



Fighting the 'good fight'

Turner Hutchens
Staff Reporter

WASHINGTON—"Whose streets?" chanted the crowd composed mostly of young students blocking the intersection from the police in full riot gear standing a billy club's distance away.

"Our streets! Whose streets? Our streets!"

Last weekend protesters marched through the barricaded streets of the nation's capital. Thousands of them came to voice their opposition of policies of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank. From Murfreesboro, Solidarity — the socialist, feminist, anti-racist campus organization — brought more than a dozen people.

The protesters say these policies benefit corporations at the expense of the people they were designed to benefit. Furthermore, protesters claim the IMF imposes restrictions on the countries in debt to the World Bank, denying those countries the right to govern themselves.

Unionists in blue, anarchists in black, socialists in red, Christians in white and environmentalists in green all swirled together on the massive protest.

"One of the best things about this is how people have put aside their petty differences," said sophomore Solidarity member Jessica Moist. "Instead of squabbling among ourselves, we're all doing this together. I hope more of this will happen in the future."

Most held signs or banners high over their heads, sometimes with very different messages on them, ranging from "Fair jobs for working people" to "Fuck capitalism."

But the crowd all chanted the same words, "Human need, not corporate greed!"

"It's good to see affiliations between labor unions and stu-

dent activists," said junior Keith Russell, MTSU student activist. "There seems to be more awareness of an overall project. I think it's the start of a much bigger movement."

Seasoned activists agreed that the new activism was a necessary shot into the life of the country.

"It's exciting to see all the young people all out taking part in the protest," said Steven Bloom, a Solidarity member from New York who has been an activist for more than 30 years. "We haven't seen anything like this since Vietnam. I think we can really get things done."

At times the rally had the feel of a carnival. Polity activists and television celebrity Michael Moore rallied the crowd between rock bands.

Many protesters used humor to get across political and social messages. People hula-hooped for universal health care, dressed as clowns and wore inflated sharks for hats while carrying signs that read, "IMF and the World Bank — lone sharks of the world." One small group of people stood in tuxedos, holding signs that read, "Billionaires for Bush — because injustice isn't growing fast enough!"

But the underlying mood was serious. The speakers, many from countries directly affected by the IMF's policies, encouraged the crowd, made appeals for further actions and commended the crowds on what had already been done.

"Shutting the bank down is a small goal," said MTSU professor of philosophy and Solidarity member Michael Principe, who attended the rally. "And in the end, it's kind of an insignificant goal."

"More important is instituting light on these obscure institutions who have profound influence."

The threat of arrest and police violence was always present.

Many of the demonstrators protested in the no-protest zone, directly violating orders from police.

"Strange," said senior Solidarity member Dylan Ross. "When you try to exercise your First Amendment rights, they start taking them away."

The crowds, focused by vocal young organizers, locked arms and sat in the intersections.

"We can shut it down," yelled one young organizer rallying a crowd of demonstrators who blocked an intersection. "We just have to show a united front. The more of us here, the less they can do about it."

When the police clad in riot gear began putting on gas masks, the protesters pulled together. In answer to the officers' gas masks, the protesters wrapped their faces in vinegar-soaked bandannas to reduce the effects of tear gas.

"This is a peaceful protest," they chanted. "This is a peaceful protest."

Early in the rally, it seemed to be working better than anyone could have hoped. Estimates on the size of the rally range from 9,000 to 30,000 people. "The Washington Post" reported 10,000. The streets were blocked off against court order. The protesters managed to shut down a considerable portion of the city.

"Seeing 10,000 thoughtful, intelligent people mobilizing for a cause also radicalizes and energizes the demonstrators," said Principe. "It gives people the motivation to get up in the morning and fight the good fight."

There was relatively little violence, and the police seemed to be letting the protesters keep their barricade in the no-protest zone.

"Well, we're doing it," announced Michael Moore from the stage at about noon Sunday. "The delegates of the IMF have been unable to get to the meeting."



Photo by Turner Hutchens | Staff Photographer

Wearing white bandannas to protect themselves from tear gas, MTSU Solidarity members Dylan Ross, professor Michael Principe and Greg Matherly sit in a blockade in the streets of Washington, D.C., while protesting the International Monetary Fund and World Bank.

A long cheer goes up from the crowd, and signs and banners wave in the air.

"Right now they're sitting in Krispy Kreme having a donut," said Moore.

But that victory didn't last. The delegates eventually made it into the meeting, and the next day they slipped in through the early morning rain.

"We weren't able to shut the IMF and the World bank down," said senior Solidarity member Greg Matherly. "But just everybody being out there showed the world, showed the United States, that these are issues that need to be dealt with. We helped raise the consciousness in general."

The protesters still claimed

victories in the demonstration.

"We've already succeeded," said Russell. "Even before the protest happened, we succeeded. The IMF has said, 'Yes, we know we need to make reforms.'"

"It's just a matter of how far the reforms will go. That's why we have to keep doing what we're doing." ■

Students risk arrest in no-protest zone

Turner Hutchens
Staff Reporter

WASHINGTON—One of the protesters' main tools at the demonstration against the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank last weekend was what they call direct action — knowingly violating the law for the purpose of protest.

Whether or not to be involved in direct action was left as a personal decision.

"Everyone has to decide for themselves what level of involvement they can commit to," said Rodney Ward, national organizer of Solidarity. "You have to decide for yourself what

you can risk and how strongly you feel."

The Saturday before the rally several MTSU students attended class on protesting and civil disobedience.

Returning to the crowded two-bedroom apartment where five more were staying and a dozen more gathered, the discussion quickly turned to the possibility of arrest or violence from the police.

A several-block area around the IMF and World Bank meeting had already been declared a no-protest zone by law enforcement officials.

The activists discussed their personal feelings on direct action.

"One reason to risk arrest is to

draw attention," said senior Solidarity member Dylan Ross as he weighed his decision. "Media attention focus on that type of action. It helps get the word out. With un-elected bodies like the World Bank and the IMF, they have bypassed democracy. So the only way to influence the process is to take it to the streets."

As they were discussing who can take what risks, Alex Locascio, a Solidarity member from Ohio, came in with news of people arrested in the no-protest zone that afternoon.

Locascio listed off allies they know personally who have been taken away. "Kyle got arrested. Kyle, Luke, Craig ... somebody else with us."

"Total 270, maybe 300 this afternoon."

The actual number reported by CNN was 600. Over the course of the night, the discussion was ongoing.

"If I had to guess, I'd say there's a 30 or 40 percent chance that a 30 or 40 percent chance that anyone involved in direct action will be arrested," said Ward to senior Solidarity member Greg Matherly, who was contemplating the choice.

"That's just entering the no-protest zone. Those involved in the actual blockade would of course be at higher risk."

Ward also told the student activists they had to be aware of the possibility of tear gas, pep-

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Solidarity's national organizer Rodney Ward talks with police over a barricade.

Student films debut at festival

James Evans
Managing Editor

MTSU is holding its first ever student film festival this week — Student Film Festival 2000.

"We wanted to give MTSU filmmakers a chance to show their films," said Court Donner, a member of the Student Programming film committee.

The film committee is responsible for scheduling and securing the films that are shown weekly in the Keathley University Center Theater. In the fall, the committee decided they wanted to have some sort of showcase for the MTSU filmmakers and started planning the event.

"We all had the idea to have something for student films," said Robert Mogensen, a night

and weekend program manager for Student Programming.

With this being the first film festival ever, Mogensen said they weren't sure how many students would participate.

"We were scared nobody was going to turn anything in," he said.

In the end, Mogensen said they were happy with the amount of participation. Six films — three shorts, two documentaries and one stop animation — were entered.

The festival began Monday night with the showing of all six films and is continuing through Wednesday. All six films are being shown each night, and there is no admission charge for students.

Wednesday night, the film committee will be presenting

the top three awards. The first place filmmaker will receive a video camera, and second and third will each receive gift certificates for Phillips Bookstore worth \$150.

