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Burgess wins presidential run-off *Beaty defeats Taylor for speaker of the senate*

TONY KIRK
News Editor

MTSU student elections came to an end Tuesday as 1,349 voters went to the polls to elect their new ASB president and speaker of the senate.

Current Speaker of the Senate Shawn Burgess defeated Cathy Miller in the run-off by a count of 758 (56.1 percent) to 591 (43.9 percent). In the race for the speaker's seat, Larry Beaty collected 692 votes (55.2 percent) to Brian Taylor's 560 votes (44.8 percent) to win.

Speculation that Miller might file a complaint concerning Burgess' alleged improper use of a computer mailing list came to an end last night when she announced that she had no plans to do so.

"I feel that it was a close election, but it was not close enough to go ahead with the complaint," Miller said after learning of the results. "I think that Shawn will do a great job and I wish him good luck."

Burgess said he was pleased with the results and hopes he can do a job that the student body will be proud of.

"It was really up in the air until the end," Burgess said. "My supporters really came out to

support me and I would like to thank them for all of the support they gave me."

He also commented on the help from former opponent Todd Abner following the first election and why he felt there were so many voters to turn out in the one-day election.

"Abner's support really helped and I have always said from the beginning that I have nothing to hide. The story in the *Sidelines* also helped people to see the importance of the election," Burgess said.

Burgess will take the oath of office on April 16, and will begin nominating his staff and other vacant positions.

"I have thought about the people that I would like to have help me," Burgess said. "Of course some of those helped me in my election, but I will talk with anyone that is interested in being a part of ASB."

In the race for speaker of the senate, Beaty was able to overcome a second-place finish in the first election to claim victory. In last week's election, Beaty finished 33 votes behind Taylor.

"It was a clean race and I was glad that it stayed that way. Brian and I are real good friends and he was a very worthy candidate.

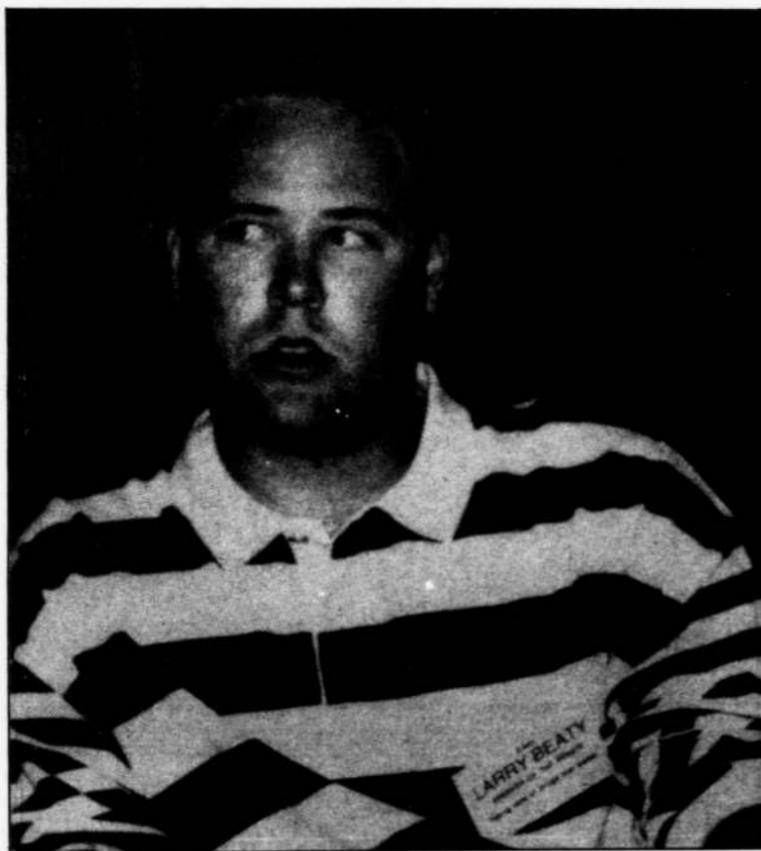
"Last week, my grandfather passed away and it hurt my election because I was unable to be here some days. This week I was able to get back to the sidewalks and speak with different groups."

He said he already has plans for clearing up some problems in the ASB.

"I will start enforcing the ASB Senate's attendance policy and I want the ASB senators to want to come to the meetings. I have also looked into the parking problem and a possible new campus budget card system," Beaty said.

Alan Hardcastle, the election commissioner, said he was excited about the turnout for the election.

"It was great to see that many people show up for a run-off election and I think that it shows that the students are gaining interest in student government."



Amy Adkins/photographer

HAPPY IT IS OVER: Larry Beaty relaxes and thinks of what comes next. Beaty won the speaker of the senate seat over Brian Taylor in Tuesday's election. (below) ASB President-Elect Shawn Burgess writes a note to a friend following his victory over Cathy Miller. Burgess will take the oath of office in mid-April. He hopes that students will take an active role in the ASB next year during his term.



MTSU police report break-in at Woodmore cafeteria

TONY KIRK
News Editor

Burglars broke into Woodmore Cafeteria sometime between Friday evening and Monday morning, Chief Jack Drugmand of the department of public safety and security said in an article in Wednesday's *Daily News Journal*.

Thieves took over 400 pounds of commercially packaged and frozen ground beef, bacon, turkey and chicken from the cooler, Drugmand said.

"Chances are someone is selling it," Drugmand said in the

DNJ article.

Officers were also unable to determine if the burglars were students or from the local community.

"There's no way to tell. We have no idea at this point," Drugmand told the *DNJ*.

The *DNJ* also reported that officers obtained some physical evidence at the cafeteria, but refused to say what that evidence was.

