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THEC recommends \$8 million increase

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\$8 million more in operations funds will be in the university's future if a recommendation made by the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC) is approved.

President James Walker was among the school officials who met recently with THEC for the appropriations hearings, according to Dot Harrison, public relations director.

The funds will be for the 1994-95 fiscal year.

"We haven't gotten the money yet," Harrison said. "THEC makes the recommendation to the legislature, and they make the final decision."

The state legislature will have to approve the additional funding during its session which begins in January.

THEC recommends a higher education budget to the governor each fall, and the governor then presents a state budget recommendation to the legislature. This includes a higher education budget, said THEC associate Cathy Cole.

Last year, \$57 million was the amount recommended by THEC to be directed toward MTSU. However, the university only received \$52 million.

This year the recommendation is \$60 million.

"The president is essentially pleased with the outcome," said Harrison.

"MTSU came out quite well,

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JAMES WALKER
PRESIDENT

and he's pleased, but there's some things we'll continue to push for," she said.

A new library, along with additional classroom space, funds for new faculty and administrators and increased salaries for present staff are primary needs of the university.

"The need for a new library goes to the very reason of this university — to educate students," Walker said. "I placed this item at the top of our list."

Walker cited MTSU's record

enrollment growth from year to year during his meeting with the THEC staff.

Enrollment is up 3.55 percent this year.

Money for capitol project request are separate from the \$60 million.

The Tennessee Board of Regents has submitted a capital request list to THEC, said Earl Thomas, MTSU executive assistant.

MTSU projects have number three priority of 31 capital

projects on the Board of Regents' capital request list for the 1994-95 fiscal year.

Requested funds include: \$1.3 million in planning money for a proposed \$38.5 million library, \$21.5 million for construction of a new business/aerospace building, and general site improvements and planning money for work on the Davis Science Building.

"We're hoping to get the business/aerospace building. We're hoping to get that through immediately," Thomas said. "On the heels of that, our next major goal we're pushing for is the library."

Some information in this article was obtained from The Daily News Journal.

Monstrous plans in line for Halloween Homecoming

TINA HARVEY
Staff Writer

Halloween Homecoming 1993 is the first in MTSU's history to last for two weeks. It will be providing special events that everyone can get involved in.

"I feel that Halloween Homecoming '93 will be a great success," said Woody Ratterman, SGA President. "SGA has worked hard to ensure that it has established appropriate activities and programs to encourage involvement from all aspects of the university including students, faculty, administration and alumni."

Homecoming events began Monday and will continue through Sunday, Oct. 24.

"Homecoming is different this year as compared to last year," said John Maxwell, homecoming director. "We started Homecoming events early this year to provide a week of sexual assault and alcohol awareness programs."

Seminars on living with an alcoholic, avoiding sexual assault/rape and self-defense demonstrations were available at the beginning of the week.

Elections for Homecoming

Queen were held Tuesday.

There are 13 girls and one male up for the crown. Five candidates will be chosen for the court which will be announced this Sunday at the Queen's Tea.

The winner will be announced at the football game against Southeast Missouri during halftime, Oct. 23.

All organizations are encouraged to compete in the banner, fight song, chili, costume, bowling and float contests and activities day.

Every homecoming event awards 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards to the participants which are worth a certain amount of points. The group with the most points wins homecoming.

"All the greeks, residence halls, religious organizations and pre-professional associations will compete against each other in the events," said Maxwell. "We're not dividing the groups into categories anymore."

Today a Mocktail Party will be held from noon-3 p.m. in the courtyard of the Keathley University Center (K.U.C.), and a phonathon will be held from 6-9 pm. in the Faculty Dining Room of the James Union Building.

"This is the first time we've included the phonathon during homecoming activities," said Maxwell. "It was designed to aid the University's Development Office in obtaining private funding and gives us a chance to inform the alumni of homecoming activities."

Friday there will be a seminar on Drinking, Driving and Dying and a Mock Acquaintance Rape Trial at 2 p.m. in Tucker Theatre.

The banner contest will be judged Monday, Oct. 18 at 9 a.m. and at 5:30 p.m. the fight song competition will be held at City Hall.

"We've always had a lot of fun participating in the fight song competition," said D.J. Denning, homecoming chairman for Sigma Chi. "We don't worry about winning as long as the audience is having fun watching us."

Activities' day will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 19 in the parking lot beside married housing.

The next day at 6 p.m., the chili cook-off will take place in the Livestock Pavilion.

"We have to build and



George L. Walker IV/Staff

LAST WARM RAYS OF FALL: Freshman Tammy Garner reads for her midterms in her Women's Studies class. Midterms continue through next week as the semester is already half over.

Middle Tennessee 'takes back the night' in Nashville

YVONNE BARTHOLOMEW
Staff Writer

The problem of rape and sexual abuse is becoming an all too frequent occurrence in society today. In response to this growing problem, the Rape and Sexual Abuse Center of Nashville sponsored the fifth annual "Take Back the Night" rally at the Sheraton Music City Hotel Friday.

This year the event was held in conjunction with the "Sexual Assault on Campus" conference sponsored by Safe Schools Coalition. This week has also been Date Rape Awareness Week on campus with a variety of activities being held to help further inform students of the nature of this crime.

An estimated 500 people registered to attend this year's rally. The Take Back the Night rally is a free yearly event which was started in 1988 to promote the public's awareness of sexual abuse, rape and sexual violence. The Women's Center held a similar rally on campus last spring.

Stephanie Keffer, publicity chairwoman and a member of the center's board of directors, said the purpose of the rallies are to

"educate and make the public aware of the seriousness of this issue."

Participants learned about sexual abuse through various speakers including state Senator Thelma Harper and state Representative Mike Williams.

Club performers, musicians and survivors of sexual abuse were scheduled, combining entertainment and education to bring awareness to the widespread problems.

Maria Allen, an intervention coordinator, said, "Statistics in the spring of last year show there is one rape every minute in America So, yes, it is a widespread problem."

Statistics also show that one out of every three girls and one out of every six boys will be sexually victimized before their 18th birthday.

The rally was also held in support of the Violence Against Women Bill which would strengthen penalties for sexual violence, and enable survivors to prosecute on a federal level.

Chairwoman Jackie Daugherty said, "The focus of the conference and the rally is on ending sexual violence to children and adults alike.

The crisis line is 256-8526.

CAMPUS CAPSULE

TODAY

APPLICATIONS FOR WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES are available. Contact Drew Bergman at 898-2464 or Associate Dean Smith at 898-2808. Deadline for applications is 4:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29.

FRIDAY, OCT. 15

A PARENT/CHILD DAY HIKE is being sponsored by Campus Recreation on the Stones River. Call Glenn at 898-2104 for more details.

CAMPUS RECREATION IS SPONSORING A GOLF TOURNAMENT at Indian Hills golf course. Cost is \$2 plus green fees per team. Call Linda at 898-2104 for details.

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SATURDAY, OCT. 16

CAMPUS RECREATION IS SPONSORING A BACKPACKING TRIP to Prentice Cooper State Forest today and tomorrow. Call Glenn at 898-2104 for more details.

MONDAY, OCT. 18

MTSU'S RIGHT TO LIFE will be meeting at 4:30 p.m. at Peck Hall Rm. 317. A video entitled "Pro-Life: Doctors Speak Out" will be shown.

TUESDAY, OCT. 19

A SEMINAR ENTITLED "GROWING WITH

ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION" will be offered by the MTSU Department of Geography and Geology and the Black Fox Wetlands League and League of Women Voters. MTSU students have no fee (lunch not included). The event is from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., James Union Building, Dining Room B. For information call 890-2081.

THE SGA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES is meeting at 4:30. Resolutions or Bills must be in to KUC 304 at least 48 hours in advance. For more information contact Drew Bergman at 898-2464.

