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MTSU senior commmits suicide

MICHELLE MATHES

Staff Writer

Family and friends mourned the loss of MTSU Senior John Thomas Buczwinski after he committed suicide earlier this month.

Buczwinski, a 27-year-old senior from St. Joseph, Michigan, was a political science major and a member of Delta Tau Delta fraternity.

Dr. Fred Kittrell, professor of Economics and Finance, was his

landlord and close personal friend for several years.

"I considered John (a) part of my extended family," he said.

According to Kittrell, Buczwinski's name was listed on MTSU's graduation program for May of 1993.

"Shortly before graduation, he learned that he lacked a few undergraduate hours", Kittrell said. "He didn't have the heart to tell his parents that he walked through the graduation ceremony, but did not officially graduate," he said.

Buczwinski told Kittrell that he lacked only Geology 100 and a computer literacy course.

"I suggested that he talked to Dean McDaniels (MTSU's Liberal Arts Department) about taking summer courses at a college in Michigan, then transferring the credits back to MTSU to complete his graduation requirements," Kittrell said. "He had been away from home for eight years, and I thought being at home again might help him."

According to McDaniels, John discussed with him the

possibility of waiving MTSU's residency requirement for his last six hours. This requirement prohibits students from completing their last 18 hours of classes at schools other than MTSU.

"When I last talked with John, however, he seemed committed about completing his degree, and about completing it at MTSU," McDaniels said. "He had made MTSU his educational home and felt it was right that he finished here," he said.

By this time, he was able to

talk to his mother about what was going on. She sent him money for tuition.

On August 30, Buczwinski called Rich Bowling, whom he had known for 7 years.

"We met through our fraternity, Delta Tau Delta," Bowling said. "John called to say that he had found a job in Nashville."

"It just seemed like a normal call. I didn't realize anything was wrong," Bowling said. "Looking

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IN THE NEWS...

Clinton compromises on national health care issue

WASHINGTON (AP) — Five weeks after he first pledged health security for all, President Clinton is releasing a retooled version of his plan that puts off his goal of universal coverage by one year and offers significant concessions to his critics.

Bowing to the political reality of the long debate ahead, Clinton now hopes to ensure every American is guaranteed a standard set of benefits by the start of 1998.

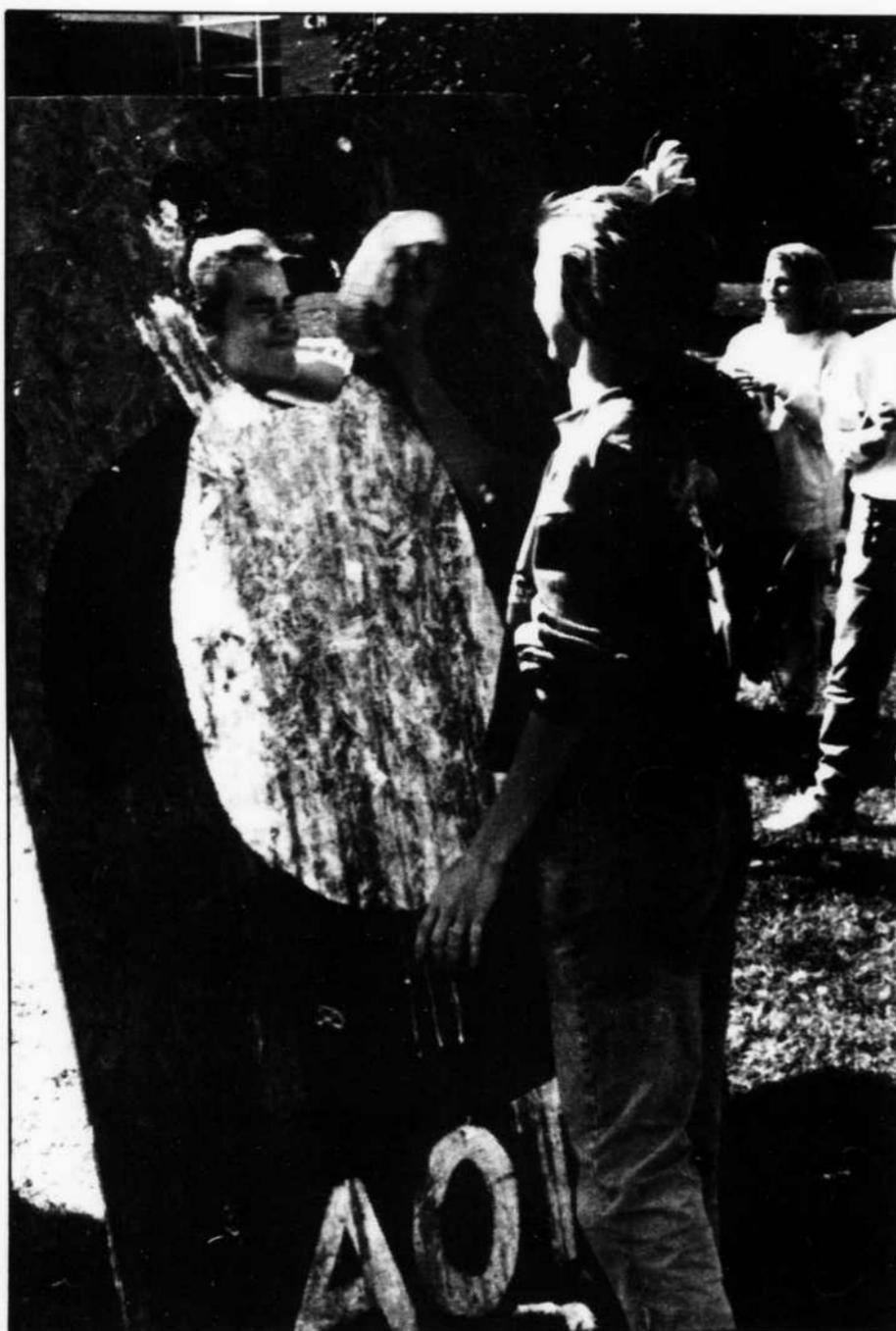
And trying to balance competing demands for more generous health coverage against calls for tighter cost controls, Clinton is proposing to expand benefits in some areas while slowing the phase-in of others. He also has agreed to cap subsidies for small businesses and low-income workers.

The president and his wife and adviser, Hillary Rodham Clinton, were delivering their 1,300-page Health Security Plan to Capitol Hill today and traveling to Baltimore on Thursday to promote it at Johns Hopkins University.

Investigation exposes telemarketing fraud

WASHINGTON (AP) — Buy \$800 worth of vitamins and you may win a Cadillac.

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Charles Hogue IV/Staff

TAKE THAT! Becky Holm gets an AO Pie in the face from Stacy Jarrell in front of Keathley University Center Tuesday.

Admission/retention standards to affect Spring '93 students

BRENT ANDREWS

Staff Writer

New students will face stricter admission standards effective next semester.

Students with a minimum American College Testing score of 20 or a high school grade point average of no less than 2.8 will qualify for standard admission.

The new policy will affect incoming, transfer and current students. Current students will be subject to higher retention standards, meaning GPAs will have to remain higher than in the past to avoid academic probation and suspension.

"This is the first increase in requirements in years," said former committee chair Annette Williams.

The Admissions, Standards and Retention Committee, headed by Williams, suggested the changes to President James Walker during the 1992-93 school year. The committee implements changes in current academic school policy.

The new standards categorize incoming students according to ACT scores, high school GPAs and position in graduating class.

To be eligible for Honors Admission, students must have an ACT score of 26 or higher, a high school GPA of 3.5 or higher with an ACT score of 20 or better, or graduation in the top 10 percent.

Those graduating in 1989 or later also must have classes required by the Board of Regents. Students who do not place in these categories will be under Committee Review and may or may not be admitted.

"Through these changes, we expect to see a more prepared student coming to MTSU," Williams said. "We will have fewer students who do not succeed on the college level."

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Charles Hogue/Staff

ABRACADABRA: Debbie Ross, a GTA for the English Department, puts on her garb for the Halloween season.

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CAMPUS CAPSULE

TODAY

MTSU STUDENT AMBASSADOR APPLICATIONS are available in the Public Relations office, Cope Administration Building, Room 205. Student Ambassadors serve as hosts and hostess for university activities. Students must have been on campus for at least one semester and have a GPA of 2.5. Deadline is November 15. Contact Gayle Robinson at 898-2919 for more information.

