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Candidates differ in background,

Abner plans for aggressive term



Todd Abner

It was only three years ago that Todd Abner graduated from Battle Ground Academy in Franklin, Tenn., when he came to MTSU in hopes of following a family tradition and acquiring an accounting degree. It was during his first year that he hoped to one day be the ASB President.

Last year he took the first step in reaching his goal. Todd was elected as an ASB senator this past year and now he is currently taking to the students his ideas and plans for his term as

"I always felt like the ASB

was a the place to get things going for the students here at MTSU. This past year, as a senator, I saw a lot of good ideas just never implemented," Abner said.

There are also two other issues he wants to address.

"I believe that the school really needs to look carefully at the purchasing of the nine security phones. It may be costly, but the added advantage of having the extra security is well worth it."

Also on Abner's agenda is further work on the information

systems here on campus.

"These two ideas are very important and I feel that the ASB has seen a lot of other good ideas come through. But, I feel that it was a lack of aggressiveness on the part of our executive officer that keep these ideas from being set in motion," Abner said.

When Abner was asked how he would grade the current administration of Todd Burnett, he gave Burnett a "C".

"I want to lead an administration that will go after ideas and not stop in seeking out the ideas of the students. Once you're the president, you have to keep getting ideas and working hard on them.

"The students may be feeling

let down by the ASB, but they need to realize that this is their voice and we really need their input," Abner said.

When asked about the low attendance of other senators in the ASB, he said that the people who run for senate have to see that it is a job. This is not high school and it is a job that is very important to the students of MTSU, he said.

Abner is currently a member of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity and is a member of the Beta Alpha Psi professional accounting

He also stated that the election should be very close and that the winner of the election will have to get all of his/her supporters to the polls.

Burgess hopes to see dream come true

Shawn E. Burgess, a Glencliff High School graduate from Nashville, stepped onto the MTSU campus in Fall 1988. Immediately upon arrival, he became involved in various campus activities.

In his freshman year, he was treasurer of the United Student Association. He was also involved in the ASB as a freshman senator. This marked the beginning of his MTSU political career.

"I felt like the ASB would give me a chance to represent the students. All through high school I was very involved and I know that this would be a way for me to continue an active student life," Burgess said.

His political career has consisted of Sophomore Senator, and his current position as Vice President/Speaker of the Senate. The duties, as speaker of the Senate are to organize and oversee the ASB Senate meetings and take Student concerns and prepare them in legislative form to be voted on by the ASB House

Burgess contributes most of his political success to meeting new people.

"I enjoy meeting new people and it makes it better to know that I can represent them in some way," he said.

The ASB is not all that Burgess is involved in. He is vice president of the Sigma Club, an honor society for men, a member of Gamma Beta Phi, the NAACP, and Inroads, an organization for talented minority youth which prepares them for corporate and community leadership.

When asked how he felt about his part in the senate, he said that he believed he had represented the people to the best of his ability.

"I think that I have done a good job as speaker and I think that I can carry this experience into the position of president," Burgess said.

He went on to say that he feels that he can do a better job the current ASB administration.

"If a was to grade Burnett, I

would give him a 'C'. I think that he has just been average as ASB president."

He hopes that as president he can work to increase library hours and start a Coming Home event during basketball season to give the Spring semester something

"The library hours need to be addressed, we have students that really need the extra time and the Coming Home event would give the students a really needed an event for the spring," Burgess

He is a senior planning to obtain a degree in marketing and a minor in political science. After graduation, he plans to attend graduate school in the north and



Shawn Burgess

receive an M.B.A. Shawn expects to graduate from Middle Tennessee in May of 1992.

"I would like to be ASB president before I graduate, " he



Cathy Miller

One of the candidates for ASB President hopes her years of work with the executive branch will assure her success.

essential Miller believes experience is

Murfreesboro native Cathy Miller graduated from Oakland High School as an active worker in student government.

"I was class president for three years, and as soon as I got here at MTSU I went to the ASB president's office and asked for a job," Miller said.

Her first job here was assigned to her by former ASB President Harry Hosey.

"I walked into the office and told him of the things that I had done at Oakland High and he then appointed me to be the assistant director of Homecoming that year," Miller said.

Currently, she is the executive assistant to current ASB President Todd Burnett. She ASB has really lost touch with the added that it has been this close with Burnett and Homecoming that makes her a well-qualified candidate.

"I've been very involved with having to organize Homecoming, TISL and many ASB events. The president has to know the people to go to and the things that have to be done."

When asked about possible projects, she mentioned a possible lunch forum that would allow students to speak with ASB officials and better communicate

"In the last three years the students. Once the ASB is elected they have to get input from the students," she said.

She also added that the new ASB senators must be more concerned and begin putting more into the ASB.

"Our senators must be there to put in their input and vote on the issues. This should not be a iob taken lightly."

Miller was also asked about recent talk of combining the House and the Senate into one unicameral body.

"I think that it would help our government and it would make for a stronger ASB," Miller said.

She also stated that she feels that the other two candidates are also well qualified, but she still has the edge.

