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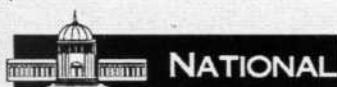


### Americans Urge Haitians To Rein In Police, Army

**PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP)** — Warning that U.S. soldiers might step in, the commander of American forces today urged Haiti's military leaders to stop using "unnecessary force" against pro-democracy demonstrators.

Hundreds of curious Haitians turned out today to watch truckloads of U.S. troops move from Port-au-Prince's international airport to the port, apparently for transfer to other parts of the country. No violence was reported.

Sporadic melees erupted Tuesday at the city's docks, airport and huge Cite Soleil slum, while American soldiers stood by and watched in dismay. Witnesses said one man was clubbed to death by a Haitian policeman.



### Conferees Block Congressional Pay Raise

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Less than two months before Election Day, Congress made the politically correct decision to forgo a pay raise for 1995.

Rep. Jim Lightfoot, R-Iowa, who faces a tough re-election battle, had threatened to force a floor debate on the issue — an embarrassment that now won't be necessary.

"In the last-minute legislative rush, it would have been utterly irresponsible to let a pay raise for Congress sneak through when it was in our power to stop it," Lightfoot said.



### Rare Surgery for Spina Bifida

**NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP)** — Doctors at Vanderbilt University Medical Center are awaiting the results of rare fetal surgery designed to repair the defect that causes spina bifida.

The procedure was performed about two weeks ago on a woman in her fourth or fifth month of pregnancy.

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## Dean of Student Life to be chosen

**JANET SINGER**  
Staff Writer

MTSU students will have an opportunity to provide feedback during the evaluation and hiring process of a new dean of student life, according to Robert LaLance Jr., vice president for student affairs.

Five to six candidates have been selected for the new position and will be on campus for interviews in a matter of weeks.

Students will have an opportunity to see the candidates in an open session. Evaluation and opinion sheets will be available and considered in the hiring process. LaLance hopes students will take an active part in this activity.

A committee, made up of department heads, staff and students and chaired by Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs John David Hays, has been screening applications since mid-July. Approximately 70 people applied for the position.

Candidates must possess a doctorate in student development, higher education, or a similar field, with five to six years' experience in a progressive position in student affairs. The Ph.D. requirement is new and one of the many changes being brought about as Student Affairs sets out to improve its current structure.

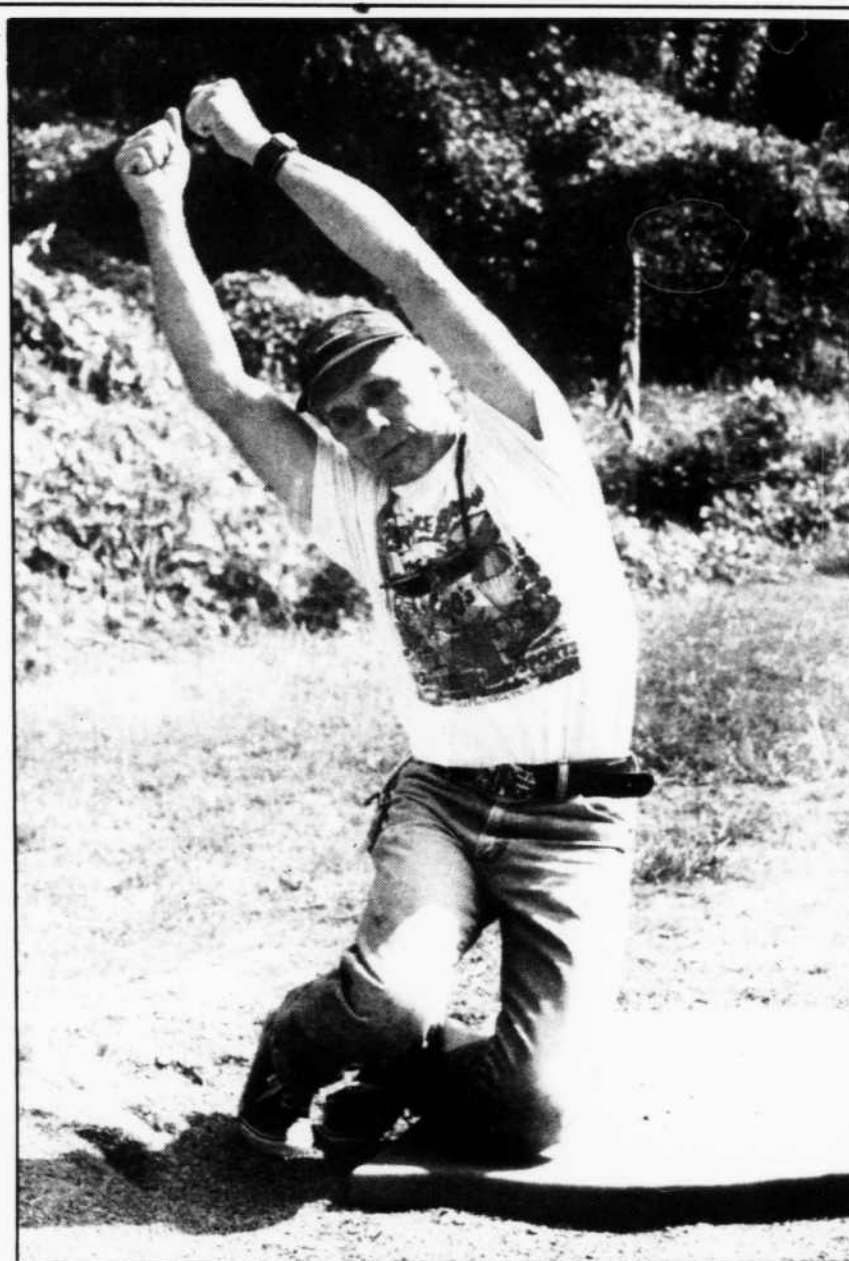
Since the application review process has been completed, interviews and background checks will begin immediately.

"We will be in a position to extend an invitation for the position in middle to late October," LaLance said. The final decision by the university must be approved by the Tennessee Board of Regents before the actual hiring.

The Tennessee Board of Regents has not yet released the candidates' names, according to LaLance.

The new title, Dean of Student Life, has been expanded from the old Dean of Students title. The position will encompass leadership of Student Government Association, student organizations, Student Activity Fee Committee, Greek life, orientation, university withdrawals and retention programs,

PLEASE SEE **DEAN**, PAGE 2



Blair Mitchell/Staff

**LEON RITCHE** of High Adventure Sports, Inc. in Chattanooga, demonstrated the proper landing technique known as the "Banana Roll." See photo layout on page 12.

## Campus housing residents get new hotline

**BRANDY BERRYHILL**  
Special to *Sidelines*



**IVAN SHEWMAKE**

Students residing on campus need no longer complain about being overlooked by University Housing and Maintenance, now that new direct communication lines are open.

TV Channel 39 programming and a new housing hotline offer immediate interaction with members of the housing staff who can answer questions specifically and make sure that work orders are filled for residents.

"The Channel 39 TV panel is modeled after C-SPAN in the respect that students can phone in without leaving their dorm rooms and ask direct questions to those individuals who can answer them immediately while they are on the air," said director of housing Ivan Shewmake.

By calling ext. 5555, housing residents can get information on planned trips, ask questions concerning rules and regulations, or suggest new ideas to add interest to on-campus living.

The program airs at 3 p.m. daily on MTSU's Channel 39.

A second communication installment is the new housing hotline, ext. 7600. The

hotline is run by Reynolds Hall Director Tressa Cherry.

"The 7600-housing hotline is set up so that work orders turned in by residents do not fall through the cracks," Shewmake said.

"We do the 'leg-work' for anyone missed when completing these work orders, making sure that they are taken care of immediately," he said.

The hotline is not a place to turn in new work orders; they must still be turned in to maintenance. This number is for those individuals whose problems have already been turned in, but still have not been answered after a considerable amount of time.

Cherry, the hotline's sole customer service representative, reviews the problems and sends them out to be repaired.

One former University Housing employee is somewhat skeptical about the hotline but sees its possibilities.

"It could add to the problem, because the work orders passed along through housing are hard to keep organized, and phone calls about incomplete work orders always flood in," said the former employee and housing resident.

"Then again, anything done to improve organization and follow-up in housing will help," she said. □





Charles Hogue/Photo Editor

**STACI HIGDON** helps weed the flower bed in front of the library last Tuesday.

## DEAN CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

cheerleaders, student publications, student judiciary, student unions and programming, residence life, campus recreation, and the Crisis Management Team.

The new dean will report to Vice President for Student Affairs Robert LaLance Jr. The hiring range is \$49,303-\$55,466, according to the position announcement.

The change in title was due to "the position encompassing more of the day-to-day activities of the students on this campus," LaLance said.

"This position will go a long way toward determining the quality of service and commitment to the well-being of the students," LaLance said.

Chad Cobb, a sophomore, said that he will definitely attend the open sessions.

"We need someone who will work with the students and not just be over them," Cobb said.

Freshman Tamera McCray said, "I hope the new position is filled by someone from a middle-class family with a respectable education, and by someone open-minded and unprejudiced."

Paul Cantrell retired as dean of students this spring after serving the university for nearly 30 years. Cantrell came to the university in 1965, became the dean of men in 1970 and the dean of students in 1975. □

## New ID problems persist

**KRIS WETZEL**  
Staff Writer

The inconvenience of the new student IDs is due to the complications involving brand-new technology, according to Jack Drugmand, director of Public Safety and Security.

The computer system used to make the IDs first entered the market in July 1994 and was initially considered to be on the leading edge of technology.

Both MTSU and Diebold, the company who manufactures the new machines, were surprised with its drawbacks.

The ID computers need an enormous amount of memory to process visual images and personal information. The complete process takes four to five minutes for the ID to be made.

Although still uncomfortable with the slow processing time, Drugmand stressed that "the new IDs are a much better product than last year's IDs."

Administrators were scheduled to meet yesterday to discuss the drawbacks and production difficulties of the new color IDs, consider recommendations and weigh the quality of the product, Drugmand said.

Results of the meeting were unavailable at press time.

Several departments have collaborated to facilitate the ID process. In the Safety and Security office, Allan Jones spent hours trying to speed production of the new IDs. He developed a "print-server" system for the university which has taken 80 seconds off production time.

Ivan Shumake and his housing staff prioritized students living in dorms and those who came to orientation. They were able to quickly process the IDs because of the help they received from the university finance department.

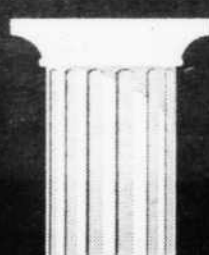
Currently, workers pick up the visual images and personal information gathered during the day and print them at night. IDs can be picked up at the Cope Administration Building.

"Ultimately, we are striving to process IDs in one to two minutes," said Drugmand. The new IDs may eventually be used as debit cards for vending machines and card keys for dorm rooms.

Matthew Rogers, a sophomore social studies major, was disturbed by the ID complications.

"The new IDs should be made more versatile if the procedure is going to take so long," Rogers said.

Last year's black-and-white IDs were abandoned because of "inherent problems of quality and methodology," said Drugmand. □



# CAMPUS CAPSULE

## Today

**OWLS**, MTSU's organization of adult students, will hold their first meeting of the year from 5:00-6:30 p.m. in KUC 324. Pizza and beverages will be served to those who reserve by Tuesday, Sept. 20. A group will then go together to the "1964--A Tribute" concert at 7:00 p.m. Call 898-5989 to reserve your spot.

**Mr. Bruce Foster from Samford University** will be at MTSU in the Davis Science Building Room 241 at 12:30 p.m.-2:15 p.m. to talk with students about admission to the Samford University School of Pharmacy.

**The Society of Professional Journalists** will meet at 5 p.m. in the JUB, room 310. Contact Jessica Clayborn at ext. 2816 for more information.

**The Women's Political Action Group** will meet at 4:15 p.m. in the KUC Grill Lounge. Contact Deborah Ray at 394-3151 for more information.

Campus Recreation is sponsoring a horseshoe tournament. Space is limited, so sign up immediately. Call ext. 2104 for more information.

