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SGA election begins today

KAY KINGSLEY
News Editor

More on SGA Elections

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Votes may be cast today and tomorrow in the Peck Hall breezeway and KUC Lounge for candidates for the 1993-94 student government offices.

Any student may vote with a valid MTSU identification card.

Students will be voting for SGA president, Speaker of the House, Speaker of the Senate and Sophomore, Junior, Senior and Graduate Senators.

The candidates have different views on what are important issues facing students.

"I want to bring the Handicapped Services Office, the Women's Center, Adult Services and the Minority Affairs office into a more proactive light," said Scott Hamilton, candidate for SGA president.

He said he wants to see these offices given greater investigation and reporting powers to address the

problems on campus.

Ray Lentz, also candidate for SGA president, said he would work on the parking problem as one of his tasks in office.

"I would ask students to vote in a campus-wide referendum to require the \$300,000 made from parking revenues and fines to help fund parking garages," Lentz said.

SGA presidential candidate Woody Ratterman said he would work to better serve the students if elected to office.

"The one program I would change would be how organizations and students receive funds for their efforts," Ratterman said. "I would work to better educate the students on the issues."

Candidates for Speaker of the

House, Henry Williams and Drew Bergman, have both expressed concern about the image of MTSU.

"Through honesty and responsibility, I want to establish SGA as a dignified and integral representation of MTSU," Bergman said.

Williams suggested that it is time for students to "quit whining about MTSU and be told that it is a school that has more going for it than against it."

Thomas Mercer and Brian Hopper, candidates for Speaker of the Senate, are each committed to specific issues.

Mercer expressed concern for finding a solution to parking and researching co-ed dorms.

Hopper said he wants to work on the system of faculty advising.

Candidates for SGA offices

PRESIDENT

Scott Hamilton
Ray Lentz
Woody Ratterman

JUNIOR SENATOR

Josh McKee
Jonathan Maxwell
Michael E. Harris
Mark Lindsey
Angela Hooker
Kelly Gatewood
Chuck Harvill
Ginger Sullivan
Reggie Tisdale

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

Drew Bergman
Henry Williams

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

Thomas Mercer
Brian Hopper

SOPHMORE SENATOR

Jason Potts
Elizabeth Millsaps
Brian Jones
William Packer
John Waggoner
Gregory Lunsford
Alison Gambill
Dameon Blue
Chesley Harris

SENIOR SENATOR

Latreace Sankey
Edward Johnston
Larry Beaty
Trent Binkley
Christian Craddock
Mark Howse
Robert Prestininzi
Blaine Little
Jeremy Gourley
Michelle Price

GRADUATE SENATOR

Eric Stringer

Professionals to speak at Mass Communication Spring Forum

WARREN WAKELAND
News Writer

Mass Communication majors will get an opportunity to hear other professionals in their field during a special forum Wednesday.

"Spring Forum 1993" is a day-long series of seminars, lasting from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. in the Mass Communication Building.

The forum will feature some of Nashville's well-known professionals from photography, radio, television, journalism and recording industries.

The theme for the forum is "The Future and *You*," and will focus on helping students make career choices.

More than 50 professionals from the mass communications field will be panelists for the program, including Ted Wagner, Regional Promotions Manager for RCA Records; Jim Davy, Sports Editor for *The Tennessean*; and Cynthia Sanders, public relations director for the Nashville Area

Chamber of Commerce.

Topics to be discussed will include how to get your first job after graduation, how new technology affects your career, and how you can advance in your career.

According to Dr. Thomas Berg, instructor in the College of Mass Communication and coordinator of the Spring Forum, each seminar has been developed so that students can find out what

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Thomas Berg
Associate Professor, Radio-TV/Photography

really happens in the business world.

"We are trying to schedule people who can best address the challenges within each particular industry," Berg said. "We want to bring in experienced people from the real world to talk about things that are germane to a particular area."

"We want to help students

come to grips with some of the challenges that will come to them," Berg added.

Berg said the forum's purpose is to show that preparation for the job market is much more difficult than the average student believes.

"If it [Spring Forum 1993] will help alleviate the misinterpretation of how to prepare yourself for the real world, it will have performed its mission," Berg said. "We want it to be seen not as

a day off, but a day to be learning outside of the classroom."

Berg said he would like to see the forum eventually become a university-wide event.

"By starting small and serving Mass Comm students, in the future we'll be able to look at it as a larger scale event," Berg said. "If it ever gets there [university-wide], I'll be very happy."



Don Goins/Photographer

HANKIN' AROUND: Trent Summer, lead vocalist for Hank Flamingo, cheers up the crowd Friday in the Grill.

POLICE REPORT

On Feb. 25 clothing items were stolen from Diana Camilo. The items were in the laundry room of Deere Hall at the time.

On Feb. 26 a bathroom in Judd Hall was found with smoke. It seemed to be a practical joke as no fire was found.

Glenn Taylor reported on Feb. 26 that his vehicle's passenger side window had been broken out while it was parked in the Mass Comm parking lot.

On Feb. 25 Keith Harmon was arrested for Disorderly Conduct.

Derrick Ward reported on March 3 that his wallet was taken from his pants while he was playing

ball in the Alumni Gym Feb. 27.

Donovan Ball reported on March 1 that two Pioneer speakers had been stolen from his girlfriend's car while it was parked in the Ezell Hall lot.

Jason Carley discovered on March 1 that his checkbook was missing from his room in Judd Hall.

On March 2, Kelvin Anderson was arrested for DUI, second offense.

Tommy McCormac reported on March 3 that his percussion box was stolen from the hallway of the Wright Music Building.

Ricardo Warfield on March 4 reported his truck had been scratched with a sharp object on the driver's side door while it was parked in the Ezell Hall lot.

On March 4, it was reported that a vending machine on the second floor of Cummings Hall had been vandalized.

On March 4, Kylie Seiber reported that his bookbag had been stolen while he was attending racquetball class in the MAC.

Bill Holleman reported on March 5 that three subjects had dumped the trash out on the walkway on the first floor of Gore Hall.

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CAMPUS CAPSULE

MONDAY

Students for Environmental Action will meet at 8 p.m. in KUC 305. For more information call Andy 895-5384.

Honors Lecture Series will have Rosemary Tong, Philosophy Dept. from Davidson College to discuss "Feminist Ethics" from 3:30 p.m. until 4:20 p.m. in PH 109.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Week-there will be a display in the KUC basement. The Variety and Fashion Show will be at 7 p.m. in the LRC; cost is \$2.

TUESDAY

College of Mass Communication will host "Sex, rock, and roles: A look at Gender Politics on MTV" by acclaimed author-lecturer Lisa A. Lewis, Ph.D. at 7 p.m. in the LRC multimedia Room 221. For more information call Denise Parker ext. 2578.

Placement and Student Employment Center will have a resume workshop at 11 a.m. in KUC 324. The video "Does Your Resume Wear Blue Jeans?" will be shown.

Bhakti-Yoga/Vegetarian Club will have a get together from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. in KUC 305. For more information call Jonathan Maxwell ext. 4101.

Alpha Kappa Alpha will have a self defense seminar at 6:30 p.m. in KUC 322.

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Martha Turner ext. 2500.

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ONGOING

Weekly College Worship sponsored by **Presbyterian Student Fellowship** every Wednesday, 9-10 p.m. at PSF house across from Alumni Gym.

Bicyclists and Triathletes can start spring training now, rides leave Greenland Parking Lot each Tuesday at 2 p.m. Distance and speed to suit whomever shows up. For more information call Murfreesboro Bicycle Club, 898-2688 or 890-6051.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets every Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. in the Blue Raider Room, underneath the home side of the football stadium. Everyone is welcome. For more information call ext. 1470 or 3234.

Students from Europe hope to spend one month in Tennessee. NACEL needs host families from mid-July to mid-August. NACEL provides medical coverage and the students have their own pocket money. For more information contact NACEL local representative: Rita Maisonneuve, Box 482, ext. 2284.

The Japan Center of Tennessee has samples of "Japanese Fabrics, Colors, and Designs" in a mini-exhibit in the Administration Building Lobby. Festival headbands, kimono fabric samples, dyed furoshiki or wrapping cloths and handkerchiefs with traditional Japanese designs will be on display through March.

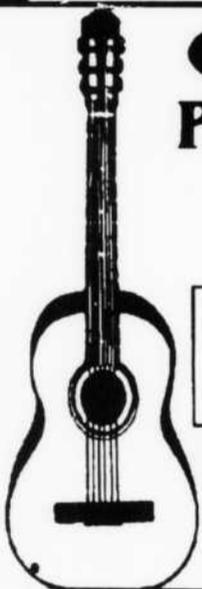
CO-OP Vacancies for foreign language majors at Walt Disney World, National Security Agency, and locations in Europe for the Summer and Fall 1993 semesters.

CO-OP Vacancies for CSCI, CIS, and MATH majors at Lexmark, International, for the Fall 1993 semester.

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SCOTT HAMILTON



RAY LENTZ



WOODY RATTERMAN

Background information:

Major: Political Science
Minor: English/Military Science
Classification: Senior
Future Goals: To return to active Federal Service in the U.S. Army as a commissioned officer in the Judge Advocate General Corp in the International Law Field
Extracurricular activities
 ROTC, SGA, my family, work
How long in student government? What offices?
 1 year in senate

Major: Management/Political Science
Minor: Information Systems
Classification: Senior
Future Goals: United States Senator, Shelbyville mayor, minister
Extracurricular activities:
 SGA, Baptist Student Union, Kool Club, NAACP, We the Students
How long in student government? What offices?
 2 years, vice president/Speaker of the House, formerly Junior Senator

Major: Finance
Minor: Insurance
Classification: Sophomore
Future Goals: The Insurance Business
Extracurricular activities:
 SGA, Beta Theta Pi, intramural sports
How long in student government? What offices?
 1 1/2 years, SGA supreme court, Food Service committee chairman, Student Activity Fees Committee, SACS study committee, and previously member of weekend Task Force committee, delegate to Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature.