"Abner is real aggressive, yet he does not know the correct way to get things done, and Shawn is a good friend. He (Burgess) is a great candidate, but I still have a better insight on the things to do to get the job done," Miller said.

She hopes the Rec Center debate will cause a high-voter

<u>Campus Capsule</u>

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Jewelry

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The Spring Honors Lecture Series continues March 25 at 3:30 in Peck Hall, 107 with Frank Essex speaking on Wartime Powers of the Presidency.

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Looking Forward, an oncampus support group for sexually abused women, is holding meetings 6-7 p.m. every Thursday in KUC 312. For further information, contact JoAnn at 355-1077.

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Murfreesboro People's Group Alcoholics Anonymous meets 8 p.m. Wednesdays at 601 Bell St. Anyone interested is welcome. For more information (or a ride) call Rick, 898-3190.

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Rowan finds red-tape on the ASB campaign trail

News Editor

For one candidate of the ASB president's seat, the time for championing never came. In January, Mike Rowan began his quest for the presidential seat of the ASB, but now it has all but disappeared. What began as a high-energy push for the seat has ended under a pile of red-taped

Rowan, a marketing major, got the idea for seeking the office when he became upset over handicapped services and the way student reservists had been treated during the last few months.

"Instead of me just getting on a soapbox and bitching about the problems, I decided to go ahead and run," Rowan said.

"I wanted to make sure that there was nothing that I had forgot and the guy there in the office said that there was nothing else to do. I filled out the petition and was ready to run.'

It was soon after that Rowan was confronted by current president Todd Burnett. Burnett consequently told him that he was disqualified to run for the

"He [Burnett] walked up and said that I was disqualified and could not run. I asked him what I had done to be disqualified," Rowan said.

Burnett told him that since he had not been enrolled at

semesters and since he had been campaigning before March 1, that he would be considered disqualified.

"I told him that I would cancel my speaking engagements so that I won't break that rule, and that I had been enrolled here in both the Summer and Spring of 1990. I left last semester to go to the U. of Tennessee because they had better handicap facilities,' Rowan said.

Rowan, who is dyslexic, had to return to this area because his Guard unit was activated, and he had to remain within 100 miles of Smyrna. He decided then to return to MTSU.

looked qualifications, and I had everything to qualify. I talked to Dean Cantrell and we decided that summer school does count as a semester and thus I have attended here two concurrent semesters. The rules do not state that the two semesters have to be prior to the election. He said that he saw no reason why I couldn't run," Rowan said.

After that, Cantrell told Rowan it would be best to take his petition to Allen Hardcastle, the Elections' commissioner.

"For about two weeks I hunted Hardcastle everywhere; I never could catch him. Finally, I found him over at the security office. He looked over the stuff and he saw no reason why I couldn't run. But then, right before I left, he said that he

would take it before the Election Commission."

According to Hardcastle, the commission decided that the rule's original intent was that the candidate had to be in school the two semesters before.

"I then asked the dean if I could go before the school's Supreme Court and argue my case, and he said it would be O.K. I got my information back from Hardcastle and then two days later he had typed a letter why they had denied me the right to run. I took the papers to the dean again, and two more days after then I was told I would have to turn a letter stating my point," Rowan added.

This past Tuesday, Rowan had been set to appear in front of the Supreme Court. However, the ASB office reported that same day that his application had been

"It was then that I decided that something was just not right. I would then have to go back before the Election Commission and then see if I could go to the court. It was useless, the election is the Tuesday following Spring Break and that meant that I could not campaign until Thursday. I just said to forget it," Rowan said.

He still hopes that the ideas he has presented will be one day implemented. "Maybe someone that can represent the student body with everything they have can one day get through all the red tape."

ASB election update

This year's ASB elections are planned for March 26 and 27, the Tuesday and Wednesday following Spring Break. The voting booths will be located in the KUC and Peck Hall.

The race will be between: Shawn Burgess, speaker of the senate; Todd Abner, ASB senator; and Cathy Miller, executive assistant.

"We hope that there will be a large turn-out, seeing that these elections are so important to the student government," ASB President Todd Burnett said.

The election also involves Senate and House elections. The campaigning will conclude Thursday at noon when the ASB will sponsor a "Speakout" for the three presidential candidates.

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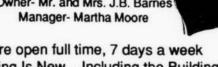
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Candidates: go public

It was not long ago that I complained about the lack of representation in the ASB Senate. Now, I'm about equally distressed with the candidates' presentation of themselves for the public.

I'm not referring to mud-slinging, but rather the problem of "Stealth" candidates. Besides a small scattering of signs around campus, the students haven't had a real chance to meet those running.

Just Tuesday night, Channel 12 had arranged a Presidential Debate with the ASB candidates. I was to be one of three media representatives asked to submit questions to the candidates. However, someone didn't carry out his duty to inform those involved about the event, and the result is the debate may not occur.

The only opportunity students will have to hear the candidates is the ASB Speakout scheduled for Thursday at noon. I hope the event goes as planned, because to most people's surprise, the election is the MONDAY following Spring Break.

