched into what is commonly referred to as the "Temple of Doom" and spanked the OVC leading Eagles of Tennessee Tech 95-88.

"It feels like old times," Blue Raider mentor Bruce Stewart said. "It was a great win."

Prior to the contest, Tech had not been beaten at the Eblin Center this season. They had even chalked up a win against nationally ranked Southern Mississippi.

But despite the previous wins and a boisterous crowd of 8,686, Tech could not handle a fired up and determined Raider team Monday.

"This was really the biggest win of the year for us," senior center Chris Ingram later said. "This win was at their place. It was almost a sellout from what I could tell and we needed to get them back for what they did to us earlier."

Tech came from behind to upend MTSU in Murfreesboro 73-68 earlier this year. It was their third consecutive victory over the Raiders who had previously won nine straight.

It didn't take long for the crowd to get involved in the game as Bobby McWilliams canned a short jumper seconds into the contest resulting in a "Blizzard" of toilet paper and tissue squares.

However, the fans tactics cost them two points as Robert "Cat Eye" Taylor calmly toed the free throw line and nailed two technical shots for the

disruption.

Each squad traded baskets for several minutes but shortly into the game, MTSU started getting in severe foul trouble resulting in star center Warren Kidds departure to the bench. Shortly thereafter teammate Jeff Clifton joined Kidd with his third personal.

Tech found themselves shooting two shots after each foul as the Raiders picked up their 10th personal at the 11:12 mark in the opening half.

Middle was forced to go to their bench and it appeared that Tech might be on their way to a rout as they led 32-24 when Jerome Rodgers made two free-throws with 7:22 left in the half.

"I had faith in our bench and knew they would keep us in it," Kidd later said.

The players on the floor also started believing and battled back to slice the Eagles lead to 44-43 at the half.

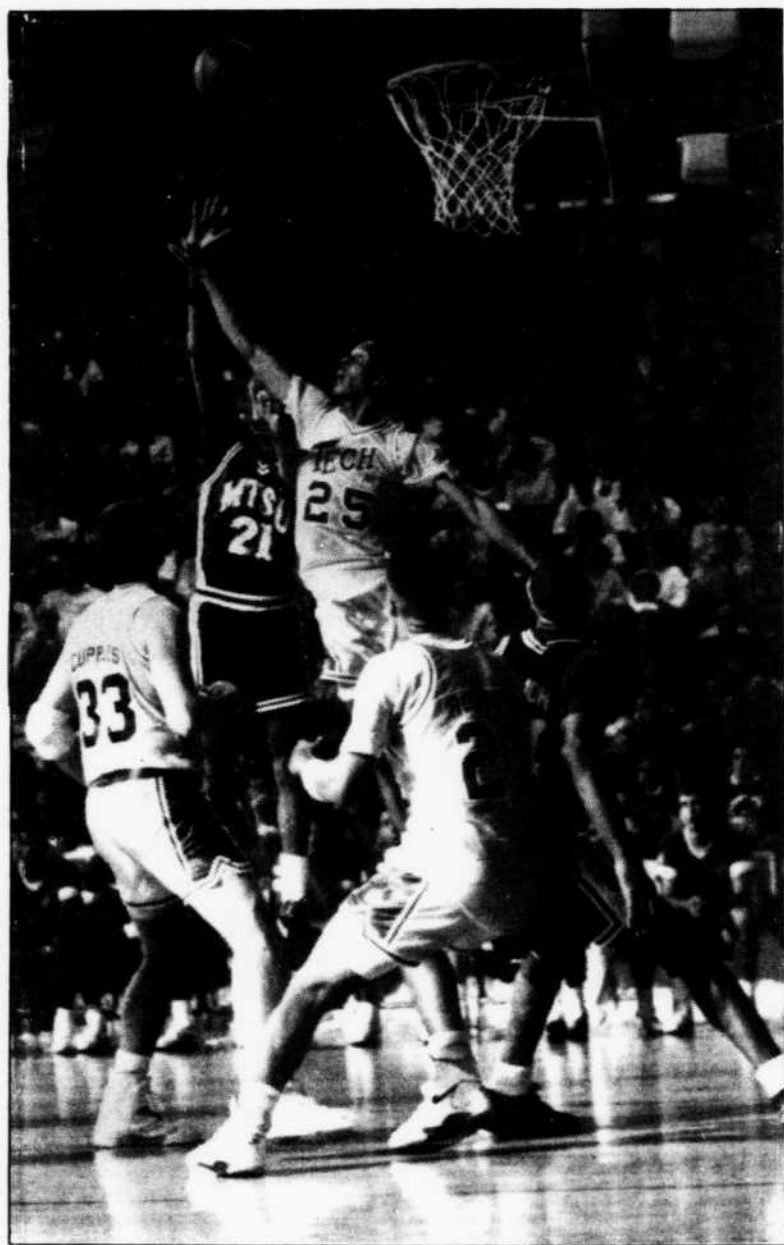
In the second half, Kidd returned to the playing floor but quickly picked up his fourth personal and had to observe once more from the bench.