This is the first time in the last seven years that burglars have

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Campus Capsule

Free Income Tax Help for Desert Storm Families. Internal Revenue Service employees and trained volunteers now offer free tax assistance for military personnel of Operation Desert Storm or their families. For specific locations and dates where help is offered, taxpayers should call the IRS toll-free at 1-800-

829-1040 and identify themselves as being involved in Desert Storm.

The Spring Honors Lecture Series continues. April 8 at 3:30 p.m. in Peck Hall room 107 with Oakley Jennings speaking on "Chemical Warfare."

Campus Recreation will host sand volleyball games beginning April 7. The cost is \$3 per player. For more details call 898-2104.

Bicycle the Natchez Trace Parkway with Campus Recreation. The trip will be May 12-19 and the cost is \$50 per student. A sign-up meeting will be held on April 29 at 5:30 p.m. in AMG 201.

The Tennessee State Appaloosa Horse Club will be hosting a competitive trail ride on Saturday, April 20, at 10:00 a.m. in Percy Warner Park. The entry fee is \$10 before April 20 and \$15 on the day of the trail ride. All breeds are invited to participate. For more information call Peggy Burgin (367-7740 or 833-2862) or Danny Gregory (795-4226).

A special interest group is forming in hopes of re-colonizing the **ETA NU**

chapter of ALPHA TAU OMEGA at MTSU. Anyone interested in joining or any Alpha Tau's from other colleges are asked to call Tony Kirk at 898-3196 or 898-2336 or write P. O. Box 9165.

Career Placement Orientation for seniors and graduate students will be held at 3 p.m. in the KUC 328, Career Resource Center.

Campus Interview Calendar,

April 4 — State Farm Insurance Co., Tennessee Department of Audit, LeakTek, U.S. Army

April 8 — Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance
For more information about the interview calendar, contact the Placement and Student Employment Center, KUC 328, 898-2500.

Students for Environmental Action will meet on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in KUC 315.

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

Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets Wednesdays at 8:30 p.m. in the Blue Raider Room under the stadium

bleachers. Come alone or bring a friend. Call 893-3133 or 898-3234 for more information.

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

Lambda Association of MTSU is a support organization for gay and lesbian students, faculty, staff and their supporters. For more information write to: P.O. Box 624, MTSU.

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

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

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MTSU SPJ chapter to visit Region 12 convention

Middle Tennessee State University's Society of Professional Journalists will attend an SPJ Region 12 convention in Shreveport, La. on April 5 and 6.

According to convention chairman Frank May, top journalists from Washington, Atlanta, Dallas and Memphis will also attend the regional convention for a series of seminars and briefings on journalism.

May also said that the convention will feature a lineup of expert speakers including Pulitzer Prize winner James Polk of NBC News. Polk will deliver a special address at the convention's banquet.

Two other television networks, ESPN and CNN, will also be represented. Two metropolitan newspapers, three national news media organizations and news outlets for the four-state region will take part as well.

The convention will touch on whether or not female reporters should be allowed to conduct interviews in a male locker room, ways to gain more information from local and federal courts, and the media's role in Operation Desert Storm.

"Journalism conventions in the past have opened doors for me," said MTSU's SPJ president, Keith Sanders. "It is quite an experience to meet such influential people in the journalism market."

The club's sponsor, associate professor of journalism Dr. Glenn Himebaugh, will escort the SPJ members to the convention.

"The Society of Professional Journalists is an organization that meets on a regular basis and invites professionals to serve as panelists and speakers," said Himebaugh. "I am looking forward to this convention. It will be a remarkable experience for the SPJ members to get a real feel for the journalism world."

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broken into a campus cafeteria, the chief said.

"If anyone knows anything about the burglary, call Crimestoppers or MTSU. This will be worth a reward," Drügmand said.



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Preregistration begins for fall classes at MTSU

Priority registration for fall classes began last Monday at MTSU and will continue through April 12, said Cliff Gillespie, dean of admissions, records and information systems.

Students select classes in room 123 of the James Union Building now, but do not have to pay their fees until August. Fee payment can be mailed to the business office, left in drop boxes located on campus, or paid at the cashiers' windows in the business office Aug. 5-15.

Assigned registration times are determined by the number of hours a student has earned. Students are advised to refer to the schedule book for their registration times.

During fall preregistration, both the admissions office and the scheduling center will be open from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday.

Students who have not yet registered for summer courses will register Monday, May 13 and Monday, June 3 in Murphy Center, according to Wayne Gensemer, assistant director of records. Registration for Intercession classes is May 13 from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Registration for Sessions II, III, and IV is June 3 from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.

"The admissions office will be open until 6 p.m. on both registration dates for the convenience of prospective and re-enrolling students who cannot come during regular business hours," says Gensemer, referring to summer registration.

Schedule books and admission applications can be obtained by calling the admissions office at 898-2111. For information on re-enrollment or admission, contact the admissions office or call the scheduling center at 898-5800.

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What about John Q. Student?

My name is John Q. Student.

My initial reaction to the reported wrong-doings by candidates in this year's ASB presidential election was an outrage. "How dare those sneaky rascals try to pull the wool over my eyes," I thought.

But after hearing the rebuttals of Mr. Burgess and Ms. Miller, I have developed a different emotional state, that of loneliness and insignificance.

Mr. Burgess openly admits that he received a mailing list of minority students from the university and claims that his means were honest and legal. Ms. Miller freely offers that she did indeed ask fellow candidate Todd Abner to withdraw from the race in order to unify the Greek vote, and defends the move as smart politics.

Assuming that their actions were legal and ethical, which many students do not, where do I fit in?

No one went to the university and asked for a John Q. Student mailing address in order to ensure my vote. I didn't even get any mail.

None of the candidates asked another to withdraw in order to preserve a unified John Q. Student vote. No one ever asked me for mine.

