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ASB contenders face vote today, tomorrow

An ASB president, speaker of the senate, speaker of the house and 17 senators will be selected during ASB elections today and tomorrow.

Polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at High Rise cafeteria, NCB mall, UC lobby and Woodmore cafeteria, Election Commissioner David Gilliam said.

Candidates for ASB president are Richard Langford, Tom Wells and Jim Stutts.

Larry Robinson and Buddy Creasman are running for speaker of the house.

Incumbent Jeff Combos is running for speaker of the house with Tony Petty as a write-in candidate. Petty announced his

candidacy at Speakout last night.

Sophomore senator candidates are Bob Harlan, Jim Rungee, Melinda Stubblefield, Sherry Clark, Stewart Johnson, Melody Riggan and Lee Barnby.

Candidates for junior senator are Bernest Harris, Breta Parsons, Denise Veasy, Alan Betz, Riley Clark, Frank Brothers, George McClary and Clyde Winter.

Senior candidates are Betty Barnes, Brenda Rhoton, Charles Buckner, Steve Ruckhart, Jeff Eason, Billy See, Donald Morris and Tony Petty.

Earl Lammons is the only graduate student who qualifies for that senate seat.

In the speakout sponsored by the election commission last night, all candidates were given a chance to address the group of 50 students.

Langford cited student apathy, parking and legal aid as issues that he would concentrate on if elected.

Wells said he would "strengthen the backbone of the Rules Committee" to change policies concerning alcohol and visitation.

"It's time for ASB to come home and do something for the students," Stutts said. ASB should work with the Board of Regents to change regulations governing students, he said.

In the speaker of the senate race, Robinson said he would "combat poor attendance and educate senators about parliamentary procedure."

Candidate Creasman said his proposal to enlist support of assistants for senators would "increase the input into ASB."

In the speaker of the house race, Combos said the House serves as a means of giving students a chance "to say what they feel."

Write-in candidate Tony Petty said he initiated input into ASB by helping form a student response committee to solicit student ideas.

"I feel like I can bring about change," Petty said. No election should be run with one candidate, he added.

DeHoff disclaims any part in writing current beer laws

Reports in *Sidelines* and at least one Nashville newspaper that George DeHoff was responsible for writing local beer ordinances are incorrect, the local publishing executive said last weekend.

license, has filed a suit in Chancery Court seeking to overturn a 1940's statute forbidding the sale of beer within 2000 feet of "churches, schools and public gathering places."

DeHoff's name first arose in connection with the beer issue at last week's meeting of the ASB House of Representatives, where speaker Jeff Combos said he thought DeHoff had participated in writing several parts of the present beer laws.

The ASB House is considering a resolution calling for the abolishment of sections of the city code dealing with the 2000-foot limit, the prohibition of dancing or live music at establishments selling beer, and the present time limits on when beer can be sold.

The bill has been tabled until the next meeting of the house March 24.

Correction

Sidelines acknowledges that its earlier report that George DeHoff was responsible for local beer ordinances was in error and apologizes to him for any inconveniences that may have resulted.

Although he said he felt that establishments selling alcoholic beverages should be a "reasonable distance" from churches and schools, he stressed that he did not write the local laws, nor was he a member of the local beer board.

Bobby Thompson, owner of a city store hoping to obtain a beer

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ASB candidates list presidential platforms

ASB presidential candidates outlined their platforms and answered various questions from the audience during a "speakout" Thursday afternoon in the grill.

Richard Langford, Jim Stutts and Tom Wells all made opening remarks before the floor was opened to questions by ASB President Ted Helberg.

Langford said that student government needed to be a "strong union bonded by...maximum representation," and said that his image of a president contained many roles "as chief lobbyist, an implementor of policies, and as a person who cares."

He added that his platform included a revision of present academic advising procedures, more weekend activities and a review of campus parking problems.

Stutts, who has been conducting an extensive dorm campaign, said he had yet to find a student who felt the ASB has "really done anything for them."

"I want to tell you a story," Stutts told the audience. "A friend of mine refused to sign my petition because he said I had better things

to do than run for ASB president." He added that he felt "the ASB has a reason for being."

Wells said his campaign was concerned with "a lot of petty policies, a lot of petty hassles" by the administration. Wells cited as one example the charge for grade transcripts (\$1) for a service that costs only a few pennies and cost over \$1.40 to collect the dollar fee.

