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## Whatley editor decision stands

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Editor in Chief

After considerable debate and conflict, Vice President for Student Affairs Robert LaLance recently decided to uphold the Student Publications Committee's (SPC) decision to select Tennessee College Republican Chairman President Jason Whatley as fall semester *Sidelines* editor.

LaLance's decision follows a complaint made in late April by Serenity Sutton and previous *Sidelines* editors Galyn Glick and Fern Greenbank after the committee chose Whatley over then managing editor Mike Reed.

The SPC, composed of five faculty members and four students, selected Whatley during a scheduled meeting

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**--Vice President for Student Affairs Dr. Robert LaLance**

April 8. The committee chose Whatley instead of Reed because Reed did not have a 2.5 GPA at the time and because several committee members did not see Whatley's involvement with the Republican party as a real conflict of interest.

In a memo to the three students, LaLance said, "I will not second-guess the judgment of the committee by reversing the decision to appoint Jason Whatley.

"We granted that authority to the committee and they debated it, not just once but a second time," LaLance continued.

"I'm not comfortable with administratively overriding what we gave that committee the right to do," he said.

In his complaint, the students cited Whatley's apparent conflict of interest as a major reason why he should not be editor of the student

newspaper.

"There is a strong conflict of interest question which establishes a bad precedent for the future student press activities," Sutton said.

They also cited five alleged violations of university policy in their memo to LaLance. These violations included: Invalid voters on the committee, improper criteria by which to judge qualified candidates, violation of SPC guidelines, negligence of SPC members and violation of the SGA constitution.

The group filed an appeal to LaLance to "take action" and asked that he invalidate two members of the SPC, find the SPC in violation of its own policies, restructure the SPC, update its policies and revise the *Sidelines* handbook, develop a new system for appointing standing committees and follow the Society of Professional Journalists Code of Ethics.

In response, LaLance said he did agree that Whatley had not "earn[ed] his stripes," but that he would "discuss personally with the editor these issues and question the seriousness of this possible conflict."

In the April 8 edition of the *Sidelines*, Whatley is quoted as saying he intends to have "a statewide meeting here [MTSU] in September" of the Federation of College Republicans.

He goes on to say that it is his goal to get "money funneled our way so we can help run campaigns across the state for next year's elections." Whatley said he also plans to host several prominent Republican speakers on campus in the fall.

According to the concerned students, these actions fell under the real or apparent conflict section in the Society of Professional Code of Ethics, which has been adopted by the SPC as part of *Sidelines*' operating papers. The codes states: "Secondary employment, political involvement, holding public office and service in community organizations should be avoided if it compromises the

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## Regents set to discuss 5 percent tuition hike

SAM GANNON  
Editor in Chief

Students attending all state universities this fall could face a 5 percent increase in tuition if the Tennessee Board of Regents approves the rate hike when it meets Thursday and Friday.

The board will meet at Northeast State Technical Community College in Blountville to discuss the tuition increase and other items affecting MTSU.

"What is being proposed is 5 percent increase, which is pretty consistent with what we have done in the past," said Leonard Bradley, associate vice chancellor.

"I think students expect to pay more every year," said Cliff Gillespie, dean of Admissions and Records, "but we try to keep the increase down."

Gillespie said tuition has increased yearly at MTSU for about 18 of the past 20 years.

The board will meet to discuss the establishment of a Center for Health and Human Services and an Instructional Technology Support Center on campus.

Dr. Robert Eaker, dean of the College of Education, designed the Instructional Technology Support Center proposal and said it would allow students, faculty and professional teachers to "upgrade" their skills in a multi-media, interactive computer-based society.

The center, which would be housed in the Learning Resource Center, would have three main objectives: "to train pre and inservice teachers in the use of instructional technology, improve the university through the increased use of instructional technology, and develop multi-media lessons for use in K-12 and university classrooms."

Dr. Jo Edwards, current holder of the Dr. Carl Adams Chair of Excellence in Health Care Services, proposed the plan.

"The center is a unit to promote research from a wide range of discoveries in the health and human service fields on campus," she said.

Edwards said the center will also offer job employment opportunities for students.

"Most of all, it will offer

interdisciplinary research for students and faculty," Edwards said.

If approved, the center will be located in Murphy Center, but Edwards said, "this will be one of those projects that will grow over time."

The board will also discuss the establishment of a minor in film studies and the termination of the minor in library service.

The film studies minor, which was proposed by the English Department will be an interdisciplinary minor, said Dr. William Connelly, who worked on the proposal.

"It would involve courses in six different departments," Connelly said. The six departments are the English Department, the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, the Journalism Department, the Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work, the Department of Radio-TV and Photography and the Philosophy Department.

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Carl Lambert/Photographer

**PEACE KEEPERS:** MTSU student Steffanie Barrett and Robin Fulcher stand between marchers and protesters during Saturday's Pride March in front of Centennial Park. Also pictured are Reverend Mel Perry and his congregation from Grace Bible Presbyterian Church.

# POLICE REPORT

On June 11, Bobby Locke reported his vehicle had been vandalized while it was parked in McHenry Hall lot.

On June 14, Chris McGrew reported his bike had been stolen from the bike rack between KOM and Rutledge Hall some time between April 20 and June 10.

Barbara Webb's emblems were taken from the tire rims of her Cadillac while the vehicle was parked at Reynolds Hall.

On June 15, Louis McGlone reported her wallet had been taken from her purse while she was in Todd Library.

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# CORRECTIONS & CLARIFICATIONS

MTSU faculty and administrative staff will not be getting a 20 percent pay increase as reported in the June 16 *Sidelines*. The salary study conducted by the Willima M. Mercer Co. found that some employees are not being paid what might be expected when compared to others in similar job descriptions, with similar education and experience. The study recommended pay adjustments which would bring these salaries closer to the national average. The cost of this would be in the millions and MTSU has only \$800,000 to spend.

The administration decided to fund as much of the recommended adjustment as possible which is only 20 percent of the total Mercer recommendation.

We apologize for any confusion this may have created about this important issue, and we thank Chris Haseleu for bringing this error to our attention. We will continue to follow this story as it develops.

In the June 16 issue of *Sidelines* we misspelled the name of the director of the June Anderson Women's Center. The appropriate spelling is Dr. Candace Rosovsky. Also, we misspelled English professor Linda Badley's name.

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# NEWS BRIEFS

## Court turns down VMI appeal

Attorneys for Virginia Military Institute said they may petition the U.S. Supreme Court again to hear its arguments to remain an all-male institution after the justices let stand a ruling that could force VMI to admit women or give

up its state support.

The court, in late May, rejected VMI's appeal that its male-only policy promotes diversity.

VMI's appeal has now been returned to a federal court in Roanoke, Va., which

will decide the merits of the case and consider remedial plans, said Anne Whittemore, a Richmond, Va., attorney who represents VMI. If the case is decided against VMI, another appeal before the Supreme Court may be drafted, she said.

## Hepatitis B virus vaccinations urged

The American College Health Association is urging all U.S. college students to be vaccinated against hepatitis B, a sexually transmitted disease to which young people are especially vulnerable.

The recommendation, made at the association's annual meeting that ended in June, is based on medical

evidence that the rate of hepatitis B has grown 77 percent among young adults in the past 10 years.

The virus is 100 times more contagious than HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. It is spread through sexual activity and by contact with blood and other body fluids. People who are at higher risk are those

who have been sexually active with more than one partner in six months, engage in unprotected sex or have had another sexually transmitted disease.

It is estimated that approximately 100,000 college-aged young adults are infected with hepatitis B.

## President sacrifices hair for class

If you're on a plane to Europe this summer and you see a man with the number "93" shaved into his hair, treat him with dignity — he is, after all, the president of St. Olaf College in Minnesota.

Melvin D. George made a bet with the graduating class of 1993 that he thought he would win. He was challenged by the senior class gift steering committee to have "93" carved

into his hair on the back of his head if the 709-member class of 1993 met its gift pledge goal of \$55,057, which is the ZIP code for Northfield.

They did and he lost. The class, as of the end of May, had pledges of \$65,095, payable in the next five years.

George's payback was more immediate. After his hair was sculptured at an event called "Mel's Bad-Hair Day,"

he had to speak at the college's commencement exercises and meet St. Olaf alumni for the college's class reunions.

He then planned to go to Europe to hear the St. Olaf Orchestra perform and was scheduled to meet with Norway's King Harard.

"I am proud to sacrifice the back of my head to honor such an outstanding effort," George said.

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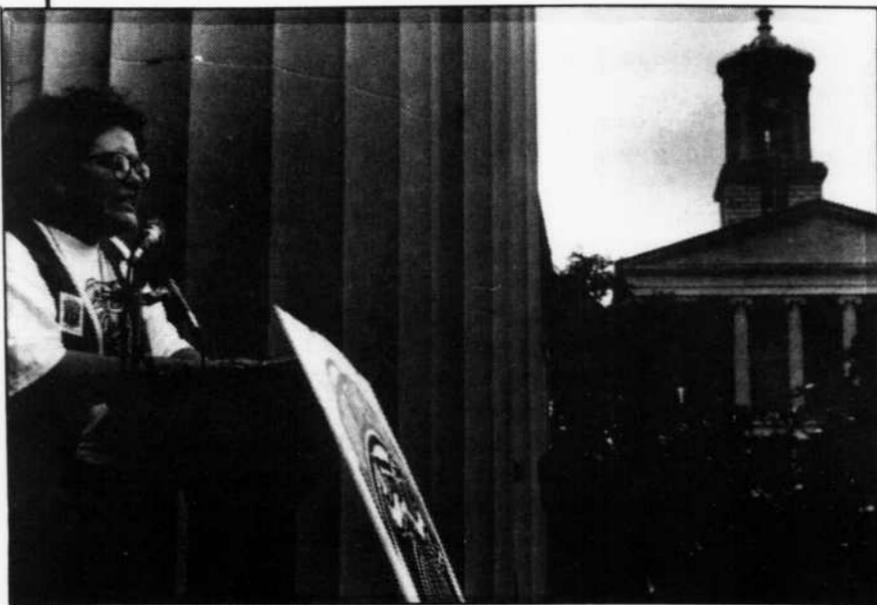


