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Prof appeals harassment ruling

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Editor-in-Chief

Dr. Powell McClellan, who was cited for sexual harassment of a female student last summer, is expected to file an appeal to MTSU President James Walker today.

McClellan, a tenured health, physical education and recreation professor, was found to have violated the Tennessee Board of Regents harassment policy by a university hearing committee last December. McClellan and his attorney are expected to file briefs today.

"We are appealing the committee's decision because we believe that they did not prove sexual harassment to any extent of policy as it is stated," said Charles Hampton White, attorney for McClellan.

The incident occurred last

summer in McClellan's HPER 483 Physiology of Exercise course. During a class electrocardiogram exercise, McClellan allegedly entered the room to assist four female students with the malfunctioning machine.

The complaining student, who was hooked up to the machine at the time, stated in the order that McClellan lifted her shirt to adjust the connectors and said, "You are no Dolly Parton."

The student also alleged that McClellan had "subjected (her) to unreasonable and demeaning demands for personal services," to which she consented "out of fear of retaliation," the initial order read.

These demands allegedly

involved getting coffee and running various errands. The committee cited these and the earlier incident as violations of the university's sexual harassment policy.

The regulation, MTSU Policy No. 1:01:22, defines sexual harassment as "unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual

"...unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature..."

---MTSU Policy No. 1:02:22

favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature..."

Other allegations were leveled against McClellan, including racial harassment, although the committee found insufficient evidence to support them.

McClellan allegedly asked a black student in the class if a knee injury he had sustained was the result of "picking cotton in Lincoln County," the initial order reads.

Although McClellan was not cited for racial harassment, the committee found his conduct toward the student "offensive and unprofessional."

All other allegations were dropped because of insufficient evidence.

McClellan and his attorney filed for an appeal shortly after the Dec. 16 ruling and were granted a delay until transcripts of the hearing were made available. Those transcripts were mailed out in March along with notification that both parties had 30 days to file briefs. The TBR is pursuing the case.

The Board of Regents was expected to present its briefs to Walker Friday, according to Heidi Dorris, TBR assistant general counsel.

McClellan is basing his appeal on a lack of evidence, the "intemperate, emotional response" by the hearing committee and the severity of the penalties imposed on him.

The committee ruled that McClellan must submit to counseling, not be allowed to teach the only section of a given course and not be permitted to administer the EKG until the HPER department had developed written guidelines on how the exercise is to be performed.

"We feel like the committee's actions were both overkill and over broad," White said.

Walker will have 60 days in which to render a decision.

Students site problems in Financial Aid office

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Assistant News Editor

The most negative influence on impressions of MTSU for incoming students is financial aid, according to a survey of incoming freshmen and transfer students taken during the fall semester of 1991.

Although only 168 of the 3,500 surveys were returned in a usable form, 17.9 percent of the students listed their greatest complaint to be with financial aid.

Director of Financial Aid Winston Wrenn feels the study was geared towards receiving purely negative comments and that another study should be conducted.

"Anything that involves students concerns us," Wrenn

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Survey of New Students

Director replies to students' comments:

The other colleges I visited had more scholarships available.

Wrenn said freshmen are getting scholarship offers from many colleges, such as Austin Peay, that can offer free housing or similar benefits due to surpluses in such areas.

"That generates a lot of feelings that we don't offer as much money," Wrenn said. "I'd give anything if it weren't that way. We're the victim of our own growth."

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The measles are coming! The measles are coming!

SAM GANNON
News Editor

Measles are on a rampage in Kentucky increasing the possibility that MTSU could face an epidemic unless proper precautions are taken, administrators warn.

Murray State University in Murray, Ky., has more than 200 reported cases of measles, said Rutherford County Health Department Communicable Diseases Specialist Bob Moore.

"As soon as I found out I called the MTSU infirmary and let them know," Moore said. Cases have also been reported in Louisville.

"We don't have any cases here, but it's awfully close to

home," said Vice President for Student Affairs Robert LaLance.

"I have been advised that one or more of our athletic teams have been to Murray in the past 10 days and could have been exposed to the disease," LaLance said.

However, students in Tennessee have a less likely chance of contracting measles, Moore said, because the level of immunization is higher here.

"We feel that our immunization levels are high enough to keep us from going to epidemic proportions," Moore said.

"For those born before 1956 and those with their

second measles immunization after 1980 have nothing to worry about," said Barbara Martin, RN, director of Health Services.

"We want everyone who has been to Murray State campus within the last week to be warned," Martin said.

"We are working with the athletics department to see who has been exposed and whether or not they are immunized," Martin said.

MTSU's Lady Raider tennis team played in Murray last week, and Murray's baseball team is scheduled to play here later this month. "The symptoms are those of a

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MTSU's Affirmative Action Officer has failed to provide information involving sexual harassment cases.

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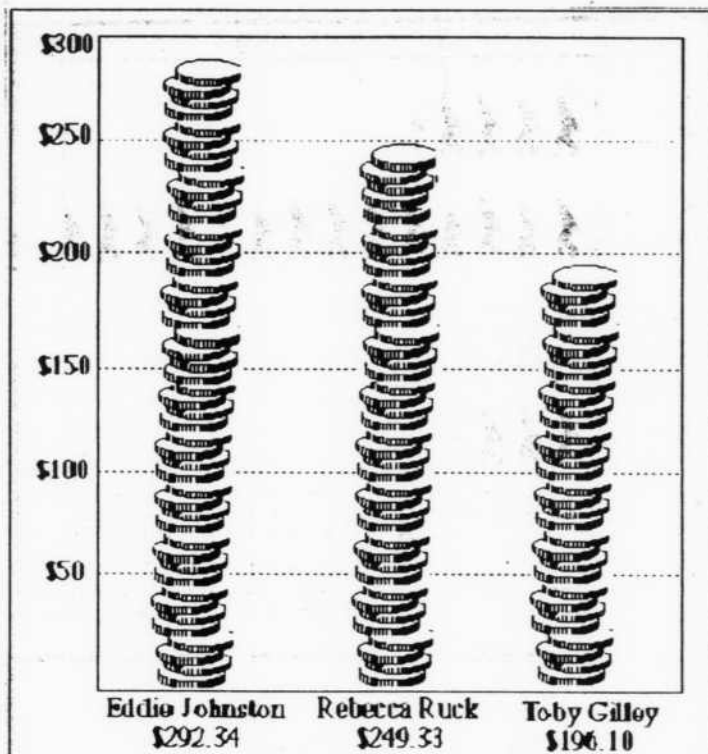
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Big George Foreman learns how to take a real beating from third-rate Alex Stewart.

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The price of getting elected



Each candidate for Student Government Association President may only spend \$300, according to Article V Section 6 part a of the SGA's Comprehensive Electoral Act of 1983.

In the election, Toby Gilley won with 52 percent of the vote, Rebecca Ruck who received 25 percent, lastly, Eddie Johnston received 19 percent of the vote.

Dollar figures do not necessarily reflect dollars spent, as the candidates must show dollar amounts on donations.

Rock-throwing teen tried as adult

VICKI NEAL
Assistant News Editor

A 16-year-old Antioch teen will be tried as an adult for the alleged first-degree murder of a MTSU student, a juvenile court judge ruled.

Judge David Loughry ruled his decision Wednesday against 16-year-old Michael Wayne Stanley during a three-hour hearing at the Rutherford County Courthouse.