STUDENT PROGRAMMING IS SHOWING "SON IN LAW" starring Pauly Shore through Thursday at 6:30 and 9p.m. in the KUC theatre. Tickets are \$2.

GAMMA IOTA SIGMA INSURANCE FRATERNITY AND PI SIGMA EPSILON BUSINESS FRATERNITY IS SPONSORING A HALLOWEEN PARTY at 6 p.m. in KUC 324 for the children of MTSU students, faculty and staff including a costume contest and other games.

SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL JOURNALISTS will meet at 6 p.m. in the Mass Communications building, Room 149.

FRIDAY, OCT. 29

FRIDAY ON THE KNOLL PRESENTS LIL' ED AND THE BLUES IMPERIALS in front of the KUC grill at 3p.m. The show is free and open to the public.

MONDAY, NOV. 1

THE BLACK STUDENT JOURNALISTS ASSOCIATION will meet at 5 p.m. in Mass Communication building, Room 151. Ronald Roberts will speak.

TUESDAY, NOV. 2

THE PLACEMENT AND STUDENT EMPLOYMENT CENTER IS SPONSORING A BANKERS TRUST COMPANY INFORMATION MEETING from 5 to 7 p.m. in the KUC 322. It is open to anyone interested in career information. Please sign reservation list in the MTSU Placement Center if you plan to attend. Contact Martha Turner at 898-2500 for more details.

THURSDAY, NOV. 4

THE PLACEMENT AND EMPLOYMENT CENTER IS SPONSORING CAREER

PLACEMENT ORIENTATION for the Adult Learner at 5 p.m. in KUC 328. Contact Martha Turner at 898-2500 for more details.

FRIDAY, NOV. 12

THE INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES OFFICE IS SPONSORING THE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT COFFEE HOUR from 9:30 to 11 a.m. in the Hazelwood Dining Room of the JUB. All are welcome. Contact George Pimentel at 898-2238 for more information.

THE INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES OFFICE IS SPONSORING THE FIRST ANNUAL STUDY ABROAD FAIR for students and faculty interested in opportunities to study internationally. The fair runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Tennessee Room of the JUB and is free and open to the public. Contact George Pimentel for more details.

THE INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES OFFICE IS SPONSORING "FACULTY FULBRIGHT PROGRAMS," a lecture on faculty opportunities in the Fulbright programs at 2 p.m. in JUB room 202. Dr. Rolater from the History Department will be the lecturer. Contact George Pimentel for more details.

THURSDAY, NOV. 18

PSY CHI/PSYCHOLOGY CLUB will be having their meeting from 4:30-6:00 in Peck Hall 201. The topic will be Admission to Graduate School with Warren Jones, Chairman of Psychology at UT, as the guest speaker.

ONGOING

DELTA PHI SIGMA social sorority is accepting membership applications. For more information call 895-3413, 459-0421, 890-6574 or write MTSU Box 3117, Box A021 or Box 8709.

THE DIVISION OF CONTINUING STUDIES will be holding a Transitional Mathematics Course from 6 to 8 p.m. through Oct. 20 on Wednesdays in LRC 104. The course will help student become at ease with fractions, exponents, the real number system, linear equations

and word problems. Call 898-2462 for details.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY is held at 4:45 p.m. Thursday. Women's Bible study is held at 4:45 p.m. Mondays. Contact Michael at 898-3716 for more information.

THE WOMEN'S FAST PITCH SOFTBALL TEAM is seeking managers/statisticians. Anyone interested should contact Coach Karen Green at 898-2450.

SCUBA CLASSES, SPONSORED BY CONTINUING EDUCATION, are being offered through Oct. 30. The cost is \$100 plus text. For more information call 898-2462.

THE PRESBYTERIAN STUDENT FELLOWSHIP meets from 9 to 10 p.m. at the PSF House every Wednesday. Anyone 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.

THE BHAKTI-YOGA VEGETARIAN CLUB meets from 6 to 8 p.m. every Wednesday in KUC 314. The meeting is open to all students. Contact Jonathan Maxwell at 898-3801 for more details.

STUDENTS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION meets every Monday at 7p.m. in KUC 305. New members are welcome. Call Andrew Welug at 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 ENVIRONMENTAL PROFESSIONALS meets the first and third Thursdays of every month at 5 p.m. in the Wiser Patton Science Building Room 201.

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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Preprofessional program helps minority students

BRENT ANDREWS
Staff Writer

The state of Tennessee is sponsoring a program that will interest African-Americans in the professional fields of pharmacy, veterinary medicine, dentistry, medicine or law.

The Tennessee Pre-professional Program (TPP) was implemented by the state of Tennessee in 1985 to encourage African-Americans to pursue careers in these fields.

The program will hold courses in medicine at East Tennessee State University, and courses in law at Memphis State. Both programs consist of two summers of study for eight weeks.

The courses are free and the state will provide each student with \$800 to spend in each eight week period. Books and round trip air fare are provided for students.

"The 16 week program will

provide students with the tools they need to gain entry to almost any school of law or medicine they choose," says Program Coordinator John Vice, Chair of the Department of Political Science at MTSU.

He encourages students to apply early in order to meet the Feb. 28 deadline.

"Right now we haven't had that much response from the students, so there aren't that many applicants," Vice said. "This increases the chance that a qualified student who applies will be accepted."

To qualify, students must have completed one year of college and be enrolled in an accredited college or university, although the program is geared toward juniors and seniors. All students must be African-American and residents of Tennessee.

Health and Veterinary students must have completed two semesters of biology, college

math and general chemistry

Other factors considered include applicants' standardized test scores, general information about students' backgrounds, performance in related classes and GPA.

Interested students should get in touch with Vice at 898-2708 or 898-2596. He will supply information about the program but he does not apply for students. Applications must be made by students personally.

The fact the enriching program is offered to only African-American students has generated some controversy on campus.

"This sounds like a great program," said Virginia Stallard, a pharmacy major. "I want to know why it is only being offered to black students because I'd like to apply. This sounds like a case of racism or racial selection to me."

Suicide ends life of student...

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back, you can always see things but I never really saw anything unusual.

"We hung out all summer, and went to movies and stuff. I never expected anything like this," Bowling added.

According to Bowling, no one heard from Buczwinski after he talked to him that day.

"John's mother called at the end of September," Kittrell said. "She was really worried and wanted to know if I had seen him."

Kittrell soon learned that John had not enrolled at MTSU because one of the classes he needed was closed.

"I don't know why he didn't go back and talk to Dean McDaniels about that because he would have helped him through that," Kittrell said. "Maybe John saw this as another stumbling block."

John had also been to a job interview in Nashville," Kittrell said. "They were impressed with

him but had not made a decision right away."

According to Kittrell, on Oct. 3, Buczwinski mother called again. Kittrell said she was happy and relieved because she had found out that her son had tried to reach her and also his sister from Ft. Lauderdale, Florida with a calling card.

At that point, the family started to rule out foul play and figured maybe he had just taken off for a while.

On Oct. 4, however, Kittrell received another call from Buczwinski's parents.

"This time they told us that he had shot himself in the head in a Miami hotel room," Kittrell said. "Everyone was shocked."

"Even the guy who owned the motel couldn't believe it," he said. "They had sat up one night watching CNN and talking about international affairs, which always interested John," Kittrell said.

According to Kittrell, a note was found with the body.

"He wrote how much he

loved his parents and his sister," he said. "He said his life was in pieces and that he didn't deserve their love."

According to Kittrell the note was dated Sept. 7.

Apparently he had been carrying the letter around for a month. "I can't help but think that that must have been a pretty miserable month," Kittrell said.

"It's important to understand that when a person loses all of his self-esteem and has no respect for himself and feels no self-worth ... he's really hit rock-bottom," Kittrell said. "I guess that's what happened to John."

Both Buczwinski and his mother had called MTSU's Counseling and Testing Center for guidance but he never went by.

"I remember John once told me, 'Doc, I've always been able to talk to others about their problems but I've never been able to talk about mine,'" Kittrell said. "That's probably the real tragedy in itself."

Concerned counselors available for students' needs

When a student has a problem or is concerned about a friend, Dr. James Covington and his staff at MTSU's Counseling and Testing Center are ready to help.

The center, located in KUC 329, is open Mon.-Fri. from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Students seeking guidance can go by the center or can call 898-2670.

"We always try to respond when either the

police or a dorm official calls us," Covington said.

We try to be very accessible, even after hours," he said.

"After hours students can get in touch with us through security," a staff member said.

