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## Campus Briefs

**MTSU wins best in nation**  
MTSU students and graduates in the electronic media communications department won top honors at the recent National Association for Telecommunications Officers and Advisors convention in Miami.

In the "Overall Excellence in Government Programming" category, Murfreesboro won best in the nation, thanks to the skills of graduates Alan Bozeman and Steve Burris.

Former graduate student Darryl Anderson won third place for overall excellence in cities with populations of 400,000 or more.

### Students hold auditions

MTSU students Bob Roberts and Cory Thomas are holding auditions for their own student-written and student-directed full-length play Jan. 23 and 24 at 7 p.m.

Auditions are open to any student and no prepared material is required. Students are asked to wear comfortable clothes and be prepared to move.

As a part of their senior project, students write and direct plays at the Center for the Arts. The play by Roberts and Thomas, *Badgers and Cheese* (or *The Chaos Theory in Detroit*), is a satirical farce about the Chaos Theory and how it applies to life.

For more information, contact Roberts at 494-4623 or Thomas at 867-9740.

### Artists to hold ceremony

MTSU will hold its Juried Student Art Show award ceremony today in the Art Barn Gallery from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. following a presentation by Nashville-based artist Adrienne Outlaw.

Outlaw, a feminist artist and awards juror, will present a free slide show and lecture featuring her artwork beginning at 3:30 p.m. in the Cason-Kennedy Nursing Building.

The students artwork will be displayed in the Art Barn Gallery through Friday.

For more information, contact the art department at 898-2455.

### Internship helps students

MTSU's Career Placement Center and the state of Tennessee are helping students find the right internship with real-world work experience and a paycheck.

Careers Now is an internship program offered by the secretary of state, state treasurer, and controller of the treasury that allows students to gain educational experience while earning \$9 an hour.

The program is designed for many different majors including accounting, computer science, computer information systems, economics, finance, library science, business administration, English, history, journalism, law, marketing, political science and more.

All juniors or seniors with a 3.0 GPA or better are eligible to apply for the internship. It is offered during the fall, spring and summer semesters in downtown Nashville. For more information, go to [www.treasury.state.tn.us/now](http://www.treasury.state.tn.us/now).

## Parking Services steps up patrol

By Nick Fowler  
Staff Writer

After being confronted with concerns by members of the campus community, Parking and Transportation Services has increased regular patrolling hours.

Connie Hagberg, manager for Parking Services, emphasized that parking regulations are in effect 24 hours a day,

seven days a week.

Hagberg said Parking Services decided to increase patrolling after normal hours, when they were approached by individuals concerned that their reserved spaces were being occupied by cars without the proper permit.

Complaints came from residents of Womack Lane, Scarlett Commons, Greek Row and others. These residents have park-

ing passes which give them exclusive parking rights in certain lots, allowing parking in a few green lots.

Hagberg added that they have not created new rules and regulations, but that they are enforcing the old.

Approximately 10,280 parking spaces are now available. At peak hours between 9 and 11 a.m., more than 500 spaces remain empty, Hagberg said.

The parking lot at the corner of Tennessee Boulevard and Greenland Drive is now open, adding more than 200 additional spaces.

During fall 2002, two more lots will be available, which will add almost 300 spaces. The church lot on Main Street will open up, adding 84 spaces.

Following MTSU's acquisition of the former Belle Aire Baptist Church lot this fall, 200

more spaces will be available.

Reserved parking areas include spaces for persons with disabilities, Scarlett Commons, Womack Lane, Health Services and spaces reserved for library, housing and maintenance staff.

Though Parking Services does not release the number of tickets they give each semester, the Court of Traffic Appeals hears about 2,000 appeals every semester. ♦

## Facing off against oil drilling



Photo by Amy Jones | Chief Photographer

Jeff Barrie and people across Tennessee send an environmental message to Senators Frist and Thompson.

## SEA brings display to MTSU

By Lindsey Turner  
Managing Editor

More than 2,000 faces visited campus yesterday to persuade U.S. Senators Bill Frist and Fred Thompson to vote next month against drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

The faces were part of a large photo petition titled "Tennessee Faces for the Arctic Refuge," coordinated by Jeff Barrie, a native of Nashville. Barrie, in conjunction with 20 other environmental and activist organizations and dozens of volunteers around the state, is traveling to 30 locations in Tennessee within 30 days to collect photos of people opposed to drilling for oil in Alaska.

The petition began its 30-day trek across the state Dec. 26, in East Tennessee. Since that time, the coordinators have visited malls, college campuses, county fairs and other places and have collected more than 2,000 "signatures."

"Anywhere we can find people, we try to set up and talk to folks," Barrie said.

"Large numbers of people are very concerned about this issue."

The Alaskan oil-drilling controversy surfaced in 2000 and became an important concern for the Bush administration, which endorses drilling.

Congress will vote in February on legislation regarding the issue.

Barrie said Congress has yet to begin considering alternatives to drilling in the wildlife refuge to supply enough oil for a fuel-hungry society. Among other things, he said, increasing fuel efficiency standards in automobiles would help tremendously.

The petition already has caught the attention of U.S. Senators Frist (R-Tenn.) and Thompson (R-Tenn.), Barrie said.

"It's opened their eyes and their ears," Barrie said. He said he hopes the petition can be mounted at Ijams Nature Center in Knoxville after its statewide journey concludes.

"Tennessee Faces" was brought to campus by MTSU Students for Environmental Action. ♦



Photo by Amy Jones | Chief Photographer

A passerby studies the faces on the "Tennessee Faces for the Arctic Refuge" display.

## Opinions differ on drilling

By Lindsey Turner  
Managing Editor

Opening up the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil drilling was a controversial idea from the moment it reached the public arena.

Drilling proponents argue that:

- Only 8 percent of ANWR would be considered for exploration
- Many jobs would be created

Advanced technology will greatly reduce the "footprint" of arctic oil development

More than 75 percent of Alaskans, including the Inupiat Eskimos, favor exploration and production in ANWR

The oil underneath the Alaskan tundra represents decades worth of imports from Saudi Arabia

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## Womack talks education at lecture

By Amanda Thompson  
Contributor

Gubernatorial candidate Andy Womack delivered good news, bad news and his hopes for Tennessee higher education at an honors lecture on campus Monday afternoon.

A former state senator from

Murfreesboro now running against three other candidates for the Democratic nomination for governor, Womack provided insight on Tennessee's financial and educational standing compared to other states.

"We are increasing the percentage of high school graduates in Tennessee," the MTSU

graduate and former Senate Education Committee chair said. "And that is a good thing."

But not all of his observations were optimistic.

Tennessee ranks near the bottom of the nation in generating top ACT and SAT scores. Also, students who make exceptional scores often choose an

out-of-state university, at least partly because Pell Grant money and Tennessee Student Assistance Corporation scholarships are awarded based on need rather than performance.

According to the latest Southern Region Education

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Among the casualties of the war in Afghanistan is the free flow of information in the United States, according to one of the nation's leading newspaper editors.

William Marimow, editor of the *Baltimore Sun* and a two-time Pulitzer Prize winner, addressed the effects of the Sept. 11 attack and the U.S. response in a Seigenthaler lecture Monday for the College of Mass Communication's Chair of Excellence in First Amendment Studies.

"It is easy to forget that elected officials are merely the stewards of our government," Marimow said. "The tax dollars that pay their salaries, the reports they issue - it all belongs to us, the citizens. And without public information, a democracy will become crippled."

Since Sept. 11, however, this "lifeblood of democracy" has been threatened, Marimow said. He cited a number of incidents affecting the press and its ability to deliver news to the public:

- The president's and vice president's schedules have been kept from the media in the name of security, but possibly to avoid publicity about their political fund-raising activities, Marimow suggested.

- Despite his reputation as the most powerful vice president in modern times, Dick Cheney has yet to hold a news conference with Washington reporters - the first vice president not to do so in the past 20 years.

- President Bush signed an executive order overriding a Watergate directive to release an administration's papers 12 years after it leaves office, thereby shielding his father's administration from scrutiny, along with the many officials in it who now work for the second Bush presidency.

- The possibility of military tribunals would keep prosecutions of great public interest in strict secrecy.

