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Music competition attracts award-winning composer Pulitzer Prize winner Robert Ward to perform

Brent Andrews
Staff Writer

The MTSU Music Department and Phi Mu Alpha Music Fraternity will sponsor a visit and performance by Pulitzer Prize-winning composer Robert Ward as a preview to the Phi Mu Alpha Music Competition April 21 in Wright Music Building's Music Hall.

"I think [Ward's visit] projects an image...of support for the fine arts," said Dr. Thom Hutcheson, MTSU professor of music and organizer of the event. "It's a community service as well as an MTSU service."

Ward will conduct a seminar from 3-4:30 p.m. for the music department, with the concert beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Music Hall. The student competition will follow.

Two of Ward's works, "Four Abstractions for Band" and "Night Fantasy," will be performed in concert by the MTSU Wind Ensemble with Ward conducting.

Ward's visit follows visits by several other well-known composers to the Music Department's annual event, including Eric Ewazen, Vaclav, and Pulitzer Prize winner Karol Huza. Hutcheson encourages anyone with an interest in music to attend.

"If they're music students, they'll learn about form...if they're

non-students, they'll be greatly entertained," Hutcheson said.

Senior physics major and student composer Thomas Price agrees.

"I'm finishing up a physics degree this year," he said. "I always like to hear other composers. There's always something you can learn from them."

Price will be among the five student composers competing in the Phi Mu Alpha competition that will follow Ward's concert. He will be performing an ensemble in Baroque style and will be accompanied by students Kim Fraedle and Dave Bennett.

"Each year Phi Mu Alpha sponsors this program," Hutcheson said. "There's two divisions...in each of these divisions they have two winners." According to Hutcheson, composers will be competing for a \$100 top prize, with \$50 going to runners-up.

Another student in the competition, senior music major Fletcher Moore, had good things to say about Ward's visit.

"It's definitely a good thing to get such a prestigious composer here," he said, "[though] it's fairly typical for a school this size. I'm happy enough to see [a person] of his stature here. Ward is on the cutting edge of music."

"If anyone is interested in hearing...what some of the most creative musical minds of MTSU have to offer, they should come out Thursday night," Moore said.

The event is free and open to the public. ■



Sherril LaRose, staff

PROFESSIONAL ADVICE: Rebecca Pierce Quillen spoke at the Mass Comm Spring Forum on Wednesday. She spoke to students, mostly graphic design majors, about preparing their portfolios.

Finance conference speaker slated Tigert to discuss industry outlook

Brent Andrews
Staff Writer

Murfreesboro native and Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) chair nominee Ricki Rhodarmer Tigert



TIGERT

will speak at MTSU's third annual Financial Industry Conference April 22 in the Tennessee Room of the JUB. Tigert is currently a partner in Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, a Washington D.C. law firm. She received her B.A. from Vanderbilt University, her M.A. from the University of North Carolina, and her doctorate from the University of Chicago Law School. She is a native of Smyrna.

"[This is] an annual conference which reviews the outlook of the financial industry," said Dr. William Ford, coordinator of the conference and current holder of the Weatherford Chair of Excellence in Finance.

"This conference will be of interest to anyone who is an executive of a bank, mortgage company, credit union, savings and loan, or any kind of financial institution. It will also interest those who are dependent on commercial banks or thrifts for their financing."

"Ms. Tigert will talk about the outlook for community banking across the nation. We are pleased that she will be with us," he said. "She was chosen because she is President Clinton's nominee to be chairperson of the FDIC." Tigert's nomination is subject to confirmation by the U.S. Senate.

The conference will feature such prominent speakers as Phillip Humann, president of SunTrust Bank; Robert Showfety, president and chief executive officer of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta; and Karl Hoyle, executive director of the National Credit Union Administration. As many as 300 people have been present at past conferences.

Humann will speak on the issues facing the banking industry of the United States, Showfety will discuss the new environment for the Federal Home Loan Bank system, and Hoyle will focus on

the problems facing America's credit unions.

According to Jim Wallace, Director of Communications of the Federal Home Loan Bank, Showfety will consider in his address the future of the Home Loan Bank.

"Since the audience is partly bankers and partly non-bankers," Wallace said, "[Showfety will discuss] why the Federal Home Loan Bank was founded... and what's going on from now until the year 2000." Also discussed will be "what is making so many commercial banks come on board and what is likely to happen in the future. [Showfety] doesn't want to bore people with too many numbers."