The Crisis Intervention Center in Nashville is also available to help those who need guidance.

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Controversial minimart opens in KUC

KELLY LLOYD and SUZANNE MOORE
Staff Writers

The long awaited convience store run by the Tennessee Blind Services (TBS) along with visually impaired students on campus is now open.

The store is located on the third floor of the KUC where the former game room was located.

Susan Barnes of TBS is heading the store.

"This will be the first time that most of the employees have worked in a store, although one employee has had experience in the game room," Barnes said.

The minimart operates on the same hours as the university center, staying open later than Phillip's Bookstore so students can do last minute shopping that isn't available after the bookstore is closed, J.O. Gist of the business office said.

"The store will keep regular hours and be open until 9 p.m.," Gist said.

"A business can be run by disabled

'I do not think it was fair to fire MTSU students who were working in the gameroom in order for TBS to open a convenience store,'

WHITNEY RUSHLOW
MTSU STUDENT

people on state properties, Gist said. "This convenience store will be like any other with everything from magazines and toilet paper to soup," he said.

Two problems held up the completion of the minimart by the beginning of the fall semester, said Dallas Biggers, director of KUC services. First was the issue of two fire safety walls that needed to be built after the plans were already in progress. Second was the issue of who was going to pay for it.

The state funded approximately \$245,000 for the renovation and purchase of equipment for the new store. The university itself is paying for the new concrete fire walls but will be refunded the money later.

Because of federal and state law permits, some other schools, such as Tennessee Tech, Austin Peay and Memphis State also have these convenience stores located on-campus. TBS provides the money for the minimart and they bring in their own management while students are given a big convenience store for needed supplies.

Earlier in the spring of this year, a story ran in *Sidelines* about the controversy involving opening the minimart. The article dealt with the issue of students losing their jobs. Employees of the former gameroom do not feel that they were given enough notification of the transformation.

TBS verbally promised to rehire as many of those students as possible to fit the

schedule. Not all of the students will get their jobs back, but at least some of the students will be employed.

Whitney Rushlow, a student, said, "I do not think it was fair to fire MTSU students who were working in the gameroom in order for TBS to open a convenience store," she said.

However, I do think the store will be a big plus for those living on-campus because it is so frustrating to have to run out to Wal-Mart at 8 p.m. and not be able to find a parking place for miles when you get back," Rushlow added.

In response to how he thought students would be react to the new store, Gist answered, "I think after the minimart has a chance to get started, the students will appreciate it. I hope they will patronize it and I hope it will be what they want and need."

Ideas for the new MTSU convenience store can be suggested to the business office at 898-2540.

Personal financial management topic of Continuing Studies class

SUZANNE MOORE
Staff Writer

To help students better manage their limited funds, Continuing Studies is sponsoring the class "How to Budget Your Money."

The class is taught by Charles Myatt, president of the local First Tennessee Bank.

"If you improve how you spend, you can save more of the money you earn," said Myatt. "That is what budget management

is all about."

Students often wonder where all their money goes. "Budgeting puts us in the position to direct where we want our money to go," Myatt said.

The class was designed to help students recognize individual spending habits and how money tends to slip through their fingers. According to Myatt, being aware of where money is going will reduce overspending.

Myatt recommended including a savings in a personal

or family budget. Putting a little money aside from each paycheck should be done first.

"Treat your savings as a bill, and pay yourself first," said Myatt. "That will not only allow yourself to plan for future investments such as a house, car or vacation, but it will provide security in case of financial problems such as loss of job or illness."

The class also put emphasis on how to squeeze money out of a tight budget. Suggested tips were

to shop during sales, clip coupons, never go to the grocery store when hungry, go for basic telephone services, avoid impulsive shopping and have an efficient system for vehicle maintenance to prevent major repair work.

"This program was great for everyone from high school age on up," said Mary Jane Peters, program developer of Continuing Studies. "We all can benefit from a budget."

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Admissions standards...

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Last year's committee was frustrated by the number of unsuccessful students and wanted change.

The committee is subject to the approval by President James Walker. If its suggestions meet Walker's approval, he makes recommendations to the Tennessee Board of Regents, which has the final say.

The committee elected to

change the school's retention and admissions policies. Students must maintain a 2.00 GPA, currently effective, or meet requirements according to hours attempted. Students with 0 to 29 attempted hours must maintain a 1.50, 30 to 49.99 attempted requires a 1.80 and 50 or more attempted requires a 2.00.

Penalties for not meeting academic standards remain the same.

In the News...

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Wire \$1,900, collect a \$100,000 prize. Guaranteed job overseas.

If those offers sound too good to be true, that's because they are, prosecutors said Tuesday in announcing legal action by 10 states against 70 firms and individuals in a nationwide crackdown on telemarketing fraud.

"In the hands of a con artist, a phone is an assault weapon," said Minnesota Attorney General Hubert H. Humphrey III, president of the National Association of Attorneys General. He urged people to "learn how to hang up, to tear up the offer" that promises too much for too little.

"Nobody is giving anything

away these days," Humphrey said, cautioning that if it's really a free "prize," it shouldn't cost a dime.

Committee to enforce subpoena for Packwood diaries

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate Ethics Committee chairman wants to move immediately to enforce a subpoena for Sen. Bob Packwood's diaries. The entries include a potential new area of ethical wrongdoing, two senators have disclosed.

Senate factions headed for a collision over the diaries, possibly today, as Republicans outside the committee said they feared a

fishing expedition that would range far beyond the current probe of possible sexual misconduct. They called for a negotiated compromise.

Sens. Bob Kerrey, D-Nebr., and Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, revealed Tuesday why the committee subpoena seeks far more entries from Packwood's writings than he has been willing to turn over.

"The committee has come across something that leads, may lead or has led ... to some other possible charges" of ethical misconduct, Harkin said after the panel's chairman, Sen. Richard Bryan, D-Nev., addressed the weekly luncheon of Senate Democrats.

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A word from the Editor...

THE SCARY TRUTH OF TODAY'S EDUCATION

In today's society, it is becoming less and less accepted to hold to and express Judeo-Christian beliefs - especially within educational circles. While many accept with open hearts the humanist doctrines so readily taught in classes, even making note of God in the most insignificant sense is met with strong opposition and even threats of legal action.

In fact, the importance of God in the lives of today's students and administrators is constantly being pushed aside by those who, while fighting dearly for the First Amendment rights of a handful, ignore the rights of the vast majority. For example, in most schools across the nation, it is now against the law, according to the courts, to say a classroom prayer at the beginning of the day or even during graduation ceremonies. Doing so might "offend" someone. Even our own university now prohibits prayer during our graduation. Likewise, students are also deprived of a "moment of silence" in which to pray if they so choose.

I received a letter Tuesday which brought this issue closer to home. In the letter, an administrator complained about a full-page religious advertisement which this newspaper ran on Oct. 4 of this year. The advertisement invited readers to "feel free to call or visit one of the Christian faculty listed below" and went on to list names and telephone numbers of fifteen faculty members. The letter said that the advertisement seemed to represent the university and should have used a disclaimer. The administrator further added that the faculty listed in the advertisement should have completely disassociated themselves with the university in order to "uphold the utmost level of professional responsibility."

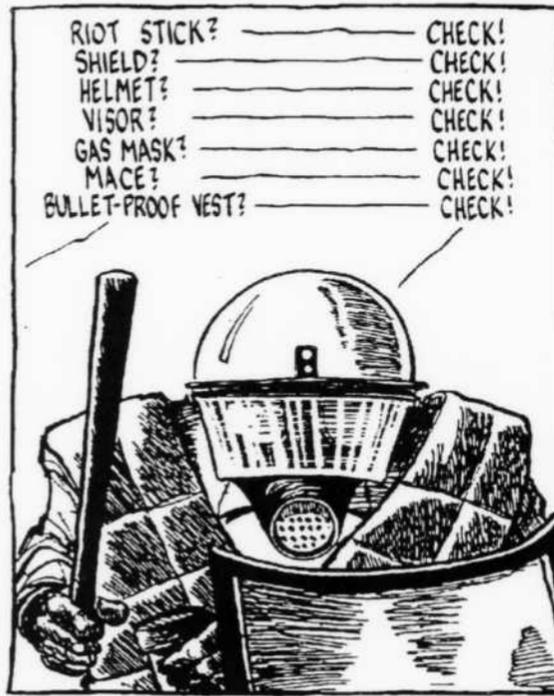
While the administrator stated he did not want to censor Christian faculty members from publicly expressing their religious views, the message was clear: MTSU faculty should not introduce morality or any aspects of Christianity as a university employee.

