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MTSU reaches all-time high

Enrollment for Spring 1991 at Middle Tennessee State University reached an all-time second semester high of 13,923, an increase of 3.46 percent over last year, according to Cliff Gillespie, dean, MTSU admissions, records, and information systems.

Spring enrollment has steadily increased over the last six to 10 years, and university officials forecast it will continue to increase for the next five years, notes Gillespie.

"This is one of the reasons MTSU is the fastest growing four-year school in the state and has been for a long time," said Gillespie.

The number of students enrolling for the spring semester was down, but the number of returning students increased.

"We were down a little bit in new students for the semester," says the MTSU dean. "That's not too alarming in the spring term. Returnees were up because we had such a huge fall enrollment which carries over into the spring. Re-enrollees (people who were previously enrolled, but not in the fall) were up considerably."

Three primary reasons for MTSU's continued growth, according to Gillespie, are location, curricula, and cost.

"We are extremely well located to the metropolitan area and are easily accessible to several different places," explained Gillespie. "We have a broad variety of courses. We specialize in some particular programs, but not to the detriment of broad curricula. Last, but certainly not least is cost. We're still relatively inexpensive compared to most other educational opportunities in the Middle Tennessee area, except for two-year schools."

MTSU has a good relationship with Tennessee Board of Regents two-year schools, according to the dean. This semester more than 5,000 transfer students enrolled at MTSU, with a large number of those coming from Motlow State Community College, Columbia State Community College, and Volunteer State Community College.

ASB reconsiders Rec referendum

GREG ADKINS
News Editor

MTSU's ASB deferred a bill calling for a referendum concerning the construction of the new recreation building to committee for further study Wednesday night.

With only half the combined House and Senate members present, the group voted almost unanimously to have the bill tabled in committee.

"There is a possibility that classes could be taught in the building," ASB President Todd Burnett said. "I'm not saying it would happen every time, but if it happened once, it's too often."

The ASB hopes to get

assurances from MTSU administration that the building would not be used for academic purposes or off-campus programs of any kind, Burnett said.

"At no time would academic classes exclude students from the use of the facility," said Glenn Hanley, director of Campus Recreation and major proponent for the new building.

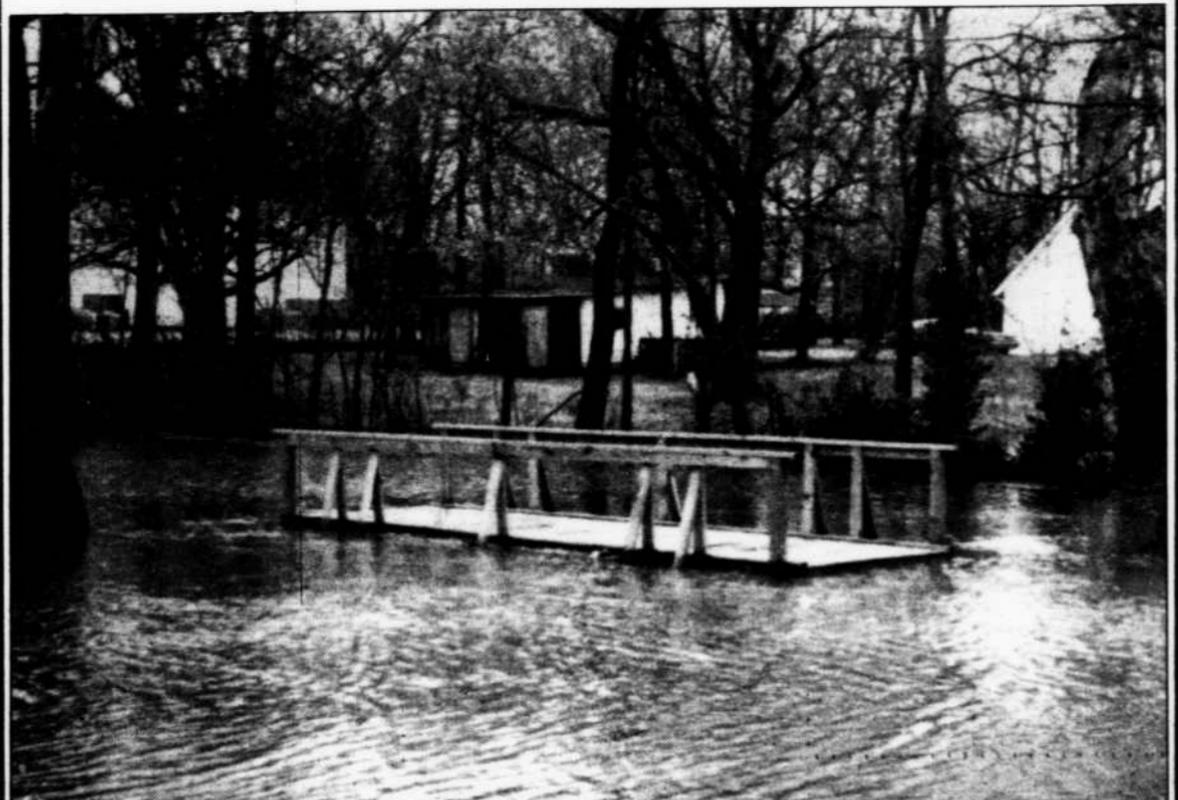
"Last night, I called 50 students randomly," Burnett said. "When I posed the question 'Are you in favor of the new rec center?', 31 said yes and 19 said no. When I amended the question to say 'Would you be in favor of the rec building if classes were held there?', only 13 said yes."