MTSU'S OBSERVATORY IS HOSTING AN OPEN HOUSE from 8 to 10 p.m. For more information contact Dr. Roy Clark on campus at 898-2077 or at home at 893-2571.

THURSDAY, OCT. 21

A POOL TOURNAMENT is being sponsored in the KUC game room by Campus Recreation. Call Linda at 898-2104 for details.

ONGOING

BLUE RAIDER BASEBALL is looking for female students to be Raiderettes for the 1994 season to sell media guides and Blue Raider baseball memorabilia as well as serving as Bat and Ball-Girls. For more information, contact Tonya Powell at 898-4034.

Delta Phi Sigma social sorority is accepting membership applications. For more information call 895-3413, 459-0421, 890-6574 or write MTSU Box 3117, Box A021 or Box

8709. **THE DIVISION OF CONTINUING STUDIES** will be holding a Transitional Mathematics Course from 6 to 8 p.m. through Oct. 20 on Wednesdays in LRC 104. Call 898-2462 for details.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY is held at 4:45 p.m. Thursday. Women's Bible study is held at 4:45 p.m. Mondays. Contact Michael at 898-3716 for more information.

THE WOMEN'S FAST PITCH SOFTBALL TEAM is seeking managers/statisticians. Anyone interested should contact Coach Karen Green at 898-2450.

SCUBA CLASSES, sponsored by Continuing Education, are being offered through Oct. 30. The cost is \$100 plus text. For more information call 898-2462.

THE PRESBYTERIAN STUDENT FELLOWSHIP meets from 9 to 10 p.m. at the PSF House every Wednesday. Anyone interested should contact Bryan Hume at 849-3490.

THE SGA SENATE will be in session at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in KUC 316. Attendance is mandatory.

THE BHAKTI-YOGA VEGETARIAN CLUB meets from 6 to 8 p.m. every Wednesday in KUC 314. The meeting is open to all students.

STUDENTS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION meets every Monday at 7p.m. in KUC 305. New members are welcome. Call Andrew Welug at 890-5097 for more details.

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Campus plagued with obscene phone calls

Kaleda N. Groves
Special to *Sidelines*

Ring, Ring, Ring, one obscene phone call after another.

That is what's been going around campus the last few weeks in residence halls.

One hall in particular, Wood Hall has been receiving such calls.

A few weeks ago, a young male called almost every room on the third floor and then a few from the other remaining floors.

"(They were) thinking it was someone they knew... and they became very upset until they realized everyone else was getting the same type of calls," said Evelyn Young, Wood Hall resident assistant (R.A.) of her residents.

Basically, the phone caller would ask the residents to perform some form of explicit sexual activity ranging from phone sex to actual intercourse.

Many of the young ladies felt uncomfortable and wanted to know what could be done.

Brandy Driskill, a campus

resident, took it upon herself to call security to find a solution to this problem.

They told her to make a list with the names, rooms, and phone numbers of the residents that received such harrasments, along with the time the caller phoned and what they said" and turn the information in to security.

That way, they can "maintain records to show a pattern" of these occurrences, explains Rick Robert, a MTSU policeman.

Upon speaking with Robert, he said that the obscene individuals "probably do it for attention."

Toi Bigham disagrees. "They're probably just some pervert (from) off campus," she said.

Whatever the purpose, however, the local South Central Bell White Pages states that "It is a crime under both Tennessee and federal laws for anyone to make obscene or harassing phone calls.

These laws impose a possible prison sentence and/or a fine of not more than \$1000.00."

Robert suggests that

"residents should just hang up during the early stages." If the caller persists, "just click over to the other line, dial 2424, and then hang-up."

Campus security should take care of the rest.

If you are receiving these calls off-campus, just follow the instructions concerning obscene or harrassing phone calls in the front of your local telephone book.

No one really knows, yet, who is making these annoying phone calls or how they are getting access to the resident hall phone numbers.

Some students, such as Bigham, feel that they are just calling at random "knowing that MTSU numbers begin with "898."

Others seem to think that it is a student and/or resident of the university with a campus directory.

Until we know the answers to these questions and others as well, the best thing to do for now is simply to HANG UP!

Elections provide senators, Homecoming Court

CORRIE CRON
Staff Writer

More than 900 votes were cast Tuesday votes were cast Tuesday in the Student Government Association Senate elections for freshman and graduate senators. The freshman senators are Jamie Groce with 136 votes, Jenna Bivens with 125 votes, Christin Baker with 124 votes, Tracy Brakebill with 105 votes and Chad White with 89 votes. The graduate senator is Victoria Conn with 20 votes.

Woody Ratterman, SGA

president, said he is pleased with the way the election turned out. "I thought the running of the election went smooth and was a success overall." Kim Miller, SGA Attorney General said, "The turnout wasn't what we hoped but we had no problems with the overall election."

The Homecoming Court was also elected. Members of the Court will be announced Sunday, Oct. 17 at the Queen's Tea. The Queen will be announced at the Homecoming football game on Oct. 23.

Congratulations to the 1993-'94 Freshman and Graduate Senators

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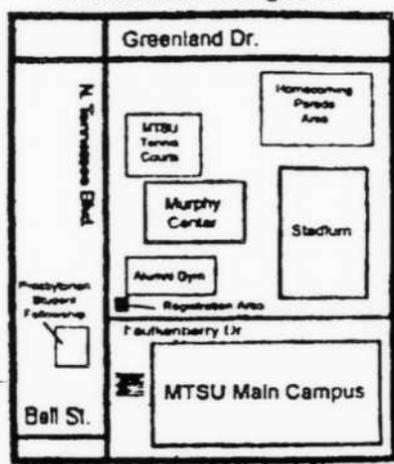
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George L. Walker IV/Staff

HUT...HUT...HUT! Lori Gnaster of Chi Omega escapes tackle of Jennifer Carter of Alpha Delta Pi. The intramural football game took place yesterday on the fields near the Mass Communications building.

Homecoming...

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decorate a booth for us and our partners Omega Phi Alpha to put the chili," said Chris Hughes, homecoming chairman for Delta Tau Delta. "Each fraternity must decorate in a different theme."

Thursday the Special Olympics Bowling tournament will be held at Murfreesboro Bowling Lanes between 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

"We thought this was a good opportunity to help the mentally and physically handicapped," said Nanette Trobaugh homecoming chairman for the Wesley Foundation. "It goes with the goal of our organization to help people in the community."

The United Greek Council will perform a step show from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Wright Music Hall and then again during the pep rally at 9 p.m.

"Stepping is a synchronized dance reflective of Native Africans," said Alvin Crawford, homecoming chairman for Phi Beta Sigma. "We will be judged in appearance, timing, and content of program as we step."

For the first time, the pep rally will be held at O'Charley's, from 8 p.m.-12 a.m. The Monster Mash costume contest will be judged at 10 p.m.

The 5K Run begins at 7:15 a.m. on Saturday and the Halloween Homecoming Parade will start at 9 a.m. The floats will be judged during the parade.

"To make the float event a success for us we've paired up with Kappa Sigma," said Jane Clariday, homecoming chairman for Alpha Delta Pi. "We plan on spending a lot of time to produce the best float."

The MTSU Performing Band, cheerleaders and the Blue Raider dance team will be performing in the parade. The mayor and state representatives will also be attending.

Black Alumni Society Farewell Breakfast and business meeting will be held on Sunday, Oct. 24.

"I believe Halloween Homecoming '93 will be a big success, said Woody Ratterman. "I encourage everyone to come out and have a great time."

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A word from the Editor...

How great a risk will we accept?

Last year while returning from Spain to the United States, something very scary happened. Before I boarded the plane which would take me home, a security officer approached the gate and made the following announcement:

"There has been a bomb threat made against the plane you are about to board. Officials have searched the plane and every piece of luggage loaded. We found nothing. While we cannot substantiate the threat, our experts say there is a 1 percent chance that something could happen to the plane. We feel there is no need to worry. However, if you feel uncomfortable with the flight, there will be another plane available with ample space in about six hours...This plane is leaving in 15 minutes. The decision is yours..."