On the other hand, professors are allowed and even encouraged to promote "safe" sex and to refrain from mentioning any reference to God. Any professor or student which brings Christian ethics or morality into discussions is labeled as old-fashioned and out of touch.

This editor has been told that it is fine to print a four page insert on pagan religions, such as Zen Buddhism (as printed last summer). I have been told that I can print reviews on music groups which call for the killing of cops or which contain lyrics suggesting every kind of immoral act imaginable. I have sold advertisements for establishments which encourage students to "party" and get drunk. Many have even intimated that I need to print articles favorable toward certain students which openly promote immoral acts or lifestyles.

Despite this, I was told that to print one Bible verse is out of the question. "It's not good journalism," the person said. "You may not be a journalist, but you should act like one..."

If being educated means denying God, I will be ignorant. If being a journalist means denouncing my beliefs, I will quit.



AMERICA HAS MORE TO FEAR THAN GHOSTS AND GOBLINS

Halloween, or as it was originally known, Allhallow Even, is believed to be the original Celtic new year. Both it and May Day were celebrated by the Celts, as they were predominantly herdsmen, and these dates marked the times of the year when the livestock were first sent out to graze and then brought back into their stalls. The ritual of Allhallow Even was originally celebrated by the lighting of large bonfires by every home in the area. Supposedly the lights from these bonfires across the lakes of Scotland made quite an impressive sight, indeed. So how did Allhallow Even evolve into the event which we now know as Halloween?



JAY TRAVIS
Copy Editor

The question requires an analysis of what the true meaning of Halloween has become. Instead of a New Years celebration, it has come to represent a rite of evil, however comically portrayed by cartoon ghosts and devils. But behind these caricatures lie the real meaning of evil, and that is a subject worthy of closer inspection on Halloween.

Evil in modern times has come to be personified in the being of the devil. This devil is

known by many different names throughout history: Leviathan, Pan, Mara, Seth, Charun, Satan, Ahriman, Belial, Mastema, Azazel, Sataniel, Sammael and Semyaza, among others. The definition of the devil varies from religion to religion, but in general it is considered as the absence of being, i.e. evil is the absence of all that is good.

There are many other tales of man's attempts to define evil. The works of Dante and Milton's *Paradise Lost* helped to explain the devil's nature to the common man. In 1857, an anonymous German author wrote the first book devoted to the legend of Faust, who supposedly sold his soul to the devil in a bargain with

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IS HOMOSEXUALITY REALLY A FRIGHTENING THING?

Is homosexuality okay? This is one of the questions answered in a 21-page report entitled, "The Church and Human Sexuality: A Lutheran Perspective". The report was drawn up by a task force representing one of the nation's largest Lutheran church bodies, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. The ELCA report declares that "it is the binding commitment, not the license or ceremony, that lies at the heart of biblical understandings of marriage." It also states that



LISA MORRISON
Staff Writer

these marriages should not be limited to heterosexuals only. To support this argument, the ELCA urges Lutherans to interpret the Bible "responsibly", not literally. In doing this one would see that the Bible does indeed support and even blesses committed

homosexual relationships. The ELCA task force's extensive report will be sent to 19,000 Lutheran church leaders.

I think the ELCA should consider sending out 19,001 reports; 19,000 to the church leaders and one to the office of *Sidelines*. Recently in this paper, several homophobic articles and letters have appeared. The writers of these articles are claiming that homosexuality is an "abomination" and that gays want special rights. They also accuse

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HANDGUNS WERE MADE FOR KILLIN' - PEOPLE

As someone who tends to hold rather conservative opinions, what you are about to read may surprise you.

This country is in desperate need of a total ban on the sale, manufacture and importation of handguns.

We also need a ban on possession of a handgun, but with all the handguns available today that is unrealistic.

God is not perfect, and handguns are the proof. When He planted the seed in the mind of the inventor of the handgun, he must have been having a bad day. Handguns serve absolutely no redeeming purpose in society.

How many times do we need to hear about a seven-year-old killing his or her six-year-old sibling while innocently playing with Daddy's loaded handgun to understand this?

How many times do we need to hear about a 16-year-old gunned down at an ATM machine by some punk for \$20 to understand this?

How many times do we need to hear police departments bemoan the fact that they cannot match street gangs in firepower and can therefore do little to stop street violence or the flow of drugs on our streets to understand this?

I know what some of you are saying. "The Constitution gives me the right to keep and bear arms and, dangit, I aim to do just that!"

I believe the Constitution does guarantee you that right, even if the Supreme Court has ruled differently in the past.

However, the Constitution does not give you the right to be stupid with your arms and kill people. This is all a handgun is capable of doing.

I am not a hunter, so you hunters answer this for me: How many animals that you hunt can you kill with a handgun?

You can't stop a deer with a handgun, can you? You certainly can't stop a bear with a handgun - it'll laugh at you as it rips your face off. As far as I know, a handgun



WARREN WAKELAND
Staff Writer

is not accurate enough to kill rabbits or other smaller animals.

So what can you hunt with a handgun? People. The last time I looked, hunting people was against the law.

I know what you're saying now. "I have a right to protect myself against intruders in my home and on my property."

If your TV set is more important to you than your life, go get yourself a handgun and load up. Just check the door before you shoot. It could be me knocking.

Statistics from Handgun Control, Inc. say that 75 percent of all people who attempt to defend themselves in this way wind up shooting someone by accident instead. Even NRA admits that number to be 40 percent.

I know two people who have been in this circumstance. One shot and missed the intruder and got shot in the arm herself, the other shot and missed his wife coming home late from work.

Now you're saying, "I'm not that stupid. That won't happen to me." That's what the second guy said to me three weeks before he almost killed his wife.

If you want to protect your home and property, buy a trained rotweiler and a burglar alarm and learn how to use them properly.

Here's another good excuse. "Handguns don't kill people, people kill people."

I don't know about you, but I can't shoot a bullet out of my finger. The bullet actually kills the person, and I'm pretty sure bullets only come out of guns.

If I sound cynical, it's because this is the most ridiculous excuse of them all. Handguns don't buy groceries for you and

they don't help you get A's on exams. They only serve as implements of death.

Opponents of gun control say education is the answer to preventing handgun accidents. If classes are set up to educate people on how to handle a handgun properly, they say, these accidents would go away.

The NRA says 10 million handguns are sold legally in the United States every year. If we required every purchaser to attend a class on how to handle a firearm before acquiring the weapon, how long do you think the waiting list would be?

The number of handguns being purchased illegally would grow in leaps and bounds as people would not wait that long to get a spot in a class. These illegal purchasers would not get the education the NRA says is the answer.

Let's look at the policies of a few other countries about handguns and analyze their crime problems.

In Iran, Iraq and throughout the Middle East, citizens who carry handguns risk death by firing squad. Even though some Middle Easterners are a little fanatical, there is little crime in that region of the world.

In Japan, a country we can relate to capitalistically, handguns are illegal and even the police don't carry them. Outside of the yakuza, or Japanese mafia, there is little crime.

The Japanese are constantly outraged at the amount of violence in American society, and so they should be.

The former Soviet Union has attempted to emulate our way of life in their efforts to change to a capitalist society.

They are failing miserably with the government part, but succeeding immensely with the crime part. In 1991 more people were shot in Moscow than in the previous 15 years combined.

To them America means Rambo, not Maya Angelou.

From these examples it is painfully clear to me that a ban on handguns usually

means little crime.

Am I naive enough to think that implementing a ban here would bring crime to a halt? Of course not. We will not get handguns completely off the streets in our lifetimes.

But if we establish a ban, no more handguns will get to the streets from the assembly lines, and people who are ignorant to their dangers won't almost kill their wives.

If we went a step further and encouraged our spend-happy Congress to allocate \$1 billion to a national handgun buyback program, we could make at least a little dent in the number of handguns on our streets. Not much, but a start.

How many of you know someone who has died at the end of a handgun barrel?

Was it a senseless death? Did it happen over an argument about a girl, or after someone was fired from a job, or at a party that got out of hand, or because of some wacko whose dog told him to do it?

These are all scenarios that occur most every day.

Does anyone see the stupidity? All occurring because of a small instrument that propels an object to tear through flesh with wild abandon.

In all of rock music there is one line that stands prophetic above anything I have ever heard. "Handguns were made for killin', they ain't no good for nothin' else."