Since MTSU is a very diverse university, comprised of a variety of ethnic groups, non-traditional students and has a 53 percent female population, what will you do to ensure their concerns are adequately addressed by student government?

- Establish a series of committees to work with the Minority Affairs Office, June Anderson Women's Center, Handicap Services, and the Adult Center
- Investigate deficiencies and concerns and present the findings of these committees to the legislature, administration, and their respective agencies
- Form a Multi-cultural Center
- Create a Multi-cultural Center committee that will survey ethnic groups, non-traditional students and females, along with the rest of the student body.
- Push for funding of the Multi-Cultural Center
- Encourage and enhance students to use the services and programs that are available on campus.
- Enhance education programs on campus.

If you could totally overhaul and reconstruct one program or service on campus, what would it be and what would you do?

- Unify Handicap Services Office, the Women's Center, Adult Services, and the Minority Affairs Office, into a central office and give them greater powers of investigation and reporting to address problems on campus. This would give us a basis for the development of the Multi-cultural Center.
- Hold referendum to require that money earned from parking fees and tickets would help fund parking garages. The students would vote in a campus wide referendum to require the \$300,000 made from parking revenues and fines to help funding for parking garages rather than requiring these parking revenues to be deposited into the General Fund to reach quota.
- Would change the funding process for organizations and students by better educated the students on the issues, and lobbying at the state level.

What would you do as president to ensure an equitable distribution of SGA student activity funds?

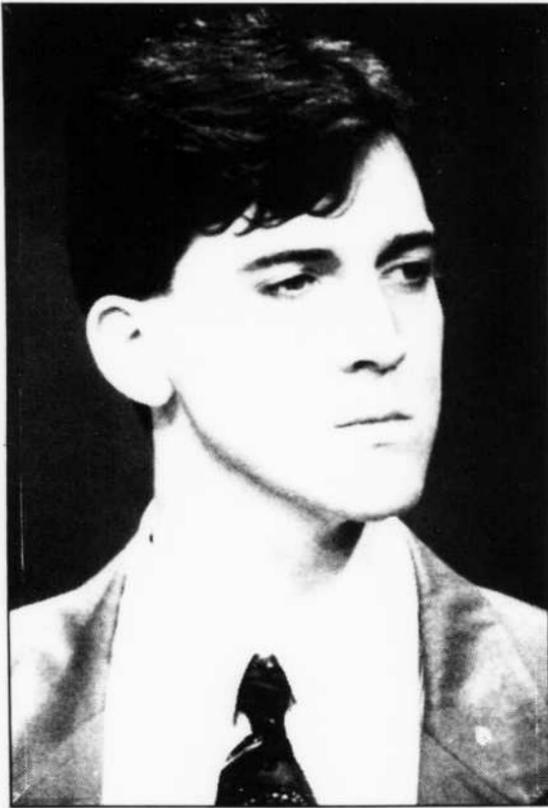
- Would dispose of current system and instill a new program.
- Open a band account to borrow funds against, account would receive excess funds after repayment of current loans
- Will base the distribution of funds on need.
- Will request and verify organizations' financial statements from the club's treasurer.
- A committee will decide on the distribution of funds
- Educate students on how to better prepare themselves for the ordeal.
- Would get an explanation for the students on how the money is weighted.

We asked each candidate to state their platform In 40 words or less. These are their own words.

I have a specific timetable organized to mediate dissent in congress, refocus SGA on student issues, and enter a new era of communication. We'll empower ourselves to mediate issues with administration, insure student/administration relationships, and achieve healthy student environments.

- Longer library hours
- Require parking revenues to funding parking garages
- Multi-cultural center
- 24 hour ATM machines
- Eliminate spring break dorm rent
- Optionalize Freshman meal plan
- Improve family housing
- Survey non-traditional student wants
- Elect Ray today

I want to as president to better serve the students. I would look down every avenue that effects every student on this campus, and make sure the needs and want of them are dealt with in the best possible way.



Candidates share their views

Sidelines asked each candidate for Speaker of the House and Senate to state his platform in 40 words or less.

DREW BERGMAN Candidate for Speaker of the House

1. Return Parliamentary Procedure to the House.
2. Ensure Representation for each Organization entitled.
3. Inform Representatives of Meetings and Document reasons for absences.
4. Through honesty and responsibility, establish SGA as a dignified/integral representation of MTSU.
5. Establish a Student Organization Recruiting Fair.

BRIAN HOPPER Candidate for Speaker of the Senate

We desperately need to revamp our system of advising. We need someone who has experience to lead Senate actions on this. Experience, commitment and intelligence are what I feel I have to offer to solve this and many other problems.



HENRY WILLIAMS Candidate for Speaker of the House

It's time we all quit whining about M.T.S.U. and instead told of a school that has more going for it than against it. I only guarantee this NO BULL, NO RUN-AROUND, STRAIGHT ANSWERS, AND AN OPEN EAR!

THOMAS MERCER Candidate for Speaker of the Senate

It is time for the SGA to stop bickering. It is time for them to start working for longer library hours, finding a parking solution, research co-ed dorms, and to start catering to the students, more so than the administration.



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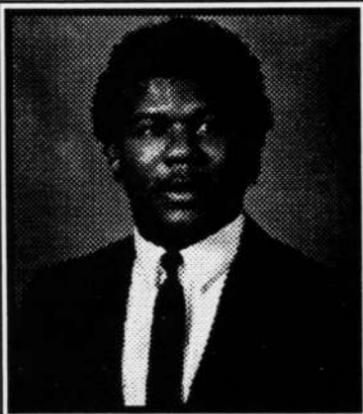
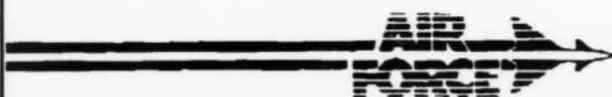
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Ray Lentz

SGA President

March 29 & 30

Peck Hall 8:00 - 6:15

KUC 8:00 - 4:30

Hello, My name is Ray Lentz, and I am running for Student Government Association President in the upcoming election. I am currently serving you as the SGA Vice President/Speaker of the House. I believe with my experience as vice president and my abilities to put the students first, that I am the most capable candidate for this office. Last year, the SGA unanimously honored me as the Outstanding Legislature in SGA.

I have supported the student body with many forms of legislation. For instance, I helped move the condom issue through the government. I have also pushed for the ending of the \$5.00 fee for dropping classes at the state level. Upon the Tennessee's Board of Regent's approval, MTSU students will be exempt from paying the drop fee.

In a few weeks, the student body will be allowed to vote on referendums which I have sponsored. First, students will vote to lengthen the library hours. Next, the students will vote to require parking revenues and fines to help funding for parking garages. This will help improve the quality of student life at MTSU.

Please come out and vote in the election March 29 and 30. The students must choose who and what they want for themselves and MTSU. I encourage you to use your voice in this election and vote for a change. Together, We the Students, United We Will Stand. Vote for a change at Peck Hall and the KUC. Remember to bring a valid student identification with you.

Thank You,
Ray Lentz
Ray Lentz

CONSENSUS CORNER

Time to do your part and vote

The election is upon us and everywhere we look this fact seems apparent. The hopefuls are pressing the flesh, making those promises and generally acting like candidates.

We can watch them on television. We can listen to them in the Grill. We can avoid them on the sidewalk. They are getting their message out through the media, through public appearances and through legwork.

They're doing their part.

Sidelines, WNAR, and MTSU TV-12 have covered the election thoroughly. We have told you the names. We have told you their platforms. We have been here to keep the student voters aware. As members of the media, we have a responsibility to pester candidates and students alike.

We're doing our part.

By now, students should know who the candidates are and for what they stand.

Meanwhile, student apathy towards its governmental body grows with each passing minute. The people are tired of seeing stories about the election. The campus is ready to move on. No one seems to be interested.

Well, O.K., we can get through this.

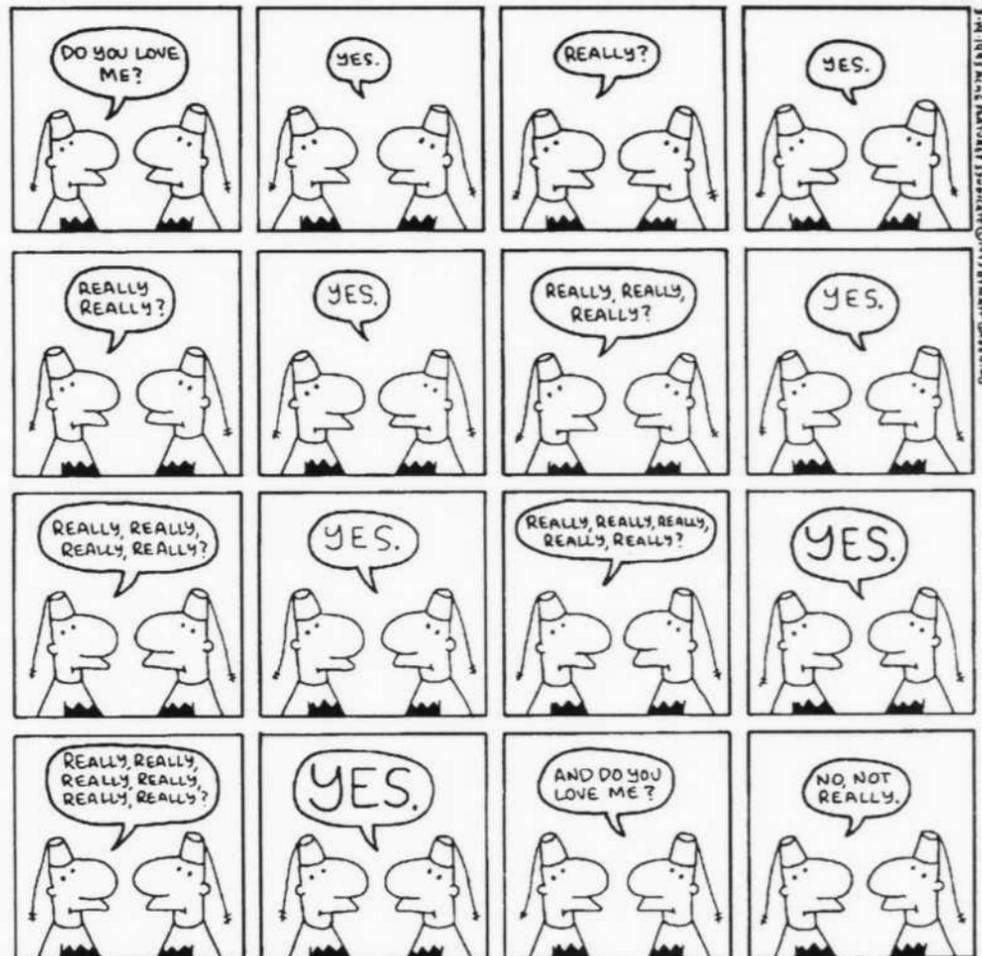
But, you have to do your part.