My emotions were somewhere between sheer fear and utter excitement! "I never thought that I could ever be in such a situation... Thank God they warned us in time," I said to the young Spanish lady standing beside me. Needless to say, no one boarded the plane. One by one, each passenger walked away. No chances were taken. Life was deemed too precious. As expected, the flight was cancelled all together.

There was never any other news about the plane, so I assumed that either the bomb threat was false or it was found and disarmed. Nevertheless, my feelings of relief and thanks were indescribable as our new plane touched down at Dulles International in Washington. I was glad to be home.

What I have just described to you, while very possible, never actually happened. Now I want to tell you about another real life and death situation which bears down hard on our society - AIDS.

According to the U.S. Department of Health, the best quality condoms are only 85 percent effective in preventing pregnancy in sex without any motion. That means that the real risk of pregnancy through use of a condom is even higher than the statistic. Even if the risk of pregnancy is only 15 percent, how much more is the risk of contracting a virus? The danger is obvious. Yet, despite the risks involved, hundreds of thousands of people choose to take that chance every day.

In the scenario described earlier, no one boarded the plane because there was a 1 percent chance of death. Despite their great desires to get home, the risk was too great. Nevertheless, schools on the college level and below promote even greater risks each day. Schools tend to encourage supposedly "safe" sex by giving condoms to those who then have a false sense of security. The condoms that are so readily distributed aren't even of top quality as tested by the Department of Health. No mention is made of their ineffectiveness along with their distribution. Sadly, these facts are ignored.

We are, in effect, distributing death. Even if the chances of contracting AIDS through a condom are 1 percent, should that chance

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Somalia nothing more than PR campaign for Clinton

Why is the United States still involved in Somalia?

This is a question many people are asking themselves particularly now after it was learned that 12 more American soldiers were killed last Monday in another failed raid on the headquarters of Somali warlord Muhammad Aidid. I refuse to call him a general.

When we first got involved in this region, I feared that what has happened was only a matter of time in happening. The people of the Third World for the most part resent the American way of life and want nothing to do with it.

No one from that part of the



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Staff
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world, outside of the United Nations, asked us to come in and feed them. The people who live there never wanted or asked for our help.

But we wound up going there anyway because George Bush didn't have the backbone to stand up to Congress, U.N. Secretary General Boutros Boutros-Ghali or Sally Struthers.

Now the Clinton administration is showing that it

doesn't matter to them how many young men die. We are going to stay in Somalia through thick and thicker. Why? Because President Clinton needs a foreign policy victory to show that he does have some ability in the foreign arena.

Now before anyone calls the Palestinian/Israeli peace treaty a Clinton foreign policy victory, let's clarify one thing. Clinton and his foreign policy people had nothing to do with that agreement. The two sides got together without our help.

We had been trying for months to get the Arabs and Israelis around a table to talk

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Conservatives have monopoly on foreign policy? Hardly.

Do you listen to talk radio? WTN airs a program weekday afternoons hosted by G. Gordon Liddy of Watergate fame. The show, *Radio Free D.C.*, is mildly entertaining and Liddy seems reasonable enough, but since the outbreak of violence in Somalia the show has been flooded with calls blaming the deaths of American soldiers on the Clinton administration.

Many of these obviously conservative callers have called for the resignation of Defense Secretary Les Aspin and deplore the lack of leadership that resulted



CHARLES ALY
Staff
Writer

in the deaths of those fine soldiers. I'm sorry, but the false patriotism of these right-wing radicals just doesn't ring true.

Let's not forget who got us into this mess in the first place. When President Bush sent troops to Somalia at the end of his term most analysts agreed he was entering a quagmire that the next

administration would have to extract itself from. Granted, the current administration has made several serious mistakes. The decision to put U.S. forces under U.N. command and the new emphasis on capturing Aidid are the result of Clinton administration policy (or lack thereof).

However, mistakes and negligence in government are nothing new and our soldiers die as a result of them all the time. It is horribly unfair, but that is the nature of executive power. The Republicans' beloved Reagan and

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Athletics should not be a scapegoat for academic problems

In response to Lisa Morrison's commentary on MTSU's athletics overshadowing its academics, I would first like to ask why athletics are always the scapegoat? Athletics bring in tons of revenue at almost all major universities. Cut out athletics completely, Ms. Morrison, and things would be decidedly worse than they are now.

Ms. Morrison stated that her HPERs tennis class had to give way to the MTSU tennis team and move from the courts at Murphy Center to the "dilapidated courts behind Cummings Hall." I am by no means any form of a tennis player, but if the courts are in such bad shape, why are they always full of people who want to better their tennis game? I have played football games in extreme cold, the rain, and in plain 'ole mud, and never once did I think I was too good to play in those conditions. Unfortunately, Ms. Morrison is a prime example of one of the many things that is terribly wrong about this country. Everybody thinks things should be done his or her way. No one feels he or she should have to come to a compromise.

What exactly is the Gorman Report? Who publishes it? What's the scale? MTSU received a rating of 2.91. What were the ratings for the other major universities in Tennessee, and what were the ratings for other Ohio Valley Conference schools?

I do not know if Ms. Morrison is an athlete on any of the university sponsored teams nor do I know if she ever has been. I presume she never has because, if she had, she would know that there are no "other benefits" given to athletes. Athletes are at a distinct disadvantage from day one. As soon as we sign the dotted line on scholarships that are "flaunted in front of our faces," we become linked to this university. Almost always our mistakes are well publicized, but our triumphs go unnoticed. They are usually blamed on luck or "special treatment."

Is it "special treatment" when you have to make-up tests within days of each other for the same class because you were on the road the week before and the week before that and the week before that? We as student athletes don't make the schedules, nor do we always like them, but it's the choice we made. We chose to further our education, and for many of us athletes, it was the only way to do that. Being a college athlete is like a job, but we receive no pay. Scholarship athletes, unlike regular students, cannot earn wages during the academic school year because it is against NCAA rules. Many of us are unable to receive money from home. What do we do? We do without. Not being able to take your girlfriend out on a date isn't any different from not being able to use your favorite tennis courts for a day. Or is it?

This is my sophomore year here at MTSU and also my second year of football. I, like many before me, came here with nothing but a dream. That dream was to play college football and to graduate from a university. I was fortunate enough to receive an academic scholarship to this university. That's right! I was a gifted athlete and a strong student. Academically, I could have gone most anywhere I wanted, but I wanted to be more than a student and more than a football player. I wanted to go somewhere I could excel at both. After my recruiting visit, I knew this was the place for me to fulfill my dream. I came here as a walk-on a year ago, and now I am a full scholarship player.

In conclusion, I would like to ask Ms. Morrison to talk to a few athletes and ask them how they spend their day. \$1,791,900 is a lot of money, but classes, practice, homework and games account for a lot of time.

Theron Bean
General Delivery

Morrison responds to claims of branding athletics as receiving too much attention

Recently, there have been two articles featured in Sidelines in reference to my own article entitled "Academics Forgotten While Athletics Takes the Center Stage." These two articles were written by staff writer Charles Aly and sports editor Tony Arnold. It is not my policy to burn someone. Yet, when writers or editors make mistakes, I try to point them out. It is not my intention to run these individuals over. I merely want to state the false and misconstrued references made about my article. These references may have been accidental or intentionally altered to fit their own purposes.