The issue is not so much that my ego has been damaged as it is the hollow feeling that I will not be represented in the upcoming year. It seems to me that unless you are a Greek or a minority, both of which are small in number as compared to the John Q. Students of our campus, you really didn't warrant much attention from the presidential candidates in this election.

Let's hope that now that the election is over that Mr. Burgess will shift the focus of his power from the special interest groups he asked to put him in office and remembers John Q. Student.

After all, it is good ol' John Q. that will be paying Mr. Burgess' tuition next year.

Letters to the Editor

Miller was wrong

In Monday's edition of *Sidelines*, ASB presidential candidate Cathy Miller admitted to having asked fellow candidate Todd Abner to withdraw from the election because she "didn't think (Abner and herself) should split the Greek vote."

First of all, Miss Miller, what gives you the right to suggest to anyone that they drop out of the election? The purpose of the election is for candidates to campaign for an office maturely and to allow the voting populace the right power and privilege of making a choice of a candidate to fill that office. By requesting that Mr. Abner drop out of the race, you are curtailing not only Mr. Abner's right to campaign, but also the voters' right to choose the candidate they might prefer. If you were that concerned about splitting the Greek vote, upon which you place so much importance, why didn't you withdraw from the race yourself?

This leads to my second point. I've mentioned that Miss Miller voiced her concern about splitting the Greek vote. Nowhere in Miss Miller's remarks does she mention her concern for the female vote, the minority vote, or any vote representing independents. Just because we aren't Greeks doesn't mean that we don't count. Though I may be a distinct minority (a non-Greek who actually votes!), I care enough to hike my independent self to the polls. But for what! To be actually told that my vote isn't as appreciated as the Greeks' votes? And you wonder why independents don't go to the polls?

Understandably, Mr. Abner has given his support to Shawn Burgess, a candidate who does care about the independent vote. I seriously doubt Mr. Abner supports Mr. Burgess simply to spite you, Miss Miller. We are college students, not three-year-olds. Mr. Abner, congratulations on making a wise choice in supporting Shawn Burgess. I hope that your support (and mine) pays off.

Bethlyn Anderson
P.O. Box 9856

Students buy toy

To the Editor:

I'm awake now!!! I am shocked that only 589 of the more than 14,000 students at this university bothered to vote against the Rec Center. I wouldn't feel so badly about MTSU's spending \$11 million on this frill if most (or even 10 percent) of the

students wanted it.

I realize that spring break just ended, but I had hoped that the long walk to class from the parking lot would wake us up. Think, \$11 million could probably build a parking garage behind Todd Library, and one to match at Bell Street. MTSU has many fine programs and facilities, but there is always room for improvement. What about campus security and the phones that cost too much? The point is: What are the priorities of this student body? We know what the priorities are of the 1,000 people who voted for the referendum.

This center, complete with pool and sundeck, is not about learning or physical fitness—it is about socializing. This institution provides each student with many opportunities to engage in exercise. However, a big designer looking Rec Center would be a really cool new toy. If this thing actually goes through, I hope they let students run it, charge money and make the ornament pay for itself. Who knows, maybe somebody will learn something.

Charles Aly
Box 7452

Greeks deserve fair shake

To the Editor:

After reading the article you printed about Fraternity hazing in your April 1 issue, we decided to write this letter.

Why have you taken it upon yourself to take a cheap shot at the Greek system every chance you get? Instead of writing about isolated instances of hazing at other campuses, you could write about the positive things the Greek system is doing here at MTSU.

Our fraternity, Kappa Alpha Order, sponsored a service auction on Feb. 21 that raised over \$800. These donations came from six sororities and individuals not involved with Greek organizations. The proceeds from the auction were used to buy a wheelchair for a needy child suffering from Muscular Dystrophy. *Sidelines* knows these facts already. We submitted an article about the auction, but it never got printed.

The Greek organizations on this campus do many beneficial activities for the community-at-large. However, students and faculty not involved with a fraternity or sorority probably are not aware of these activities because they do not get any publicity.

Kappa Alpha knows that we are at your mercy when it comes to what gets printed in the

Sidelines. We would just appreciate a little more fairness.

If lack of space is the reason these articles are not being printed, perhaps you could stop printing that poorly drawn and unamusing cartoon, "Alice In Blunderland." It's just a suggestion.

Brad Kuester
Box 7645

Lance Johnson
Box B014

Stop Racial Slurs

To the Editor:

We are writing in reference to an incident that occurred Thursday, March 14. We realize that publishing this response gives satisfaction to those involved, yet we feel it is important to bring incidents like these to the attention of others.

The incident was this:

A person involved in a biracial relationship received a note on her car. It said things like "Hey you. Nigger lover. We know your secret (which it's not) if you don't stop shackin' up with 'blue gums' you're going to end up with chillins..." "We gonna tell your momma."

Upon receiving this note, mixed reactions occur. It is partially the need to laugh for relief and to see the humor in the idiocy of this. But, we can't deny the cruelty and the ignorance involved.

It's true that people have their opinions, and even the right to state them, but if these people feel the need to state their opinions then maybe they should be as open to other feelings as they feel people should be to theirs! All people should consider this logic.

In addition with opinions (and maturity) should become the acceptance of responsibility. It comes as no surprise that this note came with no signature. It's interesting to note that "isolated incidences" such as this come anonymously. Here we sit, in an institution created for learning, and we show nothing but close-mindedness and ignorance?! Well, for those of us who can't bear to see other people happy, take a look inward. You show nothing but insecurity.

One thing is for sure, we are not afraid to sign our names!

Have a nice day,
Kathleen Griffith P.O. Box 8724
Michelle Halman P.O. Box 8724
Dana Souksavanh P.O. Box A099

P.S. Go ahead and tell our momma's, they would laugh in yo' face.