That means taking a few minutes to vote. Stop by Peck Hall or the KUC Lounge and vote. All it takes is a valid student I.D. and three minutes.

If you don't vote, we would have to run stories about low voter turnout and student apathy. We don't want to. We have to.

LIFE IN HELL

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Church does not have monopoly on spirituality

To the Editor:

After reading the recent letters to the editor and witnessing current news events, namely, Waco, TX, I am reminded that religious beliefs are an enormous source of conflict in this world. Religious conflicts were and still are responsible for the majority of violence today. Just look at Palenstine, gay bashing, Ireland, The Crusades, ad infinitum, to see for yourself the extent to which religious convictions have destroyed life. Even a recent "Right to Life" believer believed it was right to kill in order to save the lives of the unborn.

Considering the fact that almost all religious related violence directly contradicts religious teachings be it Christian, Jewish, or others; one may ask what is the purpose of religious spiritual beliefs? Does the Bible, for instance, really tell us to love one another? Are people even to abide by its cardinal rule "Thou Shalt Not Kill." Even some of the "best

Christian leaders managed to disregard this commandment in order to support the recent Persian Gulf War. Not to mention the thousands of good Christian soldiers that killed "the enemy" in the name of God and their beloved country.

Given the bloodshed, hostility, and conflict that religious beliefs are responsible for, I wonder if it wouldn't be such a bad idea for everyone in the world to just give up religion.

Yes...NO RELIGION.

Now I bet many of you reading this article are already quite offended at this prospect, but I don't mean to offend anyone. Rather, I am merely suggesting that given the fact religion has added tremendous grief and turmoil to people's lives, it would seem quite logical to give up it's practice. Now for you who cannot consider giving up your weekly church ritual because you say church offers you a sense of spirituality and closeness with God, asking anyone to give up spirituality or communion with God, but I

suggest to find it (spirituality) somewhere else than the church or through endless bible readings. Instead, find it through the world God created: the trees, plants, animals...the WIND. One does not need to lock themselves up in church once a week to feel and know God. Actually, I think Jesus would find the idea of going to church once a week to get spiritual hilarious.

Certainly, I am not in the position nor do I intend to dictate whether people should go to church or not. But I do suggest that everyone skip church awhile. Instead, go out and explore the woods or simply plant some flowers in your window sill and watch them grow. Maybe just spend the time you normally spend for church to watch the clouds float by and the moon rise above them. Breathe in nature and just maybe you'll give up church and be converted like I am to the wonder that is Mother Earth.

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VIEWPOINT

No 'More of the Same'

CHARLES ALY
Staff Columnist

If turnout in past elections is any indication, most of you do not care who gets elected to the SGA. Perhaps you are sick of hearing about the SGA—hey, I'm sick of writing about it. Maybe you don't know who the candidates are and think it doesn't make any difference which ones get elected. Whatever the reason, most of you do not vote and that is a serious mistake.

The student body of MTSU has, potentially, more power than any other group on campus. Could the Tennessee Board of Regents, the governor or the media overlook a massive, organized effort to make MTSU the place we know it should be? Absolutely not. However, there is no way we can get the things we need and want without effective leadership.

This election is about More of the Same versus a New Direction in student government.

More of the Same has 1,200 students voting in this election. More of the Same has a small, organized voting block electing officers who take their scholarships and run—never to be seen again by the student body. More of the Same will see the Interfraternity Council continue to receive \$2,000 per semester while WNAR radio receives just a few hundred.

More of the Same has the SGA as close to the administration as ever. More of the Same will see even more hard working and committed students come away from the SGA with their ideals smashed. A conscientious and formerly committed SGA representative recently told me, "Forget the SGA, forget this school, I'm getting my diploma and getting out of here."

A New Direction for the SGA is nothing earth-shattering, just a bit of common sense. You will see the SGA conduct surveys so they know exactly what we want and in what order we want it done. A bill that would have the SGA conduct surveys was recently vetoed by current SGA president Toby Gilley. A New Direction has the SGA working hard for longer library hours (Gilley vetoed this bill as well).

A New Direction places great emphasis on equitable distribution of SGA funds. Students want to see a return on the \$3 investment we make in the SGA each semester. Decreasing funding for organizations whose work does little to benefit the student body would free funds for tangible projects like WNAR.

Most of all, a New Direction puts people in office who will work for and be accountable to the students. Now, let's look at the races for the three SGA offices:

Speaker of the House: Drew Bergman, a greek, is the current IFC secretary and has virtually no experience in the SGA. During the debate and "speak-out" Bergman said, if elected, he will be a neutral administrator of the House. He seems sincere and I'm not convinced he would be bad choice, but Henry Williams is getting my vote.

Williams is currently a representative and the House sergeant-at-arms. He won me over with his directness and his reluctance to make campaign promises he may not be able to keep. Williams has the experience and unlike his opponent, has no organizations backing him—he has no loyalties and will owe no special consideration.

Speaker of the Senate: Brian Hopper is running as an independent, but he is working so closely with the greeks (Bergman and Ratterman) that I've heard that group dubbed the "Two Greeks and a Geek ticket." That is no reason not to vote for him, though. At the debate and "speak-out" Hopper has appeared totally unprepared. He has stammered and struggled through these events and didn't prepare opening statements. Any candidate who wants my vote has got to take the time to do his homework. Hopper did not and that makes this the easiest race to decide.

Thomas Mercer is currently an SGA senator and sponsored the library and survey legislation vetoed by Toby Gilley. Mercer has introduced legislation proposing everything from more ATM machines to mandatory attendance at SGA meetings by organizations seeking funds.

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Women's History Month Activities

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Honors Lecture Series--Dr. Rosemary Tong, "Feminist Ethics"
3:30-4:20 p.m., PH 109

Tuesday, March 30

Dr. Charisse Gendron: "Rambling Rose," PH 317 Viewing 1:30 p.m.
Discussion of the film 3:30 p.m.
Dr. Lisa Lewis: "Gender, Politics and MTV" 7-9 p.m. LRC 221

Wednesday, March 31

"Curricular Transformation Workshop," 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
JUB Hazelwood Dining Room, Lunch included, reservations
required
"Wisecracks," 6:30 p.m., 9 p.m. KUC Theatre (also March 30 and
April 1)

More

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His performance in the debate and "speak-out" has been most impressive. Gridlock and frustration within the SGA has given Mercer all the reason in the world to give up, but he became more determined and he's got my vote. President: Scott Hamilton has SGA experience and seems qualified to be an effective president. Unfortunately, the issues at the heart of his campaign are issues I've never heard of before. The storage of explosive materials and asbestos removal do not seem to be burning issues on campus. He stands for ending the gridlock in SGA, but doesn't say how he would accomplish this.

Woody Ratterman served on the SGA Supreme Court and the Food Service committee (appointed by Toby Gilley), but he has never served in elective office. He says he has worked closely with the administration and feels his amicable relationship with many administrators is an asset. He enjoys the support of his fellow greeks and is aided by current president Toby Gilley who is actively campaigning for Ratterman.

Ray Lentz survived the attempted abolishment of the House of Representatives, he helped defeat a GPA requirement referendum that would have disqualified him from this election and he withstood an attack by debate mediator David Scalley. Lentz has earned the respect and

support of a diverse group of students (myself included) because he loves what he does. His genuine enthusiasm and concern are only over shadowed by his work ethic. If Ray Lentz isn't the hardest worker the SGA has seen in years, look out—pigs are coming in for a landing.

Whether you are greek or independent, male or female, traditional or non-traditional, you must decide how we can get the most from this institution. There are two diverse philosophies at work in this election. More of the Same holds that the administration has the power and the SGA must work within that framework to get things done.

A New Direction believes that the students have the power. Every administrator and faculty member's reputation and success is directly tied to the success of this institution. The success of MTSU is directly related to the value of its degree and the value of its degree is determined by graduates, students and future students.

More of the Same acquiesces when the administration explains that longer library hours are impossible due to limited funding.

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Women's Voices

International Poetry Reading offers diversity

Women and men gathered Wednesday for the Honors Lyceum "Women's Voices," a poetry reading of international works by faculty and students. The second annual event was designed to showcase poetry from a diversity of languages and cultures. The poetic works of several nations were represented; readers at the lyceum offered the poem in the original language, and then in English.

The well-attended event was offered as part of National Women's History Month, which continues through Wednesday with speakers and programs highlighting women's accomplishments and issues. Co-sponsors of the reading were the MTSU Honors Program and the Department of Foreign Languages and Literature.



Royal Lineage

Written by Zulu Sofola

Read by Esther Imasuen

Obi Osemone the son of the Kings of Oligbo
It is the child that brings fame to the parents,
May God bless me with children,
May the world know me through my children,
May God give me children
May I know the joy of motherhood

It is the Child that gives the wife dignity in her
matrimonial home,
May God bless me with children,
It is children that are a mother's wardrobe,
May I know the joy of motherhood.

