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MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY'S STUDENT VOICE

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NOT TOO SHORT, PLEASE! Phia Phairabe Estes trims "Keiffer's" whiskers in preparation for Saturday's Gymkhana sponsored by the Stones River Pony Club.

Rutledge conflicts end in resignations

Hall director and RAs quit after dormitory problems arise

TINA DENISE HARVEY

Staff Writer

Rutledge Hall dormitory has accepted the resignations of their former hall director and two resident assistants because they have decided to avoid any further conflicts.

"I think it's important that I leave and get on with my life, said Cheryl Tooley, former Rutledge hall director. "It's important that the women of the dorm feel their place of living is stable.'

Tooley was previously accused by some Rutledge residents and R.A.'s of entering their rooms unofficially, allowing her 19-year-old son to "roam" the halls-unescorted, eavesdropping outside residents'

"Things aren't always what they seem, said Tooley. "It seems to me that they have mistakenly misinterpreted my

"Maybe I hesitated at someone's door too long or something. The person who accused me of eavesdropping never came forward and the R.A. of the floor wouldn't tell me who complained therefore, I can't

defend myself because I can't recall the situation."

Some residents were mad that Tooley entered their rooms one weekend while they weren't

According to Tooley, she was trying to avoid making the same mistake she feels she had made the previous weekend.

"The heat had been turned on, unknown to residents, the previous weekend, said Tooley. "When the girls returned on Sunday they complained their rooms were extremely hot. I should have cracked their windows for them," she said.

"So when their windows were open and the temperatures dropped, I went in to shut them.

"Before entering any rooms, I went outside to check whose windows were open and only entered those rooms," Tooley

Housing directors are allowed in resident rooms when they consider their entrance to be neccesary.

One resident who had her window opened, complained that her alarm clock was broken when she returned to her dorm that weekend.

"No one ever approached me about the clock, Tooley said. "If I broke anything I would feel responsible to inform the resident and would then proceed to figure

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In the News...

Strike possible against North Korea

WASHINGTON (AP) The size of the North Korean army and its proximity to the South Korean border complicate possibilities for an Israelistyle pre-emptive strike on North Korea's nuclear facilities, Secretary of State Warren Christopher said Sunday.

"I would caution about not having too easy an analogy to what Israel did

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Students win big in mock trial invitational

BRANDY BERRYHILL

News Editor

MTSU's Mock Trial teams have proven once again that they can compete and win against the top Mock Trial teams from larger universities across the nation.

Last Friday and Saturday MTSU hosted the yearly Mock Trial Invitational for 22 teams from nine universities. The other schools attending included Rhodes College, UT Knoxville, UT Martin, Bellarmine, Austin Peay, Kennesaw State (Atlanta), Lorus College (Iowa), and 'The competition was fierce. Nevertheless, MTSU fought hard and won'

MOCK TRIAL SOCIETY PRESIDENT

Tennessee Tech.

The president of the Mock Trial Society, Kim Miller said that the devotion of their sponsors is what makes the MTSU teams stand out among other schools.

"The competition was fierce. Nevertheless, MTSU fought hard and won," Miller said.

"The difference between

MTSU mock trial and other teams is the devotion of our sponsors. Both Dr. Vile and Dr. Vandervort have gone out of their way to make our program one of the best in the nation," she said.

MTSU finished third and fifth in the invitational, outranking several teams, including a friendly rival Rhodes

The top five rankings of the tournament also consisted of KIM MILLER teams from Bellamine who took first, and Rhodes who took second and fourth.

During national the competition last spring, the Gold and Championship flight teams placed third and seventh in the nation. After the outcome of this invitational, this fall's teams are in good shape for this year's national championship.

"Four of the top ten schools

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J.A. Hinton/Staff GETTING TO KNOW YOU... Students and guests enjoy the dancing at the International Student Association's Winter Ball

held last Saturday night in the James Union Building.

SIDELINES

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consultation.

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THE PRESBYTERIAN STUDENT FELLOWSHIP meets from 9 to 10 p.m. at the PSF House every Wednesday. Anyone COLLEGE interested should contact Bryan Hume at 849-3490.

> THE SGA SENATE will be in session at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in KUC 316. Attendance is mandatory.

BHAKTI-YOGA VEGETARIAN CLUB meets faculty, students and staff from 6 to 8 p.m. every

2193 to set up a half hour The meeting is open to all students. Contact Jonathan Maxwell at 898-3801 for more details.

FOR PRESENTS "LITTLE SHOP ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION of Horrors" Friday and meets every Monday at Saturday, and Dec.7 - 11 at 7p.m. in KUC 305. New members are welcome. Call Andrew Welug at and MTSU students get in 890-5097 for more details.

> THE EQUESTRIAN TEAM meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. Contact Hannah Walker at 896-7839 for more details.

THE SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONALS meets the first and third Thursdays of every month at 5 p.m. in the Wiser Patton Science Building Room

A WOMEN'S ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS is meeting at the Camels Group, 1231 NW Broad St .. Murfreesboro at 5:30 p.m. on Thursdays.

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New year to bring new editor

ssistant News Editor

An event which met with ngry voices and protests just last oring has received only high raise and optimism this The emester. Student ublications Committee elected erenity Sutton, a Senior ournalism Major, as Editor-Inhief of Sidelines for the '94 pring semester.

"The whole committee had a ense of relief that the process ent so smoothly," said Dr. fichael Principe, chairman of the tudent Publications Committee.

"The pool in general was a trong pool. There was a good celing from all the members that ne candidate who emerged from nat pool would be a very strong ne," Principe said.

Sutton was one of four andidates, all of which had an dequate amount of experience nd capability. Sidelines advisor enny Crouch said the decision vas tough because of the talented tudents who applied.

Sutton has had three years xperience as an education eporter in Shelbyville at the Times Gazette, two years experience at the Daily News

Journal as a lifestyles writer and was the features editor for Sidelines in the spring of '93.

"I know that being editor is a big responsibility and a new one for me. I would like to have a long term effect on the paper," said Sutton.

Although she wants to have an impact on the paper, she is not anxious to change many things.

"I feel the overall set up and structure is sound," she said.

She is planning to focus on the news section of the paper, however. She feels it is the most important section and is planning on working to provide a newspaper that is of interest to all

Jenny Crouch felt like the candidates were reviewed carefully and the committee made a good decision.

"I'm excited about Serenity's appointment. I think she is a very dedicated and fine journalist. She has a lot of talent and strength and I think she will be able to continue moving Sidelines forward," Crouch said.

Jason Whatley, current Editor-In-Chief with only three more issues left of his tenure, is watching to see the progress that will be made next semester.



SERENITY SUTTON

"Just as the Publications Committee decided to make a change with my selection, they have also opted for a change with the selection of Ms. Sutton. I know she faces an ominous undertaking and I wish her great success," Whatley said.

"Naturally, I'm nervous," Sutton said in viewing her upcoming responsibilities. "I don't want to be controversial. I just want to concentrate on putting out a good paper."

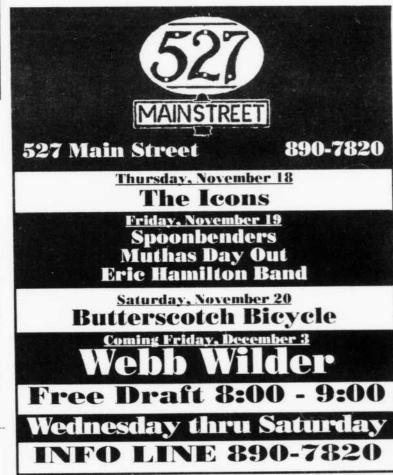
The Publications Committee is confident that she will, "The process [of election] went well," said Dr. Principe.

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Enrollment increases prompt expansion with honors program

SUZANNE MOORE

Staff Writer

Due to the Honors Program's tremendous enrollment increase, their twentieth anniversary this spring is expected to be the best

Because of overall university enrollment, the Honors Program has doubled it's participants by 100 percent.

The Honor Lecture Series course was moved to an amphitheater in Peck Hall to accommodate for the increase in

This year two Honors scholarships were presented to entering freshmen, which paid one year's tuition. scholarships were made possible through funding and support offered by president James E. Walker and Vice President for Academic Affairs Jim Hindman.

"Honors is a concept where each department in the university can give its best to the students," said Honors Program Director John Paul Montgomery.

Faculty and students have a closer relationship in a honors class. There is a smaller teacherstudent ratio, and classes are more

honor student. Students who show exceptional ability to learn are taught by teachers who have an exceptional ability to teach.

"I find classes that I take within the Honors Program are pretty much better than other says Jackson. classes," and "Everybody cares participates, which makes learning better."

Honors students also have opportunities to get together outside of class. They meet at faculty homes for pool parties, fireside chats, and recently, a Halloween party Montgomery's farm.

"We try to put forth an extra experience," said Montgomery. effort to reward students for academic achievement," said also be held to recognize students Montgomery.

Montgomery is very pleased with the program's growth and has been busy planning events for it's upcoming anniversary.

The Lyceum series was developed to provide students an opportunity to express themselves publicly with "five minutes at the

Program has sponsored poetry slams, song slams and concerts in

informal, said Deborah Jackson, the Lyceum series.

Since the Lyceum series was such a great success, Montgomery is planning a week of culturally enriched activities to celebrate the Honors Program's 20th anniversary.

During the week of April 18-22, the Honors Lyceum will be co-sponsoring several activities with the Fine Arts Department, Tennessee Folklore Society and the Center for Popular Music, including concerts and an open mike day for poetry, songs, etc.

"We want to showcase university talent and foster creativity and imagination to make college a memorable

An awards ceremony will who have excelled in the honors program.

Montgomery is looking forward to the coming year and would like to give credit to his fine recruiting staff, Dean Gillespe, and the public relations department for all their work on the Honors program.

For more information about Recently, the Honors the Honors Program, call Montgomery at 898-2152.

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Resignations at Rutledge...

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out a way to compensate for their loss," Tooley said.

In response to her son being in the building unescorted, Tooley said, "I was told as hall director I had full visitation rights. I took that to mean that my son could visit me freely. However, once I was informed that I was wrong, he never again went through the dorm without me with him.'

Tooley says her high expectations and tendencies to be stricter than the previous hall director could have been part of the problem.

"I enforce house policy which might include telling someone to get rid of a pet, telling someone on the third floor to stop smoking, or warning someone not to use the fire escape as a daily entrance or exit," she said.

Former resident assistant, Nancy Aiken has moved to Reynolds Hall after she chose to

"I was given the option of being an R.A. at another dorm but I felt that would be like accepting the blame for the problems at Rutledge so I quit and moved elsewhere," Aiken said.

Aiken feels she was forced to quit because of false accusations on written by Tooley on incident

In response to Aiken's feelings about the situation, she said that it wasn't something she influenced.

"I wasn't a part of that decision making, said Tooley. "I didn't even know the R.A.'s were asked to move.

"I think it's sad Nancy allowed herself to get caught up in this because she had a lot of potential and she was well thought of," Tooley said.

Tooley is presently living in Rutledge Hall and is a full-time

Jean Bailey has taken over the hall director's position for Rutledge Hall.

Columnist Carl Rowan visits campus

Assistant News Editor

Noted journalist Carl Rowan spoke at MTSU last Wednesday about his experiences and the challenges he has faced as an African-American journalist.

The McMinnville native told students about importance of integrity in what they write, saying that it was the reason he was staffed by President John F. Kennedy.

"For reporters," Rowan said, "nothing is more important."

Rowan also told personal stories of great men in history who had tried to make a dent in the racial conflicts that have plagued the nation for centuries.

