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## Police trace \$2,200 spending spree

Student, juvenile complice caught on videotape using professor's stolen credit card

By Matthew Kelly  
Police Reporter

A credit card stolen from a professor's locker at the Recreation Center two weeks ago had MTSU Police following a money trail to stores all over Murfreesboro.

According to police, that trail eventually led to a student and his 17-year-old accomplice.

Freshman James Dustin Sampley, 18, of 1620 Battleground Drive in Murfreesboro, was arrested last week and has been charged with burglary, felony theft, fraudulent use of a credit card and attempted fraudulent use of a credit card.

His alleged accomplice faces the same charges, but police are not releasing the juvenile's name.

It all started Jan. 30 around 7 p.m., when the professor happened to go to the Rec Center to work out around the same time Sampley and his friend arrived.

"The student stated he was in the locker room when the victim came in," Lt. Darrell Collins said, "and he saw the victim did not lock his locker."

The victim told police, however, that he believes he did lock

his locker. Collins said investigators are not sure whether the locker was secured or not.

Regardless of how the locker was entered, it still constitutes a burglary because the victim had the expectation that his belongings would be safe, according to Matt Foster, the investigating officer.

Sampley told police that he and his friend took the victim's

wallet containing a credit card and a blank check.

Then, most likely to delay the victim's discovery of the crime, they placed a lock that Sampley had checked out last semester on the locker and left the Rec Center, according to Collins.

The suspects told Foster that they didn't go to the Rec Center with the intention of committing the crime.

"It was just a spur of the moment thing," Foster said. "It was a crime of opportunity."

Within 20 minutes of the theft, the suspects were charging items to the professor's credit card, Foster said.

Police say Martin and his accomplice first went to Electronic Express where they

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## Pucker up



Matt Thompson and Bethany Pettit demonstrate their ability to kiss in front of a couple hundred students Thursday on The Knoll.

Photo by Matthew H. Starling | Chief Photographer

By Jonathan Harrison  
Staff Writer

The students kissing on The Knoll Thursday weren't just suffering from an early bout of Spring Fever. They were participating in a demonstration sponsored by the Ideas and Issues Committee of Student Programming.

The demonstration was led by William Cane, author of *The Art of Kissing*. Cane has a simple message: kissing is good. It is important. And most people would like more of it.

His book has been translated into 18 different languages.

Cane used student volunteers, randomly paired into couples, to demonstrate different kissing techniques. The volunteers, who received a \$20 gift certificate to Phillips Bookstore, had signed up before the event and met with Cane to rehearse and perfect their kisses.

The first demonstration involved the female volunteers standing behind their seated male partners and pretending to snip away at their hair with scissors, then moving in for the inevitable kiss.

Cane describes the kiss as "some of the pleasures of eating without the nourishment."

Most people remember their first romantic kiss, Cane said. That highlights the importance that kissing can add to a moment, he added.

Cane first asked the women in the crowd, "What do you like the most about kissing?"

According to Cane, most would answer, "Breathing in someone else's space. Sharing the essence of life which is air."

He then posed the same question to the men, replying for them: "A violent, wet mouth."

The crowd gradually began to lose interest as Cane moved the volunteers

through various kissing positions. The crowd responded well to the first few examples, but by the time Cane got through the "dentist fantasy" and demonstrating different uses for the nose and eyelashes, the crowd had been reduced to a few of the volunteers' friends or fans, and some very confused latecomers.

After the demonstrations were over, the audience voted for their favorite pair of kissers. The winners, Lindsey Keen and Adam Bartholomew, were awarded tickets to the upcoming Widespread Panic concert on campus. ♦

## Backpack heist leads to student arrest

By Matthew Kelly  
Police Reporter

A student was arrested Wednesday for allegedly stealing a backpack from the Keathley University Center and then selling one of the books he had stolen to the bookstore.

Freshman Jared L. Martin, 19, of 122 County Road 750 in Athens, Tenn., was charged with theft from a building under \$500.

The arrest is the second in under a week for Martin by MTSU Police.

University police arrested him Feb. 2 after a traffic stop in the Health Services parking lot and charged him with driving under the influence — first offense, simple possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and felony introduction of drugs into the penal system.

Monday morning, at approximately 10:35 a.m., a female student reported to police that she left her backpack in the KUC lobby while she went into the Grill to buy some food. When she returned a few minutes later, her backpack was gone.

The backpack contained a

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## Fukushima University officials visit campus

By Lindsey Turner  
Staff Writer

Officials from Japan's Fukushima University were on campus Monday through Wednesday last week, observing various programs at MTSU.

Masako Shigihara from international exchange, Makiko Shirota from library services, and Yoshimasa Tomita from the facilities construction and engineering department were escorted around campus by Kiyoshi Kawahito, a professor of economics and finance at MTSU.

According to Kawahito, who is also the director of the Japan-U.S. Program, the trio visited MTSU to better learn how programs are managed here and take some of those ideas back to Japan to improve Fukushima's existing policies and services.

Kawahito feels that the visit

was unique because the visiting parties were neither students nor professors from FU.

"It is unusual, in a sense," Kawahito said. "When we say 'university exchange,' we [usually] mean either faculty or students. But when [FU's] President Yoshihara came here last year...he said 'I wish I could show this to our admissions and professional staff. There are so many good ideas we could learn from MTSU.'"

The guests were honored at an open reception given at the MTSU Foundation House Tuesday night, during which they received gifts from local merchants and university departments.

In January 2000, the Japan Center of Tennessee and the U.S.-Japan Economic and Educational Partnership Project joined to form the Japan-U.S. Program. Commonly called the

"Japan Program," it retains all the education-related functions of both the JCT and the UJEEPP.

Over the past year, the Japan Program has helped bring Japanese culture-related events to campus and the Middle Tennessee area. The Hiroshima/Nagasaki A-Bomb Exhibition, the Albert Schweitzer/Hideyo Noguchi Exhibition, and the Hiroshima Boys Choir Reception and Concert are just three of the major events that the program either sponsored or co-sponsored.

Other achievements in the program's first year include the implementation of the Japan Field Study 2000, the exchange of students and faculty members with FU, visits to K-12 schools by staff and volunteers, launching a homepage for the

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Photo by Lindsey Turner | Staff

Don Craig, dean of the library, along with Professor Kiyoshi Kawahito show visitors from Japan's Fukushima University around the University Library. Fukushima University is MTSU's sister school in Japan.

# Deadline approaching for Outstanding Teacher nominations

By Kristy Adams  
Staff Writer

Five MTSU faculty members will receive the 35th annual Outstanding Teacher Award and a \$3,000 check at the 2001 Fall Convocation.

The MTSU Development Foundation funds these awards where students, faculty and alumni vote for their favorite teacher. Those making nominations this year will have until March 13 to turn in their ballots. Red nomination forms were distributed to all campus mailboxes.

