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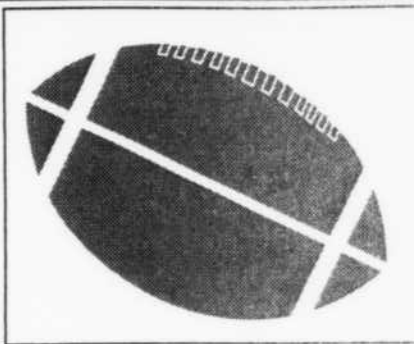
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2-year building project starts on Business/Aerospace site



Brian G. Miller/staff

Construction workers break ground for the Business/Aerospace Building in a ceremony on C Street last Monday.

SGA members disagree with methods used in fee approval

By AMY CARPENTER/staff

A \$65 increase in the Student Activity Fee has student leaders disagreeing about the methods and rationale administrators used to push fee approval through the Tennessee Board of Regents.

The fee was approved in June to fund a \$25 million stadium addition and create the opportunity for MTSU football to go Division I-A. The fee increase came on the heels of a 3 percent tuition increase.

But several students disagree with the manner in which the fee was implemented and want a referendum to be held. Junior Sen. Chad White is leading an investigation of the fee increase with Amy Jenkins, Scott Davis, Lyric Lewis and Glenda Hawkins.

"I learned of the increase the day TBR approved it by reading it in the newspaper," said White. "I attended one of Walker's open forums and heard nothing of the increase or about the football program moving to I-A."

However, SGA President Shane McFarland said the increase is "worth the money spent for what you get" and supports implementation of the fee.

"The students before us paid for the buildings we are in, and now it is our turn to build towards the future," said McFarland. "If the students in the past had the attitude that 'it won't benefit me,' then half of the buildings on campus would not be here."

McFarland said that I-A football has been on the table for several years and the move should come as no surprise to anyone.

"The advancement of the football

program has been discussed for the past four years. Each president has been faced with the possible fee increase, but it came to a head this year," said McFarland.

He said a person in his position must think about the future as well as the present. "I'm here to represent the students here now and also the students if the future," he said.

McFarland said the growth projections make the steps to Division I-A necessary and that students must make some sacrifices for the future.

"The proposal states (for the football program) that by the year 2006 or 2007, MTSU will surpass the status of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. Sacrifices have to be made in order to make MTSU a better school," McFarland added. McFarland is not involved with the investigation.

The members of the committee will be talking to students and faculty individually on their involvement and opinions. White has already talked to those involved with the allocation of the Recreation Center funds.

"I would like to have a vote to find out what the students wanted," said White. "This will be a way for the committee to know if they should push the issue further. If there is a strong opposition from the students, we will continue; but if there is not enough support, we will drop the issue at that point."

In an upcoming meeting, the committee plans to have faculty members testify about the information they received about the increase. President Walker has already agreed to answer any questions from the committee, White

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By MARK BLEVINS/staff

Groundbreaking for the \$22.2 million Business/Aerospace Building was held last Monday beginning the two-year construction project.

Total classroom space on campus will be increased by 18 percent with the addition of the building.

The building will rest on C Street between the Learning Resources Center and the Mass Communication Building. If funding for the library is approved next summer, a quadrangle complete with courtyard would eventually lay between the library, Business/Aerospace Building and Mass Communication Building.

The construction has closed off C Street from the north side of the Mass Communication building up to Second Street.

"We have waited a long, long time for this building," said MTSU President James Walker at the ceremony.

The university has been "intensively seeking" funds for the building for three years, according to Vice President of Finance Duane Stucky. Stucky said the university had to make some very strong arguments to receive the funding from scarce state resources.

The classrooms are planned to provide better facilities for the programs which have been notoriously cramped into crowded classrooms.

"If all that technology gets wired in [as planned], we'll essentially have master classrooms," said Dean of the College of Business Dwight Bullard.

Walker and Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs Barbara Haskew praised the efforts of Rep. John Bragg and Sen. Andy Womack, who were on hand, to get the state funds.

When it was Bragg's turn to speak

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AIDS number one cause of death in 24-44 demograph in Davidson

By MARK GIBSON/staff

AIDS is now the leading cause of death of people between the age of 24 and 44 years in the Nashville/Davidson County area, a recent study by a Nashville researcher and health care official.

Jean Reid, director of the Nashville Comprehensive Care Center, reported in the August edition of Nashville Medical News that AIDS is the No. 1 cause of death in that age group and has been since 1992. In 1990 and 1991, AIDS was second only to

accidents.

Dr. Andrew Johnson, physician with the university's Student Health Services, said he wants to make sure that every student on campus knows how to stay healthy and avoid becoming one of the statistics.

"There are many risk factors to this disease...and if you aren't aware of them, you run a serious risk of contracting AIDS," he said.

Some of those risk factors include sharing or using dirty needles for intravenous drug use and contaminated blood products. But for most college students the greatest risk factor is the most common — multiple sex partners, Dr. Johnson pointed out.

Donald Young, Certified Physician's Assistant with Student Health Services, agreed.

"Even with protection, the larger your number of partners and the earlier you start [having sex] the greater the risk [of contracting

AIDS]," Young said.

"Protection" means condoms. Although condoms significantly cut down the risk for AIDS, they aren't 100 percent effective. Nothing is, except abstinence, Young said.

It should also be noted that the improper use of condoms can be "extremely dangerous," Young said. For example, to be effective, a condom must be used during any sex that involves penetration.

"If you try to put it on at the last minute, there is a real likelihood that body fluids have been exchanged"

Young said.

"There is an increasing cause for concern; [young people] are in denial... we need to realize this can happen to all of us."

Donald Young
Certified Physician's
Assistant with Student
Health Services

Many people may still think of AIDS as a "gay" disease. But AIDS is caused by a virus which does not recognize whether you are gay or straight; it's the equal opportunity killer.

"When AIDS first came out, it was like the Black Plague in centuries past. No one knew what caused it, but they observed that it was

present among gay men. So people associated as a 'gay disease,'" Young said.

He said the gay community was educated about AIDS prevention and began to put that education to work, which caused a lowering in the incidence of AIDS among the gay community.

"But among heterosexuals, the incidents seems to be rising," he said.

"There is an increasing cause for concern; [young people] are in denial... we need to realize this can happen

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Low sales jeopardize yearbook's future

By SIMONE DELONG/staff

MTSU's yearbook, The Midlander, is struggling to stay alive.

Sales for MTSU's yearbook, The Midlander, have been falling off for the last five years and Student Publications is trying some new methods to keep the annual economically feasible. The book has sold only 300 copies for the past two years.

The struggling with the selling of yearbooks is a nationwide trend.

"For those of us that have to sell the yearbook, this has been a trend. I know there are some universities that have completely stopped selling yearbooks," said Jenny Tenpenny Crouch, Director of Student Publications.

In the recent past, The Midlander did not utilize successful marketing tactics. For many years, The

Midlander did not advertise at all except in Sidelines and was dependent upon the sales to students during registration and the university budget. Since the use of TRAM, the sales of the yearbook dropped even more.

"Participation has really dropped. Registration via telephones has been a really big problem. It was hard to

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Carl E. Lambert/staff

Midlander Editor Allison Goodman (left) helps Sarah Elliott with an application for the yearbook.

Computer seminar teaches new software and capabilities

By HEATHER HYBARGER/staff

Dr. George Pimentel will teach a free computer seminar Aug. 31 from 6:00-9:00 pm to showcase new facilities and software on campus.

Diana Schultz, coordinator of marketing for Continuing Studies, described the seminar as "an easy intro" to the software available. She added that students and members of the community can "get a better view of the software by hearing it from an instructor rather than just reading the manual."

The seminar open to the general public and several area businesses. The local temporary agencies and companies of Wood Personell, Quality Employment and Samsonite have the opportunity to use this seminar as a

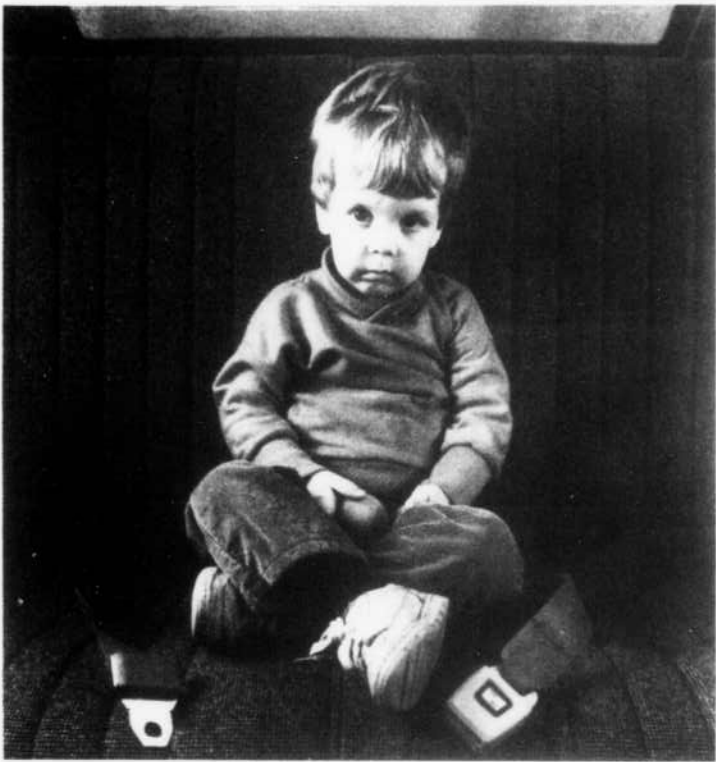
quick training course.

The three hours will allow time for lecture and instruction as well as hands on time with the computers.

Textbooks will be sold for half price to those who attend the seminar.

According to Pimentel, the seminar will be taught from Modular F in the KOM computer lab, which until last January housed the "most state of the art" computers, said Dr. Pimentel. The lab contains sixteen 486 Zenith models, equipped with Microsoft Office Professional including Excel, Word, Powerpoint, Access, Word Perfect and Pagemaker.