People like Harry Truman who sent a message to Congress calling for a federal statute making it illegal for a policeman to violate the rights of a citizen, in reaction to the harrassment of a black GI on his way back

People like Lyndon Johnson

'They can say 'You can have Beale Street and a little of Georgia Avenue.'

'But I'm going for Wall Street and Fiftth Avenue, and that is the least I'll accept'

> CARL ROWAN SINDICATED COLUMNIST

who wanted to by his wife a big house-to have parties where no one could censor Ladybird's guest list.

Rowan was adamant about funding for schools, saying that most of the time money can make the difference between a student and an inmate. Rowan said that black violence has increased more than ever in the past few years.

"We do not need more money for prisons. We need more money for schools," he

He also told a story of how \$20 changed his life. He didn't have the money needed to register for his second semster at TSU, but by some twist of fate,

he found a \$20 bill, the cost of registration, on the ground.

That led to the opportunity to serve in the Navy. And his performance in the Navy helped him land a job as a reporter in a predominately white career feild, bringing him to where he is

He inspired students, especially African-American students, to strive for the best and not settle for anything less.

"They can say 'You can have Beale Street and a little of Georgia Avenue.' But I'm going for Wall Street and Fiftth Avenue, and that is the least I'll accept," Rowan said.

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Mock trial continues winning tradition...

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in the nation including MTSU attended the invitational. I'm proud to say that MTSU can compete and win against any of them," said senior mock trialer Jason Whatley.

"We are in a great position to go for the national championship in February," Whatley said.

Dr. John Vile, mock trial sponsor and chairman of the Political Science Department, explained how MTSU's teams are compiled and the successfulness of the organization.

"We should remember that we had six teams there, whereas most other schools brought fewer teams and thus were able to pack their teams with their more talented students," Vile said.

"As far as MTSU is concerned, we tried to include everybody that wanted to participate," Vile said.

According to Dr. Thomas Vandervort, also a mock trial sponsor, MTSU does not "stack their teams".

"What we try to do is give as many students the opportunity to show what they can do in mock trial," Vandervort said. "We have 6 teams and the experienced mock trialers help the inexperienced members along the way," he said.

"We don't try to use only experienced mock trial members as other schools sometimes do," Vandervort said.

The main objective MTSU had for participating in the invitational was for the practice.

Dr. Vile said that it's hard to get the teams together for practices because of the pressures of class loads. Altogether the teams only had about 48 hours of solid practice during the tournament.

Individual awards for MTSU participants were warmly accepted Vile said.

"MTSU not only had the only undefeated team, we also pulled in a lot of speaker awards," Vile said.

"That's impressive because at this stage we are just trying to educate, not necessarily win," he said.

MTSU Winnings for individuals go to Best Attorneys

Kim Miller and Doug Sloan. Honorable mention attorneys are Chelsey Harris and Jason Whatley.

Winnings for Best Witnesses go to Tracey Brakebill, Pam McClure and Troy Towe.

Tracey Brakebill received a trophy as a witness and she also played an attorney.

"I think it is awesome. It's great experience for anyone interested in public speaking," Brakebill said.

"We did exceptionally well; much better than the other schools," Brakebill added.

Dr. Vile said even if MTSU hadn't won trophies, the benefits expected at nationals because of the practice would have been well worth while.

Mock Trial teaches students about courtroom procedure and gives them a chance to prove their abilities as future trial attorneys or public speakers.

"This society gives exciting experience for all the students involved," Dr. Vandervort said. "We can see on their faces that they are greatly benefitted from it," he said.



Carl E. Lambert/Staff
MAY IT PLEASE THE COURT? MTSU Freshman Keith

Slocum gives his opening statement at Friday's Mock Trial Invitational Tournament. Participants from MTSU received more awards than any other school in the competition.

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Private-sector scholarships offer new source of financial aid

KELLEY LLOYD

Staff Writer

Need financial aid? Try contacting your local church or searching the newspaper for private-sector scholarships.

Private-sector scholarships are a form of financial aid that is funded by a church or some other kind of private source. The state and schools do not pay for these types of scholarships. They include financial aid based on personal, occupational and educational background, organizational affiliation, talent or ethnic origins.

Grades and age are not the only two considerations for these awards. While they are factors, they are not the most important.

According to Daniel J. Cassidy, author of The Scholarship Book: Fourth Edition, more than 65% of the available scholarships, fellowships, grants and loans are from the private sector.

The National Commission on Student Financial Assistance, a U.S. Congressional Subcommittee, found only \$400 million of the more than \$7 billion available to students was used. Approximately \$6.6 billion of scholarship money went unclaimed because of lack of advertisement.

Most of the funds are available to just about anyone who is interested in attaining them. 80% of the private sector does not require a financial statement or proof of need.

To apply for a private-sector scholarship, interested persons should search for one that interests them and contact the source.

The Financial Aid office at MTSU can be reached for help in locating some sources. Although the Financial Aid office is beneficial in looking for private-sector scholarships, more information can be found in newspapers, bulletin boards and notices through both MTSU and the city of Murfreesboro.

Director of MTSU Financial Aid Warren Wren added, "There is no ONE place to find all of them." It may take some digging on the student's part, but the money and the scholarships are there waiting to be claimed.

As for the public scholarships available at MTSU, some include: the Presidential Scholarship, Leadership/Performance Scholarship, a number of minority scholarships and academic scholarships.

Sixty percent of students here at Middle Tennessee State University receive some sort of financial aid; be it a loan, grant or scholarship.

There are approximately 1000-1100 scholarships available to students, the majority being academic. Of those students receiving scholarships, 6% are getting the Presidential Scholarship, 6% - the Leadership/Performance Scholarship, 18% - some type of minority scholarship and 70% receive an academic scholarship.

All loans and scholarships given at MTSU are based, to some degree, on grades and the extent of need, but each varies in the qualifications needed to be eligible for a certain form of financial aid.

One of the best sources for scholarship information is The Scholarship Book by Daniel J. Cassidy. The information contained in the book is compiled from the database of the largest private-sector financial aid research service in the world. Clearly written and well-organized, it contains many helpful tips for scholarship applicants.

The book includes sections geared toward specific majors as well as non-specific fields of study. Additional indexes provide access by name of the award, state of residency, state of intended study, family ancestry or physical handicap.

With all available information right at the reader's fingertips, The Scholarship Book continues to be the ultimate director to over 50,000 private-sector undergraduate scholarships.

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with Iraq" when it 1981 it bombed a facility near Baghdad believed to house Iraq's nuclear weapons program, Christopher said on ABC's "This Week with David Brinkley."

About 70 percent of North Korea's force of 1.1 million is massed along the demilitarized zone dividing the two Koreas and only 30 miles from the South Korean capital of Scoul.

Newsweek, in its edition to be released Monday, cites a classified Pentagon study completed in 1991 that concludes that a quick, massive North Korean attack would overwhelm the 650,000 Korean and 36,000 American troops defending the South.

President addresses nation on violence in rememberence of JFK

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Invoking the memories of Democratic legends John F. Kennedy, Robert Kennedy and labor leader Cesar Chavez, President Clinton said Sunday "we must do better" to protect Americans from violence and insure their sense of personal security.

At a church festival two miles from where a 2-year-old girl was shot dead in a gang showdown Saturday, Clinton seized on the anti-crime sentiment sweeping the country.

"Our disregard for life in this country is seen coast to coast," the president said, citing the Halloween shooting deaths of three youths in Pasadena, Calif., and the slaying of a teen-ager in Baltimore who

was taking youngsters out trick-or-treating.

The largely Mexican-American audience applauded loudly when Clinton said that America has to crack down on violence "without regard to race or income or region. You deserve as much and we have to do it."

Libyan officials discuss extradition of terrorists in Pan Am 103 flight

NEW YORK (AP) — A lawyer representing families of five victims of the Pan Am Flight 103 bombing has been paid by the Libyan government for advice on turning over two suspects in the case, according to a published report.

Lawyer F. Lee Bailey traveled to Libya in August to advise officials on how judicial systems work in various countries in the event that Libya decided to turn the suspects in, The National Law Journal reported in its Monday edition.

Bailey told the Journal he saw no conflict in representing the victims' families while advising the Libyans on "what the means of surrender should be. The families would be in favor of that. The purpose of my going there was to facilitate their return to somewhere."

Libyan intelligence agents Abdel Basset Ali Al-Megrahi and Lamen Khalifa Fhimah have been indicted in the United States and in Scotland, where the plane was flying when it exploded, on charges that they planted and detonated the bomb that killed 270 people in 1988.



YOUR DOWN! Carrey Hedrick of the MTSU Electric Puppies tries to out run Lisa Manley of Sewanee during the flag football tournament held Saturday.

Multimedia software allows easy viewing of JFK evidence

NEW YORK (AP) — A new software company has started selling a program that allows ordinary people to closely examine films and documents from the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

Medio Multimedia Inc. rushed to finish the S60 compact disc program so it could be sold around Monday's 30th anniversary of the event.

Called "JFK Assassination: A Visual

Investigation," the program contains four films of the shooting, including the famous Zapruder film; 850 pages of findings of the Warren Commission investigation; the text of "Crossfire," a book by conspiracy author Jim Marrs, and 22 precisely-scaled animations that allow a person to assess different theories of bullet trajectories.

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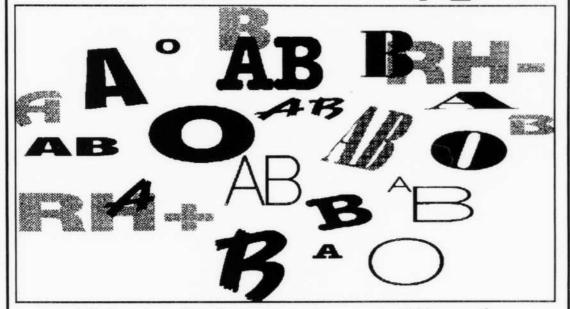
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A word from the Editor ...

Kick the bums out!

Once again, the publications committee has selected a new editor for this newspaper. Last Friday at about 2:30 p.m., Serenity Sutton, a senior in Journalism, was selected as the editor of *Sidelines* for the Spring semester. On behalf of the Fall staff of *Sidelines*, I would like to congratulate her and wish her the very best.

Along with these warm wishes, I think it may be in order that I explain a little about what an editor does, or at least what I've seen of this position.

I first became aquainted with *Sidelines* in the Fall of 1991. I had graduated with a two-year degree from Columbia State and looked forward to attending my new university. I liked just about everything about MTSU - except *Sidelines*.

As a conservative, I thought *Sidelines* was too liberal; just as many liberals now think *Sidelines* has swung its ideological pendulum too far to the right this Fall. In fact, in an article which appeared in *Faces Magazine*, another campus publication from times past, I stated that when I picked up a copy of the *Sidelines*, "I had visions of a laughing Joe Stalin running a printing press."

Because of my disagreements with the paper, I never in my wildest imaginations ever conceived of becoming editor. I neither wanted the position nor would ask for it.

Nevertheless, through a series of circumstances which I will discuss in a later issue, I soon found myself in charge of the very organization I had always hated.

As editor, I have been faced by enough decisions and stressful circumstances to drive a working college student to the brink of insanity. Twice a week, Sunday and Wednesday, I spend practically all day, many times until 2:00 or 3:00 a.m., on the third floor of the James Union Building as I, along with my diligent staff of friends, labor to fill twenty pages of type. I also spend the rest of the week preparing for those two tedious, long days,

To complicate this undertaking, I receive incomplete stories, poorly written stories, untimely stories, and sometimes no stories at all. My phone rings off the hook as enraged students and faculty voice their displeasure with my way of doing business. Campus mail crowds my mailbox with notes of hate and discouragement. I receive threats to my health and even at times fear for my life. Students detain me as I walk across campus to tell me how my political beliefs and convictions disqualify me for my position. I am also branded by passers-by as hard-headed, too conservative, reactionary, dangerous, and even at times, racist. By many students, I am either praised or loathed.