Nominees must meet certain criteria, said Faye Johnson, chair of the Outstanding Teacher Award Committee. They must have taught at MTSU for four years and must be full-time professors, teaching at least eight hours. Winners of the award within the last five years are ineligible to win this year.

To be considered, the teacher has to be nominated more than once. Two out of the three groups — students, faculty, and alumni — have to nominate the same staff member. One of the two groups also must have at least two votes for that nominee.

"It takes a minimum of three nominations," Johnson said.

Johnson has been involved with the award for the past five years. The eight- to 10-member committee consists of students, faculty, alumni and representatives from the Office of Information Technology and the foundation.

The committee's job is "to oversee the process to be sure that it's carried out in terms of guidelines," Johnson said.

Students and colleagues of the nominee fill out a checklist with questions based on the teacher. The student checklist

counts for 75 percent of the scoring and the faculty checklist counts for 25 percent.

OIT then takes the evaluations, runs the data through a computer and calculates the highest scores. The top five scores are then honored with the Outstanding Teacher Award.

Cindi Smith-Walters was honored to win the award last year.

"Just to be nominated is an honor in itself," Smith-Walters said. "Folks sometimes don't expect to be recognized for excellence in teaching. I was very pleased, very proud."

People have already begun turning in nominations for this year.

Freshman Kristi L. Crafton nominated her English teacher, Carol Dudinetz.

"She cares about her students and goes the extra mile for them," said Crafton.

Senior Gretchen Kelly nominated her genetics professor, Kevin Downs.

"He's so much more down to Earth than other teachers," Kelly says. "I got As because of him."

The committee is looking into revising the checklists, said Johnson. They hope to make the

questions more personal to the professors and their methods of teaching. These revisions will not be made until next year, however.

In past years, more students have made nominations than faculty and alumni. So far this year, a large number of nominations have been turned in. The committee hopes to have a bigger turnout than previous years.

For further information go to the Cope Administration Building, Room 119 or call 898-2880. ♦

## Backpack: Arrest marks second in week for freshman; caught on videotape

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lator also valued at \$100, a \$30 biology manual, a calculus book worth \$65, a \$10 black umbrella, notes, keys and a calendar. The backpack itself is valued at \$50.

The total loss amounted to \$335.

Another student witnessed the theft and gave police a description of the suspect. Two officers searched the area but did not find the backpack or the suspect.

Approximately two hours later, police received a report that a bag matching the stolen

backpack's description was sitting to the side of Corlew Hall. Police retrieved the backpack, identified it as the victim's, and returned it to her.

The only item missing from the backpack was the calculus textbook.

The investigating officer, Missy Hellstrom, then notified Phillip's Bookstore to be on the lookout for an individual matching the suspect's description who tried to return a calculus textbook.

At approximately 3:24 p.m. the same day, an individual sold Phillip's Bookstore a calculus book and received \$20 for it.

Hellstrom reviewed the store's videotape and the individual matched the suspect's description from the theft.

The book sold to the bookstore also had pink highlights in it — matching the description given by the victim of her book.

In addition, the individual had signed his name on a receipt at the bookstore identifying himself as Jared Martin.

Hellstrom checked Martin's schedule. He is not currently enrolled in any calculus class.

The witness and the bookstore clerk both felt they could identify the suspect again and both agreed to participate in a

lineup if necessary.

The following morning, Hellstrom obtained a warrant charging Martin with theft from a building under \$500.

She then left a message for Martin to contact her. Martin stopped by the police station approximately 10 a.m. where he was read his rights and placed under arrest.

According to police reports, on the way to the jail Martin stated that he did steal the book, but not the backpack. Hellstrom countered that they had a witness who saw him steal the backpack.

Martin then admitted that

he had also stolen the backpack, and said he would write that in a statement, according to Hellstrom's report.

Once he got to the jail, however, he reportedly changed his mind — repeating that he only stole the book and not the backpack. He told Hellstrom that the witness could not possibly identify him because he was wearing different clothes at the time he stole the book than when he sold it to the bookstore.

Martin's bond was set at \$2,000. He is due to appear before the Rutherford County General Sessions Court March 29. ♦

The winners of Friday night's scholarship pageant were Miss Middle Tennessee State University Ashley Brooks and Miss Middle Tennessee Blue Raider Leah Leonard. Both winners are eligible to compete in the Miss Tennessee pageant and will receive \$1000. For the full story see Wednesday's Sidelines.

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# Romance novelist to visit publishing class

Amanda Virgillito  
Contributor

Lynne Hutchison, MTSU graduate and debut romance novelist, will be speaking to a book publishing class tomorrow.

The course, taught by Ann Haugland, focuses on the publishing industry, including the steps involved in the publishing process and the opportunities and challenges that face the book industry.

Hutchison's novel, *Summer's End*, was released Jan. 15, which will allow her to discuss both the perks and downfalls of having a book published from a present tense perspective.

Haugland, a former professor of Hutchison, said she is "trying to bring in a lot of professionals to talk about all the steps in book publishing."

The seminar in media issues course "[is] structured to be an introduction to the book industry," Haugland said. "[It offers journalism students] options other than working for a newspaper."

Hutchison, who writes under the pen name Lynne Hayworth, will offer a unique viewpoint because she works both as a writer and an editor for a publishing company. She is the managing editor for a medical textbook for Vanderbilt University Medical Center and McGraw-Hill Publishing.

"Primarily, I'll relate my own personal experience with having



Hutchison

three books published," Hutchison said, "such as how I got my agent, my book deal, all the steps a book goes through to get published, [and] who does what at the publishing house. If there's time, I'll talk a bit about actually being an editor for a huge New York publisher."

Surprisingly, Hutchison's work as managing editor blends with her romance novels.

"Oddly, it was my knowledge of herbal medicine and medical history that landed me the job as editor of Goodman & Gilman's," Hutchison said.

*Summer's End* includes passages about herbs, and the heroine has extensive knowledge about herbal remedies.

"Many modern drugs are derived from herbs once used by healers," Hutchison said.

Hutchison is also influenced

by those closest to her while writing.

Tom Hutchison, a professor in the recording industry department at MTSU, is her husband and the inspiration for the hero in her novel.

Hutchison's background not only covers publishing, but also editing and public relations, all of which she studied at MTSU.