- Attorney General John Ashcroft revised the federal Freedom of Information Act policy, effectively telling bureaucrats to withhold public information.

- War correspondents in Afghanistan were quarantined by the U.S. military to prevent them from seeing the victims of friendly fire.

- Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson has barred

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# American Taliban fighter to go to civilian court

By Karen Gullo  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — John Walker Lindh, the 20-year-old Californian who fought with the Taliban in Afghanistan, was charged yesterday with conspiracy to kill U.S. citizens. He will be tried in a civilian court and could face life in prison.

After weeks of deliberations, the Bush administration opted against a military trial or charges that would carry the death penalty.

Lindh, who converted to Islam at 16 and is alleged to have trained at an al-Qaida camp in Afghanistan, was charged in a criminal complaint

filed in U.S. District Court in Alexandria, Va. He will be transferred from a U.S. military ship for trial in the United States.

Attorney General John Ashcroft said Lindh admitted in interviews with the FBI that he met Osama bin Laden and knew bin Laden had ordered the Sept. 11 attacks on the United States.

"He chose to embrace fanaticism, and his allegiance to those terrorists never faltered," Ashcroft said. "Terrorists did not compel John Walker Lindh to join them. John Walker Lindh chose terrorists."

Lindh learned in early June that bin Laden had sent people to the United States to carry out suicide operations, according to

an FBI affidavit. The document described an odyssey that began with Walker's conversion to Islam in 1997, later training in Pakistan and Afghanistan and a decision last year to join the Taliban.

Friends have described Lindh as an intelligent young man who wore full-length robes to high school and went by the name "Suleyman" after his conversion to Islam. After his capture in December, his parents, Marilyn Walker and Frank Lindh, asked the public to withhold judgment about their son.

James Brosnahan, a lawyer for the separated couple, could not be reached yesterday. A spokeswoman at his law office

said he was "issuing no statements at this time."

"We may never know why he turned his back on our country and our values, but we cannot ignore that he did," said Ashcroft. "Youth is not absolution for treachery, and personal self-discovery is not an excuse to take up arms against your country."

While Lindh was charged with conspiring to kill Americans, it's not clear from the FBI affidavit whether he actually engaged in combat against American forces. He was deployed to the front lines to fight against opposition Northern Alliance forces, but after Sept. 11, his position was

bombarded by U.S. airstrikes and he retreated, surrendered and was taken into custody, the affidavit said.

Ashcroft said Lindh "had knowledge of the American forces in the theater ... and knew that participants in the conflict were not limited to ... members of the Northern Alliance."

Lindh also is being charged with providing support to terrorist organizations and engaging in prohibited transactions with the Taliban, Ashcroft said.

The Bush administration had considered whether to charge Lindh in a civilian or military court and whether to charge him with treason, which carries the death penalty.

Ashcroft suggested that proving would be difficult, but he left open the possibility that other charges could be filed as evidence is developed.

White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said President Bush "is supportive of the process put in place. He is confident that the process will end in justice."

The charges were recommended to Bush by the National Security Council, which mediated advice from the Justice Department, the Pentagon and the State Department.

Lindh was interviewed by the FBI on Dec. 9 and 10 and waived his rights to a lawyer, the affidavit said. ♦

## CRIME LOG

Compiled By Scott Laming — Staff Writer

The following is a partial list of incidents reported to by MTSU Public Safety between Dec. 31 and Jan. 14. This log was compiled from actual police reports.

### Monday, Dec. 31, 12:44 a.m.

Six people were arrested at Family Housing Apartments and charged with aggravated assault. David Henson of Murfreesboro, Jonathan Hicks of Antioch, Tenn., Matthew Miller of Rockvale, Tenn., Shaun Mahon of Columbia, Tenn., Anthony Cuomo of Murfreesboro and Stacy Henson of Columbia, Tenn., were allegedly involved in a dispute that resulted in a fight.

### Wednesday, Jan. 2, 12:53 a.m.

Lincoln Tramel and Dustin Dodson, both

from Murfreesboro, were taken into custody after allegedly breaking into Gore Hall. MTSU responded to the call and charged them with aggravated burglary and aggravated criminal trespass.

### Monday, Jan. 14, 12:22 a.m.

Nicholas Toporzki of Brentwood, Tenn., was arrested by MTSU Police after he was found stumbling across campus. He was charged with public intoxication, underage consumption and possession of an altered license.

To report an emergency or crime, dial 2424 from any campus phone or call 898-2424 from off campus. To contact MTSU Crime Stoppers, call 893-7867. ♦

## Drilling: Opinions differ on Arctic drilling

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Opponents argue that:

- All the recoverable oil in the reserve is approximately what the United States consumes in six to nine months, according to a report from the U.S. Geologic Survey.

- It would take 10 years before any refuge oil would reach the market, a time span in which efficiency standards could be increased and alternatives could be developed.

- Once drilling begins, the percentage of land being developed easily could be expanded by a Congressional amendment.

- Refuge drilling would deprive the Gwich'in First Nation of their food source — the porcupine

caribou.

- The industrial sprawl begun by drilling would threaten the coastal plane wildlife.

After Sept. 11, the debate shifted from environmental concerns to those of national security.

Supporters of drilling contend that U.S. oil supplies from the Middle East are at risk and the Alaska wilderness may hold enough crude to compensate for the amount of oil imported from Iraq at current rates for several decades.

Drilling opponents argue that the Bush administration and other drilling advocates are exploiting the terrorist attacks for a partisan issue, and that relying on a six-month supply of oil to dissolve dependence on Mideast oil is faulty policy. ♦

## Marimow: Restrictions spur journalists

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agencies within his department, including the Food and Drug Administration, the Centers for Disease Control and the National Institute for Health, from speaking with the press, ordering that all comments be handled by his central HHS public information office.

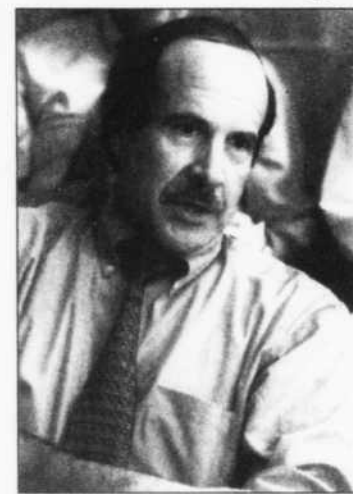
"These matters amount to a major assault of the freedom of information, the freedom of press and the rights of the public when it comes to knowing about our government," Marimow said.

Marimow vividly illustrated through two quotations by former President Thomas Jefferson the complex relationship between the press and politicians that has existed since the dawn of the nation.

Before he took office, the third president noted that if he had to choose between having a government and having newspapers, he'd prefer newspapers.

But after serving as president, Marimow noted, "Jefferson said, 'The man who never looks into a newspaper is better informed than he who reads them.'"

Marimow said historians and First Amendment advocates of the future would look



Marimow

credibility, he would tend to not publish sensitive information when the government asked him not to. But he ended with a clear suggestion that the Bush administration's policy of restricting public information only encourages journalists to dig deeper.

A former newspaper colleague of MTSU journalism professor Wendell Rawls, Marimow has been editor of the *Baltimore Sun* for nearly two years, also serving as managing editor and metro editor since joining in the paper in 1993.

Before working at the *Sun*, Marimow worked at the *Philadelphia Inquirer* and studied as a Nieman Fellow at Harvard University.

As a reporter, Marimow received the Pulitzer for investigative reporting in 1985 and for public service in 1978.

The John Seigenthaler Chair of Excellence in First Amendment Studies at MTSU was founded in 1986 to honor the lifelong commitment of the Nashville *Tennessean* editor emeritus to free expression.

The next Seigenthaler lecture will be a journalist panel on ethnic, religious and racial profiling. It will be held Feb. 18. ♦

## Womack: Wants lottery for school funds

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Board Fact Book on Higher Education, 95 percent of Tennessee scholarships and grants went to undergraduates based on financial need.

A financial solution to the need-vs.-merit problem is for Tennessee to have a lottery, with the proceeds going to college scholarships and K-12 education — an idea that Womack supports.

Womack noted the controversy surrounding a Tennessee lottery, especially the argument that poorer families, who tend to buy more lottery tickets, would be sending children of middle and upper class families to college.