It is the children that are the agents of peace.
May God bless me with good children,
May the world know me through my children,

It is the children that bring peace to a home,
May God give me children.
May I know the joy of parenthood,
It is children that bring wealth,
May God bless me with children.
It is children that bring wealth,
May God give me children.
May I know the joy of motherhood.

It is children that bring honour,
May God bless me with children,
May the world know me through my children,
It is the children that bring kindness and good
will,
May God bless me with children,
May I know the joy of parenthood.

She

Written by Zinaida Gippus

Read by Igor Zhislin

In her shameless and despicable vileness
She is grey as dust, as earthly ashes.
And I am perishing from her nearness,
From the indissoluble bond between her and
me.

She is scabrous,
Prickly, cold _ she is a serpent.
Her repulsive, searing and jagged scales
Have covered me with wounds.

If only I could feel a sharp sting!
She is flaccid, dull and still,
So lumpish and sluggish;
There is no access to her _ she is deaf.

Coiling round me, she stubbornly
And insinuatingly caresses and strangles me.
And this dead, black
And fearsome thing is my soul!



Spelunkers in paradise

LUANN LOWE/SPECIAL TO SIDELINES

Looking for adventure? Want a cheap thrill? Middle Tennessee is a spelunker's paradise.

"More than 6,000 caves have been discovered in Tennessee and documented by the National Speological Society," says Jeff Parnell, Chairman of Central Basin Grotto, a Middle Tennessee caving organization. "Over 200 are located in Rutherford County."

While Parnell welcomes spelunking enthusiasts and says the sport is relatively cheap, he cautiously releases information on the cave sites.

"Many of the area caves get trashed with painting and graffiti on the walls and become sacrificial caves," he explains. "Any serious caver will not freely give out the locations anymore."

"We live in an area where people from all over the world come to explore the caves in Middle Tennessee and the cave environment needs to be protected," Parnell urges. He not only refers to the physical structure of the cave, but also the bat species that hibernate and breed in their habitats.

Parnell says there are nine species of bats in this region of which two, the Indiana Bat and the Gray Bat species, are endangered. Human intrusion occurring

multiple times during a season can kill the bat colonies.

Each time a group enters a cave where bats are clinging and hibernating in clusters on the ceiling, they will wake up and burn about a week's worth of fat.

While the caves in Rutherford and surrounding counties appear obscure, they are visibly tucked inside the rolling hills. One Dekalb County cave extends 14 miles, and vertical thrill seekers will find ample pits, one being 122 feet deep.

Parnell also coordinates a Cave Rescue Squad which is a resource for the Tennessee Emergency Management Association. He says the squad has been involved in as many as 12 rescue missions during a year because people will explore inadequately equipped, or enter caves inebriated.

Parnell emphasizes the importance of following simple safety standards such as: a climbing-grade helmet, three independent light sources of which one should be hand-free, extra batteries, rope, hiking boots, change of clothes, extra food/water and an emergency blanket.

Parnell, owner of Adventure Technologies, Inc. on West Main Street, says his store and the Central Basin Grotto serve as a clearinghouse for caving expeditions in the area. The 88-member grotto provides newsletters and information for a \$12 annual fee.

Breaking Barriers

Women engineers challenge stereotypes

COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

Although engineering is still a male-dominated field that carries many stereotypes, universities are attracting more women into engineering disciplines, experts in the field say.

The engineering industry is actively recruiting female college graduates into well paying jobs as firms try to diversify the workplace, and women are finding out that engineering offers a satisfying and demanding academic course work. But there are still stereotypes that have to be overcome because of the image engineering has in our society, officials say.

"The stereotypes include the white man with an old slide rule and a plastic pocket protector," said Robby Henes, director of the Center for Women in Engineering at the University of California-Davis. "Many myths exist, such as engineers not being social. [They] can't handle people [so they] got into a technical career. It is a male profession, more so than other hard sciences. It is still predominantly a white male industry, but women are making a lot of inroads."

Until 10 years ago, college and university engineering programs attracted few women. That, however, is changing.

In 1974, there were 4,266 women enrolled in undergraduate engineering programs nationwide, or 6.7 percent of the total enrollment. In 1990, there were 16,

674 women enrolled, or 17.7 percent of the total. In graduate programs in 1974, 1,399 women, or 3.2 percent, were enrolled. In 1990, 16,611 women, or 14.1 percent, were in graduate programs.

What happened in the past two decades was the demystifying of engineering both as a male bastion and as a boring profession. There also seems to be confusion outside the profession as to what engineering is. "An engineer is anyone who takes basic ideas of technology and science theories and applies them to the real world," Henes said.

The many different fields in engineering include environmental, ceramic, aeronautical, material and mechanical. What any engineering undergraduate or graduate needs to be successful in school is a strong background in science and math. Females, however, bring something else into engineering programs, Henes said.

"Women offer a unique contribution. They tend to be more communally oriented. Men put a heavy emphasis on grades and not sharing information or working in groups," she said. "The ability to work together is very helpful. Women have a different way of examining a problem."

UC-Davis offered an experimental class titled "How Things Work" that was designed to teach women engineering students about the inner workings of devices such as a car transmission, a CD player,

a washing machine and a car engine. Henes said the purpose of the class wasn't to turn women into mechanics, but to have them tear things apart and put them back together to understand mechanism and machinery.

The old perception that women do poorly in sciences and math compared with men is changing. Studies have shown that women, even those talented in math and science, face a bias in education from kindergarten through high

school that discourages them from entering the sciences.

Henes' program at UC-Davis serves as a support system for the 400 women enrolled in the school's undergraduate engineering program and 650 women in the graduate program.

But the Center for Women in Engineering also holds workshops in grades kindergarten through high school in local schools to sensitize teachers to needs of female students and to look at "what their myths

about engineers are. Teachers have their own bias and lack of understanding," she said.

The Society of Women Engineers, a professional organization based in New York, has financed a \$100,000 scholarship fund specifically for female engineering students. The society represents 16,000 professional women and students, and has chapters at 250 universities and colleges, and in 70 cities.



SHOP TALK: Professor Jack Henderson talks with students in the University of California-Davis engineering class call "How Things Work."

Talk to the animals ...

Slither, purr at Nashville Zoo

CHAD PIERATT/SPECIAL TO SIDELINES

With warm weather and sunshine coming, so is the taste for the outdoors. Just outside of metropolitan Nashville is a small, but tame, Wild Kingdom.

From snakes to zebras, the Nashville Zoo is growing quickly. Going on its third year, the zoo already has over 100 different species and over 800 total animals. Breeding is done at the zoo rather than having to bring in animals from other zoos. The furthest location any animal came from was the San Diego Zoo.

"Being young, we are still growing everyday," says employee Joe DeGraauw, whose specialty is working with the carnivores.

The zoo has the largest collection of clouded leopards in the United States. The rare snow leopards are also a special addition.

A main attraction for visitors is "Sotwick," the Siberian tiger. On a hot day, Sotwick can be seen resting under a tree or blinking back at the unfamiliar faces.

"Sotwick is the ambassador of tigers to humans," said DeGraauw. De Graauw

and Sotwick have a special relationship because DeGraauw feeds the intimidating tiger.

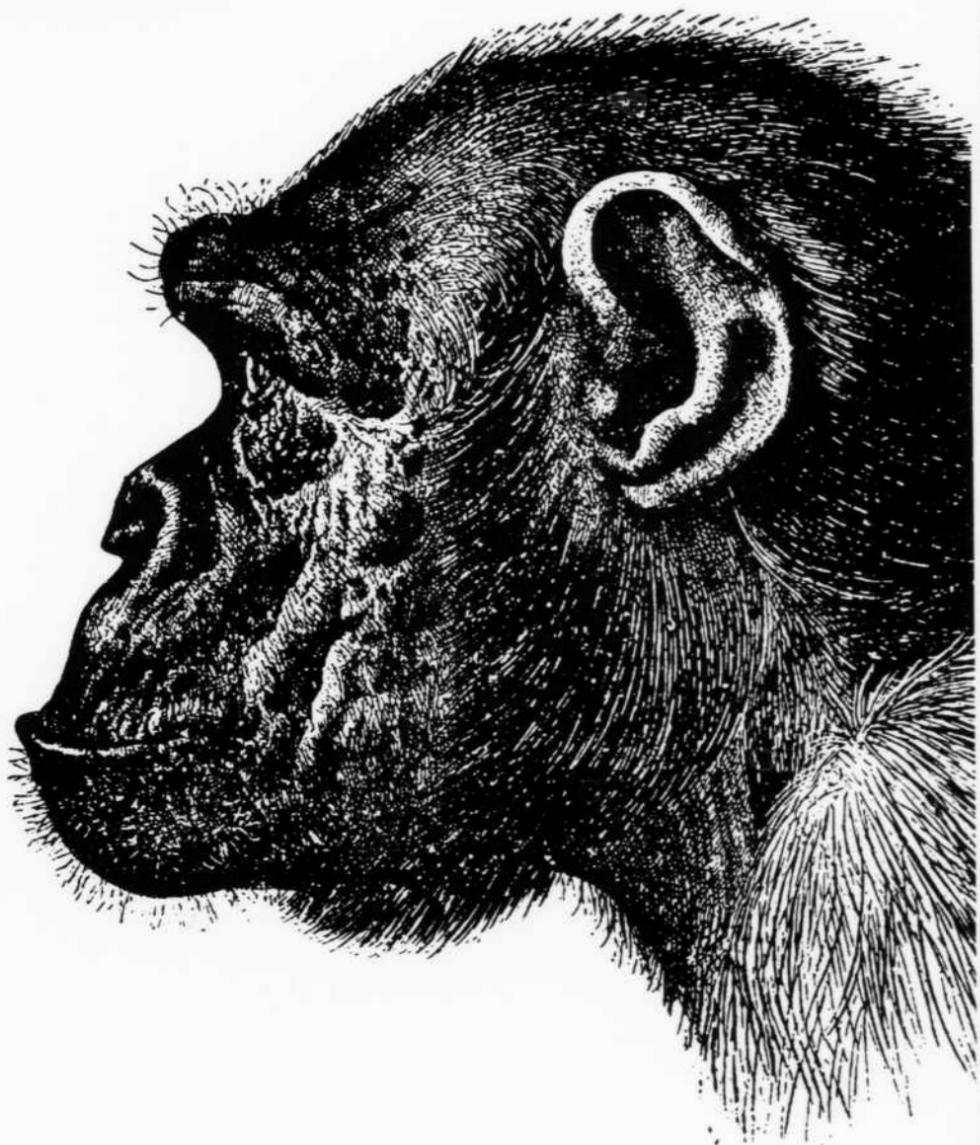
The zoo is out in the country to provide a better atmosphere for the animals. There are lots of trees and refreshments in a clean, enjoyable environment.