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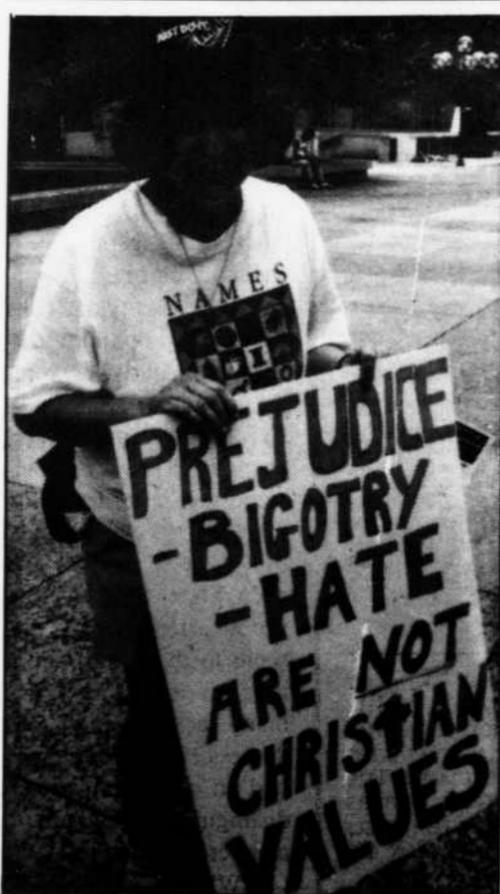
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C.L. Top and right: Lesbian and gay activists march in Saturday's Pride March. Bottom: Dianne Hunter shows her spirit at Saturday's Pride March. Left: Donna Red Wing, 1992 Advocate Woman of the Year, was the rally's main speaker.



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## EDITOR'S CORNER

### Change comes with accountability

The recent decision by Vice President for Student Affairs Robert LaLance to uphold the selection of the *Sidelines* fall semester editor constitutes a grave misconception of the ethics and tenants of journalism to many. Looking at the issues involved, it is obvious that the decision made was the only logical response by a non-journalist.

The Student Publications Committee is made up of mostly non-journalists. Journalistic ethics don't mean as much to them as they do to those of us in the profession.

Maybe this decision is "water under the bridge," but this bridge needs some work. Some have made claims that we didn't like Jason Whatley because he was a conservative and we cried and whined because one of our own didn't get elected. Maybe they're right.

Maybe it's not fair that someone with a high GPA and no experience got the highest post at the student newspaper. Maybe someone with much more experience and a flair for angering the Student Government Association deserved the job, but wasn't chosen because of a low GPA. But the issue of one student being chosen over another is just a sign of the greater problem: lack of accountability.

We even cried about why no one was accountable.

Hopefully, our tears weren't in vain.

Dr. LaLance says he is going to insure that the Student Publications Committee lives up to its responsibilities in the fall. He says he will "strongly charge" it with the tasks that lay ahead. Maybe they

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Student sees problems, areas for new growth

To the Editor:

In a recent editorial by Sam Gannon, he expressed dismay at the loss of the feel of being part of a family here at Dear Old Blue. Unfortunately (maybe fortunately) I haven't been here that long. However, I have experienced that comfort zone of being part of an academic family at another institute of higher learning. I believe I can appreciate his feeling of loss. If this were New York City College or Berkeley, it might be reasonable to feel like a small duck in a big puddle. MTSU is just not that big!

Perhaps my age (okay, okay, so I'm fifty) permits me to see a bit more clearly, even though my eye might be slightly jaundiced. Through that mottled orb, a few things stand out. After two semesters here, I wouldn't know Dr. Walker if he sat beside me in the "smoker's" side of the Grill, even when it isn't too smokey to see at all. However huge some seem to think the school is, and it is obvious by the actions of many faculty and staff that they do, every student should have had an opportunity to meet this distinguished gentleman in some manner of forum by now.

When you learn that Phillips

Bookstore is an alias for the MTSU Running Con-game, which is designed to rob you when you buy books at an outrageous markup, steal you blind when they buy them back, and then gouge the hell out of someone else who tries to save a buck by buying used texts the next time around, the rich shade of Blue begins to tarnish. Oh, I'm sorry! You didn't know that the school owned "Phillip's" Bookstore?

Doesn't it just make your heart go "pitter-patter" when you hear a member of the faculty make the statement that the only reason for MTSU is the staff? If you don't believe it walk around the central part of campus and note how much parking area is allotted for staff. Then tour one of the industrial sites in our area and tell me where the employees park in relation to paying customers. Maybe they have forgotten just who will pay back all those dollars of financial aid and the taxes which serve to keep them on a payroll. In other words, everyone on the payroll works for me, like it or not!

I, for one, am absolutely enthralled at the thought of asking an advisor for advice. After all, everyone knows that he or she is much too busy for other things than to have time for my

stupid question. This is made quite obvious by the way they keep looking at the clock and the short answers.

Not wishing to be a complete naysayer, I propose that MTSU improve the use of her wonderful facilities and install closed circuit TV monitors in a large number of accessible areas, and then use them for open forums between the student body and faculty members. Perhaps we could even get acquainted with Dr. Walker and other remarkable men and women who surely must be interested in what the learners who sit at their feet think, feel, and have to say. If this isn't so, I feel certain our governor and other members of the Board of Regents would be interested.

The CCTV system could also be used to showcase some of the wonderful talents present among the students, i.e. Music and Art Departments.

How can we be a family if we don't even know each other? Students, it is your responsibility to become familiar with other people. Who knows what kind of enduring friendships might transpire? Sam, take heart. You are not alone.

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## Change

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will take this desperately broken cog and fix it. Maybe they will fit it back into the machine in new form, sparkling and ready to work even better. Maybe the committee will finally become accountable to the students of Student Publications and the students of this university.

Someone did hear us. Maybe someone did get the message. Hopefully some administrators will now think before they unilaterally take

action. Maybe we all will stop and think before we act.

People are accountable. We are accountable. All of us. We have to take responsibility for our actions, even when we don't want to.

The change may not be evident this fall or maybe even next spring, but maybe in the future, we can see the difference that today made in this system of machines.

## VIEWPOINT

### I don't know, what's news with you?

**MIKE REED**  
Opinions Editor

It's a crazy world, boys and girls. You don't have to be a doctoral candidate to recognize that. Things are happening all over the globe that just don't make sense.

It's an editor's job to distinguish between what's newsworthy and what isn't.

Last Sunday, I spent the holiday with my fiancée's relatives. It was a pleasant visit with conversations that ran the gamut from how the corn is doing this year to what scoundrels the people of the press are.

Well, it seems that the corn was as high as an elephant's eye and the press are only interested in stories that contain sex and sell newspapers.

That morning I had read a report in the *Tennessean* that questioned the fairness of President Bill Clinton's press coverage.

People seem to confuse what they read in line at the supermarket with the legitimate press.

The overwhelming consensus seems to be that a newspaper will print anything in hopes of increasing circulation.

That's not entirely true.

The only people who pay attention to circulation figures are publishers, politicians and bankers. The average beat reporter is only worried about making deadline.

Making deadline isn't easy in a world as crazy as planet Earth. There are a lot of things going on all the time.

Take last weekend for instance.

Air Force Major General (that's two stars, boys and girls) Harold Campbell was forced into early retirement, given a fine "in the neighborhood of \$7,000" and a letter of reprimand for calling Clinton a draft-dodging, pot smoking, womanizing Comander-in-Chief.

He made these statements in a speech at an awards banquet in the Netherlands. Campbell said that this was the only blemish in his 32-year career.

Housing and Urban Development announced a \$12 billion shortfall in their budget due to defaults on home loans.

The Supreme Court decided that it is illegal for a state to tax federal employee pensions if they do not tax state pensions as well. The decision is retroactive and many states such as Virginia

(which has a larger than average number of retired federal employes) are in trouble.

Clinton said in a recent press conference that he's not given any thought to nuclear non-proliferation in Turkey.

The Food and Drug Administration has arrested over a dozen people who have shoved various objects into cans of Pepsi. Among those arrested was Ira Winston of Florida who said he did it for the attention.

I guess he got what he was after.

In Tennessee we can't seem to get that whole product tampering thing right. We had one report of a lady finding a syringe in a can of Diet Coke. There was a report Sunday of a man who found a syringe in a bottle of Pepsi 10 years ago and is just now showing it off. Nashville reported that someone found a bullet in a can of Pepsi.

According to the Associated Press, there have been over 50 cases in 23 states of objects in containers of cola. Among these were: syringes, crack cocaine vials, "brown goo," and wood screws (the man claimed they came off some machinery at the Pepsi plant).

The maximum penalty for filing a false report is a fine of \$250,000 and five years in the federal pokey.

Meanwhile: a Nazi named Jozsef Szendi was found in Cookeville and will be deported later this month.

Political insider, ex-Governor of Texas and conspiracy theorist wet dream John Connally is dead. He is perhaps most famous for taking a bullet in the wrist on that fateful day in Dallas. Some theorists have put forth the idea that Connally was Oswald's actual target. Many conspiracy buffs think that his wrist should be analyzed to see if the fragments can shed any light on the JFK quagmire. One poor soul in Houston seems to think that Connally shot the president through his own wrist to confuse the matter.

Pennsylvania Senator Arlen Specter finally had that pesky brain tumor removed. A brain tumor ... that might explain a few things.

Clinton, making his rounds drumming up support for his deficit reduction plan said that the Republicans have come up with plenty of slogans but no answers. Later, on his weekly radio address he told the Repubs to "lead, follow or get out of the way." Oh, Ironos, great god of

irony...

Kathleen Brang, Miss Historic Jonesborough, replaced Lt. Leah Hulan as Miss Tennessee.

Tropical storm Arlene swept across Mexico and southern Texas leaving 6,000 homeless due to flooding.

Clinton has a half-brother he didn't know about.

The Ku Klux Klan, in an unprecedented public relations gambit, have announced that they are no longer a "white supremacist group" but are now a "white separatist group." The Grand Wizard blamed the press for not recognizing the change immediately.

William Golding, author of *Lord of the Flies*, is dead at 81.