I think this is the worst day to have an election. Most can't even name the three candidates, much less remember who they are after a week off.

I will say the three candidates are all qualified, but since the only time we see their faces is when we pass them on a poster board—then who knows what they do or how they feel.

While I'm speaking on making public appearances, why don't the candidates go before the independent students more? Yes, I understand that almost nine out of 10 candidates running are Greek, but it is the president's job to represent everyone.

In this issue, I have written a profile of all three candidates, but I also encourage you to read the story of Mike Rowan, a candidate we at *Sidelines* are endorsing. His case is just another example of how the ASB and those involved can't keep things straight. As you may or may not know, he's not going to be on the ballot. Maybe these profiles will help you decide the best candidate for the job.

I hope that one day our president will be a candidate for EVERYONE!—Tony Kirk

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Letters to the Editor

Abner needs research

To the Editor:

Sunday night I had the pleasure of being at a meeting where Todd Abner, an ASB presidential candidate, spoke. Mr. Abner seemed to be very concerned about the Emergency Phone System proposed by the ASB. He seemed to be concerned that the ASB was standing by and letting the University cut the number of phones from 12 to three. Mr. Abner said the ASB wasn't doing its job in following through with the legislation. Mr. Abner, I would like to know the answer to this question. How do you feel you can be effective as ASB president when you can't even research an issue enough as a candidate to make an accurate and educated statement?

Mr. Abner, let's start at the beginning. The unexpected high cost of the proposed phone system is a result of the trenching cost of laying the cable for the phones. Now let's talk about funding. The university did not want to cut the funding for the phone system. However, due to a statewide budget impoundment at all Board of Regents schools, the extra \$60,000 was just not there.

We have talked about funding and costs; let us now talk about the ASB and where it fits in the picture. The ASB asked the administration for a phone in the Bell Street lot. This phone was going to cost almost \$30,000. The funds were not there. The ASB, with the administration, got a phone put in by South Central Bell. It is a pay phone; however, it costs nothing to call 911. The

ASB also met on Friday, March 8, with a company that installs emergency communication systems. This company works on a radio frequency and their system will do everything the phone system would do. The cost of 12 of these is around \$12,000 and they can be installed in 30 days, which is considerably less than the projected nine months of the other program.

the other program.

Mr. Abner, I would suggest that in the future, if you are elected, that you research an issue before you run your mouth. Good luck in your campaign.

Ginger Massey Box 3360

Paratrooper's thanks

To the Editor:

With only two hours' notice, we stormed into Saudi Arabia on Aug. 9, 1990. Now we stand ready on the border of Iraq. Who are we? We are "America's Guard of Honor," the 82nd Airborne Division. When America calls, we are always ready. From Grenada to Panama and now Iraq. We are among the first. We are the "All Americans".

Several paratroopers, as well as myself, would like to personally thank the students and faculty members of Middle Tennessee State University for their support through letters and cards, and prayers for the paratroopers of the 4th Battalion, 325 Airborne Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division. I would like to especially thank Ms. White for her uplifting letters of support

Only with the support of its citizens can a country stand strong. Americans should be proud of the students and faculty members of MTSU. With your continued support we will destroy the terrorist reign of Saddam Hussein and establish peace in this region. Pray for our success and victory. "Airborne!"

SSG Paul R. Harbison Jr. HHC 4/325 Airborne Infantry Regiment 82nd Airborne Division

Mack wrong in comment

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to Bayer Levince Mack's column in the March 11 issue. Mr. Mack, I fail to see how you can even report on something when you don't have all the facts.

In your article, you state that racial slurs were "directed at the African-American patrons." I was present at the time and the comment (notice the singular) was, to the best of my remembrance, "the only thing I hate worse than fat women is half-raced people." This comment is not directed specifically at African Americans. In fact, it was probably directed at one individual in particular.

You see, Mr. Patrick likes to joke around with his regular customers, and you would know this if you went on a regular basis.

The woman who was allegedly thrown out is probably the same woman who "went of" in Mr. Patrick's face without allowing him to respond to her in any way (and from my vantage point, she appeared to be drunk).

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She is probably the same woman who was not going to be satisfied with getting her \$3 cover charge refunded unless she started a racial riot in the process. It is thereby understandable that she would be asked to leave.

In your article, you state that you were responding to a report on the radio that you heard while you were in Murfreesboro. Please tell me what you were intending to do once you got there (after taking nearly an hour to drive there)! And yes, the club was closed when you got there because it closes at 2:45 a.m. and you couldn't have gotten there before 3:30 a.m. because the comment was made at approximately 2 a.m.

You also state that when you got there, you received an apology from the manager (not the person who made the comment, by the way) that you were not satisfied with. WHY IN THE WORLD SHOULD YOU BE??? You weren't there and you obviously have very little idea of what actually happened. The reason the other employees were uncommunicative is that they had little idea of what happened and were caught in the crossfire. It is always better to remain quiet and not say anything when you don't know all the facts, is it not?