Also playing roles in the conference will be Dr. Jack Weatherford, namesake of the Weatherford Chair of Excellence in Finance; Dr. Barbara Haskew, dean of the College of Business; and MTSU President James Walker.

The conference is sponsored by the Jennings A. Jones Chair of Excellence in Business and the Weatherford Chair of Excellence in Finance. ■

Interns help rebuild house with Habitat

Jessica Clayborn
Staff Writer

Nineteen MTSU sociology and social work interns spent this past Saturday afternoon working at a house on Academy Street with Murfreesboro's Habitat for Humanity program.

Habitat for Humanity is an volunteer organization which donates time, energy and money to help low income families build their own houses.

Dr. John Sanborn, the intern director for the department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work, wants the students to obtain hands-on experience, and is pleased with the students' choice.

"I gave them a class

assignment to do something for the community, and the students decided on Habitat for Humanity," he said.

Most interns have other motivations besides credit for participation.

"It was a class project," said intern Carl Brock. "but also something that would benefit our community, and everyone is pleased."

"One of the people we landscaped for had a brain tumor," said intern Cindy Fitzgerald. "His last request was to have a home for his family. It was really important to us."

"It definitely creates an awareness of Habitat and what it stands for in enhancing family lives," Brock added. ■

Real estate, religion don't mix for investors

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — An attorney for former clients of a vanished insurance salesman who dabbled in real estate with a religious twist says he found no evidence Henry A. Rivera invested their \$5.3 million.

So what happened to the money?

That's "the big question mark," attorney Michael Allison said.

There is no evidence that Rivera bought any securities with it or accumulated any assets, Allison said in an interview with the Albuquerque Journal published Sunday.

Rivera, 41, disappeared last December. Some people said they heard from him in January, purportedly from somewhere in California, the newspaper reported. In February, Rivera's son cleaned out his father's

office and put his belongings in storage, according to Dallas Riley, an investor from Cookeville, Tenn.

Attorney Tommy Hughes of Albuquerque said he represents Rivera in an action brought by the state Securities Division, which says Rivera was not licensed to sell securities.

Hughes said Rivera told him he was leaving town because he was threatened — he declined to say by whom. Hughes said he doesn't know where Rivera is.

Investors said the fact that Rivera seemed connected to religious groups convinced them to invest more.

"Henry portrayed himself to be a well-connected evangelical Christian, and he was primarily interested in working with other Christian businessmen," Riley said. ■

CAMPUS CAPSULE

Wednesday, April 20

Campus Recreation is sponsoring a weight lifting competition at 5 p.m. Sign-up in room 201 in the AMG. There will be five weight divisions and a \$5 entry fee. Call Ed at 898-2104 for more details.

An Environmental Symposium will be held in the KUC courtyard, under a tent from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The event is sponsored by Students for Environmentalists Action and the Honors Program. Call Debra Jackson for more details at 890-5097.

Dr. Beryl West, professor of Psychology, will be speaking at 7 p.m. in the lobby of Smith Hall. The discussion will be on "the expectation of employers and the relationship it carries."

Thursday, April 21

The Fourth Annual Cancer Nursing Symposium will be held from 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. today and tomorrow at the Murfreesboro Holiday Inn. Call 898-2462 to register.

The Society of Professional Journalists will meet at 5 p.m. in the Sidelines office. All members or anyone interested in fulfilling a career in Journalism needs to come. Officers will be elected. Call Jenny at 898-2815 for more information.

The 16th annual Composition Contest will be held in Wright Music Hall at 7:30 p.m. The contest will feature Pulitzer-Prize winning composer Robert Ward. Contest is sponsored by Phi Mu Alpha fraternity.

Friday, April 22

The 1994 Rutherford County Special Olympics Track and Field meet will be held from 9 a.m.-1 p.m., at Horace Jones Field. Over 200 people will be in competition. Call 898-2450.

Campus Recreation is sponsoring a parent-child canoe trip at 3 p.m. Sign-up in room 201 of the AMG before April 18. Cost is \$5. Contact Ed at 898-2104 for more details.