Duck Weather



KATHY ADAY/PHOTOGRAPHER

Cheryl Ivory and Angel Albright (above) make their way across campus during MTSU's rainy season. Earlier this week MTSU was swamped with water. The Wesley Foundation bridge (below) was rendered useless during the continuous storms.



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Campus Capsule

The **Gamma Iota Sigma Insurance Fraternity** and the **Sigma Club Honor** challenges all clubs and organizations to the 1991 Quiz Bowl! Your team (up to 4 people) will go head-to-head at 6pm, March 7th, 1991, KUC 324. It costs \$10 per team. Call Jeff McSweeney(893-3728), Dr. Hollman(898-2673), or stop by the Insurance office at KOM-226A.

The deadline for turning in **All-Sing applications** has been extended to Tuesday, Feb. 26. If you have any questions, call 898-3156.

Attention aspiring songwriters! **RIM Writers** will hold an organizational meeting Thursday, Feb. 21, at 7:30 p.m. in Room 149 of the new Mass Communications building. Officers will be elected. For more information, call 898-5695.

The **Placement Office** is sponsoring **Teacher Recruitment Week** Feb. 25-March 1 for students interested in teaching in 1991. Sixty school districts from 14 states and the District of Columbia will participate. Interested students should contact the Placement Office

in KUC 328 to obtain the schedule and to make interview appointments.

MTSU President James Walker will be the featured speaker at the university's **Davidson County Open House**, Feb. 26, from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Briley Parkway in Nashville. Various academic and university departments, such as housing and financial aid, have information tables so students and parents can speak with teachers and administrators about MTSU. The open house is free and open to the public.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority will be sponsoring a **Crime Workshop** on March 6 at 6p.m. in the Patterson Community Center. Members of MTSU Security Office and Rutherford County Police Department will speak on personal safety, drinking and driving, drug abuse and many other important topics. Anyone interested is invited to

attend.
Hike the Appalachian Trail during Spring Break! Campus Recreation will hold a meeting to discuss details of the trip on March 4 at 5:30 p.m. in AMG 219. The cost of the trip is only \$30 per student, \$35 for guests. Space is limited to 10 people!. Hurry and sign up! For more information, call 898-2104.

U.S. Rep. Bart Gordon will hold an open meeting 10:30-11:30 a.m., Saturday, March 2, at the Rutherford County Courthouse Courtroom.

Students for Environmental Action will meet on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in KUC 315. The group will have an information table in front of Phillips Bookstore today.

The **Spring Honors Lecture Series** continues Feb. 25 at 3:30 p.m. in Peck Hall 107 with **Lon Nuell** speaking on Art of the Holocaust.