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Duke's win a victory for college athletics

It was football coaching legend Vince Lombardi who said "Winning ain't everything, it is the only thing." His words have provided inspiration for competitors both in and out of sports and typifies the win-at-all-costs attitude that is so prevalent in American society.

As healthy as it may seem, this philosophy can be hazardous. For example, it is this attitude that has corrupted and virtually destroyed the true spirit of college athletics. The pressure placed on coaches is not to provide their players with a quality education, but to win, regardless of the means, or look for another job.

TERRY MASSEY Staff Column

Unfortunately, many coaches have discovered that all-stars and honor students are rarely the same individuals, and the coaches make their recruiting decisions based on the fact that they prefer coaching to insurance sales.

The end result is the horrifying figures released last month in *The Chronicle of Higher Education*. The survey, which studied the athletic programs of 262 Division I schools across the country, revealed critically low graduation rates among athletes in major sports.

The statistics for college basketball were particularly disturbing, with only 32 percent of its players graduating in five years.

Perhaps this is why it was so comforting to see Duke University crowned the NCAA basketball champion Monday night. By running a squeaky clean program with an undisputed academic record and finishing on top, they proved that the words "student" and "athlete" can co-exist and produce success.

On their way through the Final Four, they defeated two

schools with questionable reputations for adherence to NCAA regulations. Previously unbeaten UNLV was only in the tournament because they were able to convince the NCAA and CBS that they were a hot commodity and their probation was postponed until next season. Kansas, which they beat in the championship game, was fresh off of probation for recruiting infractions on their 1988 championship team.

If either UNLV or Kansas had won the tournament, a very clear message would have been sent to coaches across the

country. That message would have been "so what if you are caught and punished, that is what it takes to win 'The Big One' and keep your job."

Instead, a quite different message has been sent which, hopefully, will be heard and heeded by college coaches in all sports. The message is "an excellent academic record does not have to mean a poor win-loss record."

Since nothing succeeds like success, the more Dukes we see emerge as champions, the more programs we will see with clean noses in the future.

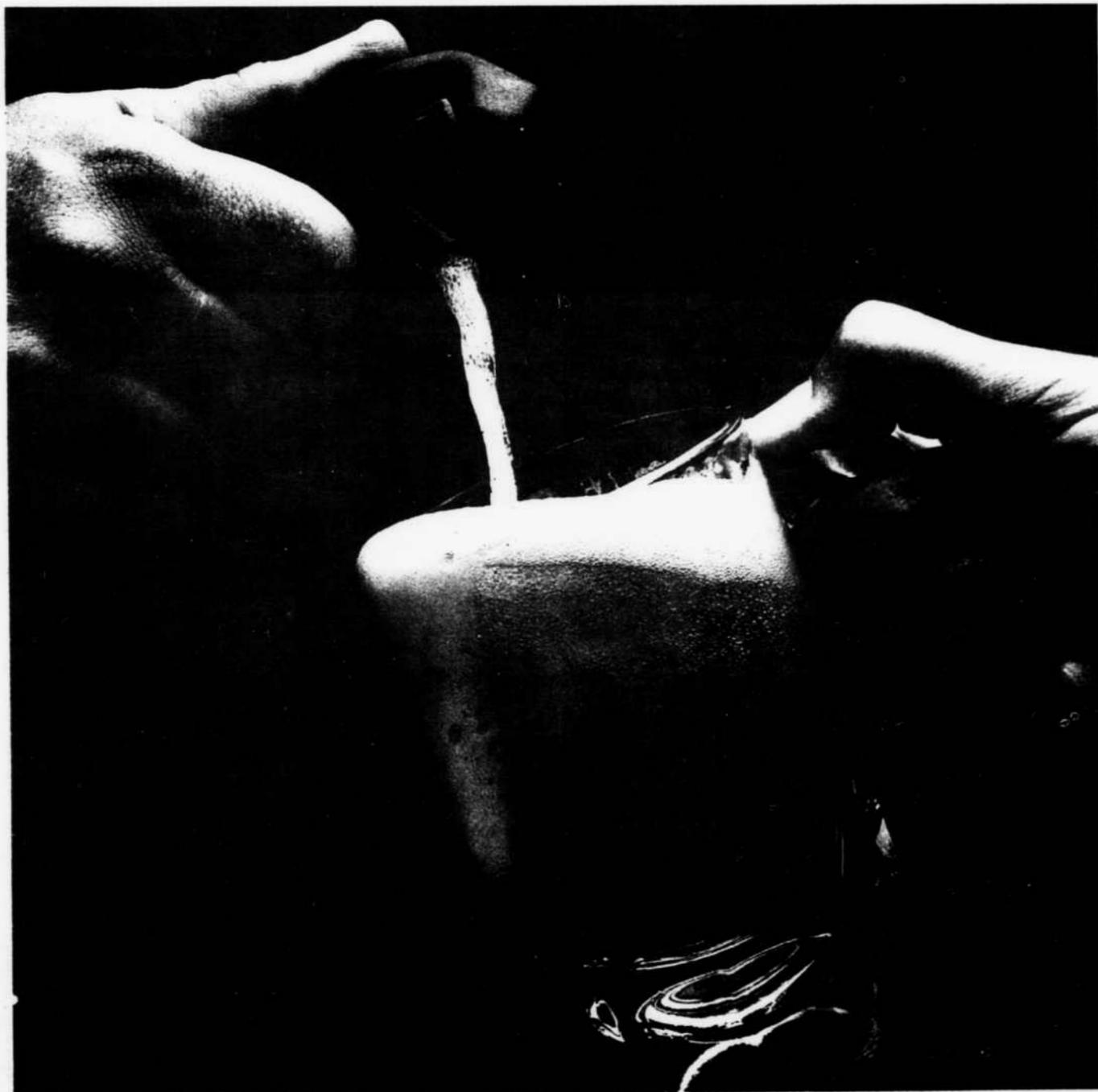
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That's why, when you party, it's good to know what your limits are. You see, a little sobering thought now can save you from a big problem later.

