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Record MTSU enrollment falls short of expectations

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Staff Writer

MTSU increased its fall enrollment by 5.24 percent at the end of registration last week, but late registration has brought the total to 14,815 — the largest fall enrollment in the school's history.

Registration to date has not kept pace with the numbers university officials had originally anticipated. Before registration began last week, officials expected about 15,000 students to enroll.

Almost 1,000 students registered during late registration Friday and Monday. According to Cliff Gillespie, dean of admis-

sions, records and information, only 700-800 students were expected to register late. At the completion of regular registration Aug. 23, records show that 13,838 students had registered.

Using the Aug. 23 numbers, enrollment figures for statistical purposes are up in every other area but two. New undergraduate transfer students declined 4.60 percent, and the number of graduate students declined 0.62 percent.

Compared to last fall's figures, 24 more African-American students are attending school this fall.

The number of first-time freshmen increased 5.56 percent,

bringing the total to 1,816. Returning students increased 7.07 percent — 668 more than last fall. Re-enrolled students increased by 3.74 percent bringing the total number of undergraduate students attending this fall to 12,716.

But even with a 5.24 percent increase, MTSU has had to expand its class day by several hours. For the first time in history, students are attending classes at 7 a.m. and leaving as late as 10 p.m. to accommodate demand.

Registration on campus ended Monday, but people can still register at off campus sites until next week. ■

MTSU cadets prepare for Iraq

LUCAS L. JOHNSON II
Assistant News Editor

The crisis in the Middle East is affecting the lives of hundreds of Tennessee Army National Guard Reservists, including several here on campus.

"We have lost approximately a half dozen cadets who are also in the National Guard to the call up by the president," said ROTC department head Lt. Col. Cecil Calloway.

Two Tennessee Army National Guard units were told Saturday to prepare for a departure to Fort Campbell, home of the 101st Airborne Division which has already been given orders for deployment. The units are expected to support troops in the Middle East.

He said cadets in the past have been exempt from call up by the president.

"Apparently, Army officials have changed their minds and made the decision to allow ROTC cadets and other full-time students to be called up if necessary."

Calloway said that even though the crisis appears to be flaring up, the morale of the cadets called to

duty is high.

"I think the youngsters really want to go," he said. "Most of them are just assembling with their units. From there, they will be sorted out, who's going and who's not."

Calloway said the reason for students being called has a lot to do with the number of them enlisted in the Tennessee National Guard.

"It just so happens that many of them belong to the units that are being called up," he said.

However, Calloway said the president can only call up the National Guard for 90 days, with a possible 90 day extension if necessary.

"After the second 90 days, Congress has to approve any further time," he said.

Capt. Reginald Beaty, a professor in the military science department at MTSU, said because of the time and sacrifice that these soldiers are making, we as Americans should all be grateful.

"We should be humble and grateful to those soldiers who are willing to sacrifice their lives for our country," Beaty said.

"However, we should also pray that they will not have to make that ultimate sacrifice." ■

REGISTRATION BLUES: Tire Patrick, a freshman RIM major, finishes his registration last Wednesday by filling out the forms for a parking pass. Parking spaces and classroom space will be at a premium this fall as MTSU recorded another record enrollment, with the final figure topping 14,700 students. That figure is up 4 percent from the fall 1989 figure.

Presidential search continues

RUSTY GERBMANN
Special Projects Coordinator

A new president for the university may be appointed as early as December if Tennessee Board of Regents Chancellor Otis Floyd can move the selection process as quickly as he wishes.

"My target is to interview before the December board meeting and then to recommend a president at the December board meeting," Floyd said Tuesday following a meeting of the selection advisory committee.

Floyd said he expects to release the names of 10 to 12 finalists for

the job by Friday after studying the information gathered Tuesday and at previous advisory committee meetings.

"I'm going to look them [the applications] over in the next few days and then decide. I have a right to add to [the list], or delete," Floyd said.

"But I think I need to go back and take the deliberations of the committee plus my studying of the applicants and come up with what I think is appropriate," he added.

In addition to the meeting Tuesday, Gov. Ned McWherter has appointed a three-member TBR ad hoc committee that will

interview the finalists. The job, now filled by Interim President Wallace Prescott, has been technically vacant since January when former President Sam Ingram officially left the office.

The search committee, composed of 11 representatives of various segments of the university, met for the first time in nine months to review the more than 100 applicants for the job. Many of those reviewed were some that had been discarded by former Chancellor Tom Garland.

Among those reincluded in the search are Cliff Gillespie, director

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Lt. Col. Cecil Calloway

Family left homeless by apartment fire

DONNIE CASTLEMAN
Staff Writer

A fire at Nottingham Apartments left one family homeless and caused evacuation of 12 other apartments the morning of August 23, fire department officials said.

The fire apparently began when a 4-year-old ignited a couch with a lighter he was playing with while his mother was sleeping.

The Hirlson family, who had no insurance, lost all their personal belongings in the fire. "I lost everything I had," said Judy Hirlson. Hirlson suffered minor burns to her left knee and heel,

which were treated on the scene by paramedics.

Firefighters had the fire under control in about ten minutes, according to fire chief David Baxter.

An MTSU student, Craig Working, who was taking a shower when the blaze occurred, was pulled from his apartment wearing only his underwear.

The Red Cross was on the scene to assist the eight families that were left temporarily homeless by the fire. They were temporarily put up in hotels to give them time to make other living arrangements. ■



Helen Comere/Staff

FIRE DEBRIS: 12 apartments were damaged by fire and water at the Nottingham Apartments last week. Piles of rubble like this were not uncommon after the tragedy. There were few injuries, but, property damage was severe.

City pushes new campus route

Thanks to the newly constructed Rutherford Boulevard, MTSU commuters can loop the city and avoid the traffic on Memorial and Tennessee Boulevard.

Rutherford Boulevard can be accessed from Northfield Boulevard and U.S. 231. Commuters who take Interstate 24 to Murfreesboro, can exit onto Church Street (exit 81) and turn right beside Wendy's to get to the new boulevard. The boulevard intersects Main Street and Greenland Drive which run adjacent to campus.

"As MTSU and Murfreesboro has grown, existing streets such as Sanbyrn Drive and Tennessee and Memorial Boulevards have become congested," said assistant city director, Joseph Aydelott, "Rutherford Boulevard was constructed for people who need to go around the city."

The speed limit has been increased on the route from

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Handicapped services office seeks additional student assistance

MICHELLE DUKE
Staff Writer

Handicapped Student Services needs volunteers for its new program that's designed to aid disabled students in their studies.

The program which is sponsored by the vocational rehabilitation department of Human Services is called "Academic Aid."

"We'd like the disabled students to come into our office and tell their academic needs. We'll find an assistant to help whose schedule will fit their needs," said John Harris, director of handicapped services.

Volunteers are needed to be readers, note takers, tutors and to work in several other areas such as registration and orientation, Harris said.

Robert Woodworth, a graduate student, said he chose MTSU because of the quality of its handicapped services.

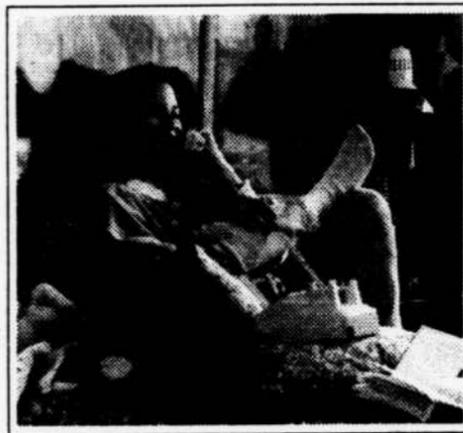
"Definitely, I wouldn't be here without it."

For further information about the Academic Aid program, volunteers and handicapped students should visit Harris in KUC 120 or call 898-2738. ■

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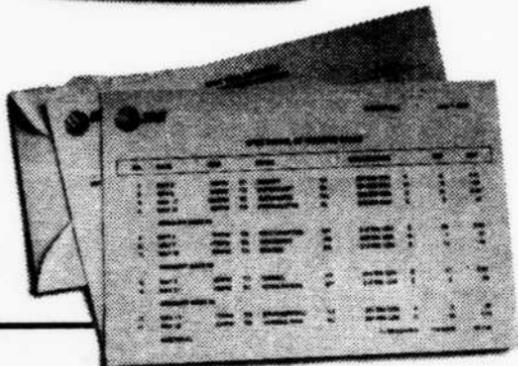
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Attention MTSU Catholics: Stop by the Catholic center for fun and friends. We always have something going on. Volleyball every Wednesday. Come in and start something great at the center. 1023 N. Tennessee Blvd. 896-6074

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

Anyone wishing to pick up items that were submitted to the Spring 1990 Collage may do so from 8 A.M. until 4 P.M. Monday through Friday in the

James Union Building, Room 306.

Softball Tournaments sponsored by Campus Recreation will be held Sept. 4-21. Entry deadline is Aug. 29. For more information call Thomas in Campus Recreation at 898-2104.

MTSU's television station is looking for students to become involved in their all student programming, aired 5-11 P.M. For more information contact Mary Parker at 898-2218. **Campus recreation will sponsor an Ocoee raft trip** on Sept. 15-16. Cost is \$30 for students, \$35 for non-students and the trip is limited to 30 participants. A sign up meeting is scheduled for Sept. 11 in room 210 of the Alumni Gym at 5:30 P.M. Transportation, camping and rafting gear will be provided by Campus Recreation and further information can be obtained by calling the department at 898-2104.

Join the Intervarsity Christian Fellowship on Tuesday from 7-8 P.M. in the KUC room 313 for praise and fellowship.

The International Student Association of MTSU will host a picnic for new and returning MTSU students on Saturday, Sept. 8. Students of any nationality are welcome. Participants should meet in the parking lot behind the JUB at 10:30 A.M. and follow a car pool. The cost will be \$3. For more information call Brett or Etsuko at 896-8356.

AUDITIONS!!! A new cable series premiering on cable channel 12. Hosts and Hostesses needed. Also, talent for recurring comedy spots will be needed. Must be available from 11 A.M. to 1 P.M. M, W, or F. Auditions will be held in LRC 120 (TV studio A) Wednesday, Sept. 5, 11 A.M. to 1 P.M. Scripts and props may be brought to the audition.