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

Placement Office interviews scheduled on Feb. 21: U. S. Marines and Army Recruitment, Third National Bank, and The National Center for Paralegal Training, Atlanta.

Nacel Youth Exchange Program is looking for families to host teen-agers from Spain, France and Germany and other countries this summer for four weeks (mid-July to mid-August). If you are interested, contact the local NACEL representative: Rita-Marie Maisonneuve, BDA 331, 898-2284.

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The Seventh-Day Adventist Fellowship would like to invite those who are interested in Christian fellowship to join them Friday night at 6 p.m. for supper and Bible study. Anyone interested is invited. For more information, call 895-6128.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets Wednesdays at 8:30 p.m. in the Blue Raider Room under the stadium bleachers. Come alone or bring a friend. Call 893-3133 or 898-3234 for more information.

Intervarsity Christian Fellowship meets Tuesdays from 7-8 p.m., KUC 313. Interdenominational diversity with a unity of Christian purpose.

Lambda Association of MTSU is a support organization for gay and

lesbian students, faculty, staff and their supporters. For more information write to: P.O. Box 624, MTSU.

AA Unity Group meets Wednesdays at noon in KUC 311.

MTSU Catholics meet at the Catholic Center. Check sign for weekly activities. Sunday Mass at 7:30. 1023 N. Tennessee Blvd. 896-6074.

Co-op jobs are available for summer and fall '91. Opportunities include biology, chemistry, geoscience, physics, mathematics, computer science, environmental science and related disciplines. U.S. Department of Energy deadline is March 15. Support includes academic credit, \$200/week, housing and travel reimbursement.

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

How to prepare job resumes and prepare for job interviews

will be discussed by two media professionals when the Society of Professional Journalists meets Thursday, Feb. 21, at 7 p.m. in KUC 316. For additional information, call Dr. Glenn Himebaugh, 898-2205.

Campus Capsule is open to the MTSU community for

public service announcements and meetings of general interest. To have an item included, bring typed or printed copy to JUB 310 by 4:30 p.m. weekdays. Items will be included as space permits and with timeliness taken into consideration.

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Opinions

Staff comment

Good teachers' deeds deserve recognition

A lot of Opinions content has been given lately to the number of teachers who don't do their job. This fact has been attested to by students, *Sidelines* staff members and other teachers on campus. But what about those teachers who actually make a difference?

Some students may find it hard to believe, but this campus is blessed with some very special faculty members who *do* give 110 percent to their jobs and their students. I would assert that all of us can easily call to mind a teacher who helped us understand a principle or tenet in that class that we would have missed, or misunderstood, otherwise.

Many teachers go out of their way for their students by meeting with them after class, posting their home phone numbers on the syllabi, giving guidance to their advisees or just taking the time to get to know their students on an individual level.

I can't speak for every department on campus, but I know of many "special" teachers in the School of Mass Communication, the English, psychology and biology departments who have made a difference in my four years of college. I remember these teachers primarily because they took time out of their schedules to help me with class difficulties, or took interest in me, not only as a student, but as an individual. I have also been told of equally impressive teachers in the criminal justice, history and political science departments. I salute all of you.

Although the deadline has passed, I hope the student body participated in nominating their favorite teacher for the Outstanding Teacher award. After all, if it were not for many of those respected teachers, many of us would not be in the positions in our academic careers that we are in now. --Kay Hilton



SMART WEAPON

MTSU flooding problems: are there any solutions?

The Big Blue Screw

Chris White
Midlander Editor

Have you ever gotten out of your car and found that you parked in the middle of a lake? The parking lots of MTSU are known for such pleasant surprises. The campus is infested with puddles developing into small ponds during even cloudy days. Does it bother you that a raft is suggested as an alternate mode of transportation to class?

Have you ever noticed that when you are crossing the street or any parking lot while on your journey to school you are attacked by a flying puddle caused by an unwitting motorist? The roads are covered with standing water. Not even the new sidewalks are safe from the great flood. The beautiful new Mass Comm building has been included in the "master flood plan." Beware of flying water!