Features

Needs of non-trationals a priority

PAM HADAWAY
Special to Sidelines

Editor's note: This is the second article in a two part series.

If you are a student age 25 or older, you are in good company. Across the nation, adult learners are becoming part of the campus scene in growing numbers.

MTSU is no exception. Twenty-six percent of the students here fit into the age 25 or older category. According to a recent College Board study, 45 percent of students enrolled in four-year colleges nationwide are adult learners.

Because of additional family and work responsibilities, these students have unique problems and needs (which were discussed in a previous article). Administrators at MTSU are seeking ways to address these needs.

According to Dr. Rosemary Ownes, dean of the Continuing Education Program, one of the most urgent needs is for a centralized office where non-traditional students can go for information and guidance.

"We have a proposal on the new president's (Dr. James Walker), desk requesting a center for adult academic services," she relates, "...to be implemented as soon as he sees fit."

Owens indicates, "we've done our homework and the need is there."

Auther Harris, president of the Association for Non-traditional Students (ANTS) and instructor in the Developmental Studies Department, also emphasizes the

importance of getting Dr. Walder's attention.

"We need to be one of the first groups in his face," Harris says emphatically.

As it turns out, Dr. Walker is listening.

"With a little over 25 percent of our students considered non-traditional, it is certainly a significant priority to provide services for them," Dr. Walder commented recently.

According to Dr. Walker, the proposal for a centralized office for non-traditional students is being given serious consideration as well as other concerns such as making sure there are adequate evening classes offered for night

students.

"MTSU has a reputation for being a caring university," Dr. Walker says. "We want to continue (to convey) that caring attitude."

"In order to do that, we want to address the needs of the non-traditional student in the same way the needs of the traditional student are being addressed."

The growing number of non-traditional students merits such consideration. An article in the Aug. 1, 1990, issue of the Chronicle of Higher Education cites figures from the National Center for Educational Statistics. "From 1970 to 1985, enrollment of students 25 and older increased

by 114 percent, while the number of those under 25 grew only 15 percent. From 1985 to 1990, enrollment of students in both groups is expected to increase by 8 percent."

School officials give various reasons for this trend.

*Many adults are discovering that 12 years of school is not enough to prepare them for the marketplace.

*People in established careers come back to retrain for another profession or they need to upgrade skills in their current one.

*The high divorce rate is another contributing factor. Many divorced women come to train for careers that will enable them to

better provide for their children.

*Others are completing degrees begun years ago.

*Some just want to learn more about a particular subject.

Several administrators note that these adult learners are taxpayers and deserve to have their needs addressed since MTSU is a state school and is supported by those taxes. According to Rebecca Rice, director of the Women's Center, adult learners "want their money's worth... They can be tough students—very critical in a positive way. They pay their money and expect to learn, but they also expect to get their books when they have to or pay their fees when they have to. If they drop out it's frequently because those needs aren't met."

Rice is optimistic about the future. "This is a good time for the adult learner. I think many of the requests we have made on behalf of the adult learner in the past 10 years may become a reality.

And progress is being made. Thanks to the efforts of the Women's Center, MTSU has a childcare facility available for the children of non-traditional students. Affordable family housing is available on campus. ANTS is expanding its role and continues to be a valuable resource for non-traditional students. The Developmental Studies department is sensitive to the needs of their non-traditional students and makes counseling available to them in the evenings.

While there are seemingly no solutions to some of the dilemmas these students face—

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Survey participation needed

ANGELA BONDS
Features Editor

Are the present MTSU Bookstore hours meeting your needs?

Do you have any suggestions for making it easier for non-traditional students to enroll at MTSU?

These are just a few questions that make up a survey now being sent to non-traditional students on campus.

Inspired by a recent article in The Parkersburg News, a daily paper in West Virginia, Dianne Bowden, a non-traditional senior at MTSU, decided to research the topic on this campus.

According to national statistics, almost half of the currently enrolled college students fit into

the non-traditional category. This is soon to be true at MTSU.

In order for colleges and universities to adapt to this shift in the student population, Bowden says they are going to have to develop programs to meet the needs of the non-traditional student.

In order for Bowden to receive accurate information from the survey, all non-traditional students need to participate.

Although the response rate from full-time students has been good so far, Bowden is extremely worried about reaching the part-time non-traditional student and any other non-traditional student who may not have a post office box on campus.

Bowden urges anyone who may fit into this category to stop

by either the Women's Center in the James Union Building, Dr. Heritage's office in Peck Hall, the Wesley Foundation, or the Association for Non-Traditional Students Office on campus and pick up a copy of the survey. If someone has any questions about the study, he or she may contact Dr. Heritage at 898-2565.

Participation from all non-traditional students is extremely important because it is hoped that the information will be presented to the Tennessee Board of Regents.