But, at that point, it didn't matter as Ingram showed his senior leadership by hitting big shot after big shot. Taylor also provided the needed firepower to keep the game close throughout the closing half.

With 5:00 minutes remaining in the game, the score was knotted at 78 a piece.

Raider junior Kelvin Hammonds stepped forward and buried a 3-pointer and shortly after added a lay-up to give MTSU the 83-78 lead. A lead

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Amy Adkins/Photographer

A LITTLE TOUCH: MTSU senior center Chris Ingram puts one of his famous hook shots over TTU's John Best. Ingram tied a career high with 24 points in the Raiders big win in Cookeville Monday.

Never even a contest

Lady Raiders fall hard at TN Tech

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

It was a sad sight Monday night in Cookeville as the Lady Raiders fell to their archrivals 86-70.

They didn't appear to come ready to play which always cost a dear price against the defending OVC champions.

"It's hard not to understand why a team wouldn't be ready for Tech," said head coach, Lewis Bivens. "We just got that glazed look in our eyes and didn't come to play."

After battling out to the wire before downing the Lady Raiders 64-58 earlier in the season, the Golden Eaglettes suffered few setbacks Monday on their home court.

Behind the precision outside touch from sophomore Mitzi Rice and the usual intimidation of Angela Morehead, Tech jumped out on the sluggish Raiders and never glimpsed back.

Rice knocked down 11 quick points, including three 3-pointers, to open up a 20 point lead at the 9:14 mark, 27-20.

It appeared at that point as if MTSU awoke and tried to climb back. Stephanie Capley started hitting along with Pippa Gibson.

But Tech would not be denied as Morehead and Rice kept cooking and wouldn't let the cushion deflate much.

At the half, MTSU found themselves still in the game at 40-27 after a 6-1 rally in the closing minute.

That single Eagle point though may have been one of the biggest.

It appeared as if the hard finish had the Raiders pumped up with the intentions of taking the motivation into the locker room with them. But as time expired Tech's Cecilia Ramsey tossed up a 3-pointer.

It didn't go in but she was fouled and attempted three free-throws. She hit only the first.

"We tried to pump it in there and we did what we could do," Bivens commented. "Obviously we didn't do much right tonight."

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Short hopes his team stands tall

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

After breaking through five brackets into finals competition and winning four of them, Raider tennis coach Dale Short still isn't pleased.

MTSU, who is ranked 15th in Region III, won four of the nine brackets at the Greg Adams Invitational this past weekend and are preparing to make two tough road trips this weekend when they go to Mississippi State and the University of Alabama-Birmingham.

"We're playing well at two or three positions and we're not

playing well at two or three positions," Short explained. "I feel like we can do better."