The films are being judged by the film committee, which is comprised of approximately 20 students. Donner said they originally intended to have faculty members — including Ed Kimbrell, professor of journalism and Sara Dunne, associate professor of English — judge the films, but because of short notice, he wasn't able to secure the faculty panel.

Mogensen said the committee intends to make the film festival an annual event, and Donner believes they will be able to have faculty members judge the entries in the future. ■

Prof supports Green Party candidate

James Evans
Managing Editor

MTSU professor Jeff Clark is making a run for the Tennessee democratic nomination for U.S. Senate, but at least one MTSU professor is rooting for another candidate for the nomination.

Gary Wolf, professor of journalism and chair of the Green Party of Tennessee, is supporting Tom Burrell of Covington, a citizen activist in the party who is running for the seat now held by Republican Bill Frist.

"Tom Burrell is precisely the kind of citizen the Green Party wants to promote and offer for public office," said Wolf. "He's a citizen activist working hard on issues of justice and economic reform, offering progres-

sive solutions to problems that are long-standing and too-little discussed in the news media."

Still, Wolf said he believes Burrell will have a rough journey to securing the seat.

"He'll have a hard time beating John J. Hooker," Wolf said, explaining that in a past campaign, Hooker received the majority of Democratic nomination votes even though he wasn't the party's primary candidate.

Even with all the obstacles, Wolf said victory is exactly how the party measures its success, because exposure is one measure it uses to gauge its effectiveness.

One major ace in the hole the party has is Ralph Nader, the consumer advocate for the Green Party's presidential nom-

ination. Wolf said Nader has been described as the 20th century not to have been elected to an office.

Nader's campaign is a huge boost for the party's appearance, Wolf said, because with his affiliation with the party comes his reputation.

"He gets us past the image of a bunch of grana-taste hippies," Wolf said.

During the globalization protests in Washington over the weekend, Nader was an outspoken advocate for reforming international lending practices and Third World development policies. He is the leading candidate for the Green Party's presidential nomination, which

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On Campus

To submit an announcement for On Campus, come by the James Union Building Room 308. Due to limited space, some announcements with later dates may be held.

April 19

The Speech and Theater department will set up tables in the KUC from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. for interested students. For more information, contact Becky Crane at 731-2613.

The Placement Center is offering interviews with the following companies: Dell Computer Corporation, Savings Oil Co./Dodge's Stores, Rock-Tenn Company, McDonald's and FedEx Ground, Inc. Contact the Placement Center, KUC 328 or call 898-2500 to schedule interviews. Information is available online at www.mtsu.edu/~career.

April 19-25

Registration for the Campus Recreation Indoor Hockey Tourney will be available for a \$10 entry fee. There will be a captain's meeting at 7:30 on the 24th, and play will begin on the following day. Contact Karolyn Braun at 898-2104 for more information.

April 19-30

The Can Do Crew will be collecting used eyeglasses and lenses for the Lions Club. Donation boxes will be placed in Phillips Bookstore, Cope Administration Building, Room 217, Murphy Center Lobby and the Holmes Building. For more information, contact Karen Milstead at 898-5390.

April 20

Everyone is invited to celebrate the planet we live on by bringing your drum and/or friends to the knoll at noon. There will be vendors, a drum

circle and "an earth to enjoy."

The Middle Tennessee Students of Objectivism is hosting a video-lecture titled "Capitalism and the Environment: The Virtue of Exploitation" at 7 p.m. in KUC 313. Everyone is invited for ideas and discussion. Contact Luc Travers at 893-9531 for more information.

The Placement Center is offering interviews with National HealthCare Corp. and Collins and Aikman. Contact the Placement Center, KUC 328 or call 898-2500 to schedule interviews. Information is available online at www.mtsu.edu/~career.

April 25

The department of chemistry is hosting a Golden Goggles Lecture titled, "Clean Fuel Through Solar Photochemistry" at 7 p.m. in DSB, Room 100. Call 898-8251 for more information.

The Scarlett Commons Area Government is hosting a cookout and concert at 6 p.m. in the Scarlett Commons Clubhouse. The event is free and everyone is welcome. Door prizes will be given out throughout the evening. For more information, contact Becky Pickering at 898-3155.

April 27

The June Anderson Women's Center is sponsoring a free legal clinic from 7-9 p.m. The clinic is available to all MTSU students, faculty and staff. Appointments to speak with an attorney can be made by calling Candi Russell at 898-2193. Space

is limited.

The ninth annual Ebony Awards Banquet will be held at 7 p.m. in the James Union Building, Tennessee Room. This banquet is dedicated to honoring individuals, organizations and departments that have made a difference in the lives and quality of life for underrepresented members of the MTSU family. Tickets are \$7 and will be available in the Multicultural Affairs Office in KUC room 124 this month.

April 29

The Middle Tennessee Psychological Association is holding its Spring meeting from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the first floor of the Business/Aerospace Building. The meeting provides an excellent opportunity for undergraduate and graduate students to present their efforts to colleagues from other colleges and universities. Papers on completed research, ongoing research, or theoretical reviews are encouraged. The deadline for submission forms was April 17th.

May 11

There will be a "Planning and Leadership Seminar" from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The cost will be \$59 per person, \$50 for groups of four or more and \$20 for students. Featured speakers will include Earl Swensson, Nashville architect and holder of NASU's Chair of Excellence in Urban and Regional Planning, who will present, "Focus on Planning: Considerations for Tennessee, the

Region, and Beyond in the 21st Century;" and Dr. Mark Mendenhall, J. Burton Frierson Chair of Excellence in Business Leadership. For more information or to register, call Carol Puryear, Continuing Studies, at 898-2462.

Ongoing

Cyber Cafe at Woodmore presents "Open Mic Night" every Monday from 7:30 - 10:30 p.m.

The MTSU Peer Education Program is currently accepting new members. Credit hours are available. Applications may be picked up in KUC, Room 303, or call 898-5453 for more information.

The June Anderson Women's Center will be hosting a weekly support meeting, "Women: Food and Body Image," Tuesdays in the CKNB, Room 124 from 3:15 to 4:30 p.m. The group is also holding meetings Thursdays titled, "Looking Forward," a support group for survivors of sexual abuse, at the same time and location. For more information, call Mary Glantz at 898-5725. All contacts are confidential.

The Student Pagan Organization holds meetings every Thursday in the second floor lounge of the KUC at 7 p.m. Anyone interested in Wicca, Paganism, Shamanism or any other alternative spirituality is welcome. For more information, contact John Bryan at 907-3328.

The MTSU Crime Stoppers Board is currently looking for people inter-

ested in joining its board of directors, especially graduate and undergraduate students. If you are a full-time student or employee at MTSU and wish to apply for one of these openings, pick up an application at either the campus police department or KUC, Room 303.

Students for Environmental Action invite all students to weekly meetings every Wednesday at 6 p.m. in Peck Hall, Room 201. For more information, e-mail Lori Bruner at greenmind@home.com.

Part-time campus jobs are available in food service, catering, concessions, student patrol and dispatch. Interested students should contact the Placement and Student Employment Center in KUC, Room 328.

The Martial Arts Club of MTSU is holding weekly meetings in the Recreation Center aerobics room on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. For more information, call Billy Colepaugh at 898-2104.

The Murfreesboro Salvation Army has nearly run out of food, especially chicken and hamburger. They urge anyone who is able to donate food to bring it to the Salvation Army headquarters at 1137 West Main Street. Kathy Wheeler, business manager, said they also need salt, sugar and other condiments. For more information, call Wheeler at 895-7071.

IMF: Solidarity members protest IMF and World Bank in Washington

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per spray, rubber bullets and physical force from the police officers.

Many of the student activists wavered because they said they have other concerns in life. At one point, it seemed as if no one from the group was going to make it into the no-protest zone.

But on the day of the protest, as the sun came from behind rain clouds, most of the Solidarity members joined other protesters in the no-protest zone.

For the most part, relations between protesters and police were civil.