Saturday, April 23

Campus Recreation is sponsoring a rock climbing and rappelling trip today and tomorrow at Fall Creek Falls State Park. No experience is necessary. Sign-up deadline is April 20. Sign-up in room 201 of the AMG.

Saturday, April 30

The American Heart Association is sponsoring a one-day bike ride at 8 a.m. along Natchez Trace Parkway for approximately 65 miles. Contact Cynthia Crane at 327-0885 for more details.

Wednesday, May 4

The third annual MTSU Accounting Alumni Appreciation Day will be on campus today. Any Accounting graduate or person who has

taken many accounting courses can attend. Call 898-2558 for more information.

Ongoing

MTSU students who need speech testing or speech therapy services should call the MTSU Speech Clinic at 898-2661 for an appointment.

Sign up now to go mountain biking with Campus Recreation, May 11-17. Students, faculty and staff pay \$50 and guests pay \$55. Transportation and camping equipment provided. Sign-up deadline is May 2. Call 898-2104 for more details.

Anyone who had a photograph made for Midlander in Dec. or Jan., and has not yet received proofs, please call 1-800-654-8810.

The Bhakti-Yoga/Vegetarian Club meets every Monday from 6 p.m.-8 p.m. Everyone is invited. Contact Jonathan Maxwell at 898-3801 for more details.

The Society of Environmental Professionals meets at 5 p.m. on the first and third Thursdays of each month in the Wiser-Patton Science Building-room 201. New members are welcome. Contact Leonard Walther at 731-1684 for more details.

The Crisis Intervention Center needs crisis call volunteers. The next training class starts April 22. Call 298-3359 for more information.

Whitewater Raft trip on the Ocoee River will take place April 30 - May 1. The cost will be \$30 per student and \$35 per non-student. Transportation and equipment will be provided. Space is limited to 25 participants. Sign-up deadline is April 25. For more information contact Campus Recreation at 898-2104.

The Students of Professional Journalism are in need of reporters, layout people, cartoonists, photographers and editors to help put out an 8 to 12 page daily tabloid newspaper at this year's convention in Nashville. Interns will receive free convention registration, including meals, free hotel room, social events and a resume credit. Applicants will be accepted through May 15. Call Laura Hill at 322-6610 for more details.

The Christian Center meets every Monday at 7 p.m. and every Thursday at 8 p.m. Tuesdays they meet for lunch at 11:45 a.m. Call 896-1529 for more details.

The Tennessee Society of Certified Public Accountants will hold a student manuscript contest, open to all Tennessee undergraduate and graduate accounting majors. Entries must be in by April 29. Send entries to TSCPA, P.O. Box 596, Brentwood, TN 37024-0596.

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News editor wins Stults scholarship

Kelley Lloyd
Staff Writer

Warren Wakeland, a sophomore public relations major and current news editor of *Sidelines*, has been awarded the 1994 Douglas E. Stults Memorial Scholarship for writing excellence.

"I am very honored to be given this scholarship," Wakeland said. "I didn't know Doug personally, but I have heard about the type of person he was. To be given an award in Doug's name is very humbling to me."

Doug Stults was a former editor of *Sidelines* who died in a car accident in 1989. The scholarship, worth \$800, was established by his family in his name soon after his death.

"Doug was an incredible writer," said Mike Reed, *Sidelines* managing editor. "The scholarship couldn't have a more appropriate namesake."

The scholarship is awarded once per semester and requires its applicants to have a 2.7 GPA or higher, at least 24 hours of college credit and previous experience in some type of media. Applicants are required to submit a 1,000-2,000 word essay on a subject of the committee's choice. This semester's essay topic was, "Privacy: Its Future In Society."

"I chose to write about this topic because it is something about which I have strong feelings," Wakeland said. "Advancing technology and decaying morality is causing privacy to become a forgotten ideal in our world."

The four-member scholarship committee chooses the best three essays submitted and conducts personal interviews with their authors. The committee meets afterward to select the scholarship winner.