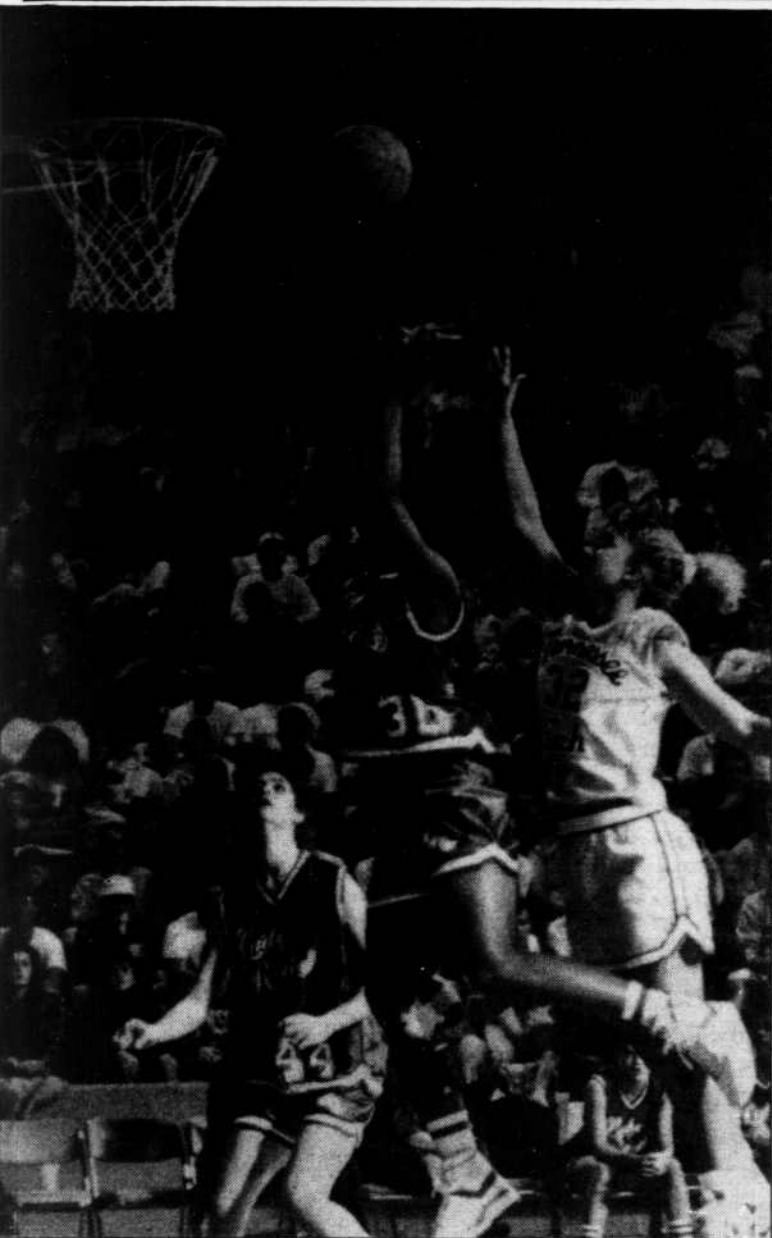
"If we're going to be able to beat teams that are nationally ranked we've got to all be playing well."

Doing better this weekend might be tough as they face two very worthy opponents.

Saturday's match-up with Mississippi State particularly will be no piece of cake.

"Mississippi State was ranked in the top 20 last year," Short said. "I'm not sure where they're ranked right now but I do know it will be a big test for

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IN POSITION: MTSU's Priscilla Robinson and Tech's Sherry Batten are airborne trying to get a rebound while Maggie Cox looks on. Robinson led the way with 21 points in the loss Monday.



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Tennessee Tech	6-2	12-11	vs. Murray State
E. Kentucky	6-3	14-9	vs. Missouri-KC
MTSU	4-4	17-6	vs. Morehead
Austin Peay	4-5	12-12	at Tennessee State
Morehead	2-7	13-10	at MTSU
Tennessee State	1-7	4-18	vs. Austin Peay

WOMEN

School	OVC W-L	ALL W-L	Saturday's Game
Tennessee Tech	8-0	17-5	vs. Murray State
MTSU	5-3	10-12	vs. Morehead
E. Kentucky	5-4	11-8	vs. W. Kentucky
Tennessee State	4-4	10-11	vs. Austin Peay
Morehead	4-5	11-11	at MTSU
Murray State	3-6	8-16	at Tenn Tech
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Big Blue earned win at Tech

For years MTSU and Tennessee tech have been the bitterest of rivals during sporting events.