Rumor has it that this campus, rather the entire community, was built on a dried swamp bed. There is a vast network of underground caves that all must lead to the MTSU campus. These caves turn into huge

water pipes whenever the sky turns a deep shade of light blue.

The water table is at the same level as the campus. The ground is saturated on a humid day, leaving the rain from the modest rain showers no place to go. Consider this-- suspended sidewalks!

Recently during a long period of sporadic rain showers I saw a sign that read "Thank you, City of Murfreesboro." I don't know if the owners had placed the sign out in their yard before or after it was covered with more than a foot of water, but it was very fitting.

We all understand that much of this campus was built before the Stone Age, but when I have to borrow my father's fishing waders in order to get to class, I think that it has gotten a little out of hand.

So to all of those hardy students that love to play football in the ocean next to Deere Hall, my best to you during the next season...that's the rainy season that I'm talking about.

This is only a part of the "Big Blue Screw" and if you have any gripes, true or not, please send them along to: "The Big Blue Screw" c/o *Sidelines*, MTSU Box 42.

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Features

Organization benefits students

It's been three years since graphic designer Ted Nunes graduated from MTSU and he's still raving about how his association with the Creative Forum has provided him with many valuable insights and opportunities.

Creative Forum, a Nashville-based organization which gives the area's creative professionals a chance to meet one another, work together, and learn from internationally acclaimed industry leaders, offers an excellent opportunity for area college students to gain insights and make contacts in the "real" world.

"I found the Creative Forum college seminars helpful in giving me exposure to what life in the "real" world would be like. Being around other creative professionals in the industry, seeing their work, and making new contacts is very reassuring and gives you an idea of what it's all about," explains Nunes, who is currently employed at Buntin Advertising Inc., in Nashville.

The creative Forum provides full-time students a once in a lifetime chance to meet the "movers and shakers" in music, film, advertising, illustration, photography, design and writing.

"My membership has given me insights and opportunities into my chosen profession that I have not received from classroom instruction alone. I have had the chance to meet the area's creative professionals, learn some of the

'tricks of the trade,' and make valuable contacts that I believe will assist me in finding employment upon graduation," writes Tamera

Brooks, a student from Belmont and member of Creative Forum.

The non-profit organization also sponsors a Education and Public Service committee which offers members a chance to provide their services to the community.

The Education Committee, formerly chaired by MTSU art professor Ollie Fancher, sponsors seminars on creative communications jobs, makes presentations at area schools, conducts student portfolio reviews, and organizes a variety of special projects. The committee also offers information, inspiration and practical job-hunting advice to college students seeking careers in creative fields.

"Creative Forum is a very enthusiastically supported organization. It is a connection with the 'real' world," Fancher explains.

"It's like bringing Picasso into the living room. It tries to connect professionals with entry level individuals. For students, Creative Forum connects what they learn in the classroom and what they want to get in to," Fancher adds.

The club's Public Service committee develops and produces public service advertising for non-profit

organizations. The committee's past projects include award winning campaigns for the Tennessee Special Olympics and the Boy Scouts. Currently, the committee is finishing a recruitment campaign for the Buddies of Nashville. It will begin a new campaign in a few months.

In the past year, Creative Forum has presented programs on industry topics such as desktop publishing, copyright law, and managing creative people. They have also featured such speakers as Pat Gorman of Manhattan Design who designed the MTV logo; nationally renowned Radio Writer/Producer Bert Berdis, John Berg, former vice-president of CBS Records; and Germaine Gioia, a marketing/public relations specialist for George Lucas, who presented a program on special effects from Lucasfilms subsidiary Industrial Light and Magic.

Creative Forum has also showcased exhibits for its members featuring award-winning work from the American Institute of Graphic Arts and the New York Art Directors Club, as well as an exclusive local showing of the annual Cannes Advertising Film Festival winners.

Creative Forum's next college seminars are scheduled for April 6 and April 13.

Annual membership dues in the organization include monthly programs and exhibits, a quarterly

newsletter, a membership directory, one free admission for a friend to the program of your choice, and admittance to the annual year-end membership dinner.