There are even those times when my own staff disagrees with my decisions, like when I refuse to print a story on a topic I see as inappropriate. An example of such might be an in depth expose on a student whose only unique characteristic is to live an "alternative" lifestyle. They look at me and say, "You're ridiculous." Maybe so.

Even though its been rough, I believe that I will eventually look back and say, "It was worth it." After all the blood, sweat, and tears, I should hope so.



Modern liberalism equals hypocrisy at its finest

Rangan once said,
"A friend of mine was
asked to a costume party a
short time ago. He slapped some
egg on his face and went as a
Liberal."

Indeed, no ideology, save Communism, has been so thoroughly discredited as modern-day Liberalism. One need not look far, or very deep, to see the redoubtable impact Liberalism has had on our economy, society, and culture.

However, Liberals are not ready to concede their failure. They cling to their ideals and half-baked notions as tightly as a mother to her newborn child. Those persons who espouse ideas which run counter to Liberal thinking are quickly branded as



JOE T. ALLISON, JR. Staff Writer

racist, uncaring, greedy, or (gasp!) a "trickle-down" theorist. Even Bill Clinton, who worked hard to prove that he is no traditional Liberal Democrat, has surrounded himself with Keynesians, neosocialists, and social engineers whose theories he seems to have welcomed with open arms. Clinton's election, and the return of a Liberal retinue to the Beltway, has delayed the driving of the final stake into the heart of liberalism. One can only

hope, and pray, that the 1994 and 1996 elections will finally consign Liberalism to what the Great Communicator called "the ash heap of history."

Little is accomplished by debating differing theories with Liberals. They insist that clear statistics, whether simple or intricate, are untrue and somehow skewed by the ignoring of "underlying problems." Instead, it is more effective to point out the hypocrisy which exists amongst Liberals and how this hypocrisy has manifested itself into every aspect of our society. A random scanning of the newspaper provides numerous examples of the ignominious effect of Liberal policies on our

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MTSU wins big once again

All too often, MTSU is looked down upon by students of other "more prestigious" universities. It seems that many wrongly believe that only the larger schools, like the University of Tennessee, can produce quality students and winning programs. They call MTSU a "common man's university." Many have an idea that students of MTSU are not quite up to competing with students more well know universities. That's ludicrous.

Not so long ago, I found myself in an argument with a young lady who proceeded to tell



JASON WHATLEY Editor

me that my bragging of MTSU was borne of false perceptions. "You don't know anything," She said as she informed me that graduates from her school were on a higher level than MTSU grads. "I go to an S - E - C school," she emphasized with a stench of arrogance.

With that, I proceeded to let

her know just what I thought about her "SEC" school. While I wasn't too nice and, quite frankly, said some things a gentleman would have refrained from, I did explain that I am extremely proud of my university.

I also informed her about the many fine, top ranked programs one could become a part of at MTSU. I mentioned how our aerospace and mass communications departments, for example, are revered by schools across the nation as some of the best

I then went on to a more

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Letters to the Editor

Mr. Hoenie responds to ideas of an occupied South

Why would someone cry about being occupied, but when challenged they complain to be left alone? Mr. Hamilton, f you desire to be left alone, then fly your heritage flag on your own heritage lawn and leave it there. Why do you persist in attempting to force it over other people. Just because you where born in the South does not give you the right to fly your heritage anywhere you want. Not all Southerners claim this heritage, Mr. Hamilton. For example, what state is President Clinton from, Mr. Hamilton? I do believe he is from a Southern state in the United States of America. One of the states you claim is occupied. What about the Vice President, Mr. Hamilton? I do not see this Tennessean complaining about occupation and heritage. Matter of fact you're about the only 1 percent that views this senseless idea.

Mr. Hamilton, if you can put all this effort into the Confederacy and its battle flag, maybe I can help you direct your energies in a more constructive way. You need to build a time machine and transport yourself back to 1860. I hope you only go back, not forward, so you can see your nightmares firsthand of Sheridan and the 7th Cavalry charging down upon you with fire and sword.

Better yet, why don't you save some money (U.S. dollars) and take a trip to South Africa, Bosnia, Somalia, Iran and Northern Ireland to get a real good look at other people, who are far less fortunate than you, living in occupied territories.

I do not even think the South had it that bad in Reconstruction. It's not like the North came down with puppet judges and juries to convict everyone only to be sentenced to the guillotine, or rounded everyone up and marched them across the country to place you on reservations in a dust-bowl Oklahoma. Neither did they enslave you to work in Alaska in mines and oil fields like Stalinist Russia, nor did they put you in concentration camps only to be gassed to death by Jubilant crowds in Germany. And we did not place shackles on your body, and sail you off to Africa to

QUOTES OF THE WEEK

'I'm not sure when I pick up your paper if it is in fact a college newspaper or a Sunday School Bulletin. Take heart, though, Mr. Whatley. I saw on one of our new religious cable channels that Jesus is coming back before next September! Seems like that should be a front page story, don't you, brother?'

LEE HARRIS

'I believe that I speak for every American when I say Aids is an important issue, and I am sure our editor is no exception, as you would love to have others believe. Your "great idea" to have students wear ribbons (a red ribbon at that!) on their backpacks simply won't help stop even one individual from acquiring HIV. RANDY WILSON

'Homosexuality is the preference of a distinct MINORITY of people to disavow God's word, choose their lives' paths and pay the price later.'

DAVID W. JENKINS

work in the cotton fields. We made you plant and pick your own fields. That's probably what bothers you the most; you hate laboring in your field.

You see, Mr. Hamilton, minority opinion does matter, because they are the ones getting abused- Blacks, Native Americans and Jews are all examples of minorities being abused by majority opinion and hatred directed towards them.

The Daughters and Sons of Confederacy are not even a minority, but rather a society. You and your small group are part of an American society, by which I mean the populations and social structures found within the territory claimed by the Nation-State known as the United States of America. But you are also part of a local community with smaller structures, like Murfreesboro. Indeed, this community level of society may have greater meaning for you in your daily life than society at a National level.

Remember, Mr. Hamilton, the state may be defined as a society's set of political structures— that is, the groups and organizations that deal with questions of who gets what, when, and how. The United States is the territory within which those structures can operate without having to face challenges to their sovereignty. And the United States gains this right—the source of its power to influence the behavior of citizens- from the people themselves, from their belief that it is legitimate for the state to have this power.

GREG HOENIE Box 8091

Simplistic whining of wearing AIDS ribbons won't help anybody

Every time I am blessed with the opportunity to review the "Letters to the Editor" section of Sidelines, I am bombarded by the simplistic, if not just plain stupid ideas which fill our university's young minds. I have overlooked these ludicrous ideas time and time again, but I feel obligated to respond

to Layna Garrett's letter to the editor which appeared in the Nov. 19 issue of Sidelines.

I believe that I speak for every American when I say Aids is an important issue, and I am sure our editor is no exception, as you would love to have others believe. Your "great idea" to have students wear ribbons (a red ribbon at that!) on their backpacks simply won't help stop even one individual from acquiring HIV.

In your vast wisdom and undying love, did you ever stop to think, even for a moment, that there were other things that you could do that would actually HELP AIDS victims? For example, Alpha Omicron Pi sorority could start a fundraiser in Murfreesboro, and donate the proceeds to AIDS research and prevention programs.

Although I do agree that AIDS victims must feel very isolated, you can't convince me nor any other rational human being that a red ribbon will actually take away this isolation. Maybe you could seek out the AIDS victims and give them moral support in their time of need. The fact is that the only one who benefits from wearing a red ribbon is the wearer. This form of symbolism makes you feel good about yourself; however, you are doing nothing to help in the fight against AIDS. If I were an AIDS victim, I feel confident that I would want you help, not your pity.

> RANDY WILSON Box 8997

Homosexuals choose alternative lifestyle now, pay price later

I'd like to respond on Terry Walker's letter on religion and homosexuality printed on Nov.11. First, I agree as a private matter with Terry's assessment that God does in fact condemn all homosexual conduct. This is a fact stated again and again throughout the Bible and in no less than some twenty passages. Having said that, however, I wonder what Terry's letter accomplishes beyond stating the obvious.

The pro-gay alliance is unfortunately a fact of modern life. This does not mean homosexuality is new to mankind or that it is a direct intentional affront aimed at

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Liberalism reeks of hypocrisy...

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society. Consider:

In March, the Department of Health and Human Services announced it was cracking down on universities that had billed HHS for expenses not related to research grants they had received. The biggest offender was the University of Wisconsin at Madison. Its chief executive officer during this period: Current HHS Secretary Donna Shalala.

"Real Family Values: Clinton/Gore '92" — Bumper sticker seen during the 1992 presidential campaign.

Percentage of illegitimate births to whites in 1970: 5.6, and in 1991: 21.8. Percentage of illegitimate births to blacks in 1970... 37.5, and in 1991: 67.9. Real family values.

"Vulgar and obscene talk, gym periods and lunch breaks as open sessions for aggressive sexual conduct, pregnant teenagers in at least two classes, a new single mother in another. None of these stories surprise an American ear. But [for me], they are nothing short of scandalous." - A Nigerian exchange student comments about his high school in Washington, D.C.

"What America most needs to do is stop talking about sex [to teenagers] in terms of do's and don'ts and diseases. Otherwise, we will continue to be a repressed, Victorian society. -AIDS czar Kristine Gebbie.

"Your examination application will be marked either

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'passed' or 'failed' and returned to you by mail. Numerical scores are not given to prevent possible discriminatory employment "conceptual artists" disbursed \$10 levels." — Comments on a test for real-estate certification in New York.

"The constant hunt for campaign dollars demeans our elections, distorts our legislation, and diminishes our democracy," said Senator Ted Kennedy in September. Kennedy's total fundraising in the first six months

of 1993: \$2.3 million, tops in the Senate.

self-described Three practices based on achievement bills to illegal aliens on a San Diego street corner in August. The source of the funds used in their art project: a \$5,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Arts.

"I can't go out and save undercapitalized every entrepreneur in America," said our beloved First Lady, Hillary Clinton, when asked by a reporter what effects her health plan would have on small business.

Maya Angelou, that most eloquent of inaugural poets, was the subject of an impressive expose in The Wake Forest Critic, a conservative newspaper at the university. It seems that Miss Angelou receives a \$100,000 salary at Wake Forest, but teaches no classes and has an office which is, in fact, a storage closet.

University of Massachusetts at Amherst Professor William Kerrigan intimated, in October, that his colleagues should deflower coeds who have, for one reason or another, unnaturally prolonged their virginity."

And so it goes, on an on, ad infinitum.

More love/hate mail...

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Christianity in general. Homosexuality is the preference of a distinct MINORITY of people to disavow God's word, choose their lives' paths and pay the price later.

In an aspiring democracy like America this is how it should be; people choosing their destinies whether right or wrong, moral or immoral. Because of this, I am thankful I do not have to pay for any sins other than my own. This is where I differ with Terry Walker's approach to the issue. Mr. Walker seems to think that in our society, God's word should carry special import to the extremely disinterested gay rights groups. Terry, for what it is worth, that is called "making your point the hard way."

Christianity has, throughout western world history, been guilty of tragic purges and religion-based genocide. Christianity, more than any other religion in the world, has chosen to re-write God's commands to fit political and economic agenda of the times. Modern Christians have fused into little more than political action committees; societal gatekeepers, if you will. Many of today's Christian leaders have chosen to belittle and demean instead of encourage, nurture and educate. Modern Christianity has used the Bible to persecute rather than liberate souls. Neither the conservative nor the liberal, Democrat nor Republican has a monopoly on Christianity. Neither the political left

nor right have any special insights into God's word. It really sickens me to read any contention otherwise.