Without them we would have a much less violent world.

What is your opinion on federal regulation of your Second Amendment Rights.

Sidelines wants to hear from you.

Write Box 42.

EVIL NOT JUST FOR HALLOWEEN...

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a demon named Mephistopheles. Faust trades his immortal soul for 24 years of wisdom and the powers of witchcraft. He comes to regret his bargain but fails to repent for his evil choice, and is doomed to hell. This story is typical of the classical view of evil. But what has become of that view?

Evil grew in the Enlightenment, and the role it played took on a much more sinister note. One of the most well known of these exponents of the new evil, moral relativism, was Donatien Alphonse Francois, Marquis de Sade. Nature,

according to Sade, is oblivious to the influence of man, and the only response to a valueless nature is for man to seek personal pleasure in whatever form he finds appealing. If it happens to be in murder, rape, incest or any other act which civilization recognizes as immoral, well, so what? Sade's generation brought the question of the existence of evil to a head. Either evil is a real, tangible thing, or there is no existence of good in the world either. This era also gave rise to the age of satanism. Such authors as Lautreamont and J.-K. Huysmans recorded the black masses of Paris lead by the Canon Doere in which the worship of satan is

committed in a mockery of a Catholic mass. While the superstition of witchcraft is based on principles of homeopathic magic and is only a threat to those who are naive enough to believe in man's ability to influence the forces of nature by performing certain rituals, the rise of these attempts during this time and after show how mankind tends to revert back to our more savage roots when confronted by a question he is incapable of definitively solving.

When the question of evil is approached today, one does not have to ferret out ritual devil worship and witches to find it. The real evil in the world today

comes out in the acts of people in the form of incessant mindless violence which is not only committed but glorified in our music and arts. Our society today has come to regard evil as the right of self expression of the criminal, who is not even punished, but is supposedly "rehabilitated" by our justice system. As long as we allow the most violent and amoral aspects of our society to go unstoppped, we only have to look around us to see the meaning of true evil today.

With this as our reality, it is little wonder that the concept of Halloween has become something of a joke in our times. It is hard to

fear the idea of witches casting spells when your life may truly be ended by some random act of violence as you walk to your car or even sit in your home. So forgive me if I don't follow the old rites to fend off the ghosts and goblins this Halloween. It's the other 364 days of the year in which our real demons assault us, and until we as a people stand up and change the laws to protect the rights of victims instead of criminals, we have much more to fear than the undead. We have the unconvicted and unpunished to haunt us, and no mere chants or talisman will protect us.

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Five performances (including one dinner theater) will be offered with all performances beginning at 8 p.m. with the exception of the Saturday dinner theater at 6:30 p.m., and the Sunday matinee at 3 p.m. All performances will be held at the Wesley Foundation, 216 College Heights Ave., next to the MTSU campus.

The Fantastics is directed by Jeff Gibson. He is a senior theatre major at MTSU and a native of Goodspring, Tenn.

Tickets are on sale now, \$5 for adults, \$3 for students, and \$10 for the November 6th dinner theater performance. For more ticket information call the Wesley Foundation at 893-0469.

The Fantastics is presented through special arrangements with Music Theatre International, New York, N.Y.

The Wesley Foundation is the United Methodist Student Center for the Middle Tennessee State University campus. The campus minister of the Wesley Foundation is Rev. Bill Campbell.

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gays of seeking the persecution of religious conservatives. This was a surprise to me, since the last time I looked, it was just the opposite. It is the religious conservatives who are persecuting gays, deeming that they are "living in sin" and destined to go to hell as if they were God herself.

Secondly, gays do not seek "special rights". They seek equal rights, such as: being able to serve openly in the military, to love whomever they please, to work without discrimination, to walk the streets without being verbally or physically attacked, to attend college without public harassment, to be accepted and to be happy. These are not special rights, they are the rights of every American, whether they be heterosexual or homosexual. Those who would take these rights from others are the ones who should be labeled "social outcasts". What ever happened to "The Declaration of Independence" and the right to "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness"? I don't remember the part that said "except for gays".

I also believe that the Lord would never call the love of one soul for another an "abomination". Sexuality is only

a bodily form. When an individual dies, their body is left behind and only their soul travels to heaven. If sexuality were so important to the Lord, it would travel with us. It is the heart and the soul that the Lord judges, not the way we use our genitalia.

In spite of all this, some homophobic individuals still recite direct quotes from the Bible to support their hateful arguments against homosexuality. This is not a "responsible" interpretation of God's word. For, as Shakespeare once said, even "the devil can quote scripture for his own purposes." Instead, the Bible should be read and interpreted as a whole. The reader should take into consideration the great love the Lord has for each of us and wants us to have for others. It is those individuals who have inflicted so much pain on others only because of their sexual orientation who are the "abomination". God loves us all equally regardless of our sexual orientation. We will all come to see this if we read our bibles "responsibly", liberally and with an open mind. Just remember that God is a liberal. Only a liberal would create the unique diversity of life displayed on our earth. If God were a conservative, we'd all be white, heterosexual males.

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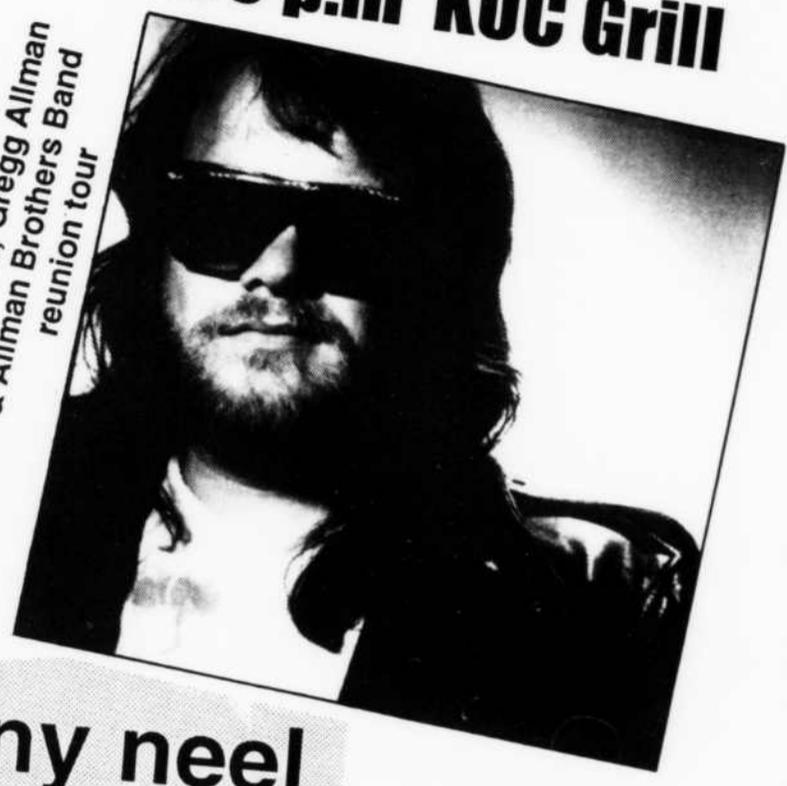


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HAPPY HALLOWEEN

WALKER GETS HOMECOOKED MEAL FROM SMYTH HALL

ELIZABETH DOMEN
Life! Editor

Not a lot of people realize that President Walker meets, on a regular basis, with organizations all over the campus and in the community. Tuesday night Area II RA's and coordinators hosted a spaghetti dinner in honor of President Walker's visit at Smith Hall.

President Walker joined residents of the area II dorms during dinner and then answered questions in an open session. There were very well thought out inquiries from the young men participating in the session.

Such topics as security, future plans and goals, enrollment standards, scholarships and freshmen meal plans was just the start of the discussion.

Walker was asked how MTSU would fill a new stadium. Walker replied that UT Knoxville was once our size and the division A would draw more crowds.

When asked about parking for residents, Walker said that parking places near the dorms should be designated strictly for

residents. In fact, the suggestion had been introduced to the SGA who strongly opposed the idea. Walker told the residents that they should make known to SGA that residents are in favor of the change.

Future improvements for the campus were discussed. Walker explained that MTSU was lucky in the fact that it had a lot of room to grow. He mentioned that plans were in the making for expanding the master's and PhD programs. Also in the works are a new stadium, expanded scholarships and upgraded entrance standards.