Also, what were your intentions when you relayed your meager information to the unnamed radio station? The only possible outcome would be to aggravate the situation. Everything was already out of proportion when the club closed. You, obviously, could only make it worse. I'm sorry, but I fail to see your reasoning.

In closing, I would like to say that I am not racist in any way, toward anyone (and yes, there are more races than whites and blacks, if you need reminding). Mr. Patrick is a smart businessman (that's why he has four clubs) and he is not going to annihilate two-thirds of his business at Patrick's by making a serious racial comment.

As I stated before, the comment was probably directed at one individual in a joking manner, and has been blown all out of proportion by people like you.

Marc Payeur Box 2771

Taylor makes bid

To the Editor:

This is in response to Mr. Kirk's column, "ASB senators—show up!" I am currently a part of the ASB and I attend the sessions. I was at the last ASB meeting and, yes, attendance was low. The members are representatives of the students and when elected should do the job they promised

This is one of the reasons I am running for Speaker of the Senate in the upcoming ASB elections on March 26 and 27. I feel that senators should be in attendance and try to serve the students as best they can. Attending the Senate meetings and joint sessions is just one of the duties these representatives are expected to perform.

I feel I have the leadership qualities to get those senators to do their job—to get them motivated to work for the students. If elected I intend to be a representative of the students and let them be heard. I want what the students want and I want the other representatives to do their jobs and do what they were elected to do—represent the student body of MTSU.

As Speaker of the Senate, I would see to it that the senators work for the students as they have been elected to do.

Brian Taylor Box A863

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Features

Panelists dare to be different

FERN GREENBANK Staff Writer

"I was never a follower, I was a leader," Dorothy Brown, M.D., General Surgeon.

"Be prepared, pray, seek advice, and above all, be very honest," Bene' Cox, Ph.D., Tennessee Board of Regents.

"Don't try to act like a man. Be proud of who you are," Judge Muriel Robinson-Rice.

"My motto has been, 'don't be defensive, be good'," the Rev. Elizabeth Gilliam.

Four prominent women. Four distinctly different backgrounds. Four unique career paths to success in medicine, law, education and religion. Despite their obvious differences, they have much in common; grace in presence, positive attitudes, talent, and courage.

For those who still believe women don't necessarily succeed on the basis of their merits, but rather that they use feminine wiles, a minority status, and manipulation, Monday afternoon's panel discussion held in the James Union Building entitled "Unique Career Paths for Women" should have been



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mandatory.

"If she can do it, so can I" the old saying goes. Many a guest walked away from Monday's panel with renewed hope that she too could achieve her personal goals.

Perhaps more than any of the guest speakers, Dr. Dorothy Brown exemplified courage in the face of great adversity yet displayed no bitterness toward those people and systems which created obstacles for her on her climb to the top.

Despite being orphaned, black, poor, and female, Dr. Brown knew at the age of five that she wanted to pursue a career in medicine. After having a "wonderful experience" as an appendectomy patient, Dr. Brown resolved then and there that her goal was to become a physician. "Why not be a nurse?" she was asked repeatedly. "Because I want to give the orders," replied the self-proclaimed maverick.

Gilliam's road to ordination was also well- planned. Upon

nearing the completion of her studies at the seminary she intended to pursue additional training in Christian education.

The reverend and her husband, however, decided that were she to move in the direction of Christian education, she would probably be "regulated to the basement of a church," rather than achieving a church assignment as pastor- her personal goal. Gilliam chose the tough road, but in the long run, it has been worth every pothole encountered.

Opportunities present themselves to everyone. What distinguishes successful women from under-utilized women is the ability to see opportunity, to network, to find hidden doors, and to map out a course toward their goals.

Each person's goals are different as are the roads leading toward those goals. Dr. Bene Cox, like the Rev. Gilliam and Dr. Brown, knew what it would take to climb to the top of her profession and she systematically began her ascent.

"In order to achieve tenure and promotion, I knew I had to have my Ph.D." explained Dr. Cox, assistant Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs for the Tennessee Board of Regents and former English professor.

Cox worked full-time while attending graduate school full-time, something she says should be "illegal." With her husband teaching in Chattanooga and her career blossoming in Nashville, this successful young couple decided to make a drastic change in their lifestyle.

A true man of the 90's, Cox's husband relinquished his teaching position with the Tennessee Board of Regents.

Planning. Sacrifice. Hard work. Confidence. The pattern became clear as each of the distinguished speakers shared her story.

Judge Muriel Robinson-Rice, blessed with charm, good looks, and a prominent political family to help open doors, is often the kind of woman we love to hate. That is, until you take the time to appreciate the intelligence and persistence that accompanies the good looks and good fortune.

Even women fortunate enough to have a head start in life ought to be given credit for having the fortitude and common sense required to cash in on this advantage.

"I have to give my daddy credit for where I am today" admits the judge, "He was one of the foremost promoters of women in Nashville.