Larry Hazelwood, a Desert Storm veteran of Murfreesboro, was killed Jan. 18 when a 54-pound rock struck his vehicle under the Rocky Fork Road overpass on Interstate 24.

Also charged with first-degree murder is Thomas Shawn Noles, 18, of LaVergne, for dropping the rock onto Hazelwood's

vehicle.

Both Noles and Stanley are being held at the Rutherford County Adult Detention Center.

Meanwhile, Tennessee legislators want to keep rock throwing incidents from happening and are considering legislation to toughen the punishment for the offense. They are also examining the possibility of adding fences to interstate overpasses.

State Rep. Mike Liles, R-Murfreesboro, was asked by Sheriff Truman Jones after the incident to investigate the possibilities of installing fences on overpasses.

Because of the costliness, installing fences may not be possible, Liles said.

Installing a fence over

the Rocky Fork overpass would cost \$30,000, said Jim Norris of Tennessee's Department of Transportation.

Transportation department records show 583 bridges cross interstate highways and officials estimate that to cover these bridges with fences would cost more than \$30 million.

Liles said he believes penalties for rock throwing incidents should be tougher. Currently, those who are charged with throwing rocks at vehicles when the occupant(s) of the vehicle is not seriously injured face misdemeanor penalties.

"We need to make sure people understand this is not a mischievous prank," he said. "I don't want to see this happen again."

Campus Briefs

Christian Student Center wins Quiz Bowl

The Christian Student Center won the March 23 Quiz Bowl sponsored by Gamma Iota Sigma Insurance Fraternity and Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society.

The Christian Student Center, defending champions from last year, won the contest by defeating Sigma Chi in the final round.

Eight teams of four persons each competed in the Quiz Bowl. They were Sigma Chi, Association of Computing Machinery, Christian Student Center, Erudite Emancipators, Honors Student Association, Baptist Student Union, Financial Management Association and Gamma Iota Sigma.

The members of the winning team were Steve Rich, Barry Tidwell, Dawn Woodard and Chri. West. The group received \$100.

In a consolation drawing the Honors Students Association won \$50.

SGA rallies to help sick child

The Student Government Association will be trying to raise money this week for a child in need of a dual transplant, SGA President Shawn Burgess said.

Amanda Moore is a 19-month-old who had been diagnosed with Necrotizing Enter-Colitis (NEC), a disease that attacks the intestines. Her liver also has been affected.

Moore's only hope, Burgess said, is a dual liver and small intestine transplant. The transplant will cost between \$500,000 and \$750,000.

The SGA will set up a table Wednesday between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. in the Keathley University Center basement to raise funds for Amanda.

"We would greatly appreciate each administration, faculty, and staff member donating funds to assist Amanda in getting a transplant," Burgess said.

Campus Capsule

Wednesday, April 15

Students for Environmental Action, 5 p.m., Keathley University Center 305, call Dave 849-8732.

Presbyterian Student Fellowship, worship, 9 p.m., 615 N. Tennessee Blvd., call 893-1787.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA), meeting, 8:30 p.m., Blue Raider Room, call John, Ext. 3716.

Mathematics Organization meeting, 3:10 p.m., Kirksey Old Main 307.

Phi Mu Delta Banquet, sign up at Davis Science Building 215.

Thursday, April 16

Military Science Department Awards Ceremony, 11:00 a.m., KUC Theater, call #2081.

Student Member Section of Human Sciences picnic, 5:00 p.m., Old Fort Park.

Channel 12 Auditions for news, weather, sports, 8:00 p.m., Learning Resource Center Studio B, call Kristi 2218 or 3163.

Other Campus Events

Pre-Law Society, display of trophies won in regional and national competitions, first floor lobby of Cope Administration Building.

Videotaped Mock Interviews, Placement Center, every Monday and Tuesday by appointment, KUC 328, call Ext. 2500.

Sitcom script writing, call Miles Hunter, Ext. 1799.

English Department, tutoring lab, noon-4 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, 1:40-4:20 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, appointments can be made in Peck Hall Room 324.

Any student interested in starting a chapter of National Press Photographers Association (NPPA), call Chris Harris, Ext. 2841.

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MTSU grads find jobs, average salaries

VICKI NEAL
Assistant News Editor

Despite the downturn in the job market and economy, graduates are doing well getting jobs and average salaries, said Martha Turner, director of the MTSU Placement and Student Employment Office.

Turner is happy about the 1991 highlight, which was the ninth annual Career Day. According to the 1990-91 Annual Report of Placement Services, 80 employers and 16 graduate schools participated in the career day.

Campus recruiting remained at a high level with 206 employers visiting the campus. The figure has remained constant since 1985.

Turner's report states that the average salary offered to 1991 bachelor's degree graduates was \$20,808. The highest salary was \$33,000 to an accounting graduate. The second highest salary was \$32,000 offered to a nursing graduate.

Four offers of \$30,000 were offered to graduates in aerospace, computer science, mathematics and information systems.

Turner added that students are encouraged "to register with this office before graduation and to report their employment to us [Placement Office]."

The director added, "Obtaining information on their [MTSU graduates] employment is extremely difficult, particularly if they are not employed immediately after graduation."

"We're in the process right now of doing a follow-up on the

progress of December 1991 graduates," said Bobbie Rider, assistant director of the office.

The report also states that 2,090 students and alumni registered for career placement services. Out of that number, 1,105 bachelor alumni are included. Seniors counted for 690 of the 2,090 registered.

Graduate students counted for 181 and graduate alumni with 85 out of the number of people registered, which Turner said was an increase.

"This no doubt is a reflection of the prevailing economic conditions and the job market which new graduates faced," she added.

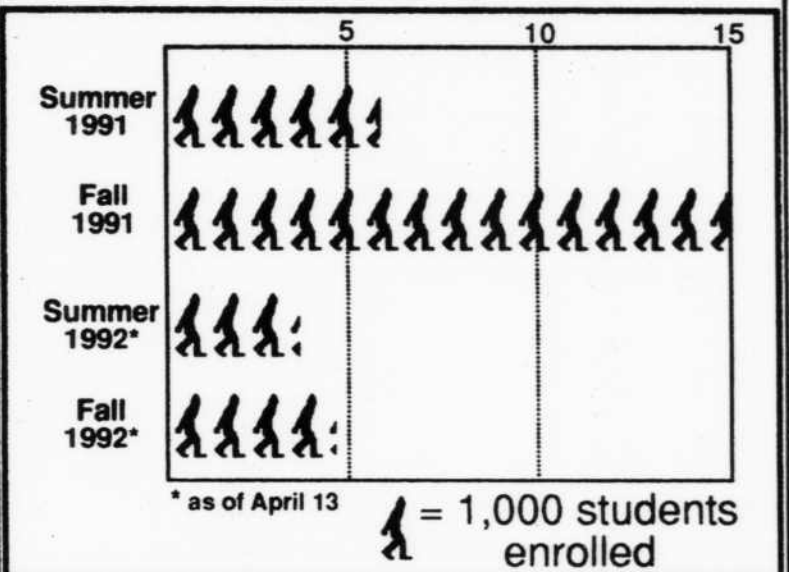
Student employment is a positive factor to getting a job after graduation. About 1,725 applicants submitted applications for student employment during 1990-91.

Turner said there were "over 500 more applicants for part-time jobs during the year and significantly fewer jobs available for these applicants."

Finally, she said that a student's major requires the "need, ability and interest."