Over 30 people in Madrid, Spain suffered eye injuries when, following the advice of an 18-year-old seer, they stared at the sun hoping to catch a glimpse of the Virgin Mary.

Estaban Sanchez Casas said that the injured were non-believers.

Japan's Parliament voted no confidence in their Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa for doing the same thing that former Prime Ministers Takeshita and Kaifu did before him, which is to run Japan like an economic state married to corporate greed.

This political turmoil couldn't have come at a worse time. Japan is getting ready to host a meeting of the seven industrialized nations plus Russia.

The Azerbaijanis have elected a communist, Geidar Aliev, president.

China wants to host the 2000 Olympic Games in Beijing, but Congress has filed a protest on the grounds of China's civil rights record.

So, you see, There's a lot going on out there every day and I didn't even touch on the wellspring of information that flows from the checkout line of your local supermarket.

The press has a big job to do. Whether you read three newspapers per day or you only pick up *Sidelines* for the pizza coupons, you need to realize that there are people behind the paper making decisions on what is news and what isn't. These people are important and they are rarely concerned with how sexy a story is or how many newspapers were sold the day before.

Journalism, like any other job, requires training, experience and a great deal of patience to do properly.

## Journal of a feminist

JULIE WELSH / SPECIAL TO SIDELINES

*Editor's Note: Welsh is a senior at MTSU, a history major, with a minor in women's studies. She is currently a member of the Women's Political Action Group.*

When the June Anderson Women's Center told me I would be able to go on their field trip to Washington, D.C., I was so excited. I had been planning this trip for a week in advance. By the time we were scheduled to leave on June 15, I was ready to go on the week-long journey.

### Day 1

The buzzing of the alarm startled me from my dreams of being late and missing the travel van. It was 6 a.m. When I got to the parking lot next to the MTSU Public Safety and Security office, I only knew one person there. Seeing Christy Baggett walking up made me heave a sigh of relief. In all, our group numbered 10; Vicki, Byrena, Kim, Christy, Melissa, Joanna, Gale, Deborah, Dr. Candace Rosovsky and me. Riding along in the bus, we talked about all the workshops and places we'd like to see once we got to Washington. I hoped we would learn new ideas and ways to combat sexism in everyday life. The 12-hour trip rolled by quickly as we grew more comfortable with one another. It was about 8 p.m. when we reached the hotel where the conference was going to be held. Our trip organizer, Rosovsky, stayed at the hotel while the rest of us piled into the Trinity College dormitory. Two to a room.

### Day 2

Waking up feeling exhilarated despite another late night, I showered and planned out some of the sessions I wanted to attend. Here I was! I'd made it, and I was determined to get the most out of this experience as I possibly could. After waiting about 20 minutes for the shuttle bus, we were on our way to Capitol Hill. When we reached the House of Representatives' office complex to get our tickets to see the House in session, Bart Gordon was there and wanted to meet us. Wow! A real live U.S. Representative, and he wanted to talk to us! As we walked into his office, I spotted a picture of MTSU on his wall. One of us asked him about it, and he said he had gone to MTSU. It seemed there was no escape ... Deborah asked him if he would support the Freedom of Choice Act. He said 'yes,' he would. Melissa asked him about his policies on single parents. With some of the usual politician lingo, Gordon said he would like



Julie Welsh / Photographer

### THE CAPITAL BUILDING, WASHINGTON D.C.

to put more emphasis on improving the child support system. In the 15 minutes we spent with him, he also let us know that the student loan plan Clinton proposed will be completed and ready to vote on in two to three months. We packed the rest of our day with the Smithsonian Museums, the Vietnam Memorial and the opening night for the National Women's Studies Association conference. The guest speaker, Catharine Stimpson, addressed the goals of the conference, our past mistakes in women's studies and the importance of making a difference for higher education. The thing that impressed me most about her was her willingness to go out of her way and address the 'new generation' of feminists. She made us feel like our voices would be heard.

### Day 3

Blessed sleep, at last. The roosters had long-since quit their cockle doodle-dos by the time we woke up this time. It was about 12:30 p.m. when we got to the Marriott where the conference workshops were being held. "Can a Stripper be a Feminist?," "Barbie the I-Dol" and "Hair as a Symbol of Power and

Powerlessness" were just a few of the interesting sessions we attended. I felt the Barbie doll workshop was the most fascinating because it addressed things that I had always known but had never really thought about. She said if you lined up all the Barbie dolls head-to-toe, that they would circle the world three times. Wow! I also thought the one about the stripper was very powerful and realistic because she had been a stripper in Toronto for 14 years, where she gained a sense of self-esteem through her work. She helped me to take another look at a profession most people view as being degrading to women. After riding on the Metro for an hour, we arrived at the Old Town Shopping District on the advice of a stranger we had met on the subway the day before. Unfortunately, she neglected to inform us the shops closed at 5. When we got there, all we could do was window shop and plan for a return trip the next day. My bed had a stray spring sticking up, which caused me much distress until I finally enlisted the help of my roommate, Byrena to help me turn it over. Goodnight!

### Day 4

When we woke up the next morning, it was about 10:30. After another shuttle bus ordeal, we arrived at the conference just in time for the first session. We went to "Women Looking at Men Looking at Women." It addressed the themes of "Basic Instinct" and why women should worry about the messages taught in "The Crying Game." That was the first time I heard anyone say "Basic Instinct" was a positive movie for women. The speaker said Sharon Stone's character was a good role model, because she played the strong, independent woman in every scene. Hmmm. At about 2, Vicki, Byrena, Christy, and Joanna and I decided to make another effort at the shopping district. As usual, I ended up spending too much money. It was fun, though. Dinner at Casablanca's, an Indian restaurant, was certainly authentic, but we missed the belly dancer. It was about 10 when we finally got home and my feet were begging for mercy.

### Day 5

This time it was 7 a.m. when Joanna's internal alarm clock woke us up. We attended the opening plenary meeting called "Women's Lives; Women's Stories," where we had a deaf guest speaker. I got pretty caught up with her sign language and missed almost everything the interpreter said. Oops! At 11:15 we went to the films that were being shown. We saw the first two, "Among Good Christian People" and "L is for the Way you Look." The "L" movie addressed

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**Journal**

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Lesbian issues in daily life: dealing with friends and family were just some of the challenges they face. After leaving the conference, we resumed our sight-seeing. We saw Ford's Theatre and the National Museum for Women in the Arts. Then we went to Mass at the Immaculate Conception, the largest Catholic church in the United States. My favorite place that day was Ford's Theatre. I will always be a Lincoln die-hard. Dinner at the hotel tasted like cardboard. I've never tasted a more rubbery piece of chicken in my life! I could have bounced it off the wall. Later that night, about 9 p.m., Byrena, Joanna and I took a relaxing walk around the Lincoln Memorial near the Vietnam Memorial. Seeing Lincoln's statue at night was even more beautiful than during the day, with the lights coming up out of the darkness.

**Day 6**

We woke up about 6 a.m. to pack. We were all ready to go by this time. Shuttle bus. We attended the closing plenary conference, "Intellectual Foundations of Women's Studies," where we learned how to be 'politically correct feminists.' We all sat outside the women's conference, talking about some of the important lessons we had learned during the week. Even though I couldn't go to every session, I discovered much more about women's

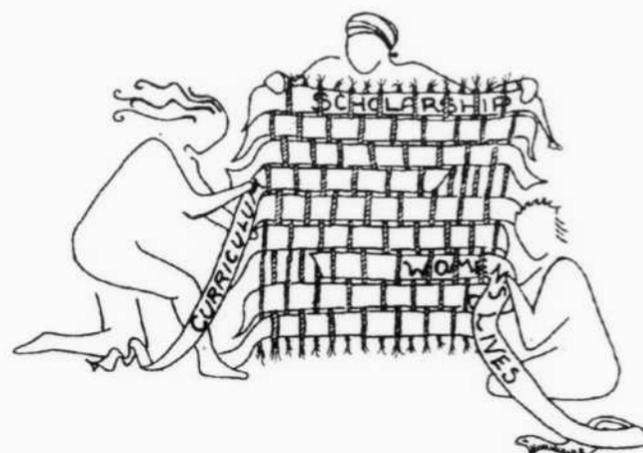
issues than I could have if I had stayed home. I hope that one day I can be as successful in my chosen profession, and still be able to defend my beliefs in feminism and equality. An hour later, we were on the road. The drive back went by very quickly because we spent a lot of it talking about some of the things we had learned at the conference. Many of us slept as well, but I found myself sitting up thinking about being home and sleeping in my own bed. That night, we stayed at Kim's house in Bristol, Tenn., but we were all so anxious to get home, we had a hard time getting to sleep.

**Day 7**

We started back at 9 a.m. Everyone slept the rest of the way home, trying to make the time pass quickly. We reached Murfreesboro by 1 p.m. One of the most important things I learned was a new sense of independence. It makes me feel more confident to know others share my beliefs in equality between men and women. I think the only way to be politically correct in any situation is to show respect to other people, regardless of gender or beliefs. Respect is an important concept that everyone should practice. The van stopped outside my house and I got out. Home at last. Now, what about that laundry and why is my electric bill so expensive this month?



SAY CHEESE: pictured in Bart Gordan's office are from L to R Christy Baggett, Byrena Floyd, Julie Welsh, Vicki Lewis, Gayle Bowen, Deborah Ray, Bart Gordan, Melissa Davenport, Joanna Zoma and Kim Smith. Not pictured but present is Dr. Candace Rosovsky.