Christians need to evaluate their own troubled and violent history and learn to be tolerant but firm on their beliefs, understanding but loyal to God only and faithful in the face of diversity. Our world is shrinking too fast to do otherwise. I am amazed that some so-called Christians are eaten up with picking the right prestigious church to attend, wearing the right label clothes, mixing with the right established cliques, and spouting off in condemnation of all others who oppose them. I remember this quote from the Bible also; "Let he who is without sin cast the first stone." They don't seem to get the concept that America is not JUST a Christian nation any longer. America is also Islamic, Buddhist, Hindu and, of course, a Jewish nation. By the way, each of these religions also condemns in clear concise language, homosexuality. In fact, all of the planet's recognized deities condemn homosexuality, but not the homosexual souls themselves. Every soul is considered redeemable until judgment before the Lord. That's the most important point I am making.

Terry Walker's letter is on target in as much as he states the facts. Christianity is not supposed to be about clinging to one another in a fear-driven intolerance of others, putting on pretenses or castigating any other human being, including abortion clinic personnel and their patients. It is supposed to be tempered, patient and caring. I trust that is what Terry believes too, because Christ states in the Bible not to attempt to resist the government ruling us. When the government tells us to stop hindering abortion clinics and targeting doctors and their patients, we should simply stop. When the government tells us that prejudice against gays will be illegal then we should stop denying them their basic civil rights. If Christianity resist God's word on government authority, then how can Christians begin to ask others to follow any of God's word?

Finally, I feel that true Christians won't feel so threatened by a societal diversity that they become hostile or attempt to brow-beat non-Christians into submission. Letting your life be a quiet lantern for others to follow is the one true aspiration for Christians or any other religious group convert. Christians should not be involved in campaigns as a voting block or involved in violent para-military operations against abortion clinic personnel. Unfortunately, more Christians blindly have followed the socalled Moral Majority's tact than the Biblically-prescribed tact. That brings into mind another quote from the Bible," Beware of false prophets."

> DAVE JENKINS GENERAL DELIVERY

This semester of Sidelines
has seen a lot of
controversy. From the
Rebel flag to gun control,
students have let their
emotions fly and kept the
Opinions section of
Sidelines full of

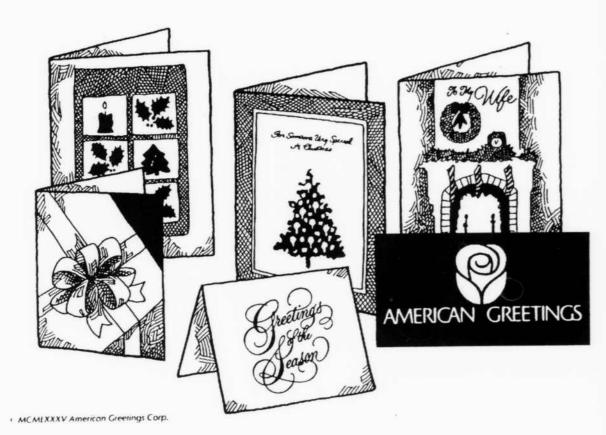
interesting letters to the editor. Yet the semester is finally nearing an end and there are only three more issues of Sidelines

this year.
Therefore, if you have any 'parting shots' and wish to get the last word on any issue, send your thoughts to MTSU Box 42.

We look forward to hearing you vent one last time.

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Winning programs at MTSU...

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personal subject and expounded upon the successes of our rarely spoken of mock trial program. The young lady, as she regained her composure, quickly spouted, "Who cares about mock trial?" When I told her how we, the lowly peasants of Middle Tennessee, were ranked above her beloved "Big Orange," not to mention the Irish of Notre Dame, she conveniently saved herself from humiliation by changing the topic at hand.

If I see my good "SEC" friend again, I will remind her how the MTSU mock trial teams left their winning mark on yet

another tournament, last Friday and Saturday at the MTSU Mock Trial Invitational. While we didn't end up in first place, our teams garnished more awards than any other competing school. Furthermore, the MTSU mock trial teams soundly defeated her own "SEC" school, UT.

While MTSU may not be as well known as other universities, our name and reputation is growing. As other schools ride the crest of their popularity and promote students based on an air of false impressions, MTSU students are proving that there is more to an education than just a



Et Cetera, Et Cetera

"Labour to keep alive in your breast that little spark of celestial fire, -- conscience."

GEORGE WASHINGTON

"Destiny has laid upon our country the responsibility of the free world's leadership."

DWIGHT DAVID EISENHOWER

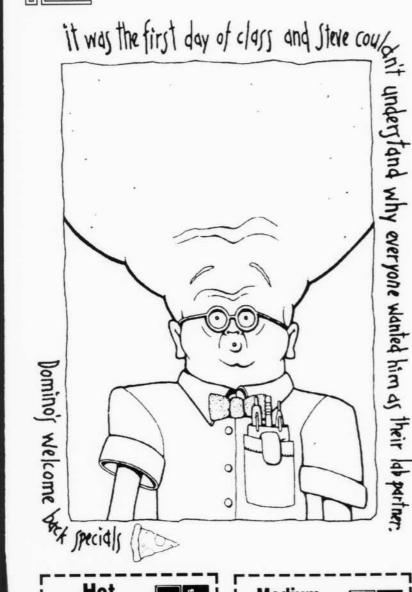
"All I know is just what I read in the papers"

WILL ROGERS

"American liberty is a religion. It is a thing of the spirit. It is an aspiration on the part of the people for not alone a free life but a better life."

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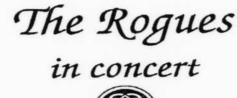
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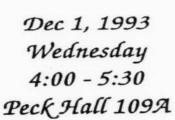
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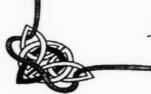


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LIFE!

Battered women are encouraged to seek help

MELISSA DAVENPORT

Special to Sidelines

Karen Straw, 29-year-old African American woman, stood trial for murder. Karen had left her husband after three years of marriage. She moved into a hotel with her two children and intended to file for a divorce as soon as she could afford

For over two years her husband had harassed and beat her. She obtained orders of protection from the court and tried to have him arrested 10 times. In December, 1986 Karen's husband broke into her hotel room, beating and raping her at knife point. He continued to insist he was going to kill her. Feeling she had no other choice, Karen got a knife and stabbed him. She was charged with first-degree murder.

In May, 1992 Mary Baumruk was shot and killed by her husband.

Shirley Lowery, a grandmother of 11, was stabbed 19 times by her ex-boyfriend.

The Coalition of Battered Women's Advocates in New York argues, in the U.S., every 15 seconds a woman is battered. Which means by the time an average person has finished the first paragraph of this article, four women will have been battered and possibly killed by their husband. In addition, the Coalition cites that batterings are the greatest cause of injury to women in the he U.S. — more than by car accidents, rapes and muggings combined.

The pain of domestic violence does not stop there.

The Domestic Violence Project of Ann

Arbor, Michigan, helps give a clearer picture of the horror of domestic violence by pointing out that at least 60 percent of battered women are sexually abused by their partners.

A common question most people ask is, "Why doesn't she leave if she is being abused?" When people ask this question, they place the blame on the victim. The victim trusts this man and is usually isolated from all her friends and family, which causes her to become dependant on the male. She is made to feel helpless and childlike. Victims are ashamed and abusers help to keep them quiet and intimidated through threats, emotional blackmail and brainwashing.

Can you tell if a woman has been battered by just looking at her? No. A battered woman may have been abused as a child. She may have several children or none at all. She may have a limited education, or she may have earned several degrees. Some have never held a job; however, others have worked all their lives. Some married young, others married in middle age. Some use drugs and alcohol, others have never touch any altering substance. She does not act or look battered. Many times a battered woman is quiet and passive, but other times she may be very outgoing to hide that anything is wrong.

One common fact in all abuse cases is that victims do not believe it would ever happen to them. Always be aware it could happen to anyone.

If you or someone you know is being

abused please contact the June Anderson Women's Center at 898-2193 or your local violence center in Murfreesboro.

You're not alone! Four million American women annually are physically, mentally and emotionally assaulted by their male partners.

You, as a student, can make a difference in the lives of victims of domestic violence. Give to the Domestic Food Drive in the June Anderson Women Center, sponsored by the Women's Political Action Group.

"The domestic violence centers is one of the few places women can go for refuge from a domestic violence situation. Usually when a woman leaves her home, she leaves all her resources behind, and we see this as an opportunity to fill a need," commented Deborah Ray, of WPAG.

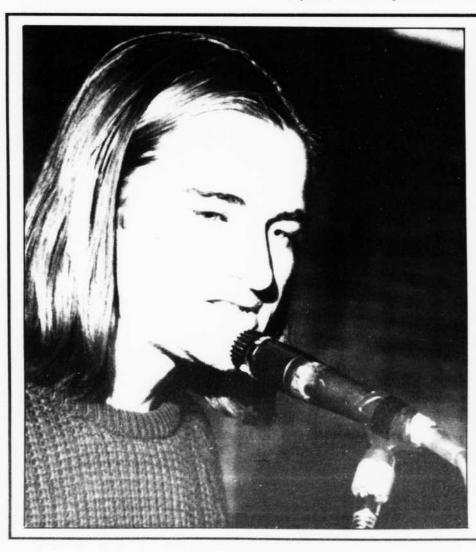
Deborah Johnson of the Domestic violence center added that, "the program has two houses in Murfreesboro with the ability to help up to 15 people in each house. They only stay for a week or two, but we have a heavy turnover of people, and we have a continuing need for food and other supplies to help give them a new start."

In case of a crisis, or information on presentations and/or donations, feel free to call the 24 hour Crisisline at 896-2012.

The WPAG will collect food items until the week of Thanksgiving. Items such as babyfood, cooking supplies (pots and pans), chips, chocolates and other small "luxury" items would be very much appreciated. Thank You! Experts say abusers do commonly exhibit certain characteristics, such as:

A need for power and control Low self-esteem Verbal assault Paranoia Isolation of himself, his wife or girlfriend and family Resents being dependant on his partner Drug and/or alcohol abuse Deny the severity of the beatings or deny that they happened altogether Comes from a violent family Is manipulative Solves conflicts by force and/ or violence

This list was take from The Tennessean, January 1, 1991, by Kent Travis, staff.





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Left: Mark Miller reads his poem during the intermission between bands at the collage benefit held at the Boro Saturday night. Top: Chandra Cerchione falls asleep while Chris Pelletier listens to the Secret Commonwealth at the collage benefit at the Boro.

What are we doing to our bodies?

Guinnevere's Fashion Corner

Cosette Joyner Staff Writer

Is everyone convinced that trying to lose weight makes you a little neurotic?

Too many mornings Guinnevere awoke to the beating of a freight train in her head. She carefully raised her head grasping her sore, swollen jaws to avoid anymore pain. Pangs of fire burned at her heart and ribs. Her blurred vision could barely make out a bottle of laxatives and a pile of trash from left over junk food. Facial blemishes surfaced her skin. Dark circles lined her eyes. Stretch marks appeared from no where, red and blue, on her hips and stomach. She would roll out of bed, as if recovering from a bad drunk, and stagger to the bathroom to finish throwing up what she hadn't the night before.

My name is Guinnevere and I am bulimic. I have had this affliction for over two and a half years. I developed this disease when I was 17. I had always been a little hefty and was continuously teased by people, including family, to get on some kind of diet. So I showed them. I cut all the fat out of my diet and reserved binging sprees for the weekend. What a plan! I lost weight all right. However, the ongoing weight gain/loss fluctuation had left me with an unattractive, distorted body image—skin literally hung off of my body.