"We are a 'gain state' with college students because tuition is low to the students from out

of state," Womack said. As a result, MTSU and other state schools can gain out-of-state tuition to help out with financial needs of schools in Tennessee.

Tennessee could be on the rise as far as education goes, Womack said.

The more money Tennessee receives, the better the education program will become. With more money, teachers and professors would be paid more, old equipment could be replaced and more students could receive scholarships based on performance.

Womack was adamant about helping make Tennessee a state with better higher education programs to ensure the state's high school graduates will attend Tennessee universities. He also wants to see Tennessee

become a state where students from other parts of the country will want to attend college, not because of low tuition but because it offers the best learning facilities.

Womack served in the state Senate for 12 years, stepping down in 2000. He runs a State Farm insurance agency in Murfreesboro. A graduate of MTSU, he also served as president of the MTSU Foundation in 1996-97.

Womack's opponents in the Aug. 1 Democratic primary include Knox County District Attorney Randy Nichols, former Tennessee Commissioner of Higher Education Jim Henry and former Nashville Mayor Phil Bredesen, who ran for governor against Gov. Don Sundquist in 1994. ♦

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Editorial

## To the Feds: Get on with it already

The Justice Department detained almost 1,200 people, mostly of Middle Eastern descent, after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks for supposed terrorist connections. Now, four months later, almost half still remain in federal custody.

This is due to expanded powers of the Justice Department that gives it the authority to indefinitely detain non-citizens suspected of terrorism.

Their names, the charges they face and where they are being held have not been released, and most have not been able to contact their families or their foreign governments.

They're lucky if they have found a lawyer. Detainees held on immigration charges aren't entitled to federal public defenders. Some lawyers have said they're lucky if they can find where their clients are being held.

Attorney General John Ashcroft says this secrecy is necessary and releasing the names could somehow aid Osama bin Laden.

How? Most of the detainees are being held for immigration violations, mostly expired visas. Only one has actually been charged with involvement in the attacks. How is informing these immigrants' families and countries that they have been detained going to help bin Laden?

The painstaking pace of the investigations is disturbing.

The most severe penalty for the immigration violations facing the detainees is deportation, and some have agreed to leave the United States. But federal immigration officials said they cannot be released until the FBI completes its investigation into the lead that brought the person to the attention of authorities.

It's been four months. They need to get their act together. There is no reason to keep these people from their families, their homes and, most importantly, their freedom if they are innocent.

The Justice Department should consider these investigations a priority; they obviously considered the arrests one. There is no need for this suspension of civil liberties due to an expired visa.

Although not to the same extent, this reeks of World War II times when 110,000 Japanese people - 75,000 of whom were American citizens - were relocated from the West Coast to internment camps.

America is beginning to act like those oppressive governments it has always fought against. The very things that make this country so great are being thrown away in this quest for terrorists. By the time they catch any, we're not going to have any freedoms left for the terrorists to jeopardize. ♦

## Students speak out about detainees

By Patrick Chinnery  
Opinions Editor

One of the most important issues our country will face in the coming months is what to do with the captured Taliban and al-Qaida fighters who currently reside at the Guantanamo Naval Base in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

I set out this morning to ask MTSU students what they thought should be done with the fighters the Bush administration is referring to as detainees, not prisoners of war, once American intelligence officials are finished interrogating them.

I asked each respondent three questions: 1) What should be done with the detainees, 2) Where should a trial take place and 3) What should punishment be, if convicted?

Here is what was said.

Holli Poag, post-baccalaureate undergraduate - "I think they should definitely be tried, if they've committed crimes of war. I think they should be tried in the U.S.; we're the ones they committed the crimes against. If they're convicted, I say give them life in prison. ...

"There's a hierarchy in prison, and the people (who) were more

responsible than others will get their just result, worse than the death penalty.

"The foot soldiers, the ones that were just doing what their bosses were telling them, they're not really going to have any information that we want. If we send them back to Afghanistan, then they're going to get their just results there, too.

"Either way, it's all going to come out in the wash, because they're going to be with people they deserve to be with. ... Pedophiles are kept separate (in our prisons) because if they're not, the general prison population will kill them. I say put these people in with the general population and let them defend themselves."

Anna Weir, junior, social work major - "I think, first of all, that it's obscene the way they're being kept like little animals. I'm anti-death penalty, so I don't think anyone should be executed. I don't know what the actual international laws are, so I don't know if it's even an option for us to do that (execution). I think [punishment] should be like the way we treat any other criminal. If they've done something wrong, they should do time. I think [punishment] should be anything but execution. ...

"I don't think they should be tried in the States. If we're going to go around and get all kinds of countries involved in helping us capture these people, then I think they should also have a say in how they're going to be tried. I don't think it's fair to say, 'We want your involvement in getting them, but we don't want your help in punishing them.' ...

"I'm basically in favor of the most humane punishment as possible and the fairest. I don't care what people do, people are people and should be treated fairly. So I don't care what they did or what they were involved with, they should have a fair trial."

Scott Rae, junior, computer engineer and technology - "I think they should leave them there, keep them as prisoners. I don't know [for how long] - a long time. So many people, if they kill someone, they get a pretty long sentence. I think they should probably have a trial, but it's going to be really hard to have a trial for that many people. Any trial should be held in U.S. court."

Edward Smith, freshman, psychology - "We should try them in U.S. court. I kind of think we should take a vote on it. Let

Congress take a vote on it, maybe let the U.N. take a vote on it, as to where the trial should take place. I think they should be given a fair chance; they're innocent until proven guilty. [The detainees] should be treated fairly; hostilities from September 11 shouldn't affect their trial. Punishment should be possibility of life imprisonment, maybe even capital punishment. Personally, I'm not one that believes in capital punishment, so I don't think they should go beyond life imprisonment without the possibility of parole."

Courtney Gundry, freshman, theater and journalism - "Trials should not be done individually, so group and try them by rank. Taliban and al-Qaida fighters should be tried separately. I think the U.S. should try them here in the U.S. because the crimes were committed here. Also, I think because of the magnitude of the crime, a normal court wouldn't do it justice."

Jason Moore, senior, history - "It seems as though simply living in Afghanistan and being a victim of American foreign policy is punishment enough. No one deserves to die for or because of their country." ♦

## Appreciating beautiful women comes naturally - so back off

By Aaron Lambert  
Mustang Daily

(U-WIRE) - I hate to classify a group of people. But what the hell - I'm going to do it anyway, so here goes.

No matter what length a guy may go to to convince a girl that he doesn't think of Britney Spears, Jennifer Love Hewitt or any of Destiny's Children for that matter, as being the epitome of what he wants in a girl, he is flat out lying.

These girls and the hundreds like them have come to epitomize the trophy girlfriend, who is not only drop-dead gorgeous, but is not exactly shy when it comes to showing it off. I personally believe that Britney would surely break into "I'm a slave for you" at the drop of a hat if I just had the opportunity to ask. And at that moment every guy with a clear line of sight would glare at me with envy and hatred as she performs like she belongs at the Spearmint Rhino. Then, following the slap of their jaws hitting the concrete would be the slap they receive from their girlfriends and the immediate, "I'm sorry, baby, I love you," response they give back in their defense.

They're not lying when they give that response to their girlfriends. And as they spend the next few hours and half their paycheck trying to get out of the doghouse, they actually regret having looked. Until, of course, that extremely artful interpretation of beautiful heavenly angels appearing in the form of a Victoria's Secret commercial comes on and they have to watch it while trying to seem like they aren't.

Guys should not have to live in fear of their girlfriends because of incidents such as these. They're human. I don't care if you're just dating, getting serious or married, it's part of human nature - guys are going to look, and it's no secret that girls will, too.

For example, no one can deny that last November was quite possibly the best month of television ever. With the live broadcast of Britney on HBO and the subsequent showing of the Victoria's Secret fashion show, the nation witnessed some of the greatest and most meaningful film making seen since *Porky's*, or any 1980s films with gratuitous nudity and pointless sex.