The Kool Club is an organization designed for non-greek students of all majors and backgrounds. The object is to allow students to become involved in campus activities. For those interested, the first meeting will be on Wednesday, 9/5/90 at 7 P.M. in room 312 of the KUC. Everyone is welcome to attend!

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of admissions, records and information systems; MTSU Vice President for Administration Jessie Warren; Mary Martin, dean of the graduate school; and Murfreesboro City Schools Superintendent John Hodge Jones.

The advisory committee has not met during the summer while

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Rutherford Boulevard to Northfield Boulevard from 40 mph to 45 mph in the rural areas. Stop lights have been programmed for shorter waiting times.

The four-lane highway cost the city approximately \$13 million according to city engineer, Cy Weisman and the project has gone through eight phases of construction.

some vacancies were being filled. New to the committee are: Todd Burnett, new Associated Student Body president; Jim Neal, new Faculty Senate president; and Charlotte Wallace, a member of the newly-created Association of Secretarial and Clerical Employees at MTSU.

Returning members of the committee are: Sondra Wilcox, Carol Gray, Dr. Rosemary Owens, Logan Hickerson, Shawn Burgess and George Gardner.

Named to serve on the ad hoc committee, consisting of TBR members, are Bill Farris, Howard Warf and Hubert McCullough.

Floyd, a former MTSU vice president, said the committee is going to move "very fast." But he also added that applications will be taken until the interviewing begins.

Faculty shortage causes raids

Like a major league basketball team, Emory University in Atlanta is starting this season with a powerful new lineup in its French department. It signed four star free-agent teachers from another university. It lured them with higher salaries and promises of better working conditions.

In North Carolina, Duke University is opening its season with new professors signed in raids of the faculties of Cornell, Johns Hopkins and Princeton University.

American campuses, various observers contend, seem to have suddenly entered an era of raiding each others' faculties, and stealing top-notch teachers away with promises of better working conditions and higher salaries.

"It's definitely happening," said Iris Molotsky, of the American Association of University of Professors (AAUP), the nation's third-biggest faculty union.

"We're seeing it in a number of cases," she said.

Added Elaine El-Khawas of the American Council on Education (ACE), a Washington, D.C., based group that represents college presidents, "A greater degree of that (schools luring professors away from other institutions) is going on now than five years ago."

In a study released in July, El-Khawas and ACE found that a majority of American campuses — 59 percent of the 364 institutions they surveyed — were having trouble hiring enough professors to teach their classes.

Moreover, 89 percent of the respondents were concerned about how the shortage would affect at least a few departments.

The survey also found that 63 percent of the institutions reported greater difficulty in getting top applicants to accept positions, an increase of 23 percent over 1989.

The reason for the "professor shortage" is that a big crop of senior professors is approaching retirement age. In the meantime, the student who would have gone to grad school to get doctoral degrees and prepare to become full professors to replace the retirees instead opted for higher salaries and faster career tracks.

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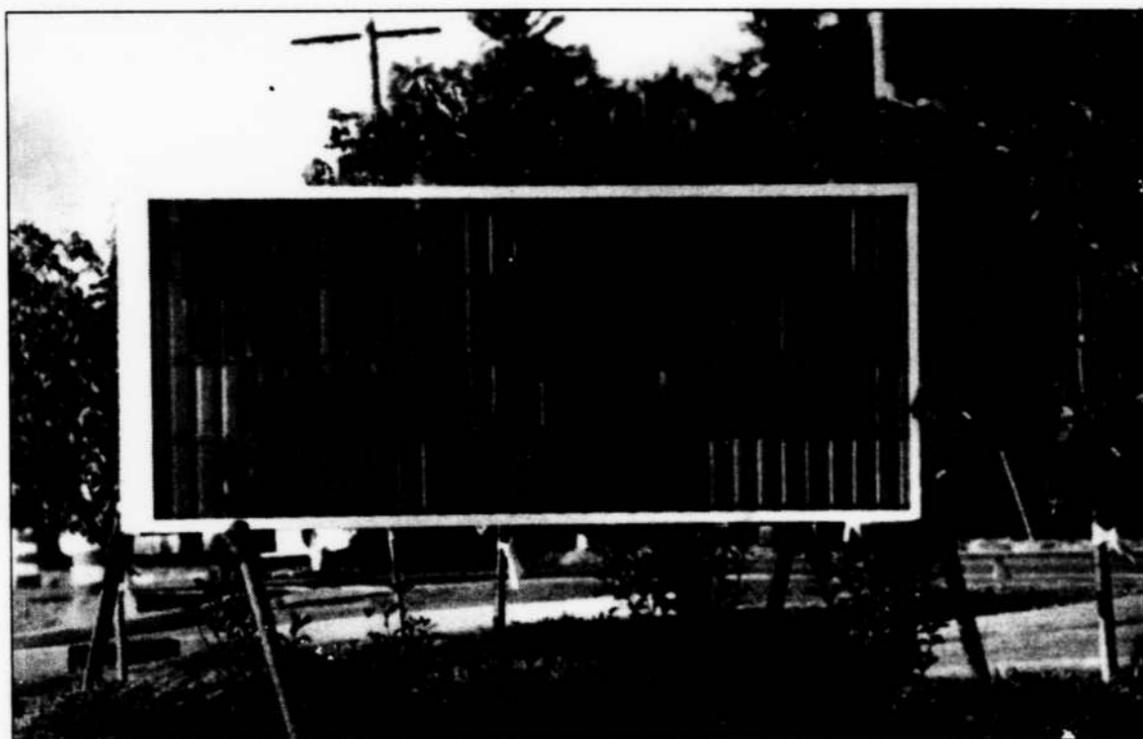
For the first time in a generation, the flames of war are touching our campus.

To show our support for the many Americans being called to duty for the possibility of war with Iraq, we recommend that you show *your* support as well. This can be done very easily. For example, you could drive with your headlights on during the day, or you could start hanging up an American flag, writing the servicemen you know and wrapping gold ribbons around car antennas and trees.

The number of men that are leaving for Saudi Arabia due to Operation Desert Shield is staggering. In fact, the numbers of soldiers in the military reserves from the Middle Tennessee area that are leaving is just as staggering. There are 14,500 Army National Guardsmen, 4,500 Air National Guardsmen and 4,000 members of the Army Reserve. These men and women as well as their friends and family could use the support.

For the first time since Vietnam, large numbers of college students are being called to action. Chances are many members of the university community will send a friend off to a base here or overseas. Here at Student Publications, three staff members have been put on alert and several more are expecting the call from their guard and reserve units.

The soldiers who are facing hellish heat and brutal conditions in the Saudi desert deserve our support both on their departure and on their, hopefully, rapid return. This does not mean unquestioning jingoism, but a reasoned approach to a difficult situation. However, it's important to remember that one can disagree with the government's policy while still supporting the bravery of the soldiers themselves.



Robbie Patton/Staff

SHOWING SUPPORT: Instead of selling burgers, the South Tennessee Boulevard Hardee's uses their advertising sign to remind citizens of the soldiers in the Middle East. From headlights to ribbons on antennas, a variety of ways have been

found to contribute to the morale of the country's armed forces. While not difficult, these little gestures can help lead to a sense of community during the Iraqi crisis.

Energy plan, not war, needed

JENNY CROUCH
Student Publications
Coordinator

While American motorists are not yet fighting each other at gasoline pumps like they did in the early '70s, oil companies are killing us with the prices they are charging for a commodity that we can no longer live without.

Though operation Desert Shield is more than warranted against such an aggressor as Saddam Hussein, is crude oil really worth fighting over?

A local television reporter recently commented: "It [oil] is cheap enough that we [Americans] waste it, but valuable enough that we would risk the life of even one soldier for it."

That single statement alone should raise a great deal of thought for us as we go day-by-day consuming expendable goods with little or no thought.

And while defending our rights, and those of Kuwait is a major portion of this issue, there are really more prongs to the problem than most of us would ever realize. But the consequences and repercussions of certain actions that we as a government may take will have a lasting effect on us and the world — both economically and politically.

Just a week ago, I was under the misguided assumption, like many, that the Middle East provides little of the gasoline that we actually consume. I assumed that Mexico and other Southern

Hemisphere countries provide what we do not get from Alaska. I knew, however, that the economies of both Texas and Louisiana are hurting from the lack of oil production — small towns are actually being deserted because there is no work.

But those inconsistencies did not seem to equate into the fact that we are importing 47 percent of our oil from the Middle East.

A week ago, a layman's solution to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait was simply to open the Louisiana and Texas oil fields? Why import what we can produce here? Why have Americans out of work and be dependent on foreign oil which only increases our national debt and destabilizes our economy?

But it just isn't that simple.

Yes, we do import 47 percent of our oil from the Middle East, and the Arab countries do have us somewhat "over a barrel."

But is that necessary?

When the oil producing nations of the Middle East formed OPEC in the early '70s, they did have us over a barrel when they embargoed their oil and negotiated higher crude prices. Americans had to tighten the old belt and cut back on gasoline and heating oil consumption to fight the increasing prices of the products. Long lines formed at gas stations and many had to go without heat while heating oil supplies dwindled. We had to learn to conserve.

And we did.

In the meantime, American oil fields increased production, and

we managed to show OPEC we could survive without excessive imports. We even explored alternative energy sources vowing to never again be dependent on foreign oil. By the late '70s, we had dropped our oil imports to less than 15 percent of what we consumed. Small American oil companies were booming as well as the large producers. Energy efficiency was hailed and low interest loans were available to fund solar systems for homes. We were advised of ways to conserve gasoline consumption in our vehicles, including driving 55 mph and buying smaller, energy-efficient cars.

But the Reagan years of the '80s brought a return of the "feel good" era of Eisenhower — the economy began to boom and a "devil-may-care" attitude about social issues, conservation, and environmental concerns proliferated while the rich lined their pockets with the souls of the poor.

By the mid-'80s, our dependency on foreign oil had again increased to the point it is today — and we are buying almost half of what we consume from other countries while our oil workers and economy suffers.

With the absence of a national energy policy, we have again become oil gluttons, consuming more per capita than any other Western nation, dependent on other nations for a commodity that is a luxury to the peoples of those countries.

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And now we are willing to send our soldiers to defend our right to consume as much of this precious product as we want — without thinking about the future.