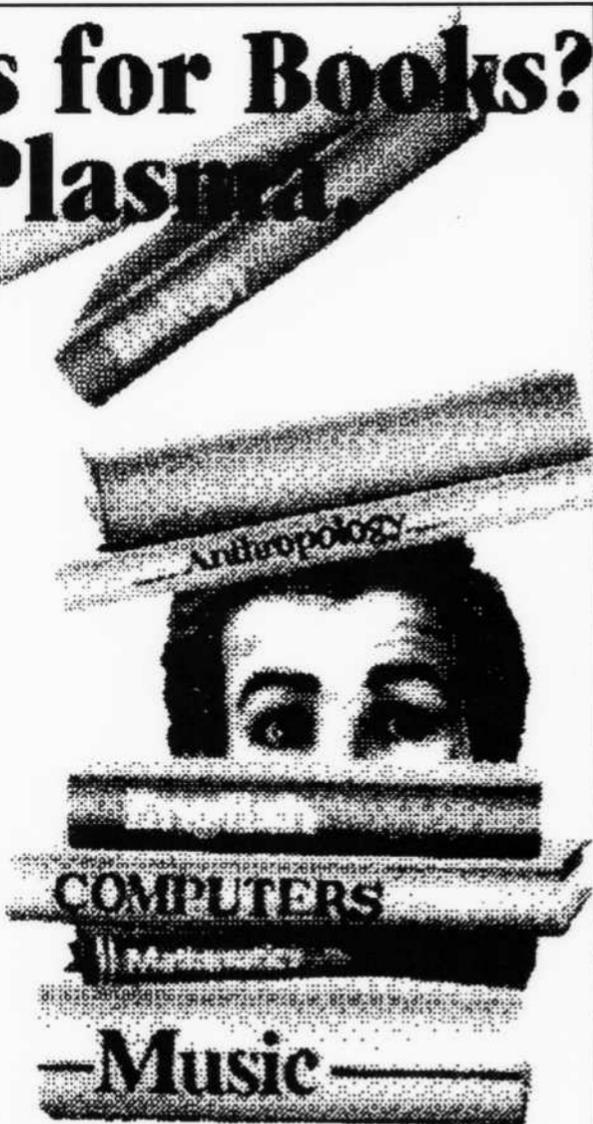
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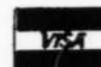
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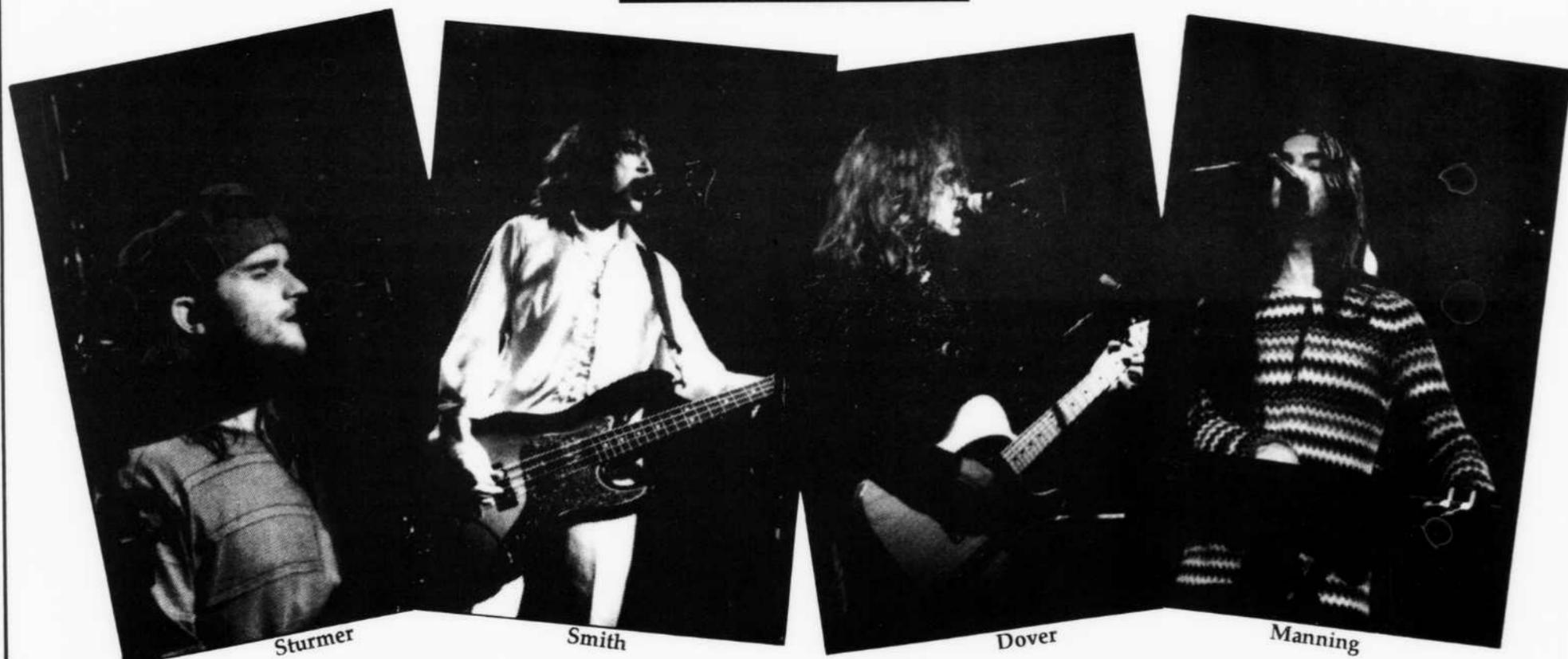
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## Jellyfish sting Nashville

BRIAN ROGERS / PERFORMANCE REVIEW

**J**ellyfish. Doesn't sound very amazing, huh? Well, au contraire mon frere, Jellyfish is THE most amazing band I have ever seen live. They beat out U2, Squeeze, David Byrne, and even (a close call) They Might Be Giants in terms of putting on the best show.

I have to admit it, I had very high expectations of this band. I thought that maybe I was expecting too much from a band that is merely human but they somehow shed their mortal skins to shine brightly above my expectations. Jellyfish was the band to see this past Thursday night.

328 Performance Hall generally offers visiting bands a large stage, ample crowd space, inadequate sound and a handful of asshole security guards. This occasion was no exception. In fact this was the best-sounding concert I have ever heard at 328. However, the prom-like light show complete with glitter and shiny streamers and the Jellyfish Lite-Brite Spectacular (an old Lite-Brite that said Jellyfish and flashed) made up for any imperfections in the sound.

The opening band, Antenna, was boring. I yawned constantly as the band pouted around the stage. For me, lyrics like "I need you, why did you leave me all alone" are a real turn off. But boy, what a cute drummer or should I say drumette. She made the whole show worth the 45 minutes wasted on this opening band. I could have named many local bands who would've made better opening slots for Jellyfish.

Once Antenna finally left the stage in an obvious overuse of feedback, the roadies started making preparations for the REAL band. One of the strange features of the stage setup was the the drums were front



and center. Also, did I mention that they were quite a distance from the ground? That's right sports fans, Andy Sturmer, the lead vocalist and drummer of Jellyfish, plays his skins upright. You may say, "Oh, that old standing drummer trick again, huh?" but I've never seen it before so shut-up.

There were also various instruments spread across the stage. Neat little things like tambourines, shakers, pianos, keyboards, lions, tigers, and bears, oh my I've gotten off track. It was a virtual cornucopia of musical instrumentation. Anyway, once the band took the stage all I could say was, "Wow, nice clothes." They were, as usual, garbed in their usual attire: \$5 thrift shop clothes from the late '60s and early '70s.

The music starts, the lights come on, and Jellyfish starts playing "All Is Forgiven" from their newest album,

*Spilt Milk*. Andy Sturmer pounds away viciously at his drums while screaming "Heal me darling, pleaded the playboy, bedroom eyes." Roger Manning, keyboards, guitar, and vocals, is scraping the strings while portraying his best heavy metal Loverboy pose. Tim Smith, the new bassist and vocalist, dons his pop star pose, which he kept through most of the show, while pumping out the melodic bass lines of my dreams. On the far side of the stage, Eric Dover, the even newer guitarist who also plays piano and sings on the side, becomes one with the wall of sound protruding from the loudspeakers.

Every once in awhile, the music would stop and Jellyfish would burst into lush, four part harmonies reminiscent of Queen and ELO. Immediately afterwards, the crowd bursts into lush, approximately 300 part cheering.

In between songs, Sturmer was very witty as opposed to most bands who just scream and say stupid things like, "Are you ready for more, Nashville?" On the contrary, Sturmer added to the show with stories of a very stoned Chris Robinson, of The Black Crowes, coming out on stage to sing after Sturmer's voice was cracking on stage. Sturmer also enlightened the audience with his inspiration for the song "My Best Friend," which happened to be about his penis.

Jellyfish finished out the set with tunes from both of their albums as well as an amazing cover of Badfinger's "No Matter What." Jellyfish left the stage in a roar of crowd excitement and finally came back out two more times to make it a well-rounded, star-studded, music-filled night at the old 328 Performance Hall.

# 'Last Action Hero' full of thrills and laughs

LOUIS BURKLOW / FILM REVIEW

Arnold Schwarzenegger owns the action-adventure film today. His pictures cost a load of money to produce, but they are consistent blockbusters. This most unlikely of film stars has carried more than one megahit on his broad shoulders. At the same time, his sense of humor has been brought out in certain roles. What could be better for him than a slam-bang action thriller with a comedy angle?

"Last Action Hero" works both as a movie and as a career adjustment for its star. This Columbia release features Schwarzenegger in his usual action/adventure role. There is a difference here, though: he is a movie character who gets to experience the real world.

Danny Madigan (Austin O'Brien) leads a lonely life with his widowed mother. The 11-year-old New Yorker skips school to find solace in the movies. In the darkness of a condemned theater, he lives a vicarious life of adventure.

His favorite films are the Jack Slater series. Slater (Schwarzenegger) is a rugged Los Angeles cop with an impressive collection of firearms. To Danny, this hero provides reassurance that good guys can win in the end.

One day, through a bit of magic, Danny is transposed into the back seat of Slater's car as he is chased by a truckload of desperadoes. Shocked to discover the boy, Slater is stunned to learn he is just a movie character (the Acme dynamite thrown by the villains

should have tipped him off).

With the help of Danny, who has already seen half the picture, Slater cracks a case of battling mob families and drug running. This is a world full of action movie cliches, especially Slater's bad puns.

To capture a fleeing hit man, Slater must enter Danny's world. Real-life New York City is a difficult place for the tough cop to understand: a punch thrown there hurts his hand. To catch his man, Slater must depend on his young new partner. They work together to create an exciting finish.