Hopefully, when the data is compiled, there will be enough evidence to convince the board and staff at MTSU of the growing needs of the non-traditional student at MTSU and colleges and universities



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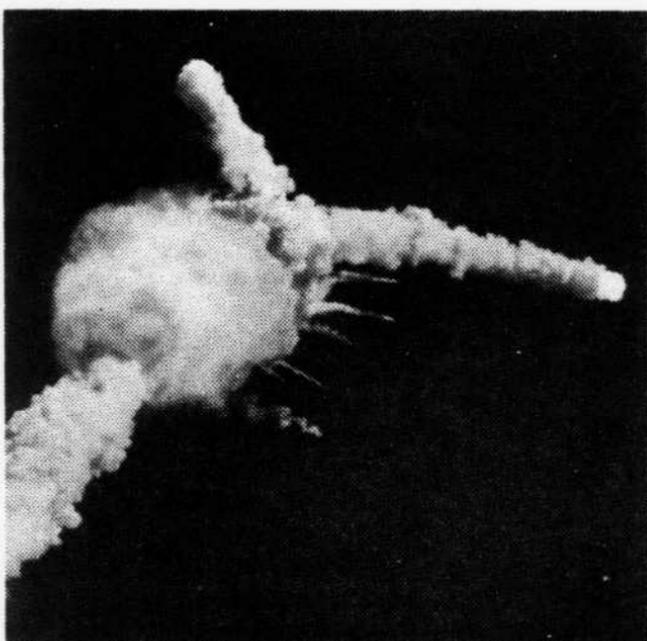
SOON TO BE MAJORITY: Non-traditional students are already making up almost half of the student population across the country. Non-traditionals are also plentiful at MTSU. Phila Chandler (above left), 36, is an accounting major who squeezes studying into her already hectic schedule. Lola Carvalho, (above right), will only comment that she is above 25 years old. Carvalho is majoring in sociology.

Campus Paperback Bestsellers

1. *The Silence of the Lambs*, by Thomas Harris. (St. Martin's Press, \$5.95.) FBI trainee stalks killer with help of evil genius.
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4. *Saddam Hussein and the Crisis in the Gulf*, by Judith Miller and Laurie Myrolo. (Times Books, \$5.95.) Hussein's invasion of Kuwait.
5. *All I Need to Know I Learned From my Cat*, by Suzy Becker. (Workman, \$5.95.) Advice from a discerning cat.
6. *Desert Shield Fact Book*, by the staff of GDW. (Game Designer Workshop, \$10.) Maps and facts pertaining to the war in the Gulf.
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8. *Wiener Dog Art*, by Gary Larson. (Andrews & McMeel, \$7.95.) More Far Side cartoons.
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10. *Weapons of Desert Storm*, by Walter J. Boyne. (Publications Int'l, \$7.95.) Information about conventional and biological warfare.

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Speaker addresses ethics in health care

Religious ethicist Karen Lebacqz, speaker for the annual Henry Harrell lecture, will address ethical issues in health care tonight in the James Union Building.

The presentation, entitled "Humility and Health Care: A Challenge for the 90's," will be presented at 8:00 p.m. in the Tennessee Room.

This lecture is the 16th presentation given in the Henry Harrell Memorial Lecture Series, which is given by Mary Hurt Harrell in memory of her late husband.

Lebacqz has been a professor of Christian Ethics at Pacific School of Religion since 1982. She has been president of the Society of Christian Ethics since 1989 and chaired the board of the Park Ridge Center for the Study of Health, Faith and Ethics since 1988.

The holder of a bachelor's degree from Wellesley College and a master's degree and a doctorate from Harvard, Lebacqz is the author of *Justice in an Unjust World: Foundations for a Christian Approach to Justice*; *Six Theories of Justice: Perspectives from Philosophical and Theological Ethics*; and *Professional Ethics: Power and Paradox*.

This lecture is free and open to the public.

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Fifteen Strings to storm through M'Boro



READY TO ROCK 'N ROLL: Murfreesboro band, Fifteen Strings, will be rocking Mainstreet Saturday night. The members, from left to right, are Roger Osborne (keyboards, backing vocals), Kurt Menck (lead and rhythm guitar), Chris Carmichael (lead vocal, violin), Ken Kennedy (rhythm guitar), and Matt Green (drums). Fifteen Strings is a stand-out Murfreesboro band that is staking its claim to the top of the music industry. The band recently signed a deal with Atlantic Records and they begin producing in May at a studio in New Jersey. The band attributes their success to the talent and past experience of each individual band member.

They have a different look. They have a different sound.

But being different has paid off for the band based out of Murfreesboro. They just recently signed a multi-album deal with Atlantic Records.

ANGELA BONDS Band Preview

Who are they?

Fifteen Strings.

When can you catch them in action?

Saturday night at Mainstreet.

According to their road manager, Don Pitts, the guys from Atlantic have described them as "the next Led Zeppelin," and their original cut "Where is the Girl" as "the next 'Stairway to Heaven.'"

So why has this band been so successful after being together after only a year and a half? Kurt Menck, lead and rhythm guitarist, explains his opinion.

"We are so unique as a band. Individually, everyone had different influences. When these different backgrounds came together, it established a very unique sound," Menck says.

"There are two big reasons we've done so well. The first is because of the experience each member had before joining the band. Another is the fact that the band is different; it sounds different and it looks different," he continues.

They are so different, in fact, that the lead vocalist plays violin with an unorthodox rock and roll style. This unusual performance is enhanced by a duo of hard rock guitarists and driven by a rhythmic section of keyboards and drums.

Menck also commented that, although the band started from scratch, they were able to bypass some of the obstacles other bands face because of their prior experience in the industry.

Fifteen Strings has also been compared to early Kansas, Styx and Zeppelin. The band also writes all of their own music.

Besides having a strong Knoxville following, Fifteen Strings has played all over the Southeast, including Center Stage in Atlanta.

Fifteen Strings will also begin recording their debut album in May with the production team of Charlie Midnight and John Rollo at the House of Music Recording Studio in New Jersey. The team produced the recent Joe Cocker album.

The show scheduled for Saturday night promises to be an unforgettable performance with the best light show ever to hit Mainstreet.

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Should we stay, or go?

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

Should we stay or should we go?

That's the main topic of discussion at meetings hosted by the Task Force on Middle Tennessee State University.

The committee is currently searching options which would benefit the university in terms of ending the school's long-time affiliation with the Ohio Valley Conference.

"Where should we be at the turn of the century?" is the question the committee is searching answers for, according to Chair Race Bergman. "Within ten years, where should we be looking at in terms of this university?"