Professional membership is \$100 per year. For full-time students, dues are \$50 per year, while an Associate membership for people out of school two years or less is \$75. Monthly programs are open to non-members for \$15 per person.

For more information about Creative Forum, please call (615) 320-1158



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Professor lectures at Cheekwood

Jim Norton, the assistant professor of photography, will give a lecture at Cheekwood's Fine Arts Center Sunday, February 24, at 2:00 p.m. in the Stallworth Gallery.

Norton will be speaking in conjunction with the current exhibition, "Master Photographs from the 'Photography in the Fine Arts Exhibitions,'" which will be on display at the Fine Arts Center until April 7. There is no charge beyond the regular gate fee to attend this program.

Jim Norton has been teaching photography and the history of photography at MTSU for 14 years. His own work has been exhibited at the Fine Arts Center in several group shows and a one-man exhibition several years ago.

Norton's photographs have been included in over 20 national and international exhibitions, including "Friends of Photography," the largest photography association in the world. His work is also included in the book *Tennessee: A Homecoming*.

Cheekwood is located between Highway 100 and Bellmeade Boulevard. The gate fee for adults is \$4, senior citizens and college students \$3.

For more information about Cheekwood or Jim Norton's lecture, please call (615) 353-2140.



Kathy Aday/Photographer

STREETMAN WORKS ON EXHIBIT: The MTSU Photographic Gallery is now featuring the photographic works of Evon Streetman. The exhibit will run through March 14 in the Gallery located in the LRC.

New exhibit in LRC

The MTSU Photographic Gallery will be exhibiting the photographs of Evon Streetman from Gainesville, Florida through March 14.

Streetman photographs incorporate a mix of techniques; painting on photographs, dyed areas, air brush, mylar painted overlays, and the use of Polaroid's large 20 by 24 inch camera.

"She merges reality with transparent dream like images as the viewer can elate to personal life experiences," explains Harold Baldwin, director of the gallery.

Streetman has commented that when she makes a photograph she wants to see something she has never seen before. She wants to create a highly visual fantasy.

This fantasy leads her into the process of applying gold leaf, acrylics, and deleting color by etching.

In a review from Folio Weekly, Anne Leighton comments, "A

choice selection of mixed media images, the assembled show fascinates, befuddles, yet totally ensnares the viewer in a magical net of looking. Her feel for the trompe l'oeil of life is unerringly wonderful."

The thrust of Streetman's efforts originally focused on painting, but photography soon became her main interest. She has spent time as a photojournalist, a portrait photographer, and she was invited to start a photography program at Florida State University, and that same year she began directing a program at Penland School in North Carolina.

The MTSU Photographic Gallery is located in the LRC. The hours of the exhibition are Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Saturday 8:00 a.m. till noon, and Sunday from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The exhibitions are free and open to the public.

Sports

Lady Raiders hold off late Eastern KY. rally

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

When the chips were down the game was on the line—literally.

The clock showed 2:24 left in the second half with the Lady Raiders ahead of Eastern Kentucky 76-66. But the Lady Colonel's duo of Angie Cox and Kelly Cowan took matters into their own hands and tallied two 3-pointers to help trim the lead down to one with less than a minute remaining.

While playing aggressive defense, Cox quickly picked up her fourth personal in order to prevent a Pippa Gibson lay-up. Gibson was only able to hit one of her two free throw attempts and the leagues leading 3-point shooting team loomed as dangerous as ever.

EKU's Cox opted to go for the tying deuce instead with :16 left and missed. MTSU's Maggie Cox ripped down the rebound and was immediately fouled by Cox, reserving her a seat on the bench with five fouls.

The freshman Lady Raider went to the line for the one-and-one situation knowing one miss could result in a loss or overtime. But two shots would seal up second place in the OVC standings.

"I was saying to myself, you've got to make these," Cox admitted. "An Eastern girl came up to me and told me that I could either win or lose the

game. I wish I had seen her after the game to tell her that I won it."

Indeed she did as she toed the line twice while knocking down both crucial shots to give MTSU the 81-80 win. The final EKV basket was a 3-pointer at the buzzer.