Ward spoke with officers over a barricade in the restricted zone, while MTSU students and

professor of philosophy Mike Principe sat a few feet behind with bandannas pulled over their faces to protect them from tear gas. The officers raised their face guards, and Ward smiled at them as they spoke.

Ward explained that they were only peacefully protesting.

"But you are demonstrating here illegally," said the officer.

"We can arrest everyone here. We are going to come through here. When we tell everyone to disperse, they had better go."

"Some will," said Ward. "But some are going to peacefully resist. We have no intention of a violent struggle — simply to practice civil disobedience. They will take their right to violate the law and accept the con-

sequences."

In the end, police only arrested 20 people Sunday, making it the lightest day of arrests. The police did not move through, as they said they would.

None of the protesters from MTSU were arrested or involved in any physical encounters with police. But they do feel as if they have done something.

"I'm glad I did it," said Matherly. "I would definitely do it again."

"You can get some media attention through a permitted protest. But really, if done peacefully, direct action is one of the best ways to get the media's attention. By doing just what they tell you not to, is one of the best ways." ■

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THEFT/BURGLARY

When: Mon., March 20
Where: Davis Science Building
What: Possible entry through a window

When: Mon., March 20
Where: Sigma Nu, Fraternity Row
What: Unlawful entry, no force

When: Mon., March 20
Where: Clement Hall
What: \$380 reported stolen from wallet

When: Mon., March 20
Where: Corlew Hall
What: Umbrella reported stolen

When: Tues., March 21
Where: Second Street at Cummings Hall
What: Snack vendor's truck broken into

When: Wed., March 22
Where: Campus Recreation Center, Men's Locker Room
What: Items reported missing from locker

When: Wed., March 29
Where: Peck Hall
What: Food stolen from office

When: Sat., April 1
Where: Monohan Hall
What: Room broken into

When: Sun., April 2
Where: Monohan Hall
What: Money reported stolen

ARRESTS

When: Wed., March 22
Where: Garden Plaza at Old Fort Pkwy
What: Trevis Cambridge of 3677 Chesapeake Drive arrested for aggravated assault and robbery

When: Wed., March 22
Where: Garden Plaza at Old Fort Pkwy
What: Preston Benningfield of 3660 Chesapeake Drive arrested for aggravated

assault and robbery

When: Wed., March 22
Where: Garden Plaza at Old Fort Pkwy
What: William Douglas of 3320 Parkway Drive arrested for aggravated assault and robbery

When: Thurs., March 23
Where: Rutherford County Sheriff
What: Desmond Cambridge of 3677 Chesapeake Drive arrested for aggravated assault and robbery

When: Thurs., March 23
Where: Judd Hall
What: Eric Hebert of 7021 North Lake Drive arrested for felony possession of marijuana

ASSAULT/HARASSMENT

When: Tues., March 21
Where: Art Barn
What: Harassment reported

When: Wed., March 22
Where: Cummings Hall Lot
What: Road rage, subject sustained physical injuries, 4 arrests made

When: Wed., March 22
Where: Wood Hall
What: Harassment reported

When: Wed., March 29
Where: Cope Administration Building
What: Harassing phone calls

TRAFFIC

When: Thurs., March 23
Where: Faulkenberry at Voorhies
What: Damage to vehicle

When: Sun., March 26
Where: Orchard Lot
What: Citation issued for driving on a suspended license

VANDALISM

When: Mon., March 20
Where: Mass Comm Parking Lot
What: Vandalism reported

When: Wed., March 22
Where: Nicks Hall Lot
What: Convertible roof of vehicle slashed

When: Fri., March 24
Where: Deere Hall
What: Vandalism reported

When: Fri., March 31
Where: Tennessee Livestock Center
What: Damage to door lock

MISCELLANEOUS

When: Mon., March 20
Where: Clement Hall
What: Unwanted person present, individual moving out

When: Tues., March 21
Where: Murphy Center
What: Subject reported falling down stairs, refused ambulance transport

When: Wed., March 22
Where: Scarlett Commons
What: Disturbance of the peace. Subject playing drums in his room, deans citation issued

When: Thurs., March 23
Where: Keathley University Center
What: Caller reported that student was having a diabetic seizure, refused ambulance transport

When: Wed., March 29
Where: Tenn. Blvd at East Main Street
What: Assistance given to subject with damage to steering wheel of vehicle. Subject was then arrested by MPD for a previous warrant.

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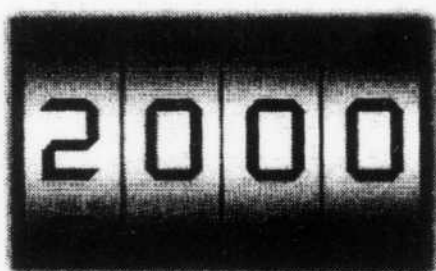
Wolf said he believes Nader will be the Ross Perot — who received 17 percent of the votes in the 1992 presidential election — of the next presidential elections.

Wolf doesn't believe it's realistic to

think Nader will win the presidency. Instead, he said the Green Party's goal is to get five percent of the votes in the next election. With five percent, the party will qualify for the federal matching funds.

"The chances of winning (the primary) are slim to be honest," Wolf said. But, he added, "I wouldn't want to say it's impossible." ■

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and happy
Easter Break**



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(¹Micah 5:2; ²Isaiah 7:14; ³Isaiah 9:1; ⁴Isaiah 53; ⁵Psalms 22:16; ⁶John 8:58, 10:30, 14:9)

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Wednesday, April 19, 2000

Murfreesboro, TN

Modern Dysfunction

by Rob Evans, staff columnist

Late Fees?

Library fines should be handled immediately or not assessed

It's about time I finally got off my butt and got back into life again.

Well at least I have a new found motivation and heart to jump back into my writing, regardless of how trivial talking about local happenings on the worldly scale may seem.

But motivation to change the way something works is a good reason to become actively involved again.

At the risk of telling a story and making my life seem like a pseudo hell, I can't explain a situation that occurs on campus without doing so.

This is because I believe I have found the epitome of campus inefficiency.

No, I am not talking about the campus post office, although the MTSU post office does take two weeks to deliver a letter that takes about five days going the other direction.

Yet this can't take a library to the fact that it holds the library six months to levee fines for overdue books.

Of course the library has long been the number one scapegoat for many of limitations sited by this institution. It is kind of unfortunate that the cards do fall that way.

However, it would be nice to know if you have a fine waiting for you or not when you check books in. Instead, the end result is registering for classes and finding out you have a hold from the library for fines on overdue books.

What overdue books?

I had checked out a large number of books last September for an insane term paper. Yes, I will admit fault that I had turned the books in late. It was a couple of weeks overdue into November.

In fact, I was ready to pay the fine at the time.

However, I was told by the worker behind the desk that I had no overdue fines.

Man, that's cool. Well, I thought that at the time.

So now I am attempting to register, and I find out that I indeed do have a library hold.

Going out and doing what every good journalist does, I went chasing down the story of "what in the hell is this crap?"

I was wondering through my mind trying to remember if I had turned any other books in late. "No, no..."

Had I owed something on inter-library loan? No. So what gives?

I talked to the person working at the desk, explaining that I "owed" money that I was not aware of. Well, it seems that I was finally levied the fine for those overdue books I turned in on March 6.

Excuse me?

Are you sure the fine isn't for other books, I asked her? What were the dates that those books were checked out?

So now I find out I owe money on the books six months after the fact.

Of course, you do the respectable thing when you are pissed off -- you don't take it out on the worker. You ask to complain to someone else.

A supervisor -- who shall remain nameless -- told me that they didn't send out bills to let patrons know they are at their mercy. It is usually done only as a courtesy, I was told.

Ok, so explain to me why the fine wasn't put on my account until five months after the fact, and why didn't I find out until six months after the fact?

Well, we don't have people checking on the status of fines or giving them out. We leave that up to a computer, the supervisor said.

Jeez, what kinda system you running back there? A 1950s super computer with two megs of RAM? A person would think that living in the computer age has its benefits.