Does this make sense? For, almost 20 years now, we have talked about forming a national energy policy. But neither the Democrats nor the Republicans have had the spine to take the lead in what would surely be a controversial plan. Such a plan would surely call for reduction in consumption, the development of alternative energy sources and increased production here at home (which would cause concern with environmentalists).

But a national energy policy would surely have protected us from having to send our soldiers to protect our interests in Saudi Arabia.

A national energy policy would surely have protected our own oil producers from going bust when they should still be booming.

Another interesting aside in all this mess is that while many Texas and Louisiana oil producers would like to reopen now silent wells, the savings and loan debacle has cut off necessary financing to get these wells operational and many bankers are simply not willing to take such a big risk during this time of economic uncertainty.

We're digging our own economic disaster graves — and

if we don't encourage our congressmen to develop an energy policy, the hole is going to be so deep, so soon, that we will never be able to jump out.

We should write and encourage our senators and representatives to formulate such a plan. If they don't start now, we will be forging into the 21st century with no real idea on how we are going to provide energy for our people, let alone the rest of the world.

But in the meantime, there are a few things that we can do as individuals to cut back on what we import — and to get even with the oil companies for their gouging and profiteering during this crisis. We can all cut back on the gasoline we consume by consolidating the trips we make running errands — or simply running around. Americans love their vehicles and to "cruise." If you can carpool with someone, do it. Ride a bicycle for short trips. Take mass transit if it is available.

And though it is extremely hot outside, we can survive with thermostats set on 78 or 80 degrees as opposed to 65 or 70.

While our soldiers and those of the other nations who have joined our effort in the Persian Gulf deserve our support, we need to strongly think about what really created this mess. Simply put, it is greed, excess and oil. And is all that really worth the life of even one soldier?

Are textbooks over priced ?

DAVID ROBINSON
PSF Campus Minister

Who do they think they're fooling? Course books are ridiculously overpriced! Somewhere along the line, somebody is raking in a pile of money from sales of text books to unsuspecting college students.

A friend of mine showed me the best example I've ever seen of this crass capitalism. She had purchased a "textbook" for an MTSU course. The "textbook", all 67 pages worth, is printed on low quality paper, with low quality black and white photos, non-professional diagrams, and typewriter set printing with only the left margin justified. I would expect to pay \$2.50, maybe \$3.25 tops for such a book (if it contained such great information that the poor printing quality could be overlooked). But this book is a required text for an MTSU course, and sells for \$10.65 at Phillips Bookstore, an estimated 300-400 percent mark-up.

I call that a rip-off. I'm sure this story could be retold a thousand times over this time of year. I've heard a lot of grumbling from students who have forked

over \$200-\$300 of their hard-earned money to buy books. Imagine spending that amount at one crack in say, Walden Books. It would be unthinkable, let alone unaffordable.

Nobody says it has to be this way. There are other systems in the world of higher education which work just as well and better serve the interest of the students. A European student I've recently met told me that students don't buy books for classes at her home university. They check them out at the library for the semester. What a novel concept.

But this system would eliminate that fat cut bookstores take out every semester from students who unwittingly sell back those expensive treasures at less than their fair value. (as if reading a "used" book for 15 weeks lowers its resale value by 50 percent!) But then, how can you run a capitalistic society if the rich aren't getting richer and poor poorer? The very idea is un-American.

I am grateful to see in the past few years, a second bookstore spring up, just off campus. Monopoly, though a great game in the family room, is usually an oppressive game in real life; unless you own Boardwalk and Park Place. But even still, with two university bookstores, the prices

haven't changed. Now, there are two places to be victimized at the beginning of every semester.

But for those of you who can't afford the outrageous prices of textbooks, I suggest you make your voice known in the best way a capitalistic system allows: Boycott. You don't have to buy books. Buddy up and pass them around. You're not reading the things 24 hours a day. And don't buy every book on the reading list. Only buy books you know you'll read and study. Higher education is not about pleasing professors with finished assignments. It is about learning and growth. If a book will serve that purpose, then enjoy the luxury of literacy and buy the thing, even with a 300 percent mark-up. Finally, with pre-registration finally available, find out what books you'll need and order them straight from the factory warehouse. Cut out the middle man!

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Cultural events slated for September

MIKE REED
Feature Editor

Registration is over and the greek rush has begun. You just met your new dormmate and he looks like he reads Joyce in his sleep. You know that mixers are coming up and you spent the entire summer playing nintendo and flipping through *Cosmopolitan* or *Entertainment Weekly*. It's coming down to the wire and you are going to have to make conversation. Eventually you are going to have to pretend that you actually did something this summer. Eventually you are going to have to lie.

Fortunately for you, I have a little calendar that lists all the important things to do between now and September 15. If you have a lot of catching up to do, this is the time to do it. Nashville and Murfreesboro have some amazing things lined up for you. So, take lots of notes and look for your friends while you're there.

August 30 is a rough day all around. After catching *Lethal Weapon II* at the Campus Cinema, drop by the KUC and give the ASB some of your blood (the ASB blood drive is 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.). That evening, go to the Tennessee Room at the JUB about 8:30 and check out the video dance party. (It may be the closest you'll ever get to *Soul Train*).

On August 31 you should probably sleep late because you'll want

to have plenty of energy for the Italian Street Fair. I don't know about you, but, that Friday, Riverfront park is my new mailing address until Labor day. Where else are you going to see 100,000 people jammed together and eating pasta? The festival is from August 31 to September 4. It opens at 5:00 pm and closes when you go home.

September 1 (besides being my Dad's birthday) is the day of the MTSU/TSU football extravaganza. If you only go to one game this lifetime (etc...). The game is in Nashville and it starts at 6 pm.

September 2 is loaded with activities. The MTSU Photographic Gallery will open up its year with the photographs of Rosalind Solomon. Solomon's work centers around the mortality of us all and the cultural boundaries we create in life. These photographs will be on display at the LRC until October 4.

Later that evening you can see another example of the mortality of us all. James Taylor will be at the Starwood Amphitheater. Tickets are on sale now through Ticketmaster.

September 3 is Labor Day. No classes. However, you can always sit at home and buy a bamboo steamer on the Home Shopping Network.

September 4 is a big night for all you theater goers. *Fiddler On The Roof* opens at the Tennessee

Performing Arts Center. The thing that makes this version better than the one you saw in high school, is that Topol (the original Tevye) will be performing. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity. The show runs September 4 through 9. Tickets are on sale now.

Speaking of tickets, if you want to see Phil Collins tonight at Starwood, you might be out of luck. Tickets are on sale now, but they're going fast.

September 5 is a day full of chills and thrills. Aside from being recreation night at the Alumni Gym, Akido classes begin.

People interested in learning how to disable an attacker with their bare hands, should call the Department of Continuing Education at 898-2462.

That afternoon you can stop by the Campus Cinema and see *Look Whose Talking* (cheap!).

The Woody Herman Orchestra will be performing in the BDA Tucker theatre. The evening will be filled with the nostalgia of the big band era. Frank Tibere will direct the orchestra named for the immortal Woody Herman. Its a blast from the past that is sure to make an impression on that first date.

On September 6 you can relax at the Middle Tennessee Medical Center and take their course on Diabetes Education. Call 849-4500 for pre-registration information.

September 7 you should go to the Off-Broadway Gallery in Nashville and see *You, Heh Ja: Contemporary Korean Ceramics*. The gallery is located at 111 Fourth Ave South. Call 259-6374 for more details.

September 8 is a day for reflection. Start with a lecture on barn raising techniques at the Traveler's Rest Fair (located 636 Farrell Parkway in Nashville). Two faculty members from MTSU will be on hand to take you back to the early 19th century.

Later that afternoon (5:00 pm), you can catch a reception at the Downtown Arts Gallery (Church Street Centre) for *Tennessee Painting Today 67*. This is a collection of paintings by Tennessee artists from 1967. The show hopes to enlighten and remind us of that era.

Even later that evening (7:00 pm), MTSU plays Georgia Southern here at our very own MTSU.

September 9 is Grandparents day. You should give gramps a call and let them know you still care.



ON EXHIBIT: The MTSU Photographic Gallery will exhibit the work of Rosalind Solomon from Sept. 2 through Oct. 4. The gallery is located in the LRC and open to the public.

Tell them about the barn raising, or better yet, take them to see *Bird* at the Campus Cinema. Its free!

As long as you are hanging out at the Campus Cinema, September 10 is the first day of the *Tango and Cash* extravaganza. See your ticket taker for details.

September 11 is a day of contradictions. First you must do something to get in shape. Today is the deadline for Sand Volleyball and the Ocoee Raft trip entries. Call Campus Rec for details.

Also, you should do something that will induce entropy. On WXMT-TV you can see (with limited commercial interruptions) *To Have and Have Not* starring Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall. It starts at 8:00 pm. That's entertainment.

September 12 is not only Recreation night at the Alumni Gym (again), its the entry deadline for tennis singles (see Campus Rec).

Today also provides the three or so students that didn't get a chance to see *Pretty Woman* this summer, the opportunity to do so. Thank the beautiful people at the Campus Cinema.

September 13 will be a day of rest, relaxation and slothfulness. Then after classes are over, you can go home and see Spencer Tracy and Katherine Hepburn in *Adam's Rib* on WXMT-TV. It starts at 8:00 pm (right after *Trump Card*). I guess you could also see *Pretty Woman* again.

September 14th is yet another musical day. Kenny G will be performing at the Starwood Amphitheatre. Hold me back.

On September 15 you have a choice. You can go on the Ocoee Raft trip with Campus Rec, and

be thrashed around in some boat (possibly getting your picture on the front page of *Sidelines*) or you can be like me and watch a lot of cooking and home improvement shows on WDCN-TV.

Talk about entertainment! We have *Justin Wilson's Louisiana Cookin'* at 11:30 (today's episode is entitled "home grown pork"). At noon you can see *Nathalie Dupree's Matters of Taste*. *The Frugal Gourmet* will be working with squid and octopus at 12:30. For those of you on a diet, *Pierre Franey's Cuisine Rapide* will be dealing with low-cal treats.

Many of you, I realize, are more of the "hand me that cordless band saw and the 23/156 bit" variety. I can respect that. For you we have home improvement shows. Starting at 1:30 *Hometime* will be dealing with tree and shrub maintenance. At 2:30 (while your cordless hammer is recharging) you can watch *The Woodwright's Shop*. If your green thumb is itching to get dirty, drag your TV outside and tune in *Victory Garden* at 3:00. Finally *This Old House* sans Bob Vila comes on at 4:30. (I know many of you miss Bob, but, you can still go to Sears and steal a cardboard cut out to put by your television).