## Friday

**A Twilight Band Concert and Ice Cream Social** will be held on the lawn of President Walker's home on the MTSU campus (corner of Main and Tennessee). It will be an old-fashioned outdoor band concert in the style of the John Philip Souza Band Concerts at the turn of the century. All are invited to bring blankets, lawn chairs and picnic suppers to enjoy good music as the sun goes down. The Raider Xpress will also be picking up senior citizens at the Murfreesboro Senior Citizens Center at 325 St. Clair at 5:00 to provide transportation to and from the concert. The event is free. For more information call 898-2993 or 898-2472.

**An Economic Outlook Conference** will be held in the Tennessee Room of the James Union Building. Registration is at 8:15 a.m. and various speakers will be featured throughout the day. The event is free to MTSU faculty, staff and students. If you have questions or wish to register, call ext. 2764.

**The Fellowship of Christian Athletes** meet Wednesday nights at 8:30 p.m. in the KUC, room 315. Contact Greg Logan at ext. 3081 for more information.

## Saturday

**A fan caravan** sponsored by The Student Alumni Association and the Chamber of Commerce will be going to Murray State University for the Blue Raider football game tonight. Meet in the Greenland Dr. parking lot at 3:30 p.m. if you wish to participate.

## Monday

**College Republicans** will hold a meeting at 7 p.m. in room 322 of the KUC. Mike Liles, candidate for the 49th District State Representative seat, will be the featured speaker. Contact Tim Harrell at 731-7473 or Geoff Jenkins at 895-1084 for more information.

## Upcoming & Ongoing

**Speech testing or speech therapy services** are available to MTSU students. Students should call the MTSU Speech Clinic, ext. 2661, for an appointment.

**The MTSU Debate Team** needs new members for fall semester. Contact John Miller at ext. 2273 or go to BDA, room 220.

**Students for Environmental Action** meet every Tuesday at 6 p.m. in the KUC, room 305. Contact Christopher Kincaid at 890-0473 for more information.

**The MTSU Symphony** invites interested students to rehearsals Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Contact the Symphony office at ext. 2484 or go to room 264, Wright Music Building.

**The Student Coalition for Animal Rights (SCAR)** meets every Thursday at 7 p.m. Please call Kellie at 898-6457 for more information.

**Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship** meets every Wednesday at 5 p.m. in the KUC, room 313. Contact Brandon at ext. 4868 for more information.

**Open house at the MTSU observatory** from 8:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 27 (weather permitting). For more information contact Dr. Jay White at 898-5946.

**College Democrats and the Rutherford County Election Commission** are sponsoring a voter registration drive Tuesday, September 27 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in front of Phillips Bookstore in the KUC and at a table on the second floor in front of the Grill. Contact Jade Graham at ext. 3301 for more information.

**Mr. Nelson Strother and other representatives from the University of Tennessee-Memphis Health Science Center** will be at MTSU in the KUC rooms 322-A,B,C, and 324-A,B,C on Wednesday, September 28 to talk with students about Dentistry, Medicine, Pharmacy, Cytotechnology, Dental Hygiene, Health Information Management, Medical Technology, Occupational Therapy and The Tennessee Preprofessional Program.

**The Minority Student Journalist Association** will hold a general interest meeting on Thursday, Sept. 29 at 5:00 p.m. in the Mass Comm building. For more information call Jennifer Bailey at ext. 2229 or 2813.

**The SGA House of Representatives** will meet September 29 at 4:30 p.m. in the KUC Theatre. Attendance is mandatory; please have a member from your organization there.

**The June Anderson Women's Center** has support groups for women meeting throughout the semester. All groups are free to students. Contact Mary Glantz at ext. 5725 to sign up. Space is limited.

## DEADLINES FOR CAMPUS CAPSULE SUBMISSIONS:

MONDAY EDITION--5 P.M. FRIDAY  
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All submissions must be brought by or sent to the *Sidelines* office in writing. Phone in submissions will not be accepted. *Sidelines* reserves the right not to publish any listing for any reason. *Sidelines* is not responsible for inaccurate information.



## Economic Conference brings top forecaster Ratajczak to campus

**RYAN WHITE**  
Staff Writer

The economic future of the United States and the Southeast will be discussed at a day-long Economic Outlook Conference to be held tomorrow in the James Union Building.

Donald Ratajczak, a nationally known economic forecaster, will address economic issues of interest to the business leaders and the community.

Other speakers scheduled include Edward A. Brennan, chairman and chief executive of Sears, Roebuck and Company; the Hon. Joe M. Rodgers, holder of the Jennings A. Jones Chair of

Excellence in Free Enterprise; and Reuben Kyle, director of the MTSU Business and Economic Research Center.

Following the speakers will be a panel of business journalists, including Candy McCampbell, business editor of the *Tennessean*; Roger Shirley, editor of the *Nashville Business Journal*; and Jim Travis, reporter for Nashville's WSMV-TV.

"Having speakers with such stature is a good opportunity to get another perspective on the Tennessee economy," said Jim Burton, assistant dean of the College of Business.

"We have several print and broadcast journalists from the

Nashville area that will provide a 'from the street' point of view on the economy," Burton said.

"I think it will be good to hear the views of nationally recognized people on the local economy," Kyle said.

Students had positive reactions on the possible impact of the conference.

Jada Sloss, a mass communication major, said, "I think it will benefit the college student especially. It will let students know about ideas in the real world."

Tickets for the conference will cost \$30. Call the College of Business at 898-2764 for more information. □

## "Grand opening" for new Nursing building on Homecoming Day

**GREG CANTRELL**  
Special to *Sidelines*

A grand opening and dedication ceremony will be held for the Nursing building on Homecoming day to celebrate the Aug. 18 completion date.

"We love it," chorused a group of second-semester nursing students as they practiced I.V. insertions in the building's upstairs lab.

The new building will be opened for tours from noon to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 8. A reception is scheduled and blood screening will be available.

"This building is more specialized, with more room, and it's mainly geared towards us," Angela Ellis, nursing student, said.

"The seats are more comfortable, and we have tables to put books [on]," she added.

Nursing department Chairwoman Judith Wakim is equally impressed with MTSU's latest addition.

"We're thrilled to death," she said. "We have space now."

After having only two classrooms in the Stark Building, students and faculty are learning to adjust to their new surroundings, which now include six classrooms, an auditorium, student lounge and also lab and office space upstairs.

In Stark, the skills lab doubled as a lecture room for students. Now, with six classrooms, the

lab is used solely for lab purposes. Wakim said it was not uncommon to walk by the new lab and see students practicing CPR outside of their class time, something that wasn't possible in the former building.

Construction crews worked all summer to finish the facility by Aug. 18 in order to open for fall classes. Faculty moved in the next day. Customs participants toured the building Aug. 23.

"It took the movers longer than expected to move our things," Wakim said. "We had stuff crammed everywhere."

Wakim said a few minor things are being finished in preparation for the grand opening. TV monitors are waiting to be installed in classrooms, grass is waiting to be sown and a name for the building will be selected this week.

The Nursing building's auditorium is now named "The Betty McComus Auditorium." McComus started the MTSU nursing program in 1966.

"It's an uplifting experience [getting the building]," Wakim said. "We now have a stimulus to everyone to look to the future with. Students have a place to call their own."

The Christy-Houston Foundation of Murfreesboro donated money used to build and furnish the facility. □

## Women's Center sponsors lectures on rape, sex abuse and assault

**NICKI BONNER**  
Staff Writer

The June Anderson Women's Center will offer lectures, seminars and workshops this semester about problems which concern both women and men.

Support groups will address incest, sex abuse, rape, sexual harassment and smoking.

"The Women's Center has a new look this year," said Candace Rosovsky, director of the Women's Center.

"We have increased the number of our program support groups. We are working collaboratively to let the women here at MTSU know that we are here to help them if they need us."

The Women's Center is co-sponsoring the "Sexual Assault Awareness Week," to be held Sept. 25-29, which will provide lectures and performances concerning the topic.

The center also plans to acknowledge and schedule events next month in honor of National Women's History Month.

These support groups are to promote awareness of violence aimed at women and to recognize survivors.

The organization is also offering support groups for men. "For Men Only," a collective approach to stopping rape, is available to any MTSU male student who is interested.

This program consist of an all-male panel which will discuss

ways to prevent date rape.

The purpose of the Women's Center is to help educate the campus community about these types of issues.

"I think the activities and support groups that the Women's Center is offering is a good idea," said Natalia Farris, student, "because it gives people a chance to get involved and confront these problems with the help of others."

The Women's Center is located in the James Union Building, room 206. Their office hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. On Tuesdays, the center remains open until 7:30 p.m.

For more information, call 898-2193. □

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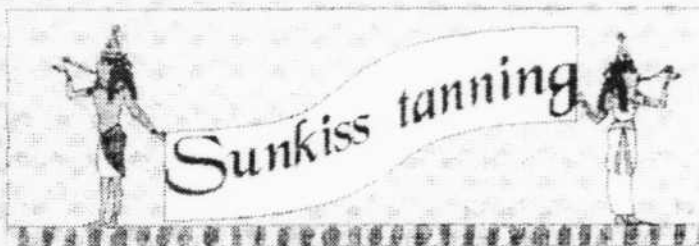
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**MTSU MAINTENANCE:** Employee Brent Bogle works on the basketball floor in Murphy Center on Tuesday to run wiring for a new scoreboard.

Students need to be sure  
to have their new ID cards  
made by October 31.

## Thirteen women make first cut for MTSU Homecoming Queen

**CAROL IRWIN**  
Staff Writer

Homecoming Queen ballots are scheduled to appear Sept. 27, according to SGA office secretary Patsy Reed.

Thirteen names will be on the list, including Hazel Rucker, Marla Frisby, Kimberly Ward, Stacy Cowan, Twila Gudger, Kirsten Betak, Allison Riley, Christy Huffman, Candy Moss, Anne Marie Tepley, Paige Ellis, Alicia Catron, and Estella Reed.

To be selected, a woman is usually sponsored by an organization, but can nominate herself with 25 signatures, according to Reed. The only requirement is that the nominees are good students, Reed said, and no experience is necessary.

Once nominated, the women are placed on the ballot for election, and students may choose their favorite five. The top five from the general election will make up the court, to be announced on Queen's Tea Sunday, Oct. 2 at 2:30 p.m. in the

Alumni Center.

Elise Hill will coordinate this event, which is the first round of elimination.

After the announcement of the court, the queen and runner-up (the first- and second-place votes) are not announced until halftime of the Homecoming game, which will be held on Oct. 8.

One woman will be chosen to represent MTSU as 1994 Homecoming Queen. Her formal duties, however, consist only of participating in the Homecoming parade, which will start at 9 a.m. on Tennessee Boulevard.

Some students and faculty said they believe the position is under-utilized, and Assistant Dean of Students Rodney Bennett offered suggestions for giving the Homecoming Queen more responsibility.

"I'm not convinced that homecoming queens and other ambassadors of the school are utilized in every way they could be ...," Bennett said. "I would like to see them be used for recruiting, retention and as mentors for other

students."

1993 Homecoming Queen Leanne Odom, now a senior nursing student, agreed with Bennett about the sometimes-narrow role of homecoming queens.

"It's one shot," Odom said. "It's a great [Homecoming] day, and after that day [the Queen is] put away again."

Odom suggested that homecoming queens speak to elementary and high school students in the Murfreesboro community and pointed out that students need positive role models.

Associate Dean of Students Gail Stephens acknowledges the fact that the Queen has no specific duties after Homecoming Day, but points out that many past homecoming queens are invited back each year to participate in Homecoming activities. Last year, she said, about ten former queens attended.

"In a sense it can be an ongoing thing," Stephens said. "We never forget who they are." □

## The reigning Queen speaks

**CAROL IRWIN**  
Staff Writer

"Oh, it's horrible," said 1993 Homecoming Queen Leanne Odom, remembering the suspense of waiting for the court to be announced. "You go and sit, and for 15 minutes you mingle with the other girls, so the tension is rising."

Odom's advice to nervous candidates is: Try to remain calm.

"I want to tell the girls to be themselves," she said. "I also want them to know that these organizations are [nominating] them for more than just their looks."

Odom, who hopes to pursue a master's degree in nurse practitioner studies at Vanderbilt, has a 3.8 GPA and is a member of the National Honor Society for Nursing. Commenting on her academic achievements, she pointed out that these were the most important aspects of her education.