Students interested in more information about this seminar should contact Continuing Studies at 898-2462. ●



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The Association of Recording Management Students is holding its first general interest meeting on Thursday, September 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the LRC Room 221. Please contact Amy Templeton at 898-2088(office) or 848-1675(home) for more information.

The Student Government Association is holding an organizational fair on the knoll behind the KUC on Thursday, September 21 from 11:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity for students to get involved. Call Jaime Groce at 898-2464 for more information.

SGA House of Representatives on Thursday, August 31 at 4:30 p.m. in the KUC theater. All campus organizations need to send one representative to the meeting. Jaime Groce at 898-2464 has all the details.

The MTSU College Democrats is holding their first meeting of the semester in the KUC room 314. The meeting begins at 5:00 p.m. Come and find out about upcoming events during the semester. Call Paul at 849-7759 for further information.

The MTSU Theater Department is holding open auditions for A Piece of My Heart. Auditions will be held on August 29, 30 at 7:00 p.m. in the arena theater in the Boutwell Dramatic Arts Building. Those auditioning should dress casually and prepare a one minute monologue. Deborah Anderson 898-2640

Do you have an opinion about everything? Then the **MTSU debate team** wants you! An open house will be held Wednesday, August 30 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the Boutwell Dramatic Arts Building room 220. Call Russell Church at 898-5607 for more information.

The Presbyterian Student Fellowship at 615 N. Tennessee Blvd. hosts a cookout and discussion beginning at 6:15 every Wednesday evening and luncheons every Monday at noon. Contact Michael Malone at 893-1787.

The Wesley Foundation's

"Feeding of the Five Thousand" is Tuesday, August 29 at 5:30 p.m. The Wesley Foundation is located behind Clement Hall. Get there early and join us for a free potluck dinner. Trey Hall 893-0469.

The Student Publications Committee's first meeting of the year will be Wednesday, September 6 at 3:00 p.m. in the KUC room 310. The chairman will be elected and all appointed members are encouraged to be present. Dr. Robert LaLance 898-2440 or Jenny Tenpenny Crouch at 898-2815.

The Student Nurses Association will be holding a health fair on Friday, September 8 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Student nurses will be performing blood pressure assessments, body mass indexes, blood oxygen saturations, vision assessments, nutritional counseling, and cholesterol and blood glucose counts for a \$10 fee. Monica Johnson 848-1562.

Orientation dates for all **Student Organizations** have been set for Wednesday, August 30 at 4:00 p.m. and Thursday, August 31 at 6:00 p.m. in the KUC room 322. Attendance is mandatory at either

meeting in order for your organization to maintain university registration.

Student Organization updates deadline for student organizations is 4:30 p.m. on September 21, 1995. Applications may be picked up at the mandatory student organization meeting.

Applications for student activity fee requests must be turned in to KUC 122 no later than 4:30 p.m. on September 25, 1995. Applications and student activity fee guidelines are available in the KUC 112.

The College Republicans is having general interest meetings on Tuesday, September 12; Wednesday, September 27; and on Thursday, August 28. All meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the KUC 314. Mae Beavers will be speaking at the September 12 meeting. Call Brian

Lewis at 890-6478 for more information.

The Wesley Foundation is hosting several activities this week. On Wednesday, August 30 at lunch will begin at 11:15. At 7:00 Koinonia. At 7:30 the Wesley Singers Organizational Meeting. On Thursday, August 31 at 7:00 p.m. will be a clown workshop for clown missions. On Saturday, September 2 at 5:00 p.m. meet at Wesley for MTSU vs. TSU football game.

PHI BETA LAMBDA, the Collegiate Division of Future Business Leaders of America, will be conducting two membership orientation meetings. Monday, August 28 at 4:00 p.m. and Tuesday, August 29 at 3:00 p.m. Both meetings will be held in the Midgett Business Building room 303. For more information contact either James Roberson, president, at 898-3051 or Dr. Robert B. Blair, advisor, at 898-2036.

A **cookout** will be held behind the **Criminal Justice house** on Thursday, September 7 at 4:00 p.m. The cost will be \$4.00 per person and will be collected at the cookout. Current members, interested students, and criminal justice professors are invited to attend. Open to all majors so please come.

Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity at 113 S. Tennessee Blvd. will be having rush parties on Monday, August 28; Wednesday, August 30; and Friday, September 1 from 8:00 till midnight. A smoker with guset speakers is on September 4 at 8:00. A coat and tie is required. The TKE yard sale will be September 9 starting at 8:00 a.m.

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Pell Grants jeopardized by House bill

By CHARLES DERVARICS
College Press Service

WASHINGTON—The U.S. House of Representatives this month approved a bill to restructure the federal Pell Grant Program and eliminate small grants for an estimated 250,000 college students.

House Republicans said their plan will re-focus the program to target those students most in need of financial aid. The bill would increase the maximum Pell Grant by \$100 next year but terminate aid to less-needy students who do not qualify for grants of at least \$600. The current minimum grant is \$400.

"The committee believes that funding for these small grants, which support individuals with relatively less need, should be better targeted to those students with relatively greater financial need," said a report accompanying the bill, H.R.

2127.

The 250,000 students affected by the cut "will have ready access to additional loans of \$400-\$600 necessary to supplement their education expenses," the report added. The change is needed to "better

"This bill is simply a monster of inequity."

Rep. Vic Fazio
(D-Calif.)

target limited resources to those students with the greatest needs," it said.

Overall, the plan would cut total funding for Pell by \$500 million next year. However, the maximum grant would increase from \$3,340 to \$2,440.

A bitterly divided House approved the bill in early August by a vote of 219 to 208, with most Democrats opposing the measure.

"This bill is simply a monster of inequity," said Rep.

Vic Fazio (D-Calif.) of the bill, which would fund federal education, employment and human-service programs. "One-half of the cuts in this bill are stolen from the single-best investment we can make in our future: education."

Other Democrats charged the cuts will fund tax breaks for business and the wealthy. "These cuts far exceed what would be necessary to balance the budget," added Rep. David Obey (D-Wis.), senior Democrat on the House Appropriations Committee that drafted the measure.

Critics say the bill, if enacted into law, would mean cuts of \$4 billion in federal education spending next year.

President Clinton vowed to veto the measure shortly after it cleared the House. "What is being done to the college programs and the job training program is simply unacceptable," he said.

The jobless training cuts include termination of an \$800 million program offering summer jobs to at-risk youth.

Though the bill does increase the maximum Pell Grant, House Republicans fell short of Clinton's own goals for the program in 1996. Earlier this year, he proposed a maximum of \$2,620 in 1996 to make up for past cuts in the maximum grant.

Elsewhere in education, H.R. 2127 would eliminate many graduate programs such as Patricia Roberts Harris Fellowships that help recruit underserved minorities for graduate education. Other fellowship programs include Javits fellowships for doctoral study, Byrd honor scholarships for high school students, Douglas teacher scholarships, national science scholars and faculty development fellowships.

Support for these graduate fellowships totaled \$50 million in 1995.

The Republicans' plan also eliminates all funding for State Student Incentive Grants (SSIG), in which the federal government provides matching funds for state grant programs. SSIG received \$63 million this year. ●

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1. **Survey of the Old Testament** - An overview of the first five books of the Bible. Topics covered include: date of writing, authorship, content and methods of interpretation. Teacher: Dr. Mark Gregory. Class begins September 11.

2. **History of Israel: The Second Temple Period** - Covers Israel's history from Nehemiah's rebuilding of the Temple in 440 B.C. to the Roman destruction of Jerusalem in 70 A.D. Topics include the kings of Israel, Greek and Roman occupation and the Macabbean Period. Teacher: Allen Jackson. Registration deadline is September 25. Class begins October 16.

3. **The Radical Reformers in Europe** - A study of the anabaptists during the 16th Century and their influence today. Persecuted by both Catholic and Protestant Authorities, they survived to become the Amish and Mennonites and heavily influenced later Baptist groups. Teacher: Dr. Ken Hubbard. Registration deadline is October 23. Class begins November 13.

Fridays 12:00 - 12:50

1. **The Life and Writings of C.S. Lewis** - The Subject of the movie, *Shadowlands*, Lewis was a professor at Cambridge University and the popular author of such classics as: *The Chronicles of Narnia*, *The Space Trilogy*, *The Screwtape Letters*, and *Mere Christianity*. Teacher: Russell Richardson. Class Begins September 1.

2. **The End Times: A Study in Eschatology** - A study of various interpretation concerning the Second Coming and the end of the world. Includes a historic overview of the development of beliefs about the millennium, the Antichrist, and date setting. Teacher: Dr. Tom Madden. The Registration deadline is September 8. Class begins September 29.

3. **How We Got the Bible** - An overview of the history of the Bible from its earliest written texts to modern English translations. What is revelation and inspiration? Who decided which writings were scripture? Teacher: Charles Nored. Registration deadline is October 6. Class begins on October 27.

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YEARBOOK: Midlander's staff remain optimistic, argue book provides a historical record

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get people to buy them [the yearbook]. The campus is so big that sometimes people don't realize that there is a yearbook," said Allison Goodman, editor of The Midlander.

Goodman said she also feels that there is not enough support from the administration.

"Putting out a good product needs more support. The university should be proud of it," said Goodman.

"I'm interested in the yearbook. However, there comes a point in time that putting out an unsuccessful yearbook doesn't make good economical sense," said Robert C. LaLance, Jr., Vice President for

Student Affairs.

LaLance said he also feels "very passionately" about keeping the yearbook.

"I think the yearbook serves a purpose beyond activities, it also serves Public Relations recruiting value and a permanent record for the activities of the university. I believe the students and staff would like to preserve the yearbook," said LaLance.

As dismal as it may seem, Crouch and Goodman are optimistic. Crouch and Goodman attended a yearbook workshop and gained ideas to help them with the yearbook.

"I'm optimistic. We hope to implement the great ideas from the

workshop. We need to produce a better quality book that is reflective of the students' talents and something that the students and community would want to read", said Crouch.

The future of the yearbook was brought up last year to the Student Publications Committee. The committee is comprised of five faculty members and four students.