"You can't do a job you're not interested in for too long," Turner said. "Actually we are a placement office and not a career planning center. We're interested in the end result."

Pre-registration figures for summer, fall: Another record enrollment?



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ALL HAIL THE KING: Jim Irwin, of Beta Theta Pi, struts around after winning the coveted Mr. MTSU award. The pageant was sponsored Chi Omega. The event was held Tuesday night at Murphy Center. Jim is the secretary of Beta Theta Pi.

Stanford prof censured for sexual harassment

(CPS) -- A medical school professor at Stanford University has received a letter of censure from the school after two students complained that he sexually harassed them.

Stanford officials report that one student accused Dr. Mark Perlroth, 54, of denying her a teaching assistant position because of his wish to have a romantic or sexual relationship with her.

The other woman, according to officials, accused the

cardiologist of asking inappropriate sexual questions when she was alone with him discussing an exam.

"The letter includes undisclosed disciplinary measures, so it is more than a reprimand," said Terry Shepard of the Stanford News Service.

The school issued a statement saying that the professional misconduct charges against the physician "have been formally resolved."

"Dr. Perlroth wishes to

apologize in this statement to the two medical students for his insensitivity and for his departure from appropriate hiring practices," reads the statement.

The text and terms of a letter of censure are confidential.

The action comes nine months after Dr. Frances Conley, a prominent neurosurgeon, spoke publicly about 20 years of sexual harassment she said she endured while working at the Stanford Medical School.

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My roommate still hasn't received his financial aid. The bank says that they've mailed his check. They've probably lost it in financial aid because they lost his loan application.

Wrenn said his office always attempts to track down missing or lost checks.

Though banks will often verify that a late check has been mailed, Wrenn said, sometimes they mean that it has been put in an out box to be mailed.

"If we have the check, I assure you that we want the student to have it," Wrenn said.

Scholarships and financial aid requirements are too strict. I had a 24 on my ACT and a 3.67 GPA and because I was not in the top ten of my class (which only had 45 people), I could not receive a scholarship.

"There will always be someone who doesn't get a scholarship who feels they should," Wrenn said.

Growth at MTSU has resulted in an increase in applications for the available scholarships. One leadership scholarship offered to 20 students traditionally had approximately 100 applicants, but had nearly 400 this year.

"What we did was make 20 people really happy and the other 380 angry," Wrenn said. "It's like someone who makes an 'F' in a course- that teacher is the worst teacher on campus to the student."

The first week of school, while I was trying to get my money through financial aid,

was so discouraging. The people were uninformed and unorganized. I almost transferred the first day.

Each time I had contact with the financial aid office, it wasn't a pleasant experience. The personnel were hateful and acted as if it was some kind of burden to answer my questions.

"We have already responded in having some training sessions in making sure we don't lose our cool and in making sure we understand questions before we give answers," Wrenn said.

Financial Aid has been "extremely short staffed" in the past, Wrenn said, but the situation has been eased somewhat with the addition of four full-time staff members.

Finding a job on campus sounded like a good idea. My first plan was going to the Financial Aid office but they said to go to each department and apply. I had no idea what types of department to go to or who to contact.

Wrenn said this service is offered by the Placement Office and that each department has a budget to hire their own student workers.

The service was offered by Financial Aid at one time before enrollment increases.

One problem students searching for campus jobs encounter, Wrenn said, is a lack of increase in campus work funding coupled with an increase in the minimum wage.

Despite rumors that student employees would lose their jobs to budget cuts, shifts in funds have allowed the jobs to remain.

"Other schools are cutting

left and right," Wrenn said.

I received an Academic Work Scholarship. On the application it said I would receive \$100.00 for book money. I didn't receive any of this money and I didn't find out until I registered. This is very irresponsible of the administration. They should inform the students well ahead of time how much money they are going to receive.

Wrenn said he is not sure how this could have happened, though he is anxious to correct this problem.

"We had over 700 people on work scholarships and this is probably the only time this has happened. Unfortunately, we have no idea who this person is," Wrenn said.

"If the student who did not get their \$100 dollars will come to us, we will make sure he or she gets it."

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common cold, runny nose and eyes. The rash usually occurs at the hairline and moves down and usually appears 14 days after contact," Moore said.

Adults who suffer from measles are "usually very sick," Moore added. People with the infection are "highly contagious" before the rash appears.

"The measles are very very dangerous. A bad case could lead the average college student to the hospital or even death," LaLance said.

Anyone who suspects they have been exposed to or that they have measles should go to Health Services for a check-up, officials advise. Health Services is open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. until 4 p.m..

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Opinions

Consensus

Affirmative Action Officer failing to act affirmatively

Dr. McClellan's sexual harassment appeal was a tough story to track down. Because the case is still pending and its sensitive nature, many of those involved either cannot or prefer not to discuss it.

However, there is one person who could and should talk, but would not. She is MTSU's Affirmative Action Officer Forrestine Williams. Despite the fact that the case is considered public record, she has been less than forthcoming with any information.

When *Sidelines* first heard rumor of this incident, she falsely stated that she could not tell us anything about it. We had to call the Tennessee Board of Regents to get the information.

When we learned the case was under appeal, we called the AA office for details. We were told that they would consult the TBR attorneys and call us back with everything they could tell us. The call never came and again we worked through the TBR.

As we prepared to run the story, we realized that we had no on-campus sources. We contacted Dr. Walker and, because he will decide the case, he correctly referred us to the AA office. This time, not only would Williams not tell us anything, she denied having any knowledge of the appeal whatsoever.

We not only feel that these rejections were violations of the state's open records law, but the latter of the three incidents indicates a more troubling problem. Williams either lied to us or she isn't doing her job. The regulations clearly state that appeals are to go through the AA office, yet two days prior to this particular case, she denies knowing anything about it. Come on!

Sidelines takes allegations of sexual harassment very seriously and feels that students have a right to know about them when they occur. Someone should tell that to Forrestine Williams. Her actions have not been very affirmative.

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Letters to the Editor

SGA President bids farewell

Now, my fellow students, my days as your student body president are numbered. At the SGA Banquet on April 15, Toby Gilley becomes your new president.

First, I would like to thank this year's SGA Administration for their support and cooperation with the agenda that I set for the organization this year. You all worked hard to bring credibility to our organization and I feel that this is our most important achievement.

In addition, I would like to thank the University of Middle Tennessee's student body for their support. I hope that I have reached and exceeded your expectations. I tried to uphold your concerns, ideas and interests to the best of my ability. I would like to encourage each and every one of you to get involved in some way with the activities and decisions on campus. Also, give your full support to the up and coming SGA Administration under President Gilley.

I would also like to thank the administration, faculty and staff of the university for your cooperation in helping me and the SGA reach our goals. I encourage you to continue to treat each year as "the year of the student." We are the ultimate customer.

Also, I would like to let everyone know that I enjoyed

every minute in office. I am grateful to the fact that I came in clean (no scandals) and I'm going out clean.

Finally, I would like to leave you with this thought, when you ask yourself "what do I want to be remembered for?" the answer is "perfect". Because if you try to be the perfect son or daughter, the perfect husband or wife, the perfect student, the perfect worker, you uplift the entire nation — but most of all you uplift yourself. Be good, and UMT until we die! Peace!!

Shawn Burgess

Box 1

LaLance should wake up, wise up

I just saw the Channel 2 news coverage of MTSU's condom machine issue. Yeah, Ray Lentz! Boo, Dr. LaLance. Shame on you and the rest of administration. Wake up — this isn't 1950. Sex is real and, unfortunately, so is AIDS.