Monday night was no exception.

Each player played hard.

'Round the Rim TONY J. ARNOLD

Each fan cheered loud. But during the heat of the action, several disturbing events took place that are worth noting.

For starters MTSU played as hard as they could and earned the game the hard way.

Plagued by foul trouble, the bench players stepped forward and dominated the OVC leading Eagles. The whistles were blowing against MTSU so often that at the 11:12 mark of the opening half, the Raiders had already picked up their 10th personal.

Meanwhile Tech only had three at that point.

By the time the half ended, MTSU was charged with 14

personals to Tech's seven.

Things didn't get much better in the second half as Warren Kidd, who dominated the inside when he was in, was quickly whistled with two personals and ended up with 10 minutes of playing action.

Quincy Vance, Jeff Clifton and Greg Christian also played the game with four personals.

When the final buzzer had sounded Tech tallied 24 personals to MTSU's 26.

Sounds close right?

Keep in mind though that Tech was forced to foul in the closing minutes. They did so seven times to make it look close in the books.

My point is that the OVC officials simply stink.

They're unpredictable. They'll go on one end of the court and whistle a touch foul while they'll let someone get away with murder moments later on the opposite end of the floor.

My personal feelings for Monday's crew aren't pleasant. They gave Tennessee Tech every opportunity in the world to pull away from the Raiders. Even when the Raiders were in the

driver's seat, Tech would pick up a call from someone which kept them in it.

Monday's win deservedly went to Bruce Stewart and his crew. He had his team prepared. Every player knew what to do and came right in and picked it up another notch.

The Raiders were prepared and despite the poor officiating the OVC has to offer, not only for this game but several others, MTSU stayed focused and determined which appears to make them a tough foe to tangle with down the stretch.

Also, how about the Tech "Blizzard"?

For those of you who don't know Tech that well, after the opening Eagle basket thousands of paper squares are tossed into the air and rolls of toilet paper are thrown about.

After the game floor was cleared several minutes later, there were literally feet of the paper squares piled up at the end of the gymnasium floor.

Being an OVC rule, any disruption of that kind which delays the game results in a technical foul.

MTSU's Robert "Cat Eye" Taylor stepped up to the line and nailed both freebies.

But still, this is an OVC rule which forbids such action. MTSU does not allow it to happen and Tech is the only conference school that does.

In fact, they don't just break it, they promote breaking it.

Before the men's contest started, packages of the confetti were passed out throughout the arena. During an interview after the women's game, I observed several of the basketball players exiting the lockerroom with several packages of it.

Now where is Mr. Dan Beebe?

Oops, I forgot. It seems that Beebe has a soft spot for the Golden Eagles.

Remember the fight last year? Beebe dished out the majority of the punishment on MTSU.

He didn't particularly seem to care about the three game home schedule for football this season either. He basically said "Sorry, you may have brought our conference national recognition last year but tough luck.

Somebody has to pay the price for us letting the two new junior high schools (UT-Martin and Southeast Missouri State who will not be able to compete competitively) into our conference."

But anyway, why doesn't he step in at TTU and put a stop to their nonsense?

It endangers the fans and players, but their security and authorities allow it to happen.

None of it (the paper) should be allowed through the gates. It has been stopped before and can be stopped in Cookeville, so why not step forward and take some action Mr. Beebe?

A rule is a rule and TTU should be punished for breaking it. However, fighting is against rules too. Once is a warning while a second time could result in a big boot in the rear right out of this league.

Tech doesn't care about the technical they received. Perhaps more serious actions should be taken against them.

Later in the game Monday, Tech had the audacity to blame MTSU for an ice-throwing incident.

While Eagle fans pointed to the MTSU section, MTSU fans pointed to a section of Tech students above them. But matters were justified as a second technical was called and Taylor once again tallied both freebies.