That just about covers the cultural scene in the Nashville/Murfreesboro area. The next step is to tear out this page and put it on your fridge (the tabloid size is perfect for those of you with those tiny dorm refrigerators). From now on (or at least until September 15, you don't have to say "I'm bored, but, there's nothing to do." Just use this handy guide to chase away the blues. ■



FIDDLIN': Internationally-acclaimed actor Topol will star in *Fiddler on the Roof* at the Tennessee Performing Arts Center Sept. 4-9. Tickets are on sale at all Ticketmaster outlets.

Cinemas offer top movie hits

BRIAN WILLIAMS
Staff Writer

Welcome back students, new and old, to MTSU! So you want to go to the movies and you don't know where to go and then when you get there you don't know what to see? Well, I am going to help you by telling you where the theatres are, what movies to see, and other information for your movie going pleasure.

First, let's start by finding a theatre. We begin our little journey by talking about the new theatre in Murfreesboro, the lovely Stones River Cinemas located behind Wal-Mart in the Stones River Mall. The theatre is owned by the Litchfield theatre chain. It has six screens with door entrances/exits, lighted aisles, cupholder seats, and all the movies are presented in Kintek stereo sound for clear perception. It also has a huge lobby and refreshment stand with pleasant and well dressed personnel to enhance your movie going pleasure.

The theatre opens daily at 12:30 p.m. Admission is \$3.00 for matinee shows until 5:30 and student discounts of \$3.00 for the night shows with a valid student ID. In addition, starting September 2, the theatre will have a

bargain day on Tuesday with admission being \$3.00 for all shows.

Next, there is the Carmike 6 located in the Jackson Heights Plaza. The theatre is owned by the Carmike theatre chain based in Atlanta. It has six screens with two of them having stereo sound. It opens at 6:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday and at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Admission is \$5.00 for shows at night and matinee shows Sat. and Sun. afternoons, admission will be \$3.00 until 5:30.

Now if the six screens theatres bring confusion, you can narrow your choices at the Cinema Twin

located on South Tennessee Blvd. The two screen theatre has a friendly atmosphere, rocking chairs, low prices at the concession stand, and the only theatre in town serving Pepsi for those new generation fans.

The theatre opens at 6:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday and at 1:00 p.m. Sat and Sun for afternoon matinees. Admission is \$3.00 with a valid student ID.

However, if you don't want to go to the movies off campus due to expensive prices, no transportation, or even no date, you can go to the movie theatre on campus located next to the Grill on

the second floor of the KUC. This theatre earns my MVP award for most improvement. Gone are the days of wooden chairs, an awful sound system, and a dirty screen. The theatre has brand new seats, carpeting, projectors, a stereo sound system, and a brand new screen.

The Campus Cinema will show two movies a week, one on Monday and Tuesday and another movie on Wednesday and Thursday. Showtimes are at 4, 7 and 9 p.m. Admission is \$1.50 for the 4 p.m. shows and \$2.00 for the 7 and 9 p.m. shows. The box office will be open 30 minutes before

each showtime.

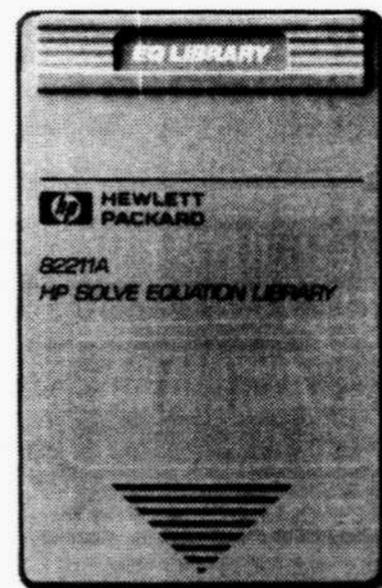
Now that you know where the theatres are, you need to decide what movie you want to see. Here is my official star ratings for each movie showing at all theatres this week with one or two showing at one time only and today only. One star is poor; two stars is fair; three stars is good; and four stars is excellent.

Air America—Mel Gibson and Robert Downey Jr. star in this comedy-adventure of two airplane pilots in Laos during the Vietnam War. ★★1/2 (R: profanity)—Stones River
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Anarchnophobia Jeff Daniels and John Goodman star in this comedy-thriller of one man's fear and one small town's war with a deadly spider with an attitude.★★★1/2 (PG-13: intense spider sequences)-Stones River

Darkman Liam Neeson stars in this action thriller about a scientist bent on revenge against the people who destroyed his laboratory and disfigured his skin.★★★ (R: profanity, violence)-Stones River

Lethal Weapon 2 Mel Gibson, Danny Glover and the magic are back in the follow up to the action packed *Lethal Weapon*.★★★1/2 (R: profanity, explosive violence, brief sexual content). Showing today only at the KUC theatre.

If I didn't satisfy you at the movies, here are some new movies on home-video:

Dick Tracy Warren Beatty, Madonna, Al Pacino and a cast of thousands star in this big screen adventure of the famous comic strip detective.★★★1/2 (PG: comic book gunplay) Cinema Twin.

Ducktales: Treasure of the Lost Lamp Those loveable ducks from the TV show, hit the big screen in this cute tale of adventure.★★ (G) Carmike 6.

The Exorcist III William Peter Blatty, the original creator of *The Exorcist*, writes and directs this continuing saga of evil 13 years later with the priest who was killed in the original is now the devil's servant. ★ (Rated R: intense theme, mild gore, profanity) Carmike 6.

Flatliners Kiefer Sutherland, Julia Roberts, and Kevin Bacon star in this thriller of medical student's experiments of occurrences after death.★★★ (R: death subplot/intense death sequences, profanity, nudity) Cinema Twin.

The Jungle Book Walt Disney's re-release of the famed Kipling classic.★★★1/2. (G) Cinema Twin.

Ghost Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore, and Whoopi Goldberg star in this comedy-romantic-drama-thriller (whew!).★★★1/2 (PG-13: sexual content, profanity, supernatural occurrences, violence) Carmike 6.

My Blue Heaven Steve Martin and Rick Moranis star in this comedy about a man under the federal witness protection plan and the FBI agent assigned to protect him.★1/2 (PG: profanity) Stones River.

Pretty Woman Richard Gere and Julia Roberts star in this 90's version of *Pygmalion* as a coporate raider who falls for a Hollywood prostitute.★★★1/2 (R: adult theme, sexual content, profanity) Stones River.

Presumed Innocent Harrison Ford stars in this drama of a prosecuting attorney accused of murder of a colleague who he had an affair with. Also stars Brian Dennehy, Paul Winfield, Raul Julia, and Bonnie Bedilla.★★★1/2 (R: adult theme, sexual content, profanity) Stones River.

Men at Work Charlie Sheen and Emilio Estevez star in this comedy about the antics of garbage men.★1/2 (PG-13: profanity) Carmike 6.

Problem Child John Ritter stars in the mean-spirited farce about a very destructive child.★★ (PG: dirty jokes) Carmike 6.

The Two Jakes Jack Nicholson stars and directs this long (2 hrs and 18 min)and awaited sequel to *Chinatown*.★★ Carmike 6.

Taking Care of Business Jim Belush and Charles Gordon star in this small farce of one man's successful business career becoming the pleasure of an escaped convict who assumes his identity.★★ (R: profanity) Car-

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Young Guns II Emilio Estevez, Kiefer Sutherland, and Lou Diamond Phillips are back in the saddle again as the bad boys of the west. Also starring Christian Slater and William Peterson)★★★1/2 (PG-13: profanity, violence, brief nudity) Stones River.

Driving Miss Daisy Morgan Freeman, Jessica Tandy, and Dan Aykroyd star in this unique story of friendship between an old white southern Jewish woman and her black chauffeur. It is based on the Pulitzer Prize winning play and winner of four Academy Awards including best picture and best actress.★★★

The War of the Roses Michael Douglas, Kathleen Turner, and Danny DeVito star in the mean-spirited comedy of divorce.★★★1/2

Hard To Kill Steven Segal stars in this action-adventure of a cop getting revenge after being left for dead seven years ago.★★1/2

Tremors Kevin Bacon and Fred Ward are on the run as they are pursued by large mutant worms underground in the desert.★★★

Steel Magnolias Sally Field, Dolly Parton, Shirley MacLaine, Olympia Dukakis, Daryl Hannah and Julia Roberts star in this compassionate and touching drama about eight southern ladies, and their friendship in Louisiana.★★★ ■

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FRIGHTENING: Jason Miller stars in the Twentieth Century Fox release *The Exorcist III*. Miller plays Father Damien Karas, who is possessed by the devil. The film was written and directed by William Peter Blatty. *The Exorcist III* is playing at The Carmike 6 cinema at Jackson Heights Plaza.

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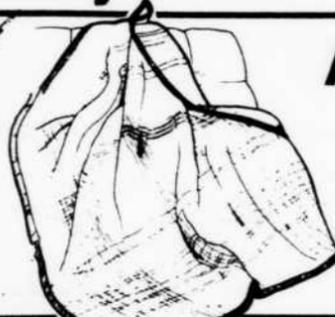
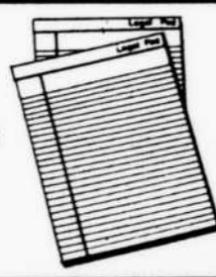
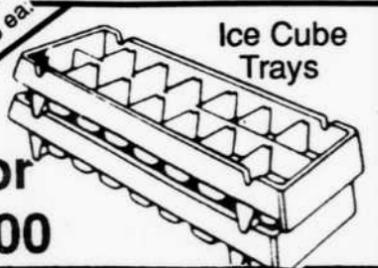
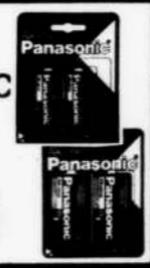
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'Madwoman' goes into gear

KAY HILTON
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FEATURES EDITOR

Even though this is only the first week of classes, the Speech and Theatre department is wasting no time this fall in preparing for production of *The Madwoman of Chailiot*.

The play, written by Girau Doux and directed by Deborah Anderson, will be presented by the Buchanan Players Oct. 23.