Robinson-Rice entered the law See DARE, page 7

WORKS ON DISPLAY



Kathy Aday/Photographer

ART WITH A FEELING: In observance of National Women's History month, the Art Department is exhibiting the unusual artistic works of Gloria Crouse, who create highly textured art rugs using variations of hand hooking and sculpting. She uses unique combinations of metal, plastic, paint with yarn and yardage add further contrasts in these floor and wall-pieces. Crouse's work will be on exhibit through March 29. Crouse will also present a lecture on "Hooking Rugs: New Materials, New Techniques," in the Barn Gallery this afternoon at 12:15.

Band rocks M'Boro

If you won't be one of the lucky ones heading for the beach as soon as class lets out Friday, don't be too depressed because you will be able to catch a really hot band at Mainstreet.

Guilt, a band based out of Nashville, will be rocking alongside Valentine Saloon on Friday, March 15.

ANGELA BONDS Band Preview

Guilt has been together for about two years now and their new EP, "Thru The Night " will be released April 1.

All of the material on the EP was written by the members of

If you won't be one of the the band and was produced by acky ones heading for the beach Steve Earle.

According to the guitarist, Chuck Allen, Guilt has been influenced by many bands including Led Zepplin, The Doors, and The Sex Pistols, just to mention a few.

The other members include Tommy McRae, vocals, Skot Nelson, bass guitar, and Harry Rushakoff on drums.

Currently the band is playing some shows in the area while they wait for the EP to be released. They plan to begin touring heavily after its release.

So start your Spring Break off with a little rock 'n roll. Don't miss Guilt Friday night at Mainstreet!

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rm of Jack Norman Sr. upon aduation from law school. lowing uncommon courage for e times, Norman announced to e young female attorney, "In't want you to look things up, want you to be a trial lawyer."

After paying her dues as a trial wyer for 14 years, Robinsontee ran for the office of Circuit dge. Winning the election by 000 votes, a new trend began

Davidson County.
That year, Barbara Haynes was cted to General Sessions, and w, eight short years later, two ore female judges have been cted. Out of the six circuit

judges in Davidson County, three are women.

"We have made great strides" the judge noted proudly, adding that "it hasn't always been easy but I think the men in our profession in Davidson County respect the women judges."

Respect is something that Dr. Cox, the Rev. Gilliam, Judge Robinson-Rice and Dr. Brown deserve. Respect is something we all deserve. Perhaps the most important lesson learned from an hour spent with these four undeniably successful women is that self-respect breeds respect from others. They have respect for themselves. They have the respect of others. The succeeded. So can we.



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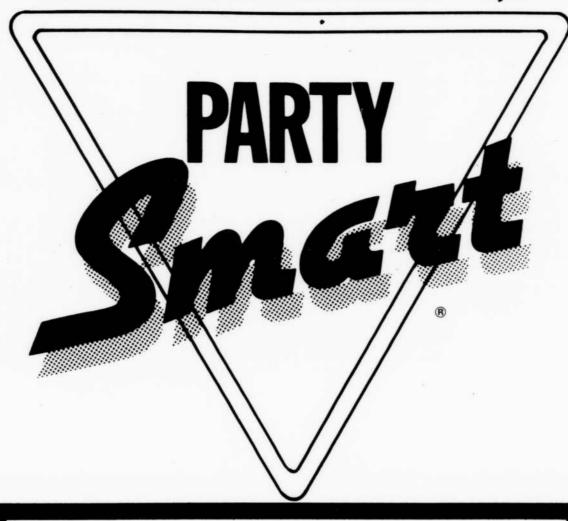


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Purpose

The purpose of the intern program is to provide opportunities for Blacks to participate in a working and learning environment that will enhance their work experience and career development.

Duration

Participants will begin the internship on Monday, June 3, 1991 and will finish the program on Friday, August 2, 1991. Participants will work a 37.5 hour week in the selected department at the Tennessee Board of Regents offices in

Requirements

To be considered, applicants must meet the following criteria:

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- Applicants must have at least a 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.
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 Applicants must complete and submit a Tennessee Board of Regents Application for Black Student Summer Internship Program.
- 6. Applicants must have two persons familiar with their academic and/or work background send letters of
- recommendation to the Tennessee Board of Regents.
 7. Applicants must submit € transcript of all postsecondary study.
- Applicants must submit a statement from the Registrar's Office of their institution verifying their enrollment during the Spring 1991 semester.
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Each participant will receive \$3,000.00 for the ten-week period and a supplemental living allowance of \$800.00, if required. Participants will also be reimbursed for travel to and from Nashville in accordance with TBR regulations.

Deadline

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Contact

For application materials or information contact:

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<u>Sports</u>

Middle's All-American boy

MTSU track star Roland McGhee deemed honor

DIANNE DEOLIVEIRA Staff Writer

Track standout Roland McGhee has achieved an outstanding accomplishment that most athletes only dream about.

He has already become an NCAA All-American in the long jump, as a freshman.

McGhee qualified for the NCAA championships, held in

Indianapolis two weeks ago at the Ohio "Placing sixth really didn't hit me because I Valley Conference lost. I can't stand to lose, period." championships, with a winning jump of 25'4 1/4".