For example, Charles Aly wrote that I singled out football players in my article. In actuality, the words "football player" never appeared in my article, nor were there any references to football players in particular. He goes on to say that he, and I quote, "found the assertion that MTSU's academic and administrative problems would fade away if we were not supporting athletics to be totally ludicrous." I don't know where he found this assertion, but it was not in my article. He also went on to say that "the charge that football players receive special treatment is not only very serious, but baseless and ignorant." Again, I never singled out football players and it is Aly himself who writes that "there are advantages to being a football player at MTSU." Aly also stresses the importance of a I-A football program and seems to imply that I am against this. In fact, I also believe that a I-A football program would be beneficial to MTSU and I specifically stated that I was "not trying to discourage excellence in athletics." Please Mr. Aly, read my article again and learn from these mistakes.

The second article was written by the sports editor, Tony Arnold. He brought to attention the fact that prior arrangements had been made for the HPERs class to meet at the courts behind the high rise dorms. He goes on to write that "whenever tennis coach Dale Short sees a conflict with his team's schedule and an academic class at MTSU, he tries to take care of the problem in a professional manner." I'd like to thank Mr. Arnold for stressing this fact. It only supports my argument. I guess it is "professional" to "boot" our HPERs class to the dilapidated, yes dilapidated, courts so that his team could use the beautiful Murphy Center courts. There is no breakdown of communication as Mr. Arnold suggests. It seems very clear that the tennis team takes precedence over our HPERs class. Arnold also argues that the courts behind the high rise dorms are not dilapidated. I suggest he take his opinion where it belongs, to the opinions page, and not use his position to state it as a fact on the sports page. There are many students who would agree with me that they are, indeed, in need of serious repair. Mr. Arnold also reports the statistics of academic achievements of athletes. Nowhere in my article do I infer that athletes are not academically talented, also.

To both gentlemen: I'd like to ask you both to be more careful in referring to another person's article. Misrepresentation of another's words or meanings for your own purposes can be illegal and is certainly not supported in journalism.

I would like to point out one error I did make in my article. As a humorous assumption, I stated that \$1,791,900 was about the cost of a stadium. I was later informed of the actual estimated cost. It is over \$30,000,000, yes that's thirty million dollars. I can see why both gentlemen failed to point out this discrepancy.

Lisa Morrison
General Delivery

Somalia to help image...

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peace without success. The people involved in those talks were more shocked than anyone when peace between Arafat and Rabin was announced.

When the agreement was announced in Israel, the Clinton spin doctors moved in like buzzards swarming their prey. Clinton simply had them brought to Washington, watched them sign the agreement and clapped when it was done. He had nothing to do with getting Arafat and Rabin together.

Accordingly, Clinton knows he still needs a foreign policy victory to silence the critics that say he is a foreign policy beginner. He sees the opportunity in Somalia.

The feeding of the starving masses over there is a Bush victory, and Clinton knows it. He and his people figure that if he can go a step further than Bush and make Somalia a country again instead of some re-creation of *Mad Max*, he can get the foreign policy detractors off his back.

Originally, feeding people was our only purpose in Somalia. Can you say hu-man-i-tar-i-an aid? No one ever said anything about setting up a government until Boutros-Ghali started whining.

Now we seem to be stuck. Clinton doesn't want to upset Boutros-Ghali by pulling out, and he doesn't want to upset Congress by staying. And this time there is no compromise.

So what do we do?

There are three options as I see it. We can either stick it out to the end and keep trying to capture Aidid while Ted Koppel

gets exclusive interviews, we can send in a real armed force and flatten the place, or we can pull out. Two hundred more soldiers is just pouring gasoline on the fire.

Lets analyze these options.

If we stay there under U.N. command and let Boutros-Ghali keep calling the shots, more soldiers will die and Aidid will keep avoiding capture. Aidid is a lot like Saddam Hussein in that he is never in one place for too long. To find him will involve a lot of luck. To capture him will be a miracle.

If we decide to tell Boutros-Ghali to take a hike and move in under our own command to destroy the rebel forces and restore peace, the job will get done. We probably won't get Aidid unless he is killed in the raid, but we will destroy the rebel forces. However, they will take a lot of American soldiers with them.

If we pull out right now, no one else dies and we get out of a region where we have no strategic or financial interests, where we were never wanted and where we do not belong.

What's the answer? Flatten them and let the U.N. rebuild the place. Clinton can't afford the public relations nightmare of pulling out, and we can't afford to keep losing brave young men by continuing to send them into war-like situations at a distinct disadvantage. So give our soldiers the advantage, let them do what they do best, then let Boutros-Ghali take over.

Whatever is done, let's get this over with before Sally Struthers gets herself killed filming another plea for money.

Foreign policy...

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Bush administrations made mistakes themselves and on a much greater scale, yet no right-wing talk show callers or hosts called for resignations from their cabinets.

Most people think of the invasion of Panama and Operation Desert Storm as tremendous military successes. In both cases, however, Republican foreign policy created situations that could not be resolved without the shedding of American blood.

To hear some conservatives talk, you would think effective use of military power is the sole dominion of the GOP. Frankly, that is a load of bull.

The success of military operations in Grenada, Panama and Iraq had less to do with the politics of our leaders than with

the professionalism, dedication and commitment of millions of military personnel and their families who sacrificed for their country long before it became fashionable to 'Support Our Troops.' Likewise, the failure in Somalia is primarily the responsibility of the commanders at the scene who forgot many of the principle tenets that made other operations a success. You see, the lessons of Vietnam were being applied by the military over a decade before the politicians draped themselves in the flag and the public put on their two dollar bumper stickers.

So those conservatives using patriotism to further their own thinly veiled political goals (i.e. the utter failure of the Clinton Administration) need to examine their hypocrisy before claiming only they have the best interests of the military at heart.

Responsibility...

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of contracting AIDS through a condom are 1 percent, should that chance be taken? That some say "people are gonna do it anyway, I'm just trying" to help prevent the spread of AIDS." While that's honorable, that's not the solution.

To emphasize this risk, there has NEVER been a cure discovered for any virus -- not even the common cold. Doctors hardly understand how viruses exist, much less how to kill them. Yet every year, we spend what is left of our scarce federal dollars on AIDS research -- 10 times as much as is spent on cancer. This is done with the knowledge that cancer effects one of every four Americans.

As screaming radicals demand more money for AIDS, 25 percent of our population

suffers from cancer and endures the rhetoric that the spread of AIDS cannot be prevented without more of our tax dollars. That's a lie. It can.

Romans 1:22 says, "Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools." We truly have become fools if we pass on responsibility of controlling this epidemic to the government. If we, as a society, had the self-control to say no and retain some semblance of moral decency, then this disease could be stopped. However, if we choose to continue in our current societal lifestyles, we can only last so long. Our enjoy life, don't worry about the future, and live for the moment attitude is killing us.

I only hope we get off the plane before it's too late.



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Drinking leads to minors' deaths

KAREN NUESTADT

College Press Service

Kelly Griffin, 17, and her friend Sonia Johnson, 18, sat laughing and chatting at a popular University of Florida hangout one winter night in 1991. She had no idea that in just a few hours a tragedy would occur, changing her life forever.

On the way home from Leonardo's Pizza By The Slice, Griffin, a Gainesville high school student, lost control of the car and smashed into an oncoming vehicle on a narrow two-lane road. The passenger side of the car took the impact. Johnson, who had just completed her first week at the University of Florida, was killed instantly.

No one at the pizza parlor had asked for their IDs.

A recent survey by a *Sidelines'* staff member, indicated that only about half of the bars frequented by MTSU students in Murfreesboro ask for IDs.

Two years later, Sonia's mother still breaks into tears when the local Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) representative calls the house. Friends say the family is still in deep mourning.

Kelly, who was injured in the January 11, 1991 crash, had charges against her of DUI manslaughter dropped because of snags in the investigation. She lives in Gainesville with her family, trying to pick up the pieces of her life.

When the families filed lawsuits against Leonardo's Pizza By The Slice, owner, Steve Soloman, reported the net worth of the eating spot was \$17,000 — just a jukebox and some old pizza ovens.