Hey, Administration! Quit screwing around yourselves and blaming your decisions on "what parents will think." I don't know of any parent that would keep their 18-year or older daughter or son from going to a university just because it has condom machines in the dormitories.

Stop kidding yourselves and wasting time and start saving lives!

Rebecca Ruck
MTSU Box 6737

Apathy even infects MTSU administration

Apathy is contagious, that is a given. It seethes and grows and spreads its malignancy across this campus a little further each day. Now it even seems to have infiltrated the MTSU administration.

Hear us, for we have spoken. Whether it be condoms or parking referendums, we shall be heard. Maybe I was under the wrong impression, but I thought that elections were intended to make ourselves heard.

The sole reason for the administration's existence is the students, therefore, they should pay attention when we speak. We are the ones who are responsible for their jobs. They work for us, therefore, we own them. They should bend to our will, and they should do our bidding.

Does the administration care about what happens to the students? It does not appear so, for they seem to repeatedly ignore the students' votes. It has taken a condom referendum to bring this to the forefront, but it has always been there.

If they will not listen to us now, then what was the point of ever voting in the first place? It's no wonder that apathy is so rampant here.

Beware, for this is how revolutions start...

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Professor asks 'Who's running the university?'

Stephen D. Lewis is a professor in the College of Business Administration writing as a guest columnist.

Is the pot calling the kettle black? After reading your editorial in the April 6 edition of *Sidelines* regarding placing condom machines in dormitories, I must conclude that this is the case.

Let me say that my comments have nothing to do with my opinion concerning condom machines in dorms, although I definitely have an opinion. Instead, my concern is with the nature of the editorial (as well as other topical student complaints) and the way that the MTSU administration is being told by students how to run this university.

I will address several points in the editorial in order of their appearance. First, you comment:

"Despite the public expression of our will, university officials still feel the need to legislate their own twisted view of morality."

Twisted view? By whose definition? If a twisted view is one that differs from our own, then I suggest that we all have twisted views—especially our views on morality.

Your defense of your views versus the administration's view

STEPHEN LEWIS Guest Columnist

of the sensitive nature of sex in our society seems ill-conceived (no pun intended).

"Most religions condemn it, many parents shudder at the thought of their children considering it and there is a popular misconception that providing condoms equals condoning it."

Most religions condemn it? Which religions? Please provide a list of those religions in this edition of *Sidelines*. I (and others, I'm sure) would be very interested in knowing how such a religion moves beyond one generation. (Maybe there is hanky-panky among some of the members?)

Many parents shudder at the thought of their children considering it? I shudder at the thought of my offspring not trying it. At the proper time and place, of course. I look forward to becoming a grandfather. I shudder at the thought of my lineage dying out with my children.

"There is a popular misconception that providing condoms equals condoning it (sex)."

I'm not sure. However, if as a college student you are adult

enough to engage in sex, you are likewise old enough to be responsible for your actions (more on this later).

"... are we going to allow... social ignorance to override common sense?... if the university has its way, we will do just that."

Is the university administration being labeled "socially ignorant"? In 20-25 years when your own children are entering college, compare your views and the views of their university's administration with the views of your children. Rest assured, your views and the university administration's views will be found "socially ignorant."

Yes, it's been more than a few years since many of this university's decision-makers were college students. That's one of the primary reasons why they hold the positions they do and why they are so much more eminently qualified to make decisions regarding the administration of the university than are the student's of the university.

I do agree with some of your points. Young people are having sex—and before marriage. Certainly some of them don't even love each other. Is that moral? For now, at least, we have to be our own judge.

"Often these sexual encounters aren't even planned;

most take place after the Health Services facility is closed."

You say you don't have time on the spur of the moment to run out to the nearest convenience store to buy condoms? Keep a gross on hand if you are sexually active—male or female. Plan in advance. To do otherwise is flirting with danger—even death. If you choose to "risk it," the price you pay for some brief moment of ecstasy may be far greater than you ever intended or even imagined.

In the 15 years that I've taught at MTSU, students have asked for (sometimes, as in this case, demanded) more of a role in the administration of the university. No doubt, many students have provided valuable input for decision making. But when it comes to running the university, input is about as far as students need to go.

MTSU administrators are appointed and paid to do a job i.e., run the university the best way they know how. They are responsible for decisions made regarding the university's operation. They are responsible to you (students), to your parents, to the faculty and staff; and yes, probably most importantly, to the taxpayers who pay the bills. They are hired because their education and experience qualify them for the positions. Yes, they are older.

Fortunately for most of us, as we grow older we also grow wiser—despite what younger generations might think.

As students, you have a right to offer your input to university administrators. You have a responsibility to point out problems. But you must also learn to accept decisions, even those with which you disagree.

My sincere suggestion to students is this: Do the best possible job that you can in what you came here to do—get a good education. Channel your energies into creating a better term paper, writing a better essay, reading an extra book or two, or spending a few extra hours studying for your math or statistics exam. Offer your suggestions to appropriate administrators, and then step back and let them do their jobs.

When you've completed your degree (perhaps even graduate study like many, if not most, administrators) and your experience qualifies you for an administrative position at MTSU, I hope you will return as an administrator and observe firsthand the problems inherent in allowing students to make critical administrative decisions, whether by referendum or otherwise. The logic exhibited in your editorial is proof enough that these decisions should be left to older and wiser individuals.

Comics

Larger Than Life by David Gallagher



Evan's short attention span didn't help him at all during the job interview.

Larger Than Life by David Gallagher



Wanda's flagrant violation of the rules brings disaster to the whole bus.

Features

Silver lining creeps from behind clouds

MTSU's affordability keeps enrollment on the rise

NEDRA RICHARDSON
Feature Writer

Despite the sporadic grumblings of dissatisfaction heard around campus and the ongoing debate over apathy, or whether there is a problem with apathy, MTSU's enrollment continues to rise. It seems that the silver lining sometimes becomes overshadowed by the clouds.

Since 1988, MTSU has been posting record enrollment. The steady increase is no accident. In the spring of '92, the number of students attending MTSU

reached an all-time high of 15,373. Why?

Quite simply—MTSU is affordable. Compared with other universities in Tennessee and surrounding states, our university is an educational bargain.

According to Velma Taylor, a research assistant for the Tennessee Board of Regents, MTSU has the second lowest tuition rate within the Regents system. The only school priced lower is Tennessee State University in Nashville.

"I believe that the low cost is the reason why so many have chosen to attend MTSU," Taylor says. "Plus, with the recent increase of older students going

to college, MTSU is very attractive. It is convenient and affordable for those who don't have a lot of money because of family, bills or other obligations."

For students like 42-year-old Thomas Baines, a speech therapy major, the convenience of going to MTSU is hard to beat. Baines is an employee, husband, father and full-time student.

"When I made the decision to come back to college, there were a lot of things I had to consider," Baines says. "One of them was time. I knew that I didn't have a lot of it because I work full time. Another was money. And being the father of three kids, there sure wasn't a lot of cash floating around.