The most enjoyable part of this movie is Arnold Schwarzenegger's ability to poke fun at himself. It would be hard to picture Sylvester Stallone or Steven Seagal playing such a character (although some would say that every movie they make is a joke). Much as John Wayne did in "True Grit," Schwarzenegger succeeds at playing a role that mocks his earlier characters.

Also entertaining are the many famous actors who have cameos or bit parts. Tina Turner, Art Carney, Anthony Quinn and Sharon Stone are among those who turn up here. The film also borrows scenes from movies as different as "Terminator 2" and "E.T."

"Last Action Hero" has been receiving a lot of bad press lately. Too much of this is coming from critics who seem disgusted that moviegoers like Arnold Schwarzenegger despite their bad reviews. This is one of his better efforts and all his fans should enjoy the film.

# Not just another Maniac

SAM GANNON / PROFILE

Steve Gustafson would call himself a normal guy, married with a baby on the way. His wife is a fifth grade teacher in their small New York town, and he plays music. Well, actually he's the bassist for the 10,000 Maniacs, but he doesn't count being a maniac as one of his qualities.

Gustafson discusses the band, touring and his life during a telephone call from St. Louis.

**Sidelines:** How would you classify the 10,000 Maniacs' music?

Gustafson: I think our music is pretty plain and simple. People dance to it.

**Sidelines:** Who is your biggest musical influence?

SG: Bob Marley. Well, actually the rest of 10,000 Maniacs are my biggest musical influence—bigger than Bob Marley.

**Sidelines:** What's your favorite album?

SG: Bob Marley's "Naddie Dred."

**Sidelines:** Where's your favorite place to play?

SG: I like Amsterdam. It's a great town. I also like college gigs—all the youthful exuberance.

**Sidelines:** Who helped the most in getting the band 'on the way'?

SG: Probably R.E.M. They helped us out a lot. We were very fortunate to play in their



10,000 MANIACS

hometown at the 40 Watt Club, and Michael [Stipe] showed up and he liked us.

**Sidelines:** Was there a lot of preparation before you began to make "Our Time in Eden?"

SG: Oh yes, of course, we spent a year writing for "Our Time in Eden." First the music, then Natalie puts lyrics with the music. We had thousands of hours of stuff on tape and we narrowed it down to 15 songs and recorded 13.

**Sidelines:** What are your favorite types of music?

SG: I like all kinds of music. I like Patsy Cline, Irish de Mint, the Heartbeats ...

**Sidelines:** How do you feel about censorship?

SG: I think everyone has the

right to choose. I can censor myself and my children, and I'll tell them why, too.

**Sidelines:** How about in the 10,000 Maniacs music?

SG: Natalie feels that if she's going to influence minds, she should be responsible. I think we're influencing minds.

**Sidelines:** You're still living in the same town where you went to college and started the band. Why?

SG: Well, the cost of living, the crime rate, four different beautiful seasons, and besides, all my friends are there.

**Sidelines:** Anything thing else you'd like for us to know?

SG: Our baby is due Aug. 15. I dreamed it was a boy and I delivered it.

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# Anthrax has heard the 'sound' of a hit album

DON CARR / MUSIC REVIEW

When vocalist Joey Bella Donna announced he was leaving Anthrax after the completion of their tour with Public Enemy, many fans thought that was the ringing of the death knoll for the band. Having just inked a several album \$10 million deal with Elektra Records the band went in search of a new front man. They found him in the form of singer John Bush.

Bush was the longtime vocalist for Armored Saint, a band that had a few hits during the mid '80s but have spent the last few years toiling around the U.S. club circuit.

With Bush now in the fold, Anthrax released their Elektra debut *Sound Of White Noise* in late May. The album, produced by Dave Jerden (Jane's Addiction and Alice in Chains), marks a new direction for the band. While the Anthrax sound remains in tact, the big

"metal anthems" that filled their earlier releases seem to have been put aside. With the *Sound Of White Noise* Lp, Anthrax appears to be going for a more alternative metal sound much like the approach of Alice in Chains.

This new approach is something they may have never been able to achieve with Bella Donna at the mic. John Bush's vocals, while dull at times, easily prove better suited for Anthrax than Bella Donna's Iron Maiden-style wailing. Bush's low growling vocals fit in so well Anthrax fans may wonder why a change like this wasn't done years ago.

With the *Sound Of White Noise*, Anthrax has recaptured the aggressive style and attitude they haven't had since 1986's *Among The Living* Lp. Though not every song on *Sound Of White Noise* is a "10," this is easily the best release of Anthrax's career.

# WAIT A MINUTE

*Editor's Note: Any bands who want to have their show publicized in "Wait a Minute," call Dave at 898-2336 and leave a message. The deadline for submission are 4:30 on Monday for Wednesday's issue.*

• **Field of Dreams**, starring Kevin Costner, will be showing tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Keathley University Center. Admission is \$1.

• **Colonel Bruce Hampton and The Aquarium Rescue Unit** will be playing at 9:00 p.m. this Friday with special guests **Celebrity Toast & Jam** opening. This promises to be one of the best shows **Mainstreet** has had in a long time. Admission ranges from \$5 to \$7.

• **Spoon Benders** will be performing with **Lunacats** on Friday at 9:00 p.m. at **The 'Boro Bar & Grill**. Admission is \$3.

• **The Sundays** will be playing with special guests **Madder Rose** on Friday at **328 Performance Hall**. The show begins at 9:00 p.m. and tickets are available at **Turtles** for \$15.50. All seats are general admission.

• **Dennis The Menace** (PG), starring Walter Matheau, starts this Friday. Directed by John Hughes, this movie promises to



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be the next *Home Alone* — whether you've had enough of stupid humor or not. *Dennis The Menace* is showing at **Stones River Theatre** (890-8272).

• **Sleepless in Seattle** (PG-13), starring Meg Ryan, Tom Hanks, Rosie O'Donnell and Rob Reiner, begins this Friday. This movie looks like the Rob Reiner film *When Harry Met Sally*, but that is a good thing. *Sleepless in Seattle* is showing at **Stones River Theatre**.

• **Oobat** will be performing this Saturday at **The 'Boro, Stinky Mifflin Jazz Trio** will be opening. The show begins at 9:00 p.m. and admission is \$3. I would say this show will be worth the heat. However, that won't be a necessary concern because **The 'Boro** now has working air conditioning.

• **China Black** will be playing this Saturday at 9:00 p.m. at **Mainstreet**, admission is \$5 to \$7.

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## Does the NCAA have a clue?

*Several athletic personnel suggest it doesn't*

TONY DeMATIO and WARREN WAKELAND  
Special to *Sidelines*

*Editors Note: The stories on this page are the second part of a three part series which investigates and analyzes the NCAA, its rules and its regulations.*

As a result of the ambiguity and contradictions in the NCAA Manual, many people in intercollegiate athletics are calling for major revisions in the manual—and in the attitude taken toward member institutions involving rules violations.

NBC sportscaster Bob Costas has called the confusing NCAA rules “ticky-tacky,” and has said he feels this confusion, along with the numerous overzealous rules in place, is one cause of the problems associated with rules violations by schools.

Former NCAA Executive Director Dick Shultz, who resigned under pressure in May, has proposed a telling statistic that could be another indication of why schools feel pressure to commit violations in order to stay competitive.

Shultz estimated that 70 percent of all Division I athletic programs operate at a deficit.

Shultz has said he believes college athletics are 99 percent clean.

“For every athlete making a mistake, there are a thousand who are doing things right,” Shultz said.

Shultz maintains that he has done his part in working for the betterment of the NCAA and its policies.

“I have pushed for deregulation and simplification of many of our rules since assuming this position,” Shultz said in a 1990 interview, adding that while the NCAA

**‘I think there are a lot of rules that are secondary in nature that are broken through not understanding the rule or not knowing the rule.’**

— Kentucky A.D.  
C.M Newton

Manual has been revised into “a much better document,” he felt that “there are still rules that need to be eliminated.”

Shortly after Shultz’s comments were made, others voiced their opinions of the NCAA.

Richard Konzen, assistant athletic director at the University of Kansas, believes the student-athlete unfairly suffers the brunt of the sanctions.

“You’re disappointed when there are innocent student-athletes who are not involved in these things, when they’re the ones who aren’t allowed to go to the NCAA tournament,” Konzen said. “That’s really disappointing. But that is how the penalty structure is today, and until we come up with a new system, that’s what we have to live with.

“Innocent people suffer the consequences. That’s the biggest problem with our penalty structure.”

C.M. Newton, athletic director at the University of Kentucky, said he feels the institutions are forced to take too much of the blame for the actions of individuals.

“We’ve got to be more consistent in terms of punishing others other than the institutions, specifically the players and coaches,” said Newton.

Newton also said some of the problem with rules violations stems from there being too many rules.

“I think there are a lot of rules that are secondary in nature that are broken through not understanding the rule or not knowing the rule,” Newton said.

Bobby Robinson, athletic director at Clemson University, is in accord with Newton,

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### Student-athletes must walk fine line in balancing act

TONY DeMATIO and WARREN WAKELAND  
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Rule 12.02.1 defines an amateur student-athlete as “one who engages in a particular sport for the educational, physical, mental and social benefits derived therefrom and for whom participation in that sport is an avocation.”

Many student-athletes who participate in college basketball also have the opportunity to tryout for pro basketball teams when they have either exhausted or given up their collegiate eligibility.

Some of these players go to college for the benefits of a college education, as well as to hone their skills for the professional ranks.

However, Rule 12.2.2 prohibits these players from being able to hone their skills (or derive educational, physical and mental benefits) against professionals during summer league games, even if the college players agree to accept no payment for playing. College players may practice with these players but may not play in games with them, even if they accept no pay.

Tennis players or golfers, however, by Rule 12.2.3.2, may participate against professionals in their given sport if they agree to accept no payment for their participation.

To allow some athletes to play against

professionals and not allow others to do the same would appear to be a conflict of interest.

The rules appear to suggest that golfers and tennis players are granted special rights to hone their skills which basketball players are not given.

An example of the differentiation of the rules regarding amateurism involves student-athletes being able to do paid promotions for charitable, educational or non-profit organizations and is seen in rules 12.5.1.1 and 12.4.1.1.