The candidates expressed similar opinions on where the important issues of the campaign were, either here on campus or at the state legislature.

"The problems the students have here concern me," Stutts commented, "and they're concerned with what's happening here." Wells said that the answer "depended on the problem," but that the student government needed "to get rid of petty policies wherever they lie."

Langford said "if the solution lies off campus, we need a working relationship with our statewide leaders."

All three candidates said they felt their work as president had already started. Langford said his participation in ASB had aided him in areas

such as planning academic advising; Wells said he would "continue (his efforts) in the same vein," and Stutts said he would "keep plugging to get a legislative program ready" for the fall.

The candidates all viewed parking as one of the major problems on campus. "We can find a viable way to correct" the present parking problem, "but all I can do is request it on behalf of the students," Langford said. Wells said there were several alternatives to the present system, but that "the system we have is best."

Stutts said "if the solution is going to take three years, let's get started on it now."

On the topic of student apathy, Stutts said "students feel like they're isolated from the ASB office. I'm not above going to their room and talking to them."

Wells said he felt that apathy could be combatted on campus, and Langford said he thought a more effective new student orientation to the ASB would help "eliminate apathy."



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Speaker candidates push plans to small audience

Senate speaker candidates Buddy Creasman and Larry Robinson outlined objectives and entertained questions before a sparse audience at an ASB-sponsored forum Thursday in the University Center grill.

Maintaining that the Senate "can accomplish a lot if given progressive leadership," Creasman promised to represent students the way they wish to be represented.

Stressing the need for a good working relationship between the House and the Senate, Creasman said that he would attend every house meeting in an effort to stay informed about legislative measures.

A system whereby each elected senator would be assigned an assistant to do research and "leg work" would be initiated under one of Creasman's proposals.

"This system would involve more persons in the ASB and would take some of the work load off the senators," Creasman explained.

Answering criticism of the Senate, Larry Robinson proposed measures he would use to motivate senators and strengthen the body's effectiveness.

"I can motivate them (the senators)," Robinson said, "But I propose to re-introduce an attendance bill that would be a back-up if

senators can't be motivated."

"The senate must be given strong leadership to make it an efficient body from the start and to do something to wash out the dead wood," he said.

Orientation of new senators to parliamentary and research procedures were stressed by Robinson in his campaign platform.

"If senators don't know the procedures and language, they can't introduce their ideas," Robinson said.

Creasman also voiced his support for a measure that would motivate senators to attend meetings, saying that the senate "must have a check to make sure senators attend."

Creasman, who has not been formally involved in ASB but who was active in Cleveland State's student government, said that he would be capable of filling the senate post because he is aware of "problems shared by all campuses."

"I have looked at MTSU's student government all year, and hopefully, I viewed it objectively," Creasman said.

"As a senator for two years, I have seen what is hurting MTSU," Robinson said. "The speaker needs to have a working knowledge of our problems and I won't have to orient myself to the problems."

"Hopefully, my experience hasn't clouded my objectivity," he said.

Both candidates said they favor the present bicameral ASB legislative structure over a unicameral system.

"If the House and Senate can work together, we need both bodies. If they can't, form a unicameral body," Creasman explained.

Maintaining that effectiveness goes down under a unicameral

system, Robinson said that two separate houses keep objectivity in student government."

Commenting on the lagging morale of the senate, both candidates emphasized the need to improve the senate's quality by improving senators' attitudes. Creasman and Robinson suggested that a drive for more substantial rewarding and qualitatively superior legislation would do much to improve senators' interest and enthusiasm.

Combos: ASB should cooperate with legislature, Regents board

Student government throughout the state should work directly with the legislature and the Board of Regents, Jeff Combos, sole candidate for ASB's speaker of the house, said at Thursday's speakout.

The Board of Regents' task forces on alcohol and visitation were formed as a result of working with other state universities in the field of student rights, Combos said.

Bills and resolutions approved by the house concerning the decriminalization of marijuana and alcohol were sponsored and accepted at the Tennessee State Intercollegiate

Legislature, a student government lobbying group, Combos said.

House members showed the "most interest" in attendance in four years, Combos said.

Combos said he is running on a ticket with ASB presidential candidate Richard Langford and Senate speaker candidate Buddy Creasman because the three "are on the same type of wavelength even though they have different ideas."

ASB "needs to get the word out" to students so that they can be represented, Combos said.