The most eagerly awaited question was "What is going to be done about the roaches?" Apparently Area II dorms are having enormous problems with the little pests. One student commented, "The roaches are moving us out!" President Walker replied, "Don't give up - we'll circle the wagons."

The evening brought smiles to everyone's faces, and the group broke apart on a happy note. The spaghetti wasn't bad, either.



Charles Hogue/Staff

THANK YOU, CAN I HAVE ANOTHER?: Smith Hall Resident Assistant Denton Leslie serves President Walker at spaghetti dinner Tuesday night.

TOP IN TELEVISION

List of Week's Ratings
With PM-Nielsens

An "X" in parentheses denotes one-time-only presentation. A rating measures the percentage of the nation's 93.1 million TV homes. Each ratings point represents 931,000 households.

1. (2) "Roseanne," ABC, 21.7, 20.4 million homes
2. (1) "Home Improvement," ABC, 20.0, 18.8 million homes
3. (3) "60 Minutes," CBS, 19.7, 18.6 million homes
4. (X) "CBS World Series Game 6," 19.0, 17.9 million homes
5. (X) "CBS World Series Game 5," 18.4, 17.3 million homes
6. (X) "CBS World Series Game 4," 18.0, 17.0 million homes
7. (5) "Coach," ABC, 17.5, 16.5 million homes
8. (6) "NFL Monday Night Football," ABC, 16.8, 15.8 million homes
9. (9) "Grace Under Fire," ABC, 16.6, 15.6 million homes
9. (6) "Murphy Brown," CBS, 16.6, 15.6 million homes
9. (4) "Seinfeld," NBC, 16.6, 15.6 million homes.

LIVING COLOUR ULTIMATE EXPERIENCE

Concert Review

KRISTEN PULLEY
Staff Writer

Living Colour's performance at Vanderbilt last Thursday night can only be described as the ultimate rock and roll experience.

Candlebox opened the show playing pounding tunes, warming up the crowd for Living Colour.

When the main attraction came on stage, new bass player Doug Wimbish more than proved himself as a musical dynamo: playing so hard that the strings, literally, came off his guitar!

Lead vocalist Corey Glover made one overzealous young man very happy when he invited him to join the band on stage while the group played "Time's Up," the title track from its second CD. The fans were so

enthralled in the music that Glover absolutely lost control, dancing wildly around the stage. Glover then made good use of the band's supply of Evian water, dousing the excited fan and sprinkling some on the first few rows of the audience!

My seats were front and center of the stage, so I was unescapably caught in the shower! However, being so close has its great advantages because the band members can actually see how they affect their onlookers. My friend and I made eye contact and exchanged smiles with Glover and guitarist Vernon Reid. Drummer Will Calhoun waved at us before he left the stage. We also managed to persuade Glover to toss a towel to us.

Living Colour's entire performance was a mind-boggling experience.

Of course they played the popular "Cult of Personality,"

"Middle Man," "Love Rears Its Ugly head," "Elvis Is Dead," "Auslander" and the somewhat controversial "Bi" (which was banned in Singapore).

One thing about Glover that I probably will never figure out, though, is how one man can have as powerful a voice as he does. Anyone who has listened to Living Colour knows that voices like Glover's are hard to find, and his voice was in its usual peak condition at last Thursday's concert.

Reid's wailing guitar, Calhoun's unbelievable drum solo, Wimbish's thrilling bass and Glover's soul-filled voice all came together to make this show even better than the last time it played in Nashville.

Only one word, awesome, can be used to describe the live Living Colour experience. Seeing them in concert is an opportunity no true music fan should miss.

SCORPIONS ATTEMPT TO 'FACE THE HEAT'

Music Rewind

DON CARR
Staff Writer



When heavy metal made a commercially successful rebirth in the early 1980's, the Scorpions found themselves riding the crest of this resurgence right to the top of the charts. After a string of gold & platinum albums ("Animal Magnetism", "Blackout" and "Love At First Sting") the Scorpions joined the ranks of heavy metal's elite. The band now stood along side of such metal giants as Iron Maiden, Ozzy Osbourne and Judas Priest. Unlike their contemporaries, however, the Scorpions had the ability to score Top 40 hits without compromising their image. While the band's Lps boasted several pounding tracks that easily won over metal's "die hard" fans they also featured a style that would become a 1980's musical staple - the heavy metal ballad. Though the Scorpions were not the first and unfortunately not the last to grace the airwaves with this sludge they were one of the power ballads' leading pioneers and beneficiaries.

The Scorpions' brand of balladry hit an all time high in 1992 when their song "Wind of Change" reached number one in 12 countries and number four on the American Top 100 singles chart. The

song sold over seven million copies world wide and received an ASCAP award recognizing "Wind of Change" as among the "Most Performed Songs" of 1992.

This month the Scorpions released their newest album entitled "Face The Heat". Produced by veteran hard rock producer Bruce Fairbairn (AC/DC, Aerosmith), "Face The Heat" marks the band's 16th Lp during their 22 year history and their first without bassist Francis Buchholz who departed the group last year. Replacing Buchholz is bassist Ralph Rieckermann.

Described by their record label (Mercury/Polygram) as "a distinguished body of work that displays a remarkable musical and conceptual maturation", "Face The Heat" is the Lp that is suppose to break new musical ground and solidify the Scorpions' popularity for the 90's. Not wanting to "retire in ballad land" as vocalist Klaus Meine puts it, the band opted to return to their metal roots. Reflecting on this return, Meine feels "[Face The Heat] is not a safe record, by any means."

Unfortunately "Face The Heat" is nothing but safe. The 13 track album is made up of a mixture of power ballads and sub-par metal anthems. Gone are the days of controversial lyrical themes and grinding guitar riffs that powered such Scorpions classics as "Lovedrive" and "Blackout", instead the listener gets

politically correct messages and droned over relatively weak and rehashed ideas. The ballad "Lonely Nights" sounds hauntingly familiar to their 1984 Top 40 single "Still Loving You", while "Under The Same Sun" serves as this Lp's "Wind of Change", a politically charged, free your mind, feel good hit of the season.

The metal anthems on "Face The Heat" attempt to recapture some of the band's past aggressive glory but with the possible exceptions of "Someone to Touch" and "Nightmare Avenue" the songs fall far from their predecessors' impact. While the Scorpions' musical ability is there along with a great production job, the majority of the song writing seems tired and unimaginative.

For die hard Scorpions fans, "Face The Heat" may very well be a triumphant



Scorpions

release, but for many metal fans "Face The Heat" may come as a disappointment. It is simply an album we have already heard a million times.

JULIANA HATFIELD THREE LIGHT UP 328

Concert Review

GARY MILLER
Special to Sidelines

For fans of precision pop music or Mammoth Records, Oct. 23 was a wonderful experience. The Juliana Hatfield Three and Dillon Fence, both on Mammoth Records, lit up 328 Performance Hall and had the kiddies screaming for more.

North Carolina quartet Dillon Fence took the stage first. Not as well known as the JH3, Dillon Fence warmed up a somewhat-cold crowd in a matter of seconds. Opening with "Headache" from their latest CD, titled "Outside In", the audience received a quick indoctrination to their melody-laden power pop.

Vocalist Greg Humphreys says, "A lot

of bands take the melody for granted. We try to put the melody first." Drawing from influences ranging from Marvin Gaye to the Rolling Stones, Dillon Fence takes a minimalist approach to their songs and lets the groove do the talking. The rhythm section, Chris Goode on bass and Scott Carle, sticks to the pocket while Humphreys and guitarist Kent Alphin lay textures on top.

The band concentrated on songs from "Outside In", but slid in a few favorites from their previous albums. Dillon Fence was going to be a tough act to follow.

When the lights dimmed for the Juliana Hatfield Three's set, the crowd, which looked as if it had escaped from a local high school, overpowered the music blaring from the p.a. system. Shouts of "There she is" and "Juliana" could be heard throughout the room. When she

finally made it to the stage, the applause was overwhelming — Juliana Hatfield didn't even have to try to win over the crowd.

Best known for her MTV-approved song "My Sister," Hatfield has been around the alternative scene for years. As a member of the seminal Boston power-pop group the Blake Babies, Hatfield has slowly been gaining fans since the 80s. With the release of "Become What You Are", her second solo disc for Mammoth Records, she was catapulted into the limelight. She recruited ex-Bullet LaVolta drummer Todd Philips (excellent) and ex-roommate bassist Dean Fisher (adequate) and the JH3 was formed.