I paid the fine. It wasn't as if I had a choice, I was gonna pay it anyway. Still, I don't feel satisfied with the outcome of the situation.

I never came to a solution with the supervisor who was very adamant: crowing library patrons over was a good thing.

There are several questions that remain though. Why aren't notices sent to student if they are delinquent on fines?

The library manages to send a notice out that our books are overdue, and they strongly suggest we return them.

Why doesn't the business office handle library fines like they do everything else?

At least update the system so that I don't feel like I have to bug the person at the circulation every week about whether I owe them my life. ■

From the Staff APSU athletes need more than a slap on the wrist

Last week, four Austin Peay athletes were indicted in connection with the alleged videotaped gangrape of a 17-year-old from Montgomery County. But surprisingly, they're not getting charged with rape on any level.

Instead, two of the athletes have been charged with buying and giving alcohol to a minor and one was charged with unlawful photography in violation of privacy. These are all misdemeanor crimes, and all three athletes were released on a \$250 bond.

The most serious indictment was handed down to the fourth athlete for allegedly taping the sex act and showing it to others, and

he was charged with allegedly destroying the evidence. These charges are Class C felonies, and well deserved.

Still, there's been no indictments for rape. Apparently, the girl was visiting a friend at an off-campus apartment and got drunk. Okay, that one's her fault. Then, she went to one of the suspects rooms and allegedly was sexually assaulted by EIGHT individuals.

Now, I can understand the argument that it might not have been rape. But if it wasn't a rape, why did one of the suspects destroy the evidence? Answer: guilt.

The only potential punishment the boys are getting from the

university — which is none at this time — is suspension from the team. This crime is getting the same level of punishment disobeying a coach would. Maybe the school's coaches should make it a policy to tell their players at the beginning of each season that raping someone is against the rules.

This sounds like the classic case of an athletic department and a Southern town bending the law to protect their "sacred" athletes. I guess molesting a minor isn't a big deal in good ol' Tennessee.

James Evans
Managing Editor

America's selective in 'war on drugs'

Steve Cagnina
Staff Columnist

Here's hypocrisy for you: The most addictive drug known to man is legal in the United States of America.

That's right, I am talking about the big N — nicotine. Everyday, executives at tobacco companies — most of whom are white — knowingly and legally push a dangerous, addictive substance on the American people, and they get stock options for their drug dealing — not prison sentences.

But a poor African-American youth pushing cocaine so he can realize the American ideal of wealth and power will go to

prison eventually; and if some people have their way — he will be executed as well.

And this hypocrisy goes on, thanks to a strange combination of laziness, denial and, of course, money.

Money always rules. And the people with the most money get the most justice.

White men pushing a substance that kills millions every year go unscathed. It's the user's fault, you say. They know smoking is bad, right?

But what about the urban youths selling crack? Don't the users know that's bad? No, that's different you say. Drugs are bad.

But nicotine is the worst drug of all.

That's different, you say.

Can you say this: Hypocrite! If nicotine is the worst of drugs, then why is it legal to sell it, but not legal to sell a non-addictive drug like marijuana?

Because the white rich man peddles nicotine, and the poor urban youths peddle pot. That's why.

The law should not be moral. The law should adhere to this god only: practicality.

Prohibition is not practical because it doesn't work! You can't prevent people from having their vices — you can only make it more costly and dangerous for them to have them.

And you know who fights legalization more than anyone?

The drug dealers!
They hire lobbyists to make

sure legalization doesn't happen; they fund anti-drug groups to make sure your minds don't see that this "war on drugs" is as pointless and hypocritical as the Vietnam War.

They especially don't want to lose their No. 1 product — marijuana — to legalization. That would be the equivalent for them of IBM losing its hardware division.

We need to stop jailing our economically unfortunate; our wasting our tax dollars on a stupid war that can't be won and whose very existence makes hypocrites of us all, because a drug like nicotine is considered legally sound, while a drug like marijuana is considered five to 10 with no chance of parole. ■

Letter to the Editor

Buying animals from pet stores ends lives

I am writing to inform everyone about the consequences of buying a pet from a pet store, especially when buying puppies.

Pet stores use the natural appeal of puppies, kittens, birds and other animals to sell them at inflated prices (often several hundred dollars for "pure bred" animals.)

Meanwhile, millions of homeless dogs and cats are needlessly killed in shelters every year. Most puppies sold in pet stores (around 500,000 a year) are raised in "puppy mills," breeding kennels (always outdoors) consisting of small wood and wire-mesh cages, or even empty crates or trailer cabs where female dogs are bred continuously with no rest between heat cycles.

This takes its toll on the helpless animals, and they are killed at age six or earlier, when their abused bodies finally give out.

The puppies are taken from their mothers at the age of four to eight weeks and sold to brokers who cram them into crates for transport and resale them to pet shops or even to animal-testing labs.

These puppies can cover hundreds of miles by pickup truck, tractor trailer and/or plane, often without adequate ventilation, food, water or shelter.

Between unsanitary conditions at puppy mills and poor treatment in transport, only half of these puppies actually survive to make it to the market.

Because there is almost no concern for the animals (profit is the breeder's only goal) the puppies that do survive may have serious health problems (mentally as well as physically).

Unsuspecting people who buy from pet

stores may have to spend hundreds or even thousands of dollars in veterinary care for these neglected puppies.

Cat breeding under "cat mills" also occurs on a smaller scale under similar conditions.

It breaks my heart to realize that this type of "business" occurs in our society.

It infuriates me even more to see that people blindly support this inhumane cycle by purchasing animals from pet stores without realizing where they originally came from.

Please help me spread the word about puppy mills, because while one person can make a difference, it usually takes more people to make a change.

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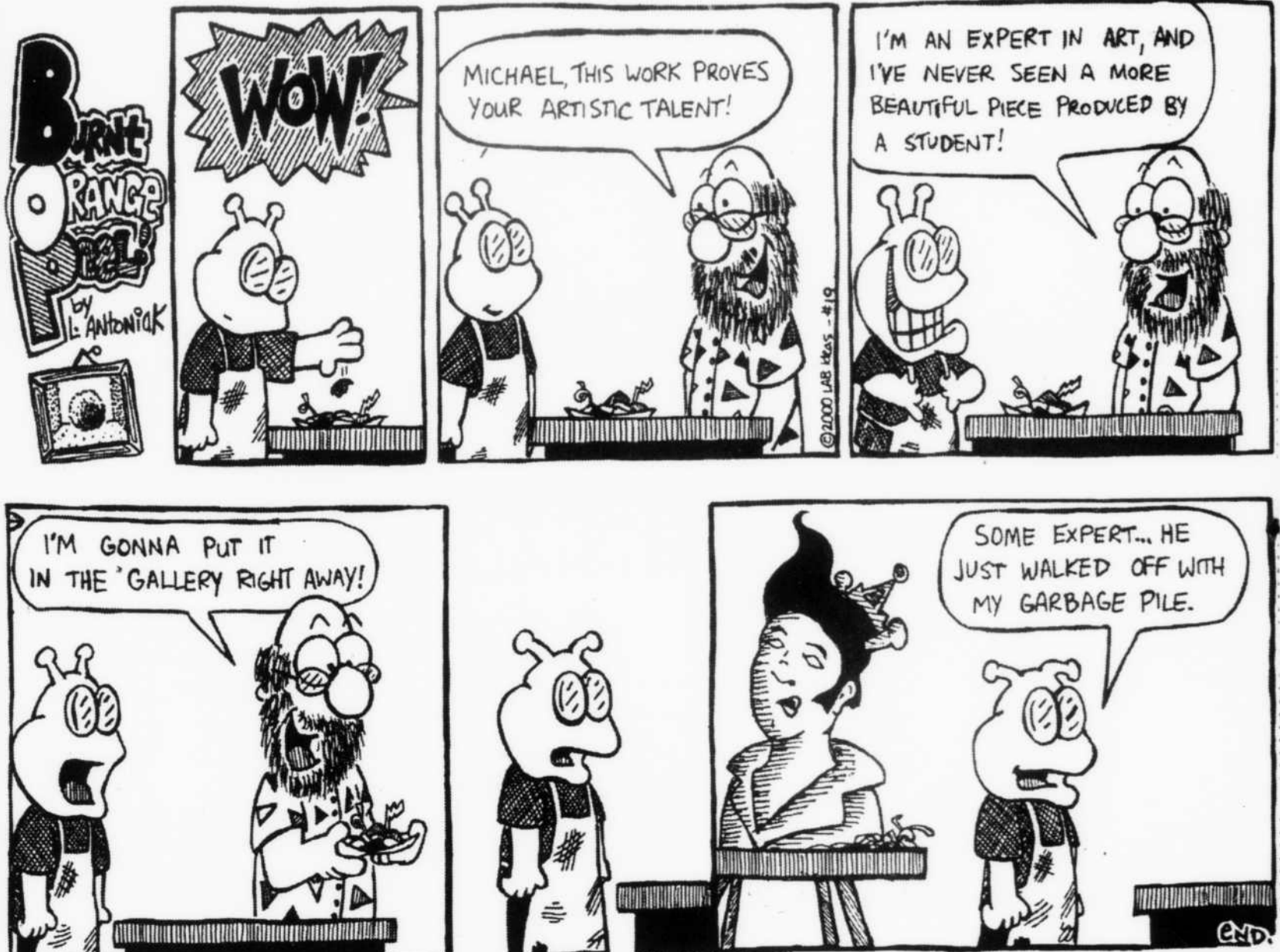
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Students seeking shelter