Which brings up another point. How can you blame guys who grew up sneaking glances of the opening scene of *Lethal Weapon*, or who, ever so slyly, mimicked Remo Williams as they snuck over to their

friend's house to watch *Basic Instinct* when they were in junior high. In a sense, growing up watching '80s movies has ingrained a little bit more of a desire to see sexiness than those of other eras, perhaps.

Yeah, we were young and going through puberty back then, and now we're older and more mature, right? That was until *Austin Powers* came out and the likes of Felicity Shagwell (thank God for Heather Graham) was put onto the big screen.

Yet this does show improvement within the realm of guys' thinking. No longer do we go to movies for the strict purpose of seeing frivolous boob shots; we go to see deep character and plot development, of which *The Spy Who Shagged Me* definitely had both. In fact, the audience saw more nudity from Mike Myers than Heather Graham.

The mere images of these girls, and hundreds more who have been immortalized on wall posters, glossy pages of magazines or TV commercials all over the country, have been manufactured to do just that: catch our eyes and capture the imagination.

And believe you me, they have been doing a slam bang job of it lately. (Thanks go out to Victoria's Secret, Candies shoes, Jessica Simpson and Pepsi.)

All guys wonder about Tyra Banks, what she's like as a person and how her mind works. But in no way does that mean they would drop their current girlfriend for the chance of a conversation over a café latté - oh hell, who am I kidding, a beer - with this talented actress and author.

To be completely honest, guys are intrigued by these images of scantily clad women because they have eyes and the gift of vision, but most of the time that is as far as it goes.

They only exist on film, not in reality, and therefore no guy in his right mind is going to hold out for one of these vixens. In fact, most guys are so blind to the truth that they convince themselves, or at least their girlfriend, that they don't even want one.

They spend nearly every waking hour trying to convince their girlfriends, and then when they finally do, that blasted "American Woman" video comes on and it's all downhill from there.

All I'm saying is that Heather Graham and her self-boob touch conflicts them once again. ♦

## Take time before it's too late

By J. Serena Matthews  
Guest Columnist

So you're too busy to go home this weekend, right? That's OK though, because you can go home next weekend, or the next weekend, or maybe you can squeeze in some time to visit your family on spring break. Maybe you will, or maybe you won't. Besides, you can always e-mail them or send a letter. Does anyone actually write letters by "snail mail" anymore?

I'm a senior at this university. I realize that time for family is sometimes very hard to find, especially if you're a full-time student and happen to live three hours from your family like I do, or even farther than that. Regardless, I would like to share my story with you.

My grandmother has always been more of a second mother to me than a grandmother. For 19 years I saw her nearly every day, and then I moved away to attend college. I've been in college for six years now. This is what happens when you change your major three times and transfer to a new school. My grandmother would ask me "When are you going to graduate?" every time I would come home. "Just a little while longer," I would say. "A couple more semesters."

Likewise, every time I went home to visit, there she was waiting for me, waiting to give me a hug and hear about the latest news in my busy life, just as my parents and grandfather were waiting. I took it for granted that she would be there to see me finally graduate. The last time I ate one of her delicious homemade apple pies, I didn't know that it would be the last one of her homemade apple pies that I would ever taste.

My grandmother passed away last March because of liver disease. She wasn't old. She barely had gray hair. I thought she was healthy, and then I found out that I only had a very short time left with her before she would leave us. It isn't fair, but like my mother always says, life isn't always fair.

I would give my entire world away for one more minute with Grandma. Just one more hug, you know? I've spent the past 10 months missing her and being angry with the entire world in general simply because she is no longer here with the rest of us.

I know that I will spend the rest of my life missing her as well, but what I just realized is that I still have time to spend with the rest of my family. I don't know how much time that really is, but for right now, I do have a few weekends coming up that I am going to try to spend very wisely.

I'm writing this column to all of you out there who find yourself telling your family that you're just too busy to make it home this weekend, but you'll be there soon. Sometimes soon never comes. Just remember that. ♦

### From the Opinions Editor

## Don't waste my time



streets of New York or ravaged by prison inmates.

No conservative was willing to go on record concerning their sentiments, however.

Pathetic, I say. What's the point of having an opinion if you're not willing to sign your name to it?

Furthermore, all these silent students are also committing the greater sin of making a comment and refusing to acknowledge it as theirs.

Why even open your mouths? I hate it when my time is wasted, especially when it's wasted by a cowardly schmo who doesn't have the cajones to stand by their words.

Jason Moore wasn't the only person to voice his opinion. That's sad.

The detainees chose to fight for the Taliban and/or al-Qaida. For that they should die, not because they're from Afghanistan. ♦

Now that I've hijacked this corner, I can comment on just about anything I want. Like why I'm convinced half of MTSU's student population consists of conservative cowards and the other half is overrun with bleeding-heart liberals.

As evidence, I present the above "man on the street" interview, "Students speak out about detainees."

As I was soliciting comments from randomly selected students across campus, I noticed a trend.

Almost all of the students who described themselves as conservative wanted to see the detainees executed, dragged through the

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### Letter to the Editor

#### High school is over, professor

To the Editor:

Today my professor alluded to all sorts of ridiculous things like: not talking to your neighbor, not being late, not gazing out the window ... you get the idea.

My point is that anyone here should not have to be lectured on how to be a mature student. I graduated from high school in 1996, and I have been slowly trudging through this maze of higher education since 1997. I am so far beyond this juvenile and patronizing garbage, as are most of my peers.

This professor has an attendance policy and a seating chart. GIVE ME A BREAK!

The last time a class started in this fashion was sophomore English in high school.

If someone is not mature enough to be in a class, or for that matter in a university, throw them out! Some of us are here to learn something, and we don't have time for you to cater to the children we are surrounded by.

Lucas Leverett

## 'Vogue' inspires local talent

Designer creates clothing line with feminine street flavor

By Stephanie Saujon  
Staff Writer

Jenyfer Driggers never planned to be a clothing designer. She likes to draw; maybe she could have been an artist (in the most aesthetic sense of the word). Maybe, because she likes film, she could have been an actress or even a set designer. Considering her attraction to extreme sports, she could have been a successful skateboarder.

But something about fashion magazines such as *Vogue*, *Elle* and *Harper's Bazaar* caught her attention. Colorful fashion spreads in most high-quality fashion magazines are extremely alluring, especially to someone who appreciates art and style. These magazines, while thought by some to be filled with ridiculous articles and senseless supermodels, actually feature the boundless artistry and elegance of one of the world's oldest professions: textiles.

These magazines are constantly strewn across Driggers' bedroom floor, her car and even her sewing table.

According to her, the magazines are her "original influ-

ence."

She uses fashion magazines to keep up with what other designers are creating, and to ensure that her original fashions are exactly that: original. The designs from such fashion houses as Chanel, Chloe and Yves Saint Laurent are a constant encouragement. While she is adamant about forming her own niche in the fashion industry, she's not too proud to appreciate the work of the geniuses who have been making beautiful clothes for decades. After all, she has only been sewing for two years.

Driggers is originally from Florida. When she was a small child, her parents bought some land in Tennessee and moved the family to a small town just outside Columbia.

After graduating from Hickman County High School, Driggers enrolled at the University of Tennessee-Martin. After a couple of unchallenging and totally boring semesters, she decided to venture up to Murfreesboro and take some classes at MTSU. For four months she lived in Cummings Hall and woke up early for general studies classes.

While she was interested in visual arts, she spent much of her spare time waiting tables at a local restaurant and skateboarding with her friends.

A year later, Driggers realized she wasn't into her classes, and she was completely unsure about her future. She took a semester off and began to work a full-time job. Not long after that she noticed that many of her drawings were of young people sporting dope clothes. One look around her apartment, where numerous fashion magazines topped every table and were stacked in every available corner, made it obvious to Driggers what she ought to be doing with her spare time. After



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Jenyfer Driggers sports a T-shirt she recreated.

all, her mom did teach her to sew when she was little.

Driggers remembered that she actually liked to sew. Whether she could put her drawings and ideas into clothing form was her only question. So she bought a sewing machine.

At first, Driggers was only comfortable tailoring her own clothes. She would take a sweater that was too big and make it fit her perfectly. Slowly, as she began to tailor clothes for her friends while piecing together blouses, skirts and dresses, she taught herself how to sew from a pattern. Soon she began to make her own clothes without even using a pattern.