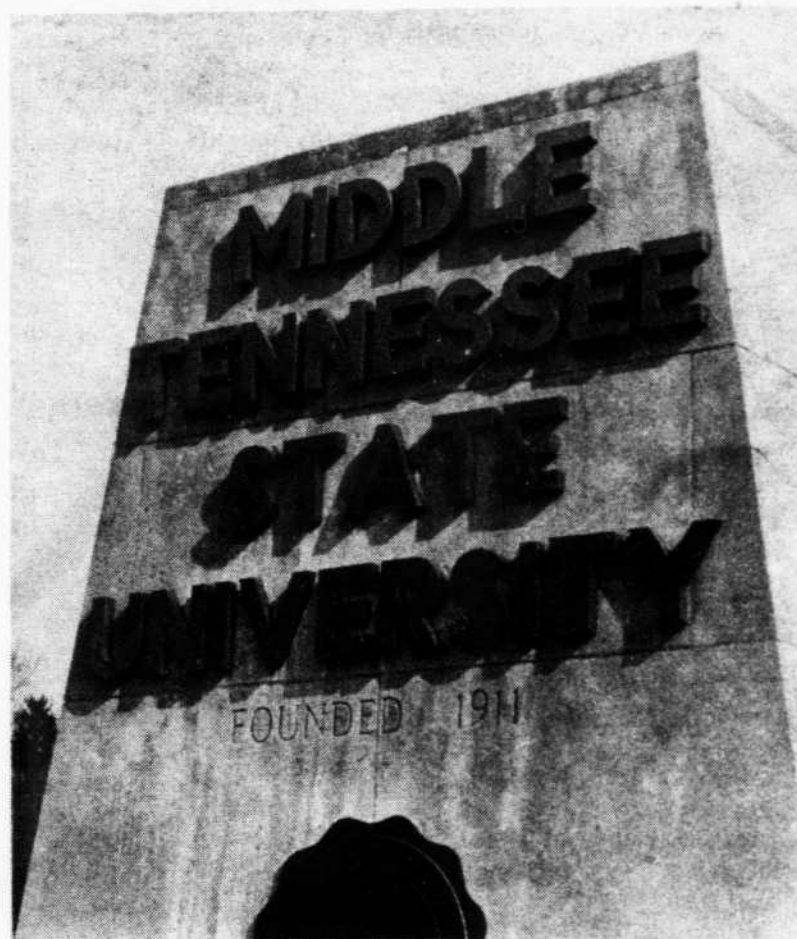
"Finally, it was the location. I had my family to consider here in Murfreesboro. The only logical choice for me was MTSU because it satisfied those things I had to consider."

Robert Lalance, MTSU director of student affairs, attributes the increase in students each semester to the rising tuition at

other private and state universities in Tennessee. Although MTSU's tuition also increases every year, it still manages to stay well under the \$2,000 mark, a rarity for most colleges these days.

If the current trend for many is to attend an affordable college, then MTSU is definitely in fashion. The tuition for the 1991-92 school year is \$715 per semester. When room, board, books and other costs are added, the total cost to attend MTSU is about \$1,400 per semester.

But other features besides affordability attract such students as Lisa Henry, a public relations major. "At first I decided to



Fern Greenbank/Photographer

WHAT'S IN A NAME?: MTSU is fast becoming more than just a "state" university. According to President Walker, our reputation both within the community and outside the immediate area is one of excellence.

come because all of my friends were going here," says Henry.

"And then I heard that MTSU offers one of the best mass comm departments, so that was like a springboard in my decision to come here."

MTSU students also come

college has become a costly one. In the past four years, more students have been attending colleges with the aid of grants, loans and other financial aid. It has become almost rare for a person to pay full tuition without help.

"When I first came here in '88, I knew that I could afford to attend," Henry says. "I had

started to go to Belmont and decided to switch because of the much lower cost to attend MTSU. I think that is why many people have started coming here in the past few years. Not only is it a good school but it's also a good and inexpensive school."

Taylor of the Regents system says the cost of attending MTSU is not expected to rise dramatically for the next several years. "We try to keep our schools down to where it is affordable for everyone," Taylor says of the Regents system. "I applaud the tremendous changes MTSU has made for the last few years and we will continue to support MTSU in their efforts."

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Tuition costs per semester

Brian Rogers/Staff Artist

"Not only is it a good school [MTSU] but it's also a good and inexpensive school."

-Lisa Henry, public relations major

from as far away as Europe. Genovese Swenson, an aerospace engineering major, came from Cheshire, England. The quality and low price of MTSU's aerospace department made her journey across the Atlantic much easier.

"I heard about MTSU from a friend of mine back in England who had majored in aerospace," Swenson says. "He said that it had one of the top aerospace programs anywhere. I checked it out and decided to come here because I was surprised at how inexpensive it was, even for someone from overseas like me. I think I made the right choice."

The dream of going to

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said. "But I am not sure about the scientific validity of this study."

"A survey like this is for a shrinking student body. We are growing. And I daresay that out of 10,000 Guaranteed Student Loan checks, 95 percent of them go without a hitch," Wrenn said.

Scott McDaniel, a Mathematics major in his senior year at MTSU and a student worker in Financial Aid, agreed.

"The people who are going to respond to this kind of survey are the people who have something to complain about," McDaniel said. "They need to get a cross-section of about 100 people and make them fill out the surveys."

McDaniel said he has been involved with students who are angry about problems related to Financial Aid before and that his friends occasionally complain about "how long stuff takes, how many forms they have to fill out, and they make comments like 'didn't I have to fill this out last year?'"

"But I think we're probably one of the more efficient offices on campus," McDaniel said.

Some MTSU students still expressed frustration with Financial Aid.

"Last semester when I went over to get my check, they didn't have it and couldn't locate it,"

said Senior David Jutkins, a History major. "Last summer, they didn't process my forms because they didn't realize they were for Intercession. I'm just wondering what will happen this summer."

David Thorngren, a senior Radio/Television major, said he has had bad experiences with Financial Aid.

"I really don't like the people who work up there," Thorngren said. "On the phone, it's terrible—you're on hold forever. And you know they are taking care of about three people up at the counter before they get back to you."

Other students felt Financial Aid was performing satisfactorily.

Sophomore Chris Floyd, a Recording Industry Management major, said he thinks "they are doing a great job. The students seem to know what they are talking about."

Teresa DePalo, a senior majoring in Biology, also had praise for the office.

"I always get my financial aid pretty quickly," DePalo said. "That's the only office I've been in contact with that hasn't given me a complete run-around."

"They're paying for everything. Why should I complain?" said Blake Grant, a freshman majoring in Mass Communications.

'Wayne's World' success leads to odd new breed

DAWN HABBENA
Special to Sidelines

Way*ni*ac* ma*ni*a-(Way-ni-ac ma-ni-a) n: What's happening when you hear an ever increasing use of the idioms used in the movie "Wayne's World."

Wayniac mania. I never thought it would happen in my house, but it has. My husband has turned into a Wayniac. At least once a day I hear some expression that was used in the movie "Wayne's World."

When I told my husband we were going to see "Wayne's World" he put up a fight because it was not quite the movie he had in mind, but he reluctantly agreed to go.

Then it happened. He walked out of the theatre a changed man. Gone was the college graduate with an above average IQ that I once knew. He was a Wayniac.

I soon realized he was not the only one. I hear several of the idioms used in the movie all the time.

Gone men*tal-(gawn men tal) adj.: lost your mind.

Gone mental. That is what my husband and so many others have done over the movie. The March 2 issue of Newsweek magazine reports that "Wayne's World" opened on President's Day weekend breaking the current box-office record and grossing more than \$18 million, with the figures still climbing. Since the movie came out "Wayne's World" T-shirts, books and coffee cups have gone on sale. The names Wayne and Garth are in the papers, on the radio and in magazines. They are creeping into our lives everywhere.