Organizations, services on campus help stressed out students

Part three of a three part series

Angela White
Editor in chief

When stress hits, it may sometimes feel like there is nowhere to turn. The pressure becomes overwhelming, and feelings of isolation and hopelessness can build to a toxic level.

However, there are several places on this campus where students can turn when they can't handle it all on their own anymore.

Whether they are suffering from assignment woes, physical health problems, a psychological crisis or a traumatic and violating event, they have options.

Counseling and Testing Center
The Counseling and Testing Center "provides personal counseling and testing services for students, assisting them in their emotional, intellectual and social growth," according to a brochure the employees give students.

Located in KUC, Room 329, the Counseling and Testing Center is a free service to students. Counselors are available to speak about whatever may be bothering a student, whether it be classes, relationships, money or other stressful nuisances. The Center also offers career counseling and help on choosing your major. Counselors also serve as academic advisors to undeclared students with 30 or more hours of classes already completed.

"On some level, everyone who walks in the door is here because of stress," said Jeanne D. Hoechst-Ronner, counselor. "If someone is truly stressed out, we will actually sit down with them and go through relaxation techniques." These techniques include guided imagery and breathing exercises.

Appointments can usually be made within a week, according to Hoechst-Ronner. This is an incredible task, with the limited staff.

"We have 19,000 students and four counselors, one of whom is also the director," she said.

According to Hoechst-Ronner, in order to seek national accreditation as a college counseling center, the Center should have one counselor per thou-

sand students.

At least one counselor is also available for "walk-in" students. Counseling sessions are kept in strict confidence according to state and federal law.

For more information, contact the Center at 2670. If a crisis or emergency happens after hours, an emergency consultation can be obtained by calling the Crisis Line at 893-0770.

Health Services

Is stress literally making you sick? Health Services, located across from Cummings Hall, offers free medical services to students, provided those services do not include those needing to be done at another doctor's office or the hospital.

Students check in at their front desk and must present their student identification in order to be seen by someone like Andrew Johnson, the doctor on staff, or Shandora Dorse, a physician's assistant.

According to their brochure, the most commonly treated ailments include upper-respiratory infections, urinary tract infections, vaginal infections and skin disorders. Common minor injuries include lacerations requiring sutures and sprains of ankles, wrists, fingers and the back. Free testing is also available for sexually transmitted disease, and allergy shots are offered.

Health Services, however, does not offer official excuses for missed classes.

According to Dorse, many of the students they see come in for illnesses either directly or indirectly related to stress.

Symptoms may include fatigue, headaches and frequent colds, among a multitude of others. While Health Services may temporarily be able to relieve the problem, in the long run relieving stress is often the only option for long-term success.

Health Services is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call 2988.

June Anderson Women's Center

The Women's Center, located in JUB, Room 206, provides assistance and services directed toward women. Counseling, support groups, lectures, workshops and a free clinic are among those services offered.

The Center employs Mary Glantz as its sole counselor. She agrees with the Counseling and Testing Center's Hoechst-Ronner that stress is a driving force for her clients.

"Pretty much everyone who comes here is stressed," said Glantz. "Whether it's how much they're working, finances, how many classes they're taking — maybe they're stressed because they're a single mother or because they're in a domestic violence situation or because they've just been raped — it's all stress."

She pointed out that mostly nontraditional students utilize her services.

"Most of the women I see are on their own and are not supported by their parents," Glantz said. "Not only are they going to school, but they are working and are the primary caregivers to their children."

She also noted the unique stress factors women face as they attempt to have both a career and a family.

"Nobody ever asks the man, 'How do you do it? How do you handle a family and a career?' But women are asked that all the time."

Counseling isn't all the Center offers. It also includes a library where students can borrow books and other materials, brochures and handouts about topics pertinent to women and a file with information about financial aid, emergency housing and health services for women. Outside the Center is a bulletin board where employment opportunities, scholarship opportunities and other relevant subjects are posted.

Other events held by the Center have included two recent series called, "Women and Investing" and "Race and Gender," as well as "Take Back the Night," the Women's Leadership Conference and National Women's History Month.

The Center is open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Glantz also has walk-in hours Monday from 10-11 a.m., Tuesday from 1-2 p.m. and Wednesday from 9-10 a.m.

To schedule an appointment, call 5725.

The University Writing Center

A sign that reads, "Where adults learn what they want to learn when they want to learn it" is posted by the door of Peck Hall, Room 325, the location of the University Writing Center.

The Center, a university service unaffiliated with any department, offers students assistance with writing papers in any subject. Tutors are available to help students organize material, develop a thesis, create effective opening and closing paragraphs and improve editing skills. They can also prepare students for standardized or essay tests.

However, the Center is not an editing service, and tutors will not proofread students' writing. Assignments may come in without an assignment simply to brush