Whether a date with the family, a special time with a friend or even simply time alone, the zoo is a good place to see some of the inhabitants of the outdoors.

"The ultimate goal is for there not be zoos," DeGraauw said. "The goal now is to someday set the animals free. Zoos are to educate the public."

To get to the Nashville Zoo, take Interstate 24 towards Clarksville, get off at Exit 31 and follow the signs. From Labor Day to Memorial Day the zoo is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and from Memorial Day to Labor Day the hours are from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The zoo is open seven days a week, closed only on Christmas and New Year's Day.

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A Day in the Park

Visitors enjoy Centennial's beauty

LESLIE HIGINBOTHAM/SPECIAL TO SIDELINES

A group reads poetry about love as leaves drift all around them. A bearded man sits cross-legged on the stump of a tree, interpreting sights with canvas and coal. Crack is passed through an empty Pepsi can; Athena watches it all.

Athena, goddess of wisdom and craft, is the heart of Centennial Park. Visting her grounds is an experience in culture and society.

Every Sunday afternoon, a festive party of drums thump a seemingly never-ending beat. Girls in gauzy flower dresses primitively move their bodies to the rhythm. This gathering is reminiscent of the "free love" explosion of the 1960's. They call each other "brother" and "sister" and appear to have foregone the razor, comb and bra.

Across the road from the Bohemian celebration, the knights and ladies of the round table assemble.

Fully costumed in medieval wear, these individuals spend the day in the past.

Gentlemen raise their swords and prepare to demonstrate their dueling talents. The homemade weapons produce hollow "whacks" as wooden saber meets plywood shield.

"We come out here almost every Sunday," offered Sir Wallace of Gallatin. "We enjoy sharing what we have been studying with the public; and coming out to Centennial Park is a good way to find

possible new members."

A young couple tosses a frisbee with a Labrador retriever. It is a high-energy game of keep-away and the onyx-colored hound bounces back and forth like a tennis ball.

"We live in an apartment complex near here," said Mary Burns, hairdresser and part owner of "Bluxi the Wonder Dog." "It's nice to have a place to take your shoes off and feel grass instead of asphalt."

The park was bought from a farmer

Hands buried in leather coat pockets; they wear the telltale signs of rebellion.

Looking ominous in their black heavy metal T-shirts, skull and crossbone medallions and jeans with rips in the material, they tell stories about the park at night.

"We pass through every once in a while," offers a sturdy 16-year-old whose head is shaved to the temple and gives only "Bear" as his name. "Noone I know comes here at night. People call it the fruit loop because all the fags hang out

there are not gates to keep people from traveling through Centennial.

Bear explains that nighttime traffic is the least appealing.

"It's different after the sun goes down. Only dumbasses come here then. You'll get robbed or beat."

Centennial Park has on-site rangers who act as police. They handle all disturbances. If things get out of hand, the Metro police department is called in.

"We don't have many problems in the park," stated Sgt. John Copelan. "Every once in a while we get a drunk harasser, flasher or suicide victim, but that's about it."

"Everyone is asked to leave here after 11 p.m.," he said. "And I never busted anyone for selling drugs. This is family place and a recreational area for everyone. We're doing our jobs."

The park, located on West End and 25th Ave. N. in Nashville, also features a sunken garden, sculpture garden and croquet club.

A sculpture of Athena was added to the park's attractions in 1989. She resides inside the Parthenon and symbolizes Nashville's diversity of culture.

"I've worked here for 35 years in the tourist center and I've never gotten tired of coming to my job," said Bobby Jones, 65. "I look out at the people throwing footballs and eating lunch and know that every tax dollar we spend on this little bit of nature in the city is worth it."

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Bobby Jones
Metro Park employee

in the late 1700's. Three years after the park opened as a recreational area, it became the site of the 1897 Tennessee Centennial Exposition.

The Parthenon, or Temple of Athena, began as a cardboard and wooden exhibition for the celebration. It attracted so much attention that through private funding and careful planning, it became an almost exact replica of the Greek landmark in Athens.

Today it is the focus of Nikon cameras and elementary school field trips.

A group of teenage "thugs" stand beneath a lamp-post smoking Kool's.

down here."

"Then you've got the "Rastafarians" (Jamaicans who cruise the loop selling crack and cocaine, sometimes out of old soda cans.) They're no good. They'll kill you if you mess with them."

"There goes one." Bear points to a custom-painted car that has churning lights around the license plate and neon windshield wipers.

"He's cruising for customers and turf molesters," Bear continues. A turf molester is someone who is trying to sell drugs in an area that a dealer has claimed as his selling space.

Although the park closes at 11 p.m.,

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Raiders rally to save series

Brewers hit prevents sweep

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

Mudcat Brewer choked Sunday afternoon, then he won the game for MTSU by a margin of 4-3 over Tennessee Tech.

Brewer, MTSU's right fielder, came to bat in the seventh inning with his Raiders leading 2-0 when a young little boy finally got to him.

"He'd been teasing me because I hadn't been hitting the ball well," Brewer said with a smile "He'd been teasing me so I said I was going to hit one right here for him."

The boy, who was Brewer's cousin's son, wasn't disappointed because Brewer did reach base. It wasn't in glamorous fashion though.

What was usually a routine grounder hit to Tech's third baseman, was turned into an errant hit when the throw was off line.

By normal standards, it should have been a ground out.

Brewer's final trip to the plate produced different results. Tech had rallied in the bottom of the ninth and scored three runs. MTSU answered with one in its half to knot the score and Brewer toed the batter's box with the winning run on second.

This time, he didn't talk to the child. He was too focused on winning the game.

"The game was already tied and if I got a hit, we would win the game," Brewer admitted. "I just wanted to win; that's all I was shooting for."

Then he drilled the pitch over the centerfielders head, driving in Craig Reavis for the 4-3 victory.

It was a hard-fought win, with MTSU getting some big breaks in its stretch run. Lance Lodes opening the inning with a bloop

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Don Goins/Photographer

SAFE BY A MILE: Actually, just a split second as MTSU first baseman Craig Reavis reaches out to catch the throw against Tennessee Tech.

Lady Raiders suffer 4-1 loss

SHANE SCRUTTON
SportsWriter

The MTSU women's tennis team suffered a 4-1 home loss Saturday to powerful NAIA team Mobile College while using a different match format that, according to head coach Dale Short, posed just as much a problem as the Lady Raiders regular opponents.

"If we had played every match out, I really think we could have won, but we had to play shortened doubles matches that put us at a disadvantage because doubles is one of our strengths and we were not able to capitalize," he said.

Short was referring to the system where each doubles match played is an eight game pro-set instead of the usual best-of-three sets format because of time limitations.

MTSU lost two of the three doubles with a changed line-up, and the first three singles matches.

"Our team always gets off to a slow start and playing those pro

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SMASHING RETURN: MTSU tennis star Paul Goebel returns a backhand shot in the weekend's tennis action.

Zackrisson guides tennis team to victory

SHANE SCRUTTON
SportsWriter

"Play hard, have fun, and hit your shots."

It's a simple philosophy Dale Short tells his players on the tennis court, but it's also one that has helped MTSU tennis team member Patrick Zackrisson achieve the best singles record of the Spring Campaign.

It is a philosophy the Swedish native used most recently in a 6-2, 6-3 victory to help the Blue Raiders to a 4-1 home victory over No.1 NAIA team Mobile College on Saturday.

"I'm very focused at the moment and I'm really having a lot of fun on the tennis court which is making a big difference in my game because I'm more relaxed," said Zackrisson, who improved to an overall 7-3 record with the weekend victory.

The smooth-stroking baseliner, a junior in Marketing, has played what Short believes to be a big difference in MTSU's recent success against nationally

prominent teams, and the surge towards another OVC men's championship title.

"Patrick is playing as well as if not better than anyone else on the team," said Short.

Moving away from a comfortable baseline zone may have been a big factor in Goerbel's improvement, Short acknowledges, but it hasn't always been a natural one.

"Patrick is a big difference why we're a notch better than last year because he has learnt to be more aggressive and finish points off earlier, rather than staying on the baseline and playing his natural game which is more predictable," he said.

That predictability was indicative of last season when Zackrisson played with a typically defensive-minded attitude to struggle to an overall 21-17 record, often declining to put the ball away when the opportunity presented itself.

"Patrick was so used to playing on slow courts that it was

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Sports Editor gives Atlanta kiss of death

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

Its schedule is the most grueling of any sport. It has it all: fights, broken bones, wild pitches to dingers.

It is baseball and it is only a week away.

Forget that old groundhog. Baseball is the sure sign of spring. But, just as that old groundhog predicts the weather for the upcoming months, I'm doing the same with my annual divisional picks.

As some of you might know, I'm the champion of 'On the Line' which is a weekly football prediction poll among the university's coaches and *Sidelines* writers.

But just between you and me, I'm kind of like that old groundhog. Rarely do I ever predict it right when it comes to baseball. It's a lot of fun though and I'm sure when I do get it right, there'll be some people that will never hear the end of it.