Going into the NCAA competition, he was listed 15th in a field of 16 jumpers from colleges all over the country. The top six places would receive All-American honors. McGhee's 25'-1 1/4" jump was good enough for a sixth place finish and an All-American title. He was also the only freshman in that event, with four juniors and one sophomore finishing ahead of him.

"Roland was very solid. It's always good for a freshman or anyone to get a place in the NCAA; that, of course, is your goal to score and become an All-American," said head coach Dean

"Getting fourth, fifth or sixth place is a really good spot to get

because there is a lot of pressure

-Roland McGhee

if you win the competition as a freshman. It makes it very hard to deal with, not that you would ever turn that down, but it is something that is hard to deal with when you win one too early," continued Hayes.

After accomplishing such a high honor, McGhee said he did not feel that pleased.

"I didn't feel that good

because in a track meet like this, you expect to come in and do your best, jump further than you ever have, and I didn't jump that far. I didn't jump as far as I wanted, or as far as I could have. I know I could do better, I've done it before."

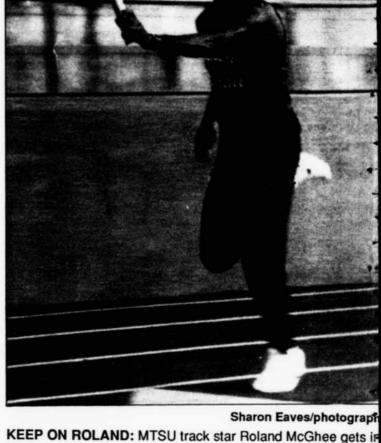
As surprising as this may sound, being unhappy after an All-American performance, one

> must understand that this competitive track star despises losing, something that gives him an optimistic outlook.

"Qualifying was the exciting part.

That made me feel good, but truthfully placing sixth really didn't hit me because I lost. I can't stand to lose, period. My teammates tell me I should be happy that I went to the NCAA's and placed. I didn't expect to score, but I still would not have been happy if I didn't place. It's just the fact that I lost, and not

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little practice time around the football track. McGhee recen earned the honor of All-American, despite only being

Lady Raiders earn split in FL matches Raiders win one, lose one

TONY J. ARNOLD Sports Editor

While students were in school last week, the Lady Raider tennis team was enjoying the Florida sun.

They competed in matches against Syracuse and St. Ambrose. Originally, they were to play three. However, Saturday's match with Evansville was rained out.

Lady Raider Tennis

Things got off to a rocky start Friday with Syracuse when they downed the Lady Raider squad 8-1.

Middle's only win came off the rackets of Carol McPherson and Katrina Beuchler in No. 3 doubles action. They won 6-4, 6-

Sunday, they turned thin around and picked up their thi win of the young season again St. Ambrose 7-2.

Yael Soresman won h match in No. 2 singles action,

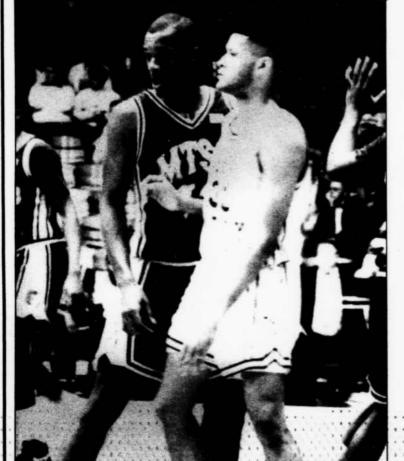
Angie Leake took her No. singles in a three setter, 6-1, 3

Jenny Oliveria also won ee sets, 6-2, 6-7, 6-1 in No. singles.

McPherson glided throur her No. 5 match, 6-2, 6-2-a Beuchler nipped her opponent 3, 4-6, 6-3 in No. 6 singles.

McPherson and Beuch were victorious again in doubl action when teammates Oliver and Soresman took the win in N 2 action.

The Lady Raiders play western Kentucky yesterd afternoon but results we unavailable at press time.



Tony J. Arnold/photographer

SEASON OVER: Blue Raider sophomore Warren Kidd gets ready to defend EKU's Toi Bell during action last week. Middle and Eastern were both expecting NIT calls but they never

No NIT for OVC

TONY J. ARNOLD Sports Editor

Two OVC schools sat around waiting for the phone to ring Sunday night.

Both Eastern Kentucky and Middle Tennessee State were expecting to get invitations to play in the NIT. But the calls never came and the OVC, which didn't have representative in tournament a year ago, has been shut out of the tourny for the second consecutive year.

MTSU was expected to be a shoe-in with their 21-9 record. Eastern was considered a bubble team after going 19-10.

Coppin State, whom the Raiders defeated earlier in the regular season, made the 32team field. Rice also got invited after OVC member Austin Peay destroyed them by 20 points on a neutral floor.

"I've seen some of the See OVC, page 10

shattered.

Will UNLV 'waltz' through 'dance' ?

It's that time of year again.

The time when dreams come true, although most are

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sorrow

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It is the NCAA Tournament.

This year, out of the 64 - team field, there appears to be an overwhelming choice: the UNLV Runnin' Rebels.