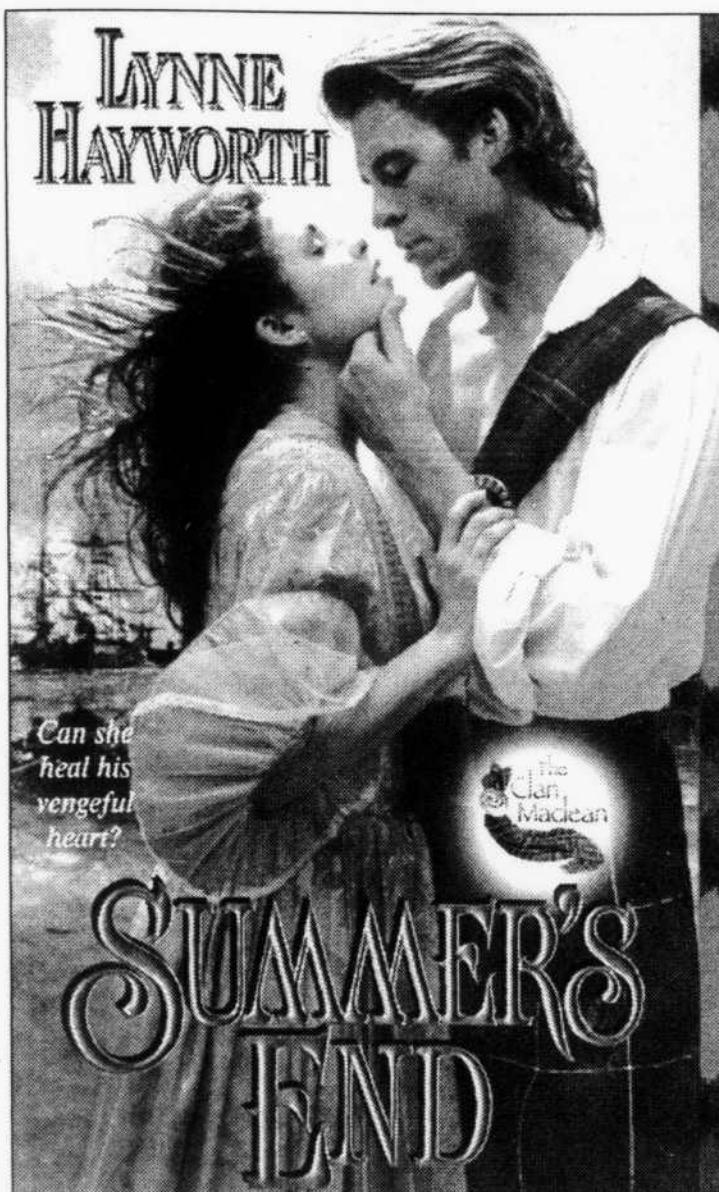
"I got on the magazine journalism track because I'd edited several journals and magazines, and planned to keep doing that," she said. "I had to get the degree because you cannot advance in a professional job without one."

In addition to a degree, Hutchison encourages aspiring writers to write on a regular basis and to learn from those more experienced.

"Some writers, maybe about two, are born gifted. The rest learn the craft," she said. "We read books on writing, we read outstanding literature, we attend seminars and classes, we never stop learning. Writing, day in and day out, year in and year out, is what makes you a writer."

Hutchison intends to discuss the publishing business in the most realistic way possible.

"I'm convinced what separates published authors from non-published authors is toughness," she said. "This isn't art, it's commerce, [which is] the hardest lesson of all. It's about money in the publisher's pocket. If you start viewing your work as a perfect, pristine art form that cannot



be touched, you won't be published."

Her class lecture will stress

this business attitude, she said. "Basically, it will be straight talk with nothing held back." ♦

## Spree: Arrests lead to recovery of items purchased with stolen credit card

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purchased \$1152 worth of car stereo equipment with the stolen card. They were both caught on video tape making the purchase, Foster said.

Collins said they proceeded to Wal-Mart where they tried to make a \$591 purchase, but the card was denied. Again, they were both caught on videotape, Foster said.

Their next stop was Old Navy

where they allegedly purchased two jackets worth a total of \$53.

Police say the two suspects then went to Office Max where they tried to make a \$454 purchase, but the card was denied.

They also tried to purchase \$1 worth of gas, but the card was again denied. They reportedly threw the credit card and the blank check out the car's window somewhere on Thompson Lane, but neither have been found, police said.

They purchased, or attempted to purchase, a total of \$2272 worth of merchandise, Collins said.

While reviewing the tape at Wal-Mart, a security officer identified the juvenile suspect as a Wal-Mart employee, Foster said.

Armed with the juvenile's name, Foster went back to the Rec Center and went through the records where he discovered that Sampley had signed in the

juvenile around the time the theft had been committed.

Sampley subsequently admitted committing the crimes and signed a confession. He had one of the stolen jackets but stated that the remainder of the items were in the juvenile's vehicle.

Foster obtained a search warrant for the vehicle, but by the time he got to the juvenile's house Feb. 5 to serve the warrant, the juvenile had been tipped off, he said.

Based on the evidence already obtained, however, Foster placed the juvenile under arrest and transported him to the Juvenile Detention Center.

When the juvenile appeared in court the next day, he brought all the items with him, Foster said.

All the items purchased with the stolen credit card have been recovered but are being held in police custody until the trial is over, Collins said. ♦



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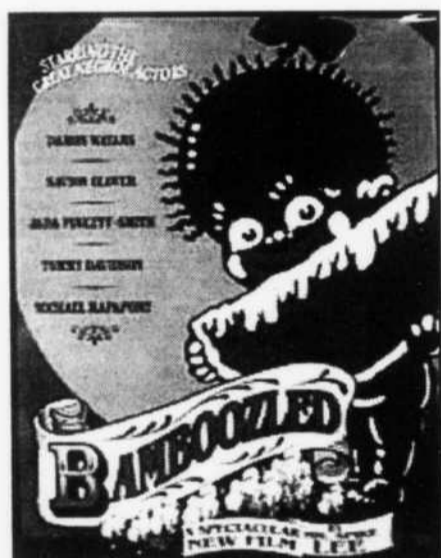
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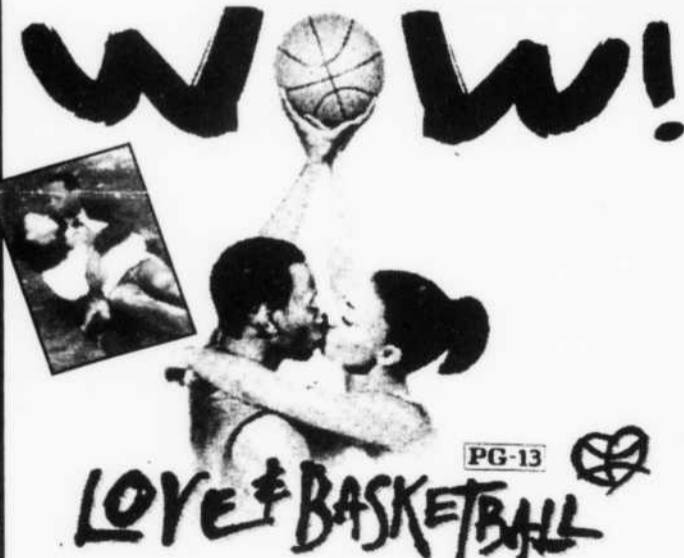
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# Dealing with the cost of college

## Financial Aid allows students many ways to afford an education

By Lera Rooker  
Staff Writer

Students who are forced to work long hours to pay for their college tuition have options. Financial aid programs offer students alternatives for funding their education.