After the game, disgruntled Tech fans exited the gym crying about that call. Even the coach got on the radio and whined about that single call and blamed it on MTSU.

But if Tech hadn't thrown something in the first place things might not have turned out the way they did.

Tech should start using the toilet paper instead of throwing it like a bunch of childish hoodlums.

Instead they prefer to sit around and whimper about how MTSU kicked their butt.

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Austin Peay awaits shot at defending champions

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MTSU's Lady Raider tennis squad is ready to open the 1991 campaign - maybe.

While being the defending OVC champs, Friday's match with OVC foe Austin Peay in Clarksville should reveal a little bit about the teams chances for a repeat run. However, the "flu Bug" seems to have bitten four of the squads performers and has weakened them for the opening match.

"Right now we're hurting a little with the flu that seems to be going around," head coach Dale Short said Tuesday evening. "At practice today we only had two girls."

However, the Lady's will have to adjust to a new coach and some new players. Sandy Neal stepped down from her duties last year after guiding the program for several years. They also lost some contributing players which won't be easy to replace.

Now Short is at the reigns of both tennis squads as he already guides the men's program.

"It'll be a good gauge to see where we stand in the OVC," Short said. "I know that Austin Peay has

got a new player and they already have Shanon Peters who won the OVC No. 1 singles last year. The new girl, who is from Australia, is supposedly on the same level.

"I look for it to be extremely tight. If we can come out with a win there, it should really help out our confidence."

The Lady's lost their No. 3 and 4 players from last years squad. They have two new one's, Jenni Deoliveria and Carol MacPherson, but a lack of experience could hurt them early.

"Realistically, with the loss of those players, we're not as strong," Short says. "We're going to have to ask some young players to step up and move into some tougher levels in order to make a stand."

Lorinda Weiss, Yael Soresman and Angie Leake will lead the Raider attack.

"We're fairly green at some positions right now," Short said. "I really don't know what the rest of the league has right now but I do know we have some talent."

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us."

UAB awaits the Raiders Sunday. They too have a solid team with some national recognition.

"UAB is another big test for

us," Short explained. "It's on the road and I hope our guys are ready to go."

"It's going to be important that we win at least one of the matches or play both of them close," Short said. "It's going to take a team effort with everyone pulling together."

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"All we can do is work on it. We just don't think about what well and we didn't do the thing we need to do on offense or defense."

Things didn't change much the second half either.

The best the Lady Raiders could do was trade baskets with the Eaglettes and that wasn't always easy. Tech's defense clamped down and made MTSU earn what they got.

Before long, MTSU trailed by 24 (71-47), Tech's largest lead, at the 9:28 mark when Renay Adams hit a lay up.

Oddly enough, Adams had tied a NCAA record by hitting 23 consecutive field goals in recent games. However, the senior missed her first shot against the Raiders.

MTSU once again closed out the half strong to make the score a little more respectable as they chopped into the Eaglette lead with a 14-4 run.

"We can't win unless some of our players step forward," Bivens said. "No one did that tonight and Tech whipped us."

"We weren't deserving to win the ball game with the way we played tonight."

Priscilla Robinson led the way for MTSU with a 21 point performance. Gibson chipped in 19 while Capley added 11.

The loss dropped the Lady Raiders to 10-12, 5-3 in OVC action.

It also puts them in a second place race with Eastern Kentucky (5-4 in the OVC) which defeated MTSU in Richmond earlier.

"Now we're just trying to get in the tournament," Bivens

explained.

MTSU will be back in action Saturday night when the visiting Eagles from Morehead State come to town. The Lady's destroyed MSU earlier in the season 90-47 in Kentucky. Tip-off is scheduled for 5:30 p.m.

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added a lay-up to give MTSU the 83-78 lead. A lead which they would not relinquish.

Kidd re-entered the game and added a right side jumper while Ingram continued to dominate and Taylor knocked down more freebies to help outscore Tech 12-10 down the stretch for the victory.