"They made some big 3-pointers but we hung tough," head coach Lewis Bivens said. "But that's basketball for you."

Thanks to Stephanie Capley, who was playing her last home game in Murphy Center, the Lady Raiders gave the fans an impression of a rout early in the contest.

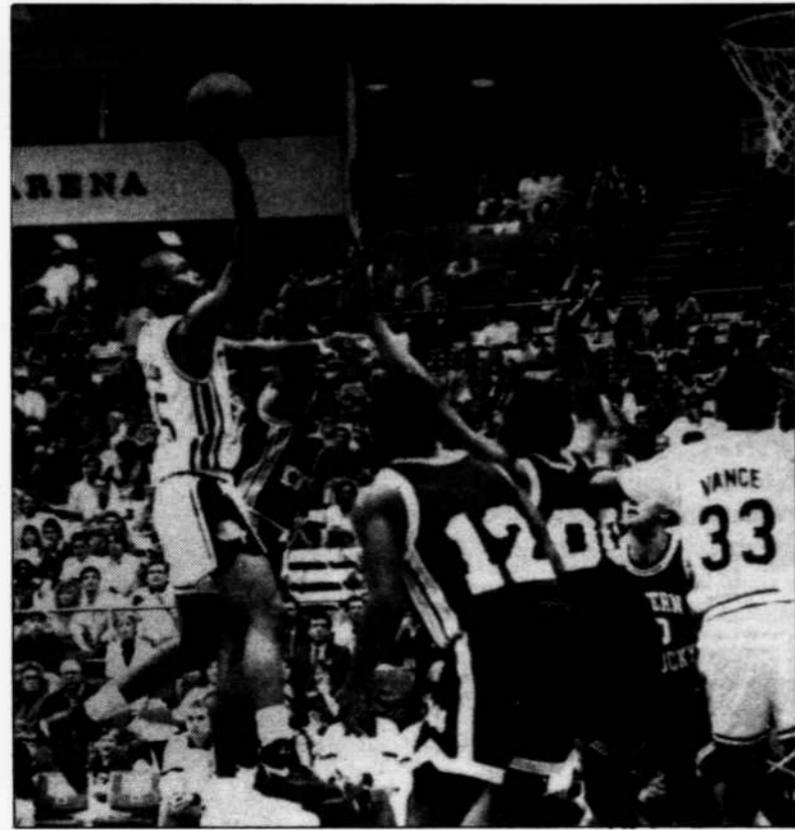
Capley scored 16 quick points including back-to-back 3-pointers to help give her team a commanding 43-32 halftime lead.

That lead appeared safe throughout most of the second half and actually grew to 16 at 59-43 when Capley nailed a jumper. But EKV's Cowan, who had been averaging 16.4 points but was held in check with only one in the opening half, caught fire.

While hitting 6-of-10 shots (including 4-4 from 3-point range), she helped bring the Lady Colonels into striking range at 70-64 with 4:37 remaining.

The momentum shift was on and the Lady Raiders needed someone to step forward and take command. Sophomore guard Julie Morrison did just

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Kathy Aday/photographer

AIR TAYLOR: MTSU's Robert "Cat Eye" Taylor prepares to launch a shot during the game with Eastern Kentucky Monday. MTSU fell to the Colonels and now needs two road wins to have a shot at a home tournament game.

Missed freebies cost Blue Raiders contest

DAN STURM
Staff Writer

MTSU's inability to hit their free throws down the stretch allowed Eastern Kentucky to escape Murphy Center with a hard fought 79-74 victory Monday night at Murphy Center.

"I thought we played well," head coach Bruce Stewart later commented. "Our guys did everything we asked them to do, but in the end our free throw shooting broke our backs."

The final statistics supported the coach's conclusion. The Raiders out-shot, out-rebounded and out-played the Colonels in all aspects of the game, but it was at the charity line where the Raiders were a chilling 10-for-20 for the game and only 7-for-15 in the second half.

The Raiders, who lacked intensity the first time these two teams met, opened the game with fire in their eyes.