Let's see, common knowledge of the area tells me exactly what people want to know.

N.L. WEST

Being a Cincinnati Reds fan, I've got to go with my heart.

Atlanta will win the N.L. West.

Now does that make sense?

You see, ask my assistant Scott Hassler, me picking Cincy would be the kiss of death. Whenever I have a gut feeling and express my opinion, the

opposite always happen. I've jinxed some of the best 80 percent free throw shooters in the nation.

That doesn't mean Atlanta isn't good enough to demolish anyone that steps in its path this season though.

The Braves have assembled perhaps the best starting rotation ever with the addition of Greg Maddux. The big bats of Terry Pendleton and David Justice make the offensive punch explosive as well.

The only weakness the Braves have is its bullpen. The squad has no true closer and it could blow a lot of saves this season.

Cincinnati could really give the Braves a run. The Reds pitching staff isn't spectacular, but it will pass.

John Smiley should be a boost to the pitching staff and an unbelievable bullpen takes some of the pressure off the starters to pitch countless

innings.

The acquisition of Roberto Kelly is a good one. Kevin Mitchell is a gamble. However, if Mitchell can produce numbers like he did in San Francisco and with Kelly, Barry Larkin and Bip Roberts batting in front of him, this gamble could pay very high dividends.

Los Angeles helped itself out, but it will fall out of the race with that illustrious infield that couldn't play in the local softball league.

Houston is still a year away while

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Sports Editorial

Cincy Reds in Series while Braves at home

SCOTT HASSLER
Assistant Sports Editor

The 1993 baseball season will start in a week and with that beginning comes the annual prediction onslaught of sports fans all over the country. Well, since I am an official know-it-all in the sports world, I'll throw my predictions into the pot.

I like to brag, so I will. Last year at this time I picked Toronto to win the World Series. They did. This year I'm picking Cincinnati to win the World Series. They will.

The division winners will be Toronto, Chicago, Cincinnati, and Montreal. The World Series will feature the Reds and the Blue Jays. The Jays will hang tough but the Reds will win it all in 1993. Here's why:

American League East

The eastern division will probably be the most lopsided division in baseball. The Blue Jays have the most talent in the division and should have an easy time of winning. Cleveland will be the biggest surprise of the league. The Indians have a lot of young talent and no one has told them to win, so they will. The Orioles will make a dash for first, but the Camden Yard dogs will have to wait one more year for the pennant. Here's how the east will finish. (1.) Toronto, (2.) Baltimore Orioles, (3.) Cleveland Indians, (4.) New York

Yankees, (5.) Milwaukee Brewers, (6.) Boston Red Sox, and (7.) Detroit Tigers.

The Blue Jays are coming fresh off of their world championship and will look to repeat. The Jays have the best pitching staff in the American League and the best second baseman as well in Roberto Alomar. Juan Guzman is the early favorite to win the Cy Young award. The bullpen is solid with Duane Ward and the manager Cito Gaston is first rate. No contest.

The closest thing to a contender for the Blue Jays is Baltimore. Baltimore has 90210 look-alike Brady Anderson in the outfield along with Mike Devereaux. The infield has ironman Cal Ripken at shortstop.

The pitching staff is one pitcher away from being awesome. The pitcher that's supposed to be the savior is Fernando Valenzuela. But, look for Fernando at the taco stand before you look for him on the mound.

The surprise of the East will be Cleveland. The Indians have suffered through misery that long-time Cub fans would feel sympathetic about. They have a small market and they have to play half their games in Cleveland. But the Indians have talent and motivation, thanks to the farm system. After this spring's tragedy, look for the Indians to be ready to rumble.

The Yankees will be bad. Wade Boggs should be a nice addition, but the

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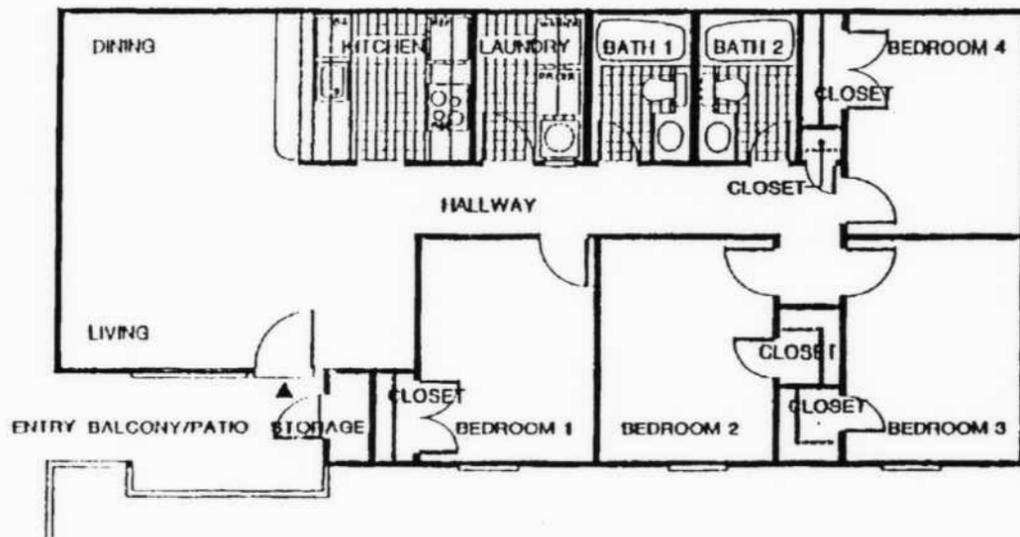
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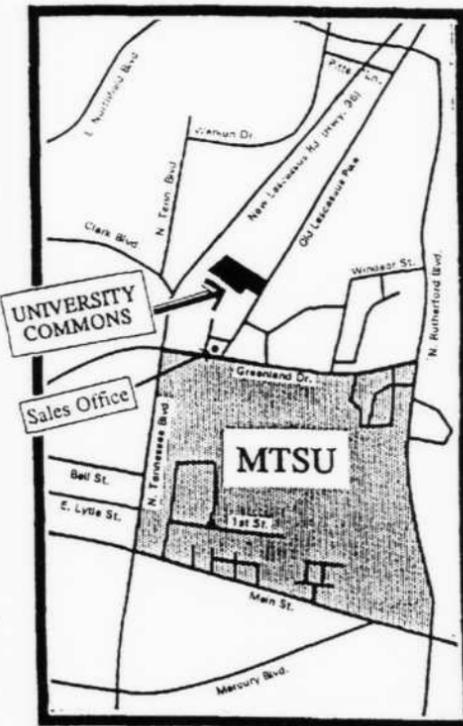
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Chicago

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Colorado is about ten.

San Diego cut its budget — and its throat.

San Francisco got the majors' best in Barry Bonds, but not even Bonds is a miracle worker.

Predicted Finish: 1) Atlanta 2) Cincinnati 3) Houston 4) Los Angeles 5) San Francisco 6) San Diego 7) Colorado.

N.L. EAST

Atlanta fans hope they don't suffer through the New York saga. When the Mets signed Bobby Bonilla, people thought a World Series ring was inevitable (ala the inking of Mr. Maddux).

It never materialized and the Mets didn't even compete.

New year though and New York will prevail. Why you ask?

Bonilla is always going to perform. Howard Johnson is healthy, as is Dwight Gooden. Eddie Murray still has some pop, plus leadership, and by picking up Tony Fernandez, the Mets solidified their infield.

Montreal will be right on the Mets tail, but a lengthy injury to either Delino DeSheilds or Marquis Grissom will sink the team ship.

St. Louis didn't make any monumental moves but it has a young, talented team with kids like Felix Jose and Ray Lankford ready to step into stardom.

Philadelphia has the bats to match just about anyone. Its pitching couldn't match the Bad News Bears.

Shakey bats and average pitching will take Chicago out of the race early and Florida will be a nice place to visit on a vacation.

As for the defending division champions, Pittsburgh won't be able to muster the momentum to take this division. It simply lost too much fire power when Doug Drabek and Barry Bonds left.

Jim Leyland has always found a way to disprove doubters but it appears as if this is his toughest challenge yet.

Predicted Finish: 1) New York 2) Montreal 3) St. Louis 4) Chicago 5) Pittsburgh 6) Philadelphia 7) Florida.

A.L. WEST

Bo knows the division title.

Maybe we should say Frank knows the division title.

Bo will just be an average contributor and a money making draw.

Frank Thomas will be a machine with an incredible year. Tim Lincecum still has some juice left, as does Carlton Fisk.

The pitching staff wouldn't get too many teams by, but in this once powerful division, it will win the wild west.

Oakland still has the monstrous bats with the likes of Rickey Henderson and Mark McGwire. They still also have the whiny attitude of Henderson, the questionable production of a depleted starting rotation and unpredictable Ruben Sierra.

If the A's overcome the problems inside the clubhouse, they could be serious contenders for another World Series ring. If not, they'll watch the divisional

playoffs at home.

Kansas City could be a team to watch, and not just because it has David Cone. It has a solid line-up with the mixture of youngsters and veterans, and its pitching staff is adequate for a divisional run.

Minnesota has Kirby Puckett, and that's about it. Sure there's an aging Winfield, a large Hrbek and a kid named Knoblauch, but the pitching staff is atrocious and should take care of any contention.

Seattle hopes Lou Pinella can pull off another miracle job like he did in Cincinnati. He has a superstar named Ken Griffey, Jr. and a decent starting rotation. Don't expect a championship though.

Jose Canseco and Ivan Rodriguez add some punch to Texas' line-up and the Lone-Star state still has Nolan Ryan puffing out some heat. I wouldn't count on great things, although Texas does have a chance if everyone produces.

The California Angels need to do a little praying. They have some fine young talent mixed in with a handful of aged veterans, but the team is still a year or two away.

Predicted Finish: 1) Chicago 2) Oakland 3) Kansas City 4) Texas 5) Minnesota 6) California 7) Seattle.