In a nutshell, the plot centers around a cafe owned by Countess Aurelia. The world the countess and her French compatriots live in is a very bleak one. All progress has stopped and society is in the "survival of the fittest" mode. In their minds, it seems, life today will not make a difference tomorrow.

Aurelia learns that prospectors have discovered oil under the streets of Paris and are willing to blow up the city to get to it. The countess thwarts their plans and ultimately leads the "bad people" to their deaths.

Anderson expects this production to be a very large one. She will be working with a approximately 25 to 27 cast members.

Although *Madwoman* was originally a protest of the German occupation of France, Anderson said she chose this play because of its relevancy to today's environmental awareness. She also said the play could be considered relevant in light of the situation in Iraq.

"The motto of the man who originally wrote *Madwoman* was 'If man is good to nature, then nature will be good to man.'"

Although Anderson is using the original script, the play will follow a post-environmental failure theme.

Scene designer Tracy Smith is tailoring the set to this theme.

"The period is timeless yet futuristic," Smith said. "The time could fall anywhere between 1890 and the year 2000."

Smith is having to design the set to accommodate the large cast the play requires.

"The second act will probably require the greatest amount of space. The act takes place in the sewers of Paris. The scene has a damp and closed in feeling, but it has to have options for movement.

"The cafe, on the other hand, has to look like a place with a little hope. It will still be sort of worn down like the other buildings in the town.

"The whole feel will be stylized. It makes you question what is real and what is not, but it's not enough to throw the viewer."

Virginia Donnell is the costume designer for the play, and although the staff is still in the

idea stage, Donnell said they are going for a "recycled trash" look.

"The trash I'm talking about is not 'dirty' trash. Everything is recycled [in that society], including clothing. The look is sort of like the clothes you find in an attic. Once you blow the dust off, you have a little treasure. It's more of an oxidized look.

"Some people have asked me if the costumes will look like *Mad Max Beyond Thunderdome*. I think it will be more along the lines of the movie *Brazil*. In that movie, you knew it was in the future but you didn't know when.

There were a lot of period pieces.

"That's what we're looking for here. All the clothes are set within the 20th Century. The characters will be wearing different pieces from different eras."

The clothes will also reflect the character who is wearing them, said Donnell.

The colors that will be used will be those of decay mixed with jewel tones. Sheer fabrics and matte hard textures will be mixed in to create a feeling of something old and luxurious. Donnell said it creates a surrealistic, yet eclectic feeling. ■



David Hardinge/Staff

CATTLE CALL: Derrek Buford auditions for a part in the Buchanan Players' fall production "The Madwoman of Chailiot." Auditions continue tonight at 7 p.m. in the Tucker Theater at the Boutwell Dramatic Arts Building.

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Mo' Better could have been better

CHRIS BELL
Managing Editor

man, but he is also a trained musician and Washington makes both sides of him real.

The rest of the cast is just as good. Lee himself plays the debt-ridden Giant, the manager of Bleek's quartet and his real-life sister Joie Lee is very believable as a schoolteacher who doesn't like clubs but does like Bleek. The film is dedicated to the late, great Robin Harris, who is corny but funny as Butterbean, the m.c. at Beneath the Underdog, the club where Bleek plays.

The real standouts however, are Ruben Blades as Giant's bookie and Wesley Snipes as Shadow Henderson, the saxophonist in Bleek's group. It is to Lee's credit that he gives both men important scenes in the movie that, while having little to do with the main themes of the film, bring their characters to life. That, in turn, gives the entire movie a greater sense of reality.

Lee has worked with the same technical crew for several films now and that cooperation once again pays off. Ernest Dickerson, his usual cinematographer, turns in his usual fluid camera work and Wynn Thomas, the production designer, creates a lush, if not always realistic, environment.

The color scheme is full of the usual reds and blues Lee films have used through his career, but it also employs a wider palet of colors and textures this time out. The woodsy feel of Bleek's downtown loft or the post-modern white of Shadow's apartment nicely fit their characters.

Also, since this is a jazz film, Lee had the good sense to hire his friend Brandford Marsalis to play the music and his father, Bill Lee, to write it. That means this is one of the few times a jazz film has used real modern jazz. Nice touch.

Since the acting, music and technical aspects are good to great, all that's left is the script. And that's where the problem lies. It's fine when it sets up the the problems in Bleek's life, but the solutions are a little unbelievable, if touching.

As a big, ambitious film that lacks a little in the script department, "Mo' Better" resembles Oliver Stone's "Born on the Fourth of July." Indeed, Stone and Lee may be the two most talented mainstream movie directors working today. But they should remember all the talent in the world can't save a weak script. ■



THE BLEEK QUINTET: (l to r) Denzell Washington, Jeff "Tain" Watts, Wesley Snipes and Bill Nunn play members of the Bleek Gilliam quintet in Spike Lee's new movie "Mo' Better Blues."

This has been a disappointing year for movies with film after film falling to some sort of "almost-but-not-quite" jinx. While "Mo' Better Blues" doesn't break that chain, it is a notch up from the rest of this summer's swill.

What makes this particular effort interesting is its creator — Spike Lee, the writer-director-producer of "Mo' Better," is also the rebel who brought us "Do the Right Thing," maybe the best film of 1989. This time out, there's no homers, but he doesn't strike out either.

The basic plot is a familiar one. A jazz trumpeter is torn between the pressures of music and love. Set in modern-day New York City, it traces the career of Bleek Gilliam, played by Denzell Washington.

Washington was the perfect choice for Bleek. His performance is easily on the caliber of his Oscar-winning work in "Glory" and marks him as one of the best American actors working today. Indeed, he is one of the few actors who have the good looks and intelligence to carry such a role. Bleek is a passionate

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Battle of the Big Blue's

From Staff Reports

Despite having the largest senior class of his Middle Tennessee coaching tenure, Blue Raider head coach Boots Donnelly expects to have 12 underclassmen among the 24 starters in his lineup for the season opener against Tennessee State's Big Blue Tigers Saturday night in Nashville.

There are a total of 21 seniors on the 1990 Blue Raider squad. In a couple of instances, seniors have been beaten out of a starting position by younger players who out-produced them in pre-season camp and/or in spring practice last spring.

One of the seniors, defensive end Mike Fairbanks, re-injured a knee a week ago and is definitely out for the TSU game, and perhaps for two-three other games as well.

"We do have a lot of experience on this team," says Donnelly, "but some of our younger players won't be denied the opportunity to become a regular."

"To tell you the truth, I hope that kinda makes some of our seniors mad. Maybe they'll decide that they want to play a little harder than they first thought."

Four sophomores are among the probable starters: offensive tackle Steve McAdoo, tight end Steve Dark, defensive end Mike Caldwell and cornerback Jamie Redmond.

Redmond was a regular last year, as a freshman, while

McAdoo and Caldwell were part-time starters.

The starting lineup will also include eight juniors, split end Greg James, offensive guard Mike Nihill, center Mike Gibson, flanker Orlando Crenshaw, place-kicker Matt Crews, defensive tackles Chris Burns and Bryan Faulkner and linebacker Randy Horn.

Seniors slated to open against the Tigers Saturday are offensive guard Leroy Gifford, offensive tackle Ricky Mitchell, quarterback Phil Ironside, fullback Wade Johnson, tailback Ricky Martin, defensive guards Mike Kelly and Bill Kennedy, defensive end Greg Pollard, linebacker Anthony Coleman, cornerback Jimmy McCamey, free safety Marty Carter and punter Chuck Daniel.

"TSU is a tough opener for us," Donnelly said. "Anytime you open the season with a conference game it's tough."

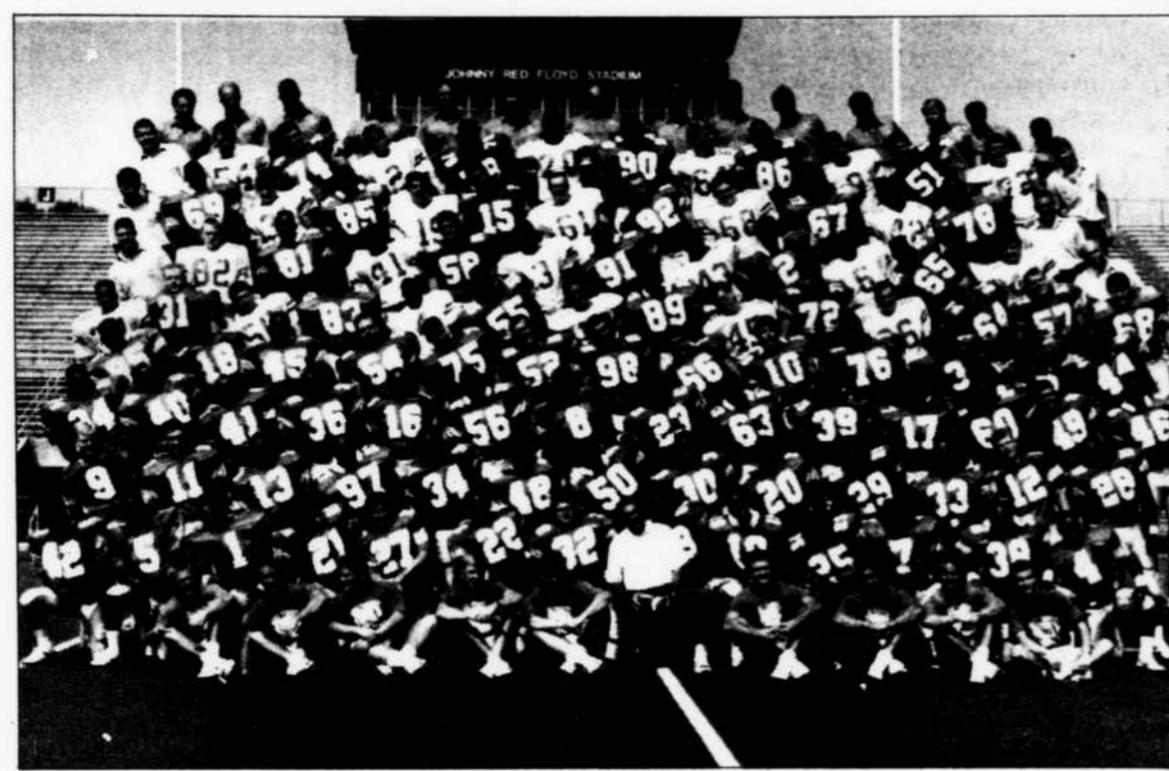
"With Tennessee State, it's just intensified because of the rivalry and the fact that they should have a much improved football team this fall."