Several types of federal aid and scholarships are available to MTSU students.

David Hutton, director of Financial Aid, said the first step in applying for any type of student aid, whether scholarship, loan or grant, is filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid Form. Students can pick up this form at the Financial Aid office or apply over the internet at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).

"The FAFSA must be on file before the student can apply for scholarships or loans," Hutton said. A FAFSA application takes three weeks to process if submitted electronically and four to eight weeks if submitted by mail.

The FAFSA will determine whether a student is eligible for federal Pell Grants, which a student does not pay back; federal

Perkins Loans, which is a low-interest federal loan based on financial need, and subsidized loans, which students are not charged interest.

Hutton said that Stafford Loans are available to almost all students. These loans are lent through banks, and the money is either deposited in your student account on the first day of class or the bank writes a check to the student toward the end of the first week of classes.

Once students have their FAFSA on file, they can fill out and submit a loan request form to the Financial Aid office. If a student is a first-time borrower, he or she must complete an entrance interview with the chosen bank and sign a master promissory note.

Considering the amount of time involved, Hutton recommended filling out and submitting the FAFSA and loan applications as early as possible to avoid any problems or delays. He added, "I suggest that students fill out and submit a FAFSA when they do their taxes."

MTSU also awards students already enrolled at the university

departmental scholarships. The amount of people who submit scholarship applications determines the amount of money awarded.

"I have awarded students that met the deadline and had a GPA of 3.5 up to \$300 and students with a GPA higher than a 3.5 up to \$400," Hutton said, adding that the more people who apply the less amount of money that can be awarded. The scholarship application deadline is March 1.

Students with financial aid are required to meet the university's Academic Progress Policy. According to Hutton, students must pass 66 percent of their classes. The percentage is based on the student's cumulative hours. If a student falls below 66 percent, he or she will be placed on academic probation until the student reaches the required standard.

If, after a semester on academic probation, the student has not met the policy, financial aid will be suspended for one semester. Continued failures to meet the standard of 66 percent will result in continued suspensions of financial aid.

Students on financial aid must remember that a withdrawal from the university affects the status of their loans. If a student withdraws before 66 percent of the term has been completed, they have received more aid than earned and must return excess funds. For example, if a student only completes 50 percent of the semester, they only get 50 percent of the assistance awarded.

"It is better for a student to drop a class and avoid a withdrawal from the university," Hutton said.

Amy McCarty, a junior majoring in early childhood education, takes advantage of the university's financial aid programs.

"Although you may encounter some hassles, such as filling out paperwork and encountering delays, it is always good to know the money for tuition will be there," she said.

Further information and application forms can be found at the Financial Aid office or the university Web site at [www.mtsu.edu/~fin\\_aid/forms.htm](http://www.mtsu.edu/~fin_aid/forms.htm).

## Japan: Visitors from sister university observe MTSU in action

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program and Asia workshops for high school teachers.

The program, headed solely by Kawahito, employs no full-time staff members. Instead, two undergraduate students, Jennifer Koentop and Asaka Midorikawa, and two graduate

students, Jeremy Matheson and Natsuko Tatsuta, help Kawahito maintain the program.

In 2001, the Japan Program hopes to expand both the number of school visits made and the amount of education assistance provided. New projects are likely to take shape this year, and Kawahito is considering

adding a full-time clerical worker to the program staff.

Because the program does not participate in "aggressive" fundraising projects, its existence is primarily dependent upon contributions from the public.

The staff hopes that, eventually, a Japan-U.S. Education and

Culture Center will be built on campus, complete with a traditional Japanese garden, theatre, museum, meeting space, and program office.

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## Prince: Conflicting images

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spective. But when his photos break the barrier of reality to become impossible, he loses interest and moves on.

Prince will lecture about the evolution of his work and show some of his newer digital work, where he appropriates images from the Internet to create abstract work in color.

Nearly all of the photographs in "All Possible Worlds" came out of the darkroom.

Prince uses two enlargers so he can adjust the settings properly for each negative and leave them that way. After exposing his paper in one enlarger, he moves it to the second one.

Prince experimented with various ways to mask the paper, so that unwanted material in the negatives would not get exposed onto it.

"Now I just use my hands," he says. "Sometimes a piece of cardboard if it's a straight line."

The seamless fusion of the negatives helps make the images seem plausible.

"It's good for students to see somebody who's that proficient in the darkroom," says MTSU Professor Tom Jimison. "[Prince] blends them perfectly."

The show was mounted by Northern Kentucky University and curated by the institution's art professor Barry Andersen. Jimison, the curator of the Baldwin Photographic Gallery, spotted the show last year in Cincinnati, where it was on exhibit as part of the annual conference of the Society of Photographic Education.

"When I saw the show and found out they were going to make it a traveling show, I was able to book it," says Jimison, who also teaches photography at MTSU.

Jimison met Prince at the conference but estimates he's been familiar with Prince's work

for about 30 years.

"They're like dreams," Jimison says of the whimsical photographs. "They seem right, but they're never quite believable. They're a stretch of the imagination, but they're possible. We know it didn't happen, but it could have."

Prince's photographs deliberately parallel the way we randomly make connections in dreams. Illogical things, Prince says, can be meaningful too.

"All Possible Worlds" will be displayed through Feb. 28 at the Baldwin Photographic Gallery in the Learning Resource Center on the MTSU campus. Tonight's slide and lecture presentation will be held at 7:30 p.m. in room 104 of the Bragg Mass Communication building. A reception will be held in the gallery following the lecture. The gallery is open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, 8 to 11:45 a.m. on Saturdays and 6 to 9:45 p.m. on Sundays. ♦