"The family did the appropriate thing to memorialize him with the scholarship," said Dr. Glenn Himebaugh, MTSU professor of journalism and member of the committee that selects the winner. ■



WAKELAND

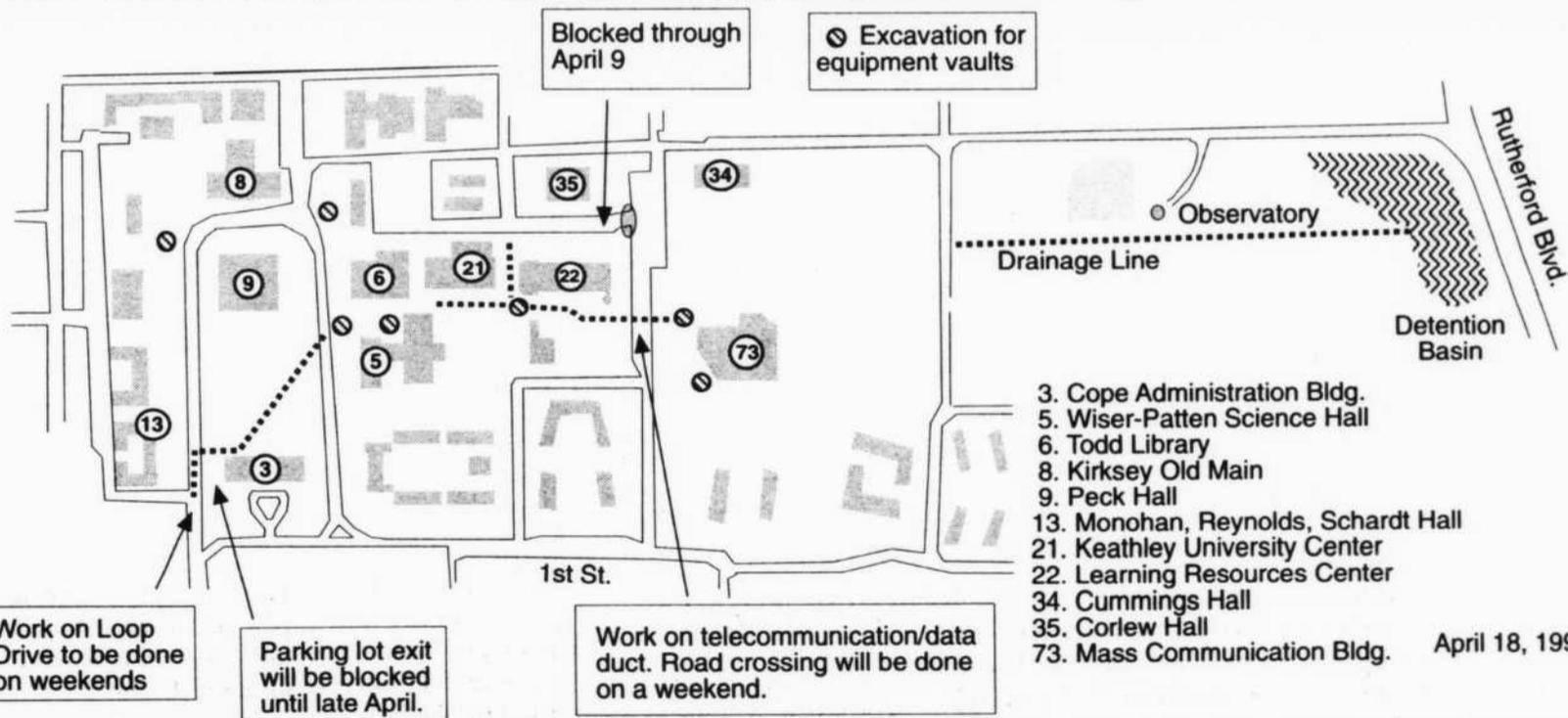


Robbie Watts, staff

CITY FATHERS? Mark Perry sings about his lovely, if somewhat old and wrinkled, harem at the Oakland Association's Star Studded Follies last weekend.

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Utility and Infrastructure Improvement Project (4/18/94)



More fences go up near KUC and LRC

Give yourself an extra five minutes if you plan to walk across campus during the next several months. Those abstract dotted lines on a map have turned into chain-link fence, and a simple path across campus has turned into an obstacle course.

Some locations to watch are as follows:

- Pedestrian traffic is limited behind the Cope Administration Building.
- Construction on the west side of Loop Drive will be done on weekends. This is not expected to stop vehicle traffic.
- Construction at the west end of the Cope Administration Building will block the north entrance to the parking lot at this location. Fencing should be removed by late April.
- The road behind the LRC will be blocked at the east end for construction of a storm water collector box.
- New fences have been erected near the Learning Resources Center and Keathley University Center.
- Some fences may be erected in small isolated areas not shown on the map above.