"I hope that this year's new committee will take this issue seriously. I want them to come to an understanding with what the university wants. Without the Student Publications department, the yearbook could not survive on its own," said Crouch.

what the department expects to produce in the current year.

"There is about a \$126,000 base operation budget for Student Publications. The Midlander cannot make enough money to print the books. In printing costs alone, we spend \$20,000. The book is sold for \$20 each, and we are budgeted to sell 300 copies for a projected revenue of \$6,000. If everything wasn't lumped together, we couldn't do it (I or the university)," said Crouch.

"We have enough money to do it; we are not showing a loss (Student Publications as a whole). Sidelines is generating most of the money. If Midlander is taken away, the university might take more away from the Students Publications. As it is right now, The department is receiving about \$86,000 from the university [which includes student salaries, travel and some operational monies. Administrative/clerical salaries are not included in that figure]," said Crouch. All the monies are divided between three publications, the newspaper,

yearbook and magazine.

"The realization is that we've got to market this thing, and we have never had to do that before. The Midlander needs revenues and quality. Quality needs revenues," said Crouch. "It's a two-edged sword."

"We are advertising for the first time since approximately the mid 1970's. No one is quite sure why they stopped doing ads," said Goodman.

The Midlander staff is implementing the use of surveys to gain feedback to see what students want and also to find out what other universities are doing.

Crouch admitted that in the past years, The Midlander staff just didn't produce "a good product."

"I'm making sure we're covering many avenues. The book can be representative of the quality of our students, but we just haven't done a very good job," said Crouch.

Goodman and Crouch urge that there is a definite need for a yearbook. "We need a permanent reminder for historical significance," said Goodman. ●

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AIDS: condoms available at MTSU's health clinic

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to all of us," said Young.

HIV, the AIDS virus, needs only a microscopic tear in the skin to infect a person. The virus is carried in certain body fluids, most notably semen and blood.

"Although anal sex may cause a greater trauma, and hence, more tears in the skin than vaginal intercourse, with any sex there are bound to be microscopic tears in the skin. It's normal...but that's all the AIDS virus needs," Young said.

This means that women can get it easily from their male sex partners, he pointed out.

HIV testing is not available at the university health clinic. But if you're concerned, they'll evaluate any

symptoms you might have and arrange for a referral if you need it. Testing is done at the Rutherford County Health Clinic, just a few blocks away, for free.

The same risk factors that accompany AIDS accompany other sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), "and not a week goes by that I don't see someone for an STD," Young said.

The same condom that helps protect against AIDS also protects from STDs. Although not 100 percent effective, a condom with foam, used correctly and consistently, can help guard against gonorrhea, chlamydia, genital warts, syphilis and genital herpes. Besides being available at area retailers, condoms are also available at Student Health Services.

All you have to do is show your ID and "pick up a package which contains condoms, for free. You don't even have to sign in, just ask for them," said Young.

Dr. Johnson said students should not be embarrassed to come in.

"We're not trying to embarrass anybody...we just want people to stay healthy," Johnson said.

Both health officials pointed out that condoms, though highly effective, still have drawbacks. The only 100 percent safe means to stay healthy is through abstinence, which they both recommended.

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BUILDING: MTSU starts construction

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at the ceremony, he said he would make it brief.

"I'm through with the Business/Aerospace building. Now all I'm worried about is the library," Bragg said.

His brief statement drew an excited cheer from the audience.

Of the \$22.2 million cost, \$5.5 million will be raised by MTSU. The university has already covered that figure from reserve funds and will reimburse it through a fund-raising campaign which is underway, Stucky said.

MTSU recently met the State Building Commission to transfer approximately \$1.5 million from planned moveable equipment in the building to construction costs.

That moveable equipment is mostly computer equipment and includes furniture for the new building.

The bid for construction went over the maximum allowable cost of \$15.1 million and the university had to make up for the shortfall, according

to Stucky.

So the university transferred the \$1.5 million to construction costs and then hopes to bring the money back through additional fund-raising. Stucky said the university expects to raise all of the approximate \$1.5 million and lose no services from the transfer.

The building is designed to have 160,000 square feet with an inner courtyard, a 250-seat lecture hall/auditorium, 40 classrooms, eight computer class/labs, eight offices for deans and department heads, 139 faculty offices, 11 faculty adjunct offices and six offices for special chairs.

"The intent was to design the building in a more traditional manner, kind of a return to the rich tradition of architecture," said designer Jeff Roberts in an MTSU press release.

"Both the student and faculty entrances will feature the same large columns that are part of the Kirksey Old Main on the MTSU campus," Roberts said. ●

FEE: SGA divided over activity fee increase

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In an upcoming meeting, the committee plans to have faculty members testify about the information they received about the increase. President Walker has already agreed to answer any questions from the committee, White said.

"Although refunding the money is unrealistic, the students could vote on what they would like to do with the money. The ideas range from funding the new library to improvements on campus. The students should have a say in

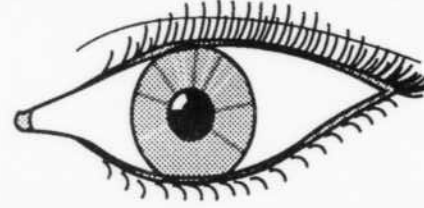
where the money goes," White said.

"He (McFarland) only knew about it a week before, he couldn't have gotten an overall opinion from the students and how they feel about the increase," White continued.

"As for the campus opinion of SGA, I want the students to know we are here for them and their rights. We are not here to go along with whatever the faculty wants. I am not saying I won't work with them, but we need to stand up for the students' rights, too." ●

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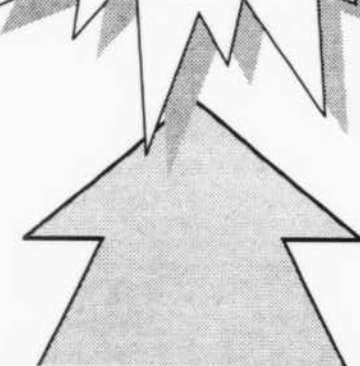
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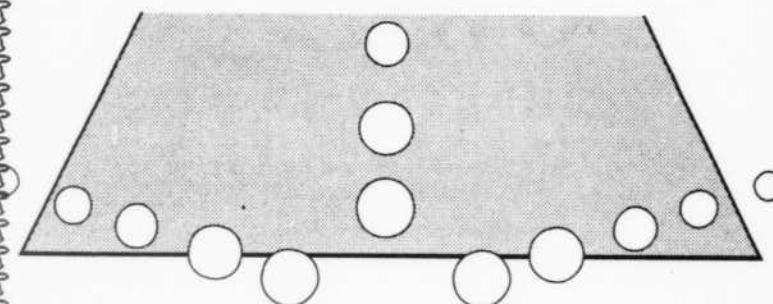


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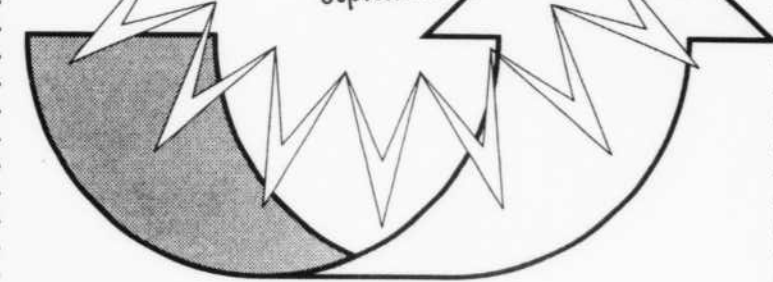
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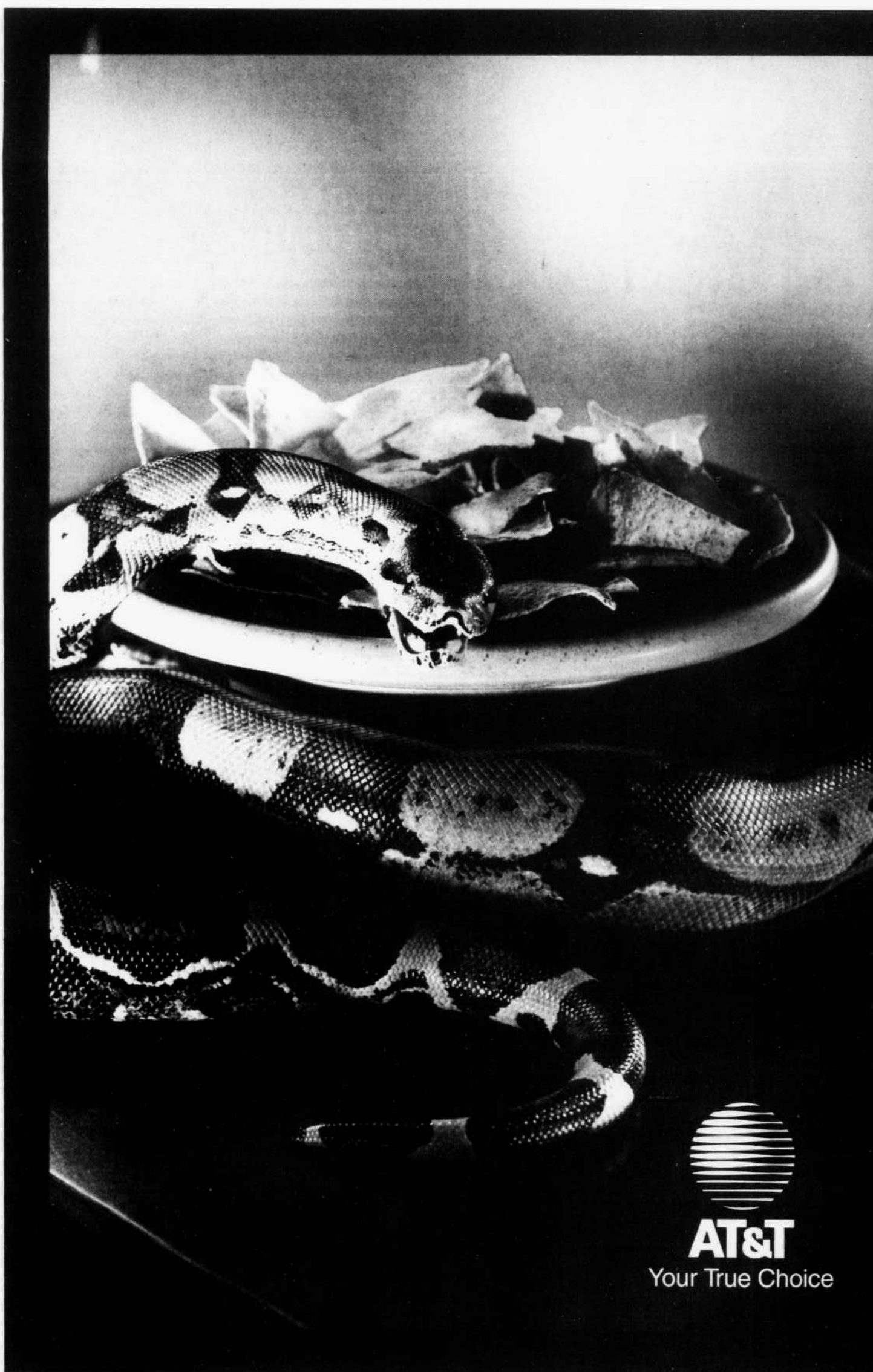
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In our view

By the Sidelines Editorial Board

All things considered, I-A football worth it

The move will give MTSU a regional/national spotlight, boosting its image--and funding.