## ON CAMPUS

Compiled By Leslie Fike • Assistant Copy Editor

Monday, Feb. 12

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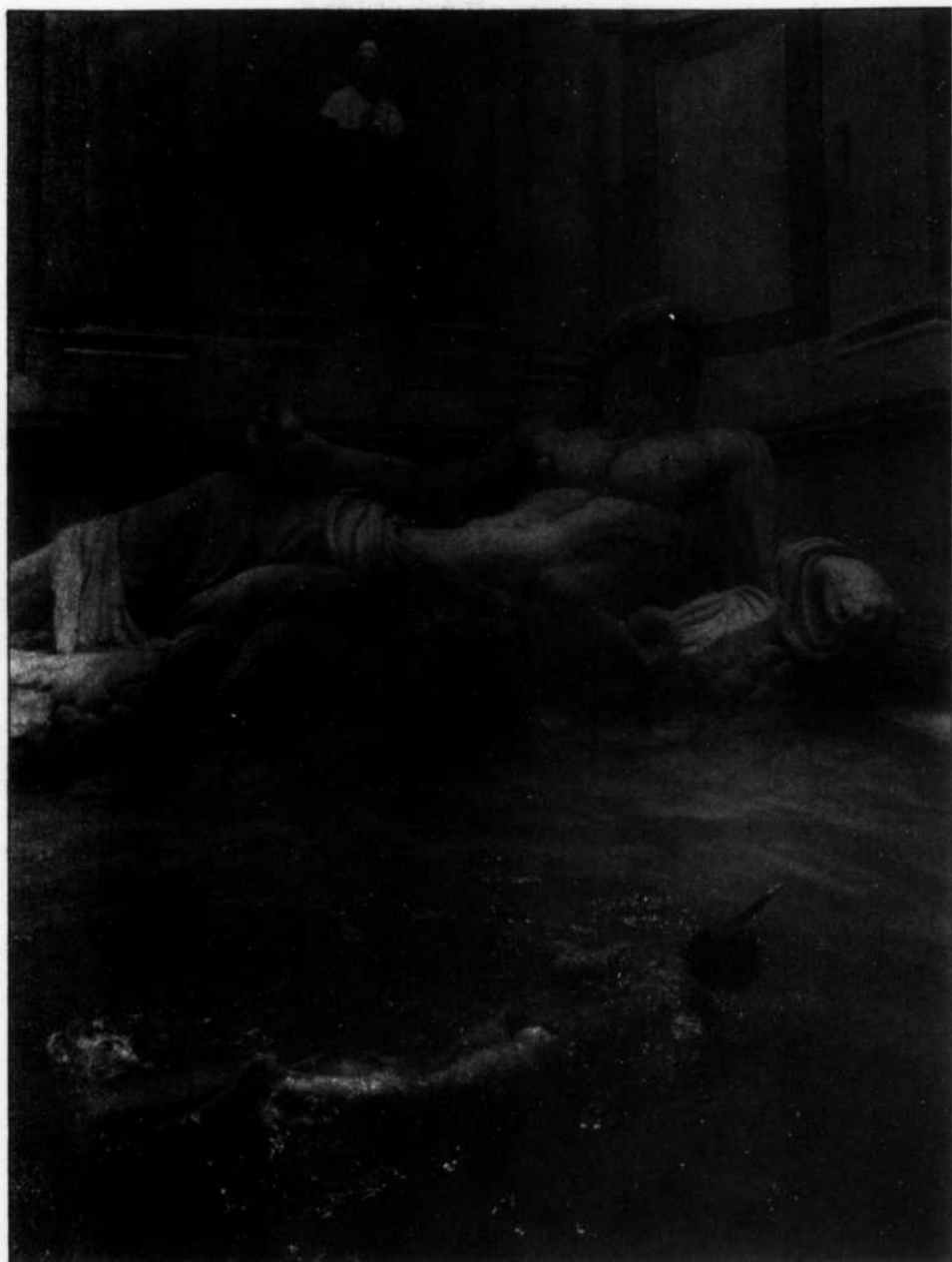
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Monday, February 12, 2001

Murfreesboro, TN

## Artist formally known as 'Prince'

### Doug Prince lectures on photography tonight



"Boy in Fountain" by Doug Prince is displayed in the Baldwin Photographic Gallery.

By Nathalie Mornu  
Staff Writer

At the McWherter Learning Resources Center, a formal living room has a sand-strewn floor erupting with sand castles, and a campfire blazes in the middle of the floor of a high-ceiling room. As a majestic statue of Poseidon looks on, a boy snorkels in a fountain. Behind two boys drawing on a beach, a gigantic ocean liner is moored an impossible 30 feet from shore.

The *Twilight Zone* hasn't come to MTSU; but the Baldwin Photographic Gallery is exhibiting the works of photographer Doug Prince, called "All Possible Worlds."

Prince lectures on his work tonight at 7:30 in room 104 of the Bragg Mass Communication building with a reception to follow.

Prince's photographs merge two negatives to produce an often surprising, and sometimes unsettling, image of constructed reality. The ordinary meaning of reality becomes altered by a subtle shift in context. Other photos seem like straight shots, but have a barely definable peculiarity that leaves the viewer uncertain whether the photo has been manipulated.

"I'm looking for a balance point or a fulcrum between two opposites," says Prince.

He describes the work in this show as an alternate reality.

In his artist's statement at the exhibit, he writes: "I strive to take photographs where the mundane is transformed into the rare, and the

image transcends the subject."

He says he's interested in contrast, contradiction, juxtaposition, entropy and creation.

"It's about constructing events that seem significant to me — where something has more meaning — and finding things that transcend my perception of everyday living."

"And I don't really know what that means," he adds with a laugh.

Along with 60 black and white prints, the exhibit features a dozen photo sculptures. The sculptures, dioramas made of layers of sandwiched transparent film, have a hyper-real 3-dimensional quality. The exhibit covers about 30 years of work.

Prince says it can take a lot of time to collect the foreground and background negatives for his photos.

"Sometimes the elements are decades apart and thousands of miles apart," Prince says.

For example, the weimaraners, portrayed in an Italian countryside, never saw that part of the world, and there were only three pups originally. Conversely, the giant ship, 30 feet from shore, was really there (its captain ran it ashore in a bad storm), but the boys never played in front of it.

"An important thing for me was to maintain the veracity of the image," Prince says. "I think of myself as a straight photographer. I expand myself in the darkroom."

He plays with a mixture of viewpoints and spatial expansion by altering the rules of per-

See Prince, 7

## Superdrag shakes the JUB

By Heather Glass  
Staff Writer

Fans filled the James Union Building Wednesday, eagerly awaiting a first time Superdrag performance here at MTSU. Contrary to the group's name, they are not cross dressers. They are, however, a successful modern rock group.

The performance proves this when the band arrives on the brightly lit stage, and the crowd screams and cheers with expressions showing they are ready to rock.

"I've been a fan for years," says student Melanie Plemons. "This is the fourth show I've been to. I was excited when I heard the band was coming here to play."

Her husband, Jay Plemons, says this is his third show and he likes Superdrag's unique style.

Judging from the energy at Wednesday's show, the band has a large enthusiastic fan group.

Superdrag isn't new to the Murfreesboro area. They performed at Sebastian's, on The Square, during the spring and fall of last year.

The band consists of three members: drummer Don Coffey; guitar player, singer and writer

John Davis and bass player Sam Powers.

Powers is a 1993 graduate of MTSU and has a bachelor's degree in the recording industry. His home base is in Nashville, where he lives with his wife from Knoxville in advertising. Davis and Coffey are from Knoxville, Tenn., where Powers met them, and they decided to form a band in '93.

"It's awesome" to have come this far, says Powers. "I've always wanted to do this."

Playing at MTSU is just one of the many stops, however, on the band's tour that began in January. Superdrag has toured throughout the United States — from places like Boise, Idaho to Portland, Maine.