A.L. EAST

Toronto will have a chance to win back-to-back World Series titles because the Blue Jays should easily win the division.

Joe Carter and Juan Guzman will put up their numbers. Roberto Alomar is perhaps the best second baseman in baseball. Paul Molitor is a proven winner on and off the field and Jack Morris will continue to win with a high ERA.

Baltimore will be the Jays' closest contender. The Orioles surprised some folks last year and Cal Ripken, Jr. didn't even have a good year.

Jr. will be back, as will Glenn Davis, and the O's will fly into a second place finish.

Detroit has enough energy to have a winning season. But a cast of aging veterans doesn't make the Tigers' future bright.

New York has Steinbrenner back. Too bad they don't have Mantle, Ruth and DiMaggio back. They'll need them.

Milwaukee can't repeat its performance of a year ago; Boston can as it will struggle.

Cleveland has already been hit with disaster with the death of two of its promising pitchers, Matt Crews and Steve Olin, plus the injury to its veteran Bob Ojeda. You can count on the team playing with some tremendous momentum, but it can't keep that for an entire season.

Predicted Finish: 1) Toronto 2) Baltimore 3) Detroit 4) Boston 5) Milwaukee 6) New York 7) Cleveland.

The winner is....

The World Series winner is Chicago, because the Braves

Reds

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Yankees are still a ways away from being the Yankees of the past.

Milwaukee and Boston will fight each other for the next to last honor. The Red Sox will have to put up with Roger Clemens' attitude and then try to find away to win. Good Luck!

Milwaukee is a team that reminds me a lot of Cleveland. Bad city, cold weather. There is one difference though. Cleveland has some talent.

Detroit. That's all that can be said about this group. They might forfeit the entire season to save themselves some embarrassment. The real excitement in Detroit will be how many homers will Cecil Fielder hit and how much will Cecil weigh?

American League West

This division should be pretty competitive. I think that the White Sox might be able to pull off the pennant, but I wouldn't be shocked if Minnesota won the division. The west is known for speed and defense when it comes to the American League, and that shouldn't change this year either. After the White Sox, the division should look like this: (1.) Chicago, (2.) Minnesota Twins, (3.) Oakland A's, (4.) Seattle Mariners, (5.) Texas Rangers, (6.) Kansas City Royals, and (7.) California Angels.

The White Sox may have put together a winner this year. So at least half of Chicago will have

something to cheer about.

The Sox have the best offensive team in the A.L. Frank Thomas is the man at first and he has punch that would make Mike Tyson jealous. The pitching staff is solid. Black Jack McDowell is a 20 game winner and should repeat that again this year. They have the closer in Thigpen and Radinsky. They have Raines and Johnson in the outfield. Bo Jackson is on the roster, but he won't win them the pennant.

Minnesota is predicted by some to finish as far down as fifth in the division. Get a grip. The Twins have Kirby Puckett in the outfield. Dave Winfield is the DH. The bullpen has Rick Aguilera as the closer. The Twins will give the White Sox all they can handle.

Oakland is a team that consistently over achieves. If Ricky Henderson can stay healthy that will help the A's chances. The A's still have some questions on the pitching staff.

Seattle is a team that in a year or two should be a tough club. Ken Griffey, Jr. is the man for the Mariners. If the Mariners can get some pitching they should have a respectable season.

Texas and Kansas City are similar in that they are both recovering from trades that wiped out key players. The Rangers have Canseco, but that won't help much. Nolan Ryan will continue to be good, but where's the help?

Kansas City will win the nicest ballpark award and that's probably it.

California heard that they were adding expansion teams in the National League so they decided to make themselves one. They got rid of all their highly paid players and changed their uniforms. For all practical purposes they are an expansion team.

National League East

This division is going to go through some changes. I think the Expos are the team to beat because last year they put in such a good run. If Deshields or Grissim gets hurt seriously, the Expos may fade into the retractable roof. The expansion Marlins from Florida will be added and that makes Philly fans happy because they won't finish last. Here's the finish followed by why it will be that way. (1.) Montreal Expos, (2.) New York Mets, (3.) St. Louis Cardinals, (4.) Chicago Cubs, (5.) Pittsburgh Pirates, (6.) Philadelphia Phillies, (7.) Florida Marlins.

The Expos are still young, which will either help them or hurt them. The Expos rely heavily on Grissim and Deshields. If either or both get hurt, the Expos are sunk. The pitching is good and the bullpen is good as well. If the speed holds up, so will the Expos.

The Mets will provide a heck of a challenge for the Canadians. The Mets have Bobby Bonilla,

Howard Johnson, and Dwight Gooden. All three need to have 100% turn around from last year.

The Cardinals are a young team as well. When it comes to speed, no problem. Pitching, however, is a problem.

The Cubs are always one step away. The loss of Dawson and Maddux will hurt the club dramatically. Fortunately, Harry will be too drunk to know or care how the Cubs play.

The Pirates' ship is finally sunk. This hurts me greatly because of my loyalty to the Bucs. After three years of dominance in the National League East, the Pirates will finally be looking up instead of down. The good news is that the Pirates won't lose to the Braves anymore. Jim Leyland won the manager of the year last year. If the Pirates finish .500 they should rename the game of baseball in his honor.

The Phillies are the last place team except that the Marlins have been added. Florida and Philly both have the "f" sound, so I wonder if there's a connection?

National League West

Everybody thinks that the Braves have the division locked up. Not! The Reds will win the pennant because they don't look as good on paper. It is a proven rule that if the team is invincible on paper, then they will not win. Ask the Dodgers and Mets. Here's the finish with some

surprises. (1.) Cincinnati Reds, (2.) Atlanta Braves, (3.) Houston Astros, (4.) Los Angeles Dodgers (5.) San Francisco Giants, (6.) Colorado Rockies, (7.) San Diego Padres.

The Reds have added John Smiley and Kevin Mitchell. If they can provide numbers similar to their past, then the Reds will be unbeatable.

The Braves have the best pitching staff in baseball on paper. That means that at least one of them will have a bad year. If the "on paper" rule holds true, the Braves will be a tough second place team. If the "on paper" rule doesn't hold true, then the Braves might go undefeated.

The surprise of the league is the Houston Astros. They're young but they now have some veteran pitchers in Doug Drabek and Greg Swindell.

The Dodgers are the best-paid average players in the world. They're old and tired and should all be on Lasorda's weight watchers program.

The Giants have Bonds. That's nice. Bonds couldn't win the big games for the Pirates and he won't win the big ones for the Giants either.

The Rockies are going to surprise everybody and finish ahead of the Padres. Finishing ahead of the Padres isn't a big deal, but it is an accomplishment for the expansion clubs.

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Baseball

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fly to centerfield. Tech's Johnny Patterson seemingly came up with an outstanding, diving catch. However, the home plate umpire ruled he trapped the ball and the tying run was on base.

"I don't know if he caught it or not," MTSU coach Steve Peterson said. "It was a great play if he did catch it, but he took a tremendous chance."

Then Peterson defied baseball's rule book. With no one out and a run down in the final inning, he let Lodes steal.

"If I took a chance anywhere, it was stealing Lodes instead of bunting him over," Peterson admitted. "That was my first thought process but with the combination of how the pitching was going, I thought he could steal it."

"I could have looked terrible right there."

But instead, Peterson came out smelling like a rose. Lodes was safe and Craig Reavis moved him to third when his bunt was fielded by Tech's pitcher who threw high, pulling the first baseman off the bag, allowing all runners to be safe.

Brent Greer, who already had an RBI single earlier in the contest, came through once more with a slicing single that landed just inside the foul line in left field. With the score tied, it was then time for Brewers heroics.

"It was a big win," Raider starter Jamie Birkofer said. "We lose today and it would have been real hard to come back and win it. We had to win today."

Tech had swept the Blue

Raiders Saturday, leaving them in a hole as far as the Ohio Valley Conference race is concerned. Sunday's dramatic win bounced them back into the race with a 7-12 overall record, 4-2 in OVC action.

Birkofer did his part in the victory with six shut-out innings. He gave up only one hit while striking out six.

"Birkofer had a good, solid performance," Peterson said. "It was a big win and we know what we've got to do. We've been in enough races, we know we're going to have to go on the road and do some damage."

MTSU hosts Alabama-Birmingham Tuesday night at 7 p.m. and again on Wednesday afternoon, with the first pitch coming at 3 p.m.

Loss

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sets really hurt us because it didn't give us an opportunity to get into a groove," said team captain Shelley Reed, who lost at the No 2 doubles spot with first-time partner Angie Green. Green filled the spot following an injury to Jenny Oliveira.

Also left inconsequential were the results of the other three singles matches which, under the usual format, would have proved crucial.

"I wish we could have started all over again because, although they are a good team, we really didn't get the opportunity to show how good we are," Reed said.

"By the time we started playing well it was too late."

The loss drops the Lady Raiders to a 7-5 record after the match Sunday against Southern Illinois was cancelled.

Tennis

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difficult for him to begin playing aggressively and come to the net," said Short.

"But he has worked hard to improve his volleys and play more of an all-round game, which has enabled him to hit more winners and compete at a higher level."

Zackrisson demonstrated that aggressive form at the No 5 position against Mobile, which went into the MTSU match with an imposing 14-1 record after a recent defeat of top 20 team Ole Miss.

Consistency, according to Short, is the key to future success against similar opponents.

"Our major objective in the last five weeks is getting everyone playing well at the same time, which hasn't happened for one reason or another," he said. "But at least we played a good team at home, which gave us a rare advantage because we have played so many tough teams on the road."

Sunday's results against Southern Illinois will be in Thursday's edition of *Sidelines*.