The evening's set contained a cross section of her solo work, drawing from the first album, the latest album, and even a few rare-heard ep cuts such as "Rider" and

"Here Comes the Pain." The crowd went nuts. I felt sorry for her.

Hatfield has never seemed very comfortable in the role of rock star. She's tough, but reserved. As the mostly young-male crowd shouted for her between each song, she seemed a bit distracted. However, she answered their painstaking interrogation — "What's it like being on 120 Minutes?" and "Do you have a boyfriend?"

Irony filled the room as Hatfield slugged off groupies in "Rider," and preached to the crowd "I Got No Idols." The audience continued to swoon. The Juliana Hatfield Three continued to rock. Just her luck, the young'uns were getting their first concert and their first alcoholic beverage in the same night — or at least it seemed so, since that's how immature they were.

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Raiders take three tennis titles

Australian addition a good one

JENNIFER OGLESBY
Sports Writer

Dale Short, MTSU head tennis coach, has gone to the ends of the earth in the quest for another OVC title and Shane Scrutton, a senior from Melbourne, Australia, is expected to play an important role in MTSU's fight for a fourth consecutive OVC title.

Scrutton came to America for the opportunity to play tennis as well as go to school; an opportunity not found in Australia. He attended Trevecca College for three semesters before he was offered the chance to transfer to a Division I school.

Scrutton decided to transfer to UT-Knoxville. He also looked at Middle Tennessee at the time, but UT's program won out. After two semesters, personality conflicts with the coach forced Scrutton to decide to transfer again.

He called Short who was willing to have him come here to play. Because of NCAA transfer rules, Scrutton sat out last

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Carl Lambert/ Staff

NEW ADDITION: After sitting out a year for transfer reasons, Shane Scrutton is making his presence known.

Short's men perform well in MTSU Pro-Am

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

Middle Tennessee's top tennis players perhaps stamped themselves with a label over the weekend stating that they could compete with anyone on the collegiate level.

For the second time in just four tournaments, Raider head coach Dale Short witnessed his top performers advance to the finals of the 18 team MTSU Fall Classic and for the second straight time, Shane Scrutton handed his teammate Paul Goebel a 6-4, 6-4 defeat.

"Both Shane and Paul are playing quite well right now," admitted Short. "They are both close in ability and Shane can beat some players Paul has trouble with as can Paul beat players Shane has trouble with."

But regardless, Short is pleased the duo has stepped forward. Scrutton is a transfer from Tennessee who sat out last year. Goebel, a senior, struggled last year but has seemingly returned to the top of his form.

"I'm very excited," said Short. "But as soon as you say or do that, they tend to get big headed. I guess you should say I'm cautiously optimistic as to

how well we'll do."

One reason Short may be cautious is because the top of his line-up may be winning, but it takes a team to win the whole title and some of the other players have yet to step up and perform.

"Down the line, we need to have some players step up and play better," said Short. "If we expect to be as good as last year's team, we need to start playing better."

As far as doubles is concerned, all concerns may have been put to rest over the weekend.

Goebel teamed up with freshman Fredric Neimeyer to win the top flight in doubles. It was the second victory for this duo in four tournaments as well.

But the question lied at the second doubles spot.

"I guess you could say we've been toying around trying to find the right combination," said Short.

He apparently found it as Scrutton and Rob Williams took top honors with a victory.

And it all couldn't have come at a better time as the Raiders prepare to head into action at the Rolex National Qualifying Tournament to be held

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Coley Jackson/ Staff

RAIDER RUGBY: Members of the MTSU rugby team vie for the ball during their 10-6 loss in the finals to Vanderbilt in the Mid-South Tournament over the weekend.

Top to Bottom

To win at Tulsa Boots' boys must do it

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

For one quarter, the Blue Raider offense laid it all on the line Saturday scoring 21 fourth quarter points en route to a 31-10 homecoming win over Southeast Missouri.

However, unless they want the game to get ugly at Tulsa this weekend, head coach Boots Donnelly warns his squad that they need to perform for the entire game.

"We have the capability of playing pretty good if we will play with the same level of intensity, Donnelly said. "It's very frustrating that we don't do that and its going to catch up with us somewhere down the road."

Tulsa, a Division I-A squad which has a 2-4 record, may just be the team to do so. The Golden Hurricane averages 365 yards of total offense, with more than 250 coming through the air, a place

MTSU has showed a weakness in covering thus far.

Gus Frerotte is completing 54 percent of his passes and has amassed 1,360 yards in doing so. Two weeks ago, he ripped the Memphis State defense apart for 290 yards to help upset the host Tigers 23-19.

"He's one of the top quarterbacks around," Donnelly said. "He's got great stats and he could create us a lot of problems."

But despite the problems Donnelly expects to encounter, he knows it's a very important game for his 4-3 Blue Raiders. MTSU now enters the meat of its schedule with games against OVC contenders Tennessee Tech and Eastern Kentucky along with Austin Peay and Tulsa. In order for the Blue Raiders to make a fifth consecutive playoff appearance, they must start this weekend.

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Golf team traveling to James Madison

JIM HORTON
Sports Information

The last tournament of the fall season has arrived and the MTSU golf team is brimming with anticipation.

"I look for us to have an excellent tournament," commented head coach Johnny Moore. "We are playing well right now, and I just have the

feeling this could be a breakthrough tournament for us."

The travel squad includes seniors Matt Lucchesi and Chris Guy, junior Nick Shelton and sophomores David Reed and Mike Chesser.

Reed has been remarkably consistent during his young Blue Raider career, but he and Chesser are the ones that provide the steadiest play.

"I am not down on any of my

players, some just are able to things others aren't," said Moore. "The team's makeup and chemistry are just what we need."

"Lucchesi, Guy and Shelton all have the ability to shoot very low rounds due to their aggressive play, but this can also lead to high scores. The balance Reed and Chesser bring along with the aggressiveness of the other three makes me very optimistic for the spring season."

Tennis team victorious....

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in Nashville Nov. 4-7.

"There will be a lot of good players and its a big tournament," Short said. "We'll probably send four or five players and possible a couple of doubles teams. Not that I can guarantee anything but I think we've got about as good a chance of doing well there as anybody in our region."

The Rolex Tournament will close out the Raiders fall

schedule.

- MTSU's Lady Raiders didn't fair as well in the Louisville Fall Invitational over the weekend. While battling injuries and a shortage of players, MTSU came up empty handed.

Sissy Collier, playing at the No. 4 position, did make the finals of the fourth flight for MTSU before being defeated.

Standout Carol MacPherson, didn't make the trip and she's scheduled to undergo knee

surgery after MTSU closes out the Fall campaign in the Memphis State Invitational over the weekend.

"We're struggling right now as a team," said Short. "We're looking for a good week of practice out of the girls. The attitude is one of them wanting to play better and one of wanting to improve. I think they want to play better and want to prove their better than they showed."

Tulsa....

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"There's no question that we're going to have our hands full going out and trying to compete with them, but then again, if we play with the level of intensity we're capable of playing, it should be a good game," Donnelly said. "They

have a lot more numbers (players) and anytime you go on the road, it's awfully tough.

"We have to go in there with the mindset that we're going to win this football game and I think we're capable of winning it but we have to play from top to bottom."

Kick-off is at 1:30 p.m.

Scrutton making an impact....

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season, but he will play his final season here this year.

"There's a lot more pressure playing for a college team than in Australia," said Scrutton. "At home, you play for yourself or a club. It's a very different atmosphere."

Sitting out a year from

Lady Raiders defeat UTC, turn sights on Murray State

JIM HORTON
Sports Information

The Middle Tennessee State University volleyball team defeated UT-Chattanooga Tuesday evening and now turns its sights back to conference play with a date with Murray State approaching.

"A win is a win," said head coach Dianne Cummings, "but we need to get a few more wins in the OVC."

The Lady Raiders were led by senior hitter Priscilla Robinson and junior hitter Angie Raffo. Robinson had a season-high 20 kills (.400 hitting percentage), as well as nine digs, four service aces and five assists. Raffo added 12 kills, 16 digs, seven block assist and five service aces. The two combined for 32 kills, a hitting percentage of (.353) and nine of MTSU's 15 service aces.

Other standouts for the Lady Raiders include junior setter Becky Tumblin and freshman middle hitter Angie Parkinson. Tumblin had 45 assists and 13 digs, while Parkinson made her presence known on defense. She had two block solos and seven block assists to go with seven digs and six kills.