Driggers decided to call her clothing line Flux.

"Flux represents change," she said. "I feel that my designs will be constantly changing, and I want the name to compliment that ideal."

She considers her design style to be "feminine, with a street flavor." While Driggers is interested in selling her clothes in a boutique, she is hesitant to make any big decisions before she feels fully confident in her skills. By the end of the year she hopes to improve her sewing technique and develop a modest client list.

Though her clothing has been featured in one Nashville-based fashion show, Driggers aspires to put on her own

"musical fashion show," which will more than likely take place in Murfreesboro.

If you are interested in purchasing an original article of tailored clothing from "Flux," contact her at 615-890-6738. ♦

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A model wears a pieced-together jean skirt design.

## Movie Do's and Don'ts

Do see: 'The Royal Tenenbaums' a near perfect film

By Zachary Hansen  
Staff Writer

Three years ago, director Wes Anderson released his second film, *Rushmore*. It was a near-perfect film about an overly ambitious teen-ager named Max Fischer and was the most unique coming of age film about friendship I had ever seen. When Anderson recently released *Rushmore's* follow-up, I was, of course, excited but fearful that it couldn't live up to the beauty of his previous effort. But *The Royal Tenenbaums* built on his wholly original visual style and exquisite storytelling ability and is an even more mature exploration of old age and the importance of family.

While *Rushmore's* theatricality reflected on Max's playwrighting skills, *The Royal Tenenbaums* adopts a literary approach. The opening scene shows an unknown character checking out a book about the family, and the story is divided into chapters, complete with pictures and an opening sentence which describes that section's events.

The prologue tells the background of the Tenenbaum family's tale. All the children were once prodigies of some sort.

Chas was a financial expert, adopted Margot was an award-winning playwright and Richie was a star tennis player. Then one day, their father Royal up and left, and the family fell apart. The story resumes years later. Royal wants to bring the family back together so he falsely tells them he has six weeks to live and they reconvene at the old family mansion.

His children now all live miserable lives. Chas' wife died in a plane crash, so he and his two sons, Ari and Uzi, wear bright red tracksuits. So that, in the



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Ben Stiller, Danny Glover, Gwyneth Paltrow and Angelica Houston star in *The Royal Tenenbaums*, the latest comedy released by director Wes Anderson.

event of an emergency they can quickly flee. Margot became a secret smoker who has an unhappy marriage and seemingly lives in the bathtub. Richie had a breakdown on the tennis court after Margot got married, as he is secretly in love with her. He now travels the world on a boat in a scruffy beard and sweatbands. Royal's wife, whom he never legally divorced, is on the verge of a relationship with her accountant.

All of this information, and more, is presented in only the first 20 minutes or so of the film. It comes quickly, but is conveyed in such a way as to never see overwhelming.

Anderson has a rare gift for two things in particular that make the opening, and the film in general, work so well.

The first is his attention to details. Every prop, and there are hundreds throughout, is placed with a large amount of planning. The little knickknacks around the home are all pieces of the characters' personalities, and they help us get to know them better. The Anderson world is a timeless one, in which modern-day inventions are seen alongside antiques, so we never exactly know what year it is,

which, in his films, doesn't matter anyway. It is actually the lack of pop culture references that help make his films so fresh, in a style similar to Jean-Pierre Jeunet, whose new film *Amelie* is a comparable dream world.

No, other modern director so deftly balances humor and sadness. Some details are so ludicrous they would make an Adam Sandler film seem sensible. But the way the jokes are delivered result in totally plausible situations.

In the film, there is also an extreme loneliness that counters the comedy, but keeps the two

separate, not creating a depressing black comedy. Though there is tragedy in the film, it is the uplifting sort that culminates in the not perfect, yet content reunion of the Tenenbaums.

The details and plot points, absurdism and tone contrast at the extreme ends of the spectrum could have been disastrous with a different cast and crew, but the masterful direction and ideal casting and acting form a poignant spectacle that I have never seen before and probably won't until the next Anderson film.

Just go see it. ♦



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Chas Tenenbaum's (Ben Stiller) wife died in a plane crash so he and his two sons wear bright red tracksuits.

Don't See: 'Orange County' mimics overused teen film genre

By Zachary Hansen  
Staff Writer

The most difficult movie reviews to write are the ones in which the film in question has little or no effect on the viewer.

Obviously, a great film will result in an easy article to write, full of emotion and large thesaurus-worthy word choices.

Even horrible movies are fun to critique. In fact, it's a good way to vent frustration after wasting not only money, but also time. As far as reviewing films goes, I would almost rather see the worst piece of garbage ever made than a film like, say, *Orange County* - an entertaining but hackneyed film in the broad "teen movie" genre.

The story follows Shaun, a literary genius played by Tom Hanks' son Colin. He has always wanted to be a writer, and his dream is to study at Stanford under the tutelage of his favorite author. He is essentially a shoe-in for acceptance, but a glitch in the counselor's office switches transcripts and he's sent off on a *Road Trip*-like journey to set things straight.

Being a teen movie, there are the normal characters that are necessary for its success. Shaun has the divorced parents, who are as screwed up as is humanly possible and were never there to support him. He's also got the stoner, failure of a brother, played by the always goofy Jack Black, and the "Dude, where's my car?" best friends.

His only beacon of light is his hippie girlfriend, played by Schuyler Fisk, who, like Hanks, is the offspring of a Hollywood star, Sissy Spacek. So, off to Stanford Shaun goes, with special lady and loser brother in tow.

That's basically all there is to this movie. The script was written by Mike White, who you may remember as the creepy, childlike snaggletooth Buck from "Chuck and Buck". He also

has a funny role as an English teacher. His story has some genuinely funny moments, and it is also somewhat admirable for not focusing entirely on gross-out gags, like many similar films do.

But still, it's not that much different from the plethora of other teen comedies that are constantly released.

The ending is predictable and sappy, as can be expected, and the celebrity cameos abound as well. And God love Jack Black for being funny, but can he ever play anything besides the drunken idiot?

On a positive note, Hanks and Fisk both do excellent jobs

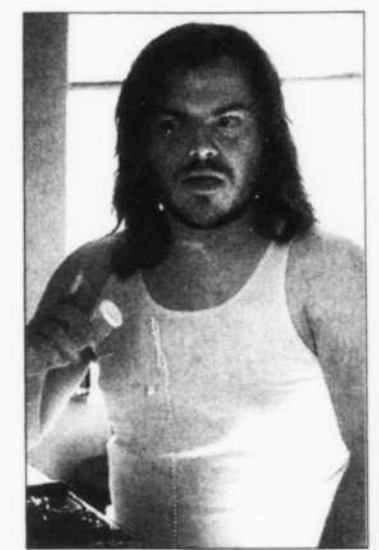


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Jack Black is known as the drunken brother in film.

in their first mainstream leading roles. Despite knowing about their parental connections ahead of time, it was a pleasure to be able to see their parents' influence in them. At times, while watching Hanks, I could just as easily have been seeing his father in one of his similarly plotted '80s comedies, as his facial expressions and vocal tone crept through.

Hopefully this mediocre movie is just a building block toward something better for these two rising stars. ♦

Entertainment  
Srips



By Luke Burke  
Staff Writer

Ali's star set high

Next time you take a stroll down the Hollywood walk of fame in Los Angeles, don't get too occupied looking down because one Hollywood star is at eye level.

Former boxing champ Muhammad Ali insisted his star be installed on the wall of the new Kodak Theatre complex. Ali said he doesn't care about being famous and that he didn't want to be walked on by the people who "disrespected him."

Ali will be the first of the 2,188 famous names to have his star not directly embedded in the sidewalk of Hollywood Boulevard.

Pitt to design jewelry



Brad Pitt and his wife, Jennifer Aniston, have branched into the jewelry-making business as part of a settlement with the Italian jewelry designer Silvia Damiani, after the couple accused the designer of breaking an agreement to never replicate their wedding bands. They claimed Damiani reproduced and sold rings designed by Pitt.

As part of the settlement, Pitt will design an exclusive jewelry collection for Silvia Damiani, and Aniston will appear in Damiani's ads.