"Wayne's World" began three years ago as a recurring

sketch on the popular television comedy show "Saturday Night Live." The stars of "Wayne's World" are Mike Myers, who plays Wayne, and Dana Carvey, who plays Garth. Wayne and Garth do a cable access show from Wayne's basement in Aurora, Illinois. It is satire that pokes fun at romance, heavy metal music, television shows, commercials and life in general.

Wayne and Garth always have been popular on SNL but the movie has made them a hit with a wider audience.

Ronnie George, manager of Mosko's in Nashville said his store carried the book "Wayne's World: Extreme Close-up," by Myers and Robin Ruzan, before the movie, but it was not until the movie came out that the book sold out. George says the "Wayne's World" T-shirts are not doing so bad in sales either.

If you want to find out things about Wayne that you never knew, buy the book. For instance, did you know Wayne likes to recycle his hurl(vomit)?

Ex*cel*lent-(ek-se-lent) adj.: really cool.

Excellent. That's what most people I've talked to have said about the movie.

It's quite clear yet why this off-the-wall humor is so attractive to both the young and not-so-young. According to Rolling Stone magazine, the average age for "Wayne's World" movie goers is between 16-25.

It's a hit with teens, such as Jonas Sanders, 17, who has seen the movie seven times. "Those guys are great. They really know how to party and have a good time. I want to be them," he says.

Then there is the college crowd. Scott Ayers, 22, of MTSU

said, "I liked the movie because it's not like the real world. It's a chance to escape."

Dean Jennings, 24, also a MTSU student said "To see the movie was to escape into a world where these guys have no responsibilities and have a lot of fun. We all wish we could do that at some time or another."

And then there is my husband who is 42. He claims he likes the movie because he could relate to it. He used to be a music teacher and he says many of his students were really like Wayne and Garth.

My personal belief is that he likes to act like a kid.

Way*ni*ac-(Way-ni-ac)n: To impersonate Wayne and Garth. To talk like them.

Wayniacs. I've found more than just a few around town. Most people who have seen the movie don't necessarily act like the guys, but they do talk like them. Here's a list of a few of the most heard idioms.

*NOT-untrue

*Psycho hose beast-a crazy woman

*Babe-an attractive woman

*Way-yes way

*Schwing-babe alert!

*Take your ritalin-calm down

Maybe these expressions are catching on because people are getting tired of Simpsons mania and the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. Maybe people are using them just because they're funny. Who knows? Just listen around town. See if you can hear what I'm hearing. It doesn't seem to be a trend that's taking over the town, but it is certainly sneaking in.

Par*ty*on-(pah-tee-on)n: Hello or goodbye.

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New heroes: Condom men

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Students who find themselves in, well, romantic emergencies at Indiana University of Pennsylvania can just pick up the phone and, voila: there's a Condom Man at the door.

Darryl Landfried, Scoot Overbeck and John Reiter, who make up the board of directors and act as deliverymen for the thriving company, say business is hot.

"We're an alternative to the drugstore," Overbeck said.

In order to deter prank calls, the Condom Men ask for the caller's name, phone number and address, then they call the number back.

Overbeck reports that student response has been strong and that 85 percent of the condom requests are from women.

"We were very surprised by

that fact," said Overbeck, who noted that his business doesn't advertise, and has relied only on features in the Penn, the student newspaper.

Overbeck said the trio's membership in the Association of College Entrepreneurs sparked their interest in forming the Condom Men, which has been so successful that they are thinking about expanding to other campuses.

"There's a good markup on condoms, though I would rather not tell you what," Overbeck said.

The Condom Men stock includes glow-in-the-dark condoms, which Overbeck describes as "a kind of vibrant yellow," keychains with condoms tucked inside, and discreet matchbooks "so you won't be embarrassed if it falls out of your purse."

Valentine's Day saw a rush on cupids with condoms hidden

inside.

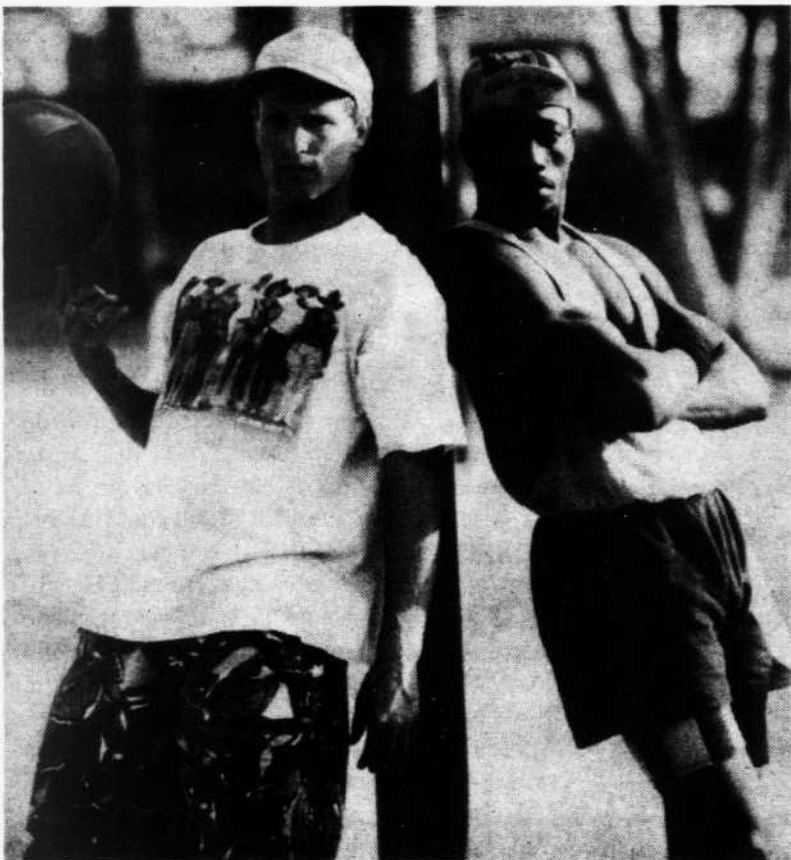
"Really, there's more demand for run-of-the-mill condoms," Overbeck said.

He said the company is downplaying the exotic protection items and selling more "standard" or high-quality, latex condoms.

The Condom Men, who get high marks from local health agencies and AIDS support groups, can answer most questions dealing with sexually transmitted diseases and provide literature on safe sex practices if requested.

Overbeck recalls his first delivery with amusement.

"It was raining very hard. A girl had called. When I got there, soaking wet, there was a poster on the door instructing me to slip the condom under the door. She slipped the money back. She was either extremely embarrassed—or unclothed."



CAN THEY OR CAN THEY NOT JUMP? : Woody Harrelson (left) is Billy Hoyle and Wesley Snipes (right) is Sidney Deane in "White Men Can't Jump," a comedy-drama about pick-up basketball.

'White Men Can't Jump' combines sport, comedy

"Basketball is a city game. Its battlegrounds are strips of asphalt between tattered wire fences or crumbling buildings; its rhythms grow from the uneven thump of a ball against hard surfaces ... Basketball is more than a sport or diversion in the cities. It is the fabric of life."

Pete Axthelm

"White Men Can't Jump" is a comedy about two basketball players who use their skill to hustle the city teams on their own courts.