Paying \$65/semester more in fees is not what any student would wish on himself or herself.

It hurts, and it hurts some students more than others. We have already heard the stories of students who have postponed buying a couple of books until the next payday. Incidentally, we hear, rent comes out of that same paycheck.

Renovating the football stadium so that MTSU can move toward having a Division I-A football team is the reason for the fee increase, and the cost-benefit analysis is not an easy one.

The primary benefits argued by university officials are heightened visibility for the university, a heightened perception of quality for its programs and a heightened sense of "university pride."

We mostly agree and support the move for the following reasons:

- A high profile football team can put a spotlight on this university and its programs, serving to bolster the reputation of degrees that are awarded from this institution.

This move cannot detract from academics or academic funding one iota. By contrast, drawing attention to the university could serve to bring more private, corporate dollars into academic programs—something this university has proved it has the ability to do.

However, when the university says a competitive I-A football team can bring "a new level of pride" on campus, someone is placing value in the wrong place. Dedicated, genuine students are proud of their departments, professors and the enlightening discussions they experience in class—not their football team's record.

I-A football can serve to enhance student life at this university, but it is hollow if the university's academics do not continue to grow as they have been.

- It would be foolish to spend student dollars on a library that will probably receive state funds next year, and if not, soon after. An art facility, renovation of the science buildings and other academic growth plans are also on the agenda. Furthermore, the state has traditionally assumed public education costs through tax revenue, and as the executive director of the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC) has said, the change would be a major overhaul of the state's educational funding philosophy.

- MTSU President James Walker has said this month that the university will move this year on a comprehensive plan to increase child care and create elderly care services as soon as that plan finishes development from a university ad hoc committee.

We commend the university for its progressive commitment to the MTSU community's inter-generational care needs.

Dormitory repairs and dormitory construction are on the university's agenda.

These bread-and-butter concerns are being addressed which gives the university room to move on the bonus of I-A football.

But what price do we pay?

President Walker has plainly said that cost is not an issue.

We disagree.

Walker is not paying the fees. Many struggling students who work and who may soon lose some of their federal Pell Grant money are paying.

Walker has been happy to tell us that our fees have been out-of-line with the other Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR) schools and indeed they were. With the \$65 fee increase, the second largest school in the TBR system—MTSU—now has the second highest fees.

MTSU shouldn't be adding fees just because they are low, we should be adding fees for a specific goal which we believe can happen.

Opponents argue that the non-traditional students and students who commute to MTSU do not care about football and have serious financial concerns. Furthermore, opponents point to low student attendance at present football games to illustrate this indifference.

A campaign to increase enthusiasm for the athletic program is in the works. Given that many people in this region are big football fans, that Rutherford County is growing larger all the time, and that

the university has an exceptional track record of meeting its own goals, we believe that enough support can be found to fill the stadium.

Roughly 50 percent of MTSU students are non-traditional. (A student classified as non-traditional is anyone over 23 years of age or anyone under 23 that has children.) Research from the Admissions/Records office shows that roughly 8,500 students reported addresses outside of the Murfreesboro city limits last spring. These are the commuters that opponents say don't care about football.

But, the line is not that clear at all.

It is impossible to know if a non-traditional, traditional, commuter or non-commuter person supports the move to I-A football or has the money to pay for it.

It is impossible to know who supports this move unless there is a student referendum which university officials have so boldly said they do not need to gauge student opinion.

The inevitable student referendum this fall should reveal just how accurate the university's boast is, even though the referendum alone commands no change in policy. Sidelines commends the SGA members and other students who have fought to get a referendum and are fighting to turn this fee around.

We commend you because we believe the university did not represent this issue as a student-fee issue. It's one thing to ask students if they want a I-A football team; it's another to ask if they want to pay for it. We commend you because we have faith in open debate and informed democracy—something university officials apparently do not have.

No one wants to plainly establish the degree of which students get to participate in the development of their student fees. If that is established, TBR schools may approach student-fee issues differently from that day forward.

Officials at TBR and THEC have said that students should be very involved.

We don't believe the university sought that involvement.

We believe the university was wrong in that decision.

TBR and THEC should make a real, pending decision on this issue now while it presents itself so that a clear standard is established.

University officials have said it will take an additional \$2 million a year to make the move to I-A. They say it will come from alumni and community support.

That \$2 million should come from non-student sources as is planned.

MTSU should not add student fees at any time in the future for its athletic program. Students have paid their share and will continue to pay their share for a long time.

The university should be working overtime to ensure that it raises that \$2 million.

They have entered an agreement, like it or not, that is costing students. They say stadium renovation is not directly related to I-A football, but the only substantial benefits derive from I-A football.

One group that should be happy to see this happen is the area chamber of commerce. Area businesses will eventually profit more by game activity, and they benefit substantially from MTSU now.

The next time MTSU needs some additional athletic funding, it's on Murfreesboro and its businesses—the economic benefactors.

This increase hurts, but the benefits outweigh the cost.

While no student presently at this university will be here when MTSU football is competitive on a higher level, it is a solid investment in the future of this university—something we owe it.

MTSU is a big university. And unlike university's in larger cities, MTSU has the physical room to grow.

And grow it will. University officials are making the right move by trying to gain MTSU a national platform with this move to I-A football.

We support this move and look forward to casting our votes in the fall SGA referendum.



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Letters to the Editor

Long-time MTSU adjunct questions wisdom of fee increase, addresses Prez

To the Editor:

This letter is written in response to a recent article in the Sidelines concerning student distress over an increase in activity fees. I would like to address the issue itself and, in addition, President Walker's response.

I have had an academic and professional career at MTSU that spans some twenty-three years. When I first arrived at MTSU in 1972, there was a student population of about 8,000 students. There was ample classroom space, small teacher-pupil ratios, adequate dorm space, exceptional landscaping...I could go on.

After a hiatus of several years, I returned to MTSU and can say only that I was appalled at conditions. The student population had more than doubled. There had been one specialty classroom building added. Existing classrooms were in disrepair. No additional dorms had been erected to accommodate the burgeoning student population. Classrooms were overcrowded. Instructors were overburdened and underpaid. Students struggled to compete for a space in basic required courses. The library had become something of a joke for a campus this size. Landscaping, which use to be the pride and joy of MTSU was minimally maintained...once again, I could go on.

We are an academic institution in dire need of a vast amount of improvements. I, along with the student population I serve can only question TBR and President Walker making a new stadium a priority. Students have every right to question a fee increase that will contribute to a sports program when they live in sub-standard campus housing, tolerate over-crowded classrooms, etc.

President Walker's comments and response to this issue, as quoted in the Sidelines, was demeaning to the students themselves and degrades the institution of MTSU. Dr. Walker should remind himself that he too is here to serve the students. As they have a concern, he has a dictum—not insulting. He would do well to admit the students have viable questions, the issue has been mishandled and it is his responsibility to walk along side, rather than fight the students that pay his salary.

Jean Taylor
Adjunct instructor

"Non-traditional" student supports move to I-A

To the Editor:

I recently received my fall tuition bill which included the much debated \$65 increase in the usual fees. The accommodation letter from Dr. Walker that was conveniently included brought about thoughts concerning the controversy regarding the stadium expansion. To avoid the monotony of a long winded letter, I would like to address two of the concerns: Is the expansion going to benefit the students right now, and, is it going to help MTSU become a more prominent school because of a football team upgrade.

Obviously, the stadium expansion will add no immediate benefit to our education. Most of us feel we are being "taxed" so future students can reap the benefits of our overburden. While it's true that almost all of us will graduate before work is completed on the stadium, and that our football games now draw crowds that many would consider laughable, it is also fair to say that MTSU does not have the alumni status of a Vanderbilt, U.T., or Alabama. These schools enjoy the benefits of expensive top-grade players, sold out season tickets, and raucous homecoming games. MTSU unfortunately does not. There is no doubt that volume gate sales bring in good money for the school. It also brings a school status that graduates can be proud of.

If we have to pay for these future volume sales, it is fair that we are at least given a free student pass to current games. I am well aware that gate fees are split as payment to both teams and that a free pass lowers that payment. But keep in mind that larger crowds mean big concession receipts and the athletic department would make plenty of money there.

The school's prominence is always in the eye of the beholder. If one doesn't like our present head football coach, don't worry. A few losing seasons will get rid of him. Rutherford County is one of the most progressive areas in the south. As a 37 year old father-of four boys-MTSU-senior, it is important to me that my children will enjoy the investment made in their future university.

One can complain all they want about how much it costs to attend MTSU. The fact remains that this university is here to serve the community. The president of this school has to do what he must to maintain the respect of students, faculty, and the Board of Regents. He does so for our benefit. He deserves your support. He has mine.