Ryder waits for charges



Girl Interrupted star Winona Ryder will have to wait until Feb. 8 for prosecutors to decide if they will bring criminal charges against her following her Dec. 12 arrest for shoplifting in an upscale Beverly Hills store.

Investigators say the star, 30, was carrying drugs without proper prescriptions. The store alleges that Ryder shoplifted nearly \$5,000 in clothing, hair clips and accessories. Ryder's attorney, Mark Geragos, says the arrest is a "misunderstanding."

'Real World' in Chicago



Well, if you missed it last night, you can catch the new season of the *Real World: Chicago* every Tuesday on MTV at 9 p.m.

Once again the producers of the show have selected a diverse cast of seven strangers to live together for six months.

This season's cast includes Aneesa, an interracial lesbian; Chris, a gay recovering alcoholic; Keri, a half-Hispanic country girl; Kyle, a Princeton football player involved in theatre; Theo, the son of a pastor who loves to party; Cara, who is living the single life for the first time; and Tonya, an intellectual blonde who lives by the theme the show should have as a disclaimer - "Don't judge a book by its cover." ♦

# What's going on in the 'Boro

Compiled by Justin Ward  
Staff Writer

Wednesday, Jan. 16

- \* The Nationals at The Boro Bar and Grill. Show starts at 9:30 p.m.
- \* Clark Felt Left at Sebastian's at 9 p.m.
- \* Penny Beer Night at Bongo Johnny's. Ladies free before 11 p.m. \$7 admission.

Thursday, Jan. 17

- \* The Griffen Byerly Band live matinee at The Boro Bar and Grill at 4 p.m.
- \* The Delmars will be playing at The Boro Bar and Grill at 9:30 p.m.
- \* Cashmere Love Crash at Faces Restaurant and Lounge. Show starts at 9:30 p.m.
- \* Pyle of Face at Sebastian's at 9 p.m.
- \* College Night at Bongo Johnny's. \$3 with college ID; \$2 pitchers of beer.

Friday, Jan. 18

- \* De Nova Dahl, Impossible Shapes and Aerline at the Red Rose Café at 9 p.m.
- \* Neuvox at The Boro Bar and Grill. Show starts at 9:30 p.m.
- \* Seth and Company at Sebastian's at 9 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 19

- \* Turbulence Productions Rave at Bongo Johnny's at 9 p.m.
- \* Tasty Puddin featuring Athens (jazz) at the Red Rose Café at 9 p.m.
- \* Popshow will be doing a live matinee at 4 p.m. at The Boro Bar and Grill.
- \* Chuck at Faces Restaurant and Lounge. Show starts at 9:30 p.m.
- \* A.K.A. Rudy at Sebastian's at 9 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 20

- \* Roland Gresham Jazz at The Boro Bar and Grill at 8 p.m.
- \* Phat Sunday at Bongo Johnny's.



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## Donnelly named athletics director

By Colleen Cox  
Sports Editor

James "Boots" Donnelly was named the fifth full-time athletics director at Middle Tennessee State University yesterday.

After a five-month-long search, President Sidney McPhee chose Donnelly from among six candidates. McPhee held a nationwide search instead of just naming Donnelly, who had served as interim athletics director since October of 2000.

"Dr. McPhee made a statement when he first came to this campus that he wanted the best qualified people to run each and every department, and therefore he wanted a national search," Donnelly explained.

"I couldn't understand it at first, but what it did, it gave us all a level playing field. He wanted to take out all the doubts. He wanted production. He wanted

individuals that could do the job."

McPhee's main objective in the search was for the process to be open and fair and to attract candidates who would compete for the position.

There were initially more than 50 candidates who applied for the position. The search then was narrowed to the six finalists.

"The process has validated Boots Donnelly for this position," said Charlie Myatt, chair of the search advisory committee.

"There will be those that wonder why we didn't just hire coach Donnelly to begin with, but I say that this process made sure that we had the best person to fill the job. This search clearly gives coach Donnelly a standing within the university and the community that he might not have had otherwise."

Donnelly has been a part of

the university for 27 years. He earned his bachelors and master's degree from Middle Tennessee.

Donnelly played football for the Blue Raiders from 1962-64 and also coached the football team for 20 years. As coach, Donnelly accumulated an overall record of 140-87-1.

"I think this is a very wise move on the part of our president," men's golf coach Johnny Moore said.

"I'm glad to see loyalty rewarded and no one has been more loyal to this university than Boots Donnelly. No one is more deserving of this position."

Donnelly's loyalty, connections and knowledge of the university were key factors in McPhee's decision.

"His experience as a former coach, his knowledge of this university and the state, his considerable contacts locally,

statewide, nationwide, his love for this university and, finally, his enthusiasm and energy for this job has convinced me at this time he indeed is the best candidate to assume the leadership of this department," McPhee said.

"I sincerely believe coach Donnelly will provide strong leadership in enhancing our fund-raising efforts, increasing our fan support for our athletic programs, improving our athletic facilities and balancing the athletic budget."

Donnelly has three major issues he wants to address: marketing the university, securing outside funds and selling tickets to put people in the stands.

"We all have to do what's right and that is to take what I consider the best university in the state and make it competitive in I-A athletics across this country as we possibly can," Donnelly said.



Photo by Amy Jones | Chief Photographer

"Boots" Donnelly speaks yesterday after being introduced as the new MT athletics director.

The new athletics director plans to get started quickly and meet his goals.

"I want to make this pledge and I want to make this prom-

ise," Donnelly said. "I have a passion and I have ability for this university. With those two, we're going to be damn successful." ♦

## MT falls to Vanderbilt, looks forward

By Rebecca Pickering  
Assistant Sports Editor

After a 6-1 loss to fourth-ranked Vanderbilt Saturday, the MT women's tennis team looks to improve on its record in the upcoming season.

Thirty-second ranked Manon Kruse brought the Blue Raiders their only win, beating No. 27 Sarah Riske 6-7 (1), 6-4, 7-5. Vanderbilt took the other five singles matches in straight sets.

"I was very pleased with the way we competed," MT head coach Randy Holden said. "This was our first match, and we are really trying to get our feet wet."

Holden said the team has a very tough schedule this spring. He feels,

though, that the team is ready to compete with the numerous top 50 teams it will come up against.

"This team is a whole level, maybe two levels, better than what we did last year," Holden said.

Newcomer Jennifer Klaschka is one player Holden feels will help the team achieve its goals. The Kaufering, Germany, native is excited about playing tennis collegiately.

"We don't have the chance to do both in Germany," Klaschka said.

In Germany, athletes are expected to chose between athletics or a continued education. They also play individually instead of on a team.

"I was also excited to learn about how the team practices together and plays in tournaments and matches as a

team," Klaschka added.

Holden said Klaschka will be a great addition to the team and may play as high as the No. 2 position behind Kruse.

"I can get a lot of good tennis players, but you want the team chemistry to be good," Holden said. "Her personality is perfect."