Sidney Deane (Wesley Snipes, "New Jack City" and "Jungle Fever") meets Billy Hoyle (Woody Harrelson, "Cheers") on a public basketball court and gets beat while trying to hustle him. Soon after, he finds out that Billy was a college basketball star and they become partners.

Running the "white-boy-playing-basketball" scam, they hustle everyone in town, sometimes under very dangerous

BRIAN ROGERS Movie Review

circumstances.

In addition to Billy's many problems, a mafia gang has followed him to collect the money he owes them. A few run-ins with them and he has to think twice about the small-dollar seams. It's time for the big money.

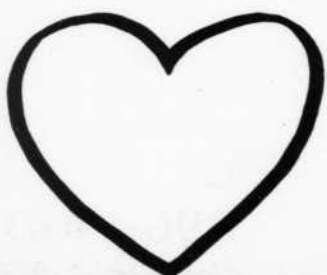
Besides the big money, Billy and Sidney also encounter knives, guns, and problems at home.

Apparently the women in their lives have never heard the old saying "you win some you lose some," because Billy's girlfriend Gloria (Rosie Perez, "Do The Right Thing") leaves him every time he loses to become a "Jeopardy" contestant.

If you love basketball, there is plenty of it in this movie. If you love action, here's the movie for you. If you love game shows, this movie has them. If you love nude girls doing the Lambada, then you're out of luck. Sorry.

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Sports

Time up for 'Big George'

Foreman takes a beating from Stewart, career over?

Okay, let's get serious. The *Tennessean* asked the question, on the front of the Sunday Sports Page, who will 'BIG' George Foreman fight next. If he has any sense he will quit NOW! I think we've finally seen the true Foreman.

Foreman's 43-year-old body has taken all the punishment it can stand. Getting matched blow for blow by a chump like Alex Stewart is embarrassing.

The victory has to be very bitter sweet for the Ex-camp. The bout was decided by the second round knockdowns which were precipitated by a series of low blows. Foreman was penalized a point in the 9th round for continuing to throw hits south of the border.

Out of shape and far too cocky, Foreman embarrassed himself. His most effective weapon, the double arm cover, was not used. Foreman can deflect any shot with his ham-like arms, but was too overconfident to use them.

While trying to live up to his Big Bad image, Foreman didn't sit down between

GREG ADKINS The Right Hook

rounds. This stupid maneuver kept Foreman's corner crew from properly working on his swollen face.

Believe it or not, Stewart's blows confused and stunned Foreman. He was so hurt in the fourth round he had to ask his corner which round he had just finished.

The one thing Foreman had working was a bone crunching punch. It only connected twice, but it was beautiful. Foreman, luckily, hit Stewart so hard in the nose, causing the second knock down of the fight, tears streamed down Stewart's cheeks. But, Stewart got up and the announcer, prematurely, compared him to Rocky Balboa. The second great punch came in the eighth round, but Foreman refused to follow up.

Foreman's biggest handicap has to be a problem that has plagued him since his comeback began, no follow up. If Foreman can't take a fighter out with one shot then he

won't take them out at all.

Well, what does this all mean. Foreman should not fight again, but he might be stupid enough to try.

The person who was probably hurt worse by Foreman's poor victory was Evander Holyfield. The Champ's biggest fight to date was a 12 round marathon with Foreman. Holyfield, in my opinion, has not fought a real fighter. He got his crown from Buster Douglas, a poor excuse for a Champ.

If Foreman isn't the powerhouse everyone thinks he is then is Holyfield a real champion?

If Foreman can get taken for a ride by Stewart, then could Razor Ruddock take Holyfield's head off?

If Holyfield is fighting washed up Larry Holmes, does he know he can't hang with the big boys?

If people like Holmes and Foreman can get title shot where do I sign up.

(Run for President George, I'd vote for you, and you won't get beat like this Again.)

Reception set for Blue Raider hoopsters Tues.

Fans, alumni and students will have a chance to express their appreciation to the 1991-92 Middle Tennessee State University men's basketball squad and bid farewell to its senior members tomorrow night (Tues., April 14).

All MTSU supporters are invited to a reception honoring the Blue Raiders from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. in Dining Room B of the James Union Building on the campus.

There is no admission charge. Punch and light refreshments will be served.

The '91-92 seniors include guard Mike Buck, Clarkrange; guard Tim Corder, Murfreesboro; guard-forward Kelvin Hammonds, Macon, Ga.; guard Jeff Hunter, Franklin; and forward Quincy Vance, Fayetteville.



Shelley Mays/Photographer

TUG OF WAR: Members of the MTSU rugby team battle with those of Indiana Southern during their match Saturday.

Middle Moosemen do the talking

Despite antics, Indiana Southern can't foil Raider focus on winning

TIM BURNS
Sports Writer

Expecting a rough and tough match, the MTSU Moosemen had themselves prepared for a Indiana Southern invasion Saturday.

Southern didn't disappoint with their rugged style of play but when it was all said and done, Middle's rugby squad was the one doing the talking with a convincing 30-14 win.

"As a whole, the team played well," MTSU coach Eric Rainey said. "They really grouped well and we had a lot of leadership."

Leadership was a key which has consistently hurt the Raiders thusfar this season. Although it had the talent, no one really took charge. However, with the guidance of team member Don Mitchell, the Raiders are beginning to peak.

During the match Saturday, Scott Daniels found

a way to score which put Middle ahead early. But Southern wouldn't give in and tried to play its type of game using trash talk and even sparking a couple of fights. Yet, Middle never gave in, stayed focused and won in their own, convincing style.

"We kept them off balance," Rainey said. "They wanted to plug it out but we played together and won."

With the win, the Moosemen hope to gain momentum as they travel down the home stretch of the season. Saturday, it host Memphis State who battled Vanderbilt tooth and nail earlier this season. Vandy handed the Raiders a sizable setback earlier this season.

The match is scheduled to take place on the field next to the Greenland Drive parking lot at 1 p.m.

Killer I's strike tennis teams over weekend

Blue Raiders struggle through action

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

There are two things in sporting action that cause grief, pain and often losses. Those are the killer I's - injury and immaturity.

Both struck the Raider tennis teams this weekend forcing a loosing affect that leaves head coach Dale Short puzzled.

Less than a week ago, his Lady Raiders were peaking and playing as well as they had all season. Senior Lorinda Weiss was displaying the leadership qualities and her teammates were following her examples.

However, when Weiss went down with a groin pull this weekend, the team took on a new perspective.

"Without Lorinda, we go from being a good team to an average team," Short said.

After defeating conference foe Southeast Missouri 7-2 Saturday, the women proceeded to fall to Arkansas-Little Rock and Samford, 5-1 in each case.

Yael Soresman moved up to

the No. 1 spot taking Weiss' spot and held her own winning both matches she participated in at the top spot but the rest of the competition was too much for everyone to overcome.

And to make matters worse, Short thought Weiss would be ready to come back in about a week. Now, they think that she may have the measles and may miss a longer length of time.

Murray State, where the Lady Raiders visited two weeks ago, had a severe problem with the illness.

Meanwhile, Short's men are still in a period of maturity.

After a convincing 8-1 win over Southeast Missouri on Saturday, the Blue Raiders followed through with a 7-0 thrashing of Arkansas-Little Rock.

ALR had defeated Samford 5-4 earlier in the day and it appeared as if the Raiders had a cakewalk when they took the court against Samford Sunday

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McGhee qualifies for NCAA with performance in Dogwood Relays

DIANNE DEOLIVEIRA
Assistant Sports Editor

MTSU's track team competed in one of the biggest relay competitions of the Southeast this weekend.