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'Good' candidates don't emerge in ASB campaign for chief executive position

We believe that a good candidate for ASB president is one who can propose a realistically sound platform of ideas that could be implemented to benefit the students of MTSU.

A good candidate must display a willingness to work with the administration, but also have the ability to stand up for his constituents.

A good candidate should have proved his sincerity to represent the students by his past actions during his previous tenure in student government.

A good candidate is one who can motivate students to work with ASB to achieve positive results to problems that we as students face daily.

During the present campaign, no candidate for ASB president has exemplified these qualities necessary to represent the student body.

No one has shown himself to be an outstanding student leader with the students' best interest at heart.

No candidate has bothered to present the students with a sound platform of ideas designed to help them.

In fact, the issues have been totally ignored as the candidates seem to be running a personality contest—instead of an election to a public office.

We are disillusioned with all aspects of the race as no candidate has proved himself to be an outstanding leader who can make or break the usefulness of ASB next year.

We cannot endorse a candidate under these circumstances.

However, we urge you to vote if you believe in a candidate who can make the difference within the ASB structure.

If none of these candidates can fill the slot, why not write in a candidate?

But we implore you not to vote for the candidate simply on the basis of catchy signs or slick literature. Take a look at what the candidate stands for before you cast your ballot.

Hopefully, the students will have a better choice next year—if the ASB can survive.



letters

S-1 bill could threaten First Amendment rights

Within the next two or three weeks the United States Senate is to vote on a bill known as S-1 or the Criminal Justice Reform Act of 1975. The passage of this bill would mean the end of many of the rights that we as Americans have come to enjoy, primarily our First Amendment rights to speak freely, to assemble and to petition the government for redress of grievances. The following are some examples:

1) S-1 would make it illegal to make a speech advocating basic changes in the structure of

government (to simply make a speech!),

2) It would make membership in any organization that advocates change in government (groups such as the National Council of Churches and the NAACP were on Nixon's enemies list) illegal,

3) S-1 prohibits any demonstration within 200 feet of a U.S. Courthouse and bans the use of sound amplification and signs,

4) S-1 makes illegal the disclosure of any classified material even if it is illegally so classified (needless to say, the truth about

Nixon would have never come out),

5) S-1 goes even further by making "legal" illegal acts by people who "believed their conduct was authorized by the President,"

6) It contains far fewer restrictions on wiretapping with special exceptions to even these restrictions for cases of "national security," and

7) S-1 makes an organization liable for the conduct of its members (thus if a member of a fraternity or sorority committed a crime, the organization could be held responsible.)

These seven examples are only a few of over 100 examples in S-1 of "Nixon's 'law and order' thinking. However, there is an alternative bill in the House of Representatives which contains many of the necessary sections of S-1 without the repressive sections. But, if S-1 passes the Senate the alternative bill will have little chance. Therefore I strongly urge all of you to write to your senators and urge them to reject S-1.

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'Smear' tactic needs mop up

As I tried to enjoy my lunch at Woodmore cafeteria Thursday (March 11), I along with most of the other students were faced with a most unusual situation. I watched in a somewhat amused nature as the ink on many of the "Langford for President" napkins was smeared across the face of an unsuspecting student. Yes, Mr. Langford, I guess this is what they call a "smear" campaign!

I don't know who OK'd this distasteful political scheme, but if it was an official of Saga they would be told it is not sanitary to ink up the napkins. What is next, Mr.

Langford, the toilet tissue in the NCB?
name withheld upon request

ASB candidate promises 'kick' to phantom writer

This letter is to whoever was nice enough to write that word of wisdom on my campaign poster. I may be strange, but you are weird. I hope you got a kick out of your action; if you didn't, come see me and I'll give you one.

Clyde Winters
Box 8702

In Assembly's last week

Legislators plan budget cuts

by Phil West
TCPA Correspondent

NASHVILLE—A House-Senate committee last night tackled the task of cutting \$20 million from Gov. Ray Blanton's proposed budget in what some lawmakers say is the final week of the 89th General Assembly.

Legislators are taking action on the budget measure after clearing the House calendar last week. Included in House-passed legislation is a bill creating statewide publications committees—one reviewing higher education publications and another for "publications and reports printed by state agencies."

However, the bill was amended to exclude college newspapers and yearbooks from review.

Rep. Bill Owen, D-Knoxville, who led opposition to the bill, charged the measure was unconstitutional. "The way the thing is written, the publications committee could review every college publication, even the UT Law Review," he said.