"They had the best defensive team last season, and they certainly shouldn't be any worse this time around."

The Tiger defense will be led by All-OVC linebacker Simon Shanks. Shanks led the team with 141 tackles last year.

Offensively, the Tigers are suffering due to the fact that they have no true quarterback. James Wade is expected to hold the pos-

LEANING INTO THE '90's



Sandra Rennie•Staff



MTSU's BLUE RAIDER football players took some time off from the practice field last week to take a few snapshots. The team has been working hard and is picked to repeat as OVC champions this year. They open play this Saturday evening against Tennessee State. The contest is slated to begin at 6:00 p.m. at Vanderbilt Stadium in Nashville. Tickets are still available at the MTSU ticket office in Murphy Center.

ition until someone steps forward and challenges him. He does have a good group of receivers to throw to. Among the sure handed speedsters include All-OVC pick Anthony Owens.

Owens led TSU last year with 22 receptions for 457 yards and returned three kickoffs for 143 yards including a touchdown.

Virtually all pre-season ratings and polls have picked either MTSU or Eastern Kentucky to win the Ohio Valley Conference

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(H)all gone Senior quits school

TONY J. ARNOLD Sports Editor

MTSU Lady Raider head basketball coach Lewis Bivens was hit hard this past week when senior Becky Hall decided to pass up her final season of eligibility and remain at home in Lookout Mountain, Georgia.

The 6-4 center was expected to be a force underneath the basket this season. Last year she averaged 9.8 points and 4.2 rebounds in 20 contests. After joining the team in January, Hall steadily improved throughout the season.

She came to the university from Emmanuel Junior College in Franklin Springs, Georgia. In 1988 she led her team to a 30-3 record and fifth-place finish in the National JuCo tournament. Her totals in her two year stint at the school included 15 points and 12 rebounds per contest.

Hall did not report to school this year nor did she contact Coach Bivens to tell him of her reasons for not returning to the program.

"I've talked to her mother but I haven't talked to her," Bivens said. "I don't know why she's not coming back and I'm disappointed as a person because she hasn't let me know anything."

"She was going to be strong for us in the post position this year and we were counting on her coming back."

"I talked to her over the summer and she said she had been running and lost 20 pounds. She never said anything about not returning."



Becky Hall

MTSU tabbed highly

TONY J. ARNOLD Sports Editor

A pre-season poll is something that gives football fans something to talk about.

They are standards to make bets by and argue about. With all arguing aside, however, the 1990 Middle Tennessee Blue Raider squad has been billed as a Division I-AA national powerhouse by sports publications.

The Sporting News has placed the Raiders in eighth place in their poll. They also picked three of Middles scheduled opponents ahead of them.

Georgia Southern, who will be the Raiders first home game Sept. 8, is picked to repeat as the National Champions. OVC foe, Eastern Kentucky, was picked fourth while UT-Chattanooga nailed down the fifth seed.

Not only did the team get ranked, some of the players received high marks as well.

Tailback Joe Cambell was chosen as the ninth best runner in the I-AA nation. Georgia Southern's Joe Ross was the first pick.

Linebacker Anthony Coleman earned the number two billing behind Alabama State's Eddie Robinson.

David Primus of Samford topped the defensive back list but MTSU's Jimmy McCamey wasn't far behind. McCamey was eighth.

Street and Smith's College Football issue has the Raiders picked second to Furman.

They also named Georgia Southern (3rd), Eastern Kentucky (7th) and UT-Chattanooga (16th) in their poll.

Coleman was the only Raider named to the All-

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Raiders Donnelly is true winner

From Staff Reports

James (Boots) Donnelly has become a name synonymous with winning football. He has developed a winning program everywhere he has served as head coach.

The 1990 season will mark his 12th as head coach at Middle Tennessee State University, where he was an outstanding player himself in the mid-1960's. When the '65 MTSU grad returned to his alma mater in December, 1978, he took over the reins of a once proud football tradition that had fallen on hard times. The Blue Raiders had not had a winning season since 1972.

Donnelly warned Blue Raider alumni and supporters that the job would not be done overnight, but it "WOULD" be done. He proved a highly accurate prognosticator on both counts.

In his first season, 1979, MTSU posted only a 1-9 record, but the Raiders did cap the season with a win over arch-rival Tennessee Tech. In 1980, Donnelly's team advanced to 2-8, with wins over Akron and Tech, before turning the corner with a 6-5 winning season in 1981. The highlight of that first winning season was the upset

of Murray State, the nation's top ranked Division I-A team at the time.

In 1982, the Blue Raiders continued their climb toward the mark of excellence that has always marked Donnelly's teams by putting together a sparkling 8-3 record and tying for third place in the Ohio Valley Conference.

The following year, 1983, the Blue Raiders went 8-2 and tied for second place in the OVC. Then in 1984, the Raiders very nearly hit the jackpot. Despite being nosed out for the OVC title because of a pair of mid-season upset losses, MTSU won an at-large bid to the NCAA Division I-AA national playoffs with a regular season record of 9-2.

The Blue Raiders went all the way to the national semifinal game before being eliminated by Louisiana Tech, after earlier playoff wins over OVC champion Eastern Kentucky and fourth-seeded Indiana State. All told, MTSU had 11 wins against 3 losses, the most victories ever for a Blue Raider team.

Donnelly was named Kodak Coach of the Year for NCAA Region 3 by vote of members of the American Football Coaches Association.

Things got even better in 1985. The Blue Raiders posted a perfect 11-0 mark, won their first OVC title since 1965 and were ranked No. 1 in the national I-AA poll over the final five weeks of the season. Even though they were knocked from the playoffs by eventual champion Georgia Southern (a team MTSU had beaten soundly during the regular season), honors came to the Raiders in bunches.

Donnelly was named OVC Coach of the Year for the third time in his career. His freshman quarterback, Marvin Collier, was voted the league's Offensive Player of the Year and senior safety Don Griffin was named OVC Defensive Player of the Year. Donnelly was again voted Coach of the Year for NCAA Region 3 by his coaching peers across the nation.

In 1986, the Raiders shook off a rash of early-season injuries to overcome a four-game losing streak and bounce back to wind up at 6-5, the sixth straight winning season at MTSU. At the same time, MTSU tied for third place in the OVC standings behind co-champions Murray State and Eastern Kentucky in one of

the league's best balanced races ever.

Four of the five teams that held wins over the Raiders (Murray State, Eastern Kentucky, Tennessee State and Georgia Southern) were chosen to the 16-team field for the Division I-AA playoffs.

The Blue Raiders of '87 duplicated both the 6-5 record and the third-place finish of the '86 team.

In 1988, a superb defense, led by OVC Player of the Year Don Thomas, paced the Blue Raiders to a 7-4 record and a near-miss for another playoff berth. MTSU bounced back from a grueling non-league schedule that left them 3-3 at mid-season to put together a win streak that yielded a perfect 6-0 OVC mark, the league title and Coach of the Year honors for Donnelly again.

MTSU defeated Appalachian State in the NCAA Playoffs, before being sidetracked by eventual national champion Georgia Southern.

Donnelly's record at MTSU stands at 75-49-0 (.605) for 11 seasons. His career record, spanning 13 years, is 89-56-0 (.614).

Prior to his return to MTSU, Donnelly was head coach at Austin Peay State University in 1977

and 1978, leading the Governors to their first-ever OVC title in '77 and being named the league's Coach of the Year. His two-year record at Austin Peay was 14-7.

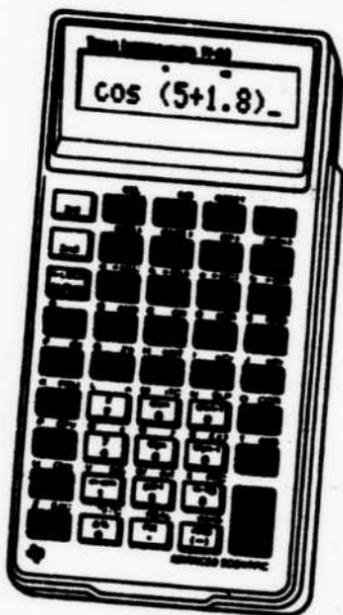
Before moving to Austin Peay, Donnelly was an assistant coach at Vanderbilt for two years, where he first began to gain a solid reputation as an outstanding recruiter.

His coaching career began at Nashville's Father Ryann High School, where he had been a top-flight, all-around athlete. He was an assistant coach there for eight years before becoming head coach in 1974. He led Ryann to a 21-1 record over two seasons, including a perfect 13-0 mark and the Tennessee Class AAA title in '74.

Donnelly had been the Nashville Interscholastic League's Player of the Year in 1960, before enrolling at MTSU, where he played as defensive back for three seasons. He passed up his final year of eligibility with the Blue Raiders in 1965 to complete his degree. He added his Master's degree from MTSU in 1966.

He is married to the former Carole Holzapfel of Nashville and they have three daughters, Bunny, Helen and Lauren. ■

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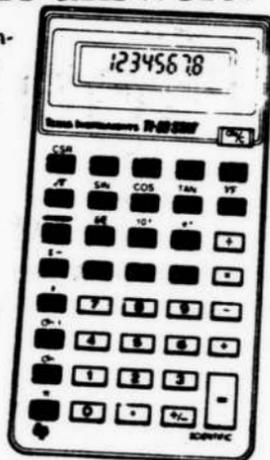
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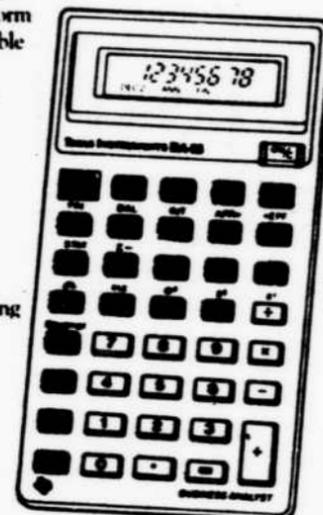
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Tough season ahead

TONY J. ARNOLD
Sports Editor

MTSU head football coach Boots Donnelly has never been too optimistic before the season has opened.

This year he has a right to not be.

The Blue Raiders are opening the first six weeks of the schedule with opponents that are capable of beating any I-AA team in the nation.