The Griffins settled for an undisclosed amount. But when Soloman, who owns a number of Gainesville restaurants, offered \$5,000 to the family of Sonia Johnson, it was refused. They asked that the money be given to the Alachua County chapter of MADD. The University of Florida is

located in Alachua County.

"The family was totally insulted by the settlement," said Debra Oberlin, president of the local MADD chapter. "Of course, no amount of money can replace Sonia. But the amount doesn't begin to pay for the family's loss of wages, lawyer's fees, funeral expenses and their terrible suffering."

Oberlin said financial awards to families who have lost members to underage drunk drivers do nothing more than satisfy the family that the person involved in the tragedy was negligent. In fact, she said, one family told her they felt "dirty" accepting a monetary award from a drunken-driving lawsuit.

Oberlin, a recovering alcoholic, said she is concerned that eating and drinking establishments are not held accountable for serving beer, wine and cocktails to underage college students in Gainesville.

The University of Florida's red brick buildings sprawl around the city of Gainesville. Small business, bars and restaurants cluster nearby. Within the city limits, over 100 bars and restaurants that serve liquor, like Leonardo's Pizza By The Slice, are within walking distance of the campus.

"The majority of the 36,000 students here are under 21. We also have Santa Fee Community College here with the majority of their students underage, and three to four high schools within walking distance of the campus. The median age in this town has got to be around 27," said Oberlin said.

After Sonia Johnson's death, her brother, David Johnson, who also attended the University of Florida, got angry. Now a MADD activist, David Johnson has developed a new bill for the Florida Legislature — the Sonia Johnson bill — which would crack down on Florida eating and drinking establishments that serve underage drinkers.

"It's scary. Why just 6 percent of the licensed drivers in Florida are under 21,

they account for 15 percent of the traffic fatalities," Johnson observed.

In addition, Florida restaurants are not required to carry insurance for injuries or death caused by drunk patrons.

The proposed bill calls for reforms in Florida's liquor laws that would establish liability for bars and restaurants that sell alcohol to minors. It also would require vendors to have mandatory insurance and stiffen penalties for those who sell false ID to underage drinkers.

Florida's bars and restaurants can now choose to participate in the Responsible Vendor Act, a program that encourages vendors to provide courses on alcohol and controlled substances for their managers and servers. The businesses are also protected from having their licenses revoked because of serving underage drinkers who drive drunk and kill someone.

"The problem is that Responsible Vendor status means immunity from beverage law enforcement and civil suits filed against such businesses," Johnson said, who hopes the Sonia Johnson bill will remove the immunity.

Johnson calls Gainesville's false ID business "outrageous" and said that anyone who sells one to an underage drinker is offering them a "passport to death." The false ID business thrives in most university towns, he noted.

"It's like a cottage industry. A lot of people are creating them in their homes," Johnson said. "Students themselves make them for an exorbitant fee. It's such a problem in Gainesville."

Johnson cited a case that occurred the summer before Sonia's death involving another drunk 20-year-old UF student who, after drinking at a popular Gainesville restaurant, "drove 100 mph down University Avenue, wrapped himself around a tree and was killed instantly."

After a state investigation that lasted for

years into the restaurant's involvement in the 20-year-old's death and its practice of serving underage drinkers, the eating spot was closed down for 10 days during the summer, he said.

"They modeled during that time. Got themselves ready for the students coming in the fall,"

Johnson said, noting that agents from the state of Florida Alcoholic Beverage and Tobacco Agency had cited numerous customers. "That's all that happened to them. They had a file inches thick on them."

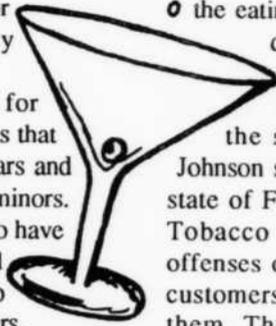
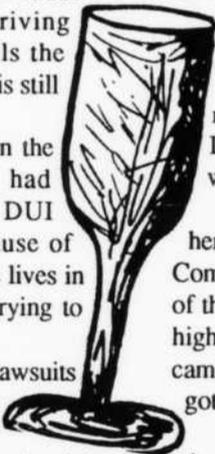
"I think we are paying for being the travel and tourism state," Johnson said. "We have spring break at Daytona and Fort Lauderdale, and these are a tremendous source of revenue for local economies."

In 1992, 404 drinking drivers under the age of 21 were involved in automobile crashes throughout the state of Florida, according to the Florida Highway Patrol, 87 of the young drunk drivers were involved in a crash that resulted in their death or someone else's.

Throughout the nation, more than 43 percent of all 16 to 20-year-old deaths result from motor vehicle crashes and about half of these fatalities (48.4 percent) were in alcohol-related crashes. Estimates are that 2,974 persons aged 16-20 died in alcohol-related crashes in 1991, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Close to 29 percent of all fatally injured 15 to 20-year-old drivers were intoxicated with a blood alcohol count of .10 or higher, the NHTSA reported.

Murfreesboro has an ordinance that is supposed to keep minors from loitering at drinking establishments. There has been a recent revival to keep minors out of local bars. The bars are checking for ID's more frequently to uphold Murfreesboro's ordinance.



Study warns against drinking games

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POTSDAM, N.Y. — Chug-a-lug and other drinking games are not as harmless as college students may think, warned two researchers in a recently published study.

Nearly 4,000 alcohol-consuming students from 58 American colleges and universities were surveyed about the games they play when drinking. The study was done by David Hanson, a professor of sociology at Potsdam College of the State University of New York, and Ruth Engs, professor of applied health

science at Indiana University at Fort Wayne, Indiana.

While students who identified themselves as "light" or "moderate" drinkers experienced few alcohol-related problems, those who played a drinking game within the preceding year significantly increased the probability of negative consequences in 15 of 17 drinking-related problems, the report read.

The behaviors included missing classes, receiving low grades, trouble with the law, violent behavior or property damage.

More than twice as many game

players as non-game players experienced difficulties in most categories, such as driving while drinking. Twice the number of game players as non-game players also had fears that they may be alcoholics.

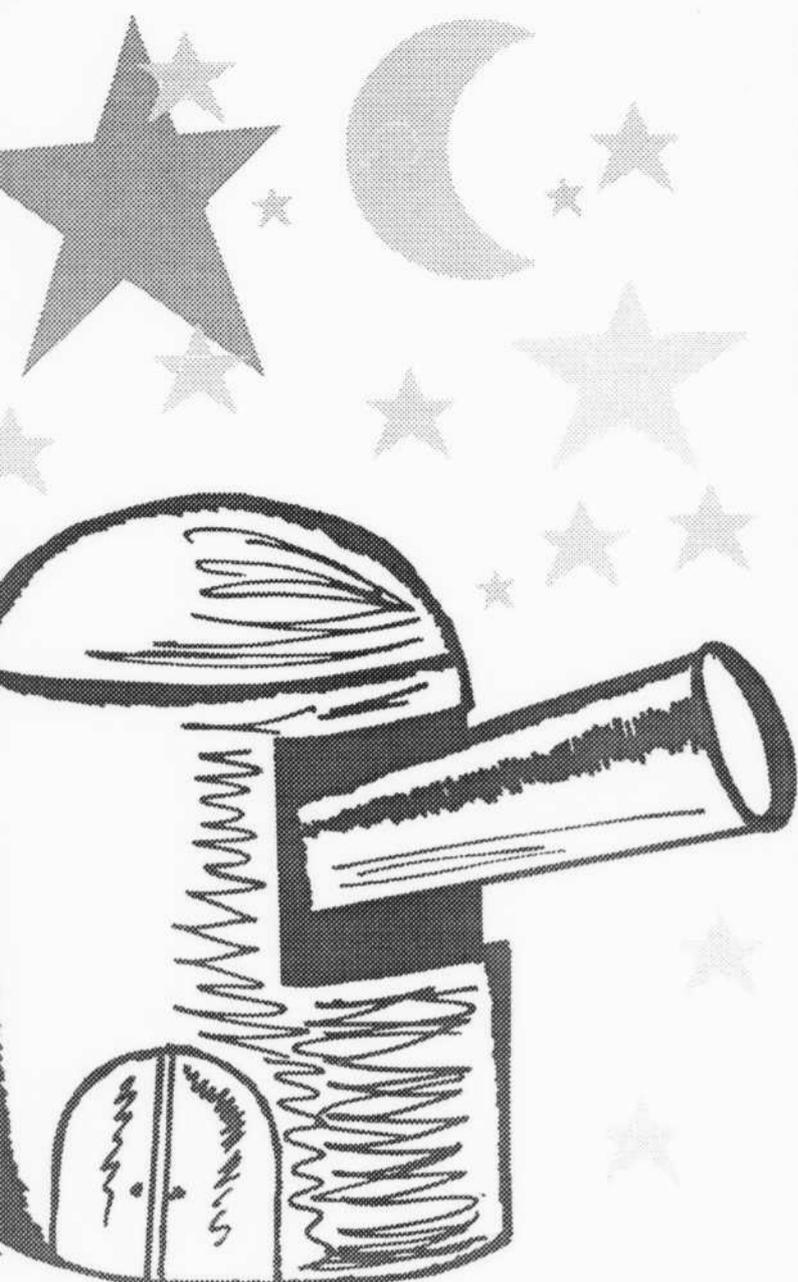
Chug-a-lug contests, which identify winners by those who consume the most alcohol in a time period, and "quarter," a game that involves flipping a quarter into a mug of beer to designate the person who has to drink the contents, were identified as two popular campus drinking games.