The three-member Publications Committee for higher education would consist of the executive director of the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC), chancellor of the state Board of Regents and the president of the

University of Tennessee system. The panel will "review publications of higher education institutions to determine the necessity of said publications, and shall promulgate rules and regulations governing the printing of such publications by higher education institutions."

Consumer beneficial amendments tacked onto the appropriations bill by a joint conference committee have created a \$20 million gap between the budget and projected revenues. Those amendments, which exempt prescription drugs from state sales tax and reduce the sales tax on some utility bills, plus proposals for new projects leave the joint committee faced with whacking programs and projects from the budget.

Operating budgets for Tennessee higher education, which escaped Senate Finance Committee cuts of more than \$4 million earlier this session, are subject to cuts by either the conference committee or by Gov. Blanton who has line item veto power on the budget legislation.

The Tennessee Higher Education Commission had asked for a \$63.2 million increase in operating budget for fiscal year 1976-77.

The governor's proposal falls some \$17 million short of THEC's request.

Senate campaigners to appear

Two Democratic candidates for the Tennessee's United States senate seat will appear on campus this week.

Sponsored by the pre-law society, Candidate Bruce Shine will speak at 2 p.m. today at NCB 208 and Dave Bolin will speak at 11 a.m. Thursday at NCB 208, Pre-law President Matt Little said yesterday.

"We hope to have all the candidates running for the U.S.

Senate in Tennessee to speak on campus before the elections," Little said.

Shine now serves as a Democratic National Committeeman for Tennessee. Bolin headed Gov. Ray Blanton's campaign last year.

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European tour planned for metric system study

A "metrication tour" to London and Paris to trace the origins and history of the metric system is being planned by the mathematics department for July 12-26.

During the two-week tour, students will not only visit the traditional sights of the two cities, but also will visit the British and French Bureaus of Standards and other locations relevant to the

metric system.

Three hours of credit in "Problems in Contemporary Mathematics" are available, although it can be taken as a non-credit activity as well.

Total cost for the tour is \$895, which includes air fare, transporta-

tion costs in Europe, breakfast every morning, eight other selected meals, and admission to selected sights.

Any student interested in participating in the tour should contact tour supervisor Richard McCord at 2679.

Placement office open for interviews

"All May and August graduates should interview during the spring semester, for very few employers will visit the campus in the summer," said Martha Turner, head of the Placement Office.

Interviews are now in progress, with employers recruiting students for jobs as teachers, management trainees and others.

Interviewers come from such areas as the military, state, local

and federal governments. Representatives from school systems come from Tennessee, Georgia, Kentucky and Ohio.

"Students are urged to sign in, in advance, read employer's literature, hear cassettes on interviewing, and set up interviews with prospective employers," Turner said.

The Placement Office is located in the University Center, room 328.

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Boy's State Basketball Tournament: 1:30 -9 p.m.; Murphy Center
Dames Club: 10-noon; Dining Room B, SUB
Men's Tennis: MTSU v. Carson Newman; 2 p.m.; Tennis Courts
Soccer Club: 3 p.m.; Soccer Field
Movie: "Soldier Blue;" 3:30, 6 & 8 p.m.; UC Theatre
STE A: 4:30 p.m.; UC 305
Circle K: 6 p.m.; UC 312
Gamma Beta Phi: 6:30 p.m.; LRC
Fencing Club: 7:30 p.m.; Dance Studio B, Murphy Center
Fun Night: "Sweetheart;" Tennessee Room, SUB

Tomorrow

ASB Election: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.; UC, High Rise West, Woodmore and NCB
Baseball: MTSU v. Wisconsin; Baseball Field
Boy's State Basketball Tournament: 1:30-9 p.m.; Murphy Center
Movie: "The Three Musketeers;" 3:30, 6 & 8:15 p.m.; UC Theatre

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Horses find home on campus

by Nancy McCrary

Did you ever wonder where the university keeps Wink's Choice, the Tennessee Walking horse that participates in the football pre-game warmup activities?

Wink's Choice is only one of the 43 horses that live on campus in one of its three horse barns. Students are "encouraged anytime to visit the horse barns and become more aware of all the horse science dept. has to offer," according to Jerry Williams, assistant agriculture professor.