"[Academics] is more important to me than any award that I could get, especially wanting to get into graduate school," she said. "So many times, that's overlooked when you [get to be] Homecoming Queen. [People] look at that and not the other things that you've achieved." □

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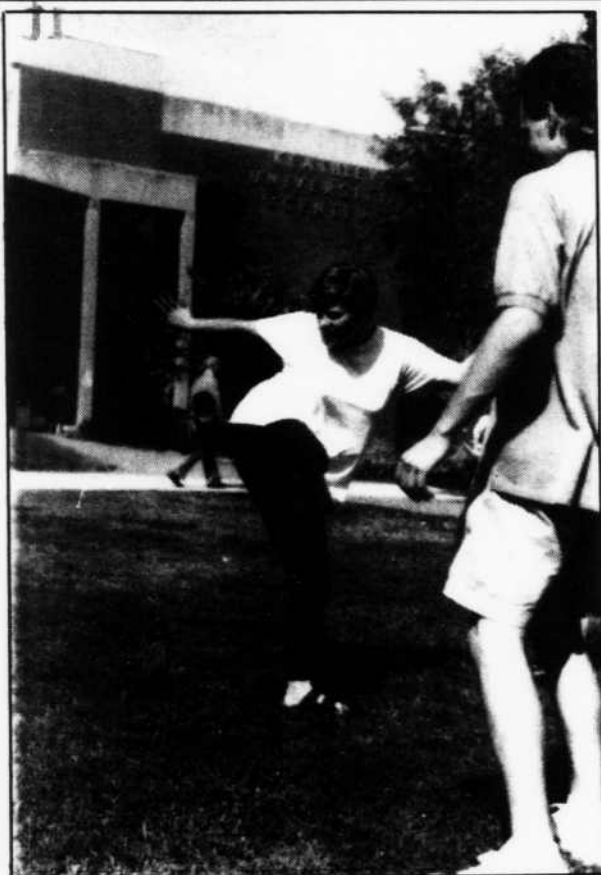


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**FUN IN THE COURT YARD:** Cara Humphreys keeps the sack alive during a game of hacky sack in front of the KUC.

## Crime against women on campus not recorded

**NICOLE WATKINS**  
Staff Writer

Accurate figures on the number of crimes committed against women on campus cannot be kept, according to Public Safety and Security.

The Women's Center will be offering programs all semester which will deal with this issue, but no one knows the size of the problem.

The Division of Continuing Studies offered a course in practical self-defense this semester that would have begun Sept. 14 and ended Oct. 26, but the class was canceled due to low enrollment.

"This semester there was not enough response," said George Pimentel, program director. "We will market the class through the Women's Center and through local businesses next semester."

Low enrollment in courses such as the one offered by Continuing Studies is due to lack of awareness, according to Dean of Continuing Studies Rosemary Owens, but statistics cannot be compiled if women who are violently attacked do not report it.

"We have opinions from researchers who do nationwide studies," Owens said, "but when you're talking about crimes committed against women on this campus, typically they go unreported."

"The only time we receive reports are when an obvious crime is committed, such as rape by a stranger, or an assault that occurs in front of a group of people. Women do not report date rape and other crimes of that nature, and that makes it hard to get statistics."

The main challenge for

students at MTSU is walking at night, and Public Safety and Security offers students escorts at night as a way to reduce the risk of violence.

"During the day I feel safe, but I've never walked by myself at night," said Jessie Murray.

Student Hope Stevens said, "I feel safe as long as the police are around, but when it gets dark, sometimes I call Campus Security for an escort."

"Escorts are just one of the services we provide," William Beasley, campus security officer, said. "We also produce pamphlets and teach classes in dormitories."

"Women need to know the dangers that they are facing when they walk alone at night, and they need to be prepared to react responsibly in the face of a criminal," said brown-belt karate student Michelle Duke.

The self-defense class will be offered again next semester by Michael Payne, who holds a black belt in karate.

"The course will not only focus on basic street defense and karate, but it will also help students to improve their self-confidence when they are alone," Pimentel said.

Offensive and defensive maneuvers as well as self-defense psychology will be key issues addressed in the course.

"We need 20 to 30 people for the class to be a success, and it will be, with proper marketing," Pimentel said. "We've offered the course in the past and had good response."

For more information about self-defense courses, contact the Division of Continuing Studies at 898-2467.

To receive an escort at night, call the Public Safety and Security office at 898-2424. □

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# National Roundup

From the AP wire.....

## Flight 427 Jet Switched to Shorter Flights to Avoid Engine Overhaul

**NEW YORK (AP)** — USAir was trying to save money by squeezing more use from the engines of the plane that crashed outside Pittsburgh, a source familiar with the airline's maintenance says.

By running the older engines on short flights instead of more taxing long trips, USAir aimed to save \$1 million per plane and postpone an overhaul for two years, the source said Tuesday.

On short flights, less thrust is needed because the planes aren't weighed down with as much fuel. The lower thrust rate means the engines don't run as hot and don't need to be refurbished as often.

USAir got FAA approval to adopt the practice in February as part of a broader cost-cutting effort. The Sept. 8 crash came as Flight 427 approached Pittsburgh for a scheduled stop. All 132 people aboard were killed.

USAir, which is trying to cut annual overhead by \$1 billion, denied it is scrimping on safety to save money. In a statement released late Tuesday evening, USAir said it was trying to adjust its fleet to reduce the number of long flights and fly more short trips.

The practice of giving older jets less stressful flights was first reported in February by Aerospace Propulsion, an industry newsletter. Barron's this week reported the engines on Flight 427 were part of the program.

USAir spokeswoman Andrea Butler wasn't able to confirm whether the engines on the 737-300 that crashed had been switched to shorter routes to avoid an overhaul. Of the more than 100 737-300 jets USAir operates, 28 were covered by the program.

But a source familiar with the engine rating program, who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity, said Tuesday that the engines and the jet that crashed were part of the program.

The cause of the crash is still unknown. □

## Counselor Resigns, Six Fired After Patient's Allegations of Sex

**NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP)** — A counselor at an Alabama drug treatment center resigned and six other staffers were fired for failing to report a Tennessee teen's allegations she had sex with the counselor, officials say.

The 14-year-old Tennessee girl was in the custody of the Tennessee Department of Youth Development when she was sent to the Bradford-Parkside treatment center near Birmingham last spring.

She ran away from the center in May and went to the home of a counselor before being returned to the center the following day, said Bo Irvin, program manager for the Tennessee Department of Youth Development, or DYD.

Three weeks later she told staff members at the drug treatment center that she had had sex with the counselor.

When confronted with the

allegations, the counselor resigned. But officials at the treatment center did not notify Tennessee authorities for several weeks, Irvin said.

"We raised hell about that and told them they were in violation of their contract," said DYD Assistant Commissioner George Hattaway. "We initiated an investigation of our own, and now their corporate people have terminated six people as a result of their own internal investigation."

Tennessee pays Bradford-Parkside \$245 per patient per day for treatment.

The center treats children and teen-agers with alcohol and drug problems.

No criminal charges were filed as a result of the May incident, which is being investigated by Alabama authorities. The girl returned to Tennessee and in state custody, Irvin said.

Connie Woods, director of Bradford-Parkside's Tennessee regional office, said steps have been taken to ensure such an incident doesn't recur. □

## Ethicists Decry 'Vigilante Justice'

**NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP)** — Ethicists at the Southern Baptist Convention have written a 12-page statement opposing the use of violence against abortion doctors.

Killing doctors is morally reprehensible and should not be justified under Christian principles, the 12-page document unveiled Tuesday says.

"We do not believe in vigilante justice," says Richard Land, executive director of the SBC's Christian Life Commission based in Nashville.

"There are some in the pro-life movement who are drifting toward an acceptance of the use of lethal force. Most pro-lifers have the intuitive feeling that this is wrong, but they just can't put their finger on why it is wrong."

A six-man team of SBC ethicists spent most of last weekend ironing out the wording of a "statement of conscience" rejecting anti-abortion violence.

The final draft, entitled "The Struggle Against Abortion: Why the Use of Lethal Force Is Not Morally Justifiable," urges all Christians to join the SBC in opposing violent methods to stop abortions.

The SBC's document says that, according to Biblical scripture, only governments have the authority to use force judiciously to protect the innocent from wrongdoing.

"You've crossed a line that Christians cannot cross when you make the decision to take another person's life because you believe what they're doing is morally wrong," Land said.

"When you kill a man, you've taken away everything he has, and everything he's going to have."

The SBC reaffirmed its view that abortion is murder, but said it is legal and supports only legal forms of anti-abortion protest, Land said.

The statement condones a number of ways to reduce abortions, such as abstinence-based sex education, ministry to women in crisis pregnancies and political and judicial efforts. □



# The Greek Corner

NIKKI BAGWELL-Staff Writer

## United Greek Council soliciting new members

The United Greek Council (UGC) is holding passive recruitment for new members to join the Greek organizations, according to Ralph A. Metcalf, director of Multi-Cultural Affairs.

Passive recruitment, Metcalf explained, is a recruitment in which the prospective members decide which organization they want to join, instead of the typical Greek rush in which the organizations decide whom they want to invite.

"We strive [for] quality, not quantity," Metcalf said.

The United Greek Council are members of the National Pan-Hellenic Council. MTSU UGC organizations include:

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.

U G C members sponsor local and national philanthropies including the United Negro College Fund and the "We Care" food program.

Bill Cosby, Dionne Warwick and Martin Luther King.

"Most of your black leaders in

the world are members of a UGC organization," said Metcalf in a recent issue of *Sidelines*.

For more information on the UGC Rush process call the Minority Affairs office at 898-2987. □

"Most of your black leaders in the world are members of a UGC organization."

-Ralph A. Metcalf

Director of Minority Affairs

## Greeks head to the football field to compete for trip to New Orleans

MTSU's Campus Recreation Department is sponsoring this year's intramural flag football leagues and the winner wins a trip to New Orleans.

The teams are formed by various university organizations.

Among the organizations are

the Panhellenic Council, which sponsors sorority teams, and the Interfraternity Council, which sponsors fraternity teams.

There are also independent and co-ed teams made up of residence hall students.

The football games began

Sept. 6 and will continue through the middle of October.

The games are played west of Cummings Dormitory-behind the Mass Communication building.

Here is a schedule of the upcoming games. □

### Monday, Sept. 26

Delta Tau Delta vs. Sigma Phi Epsilon (6 p.m.)  
Kappa Sigma vs. Tau Kappa Epsilon (7 p.m.)  
Sigma Phi Epsilon vs. Sigma Chi (8 p.m.)  
Kappa Alpha Order vs. Sigma Nu (9 p.m.)  
Kappa Sigma vs. Sigma Alpha Epsilon (10 p.m.)  
Sigma Chi vs. Tau Kappa Epsilon (10 p.m.)

### Tuesday, Sept. 27

Chi Omega vs. Funky Y2C's (4 p.m.)  
Alpha Delta Pi vs. McHenry Mavericks (5 p.m.)  
Funky Y2C's vs. Alpha Omicron Pi (5 p.m.)  
Kappa Delta vs. Zeta Tau Alpha (6 p.m.)  
McHenry Mavericks vs. Alpha Omicron Pi (6 p.m.)

### Wednesday, Sept. 28

Sigma Alpha Epsilon vs. Kappa Alpha Order (6 p.m.)  
Tau Kappa Epsilon vs. Sigma Nu (7 p.m.)  
Sigma Chi vs. Kappa Sigma (8 p.m.)  
Delta Tau Delta vs. Beta Theta Pi (9 p.m.)  
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## In Our Opinion

By the Sidelines  
Editorial Staff

## Hotline is a good idea

Housing has been a problem on this campus for a long time. There are not enough dormitories to handle the ever-increasing crush of students looking for housing while in school. There are no plans in the near future to build more dorms.

One of the big problems in housing has been maintenance. Students constantly complain about the lack of response from maintenance when they ask for work to be done. Resident assistants (RAs) constantly complain about not being able to get any response from the housing office when putting in maintenance requests.

Some RAs get fed up with the lack of response and resign. Others get fed up with the lack of response, complain to housing about the problem and are told to keep their mouths shut or risk being fired.