Hanson and Engs stated that drinking game behavior should receive

greater attention from campus alcohol prevention programs and messages. The two researchers concluded, however, that messages that stress abstinence from drinking have proved to not be effective among college students.

"Light" and "moderate" drinkers were defined in the study as those who drank no more than three to four drinks no more than once a week, or five or more drinks no more than once a month. "Heavy" drinkers were defined as those who drank more than five drinks at any one sitting once a week or more.

MTSU's best kept secret



CORRIE CRON
Staff Writer

Did you ever notice the little silo-looking building sitting in the field all alone, just past Ezell Hall—the one that looks like it needs a barn attached to it—MTSU's best kept secret?

It's the university observatory and has long been somewhat of a secret to the dismay of Dr. Roy Clark, who currently teaches an astronomy class and a lab of two students. Many students do not even realize the school has an observatory, despite attempts to involve the student body and community in the program.

The dedication of the Wikswo Telescope, the fourth largest in the state at the time, was in May of 1987. Housed in the observatory, named for its builder, John Wikswo, the telescope added a 341 lab course to accompany the astronomy course that Clark began in 1970.

The observatory was first built on a field donated by a neighbor on the east end of campus where it was dark. "However, as the campus expands, the observatory suffers," Clark said. Parking lots and a baseball field now surround the small silo.

"Now the observatory is crowded with lights," says Clark. This light pollution has made it difficult, if not impossible, to see faint constellations, planets, or other heavenly bodies once seen through the telescope. "We cannot show the public these things because of the light pollution," says Dr. Clark.

One student who has taken advantage of the facilities in astronomy is senior Jeff Ashley. He and Rick Dorothy are the only two students in the Physics 341 Lab course. "I think I'll get more out of it," says Ashley about the size of the class. "The only disadvantage," he mentioned, "is the fact that there is not the chance to meet many people in that

class. But, the advantages outweigh the disadvantages."

Ashley also said he has gotten to know his instructor better than in a lab course with more people. However, students who take the course next semester will be introduced to a new face: Dr. Jay White, a professional astronomer. Dr. White has joined the Department of Chemistry and Physics faculty. He is coming here from Indiana University where he taught and also received his Ph.D. In addition to the physics and physical science courses he currently teaches, he will take over the astronomy class and lab in the spring.

"It is sort of hard to contain my excitement, really," says White as he looks to his new venture. He said he will be adding more classes and lab courses in astronomy although he can't say how many at this time.

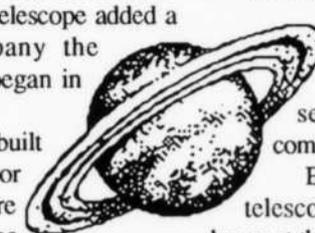
"I think we can do a major service to the students and to the community," he says.

Ever since the university has had the telescope, Clark has tried to hold an open house at the observatory every month for students, faculty and members of the community to visit the facility. Clark is adamant about more students getting involved in the program.

"The students on the campus are the people who need to know," he says. "It is their telescope."

The next open house will be from 8-10 p.m., Tuesday. A small telescope is usually set up outside so more people can view the evening sky. The last open house was "very successful," Clark said, with about 90 visitors attending over the course of the evening.

White and Dr. Victor Montemayor, also a member of the physics faculty, are organizing the MTSU Astronomical Society. A meeting will be called sometime next month and anyone is welcome to attend.



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MTSU's Record 'Setter'

Tumblin re-writing record books as a junior

TRAVIS MILLSAPS
Sports Writer

A commonly used phrase in sports is "Statistics do not lie." If one believes that, they need to look no further than the stats sheet to see setter Becky Tumblin is one of the best Lady Raider volleyball players in history.

Consider this: Tumblin is the most prolific setter in MTSU history with 2,518 assists (all stats as of Oct. 12). She is also the only Lady Raider to have more than 1,000 assist in a season with 1,037 in 1992.

But that is not all. Tumblin is third all-time at MTSU in digs with 1,068, just 356 short of the school record.

Many players would consider those statistics a solid college

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DIANNE CUMMINGS
VOLLEYBALL HEAD COACH

career. However, Tumblin is only a junior with a season and a half remaining to add to those numbers.

But Tumblin is more than just numbers to the rest of her teammates. She is a leader who sets an example to be followed on the court. Proof of that is her being voted team captain by the squad.

"I think her physical skills

are outweighed by her example," said Lady Raider head volleyball coach Diane Cummings. "She gives it all and she demands the same in return."

"The girls look up to her and they respect her," Cummings continued. "They voted her team captain, so obviously they have their trust in her."

Being the setter for the team, the 5-5 1/2" Tumblin has plenty of responsibility on the court. A setter is similar to a quarterback in football. She calls all the plays and runs them. It is also her job to get the ball to the hitters for a kill. As her assist totals show, it is a job she does very well.

Tumblin, a Louisville, Kentucky native, began playing

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REWARDING MOMENT: Lady Raider setter Becky Tumblin is awarded a plaque signifying her 1,000 dig by her coach Diane Cummings.