SeaRay boats sponsored the Dogwood Relays, a four-day meet held at University of Tennessee.

"There were about 2,000 athletes," coach Dean Hayes said, "with a minimum of 60 schools at least."

Although the Blue Raiders only competed in a handful of events, they placed well among the field ranging from New Jersey to Texas.

In the individual performances sophomore All-American Roland McGhee won the long jump in 25-7 1/2, which is a NCAA provisional qualifying standard.

Micoh Otis had an excellent day in the open 110-meter hurdles which he won in 14:00.2.

"Micoh ran a solid race into a strong head wind and still ran his fastest time," said Hayes.

In the jumping events, Lady Raider Veronica Tipton tied for third in the high jump at 5-7, and Tosha Rogers placed second in the triple jump with 41-4 1/2.

The men's 400-meter relay team of Chris Layne, McGhee, Terry Townsend, and Otis placed third in

40.60, and the 800-meter relay team of Layne, Everett Jolley, Townsend, and Tom Hampton finished fifth in 1:26.42. The only original member of that relay was Townsend.

In the women's two mile relay, the Lady Raider team of seniors Sharon Smith and Karen Barnes, and juniors Dianne DeOliveira and Leigh Weathers finished third in 9:06.63. That was their fastest relay time ever and a new school record. Smith and Barnes also ran their fastest 800-meter splits.

The track team will compete in the Ohio Valley Conference Championships next Saturday at Eastern Kentucky.

Last Spring season, Murray's men won the title while the Lady Racers and Lady Raiders split the crown. The Racer's won both the men's and women's indoor titles, so they are the favorites going into the OVC meet.

With such a short season this year, Hayes isn't sure what to expect.

"Since we've had a short season I haven't really had a chance to evaluate the other teams," Hayes said, "We haven't seen Murray at all. Eastern has distance runners and sprinters, and Southeast Missouri has weight people. It will be a good battle between the four of us."

Raiders won't die in conference race

Middle sweeps TSU on Saturday

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

Living on the edge is becoming a part of life for Blue Raider head baseball coach and his team.

The Raiders, with four conference losses entering a three game series with Tennessee State Saturday, needed to pull a sweep out of the hat in order to stay in contention for the Ohio Valley Conference baseball crown.

Any more conference losses will probably eliminate the Raiders from that race. Currently, Austin Peay holds the edge as they entered the weekend with one lone OVC loss.

So, with that ever present loss on their mind, the Raiders responded to the pressure with an 8-0 win followed by a 11-8 victory over the Tigers in Nashville. Results of Sunday's game were not available at press time.

"It was mandatory that we win these two," Peterson said. "Now that we've accomplished that, we have the opportunity to sweep the series. When you have a chance like that you have to reach out and grab it and make something happen."

Saturday they did make something happen behind the gun of Blue Raider pitcher Mike McLaury who pitched a four hitter.

Meanwhile, the TSU pitcher started out on target as well as the two squads battled to a scoreless tie through two innings. But the silence of the bats was quickly broken when the Raider bats erupted for one run in each the third and fourth

inning before plating two in the fifth and another in the sixth to provide the margin of victory.

Gary Meyers led the batting attack with a 3-4 day, with two RBI's while Jay Price was 3-4 as well with one RBI.

McLaury improved his mark to 4-3 as he walked none and struck out four.

In the second game, Tennessee State caught fire with their bats but Middle continued to pound out the hits as well.

The second barrage started early when Jamie Hicks and Brent Greer put Middle ahead 2-0 with RBI singles in the second inning.

Over the next two innings, things began to unravel for TSU as Middle plated seven runs for a 9-0 lead.

Then the tables started to turn for Raider starter Patrick Mayes.

"They started getting to our pitching," Peterson said. "Patrick was cruising along and having a great day, but he lost all movement on it and they really started getting to him."

In the fourth inning, the Tigers picked up four runs and five hits but it could never catch up to Middle's early surge.

TSU ended the second contest with 12 hits, compared to Middle's 11, and it also benefited from four Raider errors.

Hicks led the way at the plate going 3-3, with three RBI's.

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'THE DYNAMIC DUO'

Lady Raider track stars similar in many ways, confusing at times

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SHARON SMITH

It is said that everybody has a twin somewhere in the world. While most of us will never even see our clone, let alone get to meet him or her, this however is not the case for seniors Karen Barnes and Sharon Smith.

Barnes, a 117lb., 5-5 blonde with blue eyes, and Smith, a 5-4, 100lb., brown-eyed girl with dark hair are certainly not what you would call identical twins, but their actions and achievements might lead you to believe differently. At least track coach Dean Hayes is convinced. Perhaps that is why after four years he continues to get the two mixed up. Hayes simply solved the problem by deriving a new name for his Lady tracksters, "The Dynamic-Duo".

"Karen and Sharon came to MTSU as the first recruiting class," Hayes said. "They both did a good job as freshman as the number one and two runners, they worked well together, and helped each other. They ran the same events, did the same workouts, and have similar names. It became a job. Either one answered to either name."

"Whenever he says one name we both look," Barnes said, "We never know which one he's talking to."

"We just got used to it," Smith laughed, "Whenever he calls me Karen, I answer. We know what he means."

Even when teammates got to know the two, they understood why coach Hayes has trouble distinguishing his "dynamic-

duo".

Barnes and Smith both began running their sophomore year in high school. Barnes decided to run, in addition to playing basketball, when Sante Fe High School added track as its second sport. Smith, on the other hand, began by coincidence.

"My high school held a physical education contest," Smith said. "I ran the mile and

"Whenever he says one name, we both look. We never know which one he's talking to."

-Karen Barnes

won, surprisingly. After that a coach asked me to run, and I said, sure!"

Fortunately, Smith attended C.L. Harper in Atlanta, Georgia, which had an established track program and a track coach, whereas Barnes was less fortunate.

"My coach, Henry Earl's influenced me and pushed me to do well," Smith said. "If it wasn't for him I don't think I would be as disciplined as I am."

"I really didn't have a track coach," Barnes said, "I ran on my own and trained myself. My mom and dad took me to all the meets. My dad took a big interest in everything I did in high school. He wanted to help me get better. He followed me on the roads while I ran and kept my times."

Somehow, Fate and a call from Hayes caused the "dynamic-duo" to join forces.

"Coach Hayes started recruiting me my junior year," Barnes said. "At that time I wasn't thinking about running college track because I didn't think I was that good, and I didn't know how interested I was going to be in it."

Before deciding to run, Barnes had originally wanted to attend MTSU.

"Coach Hayes told me that the women's program was starting back and he needed some distance girls," Barnes continued. "He thought I would do well because I hadn't been run real hard or overworked. He also felt I hadn't reached my potential yet because of my track background."

Barnes' decision to get married before attending MTSU in the Fall of 1988 alarmed her father.

"My dad was worried about my scholarship," Barnes said. "He was afraid I was going to change my mind and back-out at the last minute. He wanted me to tell coach Hayes and make sure he would still want me. I told him, and he said it was fine and that they already had a girl on the team who was married."

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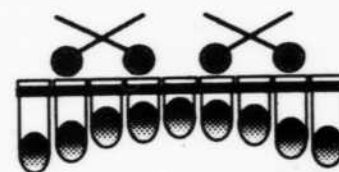
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