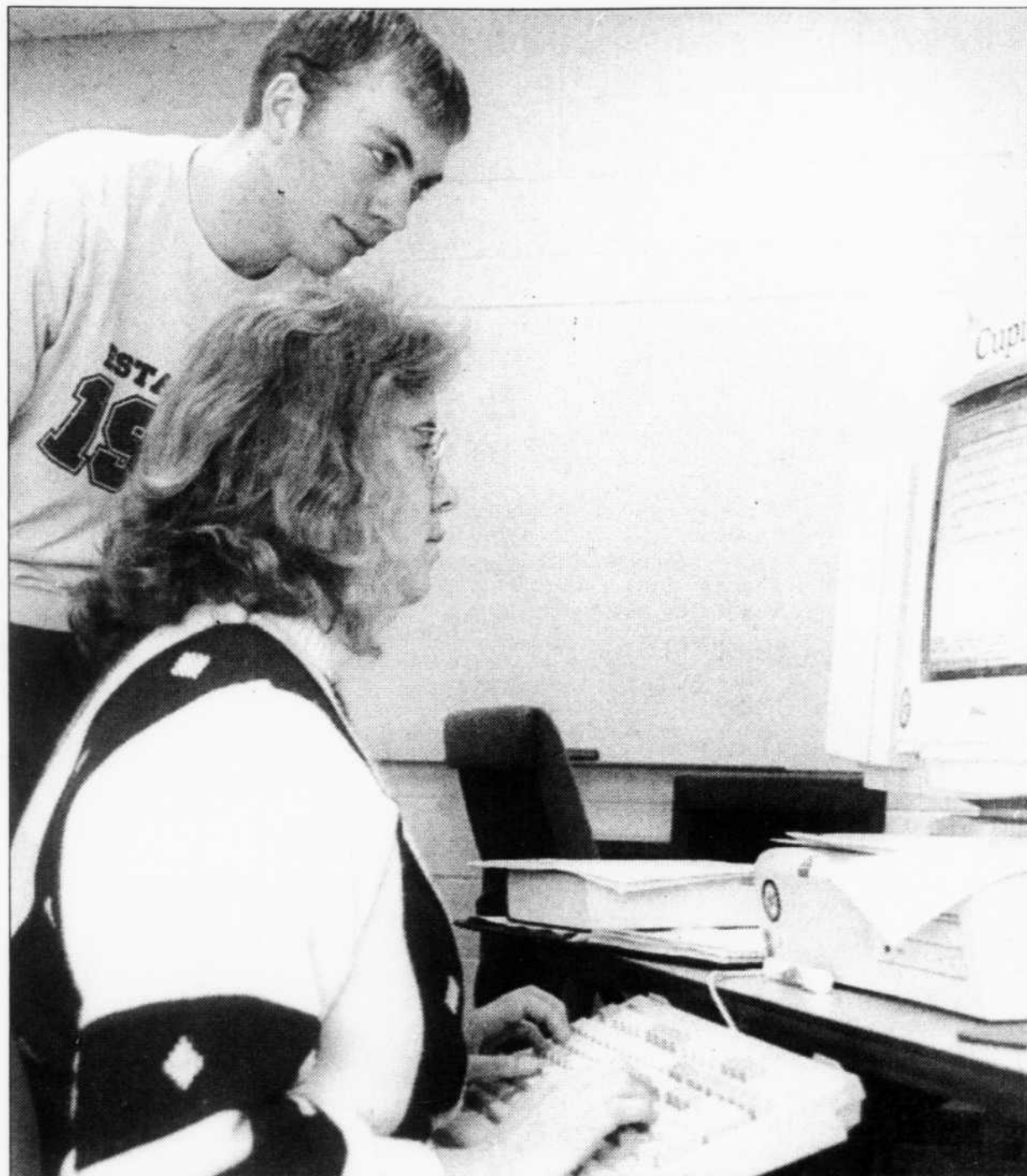


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Melanie Cluck, a junior English major, receives help on an English paper from freshman lab assistant Mike Cook at the University Writing Center.

up on their grammar skills if they wish.

The Center is operated by Director Margaret Ordoubadian and Associate Director Kelly McKeate and is staffed by graduate teaching assistants.

Sessions should be scheduled in advance and last approximately 30 minutes. Walk-ins are accepted when tutors are available.

Failure to keep three appointments without canceling will ban a student from the Center for the rest of the semester.

According to a brochure for the Center, students can better benefit from the experience by bringing writing samples, class notes, any textbooks and assigned readings. They should also set long-term goals and plan to possibly spend several sessions on one assignment.

The Center shouldn't be used on the day the assignment is due — students should plan in advance and allow themselves time for revision.

The Center also assists English as a Second Language students by offering a non-threatening environment where tutors can help them better understand their assignments.

The University Writing Center is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. The service is also offered at the Cummings Learning Center in Cummings Hall Tuesday and Wednesday from 7 to 9 p.m. The Center will also be open during the summer — hours will be posted.

OWLS

OWLS, which stands for "Organization for Older, Wiser Learners," is a student group geared toward MTSU's more mature students. Its primary purpose is to assist those who may have families and careers outside of school, or for those who may be back in school after a hiatus.

OWLS offers support groups, seminars, counseling and opportunities to socialize with students in similar situations.

Located in the Adults Services Center in KUC, Room 320, OWLS provides students with a friendly atmosphere where they can socialize while drinking 25 cent coffee and munching on microwavable popcorn. The microwavable may

also be used to heat up food brought by students, and limited refrigerator space is available for food to be stored during class.

Three Macintosh computers are also available for students to use.

According to its Web page, OWLS acts as a support system, allowing students who would otherwise feel alone and ostracized on campus to bond with others like them.

It acts as an advocacy group, fighting for issues like increased child care on campus, more adult scholarships and more convenient class and office hours for working students.

It acts as a social organization, sponsoring gatherings of many kinds among the members.

Finally, it acts as a service group, partaking in such activities as student mentoring, where a conventional student is teamed with an OWLS member, who helps the new student adjust to the college experience.

The Adult Services Center is open from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday.

For more information, contact Carol Ann Baily, director of the Center, or secretary Virginia Ellis at 5989. ■



Photo provided

Students socialize around the table in the Adult Services Center.

Dancers reveal 'eMOTION' at Tucker Theater

Staff Reports

Life's events can sometimes bring a whirlwind of emotions, all of which can be uniquely expressed. This week, many will release these emotions through movement in dance.

The MTSU Performing Arts Company will perform 'eMOTION,' 7 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday at Tucker Theater.

The show is segmented into four parts, each expressing steps of feeling emotions: joy, sorrow, exploration and resolution. The music and choreography of each section represent the specific emotion.

"We've worked really hard," sighed Angela Armstrong, an instructor and performer, when asked about the show.

The MTSU PAC has been rehearsing all semester for the show, which features 27 dances choreographed by students, instructors and alumni.

Valerie Hackworth, president, said she is happy to see the show come together so well.

"We go through a lot of emotions together," Armstrong laughed. "We're a family."

Music ranges from Tina Turner to Nine Inch Nails to Tori Amos, and each individual dancer varies just as much.

Styles of dance include jazz, hip-hop, lyrical, modern and tap, to name a few.

"I can't say just one thing about our show because it's such a wide variety of dancers and choreography," Armstrong said.

Leah Leonard, freshman, has choreographed a jazz number to Tina Turner's "Proud Mary."

"It's an old song everybody knows, and a lot of people in dance club do new stuff," Leonard said. "It has attitude."

Tickets will be sold at the door and will cost \$3 for students with ID and \$5 for the general public. Children 12 and under will be admitted free. ■

Web addresses

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<http://www.mtsu.edu/~countest/>

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<http://www.mtsu.edu/~stuaff/health/>

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Track teams breaking records

Adam Sparks
Staff Reporter

Records fell in Knoxville last weekend as the MTSU track teams put together a dominant performance at the Sea Ray Relays.

Godfrey Herring, the women's medley relay team and the women's 4x200 relay team all set school records at the meet, while also earning national recognition.

Herring ran the 400-meter dash in 45.59 seconds, which is not only an MTSU milestone but also one of the top 10 in the nation this year. With his performance, the sophomore from Pontiac, Michigan, qualified for both the NCAA Championships and the Olympic trials held this June.

"Everybody was excited about it, but I just thought it was all right," Godfrey Herring said. "I really want to break [the record] twice this year."

The MTSU women's medley relay team set a school record with solid runs from Kapreia Kirk, Tori Blanders, Kelly Smith and Alisha Moore.

They also set the all-time MTSU mark in the 4x200 with sprints from Doriesha Davis, Jameka

Collins, Bethany Brant and Willisa Heintz. Heintz, a freshman from Texas, had just returned from a knee injury and appeared to be near full strength.

The women's 4x100-relay team set their year's best with a time of 45.83 s.

The team included the same members of 4x200 team, with the exception of Tiffany Purham substituting for Jameka Collins.

Many other MTSU runners and jumpers placed high during the meet as the team continues to prepare for the Ohio Valley Conference Outdoor Championships to be held next month.

The men's team won the OVC title this winter, while the women finished third.

Head coach Dean Hayes is confident that both the MTSU men and women can challenge for the conference crowns in the outdoor championship.

"If the women's team is healthy, they definitely have a chance to win it," Hayes said. "The men's team can make it close and just wait for their chance, just like they did to win the indoor meet."

The OVC Outdoor Championships will be held on May 5-6. ■



Members of the track team sprint toward the finish line during practice.