Unfortunately, I did not understand until November of last year there was something wrong with this behavior. After all, I had consulted a male counselor in the Guidance Center on campus and was told, "sounds like you need to go on a diet." Since I could not convince anyone I had a problem, I decided to go out on my own to do extensive research on the topic myself.

Unfortunately, bulimia and anorexia are at an all-time high now. The history of these two deadly eating disorders goes way back.

The whole mess evolved when women started going crazy back in the mid-ninteenth century by unknown hysteria. Symptoms included blindness, fainting spell and seizures. These symptoms seemed to doctors of that time to be linked to psychological factors and emotional stress; a tad more than a little PMS.

After the turn of the century, hysteria declined but developed into something worse: anorexia. Anorexia is a flat out refusal to maintain a normal weight. Anorexics have an intense fear of gaining weight or becoming fat. They weigh15 percent lower than the expected weight according to age and height. They will starve themselves for weeks at a time, then binge heavily every so often to get a little strength back.

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Anorexics suffer from a number of physical ailments: weak bones, loss of muscle instead of fat, thinning hair, skin with no elasticity.

By the 1980s, bulimia had come about. Bulimia is recurring binge eating. Usually it occurs twice a week for at least three months. Bulimics consume thousands of calories in a discrete amount of time.

There are a number of ways bulimics control the weight. They will induce vomiting, laxative abuse, diuretic abuse (for water retention), strict dieting of fasting or strenuous exercise. This disorder is more common than anorexia in college students.

A bulimic's family disfunctions usually run along the lines of bad communication, resulting in bottled-up anger, becoming out of control. They eat because they are angry. Almost always, there is sexual abuse involved.

Bulimics suffer much physical damage also. The esophagus may rupture causing bleeding that can lead to death. Acid from throwing up decays the teeth. The glands in the neck swell resulting in a puffy face. Stress from the physical harm shows up in other areas: dark circles under eyes, temporary stretch marks.

Why do bulimics and anorexics do this? Many have deep emotional scars from a life time of abuse. They feel they have to medicate themselves. The bottom line is, though, they want to stay thin throughout. Ridiculous? Yes.

The factors that contribute to these disorders can vary by the individual, but how many of you agree that the media influences us? A study was done on two standards of female attractiveness: the winners of the Miss America pageant and Playboy's "playmate of the month." This observance took place over a period of twenty years, starting in 1960s. The two became thinner and thinner.

Simultaneously, the average American woman's weight steadily increased. So, while the industrial field advertised a 5'9, 98 pound, twelve-year-old "woman" to sell their product, women ate and ate and ate. Who could blame them?

But, women will only eat so long before they decide they want to have their cake and eat it too, literally: henceforth, bulimia and anorexia occur.

There are magazines that are beginning to realize their influence, such as Allure, a fashion magazine that claims they look for models that aren't so skinny.

Women are supposed to have round bellies and hips. Magazines put forth an adolescent, pre-puberty, flat-stomached image that the models are either born with, or they too are sick.

What is worse is after these magazines flaunt a barely achievable figure, they supply a diet to go on. These diets sometimes call for as little as 500 to 1200 calories. 900 calories was scientifically determined as the minimum necessity for a human to function.

Although technically bulimia and anorexia are considered diseases, both are mental disorders because they are chemical imbalances in the brain.

Bulimics and anorexics will never recover. I will never be able to take eating for granted again. This is why it is important for those who do not have this problem to protect themselves, now. It only takes one typical magazine diet to create an urge to binge.

There is no right or wrong diet. For every diet that you have been successful with I can name 10 people that succeeded doing the opposite. Eat with your senses, not your intellect. The author of a book I recently read interviewed a 106-year-old Russian woman to ask her secret. She replied, "I never eat vegetables."

Your sense of taste and smell are excellent guides to what is good for you. Eat with full attention and gusto. Your food does not digest well if you eat more because you're not paying attention and enjoying your food completely. When I started paying more attention to what I was eating, I was surprised by how many things I didn't like but simply ate them for their image or smell.

If you want to lose weight there are

three things you have to do. Susan, in her "Stop the Insanity" paid commercial programs, outlines it perfectly, "You gotta eat. You gotta move, and you gotta breath." High volume, low fat foods give you the energy to move. Exercise gives you the oxygen you need to feel good.

The bottom line is to feel good about yourself. If you feel good being overweight, go with it. That confidence will only add flavor to your personality. In some ways being happily overweight is better than having a destructive eating disorder. You simply don't have the guilt and pain.

I think I hit bottom during finals week of the spring semester. I had taken far too many diuretics because I ate to relieve the stress of studying. For three days I lay on the floor of my room shaking, out of control. No one knew the pain I felt and I volunteered no information to anyone.

How does one recover? NO ONE can do it alone. Aside from maybe an earth-shattering miracle, a twelve-step program and individual counseling from a "trained professional" is the only way out. I would discourage anyone from going to the campus counseling center for an eating disorder.

I am, by no means, cured, although I have come to accept life on life's terms. I experienced a spiritual awakening upon realizing a higher power, whom I choose to call God, could restore me to sanity.

To maintain abstinence from binging, I acquired a very regimented food plan: eating a certain type of food at a certain time everyday—a new way of life.

By the grace of God, I will spend this holiday season in a treatment center. I am willing to go to any length to put this disease dormant, even if it means giving up the holidays. This is, by far, the best Christmas gift I have ever received: a rebirth.

For the time being I do the best I can when I can. My primary purpose in a twelve-step program is to help someone who still suffers. Recovery is a royal pain in the behind but there are too many miracles, success stories and rewards not do it. The first step to solving a problem is to realize you have one. If you think you have a similar disorder, don't be afraid to reach out. Just do it before it's too late. Guinnevere #6253

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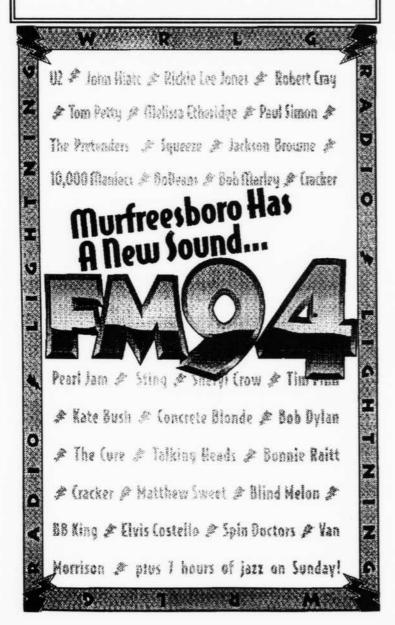
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Three Musketeers ride into glory

There's a good reason why "The Three Musketeers" opened its first weekend "number one" at the box office. Two words: too fun. The classic adventure tale, which starred Keifer Sutherland (first and second "Young Guns," "Flatliners"), Charlie Sheen ("Platoon," "Major League") and Oliver Plaitt ("Flatliners," "Benny and Joon") in the title roles, was packed full of extreme wit and good old fashioned action.

The Musketeers, a band of volunteers, protect the king - this being their main objective. Chris O'Donnell ("Scent of a Woman") stars as D'artanian, the son of a musketeer who died in the line of duty. A cocky young man, he leaves his home town for Paris with several pursuers, including one with pink lipstick, out to avenge their sister's

His goal is to join the Musketeers and carry on in his father's name. However, before he can reach Paris, Cardinal Richelieu, played by Tim Curry ("Clue", "Home Alone") has disbanded the

Musketeers. Upon his arrival, the hotheaded D'artanian proceeds to inadvertently become entangled with the three men who refuse to turn in their Musketeer tunics.

The actors seem to have as much fun on screen as the audience does watching and all deliver terrific performances. However, Oliver Plaitt outshines them all, leaving the audience in stitches. Maybe it is Plaitt's comical talent or maybe the script gave his character better lines. Either way, the scene brightens whenever he appears.

Tim Curry also does a terrifically evil job of playing the Cardinal Richelieu with less than holy

Watch for King Louis' TKO and D'Artagnan's lesson in "the fine art of wenching."

Rebecca DeMornay ("The Hand That Rocks the Cradle") and Gabrielle Anwar ("Scent of a Woman") also star.

On the whole, it is one fantastical, hilarious, exciting ride that is definitely worth the full price.



A heroic group of soldiers known as the King's Musketeers, including (left to right): Athos (Kiefer Sutherland), Aramis (Charlie Sheen), D'Artagnan (Chris O'Donnell) and Porthos (Oliver Platt) unite to thwart the corrupt ambitions of the royal advisor Cardinal Richelieu (Tim Curry).

Vincent Van Gogh's last years portrayed in upcoming play

Vincent Van Gogh are chronicled in the Francis Gallagher hit "Vincent," the premier 1994 production scheduled at Actors' Playhouse of Nashville.

"Vincent" explores the spiritual torment of a man now revered as a genius, but overwhelmed at the time by an inability to communicate in the universal language of art.

The play focuses on a two year stretch when Van Gogh lived in Arles and Auvres, France. Van Gogh's volatile relationship with Paul Gauguin during that period is central to his ultimate fall into despair and self destruction. Gauguin attempts to steal from Van Gogh the only two loves of his life... his art and his woman, Marie.

And he succeeds. When Marie leaves Van Gogh to live with his friend. The pain of loss conquers him and thrusts himself into a free-fall to madness. And he never overcomes the seeds of doubt about his mastery as a painter planted by Gauguin; Van Gogh dies a man unfulfilled.

"Vincent" is the masterpiece of Francis

The last turbulent years in the life of painter Gallagher, 89, the New York City playwright, who now resides in Nashville. Gallagher was fascinated by Van Gogh, a man he considered to be prototypical of all artists in search of their voice. He spent years researching every aspect of Van Gogh's life and personality. The resulting work, "Vincent," is a testament of love to a man greatly admired and

"Vincent" will open at the Actors' Playhouse under the direction of Dorothy Marie Robinson on Friday, Feb. 4, 1994, for an extended run. In addition to performances on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights, there will be a Sunday matinee. Tickets are available through Ticketmaster or by calling Actors' Playhouse at (615) 327-0049. Group rates are available.

"Vincent" has had successful runs both in New York and Los Angeles. It was hailed as the Best Show of the 1959 Off-Broadway Season by the New York Daily News. It's a wonderful work that offers a glimpse inside the mind of an artist and gives the audience a unique perspective on how genius and madness join to both create and destroy.



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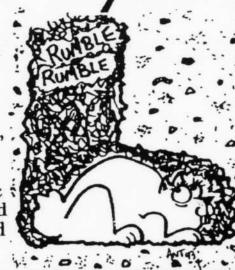
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Words suck (eh-heh eh-heh)."—Butthead "Yeah, (eh-heh eh-hehm) words suck."—Beavis

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Gertrude The Gopher

Ince upon a time, there lived a little gopher named Gertrude. One day she was digging deep in her burrow when she thought she heard the rumble of thunder from the surface. "Uh oh," thought Gert, "I must go and see if it is raining, for I do not want my warm dry burrow to become moistened!" She scurried through the tunnels, poked her head out the opening and gazed up toward the cloudless sky.



The oh again..." thought Gert, as the real source of the rumbling—a powerful lawn mower—passed over the opening and hacked her protruding little head clean off.



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Junebugs by J. S. Bivins

"Hey dad!"

"Hey What?"

The child came running from the back yard to the wooden deck, stomping loudly on the stairs as he went up. He pressed his face to the sliding screen door and looked past his father to the plates on the table. Richard had been busy making BLT's for lunch.

"What's up?" he asked the boy.

"They're here."