Many current RAs are afraid to talk about the problems for fear of retaliation. Even some former RAs refuse to talk about what they saw as problems.

But now, it looks as though the housing department has begun to take steps to correct the problems.

The new housing hotline is a system that on-campus residents can use to check on the work orders submitted by their RAs. It is a sort of check on the housing department to see that things get done.



## Liberals are screwing up the military

## The Conservative Philosopher

CHRISTINA BASIEL

Staff  
Writer

There seems to be a great deal of confusion these days regarding the military forces of the United States. While the liberals methodically destroy the world's greatest fighting forces through downsizing and social restructuring, they are redefining its purpose and expanding its role internationally.

What is the role of a military? The role of a military is to defend a country from attack, protect the national interest and guard the citizens of the government it represents. Military forces are "fighting" forces. They engage in combat and the goal of combat is to kill and destroy. War is a very

serious business, and it is the business of the military.

Unfortunately, the ruling powers in Congress and the White House do not understand this simple truth. They appear to believe that the Army, the Navy, the Air Force, and the Marines are social clubs. These people do not understand the undeniable fact that the armed forces must be selective in their recruitment if they are to be effective. Americans in uniform must be exceptional individuals that complement each other in order to properly execute the demands of their positions and to act as a cohesive and effectual group.

During the course of battle, exceptions will not be made for women to attend to their natural biological functions. During the course of battle, exceptions will not be made for homosexuals to "come out" and "be proud." During the course of battle, unity amongst men is essential to survival.

In order to force the agenda of militant feminist and gays upon

the armed forces, the objective of the military must be altered. American troops are now sent around the world on "peace-keeping" missions. Our boys are being assigned to duties which were once the domain of the Red Cross and the Peace Corps. What is worse is that these "peace-keeping" missions are situated in barbarous countries whose inhabitants would rather kill intruders than accept their help.

While the United States is assigning its troops to perform unproductive duties in unappreciative Third World countries, military bases within our allied countries and the United States itself are being closed one after the other. Along with each base closing is usually seen the bankrupting of a town and a decrease in the defensive strength of our own country.

The anti-American forces of the left have discovered that in order to destroy the United States, they must destroy our military. It has been the belief,

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## Hear ye! Founders were Christians!

Beyond a shadow of a doubt, the Founding Fathers were emphatically Christian conservatives, and the fact that this is omitted from university curricula is an outrage.

As a history major I have been propagandized about the glorious New Deal, factory women in World War II, the misunderstood Karl Marx, the evils of Ronald Reagan, and even the victimized Rodney King. But I have rarely been given any of the information on the founding of our great republic that I consider vital to a true understanding of our political and moral heritage. For the most part, universities are teaching a history of our nation that runs contrary to the facts.

In a 10-year study by the political science department of the University of Houston, researchers examined 15,000 writings from the era of the Founding Fathers. They were able to identify

3,154 direct quotes of the Founding Fathers and traced the source of each. The result was that 34% of the Founding Fathers' quotations came directly from the Bible, and an astounding 94% of their quotations were based upon the Scriptures!

How many students are aware that the first line in the Bill of Rights places the protection of religion ahead of the freedom of speech? How many realize that the First Amendment protects the church from the government, not the other way around?

Did you know that the phrase "separation of church and state" does not appear in the Constitution or any of our nation's founding documents? In 1853 a group petitioned Congress to separate religion from government. In an attempt to sort out the issues, the House Judiciary Committee

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TODD MEYERS

Editor in  
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FOR THE RECORD







# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Readers respond to *Dessa Rose*

### To the Editor:

I am writing in response to an editorial, appearing in September 15 issue of *Sidelines*, which discussed Shannon Roberts' lawsuit against the university concerning the novel *Dessa Rose*. The editorial stated "What continues to happen to (Shannon Roberts) now is an outrage ... MTSU students deserve an explanation why such obscene and perverted material was ever given as a class assignment, and a guarantee from the administration that it will not happen again."

I cannot imagine how any self-respecting journalist could possibly write that statement if he or she had not read the material in question. And having read the book for a class myself, I cannot imagine how anyone who has read it could possibly call it "obscene and perverted material."

Have you read the entire novel in question? I certainly would like to know. And if you have, what in it did you find "obscene and perverted?" Are we moving back to the days where *The Catcher in the Rye* was banned? How far are you going to take this ridiculous crusade for personal rights? If *Dessa Rose* is banned from the classroom, what's next? *A Farewell to Arms*? It's about as controversial as *Dessa Rose*. (I guess I should have told one of my former professors that I had personal objections to Joyce's *Ulysses* so I would not have had to read it).

If Roberts had what I would consider a legitimate complaint, I would support her. But let's face it—she was asked to read a novel which has been taught without controversy for years. Catering to the whims of students like Shannon Roberts' wastes professors' time and all of our money.

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### To the Editor:

Fear of ideas—the malady lingers on. Shannon Roberts' refusal to read Theodore Dreiser's *Dessa Rose* makes me wonder—what is she afraid of? Even if one accepts her claim that the book is "pornographic," it may still be worthy of study. If Roberts is so firm in her beliefs, why is she so threatened by reading about different values? Is her mind so weak that everything she reads reshapes her whole value system? Reading about characters with morals and values other than our own does not mean that we necessarily embrace those values. If an English instructor assigns Orwell's *1984*, this does not mean that s/he endorses oppressive, totalitarian government. Reading Poe's short stories does not compel us to bury people alive. We read works such as these to encounter a variety of ideas and experiences (fictional or real), to discover what these authors have to say and then to make our own judgments.

Max Nichols, Shannon Roberts' stepfather, suggests that MTSU "can dictate the values and morals of its students." This is absurd—no matter what we learn here, we each make our own moral and ethical decisions. Education involves confronting new and different beliefs, not simply congratulating ourselves on the beliefs we already hold. Roberts claims that her First Amendment rights were violated. Last time I checked, the First Amendment said nothing about the right to avoid being offended. I guess some people just don't want to read anything which might actually make them think...

David Katz  
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### To The Editor:

I have to question the ethics and morals of someone who says, in effect, "My first amendment rights were violated. I am outraged that my sensibilities were offended, but... \$850,000 will make me feel a whole lot better."

In my life, I have matured enough to realize that sometimes shit just happens. You often have to just go on with your life and accept it. Apparently Shannon Roberts hasn't learned this. I wish she would shut up

and quit whining and get on with her life at Vanderbilt and leave us at MTSU alone.

If she was so offended by the assignment, why didn't she drop the class? Was she too lazy? Did she think she was too good to ever have to deal with something distasteful in her life? Did she think the professor should rearrange the curriculum to cater to her thin skin?

I think the larger issue here is one of responsibility. Being that the problem occurred over two years ago, I think Shannon Roberts is suddenly discovering that things you do now will have an effect on your future. Since she didn't bother to do the assignment or drop the class then, she should have to live with the consequences of her actions. She chose the course of action she took. She should now accept her own failure to be responsible and live with it.

Let us suppose that she won her lawsuit and the \$850,000. Could she justify that her morals are worth the resources she would be draining from the 17,000 students who still attend a financially-strapped, state-supported school while she goes to Vanderbilt, a private school that has an endowment fund of over \$600 million? I would like for her to explain that.

In conclusion, I think that everyone at MTSU should feel outraged at this woman who doesn't seem to feel she has to live by the same rules we accept. I'm sure, though, that she'll continue to wage her court fight. And she'll continue to enjoy her fifteen minutes of fame.

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P.S. to the *Sidelines* Editorial Staff:

To say that the "case is obviously not about money... [but] is about standing up for morality and decency" is a rather blatant display of naiveté on your part. Also, to say that MTSU is "dictat[ing] the values and morals of its students" is ludicrous. The role of an institution of higher learning in a democratic society is to provide experiences and present materials that are beyond the scope of normal life in that society (paraphrased from *The Closing of the American Mind*). Perhaps the material may be personally distasteful, but if the values and morals of an individual are so fragile that the exposure decays and subverts them, you have to wonder how strongly they actually believe in the values they parrot.

Also, who are you to judge what is to be considered "obscene and perverted material?" If Bonnie Shipp and President Walker do not believe the material as obscene, do you hold yourselves up as better qualified to make that determination simply because you happen to side with Shannon Roberts? Do you presume to speak for me—an MTSU student—when you ask for a guarantee that material you consider offensive will never be presented in class again?

If there are any apologies to be made, I think they should be made by you for presuming to speak for MTSU students on the matter of morality and by Shannon Roberts for attempting to take \$850,000 from MTSU because she just didn't like and didn't want to do something she was asked to do.

## Reader takes other side on *Rose*

### To the Editor:

I wholeheartedly applaud *Sidelines*' support of Shannon Roberts' suit against MTSU. Even though the administration ignores the values of its students, I am glad that the university still respects the right of a campus-sponsored organization to speak out for the students' interests.

Certainly, the university deliberately supplanted the convictions of Ms. Roberts in forcing her to participate in a morally degrading assignment. To intentionally plant seeds of lust and perversion in academic curricula clearly contradicts MTSU's stated goal for its scholars to "make sound judgments and choose wisely among ethical, moral, and aesthetic values." (See the Statement of Mission on page two of the 1993-1995 Undergraduate Catalog.) Shannon Roberts was not afforded the opportunity to make such a decision since she was successfully threatened with an "F" in the pornographic assignment.

Unfortunately, Shannon Roberts was not the only person to have her first amendment rights violated. I am another, along with the thousands of tuition-paying

students and the hundreds of thousands of tax-paying consumers of Tennessee. The government is coercing us to pay for this pornography by using our fees and tax revenues to finance this so-called education. Would the majority of your parents, friends, brothers, or sisters knowingly pay for you to peruse X-rated literature? Professors should not be paid for porn-pushing.

Adam Valle  
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## Reader responds to Michael Grantham

### To the Editor:

I am writing in response to a very insulting column written by Michael Grantham in the September 12 issue of *Sidelines*. Mr. Grantham engages in an assault on the principles of the religious right, comparing people of this group to an infectious disease, and even going so far as to say that the religious right bears some kind of kinship to Hitler in their pursuit of their agenda.

The arguments offered by Mr. Grantham are far more fallacious than any of those made by the Christian right. Let's start with the comparison to Hitler. Does he honestly believe that the Christian right is that hateful? The obvious question to ask Mr. Grantham is has he ever met someone from the religious right? I consider myself a member of this group, and I am very insulted when someone tells me that I am like Hitler. On a similar note, I am just as insulted when someone compares me to an infectious disease. The current swing to the right in the Republican party is not a small one. In fact, this swing is also visible on Mr. Grantham's own side of the political spectrum. The most obvious example of this is Congressman Jim Cooper, who is in the middle of a bid for the Senate. His commercials echo many of the views of the religious right, including prayer in the schools which Mr. Grantham calls, "a long-standing bastion...with the fallacy-ridden assumption that everyone's world view is as simple as those of Bible characters long ago."

While we are on the subject of fallacies, let's look at some of the other points in this column. I'll begin with his assessment of prayer in schools. I don't recall anyone in the Christian right asking to abolish all religions but Christianity and saying that everyone has to pray. We are simply saying that we should be allowed to. How does someone saying a prayer cause the institutionalization of all the innocent victims who don't want to? What is so offensive about wanting to say a prayer at a graduation ceremony, or beginning a school day with a prayer? If this kind of institutional activity is so offensive, then why does the United States Congress begin each legislative day with a prayer? If an outward expression of our beliefs is so offensive, why are we still allowed to sing the national anthem at sporting events, or pledge allegiance to the flag?

If you would like to see everything that could offend people removed, then let's get rid of these two institutional activities as well. In fact, while we are at it, let's just remove the American flag from campuses, ban the use of the word "God" on our money, and remove religious studies from the curriculum!

Let's move on to these slanderous "infomercial-type sermons" that the religious right is using to destroy the credibility of our President. The first thing to examine here is that Jerry Falwell does not hold a copyright on this story. President Clinton's sexual escapades have been reported by the media since the Presidential campaign of 1992. To give Mr. Grantham the benefit of the doubt, I will assume for a moment that they are slanderous. If so, why won't the President defend himself in court? Why is he trying to hide behind a stretch of executive privilege? If they are slanderous, Mr. Grantham, let the President defend himself.