Tennessee State will be the first task Saturday night. Unfortunately, the always tough Tigers appear one of the easier contest

in the second round of the playoffs. Since that date, Southern has won four of five contest. Last year they demolished the Raiders in two contest by outscoring them 71-3.

The following week, MTSU will play host to East Tennessee State. The Big Blue whipped the Bucs 41-6 in Johnson City last year and ETSU is looking for a little revenge.

Western Kentucky enters the Raiders domain on Sept. 22. Middle and WKU have 27 wins apiece in their series that dates back to 1914.

The Hilltoppers handed the

a run for the national title.

Last year the Raiders easily disposed of them by a 24-7 margin. This season, they play in Chattanooga where hardly any visitor escapes with a victory.

The Eastern Kentucky game, a Oct. 6 meeting, pits the Raiders up against a I-AA powerhouse.

The Colonels, despite finishing second to MTSU last season, are picked ahead of the Big Blue in virtually every poll and are expected to contend for the crown.

Not only does this game hold a national meaning, it holds a OVC meaning. The winner of this annual contest usually goes on to be crowned the conference champion.

The remaining five games of the schedule do not appear to be as rough.

But first things come first and if the Raiders don't fair well against their early opponents then any hopes of post-season play may be destroyed.

If they do manage to get through their early schedule they must not overlook anyone in the bottom half of the it where rivals like Tennessee Tech and Austin Peay await hoping to spoil any chances the Raiders have at obtaining a national crown. ■

NCAA Action!

of the opening weeks.

Whether the Raiders get by TSU or not, they must prepare themselves for the defending I-AA National Champions Georgia Southern the following week.

Southern starts the season in the top slot in the NCAA national poll and has always been a thorn in the side of the Raiders.

In 1985, the Eagles handed the Raiders their only loss of the year

Raiders a 31-16 loss last year and always give 110% against the Big Blue.

MTSU then hits the road for a matchup with highly ranked UT-Chattanooga and Eastern Kentucky. These two matchups could make or break the Raiders season.

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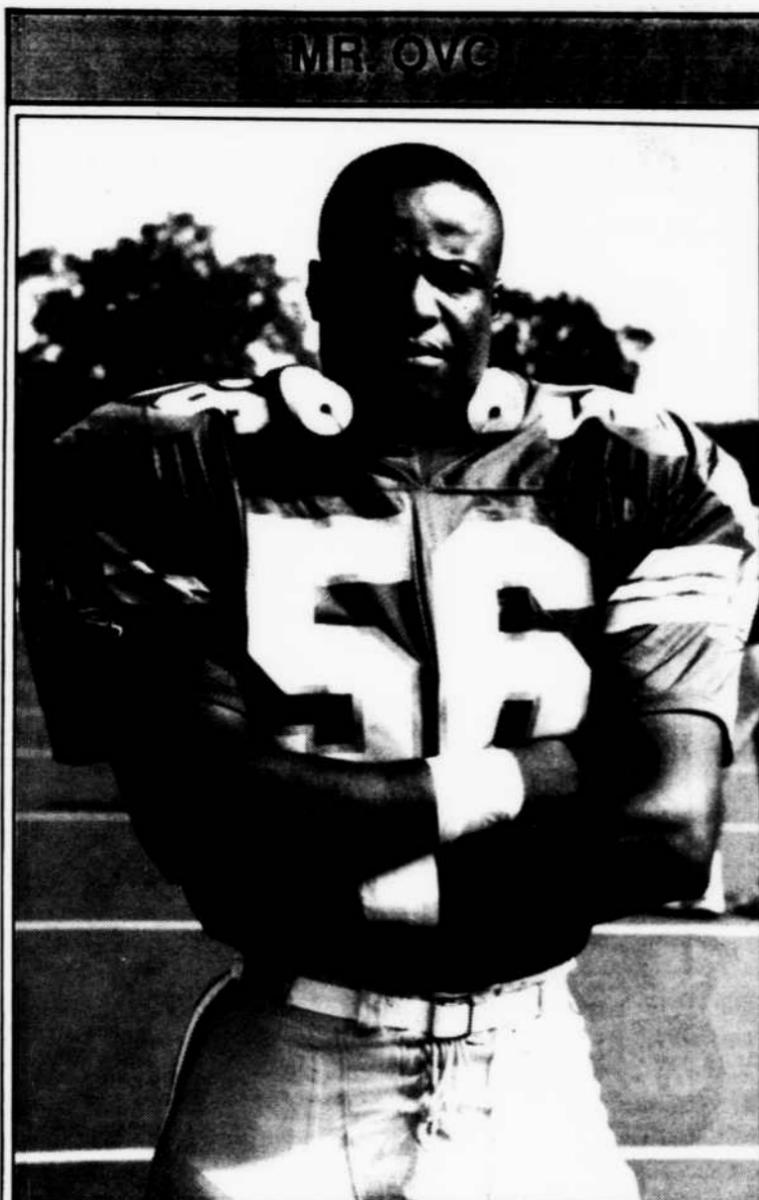
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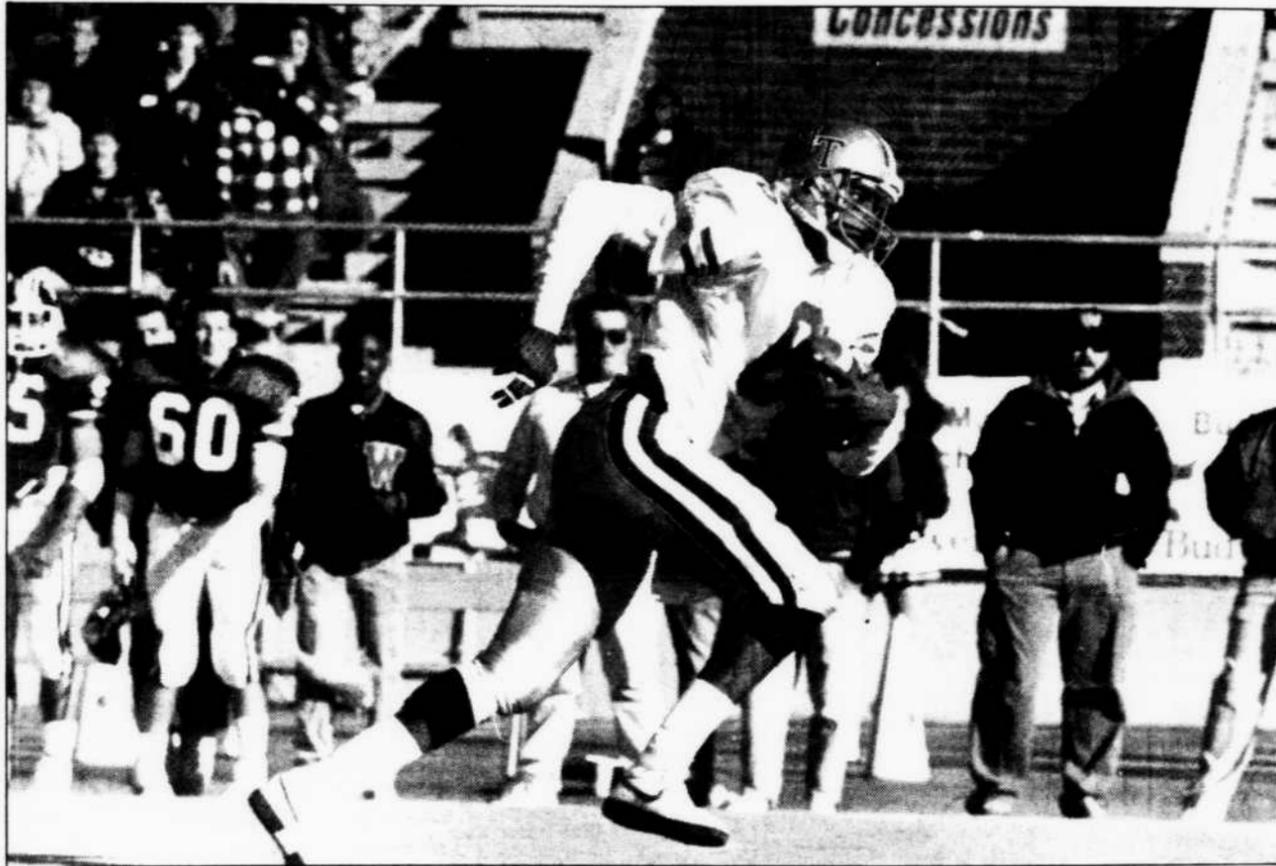
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Sept. 8	Georgia Southern	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 15	East Tennessee	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 22	Western Kentucky	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 29	UT-Chattanooga	6:00 p.m.
Oct. 6	*Eastern Kentucky	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 13	UT-Martin	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 20	*Austin Peay	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 27	*Morehead State (HC)	1:30 p.m.
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Nov. 10	*Murray State	1:30 p.m.
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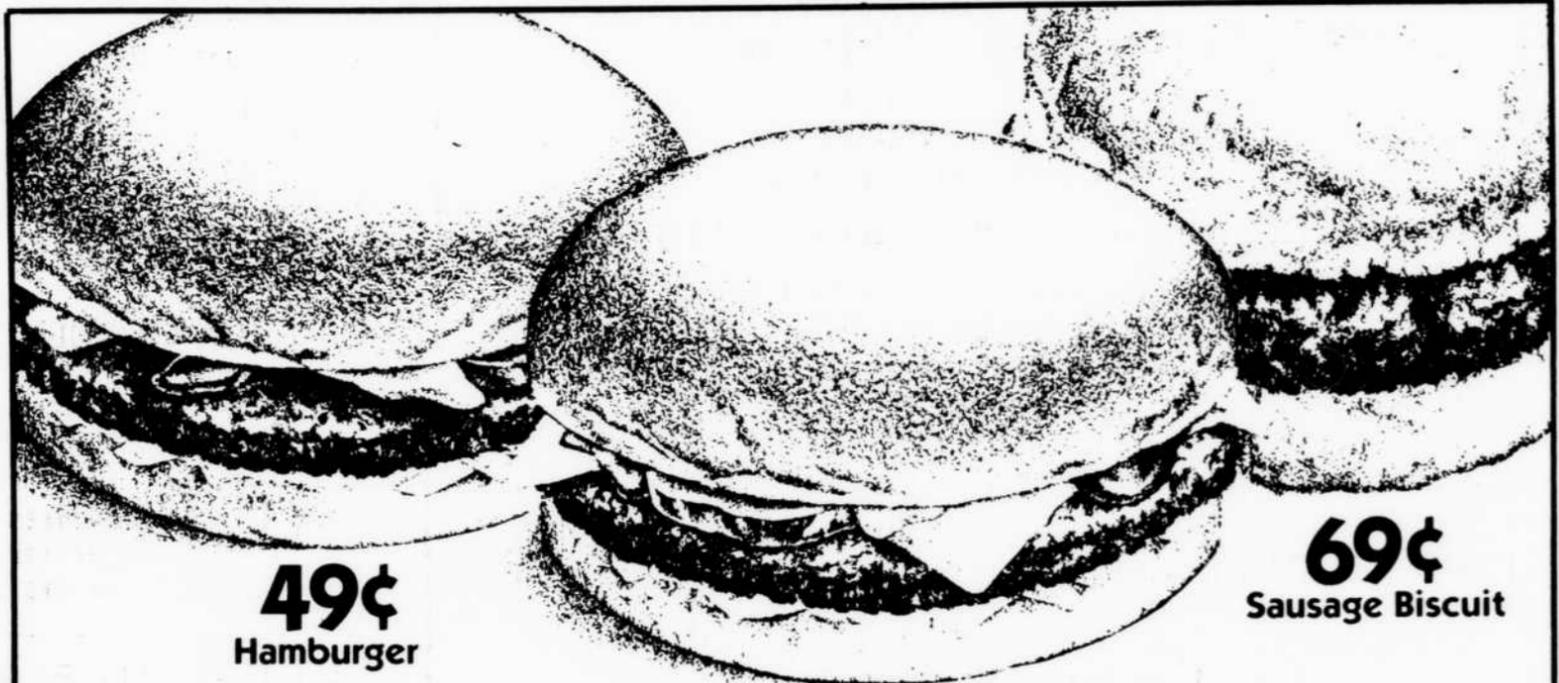
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title this season. The Blue Raiders won last year's championship with a perfect 6-0 league record and a 9-4 overall mark.