Joe W. Kendall
MTSU Box 5948

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MTSU did not present the stadium issue as an activity fee issue. TBR should establish a standard for student involvement in developing student fees.

The university now has a commitment to bring football up to I-A. Students have paid their share; any additional funds should come from the city and area businesses--the economic benefactors of I-A football.

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Student opposes fees, addresses Walker's letter



Wrong time! Wrong place! Wrong method! Wrong stadium! President James Walker's letter justifying the \$65 activity fee increase was somewhat full of -- well, you know. I'd like to comment on it.

By Dave Watson

First, he tried to lay the guilt on by showing how the University has spent all this money on academics—so obviously it is athletics turn. This is not a valid argument. MTSU is growing and the new academic facilities were necessary to support this growth—mostly just to maintain the current academic status-quo.

He made it sound as if the \$12 million student recreation center was an investment by your university—wrong. If you look at your bill, the \$50 bond is who is investing in the recreation center—you are paying for it.

In the next paragraph, President Walker inferred that renovation is necessary for SAFETY reasons. That, of course, is why they plan to build the end zone first. HEY, PREZ, can you say "building and safety inspector"? If the stadium was unsafe, it would be condemned by the state inspectors. I don't know how often stadiums are inspected, but they are inspected on a regular basis and there is no such thing as a kind-of-safe stadium that is open to the public.

Yet in the next line, Walker states that this effort has been under discussion and public review for 4 years—just about the time President Walker came to MTSU. If Walker wants to sit in some big, fancy executive suite and watch Division I football so bad, why the heck did he come here? I also don't think getting some football players together and a few other people biased towards Division I-A football and saying "How would you like to see your self on TV?" constitutes a public review. I wonder how much he would be in favor of the new stadium if we didn't include any executive suites and he sat in the proposed new END ZONE with the rest of the students.

Students are still paying for the Keathly University Center—it is part of the \$50 bond, so that line is just a plain lie.

When I got to "Now it is our turn," I threw up in the toilet. The Recreation center is not even open yet and I paid \$135 towards the bond last year. It has been my turn since I got to this school. I guess I just don't have the perspective a high paid university president—who doesn't pay anything towards the bond—has. Most of my friends are stealing their study time by working at near-minimum wage jobs to pay for school. The proposed stadium will just mean that many more hours of work for them.

The rest of the letter was B.S. and warm fuzzies. In conclusion, the letter was misleading and vague. It was offensive to me that Pomp feels that MTSU students and students' parents will be so easy to fool and manipulate.

YOUR VOICE CAN BE HEARD ON THIS ISSUE. In the Campus Capsule section are the phone numbers of a number of people who can get this \$65 activity fee revoked or suspended. These are the politicians who represent YOU in the state government. The numbers are for Nashville so it isn't long distance from MTSU. Please call them and have your parents call them. You will get a nice secretary who tracks calls on various issues and who may forward you to your representative or Senator. This is a neat way to begin to get involved in government and it only takes a few minuets. Politicians track phone calls and your call will make a difference. ●

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Transylvania at the Campus Twin Theater

New Murfreesboro theatre will offer a mix of art/mainstream

By BRENT ANDREWS/staff

"We've got to get ourselves out of this trap, before this decadence saps our wills." —Dr. Scott

In the shadowy light of the Campus Twin Theater parking lot, movie-goers dressed in tight spandex and wearing garish makeup smoke cigarettes and wait for the film to start. This definitely isn't your ordinary theater crowd.

But then again, *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*, the musical film that has brought these people together from as far away as Seattle, Wa., is itself far from ordinary.

Featuring characters dressed in drag, exotic sexual themes and even a beautiful, golden-skinned, laboratory-made man, *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* made its Friday night debut in the 'Boro amid a great deal of hoopla.

Campus Twin Theater, owned by Rusty Gordon of Franklin, will be featuring *Rocky Horror* at midnight on Friday and Saturday nights. During most movies you would be discouraged from getting up in the middle of the action and talking along with the actors, but—once again—this isn't most movies. This is the cult classic that often has audiences acting out every scene along with their on screen counterparts, and sometimes ad-libbing their own words, comments and directions during tense, quiet moments in the picture.

The basic plot of *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* goes like this: Brad Majors and Janet Weiss (the beautiful Susan Sarandon)—two geeky, pocket-protector types—take off from Geekville, USA (AKA Denton, the Home of Happiness) on the day of their engagement to see Dr. Scott, their former science teacher and a mutual friend. When their car breaks down in the middle of nowhere during a terrible storm, they are forced to seek refuge in a huge, creepy-looking castle owned by a freaky cross-dresser named Frankenfurter (Tim Curry), who is apparently from the planet Transsexual, Transylvania Galaxy. Brad and Janet have arrived on a special occasion, as they are told by Riff Raff (Frankenfuter's butler) when they arrive. "One of the master's affairs" is in progress, a party thrown to celebrate the "birth" of Frankenfurter's lab-made lover Rocky. Brad and Janet, being naive, are astounded at the lunacy of Frankenfurters party, which is attended by a motley group of strangely-dressed characters. From there the movie just gets stranger, with sex (in every possible combination) being Frankenfurter's greatest pleasure and Brad and Janet's deepest taboo. The film climaxes in the destruction of Frankenfurter's nightmarish dream after my favorite scene in the movie: an orgy-like ten minutes which features the stars of the movie floating and drifting all over each other in a swimming pool to the tune of one of the movie's most memorable songs. During the pool scene, the large amount of black eye makeup on the characters' faces is smeared and streaked, making them all look terribly sad, and

we feel their sadness as the dream comes to an end as Frankenfurter is killed by Riff Raff. The film itself is worth seeing, at least once, but it's the audience that has really kept this movie in theaters since the mid-seventies. Members come to the movie dressed like characters in the picture—there is usually a Frankenfurter, Magenta (one of Frankenfurter's sex-happy servants), Riff Raff (Magenta's brother and (we assume) lover), Columbia (Another sex-happy servant), Eddie (Columbia's boyfriend, played in the film by Meatloaf), Brad, Janet and Dr. Scott, who shows up mid-way

through the film. In addition, there is of course a Rocky, who, in order to match his on screen counterpart, wears bikini briefs and is sometimes painted with gold body paint. With these audience members there to act out every scene, *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* is as interactive as any CD ROM game.

The Campus Twin Theater, formerly the Cheri (pronounced Sher-ee) Theater, opened on August 11 in the 'Boro across from the Kroger on S. Tenn. Blvd. Owned by entrepreneur Rusty Gordon—who also owns the successfully re-established Franklin Cinema on Mainstreet in

almost their life."

For theater/RATV management major Scott Pejaver, this statement holds close to the truth. Pejaver, a transplant from Memphis, plays the part of Frankenfurter during the film and is establishing a "cast" that will perform the show every Friday and Saturday night at Campus Twin. Along with journalism major Rachel Force (who does a wonderful job of playing Magenta but would probably make a better Janet), Pejaver leads the cast through each

Please see THEATER, page



Carl Lambert/staff

Sweet Transvestite

Rachel Force (Magenta), a journalism major, and Scott Pejaver (Frankenfuter), a theatre/RATV management major, perform at the Campus Twin's playing of *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*. The Campus Twin, formerly the Cheri Theatre, opened August 11 under new management.

Reviews of the

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KISS fans lick up once-in-a-lifetime convention opportunities

By JASON YOUNG/staff

I have never really been a huge KISS fan. In fact, my mother used to prohibit me from listening to that "trash." I managed to sneak a listen here and there and what I heard was, well, interesting. This summer I was given an opportunity to visit the KISS Convention that rolled into Nashville and it was, well, interesting.

What I saw at the convention looked, smelt and felt like a bunch of KISS fans getting together and hanging out. What made this event different from a high school Saturday night at some guy's parent's house

was the \$100 ticket price. Many people thought, myself included, "why on earth would anyone want to pay \$100 dollars to hang out and meet KISS." The idea, to me, was kinda kooky.

Then I thought back to the Eagles concert at Starwood. People were paying \$100 to climb to the top of a grassy hill and listen to the Eagles and cause serious vision impediments by straining their eyes to follow a tiny dot that might have been Joe Walsh.

My point is this: People who paid \$100 to see KISS at the convention were close enough to actually smell the band. I didn't really have any

desire to get quite that close, but some people were having the time of their lives.

Not only could you see the band, you could see all of the really cool stuff from when they wore make up and boots that looked like they needed to be on a leash. It was almost like a rolling KISS museum.

At the end of the day, I left the convention feeling like I had been to an event that celebrated the band, many people follow loyally. Sure, tickets were \$100, but nobody needed to get glasses once the show was over. ●



Jason Young/staff

Bettcha won't see any maniquens quite like this in Dillard's. A Paul Stanley maniquen greets conventioners in Nashville this summer.

Tips for internship hopefuls: getting ready for that interview

With the new school year come numerous internship opportunities, and students need to be prepared when interview time comes

By Samer Hamadeh and Mark Oldman
College Press Service

As fall gets underway, on-campus job interviews begin on many colleges and universities around the nation. For college seniors, four years (in some cases, five or six years) of study must now be transformed into meaningful employment. For younger college students, no more summers of mowing lawns or baby-sitting the neighbors' kids. It's time to get an internship, one with challenging projects and exposure to a new field. Fortunately, at this time of year, companies start flocking to campus in search of young people to fill entry-level positions.

But unlike the 1980s, when many companies came to campus and a high proportion of the job-seeking graduating class received at least one job offer, the 90s bring a new corporate mantra: to become a lean, mean machine, companies must cut jobs. The end result: overall hiring of college grads nationwide fell 55 percent between 1989 and 1993, according to Hanigan Consulting Group, a recruiting consulting firm in New York. While Hanigan's research shows a modest upturn in 1994, the damage has been done. Not only are fewer entry-level jobs available upon graduation (only half as many as 1979), but in anticipation of this reduced hiring, many internship programs have been scaled back as well.