Of the 43 horses, 16 are registered with the Tennessee Walking Horse Breeders Association in Shelbyville. The Walkers have been donated to MTSU in part by the association and by private individuals. They are supported by the same association, individuals and local companies, Williams said.

Students who work with the horses can be either horse science majors or can be employed through the work-study program, Williams said.

A bus, usually parked at the horse barn, belongs to the horse science dept. and has the capacity for 10 people, six horses, and all their equipment. The bus was last used for the showing and sale of horses during the Tennessee Walking Horse Celebration in Shelbyville, Williams added.

A recreation period for students, similar to recreational swimming, is hoped for in the future, according to Williams. He says that the only reason students cannot now come and ride for pleasure is that in the same respect as the pool, there are no "life guards" for a pleasure ride.

The horse science dept. is undergoing changes in its curriculum and "MTSU is fortunate to have a horse science option with the agriculture department for the area of emphasis on the Tennessee Walking Horse," Williams said.

The campus police have three Walking horses at their disposal for their use in the mounted police patrol, Williams noted.



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She has trained hundreds of girls in the art of professional modeling and several of her students were just recently featured in the June and July issues of SEVENTEEN magazine. The "New Look" program she designed, especially for career women and homemakers, has been enjoyed by countless women from all over the United States. Before moving to Palm Beach, Jane held the title of Special Events and Youth Director of Cain-Sloan Co. in Nashville and later was Assistant Fashion Director of Castner-Knott Co.



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Assertiveness produces openness, not 'victory'

by Robin Freeman

I want you to read this article. I'm being assertive when I tell you I want you to read this. I learned this with a group of faculty women at an assertiveness training workshop held Saturday. Don't call me a pushy female yet. Allow me to explain.

The workshop, led by Dr. Mary Francis Hall, a psychologist at the Dede Wallace Mental Health Center in Nashville, was designed to teach women the difference between being non-assertive, assertive and aggressive. "Being

Business seminar set in Murfreesboro

The National Secretary Association will sponsor a seminar on reducing office costs on March 27 at the Holiday Inn at Interstate 24 and Highway 96.

The seminar, entitled "Decreasing paperwork costs of the secretary management team by 20%," will feature Asst. Professor Daniel Boyd of the Business Educational and Office Management (BEOM) department and Geneva Smith of Chattanooga as speakers.

Registration fee will be \$7.50 and may be paid at the door or in advance.

assertive is an interpersonal status. It's sticking up for me without putting you down," Hall said.

Put yourself in this position. If you are in a restaurant and your plate comes with the wrong order on it, what would you do? If you eat the food without saying anything to the waitress, you are non-assertive. If you fly off the handle and insult the waitress for her stupidity, then you are aggressive. If, on the other hand, you tell the waitress you want to send your plate back, you are assertive.

Now that doesn't sound difficult, but it is harder than you think. Most women in trying to be assertive fall into the "compassion trap," Hall stated. "You will inconvenience yourself rather than put someone else out." She added that some women don't always

want to give up compassion and don't have to.

Assertiveness, Hall said, is the alternative to "fight or flight." People must learn to use "I" or "I want..." statements rather than "Would you mind..." she added. And in order to become assertive, women should practice in their working relationships, she stressed. Some faculty women at the workshop felt they were treated by their male peers like he would treat his wife rather than a co-worker. Others realized they treat their male co-workers with a "white knight philosophy."

Role playing by the women was used to demonstrate how assertiveness works. The goal of assertiveness, we were told, is not "victory," but "being able to express yourself openly and

honestly. It is better to express yourself directly than indirectly," Hall explained.

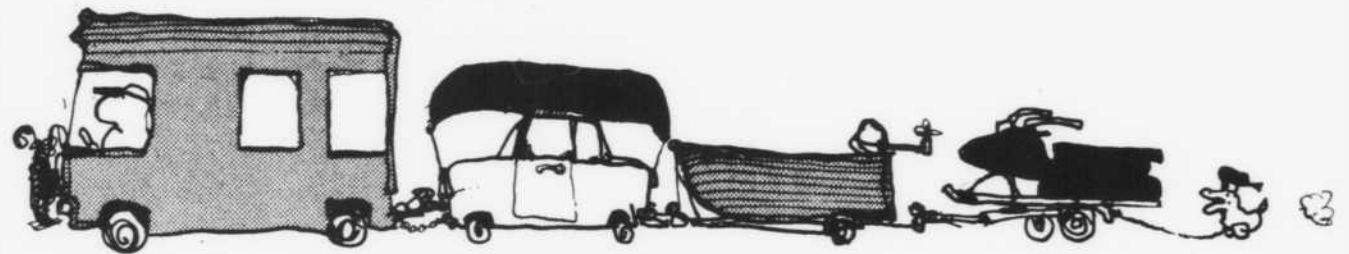
Most women go through stages from being non-assertive to aggressive to assertive, Hall said. "It is not always a clear line between aggression and assertiveness," she added, and most women tend to go too far to the aggression side before pulling back to assertiveness.