Only a handful feel they can be dethroned as they go after their second consecutive title.

Listed below are numerous predictions. These include my own as well as several others who braved the water and went out on the limb with their picks.

'Round the Rim Tony J. Arnold

Tony J. Arnold: I normally like to pick a Cinderella to go all the way.

However, this Sidelines Sports Editor is going with an old pro to take his team all the way.

I'll take Indiana out of the Southeast. Head coach Bobby Knight has all the tools along with a knowledgeable mind. It won't be a cake walk, but the Hoosiers will be eating the icing

when it's all over

My other three picks include North Carolina, UNLV (who Indiana will beat in the finals, 93-84) and Nebraska.

Nebraska?

That's right, Nebraska.

I had to pick at least one

Lewis Bivens: If you have a weak heart, you might want to sit down for this one.

MTSU's Lady Raider mentor not only isn't picking UNLV. He's not even picking them to make the final four.

He's taking Arizona and expects them to down the Rebels in the regionals.

He likes Duke out of the Midwest and expects North Carolina and Arkansas to tango for the championship spot in the East.

Steve Peterson: Coach Peterson knows a good thing when he sees it and UNLV is looking pretty good right now.

While baseball is Peterson's specialty, he expects the Rebels to deliver a few hard knocks as

they travel toward their destiny—the NCAA Championship.

His other three picks include Duke, Syracuse and Arkansas.

Boots Donnelly: Boots is a football man.

He doesn't know enough about college basketball to make his pick.

However, who should care, as long as he keeps going 11-2?

Who knows, a couple a years down the road, his year-round work may bring home Middle's first national crown.

Bruce Stewart: Dick Vitale has referred to Stewart as one of the nation's top young coaches.

But Vitale's comments came a couple of years ago. He's still great, but is he still young?

Well, I don't guess that should matter, but what does is that he definitely knows his basketball and his picks should be pretty accurate.

After all, he did choose Tennessee over Mississippi State last week.

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Application deadline for Summer and Fall Sidelines Editor in Chief is April 5.

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South **Bold** names are Mid predicted winners East West sast. west Tony J Arnold N Carolina Indiana UNLY Nebraska Sidelines Sports Editor Lewis Bivens N Carolina Arkansas Arizona Duke Women's basketball coach Steve Peterson Syracuse Duke Arkansas Baseball coach **Bruce Stewart** N Carolina Arkansas Duke Men's basketball coach Dan Sturm Oklahoma St Indiana UNLV LSU Sidelines Staff Writer Tony Kirk Syracuse Duke Arkansas Sidelines News Editor



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only did I lose, but the person that won is the same guy that has been beating me all year. You get tired of losing to the same person all of the time."

McGhee has been beaten two other times this year, both by the same junior who won the NCAA meet. He will seek revenge this season after working to improve areas like strength and consistency.

"Strength is my weakest point. I need to start lifting more than I have been. I'm also not consistent enough in hiltting the board and doing everything together. That is disappointing to me. I guess that's why I wasn't too happy with my performance this weekend. I

know I can do better because I've had jumps that were closer to 26', but were fouls."

Having a competitive nature and wanting to excel is how McGhee began his long jumping career in the eighth grade.

During a track meet he was supposed to run the 100 meters. One of his friends, who also ran the 100 in the same times as Roland, was entered in the long jump.

"I saw my friend warming up and it didn't look like he could long jump. It looked like he was going to embarrass himself, so I asked him if he wanted to switch events. My coach said it was okay, so I jumped and I liked it. I thought I had won, and I was already winning by a lot. I passed on my

last jump, then somebody else that had been doing another field event came over and beat me by an inch. I hadn't lost since that first time until I was a junior in high school."

McGhee's success in high school opened the door for college recruits such as the . University of Tennessee, Georgia Tech, Georgetown University, Maryland, Wake Forest, and St. Johns. He chose MTSU because of Hayes.

"I got a phone call from Coach Hayes, so I checked out his credentials and I liked what he had done and what he can do. I figured he's been an Olympic coach and has coached so many All-Americans and other people that have gone far in the jumps, so I figured I would come to him

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too. I liked what the school had to offer. You can go to a big school and have a coach that doesn't know what he's doing. So far I've done a lot more than I expected, and the year isn't over yet. I guess I made the right decision."

Besides personal success, McGhee is one of the leading scorers on the team and has led the men to their first OVC title in their first year back as a sport. He is the OVC long jump and triple jump champion, and the runner-up in the 200 meters.

"Roland has a lot of ability because he can also sprint and triple jump. It gives him good possibilities for the future. Next year, hopefully, he can have the triple jump in terms of an NCAA quality event, and that will be the goal. NCAA is a good flavor to help encourage you as far as really doing good the rest of your college career, so I think that's the biggest possibility out there," says Hayes.

McGhee hopes to compete on another team one day, such as the Olympic team, or for the Pan Am Games, or the Goodwill Games.

"I want to be on an Olympic team or a real prestigious team. I want to go to a competition where only the best in the world will be, that is my goal. That's an accomplishment to me."