In conclusion, the simple truth is that the religious right is a group that is growing quite fast. The evidence of this is clear in the success of Oliver North in his bid for one of the US Senate seats in Virginia, the adoption of conservative principles by local candidates like Jim Cooper, Phil Bredesen, and Jim Sasser, and it is evidenced by the growing fear among liberals everywhere saying that the religious right is taking over the political arena. Look around Mr. Grantham, there is a lot more of us than you think.

Geoff Jenkins  
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It is imperative that we cease military restructuring and degeneration. It is crucial that we end the crusade for homogeneity amongst men, women, and homosexuals. Most importantly, it is inescapable that we restore our priorities to their rightful order. America must put America first, and that means returning respect to our military. □

Former President Carter would make the best Secretary of State since Henry Kissinger. As the 1992 Clinton campaign echoed, it's time for a change. □

Managing  
Editor



## FOUNDERS (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 8)

launched a year-long investigation into the original intent of the Founding Fathers with regards to the separation of church and state. On March 27, 1854, the House delivered its report, which read in part:

*At the time of the adoption of the Constitution and its amendments, the universal sentiment was that Christianity should be encouraged, but not any one denomination. ... In this age, there is no substitute for Christianity. That was the religion of the Fathers of the Republic and they expected it to remain the religion of their descendants. ... The great vital and conservative element in our system is the belief of our people in the pure doctrines and the divine truths of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.*

Unfortunately, however, the myth of separation is now a lie repeated often enough to become the truth. In the 1958 Supreme Court case *Baer v. Kolmorgen*, one of the judges warned that if the court continued to use the phrase, people would actually think it was part of the Constitution! How right he was.

How many people are aware that until the 20th century, the Bill of Rights only applied to Congress (not to the state legislatures) and that from the founding of our nation until this time it was recognized that states could establish official religions and religious requirements for office? As a matter of fact, during the era of the Founding Fathers, nine of the 13 colonies had established Christian churches by law as the official state religion (Virginia, Maryland, the Carolinas, Georgia, New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut and New Hampshire), and it was constitutional.

Did you know that until this century, the Supreme Court of the United States used and cited the Bible as a legal precedent in its decisions? To the Founders, Christianity was the foundation for the nation. John Jay, the first Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and one of the three chief authors of the Constitution, wrote:

*Providence has given to our people the choice of their rulers, and it is their duty—as well as the privilege and interest of our Christian nation—to select and prefer Christians for their rulers.*

Likewise, Benjamin Franklin, of whom it is commonly taught that he was an atheist, recognized the hand of God guiding our nation's destiny. At the Constitutional Convention on June 28, 1787, he implored the delegates to give God's laws the first priority in the new republic in order that the nation might secure, as he put it, God's "concurring aid." He asked the delegates:

*If a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without his notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without his aid? We have been assured in the sacred writing that 'Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it.'*

And James Madison, the chief architect of the Constitution, wrote after the closing of the Constitutional Convention:

*We have staked the whole future of American civilization not upon the power of government—far from it. We have staked the future of all of our political institutions ... upon the capacity of each and all of us to govern ourselves according to the Ten Commandments of God.*

But look how far we have departed from the original intent of our Founders. In the 1980 case of *Stone v. Graham*, the Supreme Court ruled that the Ten Commandments could not even be displayed in our nation's public schools because, it said, school children might "read, meditate upon, venerate and obey the Ten Commandments. ... That is not a permissible objective."

The hope that children might think about and obey the Ten Commandments is not a permissible objective? So said our Supreme Court. But we need not worry. The escalating in frequency and intensity of youth crimes in our nation would suggest that we can rest assured—children are not obeying the Ten Commandments.

We are now so far removed from the principles upon which the republic was founded that we may be beyond hope. Decades of chipping away at our Christian heritage have severely undermined our nation's foundation. Notice what John Quincy Adams, son of Founding Father and second President of the United States John Adams, and himself our sixth President, said about the foundations of our nation. The following is from a speech delivered on the Fourth of July, 1837:

*Why is it that, next to the birthday of the Saviour of the world, our most joyous and most venerated festival returns on this day? Is it not that, in the chain of human events, the birth-day of the nation is indissolubly linked with the birthday of the Saviour? That it forms a leading event in the progress of the Gospel dispensation? Is it not that the Declaration of Independence first organized the social compact on the foundation of the Redeemer's mission upon earth? That it laid the cornerstone of human government upon the first precepts of Christianity?*

The Founding Fathers of our nation were, without a doubt, emphatically Christian. These men were the intellectual giants of their day and are still the most revered men in our nation's history. But their views are not being taught because they are not "politically correct." Therefore, if the Founding Fathers are not politically acceptable, perhaps the problem lies not with the Founding Fathers but rather with our current political state.

I realize this article will likely cause a good deal of controversy, so I encourage you all to check my information for yourselves before passing judgment. Examine the records of the Constitutional Convention. Read all 60 pages of John Quincy Adams' speech on July 4, 1837. I guarantee that even my most prejudiced critics will be amazed.

In George Orwell's 1984, Big Brother erased the old history and heritage and fabricated a new socialist history. This is what the communists did in Russia, China and Cuba. Sadly, our history is disappearing too, but it can still be found with some diligent searching. Should you choose to make the effort, you will see a version of our nation's history quite different from that being taught in the textbooks, and you may discover the truth in the process. □

## Utility & Infrastructure Project will cause detour near BDA

**Saturday Morning detour**  
will be open for traffic north  
of intersection.

**Saturday morning**  
intersection will be blocked.

**Friday morning parking** will be  
blocked.

**4:45 Friday afternoon B**  
Street will be blocked.

- 6 Todd Library
- 8 Kirksey Old Main
- 21 Keathley Univ. Center
- 25 Boutwell Dramatic Arts
- 32 Stark Ag. Building
- 35 Corlew Hall
- 54 Smith Baseball Field
- 82 Nursing Building

**September 22, 1994**

Construction will create some traffic and parking inconveniences late in the week. Beginning Friday morning, parking on B Street will be blocked in front of the Boutwell Dramatic Arts Building and at the west of the nursing building. At 4:45 Friday afternoon the street at that location will be blocked.

Saturday morning the intersection at Second and B Streets will be blocked to run a new sewer line into a manhole. This is the four-way stop intersection near the Nursing and Boutwell buildings. A temporary gravel road detour will be constructed at that location.

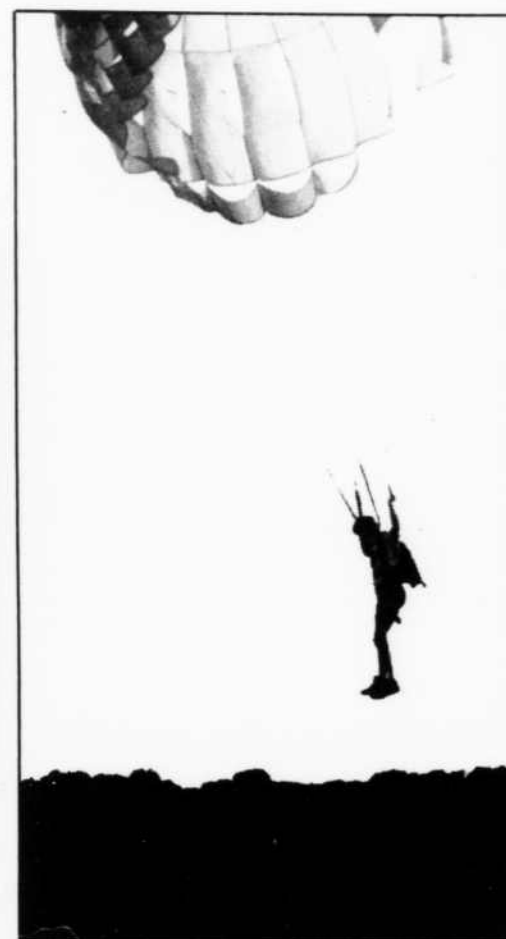
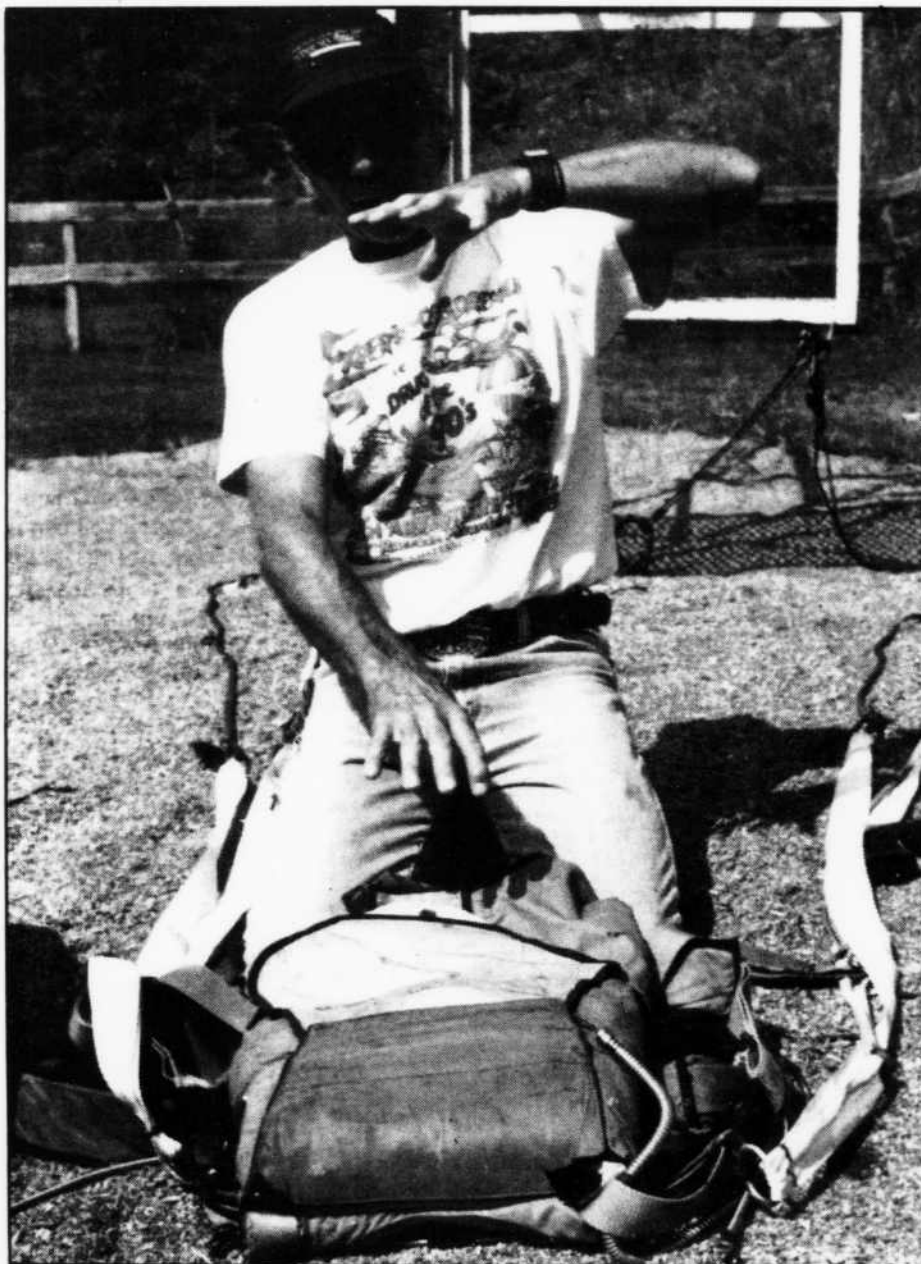
Some parking spaces will be lost in construction of the detour at the end of Faulkinberry as well as the faculty and staff parking lot.

Things should return to normal in the area by Monday evening unless weather or other delays occur.

If there are questions or concerns, please call Bill Smotherman at 2414.



# FREEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE ALL ING



**ABOVE:** Don Moss prepares to land after his 3,000-foot descent to Mother Earth.

**LEFT:** Leon Riche, jumpmaster/pilot, explains the mechanics involving parachute deployment to the inexperienced jumpers.