These data mean that honing your job-interviewing skills is more important than ever, if only because students will land a smaller number of interviews this year than in past years. But few students spend as much time preparing for the job interview as they do working on their resume. Both, however, are equally important. Here are some tips on maximizing your interviewing skills:

1. Sell yourself only after you know what the company is looking for. Employers hire people to solve problems. Your first task, then, is to determine the solution. Play up your strengths but anticipate and carefully rebut objections to your strengths. Tell the truth: most employers can sniff our exaggeration.
2. Be ready for standard as well as off-the-wall questions. Employers will naturally ask you about your past jobs, personal interests and education. But some employers also want to evaluate how you would handle certain job situations and will make up scenarios for you to analyze. For example, a consulting firm may describe a business looking to expand and ask you to develop a strategy; an advertising agency may present a fictional client for which you must outline a marketing plan.
3. Display your knowledge of the company. Libraries, government offices, professional associations and the company's own public affairs department are good places to find out what products and services the company offers. If the interviewer asks you what you think of the company's new line, a knowledgeable answer will significantly enhance your standing.
4. Prepare questions. Because most interviewers will invite you to ask questions about the organization, it's wise to have some ready in advance. Asking the interviewer what he or she does works especially well; people love to talk about themselves.
5. Look and act like a professional. You get only one shot at a first impression. Be on time (10-15 minutes early) and dressed and groomed appropriately. When you meet the interviewer, smile, shake his or her hand firmly, and commit his or her name to

memory (to use at the end of the interview.)

6. Practice. Ask a friend or someone at the career center to take you through a mock interview or two. Sometimes it is also advisable to interview for jobs you do not want just to get the hang of it.

Like taking an exam, interviewing for a job requires advance planning. Making sure that you are well-rested, well-nourished, and thoroughly prepared may consume valuable time but serves an ameliorating purpose: it will enhance your interview and

dramatically improve your odds of landing a job.

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Theater: Rocky Horror now offered at Campus Twin

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scene of the film, encouraging the audience to participate as well. Dressed in black stockings, garters and a sequined bustier, Pejaver dances and sings to the audience in near-perfect harmony with the on screen Frankfurter.

A sign outside the Campus Twin gives a short list of items and actions that are not allowed during showings of Rocky Horror, including bird seed, confetti, rice, spray string, whipped cream and lawn darts (???). Also prohibited during the movie is nudity (though several cast members perform in their underwear), outside food and drink, smoking, alcohol, and—yes, it's right there on the sign—dwarf tossing.

"It happened," Gordon said before the Saturday show, "but it's really kind of a joke." In the theater before

Saturday night's show, where a chaos-like atmosphere prevailed, Pejaver lead the audience through a strange ritual: the chanting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of Transexual, Transylvania. Then the movie begins with a pair of red lips singing the opening song, a kind of introduction to what will happen in the film, and the cast members take their places.

If you're looking for something out-of-the-ordinary to do on Friday or Saturday, consider checking out the midnight showing of The Rocky Horror Picture Show at Campus Twin. The Net and Priest may not be showing by then, but a listing of featured films and show times can be heard by dialing Campus Twin at 890-0205. If you're interested in joining the live Rocky Horror cast, you can call Pejaver at 898-3770 on campus.●

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New release offers old-time country

By Rick Anderson/College Press Service

Hillbilly Fever! Vols. 1-5

Artists: Various

Genre: Country

Label: Rhino (R2 71900-71904)

Rhino Records is sort of like Nickelodeon, only cooler—easily the nation's leading reissue and archive label, one of their slogans is "We Collect Records So You Don't Have To." Rhino's dedication to preserving America's pop music heritage has lead them to produce such stellar collections as the Aretha Franklin "Queen of Soul" box (R2 71063) and a double-CD overview of Graham Parker's work ("Passion Is No Ordinary Word," R271425), not to mention their punk retrospective. Not everything they release is of equal value, of course—an upcoming collection of twenty-plus Monkees videos promises to push the envelope a bit—but they do what they do so well that I read every press release with anticipation.

This five-volume collection of vintage country music is one of Rhino's better efforts, and that's high praise. This is not some kind of "Country's Greatest Hits" rehash. For every "Lovesick Blues" and "Walking After Midnight," there are four or five obscure tunes by unknown artists, and most of them are gems.

Volume 1 ("Legends of Western Swing") starts off the series with an impressive overview of western swing singles originally released between 1933 and 1958. Interestingly, there's only one Bob Wills track on this disc; the rest of the time is given over to such important but lesser-known names as Spade Cooley, Noel Boggs and Hank Thompson. Highlights include "Won't You Ride in My Little Red Wagon" by Hank Penny & His Radio Cowboys and "Southern Belle" by Curly Williams & His Georgia Peach Pickers. Goofy band names are the norm (the prize going to Noel Boggs & His Day Sleepers), but the music is fantastic, a combination of jazzy backbeats and fiddle-driven honky tonk. Many of these tracks are taken from 78s, but the sound is quite good on even the earliest recordings.

It's hard to see the substantive difference between volumes 2 ("Legends of Honky Tonk") and 3 ("Legends of Nashville"), which share a number of artists and both of which feature a number of undisputed classics as well as some fairly revelatory obscurities. If it's big hits you want, these are the two discs to buy: you get Hank Williams (the real one, not his dorky son)

singing "Lovesick Blues" on volume 2 and "Honky Tonkin" on Volume 3; a young Ernest Tubb delivers "It's Been So Long Darling" and "Walkin' the Floor over You." The track listings read like a who's who, with appearances by Red Foley, Webb Pierce, Faron Young, Patsy Cline and the Louvin Brothers, and you'll also find worthwhile numbers by such relative unknowns as Leon Payne and Ted Daffan's Texans. These two volumes offer lots of classic tear-jerkers ("Tennessee Waltz," "Born to Lose"), as well as a few eye-rollers—check out the sap-o-rama steel guitar licks on "I Love You Because." There aren't many low points, though; these two volumes are both excellent overall.

Volume 4 ("Legends of the West Coast") isn't far behind in terms of quality. Country's

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California clique included some of the finest singer-songwriters to ever grace a jukebox: Merle Haggard, Buck Owens, Joe Maphis, Wynne Stewart—all are represented here, as are such great interpreters as Jean Shepard, Tex Ritter and Tennessee Ernie Ford. This disc is almost worth the price just for the inclusion of "Cool Water," a 1941 hit for the Sons of the Pioneers and still the most

wonderful piece of cowboy kitsch ever recorded. Combine that track with the incomparable voices of Merle Haggard and Buck Owens, and you have a disc that's a solid winner.

Volume 5 in the series ("Legends of Country Rock") doesn't fare so well. The cover photo of Gram Parsons (wearing a bizarre L.A. cowboy outfit and looking like Donny Osmond on heroin) is fair warning: while country-rock fusion has scored some significant successes in the past, most of the time it just hasn't worked out. There are certainly some fine moments on this disc, including Bob Dylan's "Tonight I'll Be Staying Here with You" and the Everly Brothers transcendent "Bowling Green." But it's hard to see what makes either of these tracks country rock, other than the steel guitar on the Dylan tune and the Kentucky reference from the Everlys. Linda Ronstadt's version of "Silver Treads and Golden Needles" poses a similar argument: sure, there's a pop song buried somewhere in the mix, but it's a pop song pure and simple. There certainly are highlights, though, including the Byrd's classic "You Ain't Goin' Nowhere" and the Flying Burrito Brothers' "Sin City."

Overall, this series is quite an achievement. The discs are available separately, so you can pick and choose, but I'd recommend all of them (the last with reservations). ●

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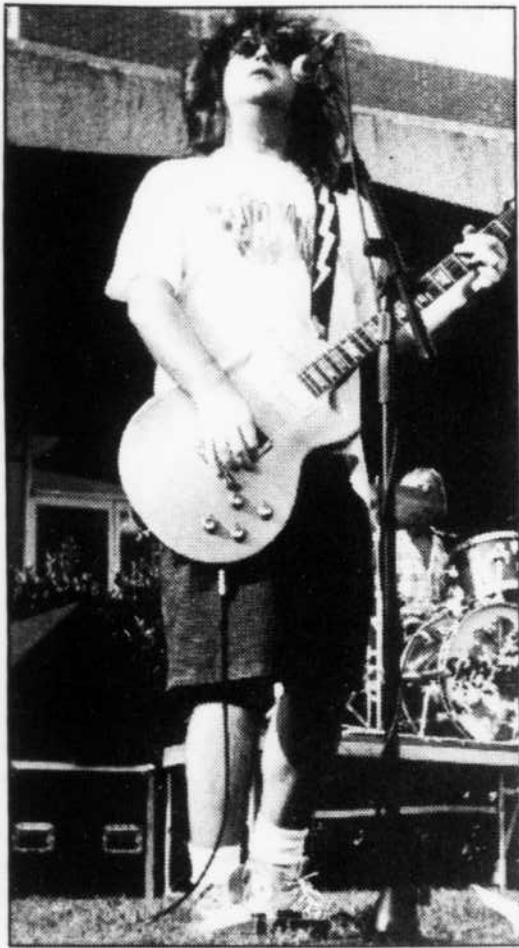
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Letting the good times roll on the knoll



By Jason Young/staff

The weather outside is hot, but the music is even hotter as MTSU Concerts starts up the successful "Music On The Knoll" concert series for 1995.

The concert series runs on selected Fridays from 3:00 until 7:00 p.m. The series proved to be a popular event last year and this year looks even better.

The event will be promoted by Thunder 94 bringing in a larger crowd and generating more interest among performing acts. The school purchased new sound equipment which will give concert chair, Brook Blomquist, more time to concentrate on bringing the students at MTSU the best of up and coming acts in many different formats and musical tastes.

That means if you don't like to have

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somebody screaming lyrics and trying to make you ear drums bleed, you could go next time and possibly get trampled by country line dancers. Either way, it should be fun.

Oh, don't forget, all Music on The Knoll concerts are free and open to everyone. The next one is scheduled for September 1, with a Reggae Show featuring Exodus, Orchestra Mondo Pingus, and the very cool Mystic Meditations. Check it out, mon! ●



Students and musicians "hanging" at the knoll. Photos By: Brian G. Miller/staff

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Never lose faith in the Saints

By Joel Frey/staff

As the heat and humidity of summer slowly gives way to the crisp, cool days of autumn, thoughts of tailgating, pep bands, and the Super Bowl slowly begin to creep into the minds of crazed football fans everywhere.