Robert "Cat-Eye" Taylor exploded for nine points on three long range buckets to get the Raiders off and running. The inside play of Warren "Big-Kat" Kidd and Chris Ingram combined with the outside shooting touch of Kelvin Hammonds allowed the Raiders to take a 31-26 lead, mainly on the strength of a 16-7 run, with less than five minutes remaining in the first half of action.

Middle built a 46-42 half

time advantage after Hammonds drained a three and Quincy Vance delighted the fans with a two hand jam. However, the Colonel's Jamie Ross didn't let the celebration go on for very long, he kept his cool and nailed his third 3-point bucket to end the half.

The second half began with Kidd knocking down two straight buckets as the teams began to trade leads. Middle Tennessee built an eight point lead with just over nine minutes remaining as Greg Christian and Hammonds continued to tickle the twine.

Unable to control the Raiders at this pace, the Colonels began to slow the game down. Just when it seemed that this effort would backfire, Aric Sinclair took over.

Sinclair scored 14 of the Colonel's last 21 points to end the Raider's consecutive win streak at seven. "I was trying to front him, and with "Big-Kat" in foul trouble, there was no weakside help. I had to foul him," Taylor said while explaining Sinclair's scoring spree.

Although the Raider's inability to convert their free throws was a big factor in their demise, so were two big calls by the officials.

With 1:06 left to play and Eastern clinging to a two point lead, Taylor grabbed a loose ball

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Raiders looking to dominate OVC foes

DIANNE DEOLIVEIRA
Staff Writer

MTSU'S men's and women's track teams will compete in the Ohio Valley Conference Championships this weekend here in Murphy Center.

MTSU's men will be challenged by Eastern Kentucky and Murray State, the defending champions. Although the Racers have the most complete team of anyone this year, Coach Dean Hayes is optimistic. Hayes feels the men are capable of a good showing even though the team has a limited number of participants, especially since this is the first year the men's team has been reinstated.

"Murray State has an outstanding mile relay team which includes three members of the national record relay for Barbados," says Hayes. "And they also have several athletes who have met NCAA provisional qualifying standards."

MTSU's mile relay team of Chris Layne, Kevin Armstrong, Tom Hampton, and Carlos Jupton should do well. The men finished second to the Racers last weekend and also ran their fastest

time for this year.

The jumps will be featured by freshman Roland McGhee, who has the farthest distances in the long jump and triple jump. Vince Parks, who is a member of the football team, is listed second in both the long jump and high jump.

The sprints are expected to produce quality performances. McGhee leads the 55 meter dash with 6.32 and is second in the 200 meters. Walter Dunson, also a football player, is listed second in the 55 meters with 6.33, while Parks is seated second in the 55 meter hurdles to Eastern Kentucky.

According to Hayes, the men will have to score big in the sprints and jumps to prevent the Racer's ability to score consistently in every event.

MTSU's Lady Raiders will take a shot at the title by challenging the defending champions, Murray State.

Last year the women lost to the Racers by a mere half point. "No one on this team has ever won an OVC title, and that is the biggest thing to overcome," said

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Big Blue notebook

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

BASEBALL: It's time to break out the bats and gloves again as the Blue Raider baseball squad prepares to defend their OVC championship.

The Raiders open this Saturday when they face an always tough University of Alabama-Birmingham squad on the road.

Opening pitch is slated for 12:05. A second game is scheduled at 2:05 Sunday afternoon.

MTSU's first home game will be March 1 when Louisville comes to town for a two game series.

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WOMEN'S TENNIS: After suffering a tough setback to OVC foe Austin Peay last week, the Lady

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Hayes. MTSU's women appear to be strong and solid in each event. The jumps will be led by Michelle Welch, who set the long jump record in 1990 with 20'-5", while Veronica Tipton has the best height of 5 feet 8 inches in the high jump.

Eastern Kentucky will be a challenge for the Lady Raiders in the distance events. Kiya Thomas is expected to do well in the 3,000 meters and 5,000 meters, while the two mile relay of Karen Barnes, Dianne DeOliveira, Sharon Smith, and Leigh Weathers have the fastest times entered.