Lady Raiders shock Tech

JIM HORTON
Sports Information

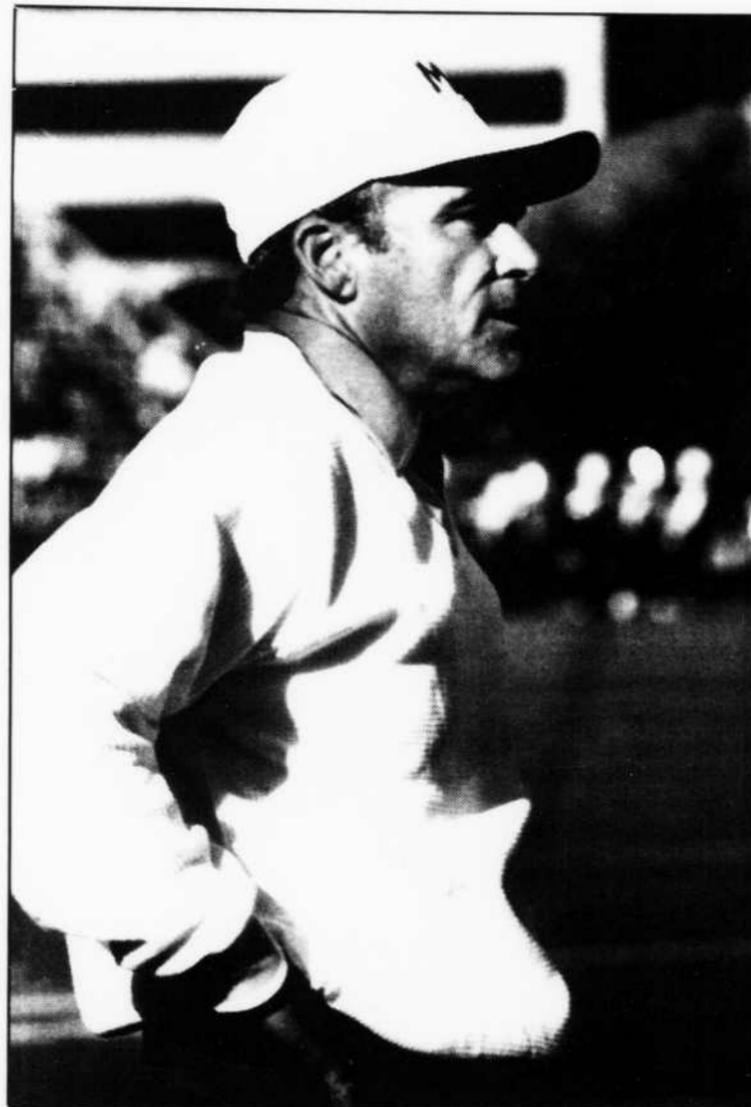
It is no secret at this point that the Lady Raider volleyball team is young and with youth comes inexperience. This inexperience has helped result in numerous late match let-downs that have plagued the team's win-loss record. But there was promise and that promise came forward against an old arch-rival.

The Lady Raider volleyball team of MTSU defeated OVC contender Tennessee Tech 3-2 (15-9, 15-5, 8-15, 16-14) Tuesday night in the Alumni Gym. A most partisan crowd of 274 vocal fans cheered the Lady Raiders to a very emotional victory.

Leading the way for Middle Tennessee were seniors Crystal Crossman and Priscilla Robinson with juniors Angie Raffo and Becky Tumblin.

Crossman led the team with 13 kills and 13 digs, with Raffo garnering 11 and 15; respectively. Robinson added nine kills with a game-high .412

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THE MAD MENTOR: MTSU football head coach Boots Donnelly looks in amazement as his team struggles.

Blue Machine hopes to work on Saturday

Raiders try to break skid at Morehead

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

Very rarely do the MTSU Blue Raiders find themselves fighting an uphill battle as midseason approaches. But unfortunately, it is happening.

Two weeks ago, the Raiders dropped their OVC opener to Tennessee State. Last week, the team fell victim to UT-Martin. Now Morehead State awaits as well as a lot of uncertainties from the Raider camp.

"Before we went down to play (at UT-Martin), I made the statement that we cannot let one loss cause another loss and that's what took place," said MTSU coach Boots Donnelly.

Its the first time the Raiders have lost back-to-back Ohio Valley Conference games since 1988. The teams record stands at 2-3 overall and 1-2 in the OVC race which diminishes the teams chances as repeating as OVC Champions. Despite the losing string, MTSU remained in the

polls this week but slipped from 10th to 23rd.

While fingers can be pointed at youth, inexperience, injuries and just simple old fashioned poor playing, Donnelly is taking the blame himself.

"Due to my sheer personality, my attitude, my sheer hatred for losing, the way we lose, I did not prepare this team very well last week," Donnelly stated. "It was, probably psychologically, an overemphasis on my part, along with everything else."

"As stupid as I am and as hard-headed as I am, I could not find it in myself to back off. Next situation I have, am I going to change? I don't think so. I discussed it three hours with myself on the trip back from Martin. I don't know how to do that."

Morehead to date has had its share of struggles as well. The Eagles possess a 2-3 overall mark

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Golfers on the road again

JIM HORTON
Sports Information

The Middle Tennessee State University golf team will be traveling this weekend for the Eagle / Smokey Mountain Invitational at the Graysburg Hills Country Club in Greenville, Tenn. Head coach Johnny Moore will be taking a young squad, but looks for a strong effort.

"I'm going to give our more experienced golfers a little rest

'This tournament will give me a perspective on their attitudes and ability to play under tournament pressure.'

JOHNNY MOORE
MTSU GOLF COACH

and see what some of my other players do and give them some tournament experience, said Moore. "This is a very good golf course. It should give me a good

idea of the depth of this team."

Making the trip will be senior Chris Guy, sophomores David Head, Erik Paschal, Jon McDaniel and freshman Kelly Putnam. McDaniel was the winner of the recent walk-on tournament.

Guy has the most experience of the group. He has played in a number of tournaments, but has been in a slump as of late. A positive tournament prior to the

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hitting percentage, while adding 12 digs, three service aces and three block assists. Tumblin had 42 assists to go with 15 digs of her own.

"This is a 'turning-point victory' for our program this season," commented Lady Raider head coach Dianne Cummings. "The fan support was magnificent, and our play was inspired at the end.

"I couldn't be prouder of our effort considering the two heart-breaking five game losses over the weekend. They showed me that they have hearts to win."

The win raises MTSU's record to 3-16, 2-6 in OVC play. The loss dropped Tech to 13-6, 6-3 in the OVC.

MTSU's next outing will take place this Thursday when the squad travels to Clarksville to challenge the Lady Governors of Austin Peay.

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and stand at 1-1 in the OVC.

In order to keep any post-season play-off hopes alive, it is a must win situation for the Blue Raiders. But the focus is simply

The next home match is this weekend as they host the MTSU / Pepsi Volleyball Classic in the Alumni Gym. The first match is at 6 p.m. Friday and it will run through Saturday. Teams in the competition include MTSU, Tennessee State, Samford, Oral Roberts and Chicago State.

picking up the pieces of two harsh defeats and moving forward one game at a time.

Kick-off time is at 12:30 p.m. in Morehead. The game can be heard on several local radio stations including 99.7 F.M.

Division I-AA Top 25

The Top 25 teams in the 1993 Sports Network Division I-AA poll.

Team	W-L	Pts.	Prvs.
1. Idaho	5-0	1545	1
2. Troy State	6-0	1441	3
3. Marshall	4-1	1367	5
4. Youngstown	4-1	1294	6
5. NC A&T	5-0	1249	7
6. Ga. Southern	4-2	1180	8
7. Delaware	4-1	1005	2
8. Montana	5-1	996	12
9. Northern Iowa	4-2	991	11
10. SF Austin	4-1	925	13
11. C. Florida	4-1	880	16
12. NE Louisiana	4-2	849	4
13. McNeese St.	3-2	775	18
14. Richmond	5-1	707	14
15. Alcorn State	4-1	676	15
16. Southern U.	6-0	581	19
17. William & Mary	3-2	565	17
18. Boston U.	5-0	453	23
19. Samford	4-2	450	9
20. No. Arizona	6-0	425	24
21. W. Kentucky	4-1	323	21
22. Howard U.	5-0	298	25
23. MTSU	2-3	276	10
24. Princeton	4-0	152	-
25. W. Carolina	2-3	143	20

'Line' leader slips to second, Guest in first

As Tony Arnold continues to struggle, the 'Line' race has tightened and we have a new leader. Greg Hoenie's 7-3 record helped put the Guest Picker in first. Arnold, who went 5-5, slipped to second.

Usually a very vocal individual, Arnold refused to comment on his recent struggles.

"What struggles, he was just lucky in the past," commented Coley Jackson who also gained ground with a 7-3 mark. "When he was lucking up, he was talking the talk, but now he can't even walk the walk."