**BELOW:** When Moss safely reaches the ground, this unidentified pooch moves in to stake claim on his territory.



**ABOVE:** As Wayne Jones dangles perilously from a bungee cord tower, Leon Riche discusses each stage of the jump.

**RIGHT:** After this pair of jumpers make it back alive, the rest of the rookies want insight on the experience.

## SOUND BITE

"IT'S LIKE JUMPING INTO A NIGHTMARE, FLOATING INTO A DREAM AND LANDING IN REALITY"

— DON MOSS  
PHILOSOPHER/PARACHUTIST



Photos  
By:  
**Blair Mitchell**





THE FIGGS

## the figgs: *Low Fi* at *Society High*

By **Christian Rocco**  
Feature Writer

Most people have the idea that the place punk music went after the 70s was into what the world only knows now as "grunge." Thankfully, this is only partly right. Punk also grew up, thanks to acts like Elvis Costello and the Replacements, just to name a few. Now there's another name to add to the list of the grown-up punk sound, and it's The Figgs. With their first major label release, *Low Fi at Society High*, The Figgs prove that you can be bitter and focused at the same time through an entire record.

With their blend of clean, coherent punk musicianship and smart, sometimes painfully bitter lyrics, The Figgs follow in the

tradition of so many different bands from the "smart punk" sound without stealing a damn thing from any of them. Throughout the record you can hear the influences ranging from Joe Jackson to The Who, but it only really sounds like The Figgs.

Guitarist Mike Gent and bassist Pete Donally trade off songwriting chores through the entire record, as well as the lead singing duties. Both Gent and Donally reflect the sort of feelings that only growing up in the 80s can produce. From the opening song, "Step Back Let's Go Pop," The Figgs paint a picture of ex-friends, ex-lovers and enemies that lasts the entire record.

Most of the songs are a constant wall of sound comparable to Green Day minus the fake British accent, yet the songs "Shut" and "Waltz For

Bob" start with pretty melody lines that lie to you in their intensity until you get through the song and realize that they just blew your head off.

*Low Fi at Society High's* final song, "Tint," takes up almost seven minutes and tells about the band's experiences with the unloving press and hostile public. This is just one of the things that most bands won't talk about, but The Figgs just say what's on their minds. With almost half the song being a repetition of the chorus, the idea is beaten into your mind for a lasting effect. I have to say that after listening to this record from start to finish, the lasting effect is a good one. This is the best record to have been released in alternative music since Green Day's *Dookie*, and it may even be better than that when it gets more airplay. □

## Not Your Average Steven King Adaptation

By **DOUGLAS J. ROWE**  
Associated Press

Stephen King's stories typically have little to do with reality. So it's no surprise that the latest Tim Robbins movie, "The Shawshank Redemption," based on a King novella, sometimes strains credulity.

Soft-spoken New England banker Andy Dufresne (played by Robbins) is convicted of a crime he didn't commit — the murder of his wife and her lover.

Not that he didn't want to kill them. Parked outside the couple's tryst, he fuels himself with a flask, loads his revolver and gets out of the car to wreak a cuckold's revenge ... but he just doesn't have it in him.

It looks more like a lack of gumption than a triumph of conscience — especially when he offers a mealy-mouthed defense at the trial.

So once he's imprisoned for the double murder, the resilience, resoluteness and resourcefulness he shows behind the walls of Shawshank State Prison arise from a well of strength that he seemingly didn't have.

The movie, directed by Frank Darabont, offers the notion that many inmates at a maximum-security penitentiary are just misunderstood ex-Rotarians.

However, if you can get past patchy character development and lefty underpinnings about criminal justice, "The Shawshank Redemption" stands as an uplifting story of enduring hope forged by an indomitable spirit and the bonds of a rock-solid friendship.

When Andy and several newcomers first arrive in 1947, the veteran inmates take bets on which one will crack first. Red, the prison's fixer (Morgan Freeman) who can get just about any contraband inside, wagers on the milquetoast moneyman. Andy copes; Red loses.

Initially aloof, Andy eventually asks Red to sneak in a rock hammer, explaining that he simply wants to indulge his interest in geology and carve a chess set.

As their friendship develops, Red teaches Andy about survival on the inside while Andy teaches Red about never giving up the idea of a good life on the outside.

So when Andy asks for Rita Hayworth to be snuck in, Red comes through — albeit with just a sexy poster. As 19 years pass, Rita is supplanted by Marilyn Monroe in the '50s and Raquel Welch (in her skimpiest "One Million Years B.C." best) in the '60s. And as the film unfolds, a rock hammer in tandem with a good two-dimensional woman proves to be quite the combo.

Andy, meanwhile, thrives in a financial-planning cottage industry that provides one of the movie's surprises.

Darabont, who previously directed a USA Network cable movie and a PBS short film, adapted King's story for the screen. He allows the story to drag occasionally, but he captures the oppressive atmosphere of a hard-time jail and makes a sure-handed debut as a director for the big

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## 4,000 People Can't Be Wrong Nine Inch Nails Stop In at Vandy's Memorial Gym, Minus the Mud

By **DON CARR**  
Feature Writer

Standing at an unimposing 5 feet, 5 inches, vocalist / instrumentalist / producer / etc. Trent Reznor looked anything but the industrial music giant he has grown to be.

Milling around the aisles of Tower Records in Nashville, just hours before Nine Inch Nails' sold out scheduled performance (Sept. 13) at Vanderbilt University, Reznor appeared calm, approachable and (dare I say) "happy" as he sifted through the CD bins. An attitude and persona that would soon be transformed into one of a brutally fiendish figurehead, delivering his painful view of life from within the intense burn of a spotlight.

Twisting and screaming, the 4,400 mostly college-age youths who packed into the sweatbox known as Memorial Gym pounded the air and sang along with Reznor as he led them through Nine Inch Nails' two hour performance that would best be described more as an experience than a concert.

Shrouded behind a square tent-style stage that spanned nearly the length of the

gym as well as its height, the silhouettes of Reznor and his band flashed as the opening strains of "Pinion" rumbled from the loudspeakers. Bathed in waves of light beaming from a series of backlit strobes, Reznor tore at the curtain, bringing it down to reveal the band as they broke into "Mr. Self-Destruct."

From there NIN unleashed an unparalleled performance, one that easily ranks as one of the best shows to hit Nashville this year. Amazingly enough, Reznor's touring band was able to recreate his studio wizardry above and beyond what appears on NIN's releases.

Mixing triggered samples, live acoustic instruments and Reznor's onstage rage, NIN rolled through a stream of songs including "Gave Up," "Piggy" and "Sin" before bringing the first half of the show to a climax with a blown-out version of "Happiness In Slavery" which ended with Reznor destroying several instruments before leaving the stage. Basking in the heat of the gym, the crowd sat idle as another curtain was lowered to conceal the stage. As images of decaying corpses, war, maggots and forgotten soldiers projected on the curtain, NIN returned, performing a stirring version of "Hurt" (from *The*

*Downward Spiral* CD) from within the darkness of the covered stage.

With NIN flooded in eerie blood-red lights, the band brought the show back up to full speed with a blistering version of "Wish." What followed was a seemingly never-ending barrage of songs, culminating with "Head Like A Hole," in which it seemed the audience took over Reznor's vocals as he was drowned out by the sheer volume of the crowd.

Returning for an encore, Reznor thanked the crowd (the first of in-between song banter) and expressed his appreciation for their continued following before playing Nine Inch Nails' current single "Closer." Bringing its first-ever headlining appearance in Nashville to a close with "Dead Souls" from the *Crow* soundtrack, NIN strolled into the night, leaving an exuberant and awed crowd in their wake.

Adding to the night's experience were two acts that will no doubt be making major noise through their respected genres, the freak show known as the Jim Rose Circus and the delightfully shocking industrial metal outfit Marilyn Manson.

The Jim Rose Circus, led by founder/MC Jim Rose, is a bizarre array of characters whose aim is to shock and

entertain the masses with a variety of painful and disturbing acts. These acts consist of things such as the "Amazing Mr. Lifo," a man who lifts concrete blocks, irons and the like with hooks attached to various pierced body parts. One of the more amazing acts of the night came when one performer fit his entire body through the head of a small tennis racket. Rose also gets in on the act by swallowing razor blades and regurgitating them one by one on a string. The circus of the '90s, goodbye Barnum & Bailey?

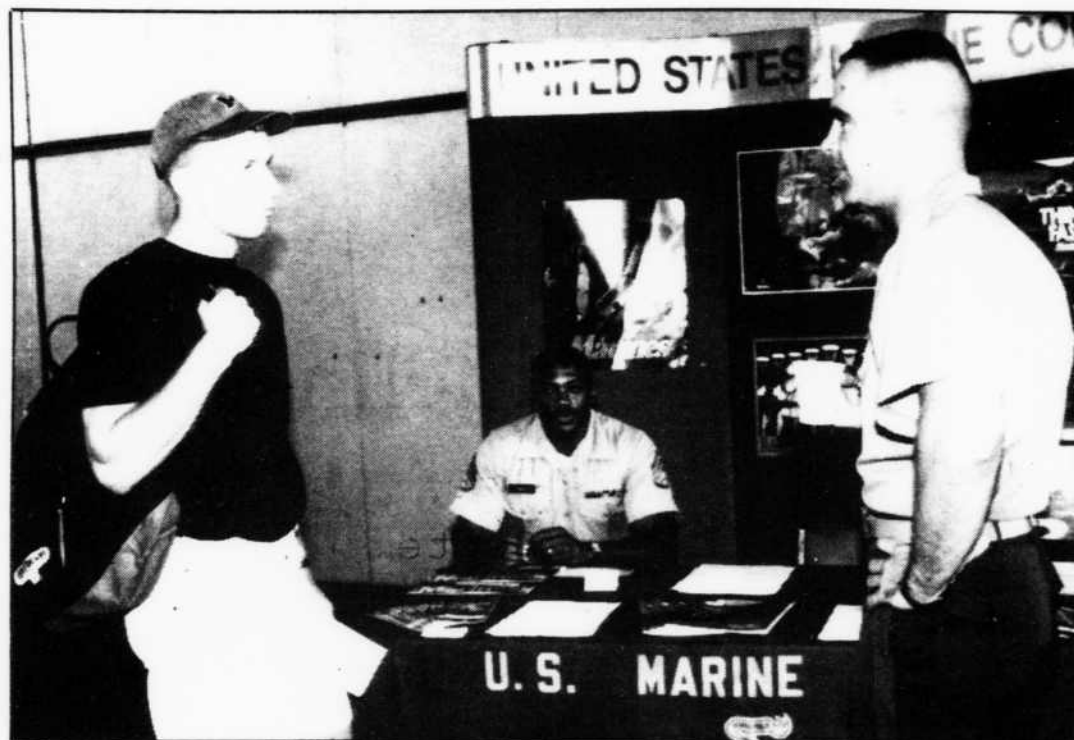
Hailing from south Florida, Marilyn Manson combine grinding industrial metal, socially-explicit and pushing lyrics along with a twisted sadomasochistic image creating a unique blend of sex, music and social commentary. Taking the stage with a verbal reenactment of the boat ride from "Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory," Manson took the Vanderbilt crowd on a (much too short) trip into their deformed world by featuring songs like "Cake & Sodom," "Dopehat" and "My Monkey" from their *Portrait of an American Family* LP (produced by Trent Reznor). A release that ranked as one of the year's best. Remember the name, because you will be seeing it often in the coming years. □



# CAREER DAY

You Never Know Job Where You're Gonna Go

## HUNT '94



MTSU's annual Career Day was held in Murphy Center on Tuesday. Career Day, which is sponsored by Student Affairs, gives juniors and seniors a chance to meet with prospective employers before they graduate. Over 100 businesses and organizations gathered for the event.

**ABOVE:** Captain Steven Simmons (R) and Staff Sergeant Myron Porch talk to Larry Shybloosky, an MTSU junior, about the officer training program in the United States Marine Corps.

photo by **SHERRI LAROSE**

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screen.

Robbins, whose stardom again is reinforced with this performance, gives a neatly understated rendering of Andy. (One quibble: His makeup man hardly ages him the two decades that he should.)

Two-time Academy Award nominee James Whitmore makes a welcome return to movies after seven years, playing the prison's librarian, Brooks.