In the sprints, Jenene Cody is

expected to run well in the 55 meter dash, while Latonia Jackson has the top 55 meter hurdle time of 8.05, ahead of Eastern Kentucky. The mile relay team of Nadrian McGill, Jacqui Brown, Michelle Welch and Trevy Matthews will also have tough competition against Murray State, the leader, and Tennessee Tech.

Although the women competed against the Racers earlier in the season and defeated them, Hayes still feels Murray State will be hard to beat.

"The Racers are the defending champions," says Hayes. "My philosophy has always been that the champion is the champion until defeated."

While the Racers must get the most points from their

sprinters and jumpers, MTSU must put pressure in each event and score big in the distances and the jumps, said Hayes.

The meet will be held for two days, beginning at 4:30 Friday afternoon, and continuing at 10:30 Saturday morning.

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that.

Morrison nailed two crucial jump shots and scored on a break-away lay-up to keep the charging Colonels at bay and set up the final second dramatics.

"I was getting good passes from Stephanie and Mary (Smith)," Morrison said. "They really set me up good and I was able to get the open shot."

MTSU evened their overall

record to 12-12 and now stand at 7-3 in the OVC.

Capley and Priscilla Robinson each scored 18 for the winners. Robinson also had a game-high 14 rebounds. Gibson, who was also playing her final home game, tallied 15 clutch

points while Morrison added 12.

The Lady's will hit the road this weekend to round out the regular season. Their first stop will be in Murray, Kentucky against the Racers. Tip-off is 5:15. Monday night they will play Austin Peay in Clarksville.

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lead, Taylor grabbed a loose ball and drove for the tying bucket. He and Sinclair muscled for position, yet Taylor found his range and appeared to have tied the game when his basket was waved off and he was called for a charge.

Not only was this a questionable call, but Taylor, MTSU's leading scorer, severely jammed four fingers on his shooting hand and is questionable for Saturday's game at Murray State.

All chances for any last minute heroics by the Raiders were shattered when Eastern's Ross ran off a pick at the free throw line and slammed home the game ending dunk.

Although coach Stewart said "It was a big call" he realized that his team was a victim of its own demise. "We played well, we played hard, and had we made those free throws, I think we'd have won it.

The Raiders were led in scoring by Ingram with 19 points and seven rebounds. Hammonds tossed in 15, while Kidd continued to dominate the paint as he scored 13 points and pulled down 15 rebounds. Taylor, who appeared to be nursing his back, scored 11.

The Raiders will try to improve their 18-7 record when they battle for a home play-off spot against Murray State Saturday night. Tip-off is 7:30 pm.

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Raider squad hopes to bounce back this weekend when they head north.

Head coach Dale Short will pit his line-up against Louisville Friday. Saturday they will face Eastern Kentucky and round things out with Western Kentucky Sunday.

MTSU GOLF: The Blue Raider golf team recently competed in the Jackson State University Pizza Hut Intercollegiate Tournament.

Led by S. Graham's 163, the squad shot a 671 which was good for 13th in the 24 team field.

Other members who fared well include A. Toogood (165), M. Webb (165), S. McMurray (174) and M. Lucches (175).



NEWS

CURRENT STANDINGS

Through games of Monday, February 18

	OVC	%	ALL	%
MEN Murray State	9-2	.818	21-8	.724
Eastern Kentucky	7-3	.700	16-9	.640
Tennessee Tech	6-4	.600	12-13	.480
Austin Peay	6-5	.545	14-12	.538
Middle Tennessee	5-5	.500	18-7	.720
Morehead State	2-8	.200	13-11	.542
Tennessee State	1-9	.100	5-20	.200

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WOMEN Tennessee Tech	10-0	1.000	19-5	.792
Middle Tennessee	7-3	.700	12-12	.500
Eastern Kentucky	5-5	.500	11-10	.524
Tennessee State	5-5	.500	12-12	.500
Morehead State	4-6	.400	11-13	.458
Murray State	3-8	.273	8-18	.308
Austin Peay	2-9	.182	5-19	.208

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