"Who's here?" He silently hoped his neighbors weren't about to knock on the front door.

Andrew's blue eyes were shining through the blond locks that were pasted with sweat to his forehead. Richard vowed to himself to take his son for a haircut first thing Monday morning.

"The Junebugs," Andrew replied, as if it were a secret.

"Oh." Richard was relieved. "Are there lots of 'em?"

"Millions, dad."

"Well—come eat. You can go play with them after you finish your sandwich. And don't even think about sitting down at the table without washing your hands first. They're filthy."

Andrew looked away, taking his face from the screen. For a minute, Richard thought his son might play deaf and return to his bugs. Richard said Andrew's name sternly and shot him a quick look. Seconds later, he heard the water in the bathroom sink turn on. Andrew came back after a few minutes, held his hands out for inspection, and sat down to eat.

"Did mom call yet?"

"Not yet," Richard sighed. "She will. She always does. Finish eating."

Around four, the phone rang. Andrew was out in the yard again, and wouldn't hear. Richard was on the bed folding laundry. He thought for a moment that it would be better not to answer; he knew who it was and the machine could get it. After the second ring, he changed his mind and picked up the receiver.

"Hello?"

"Hello Richard."

"Andrew was worried that you wouldn't call."

"He knows me better than that. Unless you've been filling his head with..."

"I haven't said much of anything about you, or us, to Andrew. He doesn't ask, and I

From the Editor of COLLAGE

The Fall 1993 issue of COLLAGE is out and has been distributed around campus.

Overall, I think you will find it to be a an excellent and visually appealing representation of the achievements of some of the finest artists on our campus.

However, as I'm sure anyone in publications will agree, no matter how hard you try, it is extremely difficult to create a flawlessly edited product. Things slip by; things get lost, and things just happen. This is no less the case with COLLAGE. In the current issue, there were typographical errors in two of the short stories. COLLAGE accepts full responsibility for any and all of these errors. In deference to the authors of these stories, we are glad to publish the original and correct versions here.

I would like to take this opportunity to apologize sincerely to the authors, and to thank *Sidelines* for this space.

Finally, I hope you, the students, faculty, administration, and other members of the MTSU community enjoy COLLAGE.

James R. McCulloch

don't offer."

"How are you?"

"Fine, I guess. This vacation is nice."

"Good. You really needed some time off. I'm glad you finally realized that. Have you and Andrew been getting along okay?"

"Yeah, I'm enjoying all this time we get to spend together. How are you?"

"I'm alright. Is my son around? Can I talk to him for a minute?"

Richard's face began to get red. Ever since she had walked out the door, she had been referring to Andrew as if she was the parent and Richard was some hired help. Andrew was their son, not his, not hers; theirs.

"No," Richard lied curtly. "He's down the street playing with some friends. I can go yell for him if you want."

"That's okay. I really need to clear some things up with you. Is that fine?"

Here goes, Richard thought to himself. Prelude to divorce. He had heard about these dreadful conversations from some of the divorced men at the office, and in spite of the pain he knew would come, he was interested in seeing how much of the dialogue would be similar to that of his co-workers.

"Richard," she began. There was a sudden exasperation in her voice. "I talked to dad's lawyer last week. He said I should have no problem getting custody of Andrew. I don't want anything else, besides the divorce. You worked hard to give us a life that anybody would be proud of, and gave us some things that now I wish you hadn't. I don't. I don't want you to be responsible for us anymore."

Richard's body went limp. He had assumed all along that the reason Andrew was staying with him was because she didn't want him. He expected the divorce, even somewhat accepted it, but custody of Andrew was an entirely different matter. He laid down on the bed and shut his eyes.

"I t-t-thought..." He was stammering. He opened his eyes and began again, slower. "I thought you wanted to start over. I understood that to be the reason behind your leaving."

"I know this is a shock, Richard. I have realized over the last three months that Andrew is what keeps me going. After all this, I think he needs a fresh start too. So do you. I'm sorry I didn't bring this up sooner, but I wasn't sure if you could handle it. You will still be his father. You could still see him whenever you want."

"How many times have you seen him since you left? Two, maybe three?"

"Richard, I..."

"No!" He interrupted her. "Don't take away the one thing that is forcing me to go on, enabling me to survive. I wake up every morning, crying because I have to deal with the fact that my wife is gone. Gone! Andrew gives me hope, something to hold on to. Something real. I need something real in my life right now. He keeps me going too."

"Richard," she tried again.

"Please don't take him away." Richard was pleading. "He loves me. No matter what. Like you did. Remember? Don't cheat me out of that again."

"Richard, you work fifty or sixty hours a week. It wouldn't be fair to Andrew—just like it wasn't fair to me. You know that. You may not want to believe it right now, but think about it. You only have one week of vacation time left and then it's back to reality. I hate for it to have to be like this, but it is the only way. I need to go now. Hug my son for me and tell him I'll call him on Wednesday. Richard lied. "I'm getting his hair cut on Wednesday, probably go to the movies too. We'll call you."

"Goodbye, Richard."

The anger and pity in her voice stung him.

He hung up. Speechless. He had taken for granted that he and Andrew would get through everything together. Even though he hadn't sat down to figure out a way for Andrew to stay with him. With the up-and-coming layoffs at the office, he would be traveling more frequently and maybe even putting in more hours on the weekends. People from work had even been calling him daily since he had been on vacation. They always acted like they were calling to see how he was enjoying things, and if he was feeling any better; it usually ended with Richard being asked about a certain account, or how to approach the boss about losing an account, or whatever.

Everyone at the office had pushed Richard for a vacation, and in the end, the majority won out over the man. It had simply become a matter of necessity, both for Richard's sake and Andrew's.

Andrew came running into the house, breathing heavily. Richard caught him in the

doorway of the bedroom.

"What's up, champ?"

"Look..." Andrew panted.

The boy held out his hand. In his palms was a June bug. Richard bent down to take a close look. The smell was overpowering; Andrew's free hand was covering his nose. Richard remembered washing his hands for hours when he was young because his mother wouldn't allow such an offense at the dinner table. He started to giggle, caught himself, and leaned over again to look. There was something odd about this June bug. Richard moved Andrew's hand slowly into the light so that he could see better. The June bug was not the usual green, but a bright gold.

"He's different, dad." Andrew's lungs had finally caught up with him.

"Come on. Let's take him into the kitchen. It's brighter in there."

He put his hand on the boy's shoulder and led him to the kitchen table. Andrew set the bug down. It wasn't moving.

"Is he dead?"

"No, the cold air makes them still. Watch."

Richard turned it over on it's back. All six legs immediately came to life in a desperate attempt to right itself.

Andrew's eyes widened.

"Turn him back, dad." There was an urgency in his voice.

"Okay." Richard turned the bug over. "See, he's not dead."

"He's beautiful. I've never seen one like this before. I bet he's the king of the June

bugs."

"I don't know, Andrew. Maybe." His son was a little young for genetics.

"Hey dad."

"Hey what."

"What month is it?"

"July. Why?"

"Why are they called June bugs if they come out in July?"

"Well... my father used to say that they come to say goodbye to June."

Andrew bent down towards the still bug. He cocked his head, as if he were listening for the bug to actually say "Goodbye."

"Did mom call?"

"Yes. She told me to give you a big hug for her."

Andrew was smiling.

"So? What are you waiting for. C'mere."

Richard hugged his son tighter than he ever had before. When he finished, he held Andrew away from him and looked at his son. Andrew was still grinning when Richard kissed him on his forehead and sent him out to play with the group of boys that were making their way towards the back yard. Before Andrew had scooped up the June bug and raced out the door, his eyes met Richard's and he said, "I love you, dad."

Richard was washing the dishes from lunch and watching his son play with his friends in the back yard when he started to cry. Above the gentle sound of the running water and the faint odor of soap, he heard his father's voice saying, "They come to say 'goodbye'." And he smelled the Junebugs.

Air Conditioned Souls: A Duet by Christopher Allen

erse 1:

After the ten o'clock news, I twist the blinds shut, flip the lights off, and listen to him humming downstairs—crouching, yes he and I, in a corner; he is very good. I am no nusician, but there is something about a lone, low line—something inclusive, no, comething caressing—that keeps me company like nothing else can.

I will not stop rocking. I am <u>so</u> well-mannered. Funerals are strange smells for children, large noses in coffins, sniffing (only the live ones though), and whispering. Sudden Explosions. And then, finally a joke, but now ultimately half-lit—numb, like I'd never been to a funeral at all. Yes, let's say that I have never been. Six foot two, eyes plown through like a brisket in a basket, my brother's in that casket. Let's say that I am teal though. Not to have ever been, surely, but real just as surely. But I wander.

Have you ever felt like someone else? Not the usual identity confusion in Ireams. No. I mean really felt like someone, as if a spirit has drifted through you—like forced air. Jesus wept—making you not you, but him? You might be sitting in study hall, say, when you are thirteen, not studying books, but studying people, all scribbling in notebooks, heads bent like magnets to their books—cows, no, sheep. And all of a sudden t occurs to you: there can be no mistake; you are not like them, you are different, you are Christ. And being Christ, You are somewhat meek and all, so You don't go blurting it out n study hall (besides, You could get paddled—or, I guess, scourged—for that).

After study hall in the hall proper, You are given a sign: You are standing at the water fountain watching the sheep wipe dribble from their chins because they have not discovered how to drink from the Fountain. You, however, lean over, drink, raise Your head, flip the hair out of your eyes, and balance the single drop of holy water on Your ower lip until it gently disappears into Your mouth: You are Christ. And later that day, You are given a greater sign: You know all the puzzles before Vanna turns any of the etters over. Who else could do that? Who else but Chuck Woolery:

I will not, I can not stop rocking. I told you that. One... two... three... our...eight rows of folded chairs. Deathbeds are calling, tenderly calling yea who are veary, bright-eyed and bushy-tailed, come home.

The category is 'Poem.' Marge from Ohio (likes to bike, works for a MAJOR etail sporting goods store, has two lovely daughters, whom she would like to wish a very appy birthday: "Happy birthday Jessica and Brittany!"), spins the wheel. I wept. Bi-i-ig noney. Buys a vowel. I wept. Vanna claps and turns the 'e'. I wept. I wept 'I wept' I creamed.

Lazarus, come forth! Don't you know that I can just say one word and he will some back; he will come back; he will get up out of that box and scare hoodoo out of Aunt Neveda. So You're sitting there at the funeral, thirteen and Christ, feeling like You should do something. You can't sit next to your mother because she's sitting up there near the box with all those people hovering around her. You've got to sit with Aunt Neveda

who has an unnatural dislike for rocking. Neveda who talks in quick, little trembling snips between her sniffs and puts her large Holstein-milking hand on your chair and says, "Becee still, bece still." But You know that if everyone would just shut up with the crying, You could work a miracle or something.

I know he sits downstairs. I see him sometimes through the blinds. I know I hear him humming late at night.

Verse 2:

Seven times.

Always shuffle seven times; that's the secret to Solitary.

I guess it musta been ten years ago when I left Eliza; now I just sit here in my underwear—now, I know that ain't a thing to be telling—listening to the radio and watching the air conditioner like it was a T.V. The darn thing broke one time; when the air's agoing, the bad smells in this little box of a room kinda go away. It can get awfully quiet and stuffy without it. But it works fine now. I hear old men say "Well, I'm old, and I sure don't remember not having one. I'm real old too old to be alone. I'm fine though. I fill the time. I listen to Emmy Lou on the radio and play that Solitary game. I even hum along sometimes with the good songs. I get that sad feeling that feels good—like after you cry. Yes, old men cry. They cry more than anyone. You get all old and see if you don't look back and regret everything you did and hope to God you don't have to come back and do it all over again like those hippy, touchy-feely people think; you just see if you don't.