"Typically, we do five or six one-night stands a week," says Powers.

The band left for Birmingham, Ala. on Friday after the concert.

They have toured with huge bands such as: Weezer in 1996, Green Day in 1998 and Ben Folds Five.

The band has three albums and two EPs. Their first album is called *Regretfully Yours* and debuted in 1996. Their sophomore album is called *Head Trip in Every Key*.

"Do the Vampire," on the second album, is one

of my favorite

songs by

Superdrag,"

says Andrew

Fitzmaurice, a

freshman and

RIM major who

attended the

show. "Superdrag

has good melodies

and are strong vocally.

I liked hearing them live

for the first time. They

sounded great."

In the *Valley of Dying Stars* is their

newest recording and their third full-length

album.

Powers describes their music as modern rock

with a 60's pop influence.

Their tunes can be heard on radio stations:

Lightning 100, Vanderbilt's station WRVU and

88.3 WMTS.

However, Superdrag has come a long way from

just being played on local radio stations.

They made two videos in California that aired

on MTV — one on *120 Minutes*, and the other,

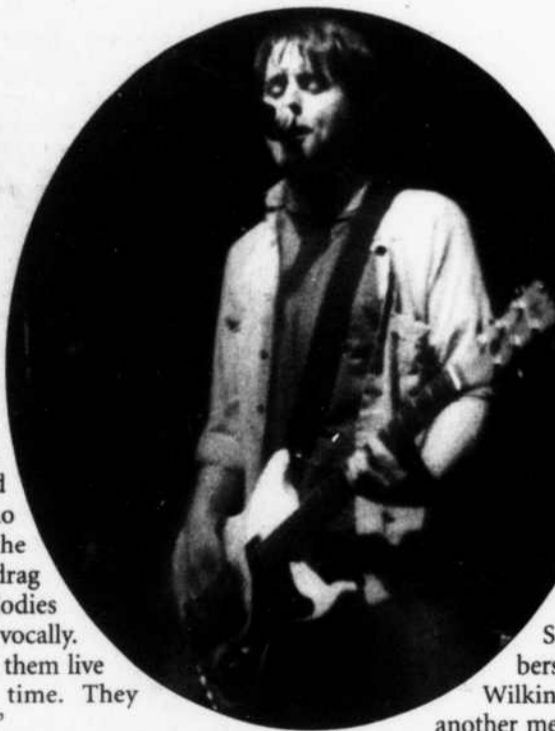


Photo by Kristy Dalrymple | Staff

Chris Spoltore of Slack, from Murfreesboro, started off the night of the concert at the JUB.

called "Sucked Out," was a Buzz Bin video for ten weeks.

Over a hundred students and fans showed up to hear the band play, but first, they received the privilege of hearing Slack, Superdrag's opening act.

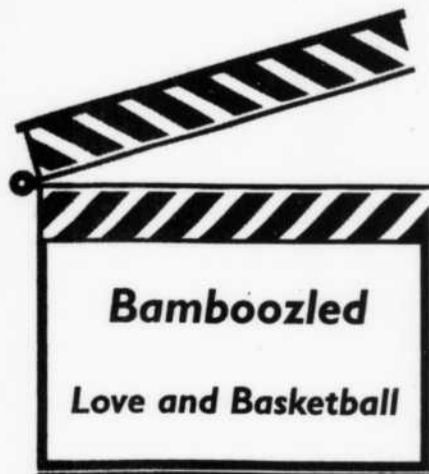
Slack also consists of three members: Nick and Chris Spoltore and Ben Wilkinson, who joined in 1998 after another member left. The band formed, initially, in 1994.

All three members attend MTSU and played a part in bringing Superdrag here to perform. Slack has opened for Superdrag several times since 1998. Since then, the two bands have kept in touch.

Slack has even sent Coffey a recording, which he put on their label Superdrag Sound Laboratories (SSL) in October 2000.

Superdrag has many accomplishments to be proud of, and the band would agree.

Though Powers says, "I just wanted to rock." ◆



#### Staff Reports

Director Spike Lee, often looked upon as being controversial, will be at the KUC Theater this week.

Well... not personally, but his much-talked about film *Bamboozled* — perhaps because it was the non-funniest comedy of 2000 — will be shown Monday through Thursday. The theater will also screen *Love & Basketball* on Friday and Saturday night.

As one would imagine *Bamboozled* is yet another in a long line of films from Lee, which deals with race versus social status and the mis-

## KUC Theater gets 'Spiked'

conceptions and stereotypes that surround them.

*Bamboozled* is obviously intended to be a nice touch to an already full slate of events at MTSU in regard to the celebration of Black History Month, but it just might be that *Love & Basketball* fits more nicely.

*Bamboozled* explores the troubling facet of early 20th-century American culture.

Damon Wayans stars as Pierre Delcroux, a pretentious TV writer who starts out the film by defining "satire" for the audience. Delcroux hates his job so much that when he's pressured by his over-bearing boss (Michael Rapaport) to muster up a hit show he comes up with a black-face comedy series *Mantan: The New Millennium Minstrel Show*.

The show within the show stars two hap-

Tommy Davidson) as Mantan and Sleep 'n' Eat.

Initially Delcroux develops the *Mantan* show, believing it would be cancelled in relatively short order. Unfortunately, and what is supposed to be humorous, is the fact that the show is a hit. The problem with *Bamboozled* is that the *Mantan* series is completely unbelievable in every facet for the real audience watching in the theater.

Nevertheless, Lee does succeed in making people think and discuss what they've just watched. However, the topic of conversation may not prove to be exactly what Lee was hoping for.

As for *Love & Basketball*, Hollywood has a tendency to sort of, well... they just don't make good sports movies very often.

Gina Prince-Bythewood (writer and director), however, has managed to skillfully assem-

ble a solid story revolving around two kids in their pursuit of a college basketball scholarship.

The couple, which they eventually become, played by Omar Epps and Sanaa Lathan take two very different paths. Nevertheless, the plot weaves effortlessly from the developing and ensuing love story and the very real sexist differences of a female athlete — at least in the movie's era of 1981.

*Love & Basketball* largely succeeds due to strong casting — Alfre Woodard in a supporting role — and directing from a director with a clear and concise story line.

While Lee may garner the lion-share of the media attention, for those who are around campus Friday and Saturday you may want to wait until then to spend your \$2 on a campus-sponsored movie. ◆

# SPORTS

## Tennis: Blue Raiders defeat Sycamores in dramatic fashion Thursday

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Oliver Foreman, a junior, is recovering a pulled groin and a recent elbow operation.

Klemetz, a sophomore, also had a recent surgery to alleviate wrist problems. Even though the team is fighting some injuries, they aren't showing it.

This weekend they traveled to Mississippi to take on the No. 10 ranked Ole Miss Rebels.