I, too, must admit, for some reason, I anxiously await weekend afternoons and Monday nights spent in front of the tube or at a local sports bar with a cold one in hand.

That is until I reminisce about the illustrious 28-year history of the New Orleans Saints.

You know the Saints. The team that in 1980, led by former Ole Miss great Archie Manning, gave the Crescent City a 1-15 miracle. That record is still considered a miracle to this day because in 1980, following an 0-14 start no one expected the "Aints" to win a game.

I can remember loss number 14 like it was yesterday.

It was an afternoon game at Candlestick Park against the 49ers and up-and-coming quarterback Joe Montana.

With Manning at the helm, the Saints played an inspired first half of football, taking a commanding 35-7 lead at halftime.

I was going nuts. Everyone in my living room was thrilled. The Saints were on their way to winning a game.

That is until the 49ers scored 28 unanswered second half points to send the game into overtime, where they eventually won 38-35.

Oh the joy of being a Saints fan.

However, as the years progressed the Saints slowly improved.

The year 1983. The Saints had played .500 ball all season long and were at the brink of losing their first ever play-off birth. Bourbon Street was crazier than ever. The Hurricanes were pouring at Pat O'Briens in the French Quarter like never before.

Led by QB Kenny "Snake" Stabler, former Heisman trophy winner George Rogers, and head coach Bum Phillips, the Saints were the talk of the NFL.

I remember going to a Monday night game versus the Jets late in the season. That Saints were in position to take the wild-card spot but needed a win over New York.

From the opening kick-off until the final stages of the fourth quarter, the Saints gave the sold-out Superdome crowd everything it could have imagined. Everyone was screaming "Who-dat" and jumping in their seats, excited by the prospect of a Super Bowl dream.

The Saints dominated the Jets to take a 28-17 lead with less than five minutes to play.

And then what everyone in that stadium totally expected to happen, happened.

The Jets scored a TD, closing the gap to 28-24. No problem. Get the ball back, get a couple of measly first downs and I can go to bed happy.

Oh if it could have been that easy.

The Saint offense stalled and was forced to punt. And then it really happened. I can still see it almost as it was in slow motion. The Jets returner took the kick and returned it for a TD, Jets win 31-28.

Yet another dagger through the heart of the Big Easy.

The Saints managed to string the city along all the way up until the final game of the season in '83. In that game versus the L.A. Rams, the Saints gave up a field goal on the final play of the game to finally put its fans out of the misery it created the entire year.

Since that fateful season, the Saints have made it to the NFL play-

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Campus Rec ready for busy year

Rec center adds to long list of student activities

By Brandy Nicole Land/staff

Campus Recreation has been hard at work to make more programs available to students at MTSU this semester. Seminars, intramurals, weekend trips, and tournaments are just some of the programs they have planned. The opening of the new Recreation Center in early September will also provide more activities, as well as job openings, for many students.

Many intramural sports teams are looking for interested students. Volleyball, basketball, flag football, soccer, and tennis are just a few of the teams that are looking for new members. The teams will be able to compete in numerous tournaments, games, and contests also being offered by the university. A team forfeit deposit, as well as a per person fee, may be charged for some of these activities.

According to Glenn Hanley, director of Campus Recreation, the department is still looking for student officials for the intramural teams.

"We need officials for volleyball, basketball, soccer, and flag football," Hanley said.

Training for these positions begins in September. Interested students should contact the campus recreation office as soon as possible.

Campus Recreation will also be offering several weekend trips to all students and faculty. Rafting, canoeing, caving, backpacking, and rock climbing trips will begin as early as September 9. Several parent/child trips are planned for those students



File Photo

Intramural sports such as flag football are just one of the activities MTSU Campus Recreation has to offer students this year. The new rec center will offer wellness activities of all kinds, and student rafting, backpacking, and ski trips are being planned. For more information call Campus Rec at 2104.

and faculty members with children.

Students at MTSU are teaming up with others at Texas A&M for a scuba and snorkeling trip later in the semester. The campus recreation department is also planning a week long ski trip to Colorado. Students interested in these or other trips should call for dates and prices.

In early September when the new Recreation Center opens, Campus Recreation will be doubling the amount of programs available to the students at MTSU. The Recreation Center will be the sight for numerous

types of aerobics classes including Step, Slide, and hip hop. Water aerobics, basketball, volleyball, polo, and lap swimming are some of the wellness activities to be held at the Recreation Center swimming pool. Programs for the disabled and those interested in life guarding will also be available. Several seminars will be held to inform both male and female students of proper techniques for weight training, body building, racquetball, and nutrition.

Campus Recreation has hired approximately 100 students for the

Recreation center already.

"We basically have people hired for the first stretch, then we'll probably be looking for people in about a month or so," Hanley said.

Although the Recreation Center is scheduled to open in early September, the Grand Opening Celebration will not take place until November, during MTSU's Homecoming week. The grand opening is sure to be a very exciting celebration with various celebrities and well-known athletes on hand to bring more students into the Recreation Center. ●



Carl E. Lambert / staff

MTSU head football coach Boots Donnelly introduces the 1995 senior members of the Blue Raider squad at Thursday's "Boots and Barbecue" ceremonies at the livestock pavilion.

17th annual Boots & Barbecue kicks off 1995 football season

By Jay Blaine/staff

The 17th annual "Boots and Barbecue", the unofficial kick-off ceremony for the 1995 Blue Raider football season, took place in the MTSU livestock pavilion this past Thursday.

In addition to the many civic and community leaders in attendance, nearly one hundred MTSU faculty and staff members were on hand, pledging their support to the Raiders and enjoying lots of barbecue.

After the Band of Blue serenaded the crowd with the MTSU fight song, Athletic Director Lee Fowler introduced the evening's guest of honor, Head Coach Boots Donnelly.

Coach Donnelly, though admittedly faced with many setbacks including the continuing search for a starting quarterback, seemed very confident that his team would meet

all the challenges the 1995 season holds for them, despite their large number of underclassmen.

"As the season progresses, I think you'll see us improve from week to week and game to game," Donnelly said.

The coach went on to say how proud he was of the dedication and determination of the team's scarce group of seniors.

Only six players are returning for their final season, but those six are very confident that they will be able to lead their squad to a successful season.

"It takes a lot of pride to stick with the program for four or five years," senior offensive tackle Burt Talley said.

The pride and confidence this year's seniors exude are two of the main values the 1995 Blue Raider team leaders hope to leave behind for

the large number of inexperienced players on the club.

"I think they'll be okay," senior tailback Brigham Lyons said. "They just need the experience of an actual game to get them going." Lyons knows that inexperienced players can be successful from personal experience. He didn't plant his stake on Horace Jones field until 1992, when he scored ten touchdowns.

But the lack of seniors, quarterback trouble or any other setbacks seemed to have no effect on the spirit of Thursday's event. The band played on, the players seemed confident, and even "Ole Blue" appeared to be having the time of his life.

It should be very interesting to see if this same enthusiasm and desire to win will make Tennessee State's visit to Jones Field this Saturday an unpleasant one. ●

Former Raider goes for the gold

Staff Reports

The Olympic Games have moved a bit closer to reality for former Middle Tennessee State University long jumper Roland McGhee.

The former Blue Raider standout has been chosen by Powerade and Nike Sports Management to be a member of the Powerade Athletic Club.

McGhee, whose best jump is 27 feet 11 inches, was a nine-time All-American as a Blue Raider.

"We work with some of the greatest young athletes in the world, including professional basketball, baseball and football stars," Terdema Ussery, president of Nike Sports Management said. "The members of this team are no exception. These athletes already are beginning to assert themselves as the new breed in track and field and road racing."

Described as a team of some of the world's top emerging track and field stars, the Powerade A.C. burst onto the scene with impressive individual performances at the Prefontaine Classic and the U.S. Outdoor Track and Field Championships in Sacramento, Calif., where seven members qualified for the World Championships in Goteborg, Sweden.

"The Powerade Athletic Club allows athletes to perform as they're supposed to," McGhee said. "That's good for them and also good for the club." ●

Buckeyes win in sleeper at 1995 NCAA kickoff classic

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — A long kickoff return, an even longer scoring drive and the running of Eddie George helped No. 12 Ohio State rout No. 22 Boston College 38-6 Sunday in the Kickoff Classic.

Shawn Springs scored on a 97-yard kickoff return, the Buckeyes marched 99 yards for another touchdown and George ran for two TDs in the second game of the college football season.

It was a stark contrast to Saturday's thrilling opener at the Pigskin Classic, where Michigan beat Virginia 18-17 with a touchdown pass on the final play.

This one was decided with 2:13 left in the third quarter,

when George's 9-yard scoring run made it 31-6 one play after Ohio State recovered a fumble by Boston College's Justice Smith.

But the key moments were Springs' kickoff return and the Buckeyes' 99-yard drive in the second period.

After BC's Dan McGuire kicked a 24-yard field goal to make it 7-3, Springs took the ensuing kickoff and sprinted down the right sideline for the longest return in Kickoff Classic history.

Springs, a sophomore defensive back whose father Ron was a running back for Ohio State and the Dallas Cowboys, was aided by crunching blocks by Jeff Wilson and Terry Glenn. ●

Tiger Woods repeats at U.S. Amateur championships

By Tim Whitmire / AP

NEWPORT, R.I. (AP) — Tiger Woods became the first U.S. Amateur champion in 12 years to defend his title Sunday, ensuring his victory with a brilliant second shot on the final hole.

Woods, a 19-year-old Stanford sophomore who last year became the youngest golfer ever to win the championship, defeated 43-year-old George "Buddy" Marucci 2-up in the 36-hole final match.

One-up heading into the par-4 final hole at Newport Country Club, Woods lofted his second shot from the middle of the fairway and landed it about 16 inches from the pin. Woods pumped his fist in excitement as he walked up to the green.