I do fine. I fill the time, and I know my neighbors—except for that little girl upstairs. Cute little girl, but damn strange. One time she woke me up banging on my door, screaming till I thought her precious little lungs would break, "Lazarus, Come Forth!" Spooked me. I 'came forth' and all, but I reckon I weren't the one she wanted 'cause she said something about someone being gone and disappeared up the steps. Now you tell me what to make of that. She'll be fine, I reckon.

We used to listen to the Opry on the radio, Eliza and me. She got her first kiss listening to Uncle Dave, I ain't ashamed to say. Right on the cheek. She smelled like roses; God only knows what a stockyard I smelled like, but she never said nothing about it. That gal was perfect, and I aint ashamed to say that her hindquarters was just about the most perfect thing about her. Well, now that I've gone and said it, I am a little put out with myself. I shouldn't talk that way, I know, but it's as true as the world. "Oh, have you seen my dear companion..." I reckon I'm not ready to die just yet. But I guess it won't be long now. Gosh sakes, I'm 80 some odd.

I left her at the altar—not the first time, but the second time when she was lying their with her roses. I bought them myself. 29.95+tax. She always said I never bought her flowers; she's got'em now. I can't go regretting not buying them flowers—wouldn't be right. Did what I could. She's fine, just fine. It's like when Eliza went to New York City to have that foot surgery. We only had money for one seat on the plane, so I stayed home. I stayed in the airport forever thinking about how I could get fifty dollars to get on that next plane. Oh, I don't know why I'm filling your head with this. I guess I mean that I've had to watch Eliza go off before. That was a long wait, and I never figured out how to get that fifty dollars. The way I see it, I'll be fine: I'm just waiting. Still it helps sometimes to turn out the lights, sit in front of that air conditioner, and hum along to our songs. It's a odd thing, but with that cool air blowing I can feel her all around me—I know you think that's strange. Sometimes I feel her go right through me.

Purple people pound Raiders

Big Blue dealt brutal defeat, losing season at Tech's expense

It took ten years and a struggling MTSU football program, but the purple and gold of Tennessee Tech earned a bit of revenge and pride, whipping Middle Tennessee 35-14 Saturday in Cookeville.

Not since 1983 has Tech defeated MTSU and not since 1980 has the Blue Raider program posted a losing record, doing so this year with a 5-6

"It's been a strange season, there's no question about that," commented MTSU mentor Boots Donnelly, "About the winning streak, we don't care about that and we never worried about

Not only was it a question of victory, it was how Tennessee Tech went about it simply dominating both sides of the ball. After a scoreless first quarter, Tech took control in the second with a 25-yard touchdown pass from Mike Jones to Gerald Bentley. On its next possession, Michael Penix raced 55-yards for a score to put TTU up 14-0. Meanwhile, MTSU's offense, coming off an impressive performance against Eastern Kentucky, had amassed only one first down.

"Tennessee Tech is a lot stronger defensively up front and Tennessee Tech plays us for a different reason than EKU plays us," Donnelly said. "Tennessee Tech has a reason, too. They played us out of pure hatred.

"They lined down and they were very physical against us and that's our biggest problem. When we have people coming down our throat, we take a step backwards and it's not a good sign for the

While MTSU managed to hold tech for the remainder of the half, it didn't come easy. Following the second score, Raider quarterback Kelly Holcomb tossed an interception that gave Tech the ball at the 13yard line. But Tech kicker Daniel Gipson missed a 23-yard chip

MTSU answered driving to the 5-yard line with 12 seconds remaining in the half. The Raiders sent in a play, Holcomb completed a pass to Cory Simpson who couldn't get out of



OVER THE TOP: Brigham Lyons goes high in the air in an attempt to gain first down yardad during Saturday's loss to Tennessee Tech.

bounds and the Raiders, who were out of time-outs, had to watch time expire.

"We should have gotten three," a frustrated Donnelly said. "The ball needs to be thrown out of the back of the end zone and

its a situation where its been like that all year."

Nevertheless, the Raiders weren't out of the game - yet.

"Going into the half down 14-0, we still had a shot but they come out in the second and score

and we don't do anything wi our possessions," Donnelly said,

After another Tech T MTSU answered. Holcon hooked up with Dennis Mimn

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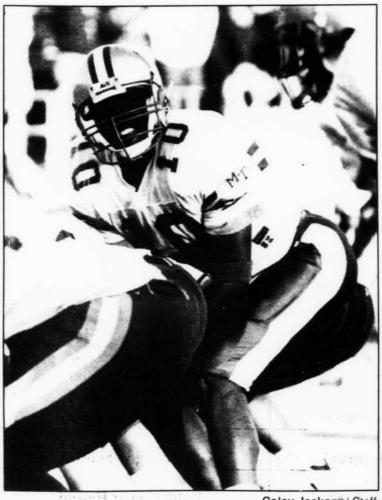
Roundball ralley tonight

The first annual Raider Roundball Rally will take place tonight at Murphy Center featuring the 1993-94 men's and women's basketball teams.

The event will be very similar to the annual Boots and Barbecue. It is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. with tickets available throughout the city for \$6 in advance. On campus, you may purchase them at the athletic ticket office or the BRAA offices, both located in Murphy Center. At the gate, tickets are

There will be a slam-dunk contest, a 3-point shooting exhibition and the evening will be highlighted by an exhibition game featuring former MTSU players including Chris Rainey, Russell 'Slim' Smith, 'Sleepy' Taylor, Dwayne Dorsey, James Johnson, and as many as 15

Food and beverages are to served following the teams and the alumni game.



Coley Jackson/ Staff

introductions of MTSU's current BARKING THE CALL: Brian Davis calls the signals Saturday in a reserve role.

With Donnelly at helm, MTSU will bounce back

Disappointing season come to close with question

It has been a long season for the Blue Raiders. The first losing season since 1980 should remind the faithful that past MTSU dominance in the OVC should not be taken for granted.

Saturday's particularly humiliating loss to Tennessee Tech has everyone from Ole Blue to coach Donnelly wondering what went wrong.

Was it a lack of talent? Did the rest of the OVC suddenly recruit better players than we did? Were the coaches and players over-confident? Did everyone assume we would

We may never know the answers to these questions. On paper the Raiders looked impressive. We outscored our opponents 354 to 235. Our starting tailback, Kippy Bayless, was virtually unstoppable with eight 100-yard games.



CHARLES ALY Assistant Spo

Unfortunately, most of t yardage and points the Raid accumulated were in blowouts Campbellsville, Peay, Murra Morehead and SEMO. Wh played tough, more often th not, the Raiders laid down a died.

So what was the different In my opinion, it was youth an lack of leadership on the fie With the exception of a f players, when push came shove no one stepped forwa and made the big play.

Bayless and lineback Anthony Hicks are two Raid who came forward in the cruc

See BOUNCE, Page

Boots to re-evaluate football program, himself

TONY J. ARNOLD

Sports Editor

Boots Donnelly wasn't a happy camper Saturday after his team's dismal performance against Tennessee Tech. In fact, the 15-year mentor left question as to who, including himself, would be back for the 1994 campaign.

"I'm going to get on the bus, go home and I'm going to get away from this for a day and re-evaluate everything about this program starting with myself and we're going to make some decisions," Donnelly said. "Those decisions will be made quickly but they're 'It means Donnelly has taken a program that used to be good and bought it all the way down to its knees.'

> BOOTS DONNELLEY MTSU FOOTBALL COACH

going to be made correctly."

record for the season breaking a string of four consecutive Division I-AA play-off appearances. It also broke an impressive string of winning seasons dating all the way

Donnelly's second year at the helm.

"A losing season has major ramifications," Donnelly said. "It means Donnelly has taken a program that used to be good and brought it all the way down to its

"You don't take a program and build it and let it go down to nothing and we've taken a program that a lot of people have a lot of respect for and we've brought it all the way down in a short period of time by nothing but extremely undisciplined, poor coaching and that's something that's got to be recognized in

See ATTITUDE, Page 21

Volleyball team falls in tourney

MTSU's Lady Raider volleyball team closed out its season in the OVC Volleyball Tournament this weekend in Richmond, Ky.

The Lady Raiders, who finished with a 10-24 mark, opened the tournament with a 15-5, 15-4, 15-3 win over Tennessee State but fell to Southeast Missouri 12-15, 15-9, 15-6, 15-4.

Priscilla Robinson had a combined 22 kills for MTSU.

And down the stre they come..

This is it. One week left and the 'Line' the line.

Tony Arnold's 8-2 mark last week, cou Charles Aly's 5-5 record, allowed him to ju tie for the lead.

"His mouth has run up a credit card bi afford to pay," Arnold said of Aly, "He's be about how he'd run away with this thing but that I'm a little quicker and I'm going to b who crosses the finish line first."

Aly was not available for comment picture said it all. Upon deadline day, witnessed in the corner of the room mourning the fact there are were no spreads printed in Sunday's paper.

"He was lost like a pickle without a jar," Arnold said. "I rely on instinct, he relies on Father Guedo's picks of the week."

Since Thursday is a holiday, picks had to be printed today. Entering the final week, the battle for the cellar is equally hot. Coley Jackson sits there now but probably would be vying for the title if he hadn't picked against UT all season.

"I'm picking the wrong team for all the right reasons," Jackson says.

This week's guest is Ole Blue (alias Eddie Johnston).

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The loss left MTSU stranded with a 5-6 back to 1980 when the Raiders went 2-8 in

On The Tony Arnold Love Chunks		Tripp Ballard What's a blue dog?	Coley Jackson All the right reasons	Charles Rly He's crying right now	Ole Blue Whoof! Whoof!		
Florida St.	FSU 35-28	FSU 21-14	FSU 50-49	FSU 31-20	FSU 46-19		
at Florida	Swamp or no swamp	National Champs	FSU backs into a crown	The champs	I missed PAT to spoil day		
Texas A&M	A&M 17-14	A&M 40-10	A&M 20-10	A&M 24-14	A&M 42-27		
at Texas	Don't mess with them farmers	No contest this year	Aggie schmaggie	Arnold in control	Aggies eat red		
Vanderbilt	Vols 50-3	Vols 82-0	Vandy 44-0	Vols 52-0	Vols 69 -3.1		
at Tennessee	We'll be asleep by halftime	Don't even bother	Upset of the year, mark it!	Can't beat the man	Smokey good friend of mine		
Georgia	Ga. 35-17	Ga. 35-20	Ga. 17-7	Ga. 20-7	Ga. 36-33		
at Ga. Tech	I hate any school that's a Tech	Dawg bait	Braves syndrone in Atl losing	l wuz robbed	Gotta go with th dawgs		
Arizona	State 24-14	Ariz. 14-10	Ariz. 17-10	Ariz. 17-3	State 14-9		
at Arizona St.	I don't, I sleep in class	Wildcats too tough	Desert 'D' swarms ASU	How can Arnold sleep at night?	The Devils made me do it		
Oklahoma			Okl. 21-17	Okl. 21-17 Neb. 24-10			
at Nebraska	Sooners will be losers	Huskers are a fluke	I'm going to catch Ballard	The champs?	Robberts can' pull OU throug		
W. Virginia	WV 24-10	BC 24-7	WV 24-21	BC 35-24	WV 40-29		
at Boston Col.	Is Doug Flutie back?	High octane offense	Last second field goal	So happy they beat ND	Keeping title hopes alive		
Penn State	Penn 13-10	Penn 24-20	Penn. 35-14	Penn 29-20	Penn 39-30		
at Mich. State	It'll be closer than you think	Spartans suck	Battle of the State's	Who cares?	Joe knows pigskin		
Arkansas	LSU 14-6	LSU 7-3	LSU 10-3	LSU 27-13	LSU 14-6		
at LSU	Hawgs BBQ'd by them cajuns	Shouldn't even play the game	What kind of game is this	Tony has no conscience	Pigs skinned b Tigers		
Mississippi	Miss. 17-10	Miss. 30-25	Miss. 17-7	State 26-13	Miss. 14-9		
at Miss. State	State stinks	Rebels rise again	Mississippi burning	No moral victory for Arnold	Dawgs in Dawg house		

On the Line

Name

Charles Alv

Tony Arnold

Guest Picker

Tripp Ballard

Coley Jackson

NOTICE

Due to the holiday weekend and the fact that many of the games are going to be played on Thanksgiving, participants entries must be received no later than Wednesday, Nov. 24. Simply place a mark beside your predicted victor. This is the final on e line for the seaso

Pickers with a perfect week will qualify for a MTSU T-shirt. The picker with the best total record at the year's end will receive a plaque and a spot on the 'Line' bowl picks .