The committee is looking

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into conference affiliation, current revenue, sports equity positions between men's and women's sports between schools and conferences, future possible revenue sources for the future and facilities.

They are expected to turn in their findings to MTSU President James Walker by June 1, and offer their preliminary

recommendations. Both five-year recommendations and ten-year recommendations are to be reported.

Forums have been scheduled in order for the public and student body to voice their views and have any questions answered by the committee. The next forum will be held this evening at 7 p.m. at the Keathley

University Center in room 324. Another forum will be held next week on Wednesday at 3 p.m. in the KUC theater.

"We are looking for opinions, feelings from the university community, the public community and the students," Bergman said.

Some of the questions and views proposed to the committee

in Tuesday's meeting and their responses are as follows:

View: I like the idea of the potential of the whole thing. It sounds very appealing and very exciting to explore the other avenues.

What's the real need or real issue here? Why haven't we done this in the first place? What is your goal as a committee?

Committee: The main focus is the philosophy of the university as it emerges into the next century both economically and athletically and we are focusing more on the athletics.

We want to know where we're going to be in ten years. We are a major university and if the demographics go through, we're going to have 20,000 students at the turn of the century. See **TASK**, page 10

Tracksters trounce track

DIANNE DEOLIVEIRA
Staff Writer

MTSU's men's and women's track teams traveled to Alabama this weekend to compete in the Auburn Eastern Invitational.

MTSU's men finished fourth out of the eight teams behind Auburn, Minnesota and Ball State. Coach Dean Hayes was pleased with the outcome due to the number of high caliber performers at the meet.

"The men did very well considering we don't have enough bodies," Hayes said. "They were able to score 67 points against larger teams. I can't be disappointed because they still kept a competitive

desire."

Freshman (All-American long jumper) Roland McGhee led the team in the jumps and sprints despite having to put himself into someone else's shoes.

"I didn't have any of the right shoes. I forgot my jump spikes and my sprint shoes. I couldn't jump good because of that," McGhee said.

Although McGhee wasn't too pleased performing without his own shoes, he still managed to take first place in the long jump with a 24' 9 3/4" jump. He also finished second in the triple jump, although he was only allowed one

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MTSU Lady Raiders on road to repeat in OVC

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

In 1990 the Lady Raiders tennis squad was crowned OVC champions.

On Wednesday afternoon, they showed that they want to wear the same title another year.

Austin Peay, who defeated the defending champions earlier in the season, wasn't so

fortunate Wednesday as they ran into a fired up Lady Raider squad.

"They're coach had made some comments that he didn't think his team could be beat," head coach Dale Short said. "We wanted to prove him wrong and the team's feeling pretty good right now."

And they should be after See **OVC**, page 10

Nicholls nipped Blue Raiders still red hot

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

After a sluggish start, the Blue Raiders are suddenly red hot.

This weekend, Middle swept Nicholls State in a three-game series, putting them over the .500 mark with a 14-11 record.

It also marked the eighth consecutive time the Raiders have left the diamond victorious going into a tough two-game series with Eastern Kentucky.

But, unlike recent wins in which the Raiders have dominated their foes, these wins didn't come so easy. In fact, if it hadn't been for the staff's solid pitching, the Raiders could have easily been 11-14.

In Saturday's game, Middle edged Nicholls 3-1 behind

another strong performance by Chris Crabtree as he scattered five hits and mowed down 11.

MTSU scored two of its three runs on errors while managing only two hits off Nicholls' starting pitcher.

Chris Price singled in the bottom of the first and Dwight Robinson scored the second on a miscue.

Jason Maxwell, who reached base on a fielder's choice in the fourth, scored the final run as Cale Lawson lined one through the wickets of the pitcher.

Nicholls scored its only run in the sixth on a suicide squeeze.

In the second game, Greg Raffo added a five-hit shutout to lift Middle to a 2-0 win.

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Kathy Aday/photographer

ON THE WAY UP: The Middle Tennessee State baseball team continued its torrid pace this weekend by taking three contests from Nicholls State. The wins give MTSU a 14-11 record to go along with an eight-game winning streak.

Raiders right on pace

Tennis squad on schedule heading into OVC

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

MTSU's men's tennis was scheduled to play Vanderbilt Saturday morning at the courts beside Murphy Center.

However, due to cold weather, Vandy put Middle in a no-win situation.

The Commodores' ultimatum was play at their place Saturday evening, or don't play at all.

Middle opted to play the match but the homecourt may have been too much as they fell to the Commodores 6-3.

"It was a little bit disappointing. A couple a months ago, I think we may have had the better team but Saturday, they were better," head coach Dale

Short said. "I think they had an advantage playing at their place.

"I'm not the one who looks for excuses, but it could have made a difference."

MTSU freshman Paul Gobel played extremely well in his match against Mark Aga.

Aga, who is ranked in the Top 50 in the country fell to the Blue Raider, 6-2, 4-6, 6-1.

"Paul is playing extremely well," Short praised. "He's a freshman and he's handling the so-called 'freshmanitis'.

"He's got a shot at becoming nationally ranked and we've never had a player do that before."

Rick Stoller won his No. 5 singles match 6-4, 6-7, 7-6 while the duo of Nick Sheumack and

David Thornton won their doubles match.

Nevertheless, the loss didn't seem to dampen the team's spirits as they bounced back Sunday afternoon by downing Southern Illinois 6-0 and Memphis State 6-3.

This weekend, the Raiders will get in the OVC race as they meet Eastern Kentucky Friday afternoon at 2 p.m. on the Murphy Center courts.

Sunday they'll face both Morehead State and East Tennessee State beginning at 8 a.m.

"It should be a good match this weekend," Short said. "I feel pretty good overall that we're going to be alright."

potential.