The rivalry between TSU and Middle Tennessee has been a good one, with TSU holding a 6-4 edge in the series that began in 1973. Three of those MTSU wins have come over the last three seasons.

The game has been an attractive one for fans too, drawing crowds of 28,284, 30,827, 18,764 and 29,500 since the series resumed in 1986. The one game for which attendance fell below the 20,000 mark, in 1988, was played in a driving rainstorm. ■



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American team in the publication.

The Raiders didn't fair so well in the poll taken by the NCAA committee, but an 11th place prediction isn't so bad.

Georgia Southern was the top choice while Eastern was third in the poll that came out last week.

The Sports Network poll also had Georgia Southern picked first and Eastern in third. MTSU was in sixth while UT-Chattanooga was 14th.

Barring injuries, the Raiders could very well top their predictions but many grueling weeks lie ahead with a tough schedule. It's obvious they have the talent but the question looms - Do the '90 Raider have the heart to take it all?

Only time will tell. If they have the right attitude and make the big plays then they stand a solid chance at surprising the I-AA nation and perhaps even bringing home the crown. ■

1990 Blue Raider Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME (Central)
Sept. 1	Tennessee State	Nashville, Tenn.	6:00 p.m.
Sept. 8	Georgia Southern	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 15	East Tennessee	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 22	Western Kentucky	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 29	UT-Chattanooga	Chattanooga, Tenn.	6:00 p.m.
Oct. 6	Eastern Kentucky	Richmond, Ky.	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 13	UT-Martin	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 20	Austin Peay	Clarksville, Tenn.	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 27	Morehead State	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	1:30 p.m.
Nov. 10	Murray State	Murray, Ky.	1:30 p.m.
Nov. 17	Tennessee Tech	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	1:30 p.m.

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Eat Grill food

When you can
Own your own home
Walk to class
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House for Sale
3 bedroom, 1/2 bath
close to campus, fenced in backyard

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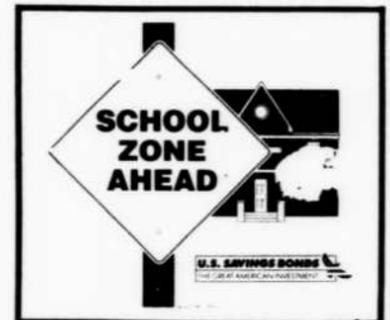
1988 VW Jetta GL. Automatic, Cruise Control, Stereo, Air, New H rated Dunlap Tires, low highway miles, one owner with all maintenance records. Cream Puff in Perfect Condition!!!! Call 459-7325 for test drive.

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THE ONLY LOW-BUDGET BOOK CLUB OWNED AND RECOMMENDED BY AKBAR & JEFF !!!

GET 1 FREE **TAKE A CHANCE**

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SIGN UP IMMEDIATELY!!

HERE'S HOW MEMBERSHIP WORKS: YOU CHOOSE ANY 3 BOOKS YOU'D LIKE TO HAVE FOR FREE! THEN-- IN A JIFFY (4 TO 6 WEEKS, MAYBE LONGER) WE SEND YOU YOUR "FREE" BOOKS (ALONG WITH A LEEB BILL FOR PROCESSING, SHIPPING, HANDLING, POSTAGE, QUALITY CONTROL, AND OUR RETIREMENT FUND). THEN SIT BACK AND RELAX! YOU'RE IN OUR HANDS NOW!

NAME _____ MCKNAME _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 AGE _____ LEGALLY SHOWING SIGNATURE _____

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CHAOS

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Suspected of favoritism, Ellen began losing popularity with the flock.

SHADE!



The City of Murfreesboro Welcomes The MTSU Student Body.



CITY of MURFREESBORO

Office of the Mayor

220 NORTHWEST BROAD STREET
MURFREESBORO, TENNESSEE 37130
AREA CODE 615 893-5210

JOE B. JACKSON
MAYOR

August 27, 1990

To: MTSU Student Body;

On behalf of the Murfreesboro City Council, our City employees, and the citizens of Murfreesboro, I wish to take this opportunity to welcome all students to the fall semester of the 1990-91 school year. We trust that each of you have enjoyed the summer vacation and are now ready for a serious challenge.

The University, its staff, and the students are all very important to the City of Murfreesboro and Rutherford County. We appreciate your many contributions to our community, and since this will be your home away from home, we want your time spent here to be a memorable experience.

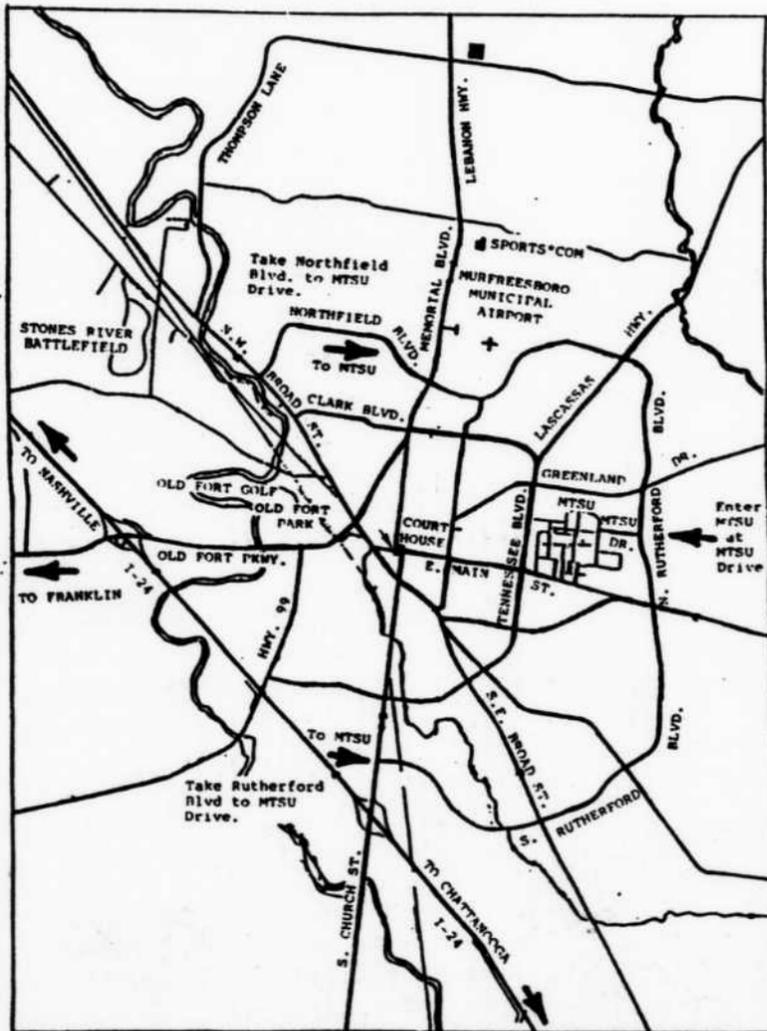
To our commuting students, I would mention that through a cooperative effort between the City of Murfreesboro and the University, Northfield-Rutherford Blvd. was constructed thru the rear of the MTSU campus with the intention of better serving the University's students. Since this boulevard circles the city and leads to the university, we suggest that you give it a try as you come and go to and from the University. We believe that you will find the boulevard to be convenient and that it will, in fact, save you time as you commute.

I would also like to add that we believe that good recreation is very important to all of our citizens and therefore we try to offer a variety of entertainment and recreational opportunities. We suggest that you contact the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce for information as to the many points of interest and programs of entertainment scheduled throughout the year.

We stand ready to be of service to you as valued citizens of our city.

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for future reference.**

Joe B. Jackson
Mayor



Phone Numbers for your convenience.

- Emergency Fire, Police, or Medical 911
- Fire Department 893-1622
- Police Department. 893-1311
- Rutherford County Sheriffs Office. 898-7770
- Rutherford County Emergency Medical Services 896-2520
- Murfreesboro City Hall . . 220 N.W. Broad Street . . 893-5210
- Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce. 893-6565
- Cannonsburgh S. Front Street 893-6565
- SPORTS*COM 2310 Memorial Blvd. 895-5040
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- Murfreesboro Recreation Dept.. 890-5333
- Stones River National Battlefield 893-9501
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- Murfreesboro Municipal Airport 1930 Memorial Blvd. . 895-1601