Rule 12.5.1.1 states that “a noninstitutional charitable, educational or non-profit agency may use a student-athlete’s name, picture or appearance to support its charitable or educational activities or to support activities considered incidental to the student-athlete’s participation in intercollegiate athletics,” provided that seven different conditions are met by the agency and the athlete.

The only pay the student-athlete can receive is “legitimate and normal expenses,” and then only if the participation occurs within the state or

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#### ARTICLE 12

### Recruiting rules making everyone's life difficult

TONY DeMATIO and WARREN WAKELAND  
Special to *Sidelines*

The NCAA rules concerning recruiting are among the most controversial parts of the constitution.

These are the rules most violated by athletic departments, coaches and outside athletic interests.

Understanding the recruiting calendar for high school athletes is difficult for the uninitiated, as is being able to keep up with the many different recruiting periods.

There are four different types of recruiting periods in regard to contacting possible recruits: the quiet period, the dead period, the contact period and the evaluation period.

There is no explanation in the manual as to the definitions of these four periods, nor any explanation as to the possible differences between quiet and dead periods or contact and evaluation periods.

Between March 1, 1992, and May 31, 1993, there are 29 different recruiting periods for prospective student-athletes.

Between April 2-24, there is a dead period (4/2 to 4/7 at 12 p.m.), a quiet period (4/7 at 12 p.m. to 4/8 at 8 a.m.), a contact period (4/8 at 8 a.m. to 4/13 at 8 a.m.), another dead period (4/13 at 8 a.m. to 4/17 at 8 a.m.), and another contact period (4/17 at 8 a.m. to 4/24).

Three questions beg to be asked: What

possible motive could there be for these different recruiting periods? Is it possible that high school athletes and their parents could become confused as to when it is or is not legal for coaches or staff members to talk to them? Is it really necessary to keep universities so strung out in their recruiting processes?

The NCAA refused comment on the recruiting calendar.

Rules like this serve to perpetuate the theory among many that the NCAA is an over-regulated, dictatorial organization that goes too far in trying to make sure that a student-athlete can lead a normal life.

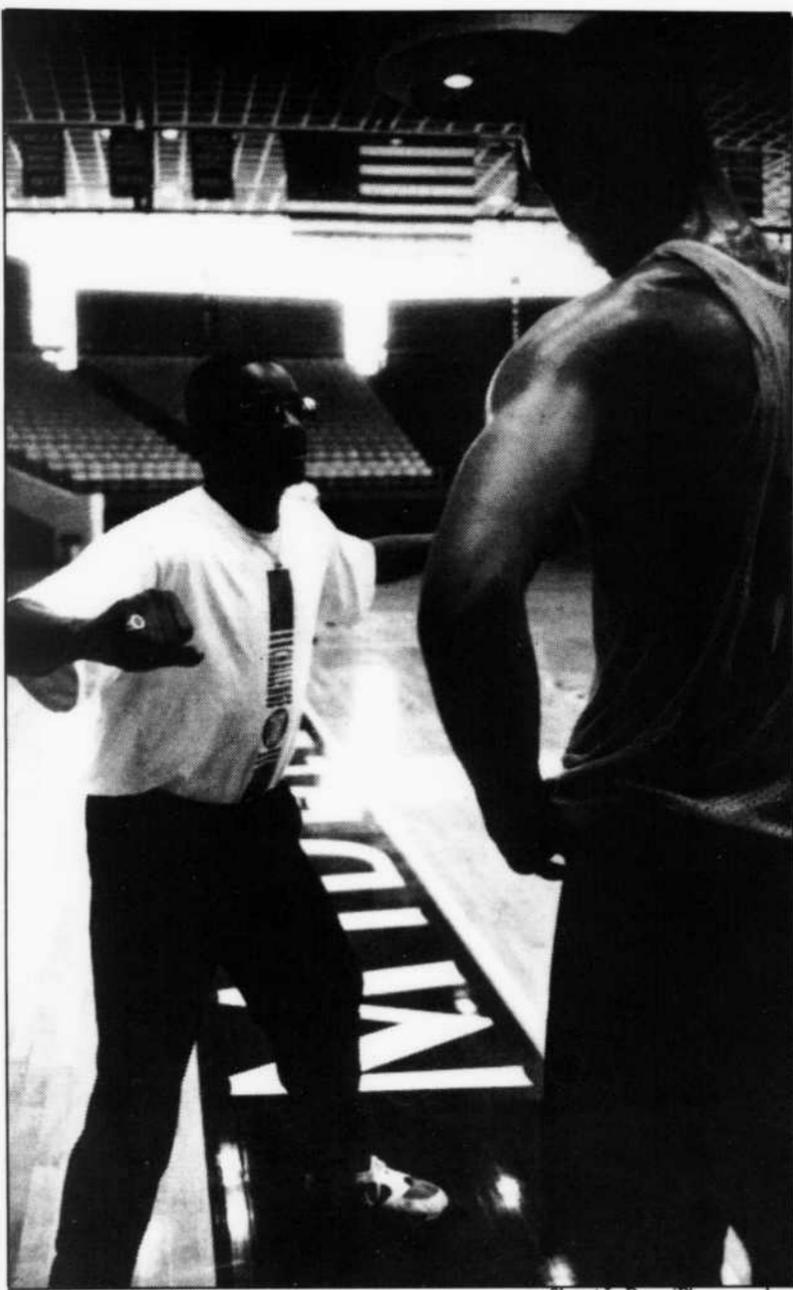
When a prospect has to plan an entire month of high school around when, where and how college coaches can and cannot contact them and to what degree contact can be made, that prospect cannot possibly live a normal high school life.

When the prospect and his family watch this madness happen in front of their eyes, the kind of life the parents must expect for their children while they are in school is incomprehensible.

Rule 13.2.10 defines representatives of athletic interests as “an individual who is known (or should have been known) by a

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#### ARTICLE 13



Sherri LaRose/Photographer

**BUSY BLUE RAIDER:** MTSU men's basketball assistant Jeff Norwood gives instructions to Eric Parker during a recent Blue Raider basketball camp.

## Don't compare Jordan's Bulls to all-time greats

LA TIMES NEWS SERVICE

Move over, Bill Russell, here comes ...

Bill Cartwright?

Something's getting lost in translation if the three-time NBA champion Chicago Bulls are to be installed among the elite teams, like the '60s Boston Celtics of Russell, Tom Heinsohn, Frank Ramsey, Bob Cousy, Sam Jones and John Havlicek.

Scott Williams against Billy Cunningham? I don't think so. The '66-67 Philadelphia 76ers started Wilt Chamberlain, Luke Jackson and Chet Walker up front and brought Cunningham, a Hall of Famer, off the bench.

The Bulls bring Williams in and hope for an occasional rebound and layup. At that, he's superior to Stacey King, the universe's leader in getting shots blocked. Then there's Will "the Thrill" Perdue.

Great teams, pre-Michael Jordan, were made up of several good players. The Bulls are Jordan and 11 elves.

They were lucky enough to come of age as the '80s dynasties - the Lakers, Celtics and Detroit Pistons - were dying and

expansion was diluting the league.

No other power existed to confront them. They may be the worst great team ever, but everyone has to be measured against his own time.

They are 45-13 overall, 19-8 on the road. They are 8-1 on the road in the finals.

And who says they're done?

This figured to be their hardest season, with Jordan and Pippen obliged to give up their summer last year to serve with the Dream Team, with New York rising in the East, with history reminding them no one had won three in a row in 27 years.

Who do you think will be favored next season?

The Bulls are the only top power certain to add a significant player, Toni Kukoc, already working out in secret at their bunker in suburban Chicago.

The Bulls' accession coincides with the NBA's, another development attributable more to Jordan than the elves.

His array of endorsements gives the league an incredible dovetail promotion. When he bumped into another glamorous, highly marketed opponent, Charles Barkley, the result was the top-rated finals of all time.

# Blue Raider basketball assistant has loyal ties

## Coach Norwood, Farrar go back a long way

TRENT MILLER  
Assistant Sports Editor

Blue Raider assistant basketball coach Jeff Norwood has to be one of the busiest people on campus.

In addition to his on-court duties, Norwood is also responsible for recruiting, teaching several basketball classes, plus handling basketball camp. As if all this weren't enough, each assistant coach is responsible for monitoring the progress of four MTSU basketball players.

This is enough to drive most people crazy, but Norwood claims he enjoys it.

"On this staff, we all kind of have a hand in everything," Norwood said. "Recruiting is my main duty. I really enjoy that."

Norwood explains that out of all of his duties, teaching is the most demanding.

"I really enjoy the students, but it puts you at a disadvantage as a coach," Norwood said. "It's an extra strain, and I'm always thinking about places I could be recruiting players, or other things I could be doing to help the basketball team."

Norwood came to MTSU three years ago when David Farrar took over as head coach. The ties between Norwood and Farrar are long and close.

Norwood explained that Farrar recruited him out of high school to play college ball at Mississippi State. When Farrar landed the head coaching job here, one of the first things he did was to contact Norwood.

"Coach Farrar recruited me to play at Mississippi State while he was an assistant there," admitted Norwood. "After two years, he left and went to Hutchinson (Junior College). He stayed in contact and promised me a job. He stayed true to his word."

Norwood was a standout high school player in Tupelo, Miss. He started for three years on a team that compiled a record of 96-4.

"We were very good," Norwood said, "but we never won the state. I believe all our losses

came in the state tournament."

After high school, Norwood traveled to Starkville where he started and lettered for three years for the Bulldogs. He averaged 10 points, five assists and three steals as a senior. Norwood was a roommate of Jeff Malone who now starts for the Utah Jazz in the NBA.

Looking back on his college days, Norwood said the greatest thrill was getting to play against so many great players.

"Barkley, Olajuwon, Drexler, Dale Ellis, I got to play against all those guys," Norwood reflected. "There was also Chuck Person, Sam Bowie, and Dominique Wilkens who was probably the most exciting player I ever played

against." **'Coach Farrar was always loyal. He stayed in contact, even when he didn't have to. He always stuck with me and was always honest with me, even when I didn't want to hear it.'**

— MTSU Assistant  
Jeff Norwood

against."