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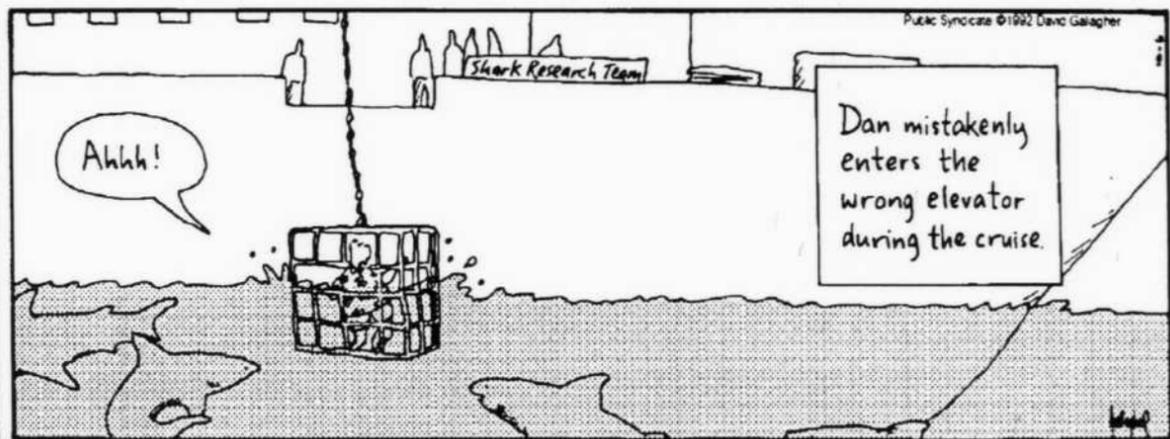
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THE SECOND FRONT

EPA report on second hand smoke alarms universities

COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

A grim report on secondhand smoke by the Environmental Protection Agency has armed non-smoking students, faculty and administrators with new information to fight for smoke-free campuses, a growing trend at U.S. colleges and universities.

The EPA report, titled "The Respiratory Health Effects of Passive Smoking: Lung Cancer and Other Diseases," has confirmed what the medical profession has long suspected—that breathing secondhand smoke can be as deadly as lighting up.

"It's very alarming," said Timothy Hensley, spokesman for the Office on Smoking and Health at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta.

"The report provides ammunition for students and for administrators to strive for smoke-free regulations in educational settings to protect the non-smoker from hazardous exposure to secondhand smoke, which can lead to lung cancer," he added. "Only about 25 percent of Americans are smokers, so it is the majority of Americans who are victims of passive smoke," Hensley noted.

Since the EPA report, first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton has

declared the White House smoke-free for the first time in history, and corporations such as McDonalds and Chuck E. Cheese are experimenting with smoke-free restaurants.

Smoking was banned March 1 in nearly all California state buildings under an order signed by Gov. Pete Wilson, who urged the judicial and legislative branches and the University of California system, which aren't covered by the order, to do the same thing.

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"Colleges should be in the lead, because smoking is lowest in areas where education is highest," said John Banzhaf, executive director of the Washington-based Action on Smoking and Health and a professor of law at George Washington University in Washington.

"People form attitudes at the college level," he said. "Ten or 15 years ago, they picked up the habit of smoking in college; now they are picking up the habit of not smoking."

Banzhaf counsels campus anti-smoking activists to go to the president of the college or university with their demands.

While many campuses have been cracking down on smoking for the past several years, administrators say the EPA report will most likely expedite stricter policies. Many colleges ban smoking entirely in classroom and administration buildings, while smoking and non-smoking rooms have been designated in residence halls.

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, a recent survey showed that 31.1 percent of men and 28.1

of women ages 20-24 smoke. There has been an overall decline, however, in smoking among people with some college education from 42 percent to 26 percent between 1965 and 1987, according to the American Lung Association.

The National Center for Health Statistics data says that smoking is the single largest preventable cause of premature death and disability in the United States and kills more Americans each year than cocaine, heroin, alcohol abuse, drugs, auto accidents, homicide and suicide combined.

Nation sees rise in tuberculosis cases

KENNETH HOLLOWAY
News Writer

There were 528 reported cases of tuberculosis in the state last year, according to figures collected by the Tennessee Center for Disease Control.

While this is the lowest number of reported cases in Tennessee within the last 10 years, the number for the nation as a whole has been on the rise.

In 1990 there were 598 cases of TB in the state, which dropped to 574 in 1991, said Faye Hinton, a nursing consultant with the center, located in Nashville.

The figures increased for the entire United States, however, from 25,701 in 1990 to 26,283 in 1991. According to the World Health Organization, the United States has an 11.8 percent increase in the number of reported cases per 100,000 people from 1985 to 1991.

The disease, which has predominantly been associated with the elderly, has recently been on the rise within the 25-to 44-year-old range among blacks, Hispanics, Asians, and Native Americans.

Epidemiologist Bob Moore, with the Rutherford County Health Department, says that health care for those stricken with TB, especially patients with the drug-resistant strain, can become very costly because they have to be placed in isolation.

Moore says that currently there are people with the drug-resistant type of TB in Middle Tennessee.

Persons can acquire the drug-resistant type if they "start taking drugs and for whatever reason they stop taking them," Moore said.

Patients with this type are hard to cure since the TB bacteria becomes immune to drugs that fight the disease.

The two drugs that are the mainline defense against tuberculosis are isoniazid and rifampin. Ethambutol and pyrazinamide are two other drugs that are commonly used in the defense against TB.

Doctors will "keep the patients on drugs and in isolation for two to three weeks" if they have the normal strain of tuberculosis, Moore said.

"They're down but not out," so after the two or three weeks in isolation the patients are kept on drugs for nine months to a year,

said the epidemiologist.

Dr. Bill Noah, a chest specialist, acknowledged that "it is easier to catch TB than it is to catch AIDS."

It is easier to catch TB because it is spread through the air, Noah said. If a patient with tuberculosis coughs and there are TB bacteria in that exhaled air, another person can inhale that bacteria and possibly become infected.

AIDS, on the other hand, is spread most often through the transfer of infected blood or through sexual contact.

The danger of spreading tuberculosis usually ends within the two or three week period that the patient stays in isolation undergoing drug therapy. They can leave isolation if they go out with masks and keep taking their drugs, said Moore.

Other measures taken to treat TB are to prevent contagion, such as the wearing to the mask, chest drainage to clear the lungs and a high-calorie diet to promote healing and weight gain.

The treatment of patients with the drug-resistant type is more drastic.

Moore said that "it is almost impossible to treat someone if they're resistant to two or more drugs."

"We have to keep them locked up in a room with a guard at the door and this is going on in Middle Tennessee at the present time, Moore said.

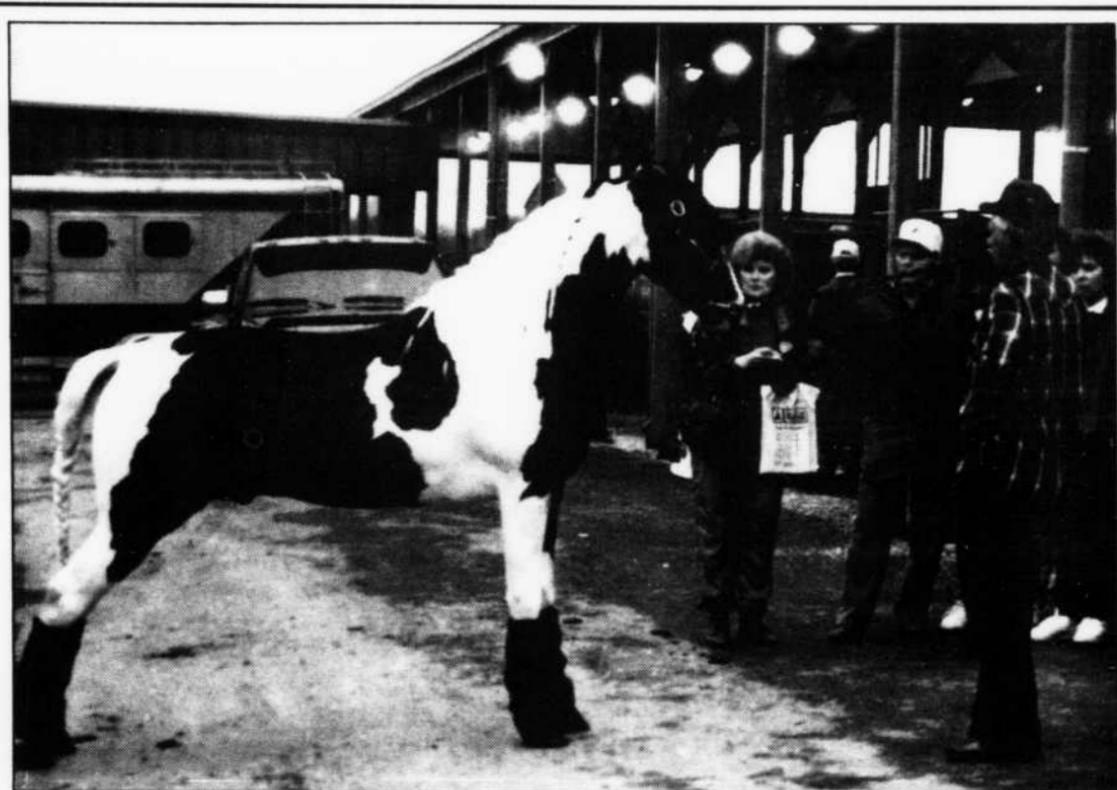
The epidemiologist said that "most of the people with TB were infected as small children" and acquire some type of illness that wears down the immune system enough for the TB bacteria to become active.

People who are infected with TB and acquire the AIDS virus are treated "very aggressively," said Moore.

A three-day regimen is deemed to be effective for at least nine months to begin with at least six months after the tests turn up negative in the sample of sputum, or mucous mixed with saliva.

The chances of acquiring active tuberculosis remains low. Fewer than 10 percent actually become critically ill with primary TB. But chances of acquiring the disease increase with the region in which a person lives.

The symptoms of tuberculosis include fatigue, anorexia, weakness, weight loss, night sweats and a low-grade fever.



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