If a woman becomes angry at a situation, she can become assertive if she turns that anger toward herself. "Tell yourself, 'I'm mad at being scared,' but don't put yourself down," Hall commented.

Like I said before, I want you to read this article. Oh, I guess you did that already. That proves my point. See what a little assertiveness training can do?

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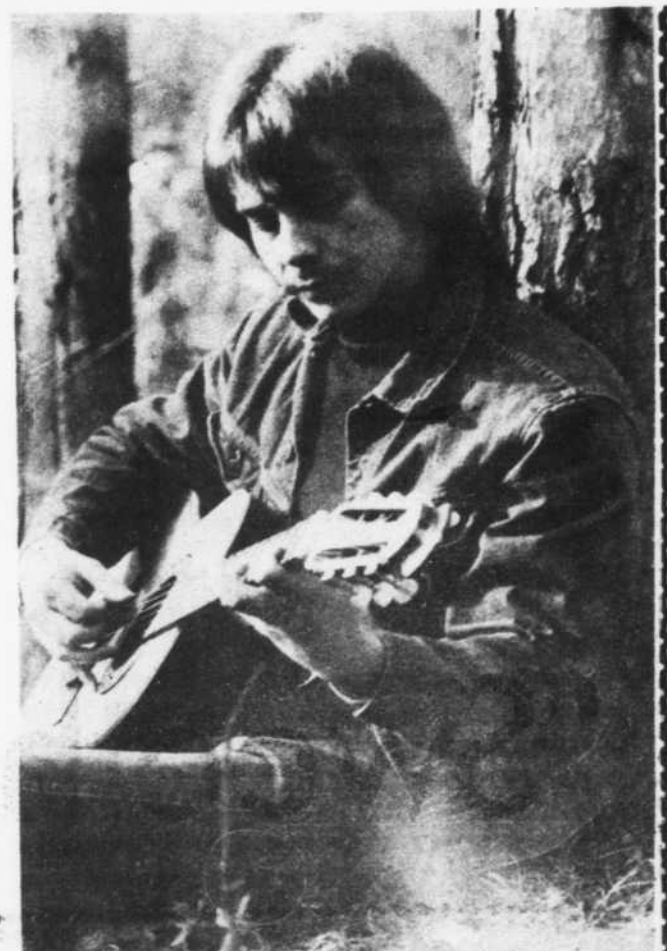
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That's what veteran time keeper Wayne Kindness did Saturday night at Murphy Center to decide the AAA girl's state champ.

Chuckwagon
by Chuck Cavalaris
Sports Editor



Smyrna's Lady Bulldogs thought they had wrapped up the title against heavily favored Bradley County with six seconds to play on a basket by Karen O'Neal.

It produced a 35-34 Smyrna lead. Bradley County felt sure that a shot by Karen Mills instants before the buzzer had saved a 71 game winning streak and provided a second straight state title.

It produced a 36-34 Bradley County lead.

"I didn't think it was all that close and everybody at court-side

agreed," Kindness said yesterday.

"The clock was started as soon as the inbounds pass (from mid-court) was touched. There was one pass and then the shot was in the air when the buzzer went off," Kindness described.

"The ball was almost in the rim when the horn sounded," he continued, "I knew then that it was the only decision," he said.

Kindness said several people have told him the official under the basket could/should have made the call. That was Jay Turnbow.

"I've been operating clocks at basketball games all year," Kindness said, "and I've been waiting for a situation like that to happen," he said.

"I really didn't want the entire weight of the game on my shoulders, but that is part of my job," Kindness, who runs the clock at virtually every Murphy Center event, said.

The next act at Murphy Center

(and what a tough lead it has to follow) will be the boy's state tournament. Kingsport (AAA), Lexington (AA) and Sale Creek (A) are favored to win.