During his senior season in 1985, the Bulldogs made a run at the SEC championship.

"We were in the conference race, but we came up short," Norwood admitted. "That was probably the greatest disappointment of my college career."

Norwood graduated from Mississippi State in 1985 and thought he was through with school. However, Farrar intervened and convinced Norwood to go to graduate school.

Norwood became a graduate assistant under Richard Williams at Mississippi State. After he received his master's degree, Norwood took an assistant's job with the MSU women's team. This job lasted for three years. Norwood moved on to Nicholls State in Louisiana where he spent one season as an assistant before a phone call came from Farrar

inviting him to become a Blue Raider.

Norwood jumped at the chance to rejoin his old coach.

"Coach Farrar was always loyal. He stayed in contact, even when he didn't have to," Norwood said. "He always stuck with me and was always honest with me, even when I didn't want to hear it."

Norwood said he feels he should return that trust.

"It would be hard for me to take another job for comparable money because of the trust between coach Farrar and myself," Norwood said. "He has a genuine interest in what happens to me and the kids. That's rare."

Norwood said he also has come to enjoy Middle Tennessee.

"I love the area," he exclaimed. "I love Murfreesboro. I've lived in several different places, and I can honestly say this is my favorite. I've enjoyed my three years here."

Norwood looks like he is going to be around for awhile. However, there is one job that could lure him away. Surprisingly, it is not a coaching job.

"My goal is to be a professional scout," he said. "Coaching is a very stressful job. There is a part of me that wants to coach, but I think being a scout in the NBA would be just about perfect for me."

Norwood doesn't completely rule out coaching in his future, though.

"Maybe when I'm about ready to retire, I'll take a high school job," Norwood said. "There are certain things I believe about basketball that I would like to try out. I figured I could spend the last seven or eight years before retirement to see if those things work."

Jeff Norwood is certainly a busy man. But he seems to have the vitality and energy to accomplish all of his duties. He has the respect of his boss and the players. What more could a young man want?

Just as the interview ended, Norwood closed, "Be sure to put in the paper that I'm single, too, okay?"

## Article 12

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within 100 miles of the school.

If a basketball player at MTSU is asked by a charity in Atlanta, his hometown, to come down for a weekend and wear his uniform to help promote a charity function, the player must pay all expenses and cannot accept any pay for his participation, even if the charity has nothing to do with

basketball.

This effort by the student-athlete would appear to come under the heading of "social-benefits" that is part of the NCAA's definition of amateur student-athletes.

The student-athlete is not earning any money participating in the avocation itself and at the

same time is helping to forward a good cause.

The NCAA said this comes under Rule 12.4.1.1 regarding employment due to athletic reputation. The NCAA had no comment regarding whether this rule conflicts with its definition of social benefits to the student-athlete.

## Article 13

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member of the institution's executive or athletic administration to (a) have participated in or to be a member of an agency or organization promoting the institution's intercollegiate athletics program, (b) have made financial contributions to the athletics department or to an athletics booster organization of that institution, (c) be assisting or to have been requested (by the athletics department staff) to assist in the recruitment of prospects, (d) be assisting or to have assisted in providing benefits to enrolled student-athletes or their families, or (e) have been otherwise involved in promoting the institution's athletic program.

In other words, boosters.

Rule 13.2.1 states: "an institution's staff member or any representative of its athletics interest shall not be involved, directly or indirectly, in making arrangements for or giving or offering to give financial aid or other benefits to the prospect or the prospect's relatives or friends, other than expressly permitted by NCAA regulations."

Supposedly, giving benefits to a prospect outside of what is considered normal by the NCAA is illegal. However, to read Rule 13.2.10(d), it appears that boosters are allowed "to be assisting or to have assisted in providing benefits to student-athletes or their families."

This appears to be a gross conflict of interest.

The NCAA has stated that one of the main problems concerning recruiting violations is the presence of booster organizations that have no official ties to the school.

This conflict appears to encourage boosters to participate in the recruitment process.

Rule 13.1.2.3 (d)(1) considers "unavoidable incidental

contact" between prospects and boosters. One example of these contacts concerns locker room visits by prospects when boosters are also present.

An anonymous member of a booster organization from a Southeastern Conference school says this is absurd.

"Don't make me laugh," said the booster. "There is no such thing as incidental contact in a locker room. Meeting the prospects is one of the main reasons boosters go into locker rooms after games."

There is question of how institutional control can be maintained over the outside representatives of the athletic interest when the institution is not forced to either outlaw contributors from boosters not officially recognized by the institution, accept contributions only from one official, NCAA-recognized boosters organization run by the institution, or ban boosters from locker rooms after athletic events.

Rule 13.7.5 regards entertainment or tickets that can be provided to a prospect during an official visit.

Rule 13.7.5.1, about general restrictions, says "an institution may provide entertainment, which may not be excessive, on the official visit only for a prospect and the prospect's parents (or legal guardian) or spouse and only within a 30-mile radius of the institution's athletic interest during the official visit prohibited in Division I and confined to campus in Division II."

Rule 13.7.5.6 says "a luncheon, dinner or brunch at the home of an institutional staff member may be held for a prospect on an official visit, provided the entertainment is on a scale comparable to that of a normal student life and not excessive in nature."

There is no definition of excessive entertainment or normal student life in the manual. These definitions are open to different interpretation by the individual coach or assistant coach.

If the head coach lives outside the 30-mile radius stated in the rule, which is not incomprehensible, he/she cannot entertain prospects at his/her home.

Bobby Cremins, head basketball coach at Georgia Tech, says this is not a feasible rule.

"Whether I live 30 miles or three-tenths of a mile from the campus has nothing to do with how I or anyone else recruits a kid," said Cremins, who lives 22 miles from the downtown Atlanta campus. "If I was going to break the rules, I could do it just as easily within three-tenths of a mile of my home as I could within a 30-mile drive."

Rule 13.1.5, regarding the permissible number of contacts a school can make with a prospect, states: "Each institution shall be limited to three-person, off-campus recruiting contacts per prospect at any site," including contacts made with relatives or legal guardians only and contact made in order for the prospect to sign a National Letter of Intent to attend the school but not including any off-campus contact during the official visit.

By the time a prospect is ready to sign a letter of intent with a school, the coach has no more need to recruit the prospect.

This suggests that the institution realistically has two, not three, "in-person, off-campus recruiting contacts at any site."

An 18-year-old prospect cannot possibly make such a crucial decision, as where to attend college, competently when he can legally only speak to a coach twice.

coach twice.

In order to help a prospect fully understand what he needs to know about the school, a coach must ask boosters to talk to the prospect after the coach's ability to speak with the prospect has run out.

According to Joe B. Hall, former head basketball coach at the University of Kentucky, this is when the boosters get out of control.

"If a booster gets the idea from a coach that he really wants the player, the booster will do

what it takes to get the player for the coach," said Hall.

"How am I supposed to tell the booster 'I want the kid, but don't do anything but talk to him?' It's against his nature. He doesn't feel like he's helping the program if he can't guarantee the coach he'll convince the kid to come to the school."

Hall said he can stress to the that no incentives change hands, "but I have no way to watch him to make sure he doesn't give the kid money. I have used up my visits."

## NCAA

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about the rules.

"You're always asking for interpretations ... and constantly self-reporting (violations)," said Robinson. "We self-report 35-50 things a year, and most schools have around the same."

James Delany, a former NCAA official and OVC Commissioner who is now in his fourth year as commissioner of the Big Ten Conference, stresses the need for more balance between education and athletics.

"There's got to be a way to make sure education is first," said Delany. "I don't think that's the case in all institutions today ... but in my opinion, there has not been reform."

Former Georgetown University President Timothy Healy had similar views.

"(The NCAA) is as complex as the federal government," said Healy. "There's such an inertial resistance to change, it's frightening."

Rep. Tom McMillen, D-Maryland, introduced a bill in Congress in 1991 called the Collegiate Athletic Reform Act, which would reorganize the NCAA into a Department of Education-approved entity run by a new Board of Presidents.

McMillen feels money is the main problem keeping the NCAA from being an effective governing body.

"(The NCAA) feels they can get their house in order, but this problem is very deeply rooted," said McMillen. "It's rooted in money. It's rooted in the fact there's tremendous incentive not to educate, to not pay attention to schoolwork. That's going to take some restructuring."

It is clear that the NCAA has become an over-regulated organization that is more concerned with keeping the schools in line than making sure the student-athletes can live a normal college life while helping the schools earn revenue.

The question is whether the NCAA is capable of changing its ways.

The pettiness over seemingly insignificant issues has earned them a reputation within collegiate athletics as well as the general public of being too hard-nosed with too little heart.

The new executive director has a long, hard job ahead of him. If he cannot do the job, the consensus is that Congress may do it for him.