The Raider defense continued to shut down opponents as they held Tech to an uncharacteristic 9.1 percent (2 for 22) from 3-point range.

MTSU now stands at 17-6 overall and an even 4-4 in OVC action.

They also have a six game winning streak heading into a 7:30 encounter with Morehead State Saturday night at Murphy Center.

Ingram and Taylor tied each other for game-high scoring honors with 24 a piece. Hammonds added 13 while Clifton and Kidd each netted 10.

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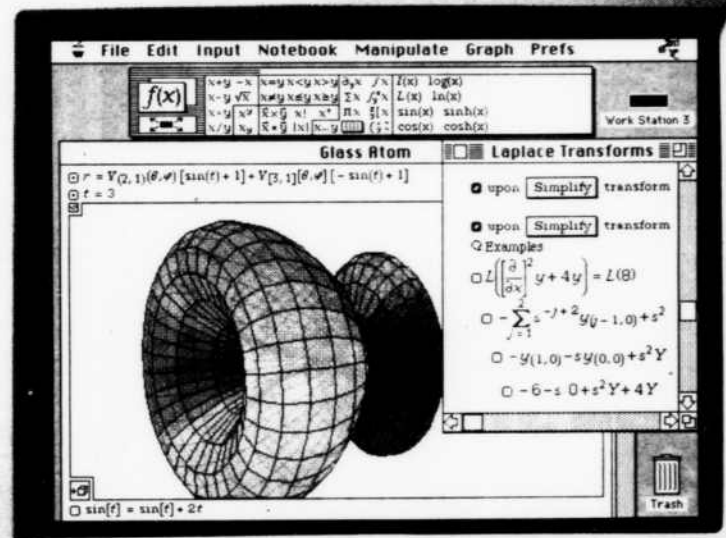
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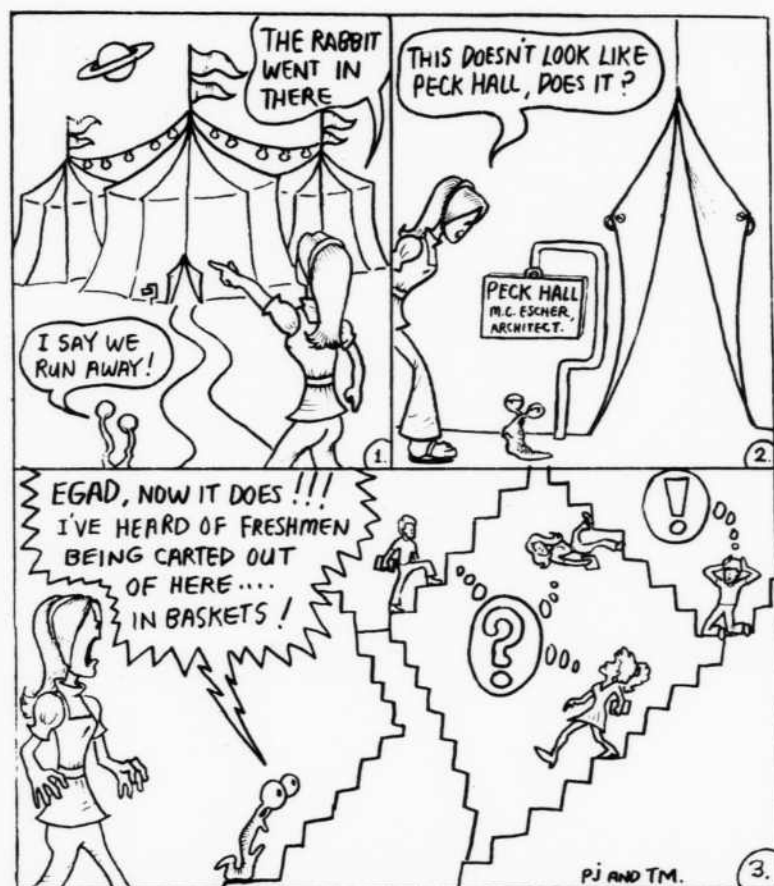
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