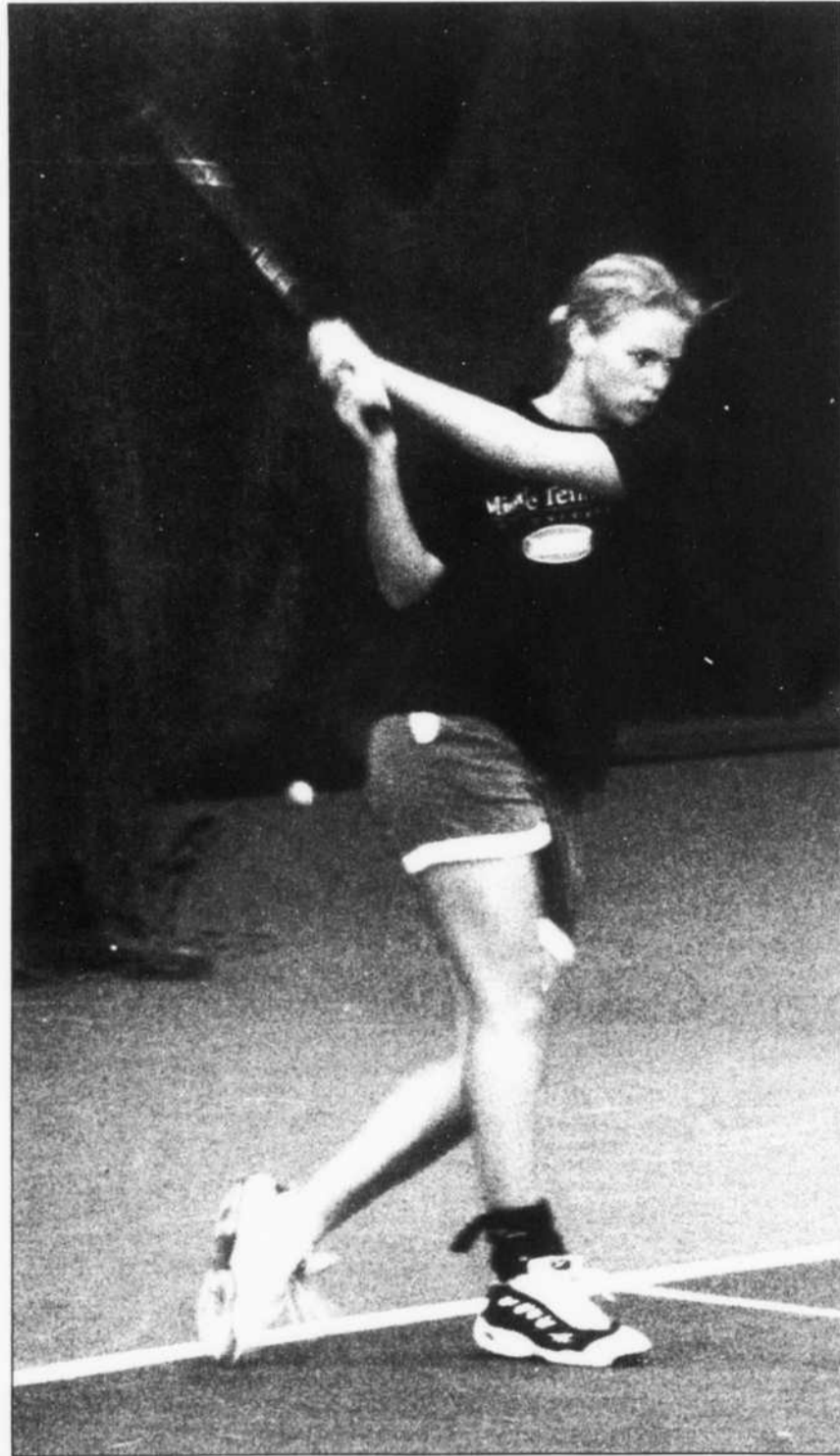
Kruse, the team's No. 1 seed, went 9-2 in the fall campaign and is well on her way to being an All-American,

Holden said.

"We had one of the best falls in MTSU history," Holden said. "We are really looking to build on that."

"It's tough competition, and we are just looking to get better at each match, and we want to be peaking at the end."

The Lady Raiders' next match is Saturday at 10 a.m. at Kentucky. Their home opener will be Feb. 8 against Murray State. ♦



Photos by Rebecca Pickering | Staff

Manon Kruse (left) brought the Lady Raiders their only victory at Vanderbilt Saturday. She is ranked No. 32 in the nation. Jennifer Klaschka (right) is MT's newest addition. The Kaufering, Germany, native joins the Lady Raiders this spring and may play as high as the No. 2 position. The Lady Raiders' first home match will be Feb. 8 against Murray State University at the Murfreesboro Racquet Club.

## Basketball teams raise cancer awareness

Staff Reports

The Middle Tennessee men's and women's basketball teams have joined with the American Cancer Society as part of the Coaches vs. Cancer program.

Now entering its seventh season, the program aims to

inform the public about different forms of cancers, while raising funds at the same time.

In conjunction with the National Association of Basketball Coaches, Women's Basketball Coaches Association and the ACS, the Blue Raiders will be taking pledges to help benefit



research initiatives, patient services and educational campaigns that encourage healthy lifestyle choices.

This year's Coaches vs. Cancer Nights will be dedicated in memory of Cliff Gillespie, a long-time MT athletics supporter who lost his battle with cancer earlier this

year.

The team will be holding signups tonight and tomorrow night at the Western Kentucky University basketball game at Murphy Center. Tip-offs are at 7 p.m. Contributions may be made by calling 1-800-345-TEAM or by contacting Donna Victory at 898-2111. ♦

## Raiders host WKU tonight

By Angelica Journagin  
Staff Writer

Since the end of the fall semester, the Middle Tennessee men's basketball team hasn't done very well.

They started the break with three disappointing losses, where they trailed their opponents by 10 points or less.

Things began to look up for the Blue Raiders after a 69-64 win against the University of New Orleans. This win was followed by two more losses.

MT will go into Wednesday's Sun Belt Conference game against Western Kentucky University trying to maintain the momentum that propelled them to victory against the University of Louisiana-Lafayette Saturday.

Unfortunately for the Blue Raiders, they haven't won two games in a row since their five-game winning streak at the start of the season.

If MT (7-8) doesn't use Wednesday's game as a jumping point for a new winning streak, then WKU (14-3) will use MT to further theirs. The Hilltoppers will play MT riding high on a four game winning run.

All-around defense will be key to MT as WKU has six players averaging points in double figures, including Patrick Sparks who has yet to start a game. Another player in this figure is senior All-American Chris Marcus, who hasn't been playing because of injuries for the past 12 games but still leads the Hilltoppers in scoring and rebounding averages.

Keeping the Hilltoppers from scoring also will be a concern for the Blue Raiders who remember last year's 51-92 blowout that WKU's head coach called "a statement to make" to MT.

Strong performances from bench players will make a critical impact on the outcome of the game. Of WKU's 13 players, 10 have played in 15 or more games during the season. This is compared to the Blue Raiders, who of their 14 currently active members, only eight have played in 13 or more games.

WKU sports a bench that statistically is as lucrative as its starting players. However, MT is very dependent on Tommy Gunn, Lee Nosse and William Phippen to carry them to victory. The strength of MT's bench will be tested as they play against productive WKU players like Sparks, Mike Wells and Todor Pandov.

Rebounds from MT center Nosse also will be another important component to an MT win. Nosse, who was just named Sun Belt Conference Player of the Week, is currently averaging 7.6 rebounds per

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## Basketball: MT looking for winning touch