He never had to make the putt, though. When Marucci, an auto dealer from Pennsylvania, missed a 20-foot birdie putt, he conceded the hole and title to Woods.

The win gave Woods, from Cypress, Calif., his fifth national title in the last five years. He was the U.S. Junior champion in 1991, '92 and '93 and now has a 36-3 record in U.S. Golf Association match play.

Woods did not take the lead for good until the 30th hole and trailed Marucci, a four-time Pennsylvania amateur champion, for 15 of the first 27 holes.

The tide turned on the 30th hole, played on the par-4 12th, when Woods made the green in two and parred the hole. Marucci drove into the rough on the right and reached the green with his third shot.

Marucci missed a 13-foot par putt to halve the hole, giving Woods a lead he never surrendered.

After both men parred the

31st and 32nd holes, Woods reached the green on the par-4 33rd hole in two shots, then sunk a 9-foot birdie putt to go 2-up when Marucci missed a 12-footer for birdie.

The players halved the 34th hole, and Marucci staved off elimination by paring the par-4 35th hole. Woods' tee shot landed in the rough and his second shot put him in a bunker way off the green.

Marucci, meanwhile, stayed out of trouble by landing 12 feet from the pin with his second shot.

Woods reached the green on his third shot but missed a long putt and conceded the hole to Marucci, whose left his birdie putt less than a foot from the cup.

The lanky, soft-spoken Woods has been a golf prodigy since his father, Earl, introduced him to the game at the age of 6 months. Woods has taken his powerful game to several PGA Tour events, including this year's Masters and British Open.

Woods shot 71 in the morning round.

After a midday break, Woods regained the lead for the first time since the opening holes with a birdie putt on the 24th hole. Marucci evened the match with a 70-foot pitch-in for birdie on the 26th hole, and stayed even until the 30th hole.

The 36-hole final climaxed a grueling tournament in which Woods and Marucci played nine rounds over six days, including six rounds in the last three. A field of 312 began play, with two days of stroke play paring the field to 64 golfers who began match play Thursday.

The two finalists were selected by the U.S. Golf Association to represent the United States in Walker Cup play against Great Britain and Ireland on Sept. 9 and 10. ●

Raiders just say no to transfer tailback

Running back indicted on drug charges; won't play for Middle

By Ryan Lewis/staff

Former Tennessee running back Travis Cozart will not be playing football for the Blue Raiders or any other team in the country anytime soon.

Cozart, who publicly said he intended to transfer to MTSU and play football, was among 17 people indicted in Loudon County on August 16 for allegedly selling drugs. He turned himself in to Loudon County officials on Friday, August 18.

Cozart was indicted on one count of selling and one count of delivering a small quantity of cocaine. He is currently out on \$8,000 bond, and his trial date has been set for January 18, 1996.

Sheriff's officials in Loudon County declined to comment on the current status of the case because it is still open.

Even though Cozart had said that he planned to come to MTSU, he never gave any official notice to the school or the athletic department.

"I really wanted to play this year and I've heard a lot about the MTSU program for a long time, so I think this is what is best for me," Cozart told The Tennessean just before his indictment.

Blue Raider head coach Boots Donnelly closed the door for good on MTSU's part in the matter when he said that Cozart would not be allowed to

carry out his possible plans of transferring to the school.

The 6-2, 210-pound back signed, but never played a down for Tennessee after attending Coffeyville (Kan.) Community College because he failed to reach the minimum score on the ACT exams. In his one year at Coffeyville, Cozart was first team all-conference as a wide receiver, punter, and punt returner. Cozart was a high school All-American at two positions as a tailback and free safety at Lenoir City (Tenn.) High School.

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Norman's chip clinches World Series of Golf crown

By Rusty Miller/AP

AKRON, Ohio (AP) — Greg Norman sank a 66-foot chip on the first playoff hole Sunday, capturing the World Series of Golf and becoming the leading money winner in PGA Tour history.

In beating Nick Price and Billy Mayfair, Norman won \$360,000 to raise his lifetime earnings to \$9.49 million and overtake Tom Kite.

Norman's 7-iron chip gave him his third tour victory this year. He earlier won The Memorial, also in Ohio, and the Greater Hartford Open.

Mayfair led by as many as three shots on the back nine, but then lost the lead with

bogeys at Nos. 15 and 16 to fall into a tie with Price.

Price, playing the 18th hole, and Mayfair, on the 18th, both encountered difficulties with the rough at the same time.

Mayfair hit his drive on the par-4 17th into the deep rough right, then hacked his approach into the gallery right of the green. He chipped short of the green, then chipped again to 2 feet before making his bogey putt.

Meanwhile, Price hit his drive on the par-4 closing hole left into heavy rough and blasted his second shot across the fairway into the right rough. After hitting his approach 20 feet short of the hole, he barely missed the par putt. In exasperation, he hit himself in the forehead with the shaft of his putter.

That left Price and Norman in the clubhouse at 2-under, tied with Mayfair and third-round leader Vijay Singh — both still on the course. But Singh promptly hit his approach to the 17th green into the gallery, chipped on and missed a 10-foot par putt to drop back out of the tie.

A hole ahead, Mayfair hit his iron shot even with the 18th pin and 6 feet away. Faced with a putt that would have all but assured victory, he lipped the birdie putt on the right side of the cup.

On the playoff hole, Mayfair's second shot was just past the pin and left in the first cut of rough. Norman's second shot kicked from the deep rough right of the hole and onto the fringe some 60 feet away.

Price hit his approach 22 feet from the pin and slightly below the hole.

Norman, with the worst lie of the three, stepped up and drained his chip while a large crowd around the green went wild. ●

SAINTS

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offs three times. In their first appearance in 1987, that Saints came from nowhere posting a 12-3 record. In the wild card game an underdog Vikings team waltzed into the Dome and proceeded to mau the Saints by a score of 44-10 or something like that. The losses have run together. And my Saints still have yet to win a game in the post-season.

What about 1995? Following a 7-9 record in 1994, a less than spectacular 1-3 pre-season, and a schedule that would scare John Madden, I'm not expecting anything less than a Super Bowl win from my team this year. (Maybe I need something stiff immediately)

Regardless of what happens this season, I know when the Saints begin play Sunday against (gulp) the world-champion 49ers, a miracle will occur.

Perhaps they'll score a touchdown and give New Orleans at least one reason to toast the "Aints." ●

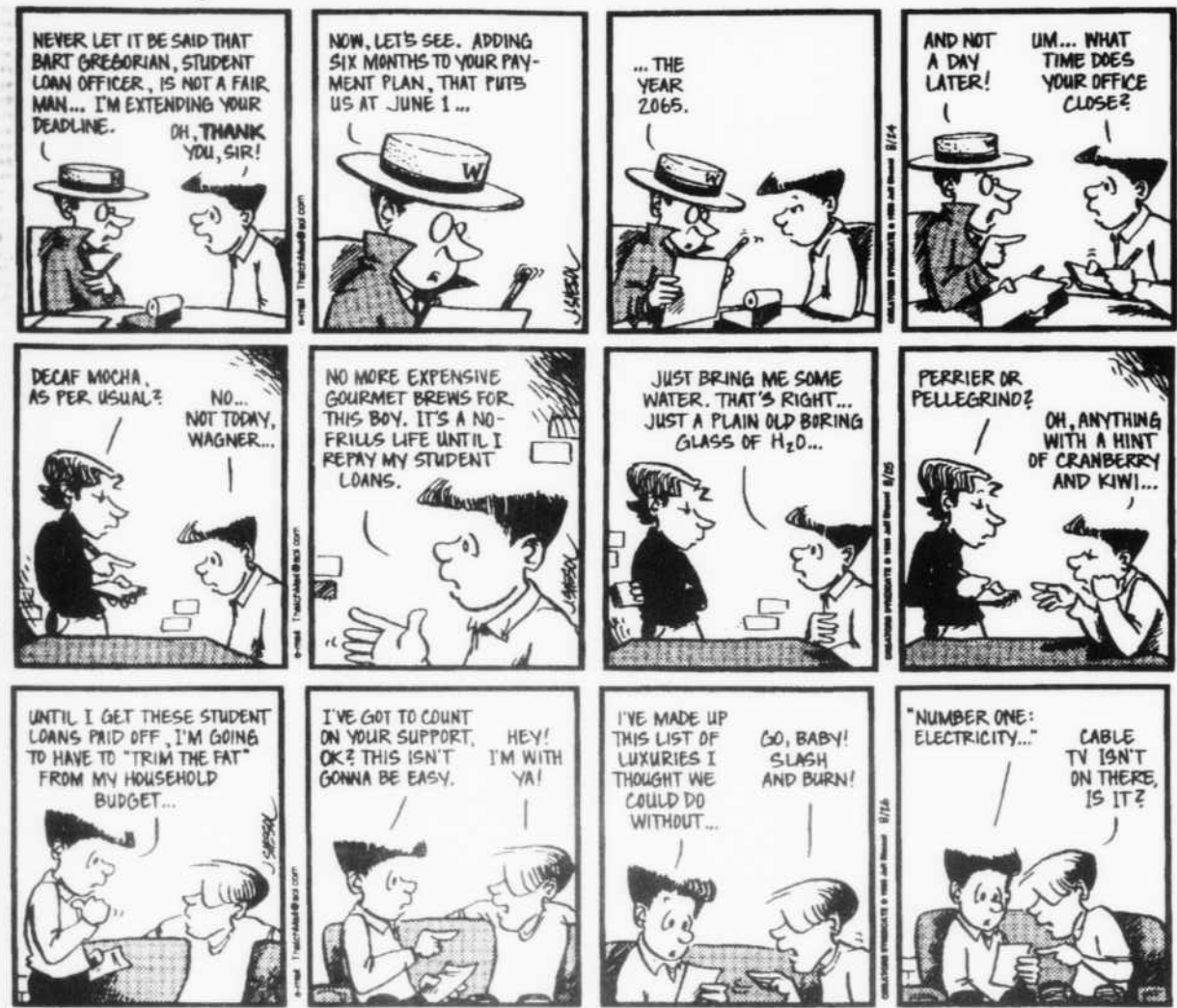
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