"They are probably one of our biggest matches," says Pellerin. But big mo (momentum) is on the Raiders side. Without a doubt, Short says, "I think we can win."

Middle has a rough road ahead, with only four home matches this year. They will not play at home until March 18 when Troy State visits Murfreesboro. ♦



Photo by Matthew H. Starling | Chief Photographer  
Daniel Klemetz stands ready at the net during doubles action Thursday.

**Men's Tennis RESULTS**  
Middle Tenn. def. #27 Indiana St.

**Singles:**  
#10 Daniel Klemetz (MT) def. #50 Jonas Pilbor (ISU) 6-1, 6-3  
Robert Gustafsson (MT) def. #79 Stefan Hirn (ISU) 6-4, 6-2  
Verdan Vidovic (ISU) def. Oliver Foreman (MT) 2-6, 7-6, 6-2  
Michael Stanik (MT) def. Lovre Bratkovic (ISU) 6-2, 3-6, 6-4  
Henry Choi (ISU) def. Trevor Short (MT) 7-6, 2-1, retired (injury)  
Andres Intrigo (ISU) def. Kirk Jackson (MT) 7-5, 4-6, 2-6

**Doubles:**  
Pilbor/Intrigo (ISU) def. Foreman/Gustafsson (MT) 9-8  
Klemetz/Staniak (MT) def. Bratkovic/Vidovic (ISU) 8-6  
Short/Pellerin (MT) def. Choi/Hirn 8-6

**Women's Tennis RESULTS**  
Middle Tenn. def. #26 Clemson 4-3

**Singles:**  
Manon Kruse (MT) def. Carmina Giraldo (CU) 6-1, 2-6, 6-0  
Christina Oldock def. Inge Weirich (MT) 7-6(1), 6-4  
Tanja Buchheim (MT) def. Anna Savitskaya (CU) 6-3, 6-4  
Michaela Gridding (MT) def. Laurence Jayet (CU) 6-3, 5-7, 6-4  
Carlen Venter (MT) def. Milena Stanoycheva (CU) 6-3, 7-5  
Ana Stiglic (CU) def. Stacy Varnell (MT) 6-1, 6-3

**Doubles:**  
Kruse/Varnell (MT) def. Giraldo/Savitskaya (CU) 8-4  
Stanoycheva/Anna Dolinska (CU) def. Weirich/Venter (MT) 8-3  
Jayet/Oldock (CU) def. Nigier/Gridding (MT) 8-5

## MT track team proves there is life after Jordan's injury

By Adam Sparks  
Staff Writer

The Middle Tennessee track and field team showed life without Rob Jordan is still worth living as they hosted the Middle Tennessee Valentine Invitational Saturday.

Jordan, a two-time Ohio Valley Conference Track Man of the Year, tore his knee cartilage at the Indiana Invitational Feb. 3 and underwent surgery last Thursday that will end his 2001

indoor season. Jordan's absence alone leaves a void that will take three exceptional athletes to fill, according to Blue Raider teammate Godfrey Herring.

Despite this setback, the Blue Raiders continued their Sun Belt title hunt.

Jasper Demps provided one of many highlights of the meet by missing the school record in the 55-meter hurdles by one-hundredth of a second.

Godfrey Herring won both

the 200 and 400. Tanko Braimah, Mardy Scales, D.J. Spann, and former Blue Raider Christian Nsiah swept the rest of the top five in the 200.

The MTSU men's one-mile relay team also claimed victory with a time of 3:22.45. John Cheek ran the anchor leg of the relay and earlier placed second in the 800.

On the women's side, Willis Heintz won the 200 with a time of 24.05; Kim Freeman and Letitia Eady were topped only

by former Blue Raider Andreja Ribac in the triple jump; and Aranda Forrester and Jerkita McClorin tied for first in the high jump. McClorin also won the 55m hurdles and finished third in the long jump.

The women's one-mile relay team, like the men's, claimed first. Their time was 3:49.75.

MTSU head coach Dean Hayes admits that Rob Jordan is irreplaceable, but says that the team is still in the title hunt.

"There's no question we're a

contender," Hayes says. "With Rob [Jordan] out, we simply don't have those cushion points that we're used to having."

"We just have to do everything right. We can't foul up. And if we do that, both [the men's and women's teams] should fight it out for the title."

Other notable results include: Chris Koger, first in high jump; Geoffrey Lagat, second in one-mile run; Hanef Sharif, second in 55-m hurdles; Scales, second in 55; D.J. Spann,

third in 400; Levi Sybert, third in 800; Naomi Ansah, second in 400; Tasha Cain, second in 55; Bromeka Holmes, second in 200; Doreisha Davis, third in 55; Tori Blander, fourth in 400; Eady, fourth in long jump; Stephany Reid, fifth in long jump.

The MTSU track and field team will compete in the Sun Belt Conference Championships Feb. 25-26 at Jonesboro, Ark. ♦

## Lady Raiders: Middle Tennessee 14 of 14 from charity stripe in last five minutes

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"We took it inside early and attacked the basket early and got their inside game in foul trouble," Lady Raider head coach Stephany Smith said.

"I think that had a lot to do with our success tonight."

McClure scored eight points during the run. The Lady

Indians kept the game within reach with a 14-12 advantage to close the half.

"Jessica (McClure) really set the tone for us," Smith said.

"She has had a roller coaster year and was a little bit late getting out of the gate, but she came out big tonight."

Both teams came out kind of slow in the second half. The first

five minutes the Lady Raiders and Lady Indians swapped baskets. Then ASU went on a 15-6 run to cut the lead to 10.

Keisha McClinic knocked down a key three to swing the momentum back to Middle Tennessee.

From there the Lady Indians tried hitting shots and fouling.

That strategy failed as the

Lady Raiders shot 14-14 from the line during the last five minutes.

Junior Jamie Thomatis led the charge for the Lady Raiders scoring 21 points and grabbing eight rebounds.

Joanne Aluka kept her double-digit scoring streak alive with 13 points. McClure and McClinic each had 12 points.

"Ever since we came off the loss to South Alabama, it's been tremendous the effort we've put in as a team and not as individuals," Thomatis said. "That's making a big difference."

Leading the way for the Lady Indians was Keisha Evans with 17 points. Rae-Anne Smith chipped in 13.

Middle Tennessee's win

streak is now at four games.

This is the first four game win streak since February in the midst of a 10 game winning streak by the Lady Raiders.

Next up for the Lady Raiders is a rematch with nationally ranked Louisiana Tech on Thursday in Ruston, La. ♦

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Need subleaseor for University Courtyard Apts. One of the cleanest apartments out there. 4 bed 4 bath. I will personally

give the new leaser \$50 to use as they like. Call 907-9611 ask for Forrest.

Apartment at University Courtyard 4 bedroom, 4 bath with one room available. \$450.00 A month. If interested, call 848-0214.