If a game has MTSU 'vs' Hawaii, it means the game is at a neutral site. Send entries to 'On the Line', Box 42, MTSU, Murfreesboro, Tn. 37132 (Box 42 if sent through campus mail), or come by the JUB, room 310 and leave them in the sports mailbox.

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	Oklahoma at Nebraska			Louisville at Tulsa	
	W. Virginia at Boston C.			Grambling vs Southern	
	Penn State at Mich. St.			California at Hawaii	

Congratulations!

To Liz Herlong, Jim Kirkendall and keith Bennett who all posted 14-2 marks last week. Be sure and check where you stand on page 22.

TOP PICKERS	W - L
William Wood	144-42
Tommy Keith	142-44
Brian Moore	137-49
Jason D. Reed	135-51
David Robinson	135-51
Michael Barry	135-51

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Eastern claims OVC title

AP Sports Writer

Eastern Kentucky clinched its 16th Ohio Valley Conference championship, while runner-up Tennessee Tech found a bit of revenge against league rival Middle Tennessee State.

Tennessee Tech pounded the Blue Raiders 35-14 Saturday for its first victory over Middle Tennessee since a 12-8 upset in

"I've been waiting five years for this," said Tech senior defensive end Shane Queen. "MTSU is definitely not a 5-6 team."

Eastern Kentucky won its OVC title by going 8-0 in league play after a 44-7 victory over Morehead State. Around the rest of the league Saturday, Tennessee-Martin outlasted Austin Peay 39-33 in double overtime, Western Kentucky pounded Murray State 44-14 and Southeast Missouri edged Tennessee State 14-13.

Tennessee Tech finished the season at 8-3, 7-1 in the OVC behind Eastern Kentucky as sophomore Michael Penix rushed for 136 yards and two touchdowns.

"Just look at scoreboard," said Penix, who finished with 1,035 rushing yards. "Some of the guys on our team told me (MTSU coach) Boots Donnelly guaranteed a win for them earlier in the week and I don't know if he said it or not, but it sure fired me up.'

Tech's defense allowed the Blue Raiders' offense only 62 rushing yards. Mike Jones threw for 242 yards and three TDs as the Golden Eagles built at 21-0

Final OVC Football Standings

	01	VC	Α	II
Team	W	-L	W	-L
Eastern Ky.	8	0	8	3
Tenn. Tech	7	1	8	3
UT-Martin	5	3	6	5
MTSU	4	4	5	6
Tenn. State	4	4	4	7
Murray State	4	4	4	7
Morehead	2	6	3	8
SE Missouri	2	6	3	8
Austin Peay	0	8	1	10

Kelly Holcomb tried to rally Middle Tennessee (5-6, 4-4 OVC) with a 19-yard TD pass to Dennis Mimms, but Tennessee Tech countered with two more touchdowns.

Eastern Kentucky rushed for 307 yards on the ground and added 120 through the air while holding Morehead State (3-8, 2-6) to 199 yards total offense.

The Colonels will represent the OVC in the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs Saturday playing at Georgia Southern. Tech was hoping for a playoff birth, but it did not get one.

Willie Parson ran in 1 yard for a touchdown that broke a 33-33 tie in double overtime as Tennessee-Martin held on for a winning season at 6-5, 5-3 in its second year in Division I-AA.

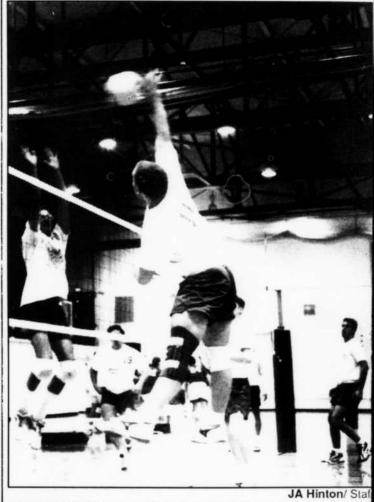
Jeff Gooch had given Austin

Peay (1-10, 0-9) a chance when he scored on a 5-yard run with 6:36 left in the fourth quarter. The Pacers missed a gamewinning field goal with 26 seconds left, and each team scored in the first overtime.

Western Kentucky had little problem with Murray State (4-7) as Dion Bryant ran for two touchdowns and quarterback Eddie Thompson totaled 205 yards on the ground.

three of its last four games to OVC. Kelvin Anderson secured with 14:44 left.

Tennessee State (4-7, 4-4) Daryl Williams' pass, the fifth turnover in the game for the Tigers.



UP AND OVER: John Allen of the MTSU men's club volleybal team spikes the ball against Lizard Kings during Saturday's Campus Rec tournament.

Tech takes down MTSU....

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who scampered 19 yards for a Southeast Missouri won score, but Tech retaliated as Penix raced in from 13-yards out finish at 3-8 overall, 2-6 in the to open the fourth and final quarter of doom which saw each the victory with an 8-yard TD run team tack on another score before time expired.

"We shot ourselves early and drove to the Indians' 29 late we've done it all year," Mimms when Brian Burton intercepted a said. "Tech has a very good team and they just whipped us, but we stopped ourselves - that's the bottom line.'

MTSU netted only 23 vards of offense while Tec rolled up 440, 242 of then coming through the air.

On perhaps the only bright note, Holcomb became MTSU' all time pass leader on the firs play of the game. He ended th afternoon connecting on 14-of-2 passes for 117 yards.

Tennessee Tech ended it season at 8-3.

"It's been a puzzling year, Donnelly closed. "It's been a he of a puzzling year."

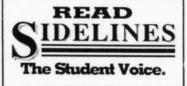


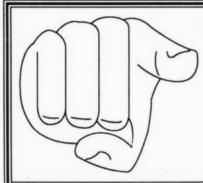
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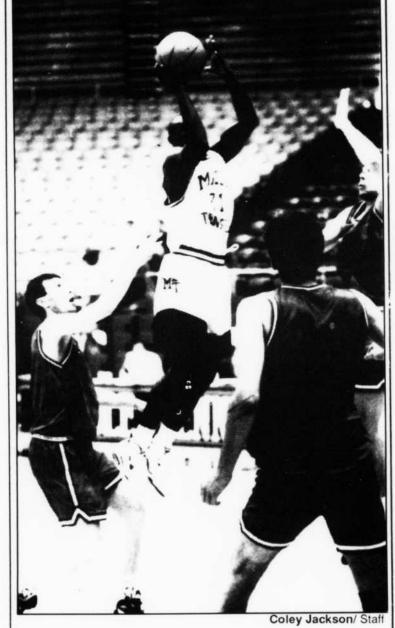
But apparently Donnelly saw it coming. Year in and year out, the long-time mentor has becomes famous for his comments about his team and how poor they are, regardless of how good the squad's record is. This year was no different with the exception that Donnelly's worries were right.

"I saw it coming and I listened and I didn't do what I wanted to do," he said. "I saw it coming and I didn't stop it. When I started to stop it, it was too late. It will be stopped somewhere down the line."

But will it be Donnelly that does that stopping?

He's already been dubbed a top candidate for the vacated Athletic Director position at John Stanford announced his resignation last week and Donnelly is one of the local logical choices.

"I don't spend the days and the hours in a week that I spend building a program to turn and walk away from it without making some noise," Donnelly said. "We're going to get something done. Its been so strange, so non-competitive and I don't understand it."



DEAN OF THE COURT: Milton Dean puts up a shot over a Belorussia opponent Sunday afternoon in the Raiders 78-68 exhibition win.

Bounce back - you bet

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situations. Breaking tackles and running over people play after play, Bayless obviously inspired his offensive teammates. This was evidenced in the Tech game as the offense, without an injured Bayless, was virtually lifeless.

Hicks came on late in the season and made the big play on defense. He had an interception return for a touchdown in the Homecoming game against SEMO and led the team in tackles and tackles-for-loss.

For a team that has historically been led by its defense, it may have been too little too late. The Raider defense lost several key players since last season and that veteran leadership was sorely missed.

End Mike Caldwell was a fixture in opponents' backfields, but left the team after his senior year for an NFL career. Lineman Randy Houston was a dominating force inside, but ran out of eligibility as did cornerback Jamie Redmond who was Middle's best cover man last

Linebacker Jabbar Troutman and safety Eric McBroom were expected to lead another

dominating defense, but were forced to leave the team before the season started. Senior linebacker Shingo Weems was dismissed from the team during the season for disciplinary

So, many of the players who made the Raider 'D' dominant last season and many who were expected to continue that tradition this season never made it onto the field. Hicks and end Danny Lawrence had good years, but their play failed to spark their teammates and that made all the difference.

On offense, Bayless obviously inspired the guys around him, but the position most looked to for leadership, quarterback, found Kelly Holcomb having a down year.

Holcomb is an extremely competitive and capable quarterback. In 1991, Holcomb completed 62 percent of his passes for a whopping 1763 yards. This season, Holcomb racked up the yardage, but his completion percentage dropped to 55 percent and many of misfires came in crucial situations.

In the Tech game, Holcomb had more than a few chances with open receivers on third down, but

he missed most of them. The junior hurler was the victim of 24 sacks this season and had more than a few dropped passes. Perhaps, he misses last year's key receivers Vince Parks and Steve Dark.

The Raider offense was very explosive and at times looked invincible, but in the critical situations they did not produce and while the players bear responsibility for their lack of execution, the coaching staff is just as culpable.

To say Donnelly is not pleased with his program's performance this season is, perhaps, the understatement of the year. He has pledged a reevaluation of the team for himself all the way down the line.

We may see some changes in the coaching staff this winter and we are sure to see some changes in the roster. On his radio show, Donnelly said the team will recruit the maximum amount of freshman allowed. With only five seniors leaving, 30 incoming freshman will displace 25 current Blue Raiders.

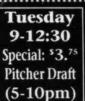
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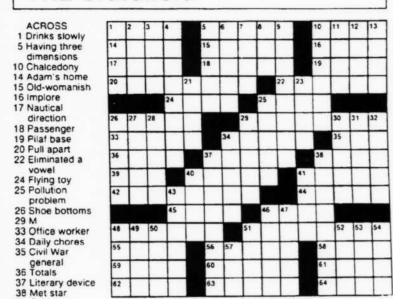
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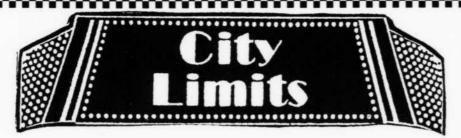
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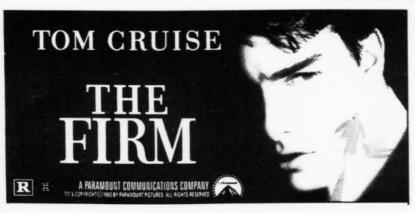


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