Freeman, whose Red learns how to avoid Brooks' fate, stands tallest among this strong ensemble. Another two-time Oscar nominee, he has a textured topography to his face that subtly conveys the inner journey of a con who learns life-affirming lessons. □

# As The University Turns:

## MTSU's own soap opera, "Crystal Shores," gears up for another semester

By **NIKKI BAGWELL**  
Staff Writer

Here on our campus lies a small community. In this community there is love, drama and action. The occupants have mysterious pasts, broken dreams, or are just plain mean. The only thing they have in common is that they all want a cup of coffee.

"Crystal Shores" is the student-operated campus soap opera that is the "dream-child" of Brett Baird. The characters range from a beatnik drifter to the town's wealthy vamp.

"I have always been a soap-opera fan," said Baird, "and I thought that would be something interesting and different for the people who work here, besides the news programs."

Baird introduced "Crystal Shores" to MTSU Channel 8 last fall. The program has been airing for three semesters.

He says that the actors definitely make the show, and it makes him feel proud to have return actors.

Baird is also actively involved in two other MTSU Channel 8 productions and says "Crystal Shores" is his favorite.

One of the actors returning to "Crystal Shores" is Chuk Parman, who plays Mojo, the cafe owner.

Parman, 23, a junior, has been with "Crystal Shores" since the first episode.

"One positive aspect about the whole show is [that] creatively you get to do what you want, whether it's good or bad," he said.

Parman is one of the 10 actors who perform on the show.

Baird says that Parman is the most improved actor on "Crystal Shores."

"The show gives us room to grow," Parman said.

Laura Watson, a 19-year-old sophomore, is a newcomer to "Crystal Shores."

"I'm very excited about being on 'Crystal Shores,'" she says.

Her character, Summer, does not

yet have a storyline.

Watson hopes to get acting experience and maybe pursue acting as a career.

Anthony-Leon Burgess, 25, has worked behind the scenes, but last semester he made his appearance as the judge.

"'Crystal Shores' has allowed me to stretch my legs and see what the other part of television is like," he says, "because I have been in news production most of my career."

Burgess says, "Channel 8 has given me the opportunity and ability to become a leader."

When asked what has "Crystal Shores" has done for her as an actress, Stephanie Coates says, "It has helped me on working on my acting skills."

Coates is frequently seen in various plays around campus.

"'Crystal Shores' has helped me not be so shy," she said.

Cassandra Huskey, 19, a sophomore, played Cleo Fawn, a waitress in Mojo's Cafe, during her freshman year.

Huskey says she feels "Crystal Shores" is a great experience for actors and actresses on campus. She wants to attempt a career in acting.

"Watch it ['Crystal Shores']," she says.

The cast of "Crystal Shores" is: Shannon McMinn, Chuk Parman, Laura Watson, Scott Vincent, Stephanie Coates, Anthony-Leon Burgess, Cassandra Huskey, Lawrence Griffin, Brian Lee, and Nikki Bagwell.

The crew members are: Brett Baird, senior coordinating producer; Mike Winters, associate producer; Bart Baird, associate producer; Michael E. Lester, director; and Tovi Rodriguez, audio coordinator.

Neither the cast nor the crew members receive pay for their services.

"The people. That's what it's all about," Baird said.

Students interested in acting in "Crystal Shores," should contact Brett Baird at 898-2737. □

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# COLLAGE

## COLLAGE Submission Guidelines

The staff of COLLAGE would like to encourage all creative persons at MTSU to submit to the magazine by September 30. The following are the guidelines for submission. Please read these carefully.

### Written Works

Poetry, short stories, and non-fiction pieces must be typed and must be submitted with four (4) copies and a single cover sheet. The cover sheet should contain the title of the work, author's name, signature, MTSU box number, and local phone number. If a piece is untitled, please indicate this and write the first line of the work in parenthesis. **This cover sheet is the only place the author's name should appear.** Written works cannot be returned.

### Visual Works

Submissions must be appropriately presented and must have the top side clearly marked. The title of the work, media, size, artist's name, signature, MTSU box number, and local phone number should be included on an attached 8.5 X 11 inch sheet of paper. Submitted works may be picked up at the end of the semester in the COLLAGE office. **ANY WORKS NOT CLAIMED BY THE END OF THE FOLLOWING SEMESTER BECOME THE PROPERTY OF COLLAGE.**

COLLAGE reserves the right to refuse any submissions which do not conform to these guidelines. Submission deadline for the Fall 1994 issue is **SEPTEMBER 30** at 4:30 p.m. The COLLAGE office is located in James Union Building, Room 306, and the phone number is 898-5927.



# Blue Raider Athletic Association plans for future

## ◆ BRAA kicks off membership drive in style

JESSICA CLAYBORN

Assistant Sports Editor

The Blue Raider Athletic Association held an open membership meeting Tuesday evening at Murfreesboro's Garden Plaza Hotel.

The BRAA is an organization comprised of members who donate their money and free time to the cause of Blue Raider athletics.

"Last year our goal was have 1,000 members and we currently have 905 members," said Wayne Rollins, the first vice-president of BRAA. "Our other goal was to raise \$250,000 for the athletic department, and we raised \$270,860."

Other reports included the roast of former Blue Raider athletic director John Stanford, the Blue Raider golf tournament, the annual "Boots and Barbecue," the "Reading Raiders" program, special event parking, and concessions.

A high point in the meeting came when the BRAA member Charlie Myatt presented President Walker with an MTSU jacket.

"We just want you to know how much we appreciate you being so dedicated to the Blue Raider athletic program," Myatt said.

President Walker said he plans to help the BRAA move forward with the plans for the athletic department.

"I'm still having meetings with the stadium committee, but I'm ready to move on, put this stadium to rest and do some of the other things we need to do, such as moving to Division I-A football," Walker said.

Blue Raider athletic director Lee Fowler agreed with Walker later in his keynote address.

"[Division I-A football] is within our reach," he said. "We ought to get it by 1997. We want to get it done, but it takes a lot of money and work. We have to change some of the attitudes in Murfreesboro and make them believe it can happen."

Fowler attributed the lack of recognition in other MTSU sports to the status of the football team.

"This is a great university, but we can't get over the Division I-AA stigma," he said. "If we can work together and show we're serious, get a model of the football stadium for people to see, they will become interested."

Some of the new ideas for promoting Blue Raider athletics include corporate ticket packs, a new scoreboard for Murphy Center, and pep rallies each Friday before home football games.



Robbie Watts/Staff

**HAIL TO THE CHIEF:** Blue Raider Athletic Association member Charlie Myatt presents President Walker a MTSU jacket in honor of his dedication to Blue Raider athletics.

Fowler stressed support for every athletic program by introducing all of the coaches.

"I know we're spending a lot

of time discussing football because it's in season, but we need to support all our sports," he said.

"This includes baseball,

basketball, women's volleyball, tennis, golf, and track."

For more information about joining BRAA, call 898-2210. □



Blair Mitchell/Staff

**READY, SET, GO:** Victoria Zavala touches up her skills at the net in preparation for the Lady Raider's upcoming tennis tournament. The Lady Raiders will be hosting their fall classic Sept. 23-25.

## Blue Raiders rested and ready for Murray

### ◆ Donnelly considers open week an advantage

JESSICA CLAYBORN

Assistant Sports Editor

Despite a disappointing loss at James Madison University Sept. 10, Blue Raider football coach Boots Donnelly is confident his team is prepared for Saturday's game against Murray State.

Donnelly said last week's open date allowed the team to evaluate their overall play.

"I don't think you really know how an open date will affect you until the next game," Donnelly said. "I think the week off was good for us because we were able to get our wounded healed and able to play again."

Although most of the criticism about the loss to James Madison was directed toward the team defense, Donnelly said the team as a whole was unprepared.

"I don't think it was just the defense," Donnelly said. "Our offense couldn't put the ball in the end zone the first half and the defense didn't come together until the second half. You can't point at one thing—it was just a matter of being unprepared for the game."

Injuries may play a factor Saturday. Donnelly admitted the defense will be thin with defensive guard Jay Moore and defensive tailback Brian Yorston out of this week's game, but he thinks the team will still be successful.

"We're missing a few players, but I think we're going to be all right. I'd rather be playing without a couple players this week than missing several players last week. We've got James Counce, Mike Lafleur, and Trent Young back just in time for this game."

Saturday's game against Murray State will be played in Murray, Ky. at 7 p.m. □

## Ole Miss Claims Legends/Pepsi Crown

### ◆ MTSU places second in golf tournament

#### SPORTS INFORMATION

The Ole Miss Rebels behind the play of John Houard and Joe Bonargo marched on to win the inaugural Legends/Pepsi Intercollegiate at the Legends Club of Tennessee in Franklin.

Old Miss had a team total of 585 to take the five stroke victory over host MTSU and Tennessee-Chattanooga. The rebels made up nine shots on the back nine to pass the Blue Raiders.

Morehead State golfer Brian Conway shot a two day total of 138, six-under par, to claim the victory.

The Blue Raider golf team as a whole had final score of 590. MTSU's David Reed tied for third place with a total of 143, one-under par. MTSU's Brian Higgins tied for sixth place with a score of 145, one-above par.

Congratulations to all participants! □



# Herbs: Ancient medicine for modern man

## Health & Fitness



**FRED  
HATFIELD**  
Special to  
Sidelines

The herbs I'm talking about are healthy and won't get you thrown in jail, so all you "Deadheads" out there can stop laughing! Through the ages almost all cultures have benefited from herbs and their many uses.

I once talked to an herb advocate about the Chinese use of herbs during acupuncture. I asked him how the Chinese use of herbs

actually worked.

He said, wide-eyed and spreading his arms in a mystical fashion to show the wisdom of Chinese herbalists, "The Chinese have been using these techniques for thousands of years!"

Just because the Chinese herbalists have done it for thousands of years doesn't mean it will work, but with the use of today's science we have seen that herbs do actually have medicinal value. Herbs may help cure many ailments from diabetes to hangovers.

Herbs don't get a lot of attention for two reasons. First, in the United States they are not recognized as drugs or considered to have any medical value. They fall under the category of food or food additives. Second, because they're plants, they can't be patented, which doesn't make them profitable as medicine. Still, many herbs have a wide variety of health benefits. Read on for a few examples.

Herbs such as astragalus, echinacea, and garlic have been noted to boost the immune system. Astragalus, in fact, is being investigated as a possible treatment for AIDS.

Feverfew has been shown to reduce migraines and headaches caused by stress and hangovers. White willow bark and peppermint tea have been shown to have similar qualities.

Eucalyptus, angelica, turmeric and fennel (among others) have been shown to reduce the symptoms of PMS. False unicorn and valerian have been used to relieve menstrual cramps.

The many forms of ginseng have been some of the most popular and well-known herbs. The many benefits of ginseng include increased physical and mental performance, adaptation to stress, reduced cholesterol, and possibly even enhanced sexual desire.

There are far too many herbs and herb uses to list in a short article—whole books have been written about herbs, few of which have enough space to list all the herbs and their uses. An excellent book on herbs is Earl Mindell's *Herb Bible*. It sells for \$13 and is available at most health-food stores, including GNC and other local stores. A wide selection of herbs can be found, in bulk (loose) and capsule forms. □

Fred Hatfield is a graduate assistant strength and conditioning coach for the Blue Raider football team.

## Three elected to Blue Raider Hall of Fame

### STAFF REPORTS

A football All-American, a national champion golfer and a fine all-around athlete will be inducted into Middle Tennessee State University's Blue Raider Hall of Fame on Oct. 8.

Former football great Maxie Arnold, former NCAA golf champ and current Seniors PGA Tour star Larry Gilbert, and Jimmy Jackson, a man who has devoted practically his entire life to MTSU, will go into the Hall of Fame on Oct. 8 as part of the school's Homecoming celebration.

The induction will be held at the annual Letterman's Banquet, set for 6 p.m. (CDT) in the Tennessee Room of the James Union Building on the MTSU campus, following a reception at 5 p.m.—all scheduled after MTSU's Homecoming football game with UT-Martin.

A transfer to MTSU from the University of Tennessee, Arnold was a Little All-American for the Blue Raiders in 1950. Playing for Coach Charles M. (Bubber) Murphy, he helped lead three successive teams to a combined record of 22-7-1. He is currently a very successful businessman in

Hopkinsville, Ky.