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Men's, women's tennis teams win OVC titles

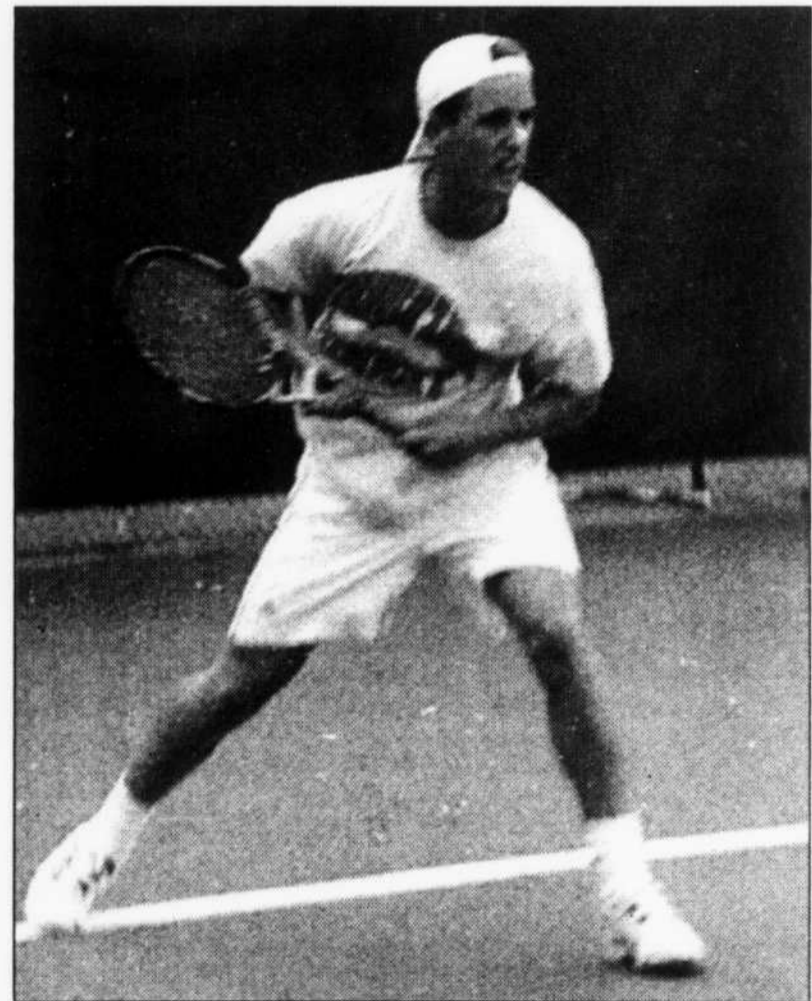


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Oliver Foreman awaits the ball during Tuesday's victory over Tennessee Tech.

Josh Ezzell
Sports Co-Editor

The Tennessee Tech Golden Eaglettes tennis team won't repeat as the OVC champions. MTSU (17-8, 6-0) clinched the crown — their fourth in five years — with an surprisingly easy 9-0 win. They also extended their winning streak to four. In 1999, the Golden Eaglettes (8-6, 5-2) defeated the Lady Raiders twice — 8-1 and 5-1.

"It was pretty easy, but I kept doing what we did in practice," Michaela Gridling said about her. "I was happy with my performance."

Tech took leads in the doubles, but the Lady Raiders rallied to win tight matches at No. 1 and No. 2.

The men won their 10th straight OVC crown with a 5-2 victory over Tennessee Tech, avenging a 4-3 loss to the Eagles in last season conference championship.

"We played pretty solid today," Michael Chamberlain said. "We knew we had to come out and play well against them (Tech). We knew we had to get on them early."

All three doubles teams prevailed, and Tech managed only two singles victories. Daniel Klemetz and Olle Nystrom clinched the match with singles victories. Robert Gustafson and Michael Chamberlain were also victorious.

The Raiders remain undefeated in the conference and move to 14-13 overall. The Raiders will probably be the No. 1 seed in the conference and will play for a slot in the NCAA Tournament. ■

View from the Top
A sports commentaryMichael Edwards
Sports Co-Editor

Everyone knows about Babe Ruth, Hank Aaron and the guys who have been immortalized in the media.

However, many other men have taken the diamond in style and worn their uniforms proudly through times of great peril in America.

Why aren't these men glorified like Sandy Koufax? Did he ever win 53 games in one season? Does he have a career ERA of 1.8?

Well, this is the time for a few of these men.

After reading this column, you and many others will have a little more information to feed your mind, and isn't that what we are all here for? Learning?

Put down the book and tell your professor that you'll tune him back in about five minutes from now.

These are in no particular order.

First, let's start with the Kid. Not Billy the Kid, but

Who's that guy?

Nichols, Clarkson among the great unknown

Kid Nichols. The hurler won 361 career games and struck out 1,873, while keeping an ERA of 2.95 for his career. He was born in 1869 and debuted around 1885.

Though Kid was good, he is no match for the next pitcher.

John Clarkson played from 1882 until 1895. Hailing from Massachusetts, Clarkson, in one season, went 53-16.

During that season in 1885, he pitched 623 innings. Today if a guy pitches 300 plus, he's considered heroic. That's chicken feed compared to Clarkson's feat. He won 328 games with an ERA of 2.81 for his career.

The third pitcher is Amos Rusie. In just his second year in the big leagues, Rusie pitched a mere 548 innings in 1890.

He played with the Yankees for most of his career, though he did his share of traveling. During his long career, Rusie netted 246 wins and owned a 3.06 ERA.

Grover Cleveland wasn't just the president — he was also a big leaguer. No, this

Grover Cleveland played for Chicago(N) in the early 1900s. In 1916 he won 33 games with a 1.55 ERA.

His 373 wins are near the top of the charts for all-time wins. His 2.55 ERA is not bad either.

Although Dewon Brazelton of the Blue Raider baseball staff has not gotten good run support, his lack of support is nothing compared to what Ed Walsh faced in 1910.

With an ERA of 1.27, he went 20-18.

That is one of the lowest ERAs in the history of baseball, and he lost more games than he won.

In 1908, Walsh went 40-42 with an ERA of 1.42, while winning only 195 games during his career.

His finished with an ERA of 1.81. His career was cut short by war.

Although there are many more great players in baseball history, I thought it would be nice just let you in on five of them.

Now that I am finished, I feel as though I have done a little to further the greatest American sport — baseball. ■

Titans linebacker ready to fight to keep his job

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Joe Bowden had an offer from the Tennessee Titans for five years and approximately \$20 million.

Not anymore. Even though Bowden was a starting outside linebacker in the Super Bowl, he now finds himself fighting for a job after Tennessee drafted three linebackers last weekend.

The eight-year veteran isn't going out without a fight, and he just hopes all three linebacking jobs are up for grabs.

"If my job is the only one open for competition, then that's certainly unfair. But I've been in this league long enough to know competition is a part of it," Bowden told The Tennessean.

The Titans signed free agent Randall Godfrey away from the Dallas Cowboys in February, and they used their top draft choice on linebacker Keith Bulluck on Saturday.

Tennessee also drafted two more linebackers — Peter Sirmon of Oregon and Frank Chamberlin of Boston College.

No other teams have shown an interest in Bowden, who had 81 tackles in 1999.

He said he would be willing to sign a shorter contract if given a real chance at winning the starting job and not just as baby sitter.

"If we're going to compete, I can't sit there and baby-sit a guy. Nobody did that for me when I was getting my job. If they expect me to do that, that's going to be kind of hard," he said.

Team officials had said they would look at both Bowden and Godfrey for middle linebacker, but coach Jeff Fisher said Godfrey now is in the middle. Veteran Eddie Robinson is the left outside linebacker.

If Bowden signs a new contract with the Titans, he will have to fight

off Bulluck at right outside linebacker, the job he held all of last season.

General manager Floyd Reese called it a difficult situation.

"Here's a guy who's been with you for eight years. He's been good to you in every way. He hung through the tough years and he was a starting outside linebacker on a Super Bowl team. There are a lot of feelings there," he said.

But Reese pointed out that Bowden is heading into his ninth season.

"From our standpoint, we have to do what's best, prepare for the future," he said.

The Titans want to see competition between Bowden and Bulluck starting in June at their minicamp.