McGhee's despise for losing will spark the burning passion for his desire to win.

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teams in the field and I don't know what the committee is trying to do," OVC Commissioner Dan Beebe said. "I'm very perplexed and upset and I'm trying to figure out their thinking."

It also caught Raider mentor Bruce Stewart by surprise.

"It's a big surprise that we're not going," Stewart said. "We were 6-6 in our league and maybe that hurt us.

"I thought the way we finished the year would have helped us."

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He'll take the Rebs in "Dance" with North Carolina, Duke and Arkansas grasping at their coattails.

Dan Sturm: While most people have given up on the "Shack" attack, one of my loyal writers hasn't.

He expects LSU, with the services of Shaquille O'Neal, to emerge from the Midwest and give UNLV a run to make it to the finals.

However, it won't matter who the victor is because Bobby Knight will be invincible in the finals after they down Oklahoma State in the East semifinals.

Tony Kirk: Hands down, UNLV will walk away with the

Sidelines News Editor expects UNLV to roll past Duke in the semifinals.

In the finals, they'll meet the winner of the Syracuse-Arkansas match-up.

He also warns that Coastal Carolina will give Indiana more than they want in the opening round.

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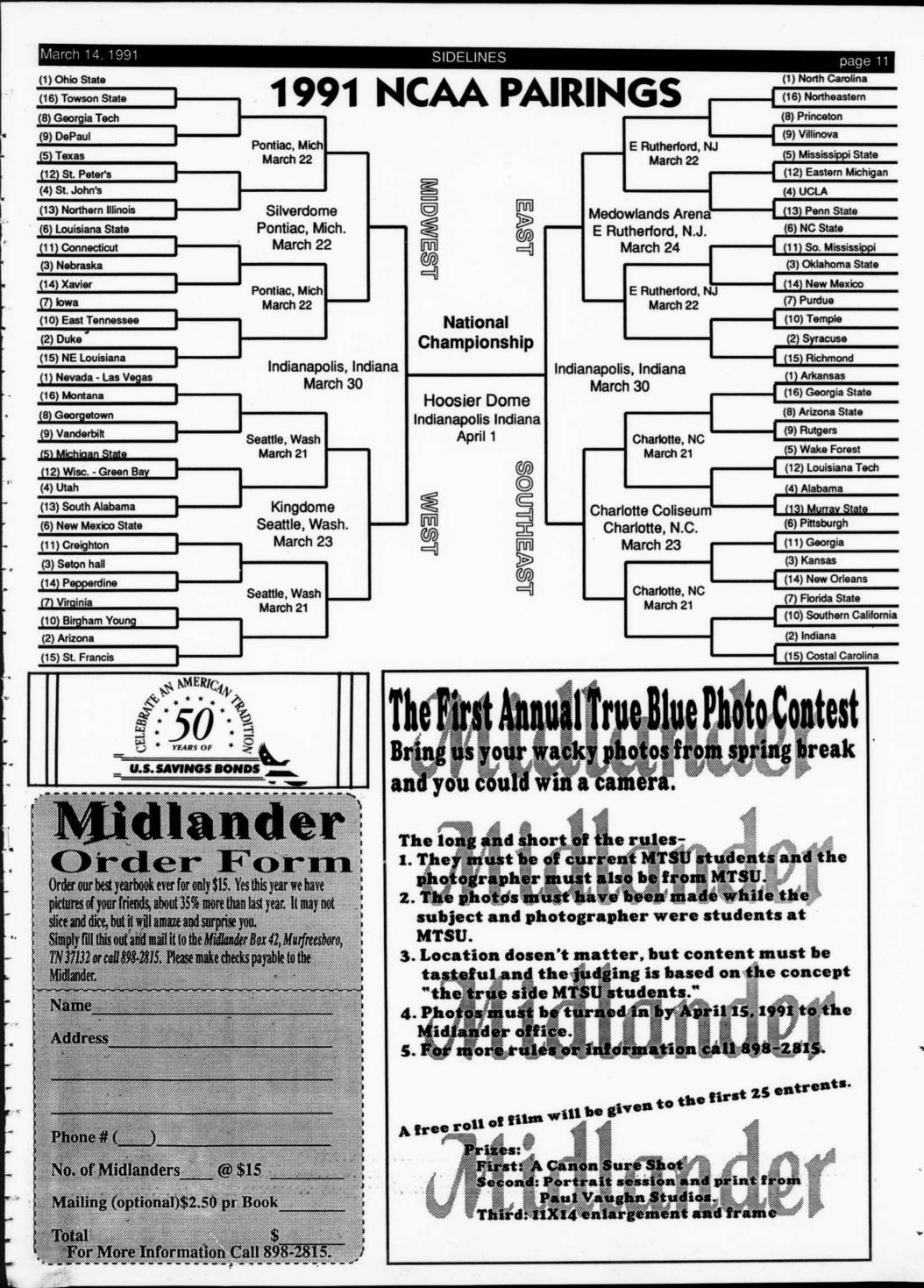
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