Gilbert won the NCAA individual national championship in 1965 while leading his Blue Raider team to a national team championship. He played on four consecutive Ohio Valley Conference and Tennessee Intercollegiate Athletic conference teams, winning the TIAC individual title in 1962. He is among the Senior PGA Tour's leading money winners.

Jackson earned two MTSU letters in football, three in basketball, two in baseball and one in golf after joining the Blue Raiders in 1939. He served in the U.S. Navy after graduation and became assistant bursar in MTSU's Business Office in 1951. His titles changed over the years but he devoted faithful service to the University until his retirement in 1979. Since his retirement he has been active in numerous alumni activities, including instrumental work in the re-formation of the Alumni T-Club.

The Letterman's Hall of Fame Banquet and induction ceremonies are open to the public. Parties interested in attending should call Jimmy Jackson at (615) 893-2460 for details. □

## Schmittou abandons major league hopes

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Minor league baseball promoter Larry Schmittou says he'll quit trying to get a major league team for Nashville.

The Metro Council Tuesday night rejected a proposal that would have allowed the public to vote on a three-year, 1/4-cent sales tax increase that would have funded a new \$48 million stadium.

Schmittou, president of the Class AAA Nashville Sounds, would have used the stadium as a way to negotiate for a major league team.

"I'm going to do the same thing as Ayn Rand's character in

*Atlas Shrugged*," he said. "I quit; I've worked too hard for too long."

"As far as me getting a stadium and getting major league baseball here, I'm through."

Schmittou, a former front office executive with the Texas Rangers, has tried for a decade to get an expansion team or franchise that might relocate.

Nashville failed to make the short list when the Florida Marlins and Colorado Rockies were added as expansion teams.

The Nashville Sounds currently play in the 17,000-seat Greer Stadium, which was built in 1978.

The city is getting a new

downtown arena for basketball and other functions. Council members cited that expense as a reason for voting 16-21 against a new baseball stadium.

Schmittou said the council scuttled efforts to bring major league baseball to Nashville and failed the public as well.

"They decided the people shouldn't have a vote on this, and it shocks me," he said. "I think the people would have passed it."

"I'll just do the best with what I have at Greer Stadium," he said. "We have the Chicago White Sox [farm team] for two more years, then we'll see what happens next." □

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## ON THE LINE

### Perfect weekend gives Clayborn share of lead

Jessica Clayborn tied Tony Arnold for a share of the lead in the staff picks with a perfect 10-0 record last weekend. The perfect record was the first this year for a staff picker, and was equaled by student picker Felicity Pyle.

"It is a great day for women in the sports prognostication field," said Clayborn. "These men have no clue about picking games."

Arnold, who went 8-2 over the weekend, seemed suspicious about Clayborn's achievement.

"It looks like sabotage to me," said Arnold. "I was cruising along in this thing and out of nowhere she nails a perfect week. Something's not right here."

Scotty Leamon dropped a game to go two games behind the leaders with his 7-3 for the weekend.

"This is just a minor setback," said Leamon. "Anybody can get lucky once, it's consistency that counts."

Scott Stewart used his 9-1 weekend to move up a game, to only three games behind the leaders.

"It's only a matter of time," said Stewart.

Drew Butler is also three games behind, but it was a 7-3 record that dropped him in the standings.

"It's still early, and these perfect weeks are few and far between," said Butler. "I can make up three games in one week." □

### THE RECORD

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TONY ARNOLD	23-7	--
JESSICA CLAYBORN	23-7	--
SCOTTY LEAMON	21-9	2
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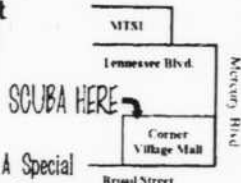
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# Alabama to hear from NCAA

## ◆ Tide could be playing the waiting game

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — Alabama could find out today if it will be accused or cleared of NCAA violations involving Gene Jelks' pay-for-play allegations. The Crimson Tide also could be sentenced to more waiting.

David Berst, the NCAA enforcement director, said the school could get a letter saying investigators did not find evidence to proceed with the case, an official letter of inquiry, similar to an indictment, or a letter saying the NCAA needs more time to investigate.

If Alabama is accused of violations, the university would have 90 days to respond before the matter went to the NCAA Committee on Infractions.

This is the second time Alabama has been investigated by the NCAA. The other was during the Paul "Bear" Bryant era, when the NCAA issued a public reprimand of the Crimson Tide football program in 1964 for an improper recruiting contact.

Jelks, a Gadsden native, publicly accused Alabama in December 1992 of violating NCAA rules, saying he received money and benefits for

playing football. The NCAA notified the school in September 1993 it was reviewing claims of wrongdoing.

Under NCAA regulations, the sanctioning body must inform a school of the status of an investigation every six months. The school was notified in March that the probe was continuing, and Thursday marks the second six-month deadline.

Berst, speaking in a telephone interview from NCAA headquarters in Mission, Kan., would not reveal what action the organization plans to take.

"I can't release that information. Anything like that would be up to the school," he said.

Berst said if the NCAA intends to continue the investigation, it would have to receive permission from the Committee on Infractions. He would not say whether such approval had been sought.

Alabama sports publicist Larry White said the university will make public any correspondence it receives from the NCAA. The question of when the university goes public depends on when — and what — Alabama hears from the NCAA, White said. □

## Ole Miss alumnus cleared of charge by NCAA

PASCAGOULA, Miss. (AP) — State Sen. Brad Lott says he has been exonerated by the NCAA from at least one accusation in the investigation of football violations at the University of Mississippi.

While the NCAA dropped accusations that Lott, R-Pascagoula, provided a telephone credit card to some prospective student-athletes, Ole Miss admitted to another that linked Lott to buying meals and providing transportation to recruits at no cost.

The latter accusation also was leveled by the NCAA at Jeff Walden of Pascagoula.

Both Lott and Walden are identified by the NCAA as representatives of the university's athletic interests.

Lott said Wednesday that he had told NCAA officials from the start that he never gave a telephone credit card to any student-athlete.

Ole Miss officials said Tuesday that Lott had provided his telephone records to the NCAA Committee on Enforcement on Sept. 1 during a hearing in Kansas City. Ole Miss officials said the violation could have been considered a major one.

Lott said he hoped the issues is settled.

"I didn't do it. I feel highly vindicated. Some people lie and some people don't. I can answer to God. These boys have to someday," Lott told The Mississippi Press, a Pascagoula newspaper.

However, the NCAA maintained — and Ole Miss agreed — Lott and Walden violated rules by making personal contacts with student-athletes and for providing them with meals and transportation at no cost.

The charges stem from a trip Walden and Lott made to a Pascagoula High playoff contest in central Mississippi. The two admit they had previously made plans to attend a Rebel football game the next day, and simply offered a few Pascagoula High players a ride since they were already on the way to Oxford.

"I maintain my innocence that Brad Lott provided no meals or cash," Lott said. "Yes, I was in the vehicle. Ignorance of the law is bliss. However, we were under the assumption we were in the clear. I have never denied being in the car. As far as meals, you'll have to ask Jeff about that."

"I'm just a fan of college sports," Walden told the newspaper. "In no shape, form or fashion am I connected with the athletic department in any way."

Lott is an Ole Miss alumni, Walden only attended classes there for one year.

"I have no ties to Ole Miss," Walden said. "When I went to school there I didn't even go to a game. What bothers me is that the NCAA is trying to make me out to look like some big booster, and that is not true."

"They (NCAA) are trying to beat a dead horse. I have made it clear from the start that I am not connected with the athletic department."

"I'm still a sports fan, but this has left a very bitter taste in my mouth," he said. □

## Big Eight, Big Ten battle promises excitement

RICK WARNER  
AP Football Writer

The last time Michigan played Colorado, Bill McCartney was in his first year as a Wolverines' assistant coach under Bo Schembechler.

McCartney will be on the other side Saturday when fourth-ranked Michigan meets No. 7 Colorado in Ann Arbor. And the Colorado coach will be rooting for a different outcome than 1974, when the Buffaloes were blanked 31-0 at Michigan Stadium.

This year's game should be much closer.

Both teams are 2-0, including victories over nationally ranked teams in their last game. Michigan hasn't played since beating No. 9 Notre Dame 26-24 on Sept. 10; Colorado crushed No. 16 Wisconsin 55-17 last Saturday.

McCartney is impressed by the Wolverines.

"This is a very, very good Michigan team, one of their best in recent years," he said. "We will have to play a great game in all phases of the game to beat them."

Michigan coach Gary Moeller, who was an assistant with McCartney on Schembechler's staff, has similar praise for Colorado.

"They have talent all over," Moeller said. "In my opinion, they are much more athletically talented than Notre Dame. We are going to have to play our greatest game ... to win."

The game will feature two of the most versatile offenses in the country. Colorado has Kordell Stewart, the nation's second-rated passer, and Rashaan Salaam, who leads the NCAA in scoring and is among the leaders in rushing and all-purpose yardage.

Michigan has Todd Collins, whose 65 percent completion rate is the best in school history; Amani Toomer, the Big Ten's leading receiver; and Tim Biakabutuka, who has rushed for over 100 yards in both games as a fill-in for injured star Tyrone Wheatley.

Wheatley, the preseason Heisman Trophy favorite who has been sidelined with a separated shoulder, is practicing this week but his status for Saturday's game is still uncertain. □





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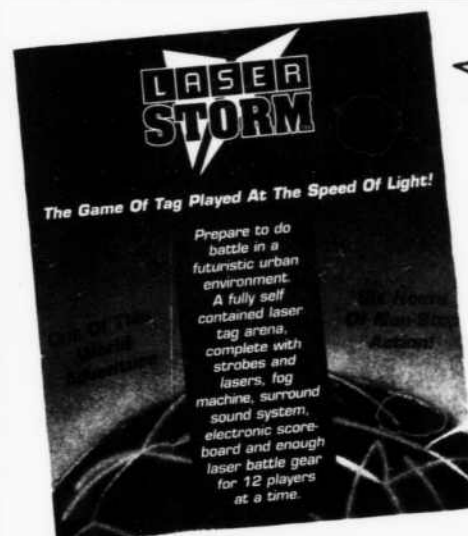
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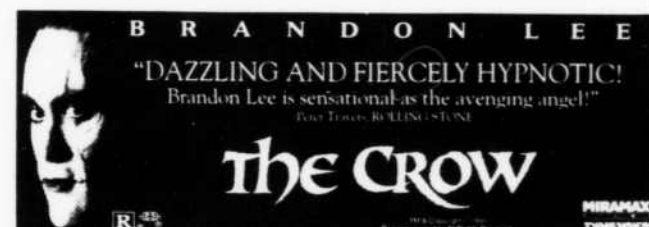
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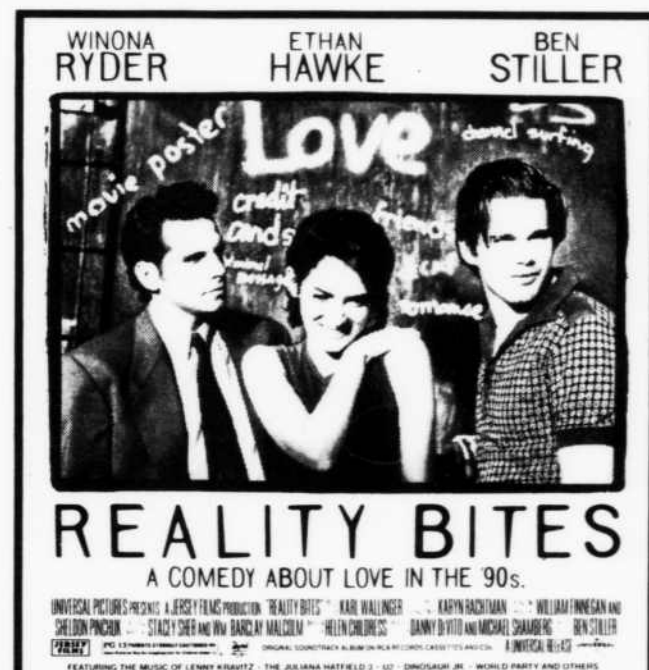
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