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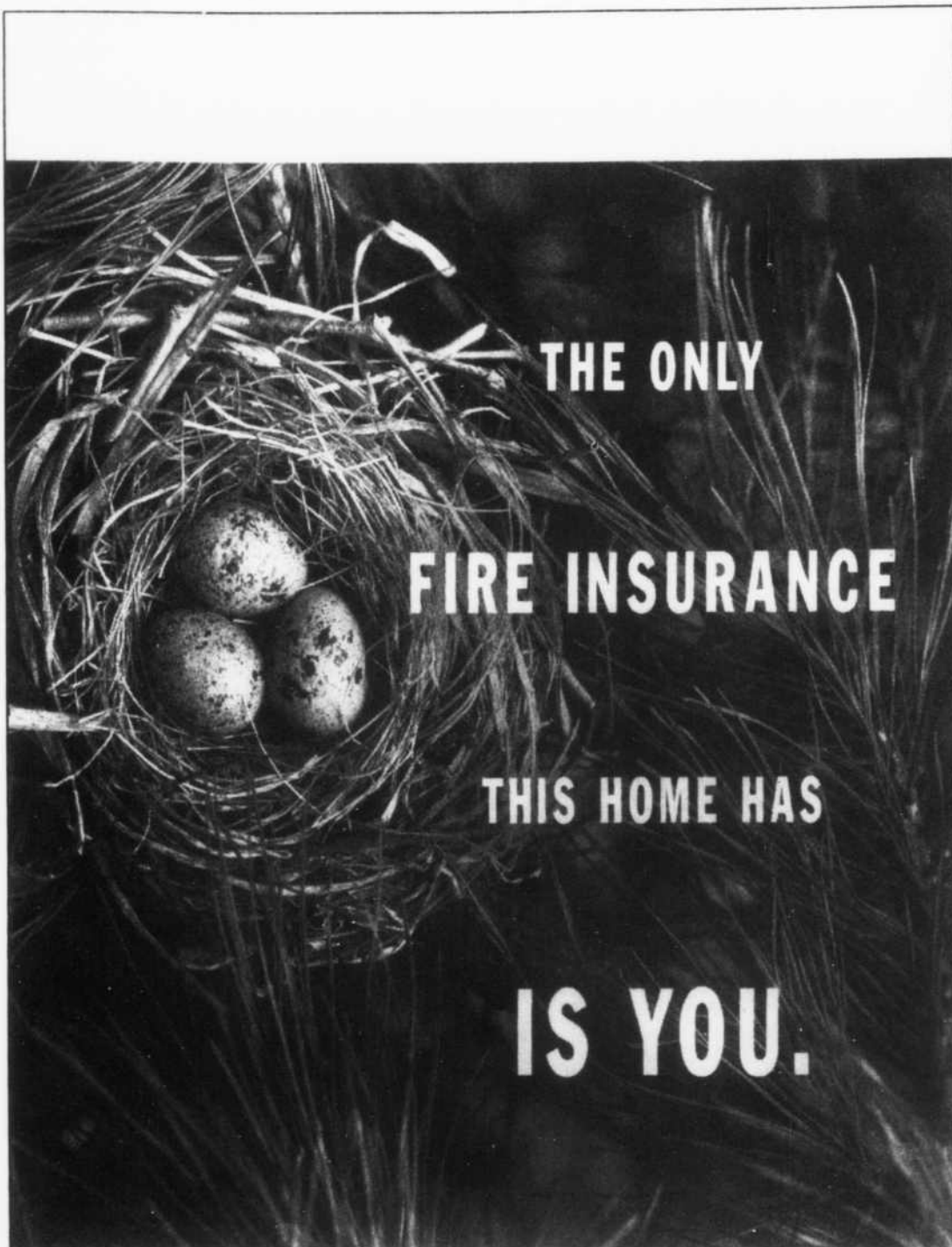
game and has had double-doubles in two of MT's past three wins. In Saturday's win against UL-Lafayette, Nosse led MT with 25 points and 9 rebounds. Also key to a MT victory will

be the performance of forward Pippen. Pippen went five games without scoring in the double figures before Saturday's game against UL-Lafayette, where he knocked down 13 points.

Pippen will have to perform with the same intensity that led

MT's win against Tennessee State University and earned him the honor of Sun Belt Conference Player of the Week.

Tip-off for Wednesday's game will be at 7 p.m. at the Murphy Center. ♦



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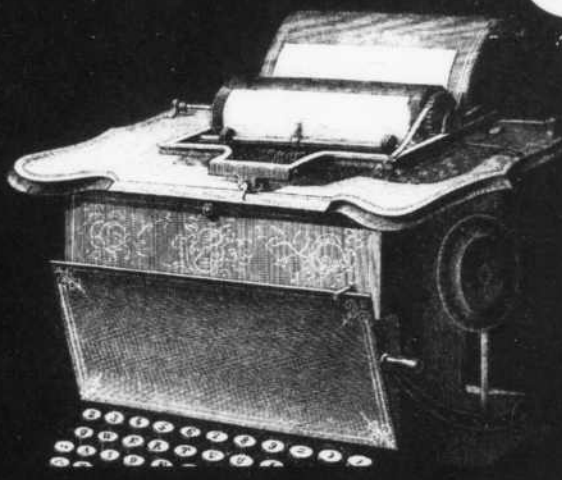
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# Blue Raider Notebook

By Shane Marquardt  
Staff Writer

The Middle Tennessee men's basketball team holds a 7-8 record, 2-3 in Sun Belt Conference play. The winter break didn't bode well for the squad as they went on a 2-5 skid through that time. Head coach Randy Wiel has a task ahead of him as the Blue Raiders hack their way through a rigorous conference schedule. But here's what they have going for them.

**Nosse's Posse:** Senior Lee Nosse leads this team from the center position, and at 6-foot-10-inches, 250 pounds there is no doubt he is the team's bully. Nosse is the Blue Raider's second leading scorer, averaging nearly 14 points a game, and leads the team in rebounds.

**Blue Raider Weapons:** The team's weapon of choice - the Tommy Gunn. Gunn holds the distinction as the Blue Raider's sharp shooter, leading the squad with nearly 15 points a game. He also is wanted by other teams for his thievery, with 24 steals on the year to lead the team.

**Mob Squad:** Senior Dee Wilkes ladles out the shooting servings from his position as the point guard. At 5-feet-9-inches Wilkes is a difficult player to get a body on, but his toughest competition may come in practice where Eric Parham, leading in assists and second in steals, gives him a daily fight for the starting position. William Pippen provides highlights from his forward position, and the lone freshman on the starting rotation, Charles Anderson, lends a hand to Nosse in the frontcourt.

The Blue Raiders take on perennial Sun Belt Conference favorite Western Kentucky tonight at 7.

We got next. And they do. The Middle Tennessee women's basketball team will be the lone team in blue to carry a winning record back to Murfreesboro. The Lady Raiders sport a 9-7 record and look to bolster a 2-2 Sun Belt Conference record as head coach Stephany Smith brings the team back home to tangle with conference opponents Western Kentucky and North Texas. **Whose Show is It?:** It's Thomatis'

show. You say tomato, everyone else says Ms. Thomatis. Jamie Thomatis does it all from her forward position. She leads the team in points with 18 a game and rebounds with nearly 6. Her production on the court is the determining factor in the Lady Raiders' season.

**D is for Dangerous:** The Lady Raiders are known for their smothering defense, and the defensive clinic is led by Keisha McClinic. She has 37 thefts on the year and holds the honor of being one of the Sun Belt's most talented guards.

**Key Notes:** When Thomatis or McClinic want the ball, they talk to Paula Penttila. Penttila leads the team in assists and marks coach Smith's recruiting prowess in the area of Finland. It is common knowledge among Sun Belt opponents that Jennifer Justice has the right stuff. The sophomore forward leads the team with a dozen blocks on the year.

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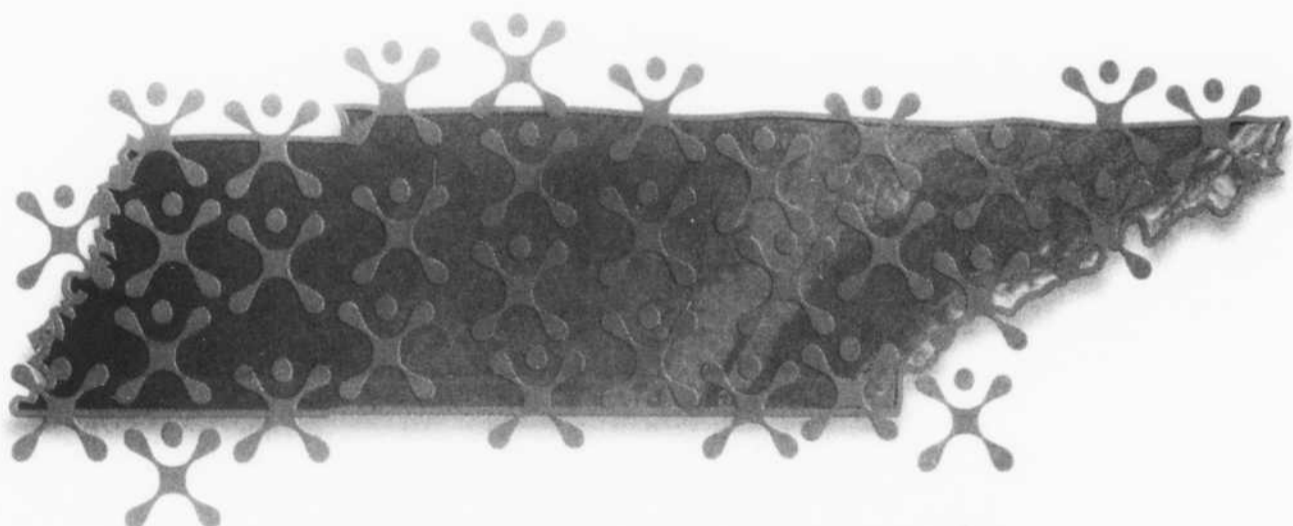


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