View: In terms of switching conferences, what is the central issue and what would you want to accomplish by doing that?

Committee: The central issue is to find a conference that is in line with our philosophy.

This would include major sports in football, baseball, both men's and women's basketball and it would also mean coming

under NCAA guidelines for Division I.

View: We're a large school and we're continuing to grow. We only have one vote in the OVC so we're outnumbered. Are we going down with them?

Look who they let in the conference. They didn't try to get any strong teams.

Committee: One of the two teams coming in, SEMO, is going

to be as good as any conference member. They have a top-notch program.

They are a growing school and they're going somewhere, but our main concern is the smaller schools in the OVC.

We just can't jump to another conference next year; it's a long-range thing and it's going to take time.

Look at Western Kentucky, for example. They left the OVC a few years ago for bigger and better things and look at the problems they're having now.

View: If we got into the Southern Conference and Eastern Kentucky, as we've heard they would, follows, we would be a member of the nation's premier I-AA conference with MTSU, Eastern, Furman, The Citadel and Georgia Southern.

But I don't know where they stand basketball wise.

Committee: Before we go into the big super conference, we'll find out these things. We've got to find out all these answers before we can make a move.

They're ranked lower than us in the power rankings. But we can guarantee you that this will be a long, hard complete study.

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downing the Lady Governors 6-3. The win not only counts in the books but puts Middle in the drivers seat of the OVC race.

"It puts us in the driver's seat at this moment and I'm really pleased," Short said. "We've got to be the favorite now."

Although winning only one doubles match, that being the duo of Carol McPherson and Katrina Beuchler, MTSU handled singles action rather easily.

Each Angie Leake, Jenny Oliveira, McPherson, Beuchler and Yael Soresman were victorious. But, it was perhaps Soresman's victory which shined the brightest.

Playing Susan Sheather in No. 2 singles action, Soresman found a way to dethrone the Lady Gov who suffered her first loss of the season 6-3, 7-5.

"It was a good win for Yael," Short admitted. "I was extra pleased seeing her back."

Soresman has been playing with a stress fracture in her foot for the past few weeks.

The Lady Raiders will continue their drive to repeat Thursday in Sewanee, Tn. against the University of the South.

Saturday they will be at home facing Eastern Kentucky and Morehead while Sunday they will be hosting East Tennessee State.

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jump. "I missed the first two jumps because I was running the 100 and 200, and the officials wouldn't wait for me," McGhee said.

The Auburn Tiger winning the triple jump was the same competitor beaten by McGhee had beaten in the long jump, in which he was able to complete all three of his final jumps.

McGhee also placed fifth in the 100 meters with 10.76 and fifth in the 200 meters with 21.79, behind teammate Carlos Gupton who ran 21.77.

In the 110-meter hurdles, football standout Vince Parks placed second in 14.98 while Tom Hampton finished sixth in .78. Parks also placed fourth in the long jump with a 22' 4 1/4" jump. Hampton ran the 400-meter hurdles and placed second in 55.8 seconds.

In the open 400 meters, Chris Layne and Gupton placed third (48.74) and fourth (48.86) respectively behind two Auburn tracksters.

Parks, McGhee, Gupton and "Irongird" Walter (Shadow) Dunson teamed up for the 4 x 100 relay and finished second behind Auburn in 41.49.

Also in the shot put, football member Onesimus Leslie placed seventh with a 43-foot, 7-inch throw.

MTSU's women's team finished third with 61 points in the overall competition behind Auburn (125) and Ball State (64).

Michelle Welch led the Lady Raiders with solid performances in the jumps and sprints. She won the long jump in 19 feet, 7 inches, and also won the triple jump with a 38' 8 1/4" jump. Jacquie Brown placed second in the long jump with a 19' 4 3/4" jump and third in the triple jump with a 37'-4" jump. Koko Rowely also grabbed seventh in the long jump with a 15'-2" jump.

In other field events, Veronica Tipton won the high jump with a 15'-7 3/4" jump, and Tracey Edens placed fourth in the discus with a 117' 7" throw and fifth in the shot put with a 35' 8

Welch placed fourth in 25.0 while Wells and Matthews took fifth (25.3) and seventh (25.7).

Latonia Jackson, Marsha Cleveland and Nadrian McGill placed second (14.53), third (14.77), and fourth (14.85) in the 100-meter hurdles. McGill also finished fourth in the 400-meter hurdles with her best time of 64.69. Matthews and Linda Brewer placed fourth (58.04) and sixth (59.6) in the open 400 meters.

The 4 x 100 relay of Jackson, Wells, Cody, and Welch broke the school record with 46.79 to come in second behind the Auburn Lady Tigers.

In the distances, Leigh Weathers placed second in the 800 meters and broke the school record with a time of 2:16.25. In the 1500, Dianne DeOliveira, Karen Barnes and Sharon Smith finished fourth, sixth and eighth. Barnes and Smith also placed fifth and eighth in the 3000 meters.

Hayes said he feels the women are off to a good start by achieving personal best times and breaking school records.

"The women performed well. Ball State had a lot of throwers where as Auburn or us didn't, and they were able to score points. Auburn is also a deeper team than we are. The jumpers were strong; we had some personal records and school records broken," concluded Hayes.

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Robinson once again provided the firepower with an RBI-single in the bottom of the first and a solo homer in the sixth.

Sunday, Nicholls plated five runs but unfortunately for them, Middle tallied seven.

Trailing 2-1 in the fifth inning, Middle rallied for five runs to take the win.

Ohio Valley Baseball Standings

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Morehead ST	2	4	.333	3.5	11	13	0	.458
Tenn. Tech	0	2	.000	3.5	9	16	2	.385
Austin Peay	0	5	.000	5	5	19	1	.224

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