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## The Two Minute Drill

Noelle Ball



Sports Writer

### Lady Raiders emerge victorious

Having faced seven ranked opponents straight, the Lady Raiders finally broke a six games losing streak, upsetting No. 26 ranked Clemson University.

MTSU started the match behind as they gave up the doubles point to the Tigers. With only Stacy Varnell and Manon Kruse winning their match, the Raiders fell behind 1-0.

But they charged ahead during singles play as four out of six Lady Raiders outplayed their opponents.

Kruse, Tanja Buchheim, and Carien Venter each won, tying the match 3-3. But the match was clinched when Michala Grindling outlasted Laurence Jayet in three sets 6-3, 5-7, 6-4.

With this weekend's win, the Raiders move to 2-6 and ended their six-game slump.

The Lady Raiders are in South Carolina today facing Furman University and will travel to Atlanta this weekend to play Georgia State and Georgia Tech.

### MTSU falls to ASU

The Blue Raider men's basketball team had a rough weekend.

After sitting in traffic for nearly four hours, the Raiders finally arrived in Jonesboro at around 3:30 a.m. Saturday morning.

Saturday evening wasn't much better as the Raiders fell 86-66 to the Arkansas State Indians.

Despite the loss, Middle did have some high points.

Junior Iiro Tenngren led the Raiders with 16 points and five rebounds. Tenngren, sophomore Bryant Mitchell, and senior Dale Thomas now share the team high in rebounds for a single game.

Mitchell also proved his worth with 15 points and five rebounds.

Saturday was Mitchell's fourth consecutive game to reach double figures.

The Raiders freshman forward Steven Jackson, entertained several friends and family who drove the short trip from his hometown of Memphis to watch him play.

Jackson played a career high of ten minutes, scored 7 points, and grabbed four rebounds.

The Raiders outrebounded the Indians 35-33, but Arkansas still claimed the win.

Thursday the Raiders will host Louisiana Tech in Monte Hale Arena. Game time is 7 p.m.

### Correction

In Thursday's National Signing Day Exclusive, Julius Gant was incorrectly identified in the story and the photo as Julius Grant. *Sidelines* regrets the error.

Do you have a sports tip or need your event in The Two Minute Drill?

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# Tennis teams beat ranked opponents

By Noelle Ball  
Staff Writer


Robert Gustafsson returns service during the match Thursday at the Racquet Club of Murfreesboro.

The men's Blue Raider tennis team defeated yet another ranked opponent Thursday. The 27th ranked Indiana State Sycamores became the fifth straight victim for a hot Middle Tennessee team.

"It was a good team effort," says Mark Pellerin, a senior on the team.

Middle Tennessee has faced five ranked teams this season only to shut them all down. The Raiders took an early 1-0 lead as Mark Pellerin/Trevor Short and Michael Staniak/Daniel Klemetz took the doubles point.

Daniel Klemetz and Robert Gustafsson both defeated Indiana's two ranked players, Jonas Piibor and Stefan Hirn (respectively). Freshman, Michael Staniak, clinched the match when he outlasted Lovre Brajkovic in three sets.

"We played all three doubles and won 8-5," freshman Trevor Short says of his doubles play with Pellerin. "We played well, the whole match was close. Mark served really well the last game and basically won it for us."

The team has been battling some injuries, but that hardly seemed to slow MT.

Short has been overcoming his fourth knee surgery, while

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# Moosemen fall in season opener against Huntsville

By J.P. Plant  
Assistant Sports Editor


Photo by R. Colin Fly | Staff

The Moosemen fell 12-8 to the club team from Huntsville. The Moosemen are ranked fourth nationally in Division II.

The Middle Tennessee men's rugby club began their quest towards returning to the national tournament as they hosted the No. 2 nationally-rated club in Division III from Huntsville Saturday. The Moosemen, ranked fourth in Division II, faced off against an older and more experienced club - consisting of players well into their 40s.

The rains from Friday night created a muddy swamp that caused for slippery footing. Adding to the puddles of mud were bone-chilling temperatures that barely reached freezing. But the elements didn't seem to bother the club from Huntsville as they won nearly every line out on their way to a 12-8 victory.

"The competition was very formidable," said inside center Jason Pollard. "They know their fundamentals."

The Moosemen, held scoreless in the first half, got on the scoreboard midway through the second on a long sprint from sophomore Hodgen Mainda from around the 22-meter line.

"We came out in the second half and gave a team effort," said Pollard.

Considering all of the variables - freezing temperatures, muddy field, first game of the season and a more experienced club - the Moosemen were fairly content with their performance, but know there is room for improvement.

"On a scale of one to 10, I'd say we were a six today," Pollard said following the game.

The Moosemen begin playing national competition in the upcoming weeks preparing for the national tournament later in the semester. ♦



Photo by Jonathan Trundle | Staff

See page 8 for complete track coverage from Saturday's Middle Tennessee Valentine Invitational.

# Lady Raiders win fourth game in a row

By Colleen Cox  
Staff Writer

The Lady Raiders continued to roll taking a 79-67 win over Arkansas State Saturday night at the Murphy Center.

Each team came into the game on a three game winning streak. At stake were Sun Belt tournament seedings. Arkansas State had also soundly beaten Middle Tennessee earlier this season.

"We're a different team from what we were last time and we wanted to come out and play a little harder than we did (last time), work the ball around and get the offense going," Jessica McClure said. "That's what we did tonight."

The Lady Raiders came out sizzling. ASU managed to score first, but then Middle went on a 31-10 run. Tough defense, rebounding, and aggressive play were key to the run.

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## 7 Day Sportscast

### MONDAY

#### ■ Golf

Beau Rivage Classic  
Gulfport, Miss., All day

### TUESDAY

#### ■ Golf

Beau Rivage Classic  
Gulfport, Miss., All day

### THURSDAY

#### ■ Women's Basketball

Lady Raiders at  
La. Tech  
Ruston, La., 7 p.m.

#### ■ Men's Basketball

Blue Raiders vs.  
La. Tech  
Murfreesboro, Tenn., 7 p.m.

### SATURDAY

#### ■ Baseball

Season Opener  
Blue Raiders vs. UNC-Asheville (DH)  
Murfreesboro, Tenn., 1 p.m.

#### ■ Women's Basketball

Lady Raiders vs.  
UL-Lafayette  
Murfreesboro, Tenn., 7 p.m.

#### ■ Women's Tennis

Lady Raiders at  
Georgia St.  
Atlanta, Ga., noon

#### ■ Men's Basketball

Blue Raiders at  
UL-Lafayette  
Lafayette, La., 7:05 p.m.

### SUNDAY

#### ■ Baseball

Blue Raiders vs. UNC-Asheville  
Murfreesboro, Tenn., 1 p.m.

#### ■ Women's Tennis

Lady Raiders at  
Georgia Tech  
Atlanta, Ga., noon