"Tonight, we had a good effort, but to defeat Murray we will have to evaluate our games," added Cummings. "I look forward to seeing if we are capable of doing it."

"We've had previous chances to prove ourselves capable. This time we need to take that opportunity to prove it."

Arnold, Aly gain on guest pickers

Tony Arnold broke out of his losing ways and posted a 9-1 mark last week along with Charles Aly as the sportswriting duo gained a game on the guest pickers in 'On the Line.'

"I understand people were calling for my resignation last week," commented Arnold. "I'd say those people knew what was coming. They knew I was going to pick up the pace and see what this bunch of young jocks was made of."

The only pick Arnold and Aly missed was an upset as Illinois stunned Michigan.

Coley Jackson went 7-3 while Tripp Ballard, who has been on fire recently, posted a 8-2 mark. Guest picker Ed Given, MTSU Sports Information Director, also went 8-2.

"They said I was an embarrassment to them last week and yet I look down at the bottom of the list and see Coley and Tripp. Now that's embarrassing to think I went 5-5 for the past ump-teen weeks and they're still eating my dust."

Our guest this week is MTSU track coach Dean Hayes.

"I think this thing is rigged," commented Ballard. "We've had a baseball coach, a sports information director and retired champion and now a track coach? Give me a break."

On The Line	Tony Arnold Vet Loses Step	Tripp Ballard Fading Fast	Coley Jackson The Caboose	Charles Aly Make or Break	Dean Hayes Stanford helped him?
MTSU at Tulsa	Tulsa 1-0 No runs, one hit and an error	Tulsa 21-10 Not this year boys	Tulsa 35-17 Living on Tulsa time	Tulsa 28-20 I hope I'm wrong	MTSU 21-20 Hoping for the upset
S. Carolina at Tennessee	Vols 42-14 Taneyhill will wish he was drunk	Vols 31-3 Kill Taneyhill	SC 99-0 Vols can't party with Taneyhill	Vols 45-14 I'll be there	Vols 42-10 Will corral Taneyhill
Georgia vs Florida	Fla. 28-21 'Dawgs no Crocodile Dundee	Ga. 27-23 Dawgs help Vols	Fla. 14-10 What's Tripp thinking?	Fla. 38-16 Georgia needed Hearst	Fla. 28-10 Eying the champ. game
Auburn at Arkansas	Aub. 14-13 Never count out the 'Hogs at home	Aub. 21-10 Tigers still illegal	Aub. 21-7 'Hogs cooked	Aub. 41-17 Watch your knees	Aub. 35-14 Perfect season, no bowl
Penn State at Ohio State	OSU 20-10 Title bound?	OSU 14-7 Hate 'em both	OSU 28-20 Lions stopped by State	OSU 31-30 Gut wrencher	OSU 28-14 Looking Big 10 title
Arizona at UCLA	UCLA 17-7 Arizona has 'D' but no 'O'	Ariz. 28-16 They'd rather be surfing	Ariz. 10-7 Defensive struggle	UCLA 21-10 Ariz. D not enough	Ariz. 10-7 Pac 10 and Rose Bowl
Michigan at Wisconsin	Mich. 35-10 Mich. won't lose two in a row?	Mich. 30-23 Otis loves Yankees	Mich. 28-13 What's Charles thinking?	Wis. 35-28 Mich. sorriest "powerhouse"	Wis. 17-14 Confident and Mich. not after Illini loss
W. Virginia at Syracuse	Syr. 28-17 No missile - still no problem	Syr. 45-28 I give up!	WV 20-14 Orange makes me sick	WV 27-20 Rough picks this week	Syr. 17-7 Rebound from Miami
Virginia at NC State	Vir. 35-21 Wolfpack attack put in pound	Vir. 20-10 ACC barnburner, can't wait!	State 13-10 What am I thinking?	Vir. 24-21 Pack is sacked	Vir. 20-14 #2 to Florida St. in ACC
Kentucky at Miss. State	State 27-21 Bulldogs hate Kats	State 14-12 Bulldogs crack Wildcats	UK 24-21 Mississippi burning	UK 21-17 Coley goes 1-9	UK 14-10 Curry is getting it together

Line Standings

Name	Win	Loss	GB	Pct.
Guest Picker	55	25	-	.687
Tony Arnold	52	28	3	.650
Charles Aly	52	28	3	.650
Tripp Ballard	50	30	5	.625
Coley Jackson	46	34	9	.575

SETTING — the — STANDARD

MIDLANDER

The yearbook is now accepting staff applications for the 1994 *Midlander*.

Positions include: Sports editor
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MIDLANDER

"Setting the Standard"

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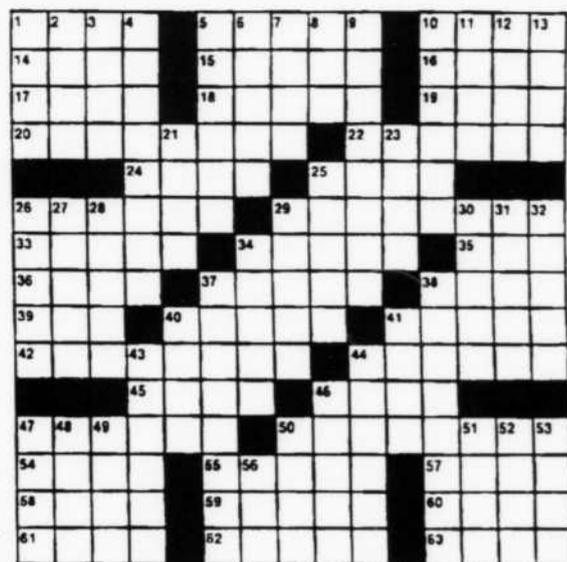
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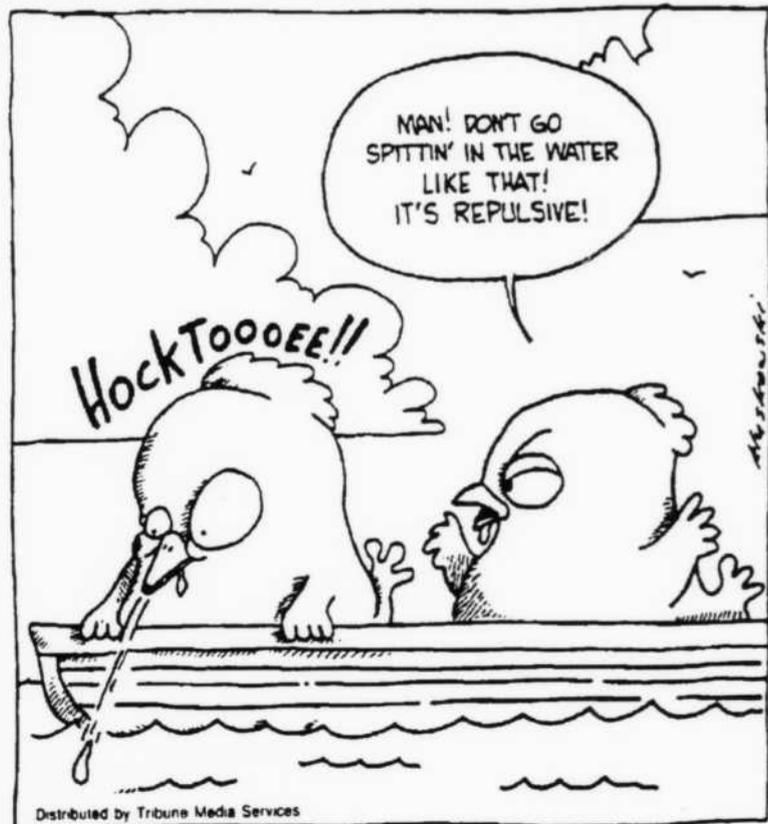
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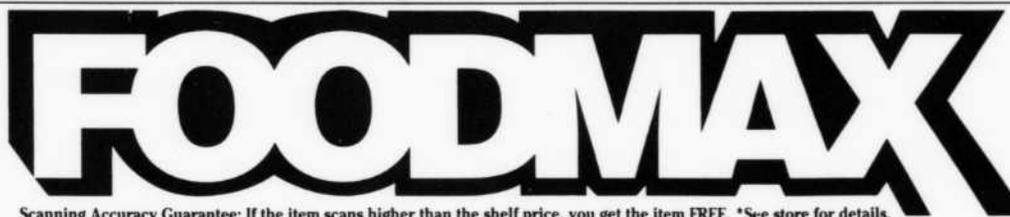
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