We thought this might fire Arnold up but still the response of "no comment" was all he could mutter.

Tripp Ballard did some damage with a 8-2 mark, his best of the season and the best for the week. Although still in last place, Ballard has narrowed the gap to five games in the standings as we near mid-season.

"They say the cream always rises to the top, well, I'm starting to rise," Ballard exclaimed. "By the time this thing is done, I'll definitely be the man on top."

Our guest picker this week is former 'Line' champion Dan Sturm. Sturm won the first annual 'Line' in 1991 with a winning percentage in the area of 80 percent.

Note: Due to unforeseen complications Charles Aly has assumed Joe T. Allison's place 'On the Line.'

On The Line	Tony Arnold No Comment	Tripp Ballard Not so bad after all	Coley Jackson Roll Tide!	Charles Aly Steppin In	Dan Sturm Former Champ
MTSU at Morehead	MTSU 35-17 After last week, I'm not certain	MTSU 17-3 Please win one!	MTSU 50-0 Boots might boot 'em in the &^*%.	MTSU 42-10 We're Back!	MTSU 77-0 Boots'll bounce back
Tennessee at Alabama	Bama 24-17 Sheuler drowns in Tide	Vols 21-20 Get off our back!	Bama 100-0 Even without the Bear	Bama 37-21 No D in Tennessee	Vols 28-21 Upset Orange
Georgia at Vanderbilt	Vandy 21-17 Why aks why? Try 'Dore Dry	Ga. 48-30 Dawgs on the rebound	Vandy 17-14 'Dores slam on Dawgs	Ga. 21-17 Slamming the 'Dores	Ga. 34-8 'Dores can't stop Zaire
Florida at Auburn	Fla. 35-21 Auburn good, but not that good	Aub. 14-10 Eagles pull upset	Fla. 31-10 Gator bait	Fla. 28-21 Only beatable Bowden	Aub. 18-15 War Eagle
Michigan at Penn State	Penn 24-21 State has boring uniforms	Mich. 24-10 Yankees - who cares?	Penn 27-17 Lions Roar	Penn 45-28 Eat your Wheatleys	Penn 31-21 Paterno knows football
Eastern Ky. at Murray St.	EKU 35-14 Racers get erased	EKU 35-3 Stogie loves these guys	EKU 55-10 Colonels starting to pop	EKU 17-10 Racers in neutral	EKU 100-2 Just rolling along
Notre Dame at BYU	ND 42-10 Touchdown Jesus' arms tiring	ND 28-7 ND too strong	ND 42-10 Irish eyes still smiling	ND 52-3 I hate Notre Dame	ND 24-21 BYU can't siop Irish ground game
Colorado at Oklahoma	OKl. 35-31 Bufs shocked on the road	OKl. 20-17 Federal prison game?	OKl. 34-18 Sooners say later to Bufs	OKl. 31-24 Atlanta Braves are Buff. Bills!	OKl. 13-6 Easy schedule hasn't helped Col.
LSU at Kentucky	UK 42-7 UK actually has a football team?	UK 21-10 Oooh! What Powers!	UK 24-3 Is Pitino the coach this year?	UK 45-9 Cat Scratch Fever	UK 21-7 Wildcats continue uphill swing
Washington at UCLA	UCLA 27-21 Bruins bruise Huskies	UCLA 99-98 Gone Fishin'	Wash. 21-17 Wash huskier that Bruins	UCLA 31-17 Bruins better than record	UCLA 22-21 Huskies have nothing to play for

Line Standings

Name	Win	Loss	GB	Pct.
Guest Picker	40	20	-	.666
Tony Arnold	38	22	2	.633
Charles Aly	37	23	3	.616
Coley Jackson	35	25	5	.583
Tripp Ballard	34	26	6	.566

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Tumblin a record 'setter'....

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volleyball in the fourth grade and continued playing while attending high school at Mercy Academy. Her senior year at Mercy, the volleyball squad finished the season ranking fifth in the nation.

"It was fun, we had a real good team," said Tumblin of high school. "I had four six-foot or taller players to set. It was a wall up there (in front of the net)."

Tumblin's decision to come to MTSU was made early.

"My grandparents used to live here," [her grandfather passed away the November before she began at MTSU], said Tumblin, "but I had already planned to come here and I had talked to Coach Luna (former MTSU head volleyball coach Jim Luna) and he said he could give me some (scholarship) money."

Cummings is definitely glad of that decision.

"Becky brings tremendous skills; she works hard, is very unselfish, and is willing to get on the floor and sacrifice her body. (She does) whatever she needs to do to win," Cummings said.

"She also brings a great knowledge of the game."

Tumblin presently leads the 1993 Lady Raiders in both assists and digs with 500 and 207 respectively.

Her biggest thrill of her MTSU career came earlier this

year against Austin Peay. During that game she became only the third member of the 1,000 dig club at MTSU.

"When I hit that I was like 'Wow' because that is something you can always remember and other people will remember too," said Tumblin. She was presented a plaque honoring her for this achievement on Oct. 9.

Tumblin is a quiet, soft-spoken person off the court and her personality stays the same during a match. She is not the type to yell at teammates or get in a player's face as many athletes do. Instead she leads with her physical example.

"Some people are leaders in a quiet way and Becky is certainly that type," according to Cummings. "I have called upon her to be a more vocal person and I think she has made every effort to do so."

Tumblin, a wellness and fitness major, is not specific about her future plans.

"I am just hoping to get a good job and probably settle down someday," commented Tumblin.

When Becky does finish up her career after the 1994 season, she will leave some big shoes to be filled. As she continues to rewrite the Lady Raider volleyball record book, it is clear that she will be remembered by volleyball fans at MTSU for a long time.

Golfers ready for action....

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spring season would do a lot in helping his game.

"I haven't played very well in a while, but I also haven't lost confidence," Guy said. "I just needed a little break."

The rest, led by Head and Putnam, will have the opportunity to prove their worth. With a good tournament, they will have something to build on and

possibly challenge to travel on a regular basis in the spring.

"Nobody's spot is etched in stone," Moore said. "There are a couple of players who will be hard to unseat, but this tournament will give me a perspective on their attitudes and ability to play under tournament pressure."



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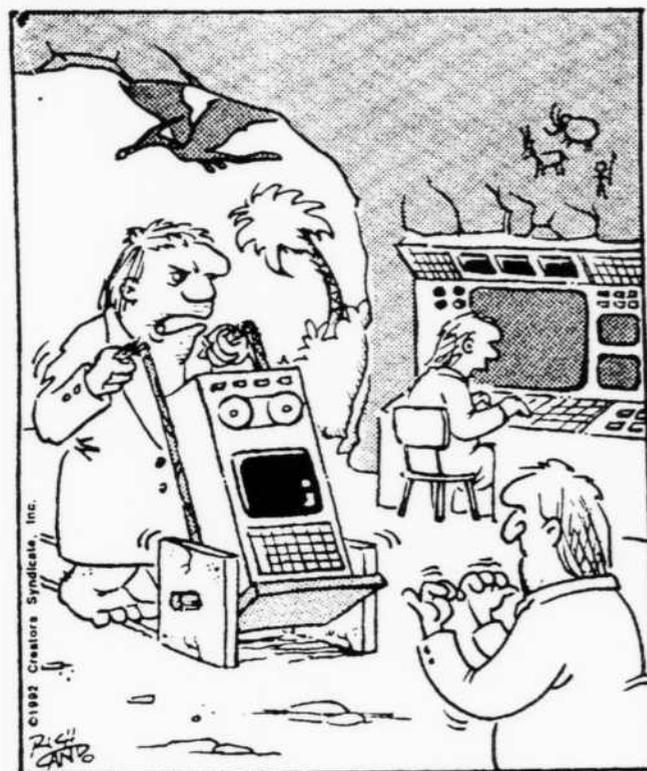
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