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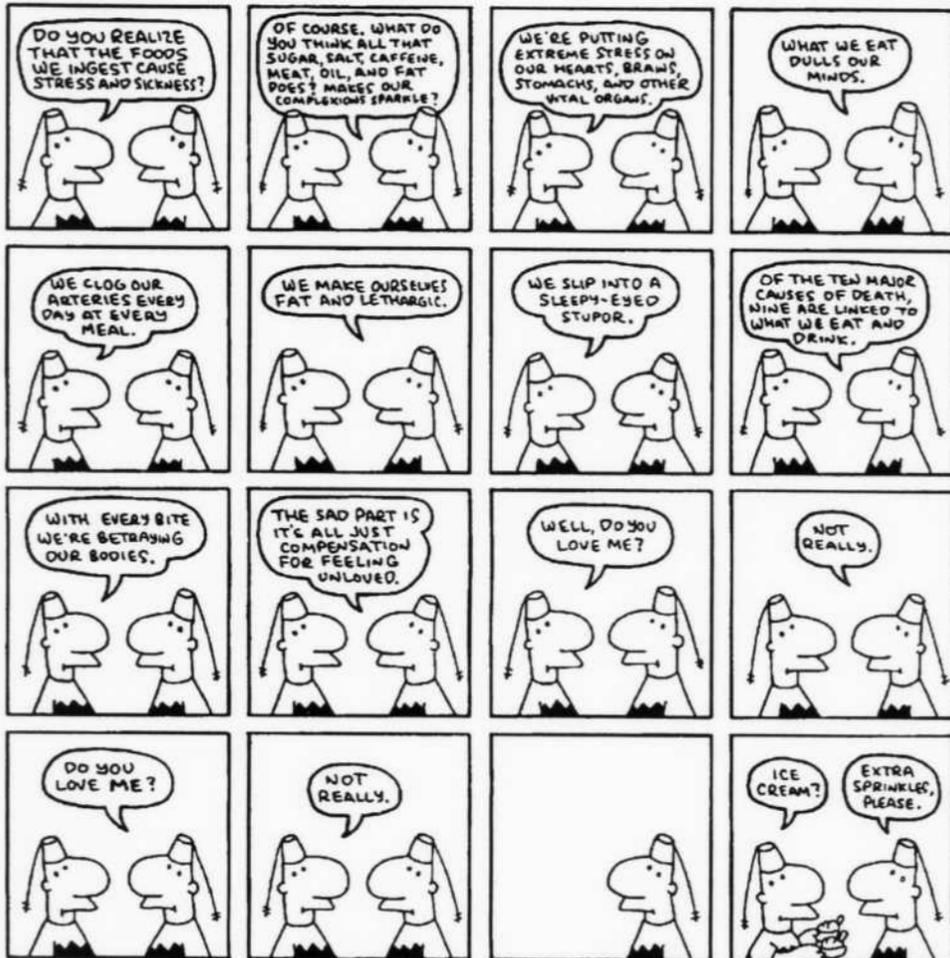
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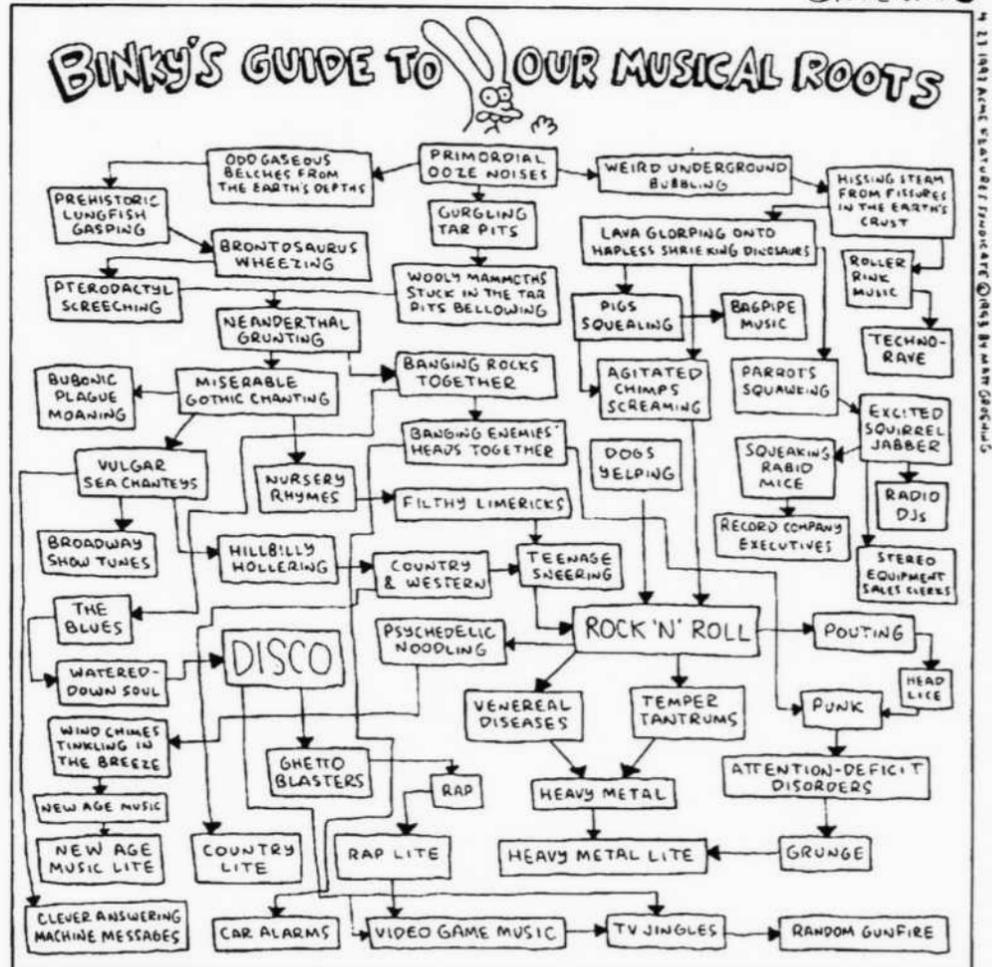
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# THE SECOND FRONT

## Bike-Aid pedals across USA to raise AIDS research funds

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Few bicyclists have ridden across the United States, but dozens of college students plan to wheel their way from the West Coast to Washington, D.C. this summer to raise money for AIDS.

In early June, riders left from San Francisco, Portland, Ore., and Seattle, another group planned to leave Brownsville, Texas in July, and a third group will leave Montreal in August. All three groups are expected to arrive in Washington by Aug. 20.

**'We inspire people who like to bike, but also those who really want to meet people and do good work.'**

"The idea is to spread the word about issues. It is a lot of fun. You meet amazing, amazing people," said Joy Jacobson, a coordinator for the San Francisco-based Bike-Aid. "Bike-Aid is a way of living and thinking for a lifetime. The bottom line is when people are committed to something, they find the ride begins before the actual cycling begins. It develops that commitment."

This year's ride will raise money for HIV and AIDS groups, and the bicyclists will work in

AIDS hospices and pass out AIDS information in the towns and cities they pass through on their trek.

The bicyclists arrange to get funding for a dollar a mile; the riders from the West Coast will raise \$3,600. They are encouraged to raise the money from campus organizations, service clubs, communities and family members.

"This is totally new to me. I thought it would be a challenge," said Thomas Hsu, a senior at the University of California-Davis. "I'm looking forward to it. I've been out West, but never on a bike."

Only 120 people can participate in the cross-country trips. Although there is no more space on the West Coast trips, there are still 30 openings on the Brownsville and Montreal routes.

The bicyclists ride about 70 miles a day and have a support van that carries their equipment and gear. In exchange for prearranged accommodations and meals, the volunteers will work one day a week on a community project. In previous rides they have worked on Native-American reservations, homeless shelters

and with youth groups.

Marcy Hellman, who lives in Oakland, Calif., made a journey from Austin, Texas to Washington in 1989 after she had graduated from UC-Davis. She planned to make the trip from Seattle this year.

Riders come from all the United States and the world, and vary in ages from 15 to their 60s. This year two riders in their 50s from New Zealand are going to participate, as well as some Germans. But Jacobson said the majority of riders are college students.

Most of the riders are beginners who get sore the first few days until they get used to long-distance riding. "They all do great. They want to meet people and want to see the country," she said. "We inspire people who like to bike, but also those who really want to meet people and do good work."

When all the riders reach Washington, they will pedal to the Capitol lawn, have a ceremony and a party, and later hold workshops. They will also work at an AIDS hospice in Washington.

"We live very simply. And it is inspirational to see how kind people are," Jacobson said. "Being exposed to different issues and perspectives is important."

## Whatley

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integrity of journalists and their employers. Journalists and their employers should conduct their personal lives in a manner which protects them from conflict of interest, real or apparent. Their responsibilities to protect the public are paramount. This is the nature of their profession."

"Whatley and his friends have been screaming 'liberal rag' at the *Sidelines* staff for months, but they just never seem to get the point," said Greenbank. "The only reason that Galyn Glick or myself or any other editor has been free to express opinions is because we voluntarily gave up our

**'There is no way that I can be any more biased than any other editor—everybody's opinion is very important.'**

**--Fall *Sidelines* Editor Jason Whatley**

membership or involvement with groups, clubs or teams.

"If the editor is tied to organizations, then the paper shouldn't have anything to do with that organization," Greenbank said.

"There is no way that I can be any more biased than any other editor—everybody's opinion is very important," Whatley said.

LaLance said it was up to the committee to take action "when there is evidence that the editor's integrity has been compromised," not if.

LaLance added that Whatley should be given a chance to prove he can be non-biased.

"Before the poor guy has a chance to prove himself he's already been indicted," LaLance said. "Let's give him a chance

and find out how he does."

He also stated in his memo that the group "raised some points that lead me to conclude that some of our process may need fixing."

"LaLance basically says if ain't broke don't fix it, but it is broken and it needs to be fixed," Glick said.

LaLance did say that in the fall he will charge the committee with examining its operation.

"I can't stand over them with a whip and make them do this, but I think they'll seriously and consciously look at this," he said.

"It's time to change the process or to review the process before we go through another selection."

Reed said he felt "the committee made their decision based on politics rather than on merit."

Reed has held several staff positions at *Sidelines* since he first joined the newspaper staff in 1987, from reporter to managing editor, and said he could not understand the SPC's decision.

"I feel badly for Reed because I think he was the qualified candidate to be at the helm of the newspaper," said Jenny Tenpenny Crouch, Student Publications director.

"I encouraged him to apply for the position knowing he did not have the required GPA but also knowing that the requirement had been waived before."

"I thought surely the committee would use logic and common sense," Reed said.

"I feel as if I let him down and the system let us both down," Crouch said.

"Sometimes you have to sacrifice a battle to win a war, and I think that's what we've done," Greenbank said.

## Regents

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Ralph White, the director of the Department of Educational Leadership, said his department was simply asking that the no longer needed library science program be terminated.

"That program, when it was begun, was offered at both graduate and undergraduate levels," White said.

"We didn't have many students take it [undergraduate], but we're still keeping the graduate program," he said.

The TBR will also consider changing the the concentration in

wellness and fitness to wellness and exercise science. This new program would be included as a B.S. program to the HPER Department.

Some of our undergraduate students needed more courses in sciences, math and sociology for graduate school, said Dr. Guy Penny, who wrote the proposal for the TBR.

"We're changing the title to reflect more of what we were doing, the scientific basis to exercise," Penny said.



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