"That's the ideal thing, the nature of the business," Reese said. "A veteran and a young punk come in, lock horns and you see what happens." ■

Basketball team signs top player

Staff Reports

Head coach Randy Wiel has announced the signing of 6-6, 215, Steven Jackson to the Blue Raider basketball program.

Jackson, a top-rated recruit from Memphis' Craigmont High School, was the city's third-leading scorer as a senior, netting 22 points per game. Jackson, who plays small forward, also grabbed 10 rebounds per contest while blocking an average of two shots.

While playing at Craigmont for head coach Duane Stokes, Jackson was named All-City, All-Metro, and All-District. He also garnered Second Team All-State honors.

Jackson was a preseason All-America pick by Street and Smith magazine and was nominated for the McDonald's All-American team.

Jackson becomes the third signer for the Blue Raiders, joining fellow Tennesseans Demario Watson and Bryant Mitchell who signed in the early period.

Watson, who also hails from Memphis, led Northeast Mississippi Junior College to an eighth

place finish in the Junior College National Tournament.

Watson averaged 12.6 points and 8.8 rebounds per game.

A 6-8, 220 power forward, Watson helped his team to a 30-6 record on the season. He prepped at Memphis Northside High School, and joins Richard Duncan and Cedrick Wallace as Blue Raiders that played junior college ball at Northeast Mississippi.

A powerful 6-7, 215 forward, Mitchell will head to Middle Tennessee from Northeast Oklahoma A&M Junior College. Mitchell averaged 15 points, nine rebounds, and three blocks this season while being named to the All-Conference team.

Mitchell played high school basketball at Lawrence County High School, which also produced Wallace.

While at Lawrence County, Mitchell put up 23 points, 13 rebounds, and three blocks per contest and was a finalist for AAA Mr. Basketball.

Mitchell will have three years of eligibility left when he arrives on the Middle Tennessee campus. ■

OVC Softball Standings

Conference Games
(Through Apr. 17)

	W	L	T	PCT.
Eastern Illinois	9	1	0	.900
Middle Tennessee	8	2	0	.800
Tennessee Tech	7	2	0	.778
Eastern Kentucky	9	4	0	.692
Southeast Missouri	8	5	0	.615
Tennessee-Martin	8	8	0	.500
Austin Peay	3	11	0	.214
Morehead State	2	11	0	.154
Tennessee State	1	11	0	.083

Last Week's Results

Tuesday, April 11

*@Southeast Missouri 0-4, Tennessee-Martin 3-0
Belmont at Austin Peay - canceled
Tennessee Tech at Tennessee - canceled

Wednesday, April 12

*@Eastern Kentucky 3-5, Morehead State 1-0
*Middle Tennessee at Tennessee Tech - canceled

Thursday, April 13

@Illinois-Chicago 9-2, Eastern Illinois 1-1 (Gm 2/9 inn.)

Friday, April 14

*@Southeast Missouri 8, @Tennessee State 0 (5 inn.)
*@Eastern Illinois 4-7, Morehead State 3-3
*UT Martin 2-4, @Eastern Kentucky 1-5 (Gm 1/9 inn.)
*SE Missouri 4-1, @Middle Tennessee 2-2 (Gm 1/9 inn.)

Saturday, April 15

*@Austin Peay 7-5, Tennessee State 0-2
*@Eastern Illinois 4-7, Morehead State 3-3
*UT Martin 2-4, @Eastern Kentucky 1-5 (Gm 1/9 inn.)
*SE Missouri 4-1, @Middle Tennessee 2-2 (Gm 1/9 inn.)

Sunday, April 16

*Tennessee Tech 5-6, @Austin Peay 0-1
*@Eastern Kentucky 5, Tennessee-Martin 1
*Morehead State 6, @Eastern Illinois 4
*Southeast Missouri 1, @Middle Tennessee 0 (8 inn.)

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11- Menasha Corp.
11- Cintas- Mgmt Trainee
12- Medstat Inforum
12- Towne Park
12- Bank of America
12-Menaha Corporation
13- Food Brand
14- Nashville Shores
14- Adecco Staffing
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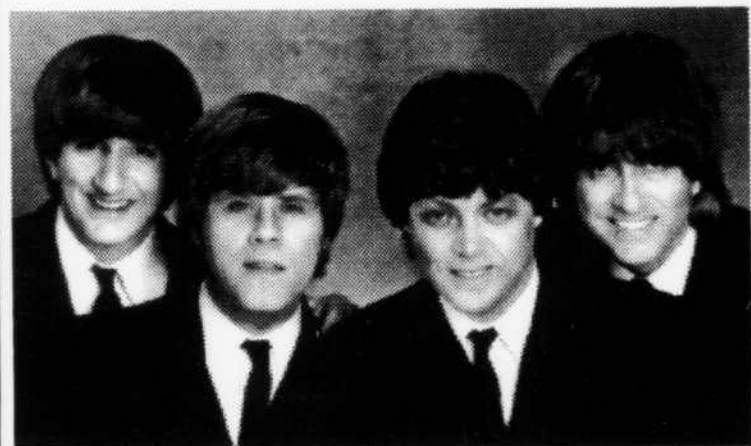


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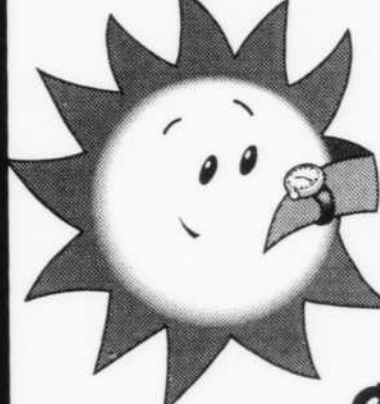


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Midlander Student Survey

This is a survey designed to find out student opinions about the Midlander, MTSU's yearbook. Please check your answer to the questions. After completing the survey, please cut it out and return it to Adult Student Services, MTSU Box 646 or bring it to KUC 320.

Have you heard about the Midlander, MTSU's yearbook? yes no
If yes, how did you hear about it? (Check all that apply.)

- I received a direct mailing about the book.
- I saw signs on campus about the yearbook pictures.
- I heard about the yearbook at Customs.
- I heard about the yearbook at the graduation fair.
- I saw an ad for the yearbook in Sidelines.
- I heard about the Midlander from a friend.
- Other _____

Have you ever purchased a Midlander? yes no
If yes, why did you buy it? (Check all that apply.)

- My picture was in it once.
- My parents paid for it.
- The book was discounted.
- My friends were pictured in it.
- The organizations or sports teams that I belong to were covered.
- The book had color photographs.
- The book had events covered that I attended.
- Other _____

If no, why haven't you? (Check all that apply.)

- I was not pictured in the yearbook.
- I do not belong to any organizations or teams that were pictured in the book.
- The price was too high.
- I do not think the yearbook contains anything that will interest me.
- I did not know MTSU had a yearbook.
- I did not know how to order a yearbook.
- Other _____

Have you ever been photographed for the Midlander? yes no
Would you want your student ID photo in the book if you don't get your picture made? yes no

What features are important to you in a yearbook?
Rank in order of preference with 1 being the most important and 10 being the least important.

____ athletics	____ Greek life
____ student organizations	____ academics
____ student photographs	____ faculty photographs
____ sports	____ pictures of campus
____ current events on campus	____ off campus events that happened that year

Which format of yearbook would you be most interested in buying?
 hard cover soft cover CD-ROM

The Midlander should be: (Check one)
 purchased only by individual students who want to buy a copy.
 provided to all graduating seniors by increasing the graduation fee.
 provided to all students by increasing the student activity fee.

What is the maximum amount you would spend on a book?
 \$25 \$30 \$35 \$40 \$45 \$50 \$55 \$60 \$65

On a scale of 1-10 (with 10 being the greatest), what is your level of interest in purchasing a Midlander?
 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

What is your age? _____
What is your gender? male female
What is your class level?
 freshman sophomore junior
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Do you live on campus or off campus?
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