Lexington and Sale Creek will open the action at 1:30 p.m. Other

Big league owners make 'final offer'

by Chuck Cavalaris
Sports Editor

In a dramatic reversal of what appeared to be a concrete stand only hours before, the major league baseball owners made what they term a final offer to players' union late last night.

Under the surprise plan, a modified reserve system would replace the highly controversial "one-and-one" system which had been upheld in two federal courts.

Under this plan the player would play the final year of the contract and one additional one before placing himself on the open market.

The new plan would allow any

games will find Perry County vs. Hancock County at 3 p.m., Chattanooga Howard vs. McGavock at 6 p.m., Loudon vs. Memphis Mitchell at 7:30 and Sale Creek against Middleton in the final game at 9 p.m.

major league player to play out his option, but unlike the previous scheme, stipulates the order of the clubs that he can bargain with.

American League President Lee MacPhail summed up the owners' feelings by saying, "We have bit the bullet...the next couple of years could be chaotic."

Under the bottom-line suggestion by the owners, a player would be permitted to negotiate with a maximum of eight clubs based on inverse order of the standings.

In other words, the player would become a free agent. But he would most likely be forced to sell his talents to lower division baseball teams.

Players Union leader Marvin Miller said the Players Association will have comment later today, with the proposal to be presented to the association's executive committee meeting Wednesday in Tampa.

That is when the proposal will first come before the players for actual acceptance, ratification or rejection.

The owners said that spring training camps would remain closed—inactive since March 1—until the players accept the plan.

So spring training will not likely open before late this week.

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Wrestling: MTSU's David Scott won the Most Outstanding Wrestler Award for the Kentucky Open Wrestling Tournament this past weekend in Louisville, Ky. Scott earned the award by placing first out of a field of 45 wrestlers in the 149.5 weight class.



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Raider diamond men at Belmont; prep for OVC foes

by Ed Arning
Assistant Sports Editor

Coming off an 8-1 rout of Fisk University here Sunday, the Blue Raider baseball team will head for Nashville today to take on Belmont College in a single game.

The Raiders' next home appearance will be Thursday at 1 p.m. when Tennessee Temple invades the MTSU diamond for a doubleheader.

"This week is very important to us in getting ready for our OVC games coming up and I feel that Belmont will have their ace pitcher, Larry Core, ready for us this afternoon," said Coach John Stanford.

Danny Neal, 2-0, scattered six hits in the win over the Bulldogs from Fisk.

Exploding for three runs in the first inning, the Raiders never had

to look back as they increased their record to 5-3.

Lead-off hitter Ben Lankster opened the MTSU first with a single followed by Danny Moore's walk.

Denton Peters then ripped a double down the rightfield line, scoring Lankster and Moore.

After Ricky Cheshire popped to leftfield, Chuck Smith connected for another two base hit scoring Peters for the final run of the inning.

After one out in the third inning, MTSU got rolling again as Peters got his second double of the game.

Cheshire walked, and then was forced out at second base as Smith reached on a fielder's choice.

Steve Zitney walked to load the bases, setting the stage for Ricky Wheeler's single to leftfield which increased the MTSU lead to 5-0 as Peters and Smith crossed the plate.

MTSU's Spot Howard was hit by

a pitch as he led off the fourth inning, starting another scoring surge for the Raiders.

Fisk pitcher Charles Brown walked three out of the next four batters, forcing in Howard.

Smith pushed a run across on a fielder's choice and Zitney picked up an RBI on a single to left, increasing MTSU's lead to 8-0.

Fisk got on the scoreboard in the fifth inning as Gary Coleman doubled after one out and scored on a single by Lamar Foster.

Defensively our outfield did a great job, but I am disappointed in our hitting," Stanford said.

The Raiders opened their home schedule Saturday with a doubleheader against the University of Louisville, resulting in a split.

MTSU dropped the first game, 3-1, as George Ploucher, 0-2, picked up the loss.

Behind the two-hit pitching of

Randy Liendecker, 2-0, MTSU swept the second game of the day, 6-1.

"Our main pitchers so far, Neal and Liendecker, have done a good job," said Stanford.

MTSU had six runs on five hits in the second game, capped off by Zitney's two-run homer in the sixth inning.

frat softball contest set

Any fraternity interested in competing in a softball throwing contest between games of the MTSU-Austin Peay doubleheader Saturday, April 3, should contact Chuck Cavalaris at Box 5471.

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