Blasting will be necessary in some locations. Please note the following safety precautions:

Blasting Notice

When explosives are to be set off to blast rock in ditch lines, the following sequence will alert MTSU Security and individuals near the area.

1. MTSU Security will be notified a minimum of one (1) hour ahead.
2. Three (3) short blasts of a loud horn will be sounded 60 seconds prior to one (1) long blast of the horn which shall be sounded immediately prior to setting off the explosives.
3. Following the explosion, one (1) long blast of the horn shall be sounded to signal "all clear."

If there are concerns about programs or events please call Bill Smotherman, director of physical plant, at 2414.

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NATIONAL ROUNDUP

Southerners proven to kill more police

CHARLOTTE (AP) — The South is the deadliest place in America for police — accounting for nearly one of every two slain officers, according to the FBI.

Experts blame the South's violent heritage, its love of guns and an ailing justice system for the bloodshed.

"Traditionally, it's been a violent culture," says Philip Cook, a professor of public policy at Duke University. "I suppose you could see cop killing as just another manifestation of the violent culture here."

Across the United States and its territories, 62 officers were killed in the line of duty in 1993.

Nearly half the 56 officers slain stateside last year — 27 — were based in the South. In fact, the South has seen nearly half of the nation's police slayings for the past 13 years,

the FBI says.

Overall, the number of officer homicides has plummeted since 92 officers were killed in 1982. Experts agree bullet-resistant Kevlar vests, better training and better equipment have caused the decline.

Women dissatisfied with contraception

JOHNSON CITY, Tenn. (AP) — Women aren't satisfied with their contraception options, according to a study.

"If they don't use a kind they like, they're going to get pregnant when they don't want to," said Dr. Jo Ann Rosenfeld, who headed up the study at East Tennessee State University's Bristol Family Practice Center.

She says 60 percent of the pregnancies in her practice are unplanned.

Rosenfeld and her staff interviewed 257 women and found only about half are satisfied with their method of

birth control. Women on average tried 2.4 different contraceptives before settling, perhaps reluctantly, on one.

"Very little research is being done into new types of birth control," Rosenfeld said. "And our normal birth control has saturated the market."

Dissatisfaction may be a reason more than a third of those over 26 have had tubal ligation, she said.

"If they're trying too many different kinds of birth control and they're not happy, maybe they're going to a permanent contraceptive earlier," she said.

Which county will win Monteagle

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A town cannot secede from its county.

Sorry, Monteagle, that's the opinion of state Attorney General Charles Burson.

But the Legislature can change county boundaries and so place a town in a different

county, Burson said recently.

The territory removed by lawmakers cannot reduce the county to less than 500 square miles and the new county line can't come within 11 miles of the courthouse of the old county.

Sen. Gene Elsea, R-Spring City, asked Burson for the opinion because there was a proposal to remove part of Monteagle from Marion County and place it in Grundy County. The town now straddles the county line.

There would be no problem with the 11-mile rule because the Marion County Courthouse is 16 miles away in Jasper.

Baby given to cabbie as payment

CHICAGO (AP) — A 15-year-old mother who left her baby in a taxi as collateral for her fare was charged Saturday with child abandonment, police said.

Taxi driver Franklin

Pierre said the mother was holding the child in her arms when she hailed his cab Friday. After reaching her destination, Pierre said she told him she didn't have the fare but would knock on her sister's door to get it.

Pierre asked her to leave something as collateral for the \$5.30 fare. She left her 18-month-old son.

Pierre said he waited about 40 minutes. When she didn't return, he notified his dispatcher who called police.

Police Sgt. Charles Taylor said the teen-age mother was arrested Saturday at the home of a friend. Her name was not released.

She claimed an extended family argument prevented her from returning to the cab, police said.

The state Department of Children and Family Services took temporary custody of the child.

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Small pet with deposit

Opinions

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What about us? We know you're busy with the dig and all but...

It's the time of year to rebuild and regenerate. Spring has sprung and the bunnies and birdies are making themselves known.

There are many things that need fixing on this campus. Sometimes you need to start small.

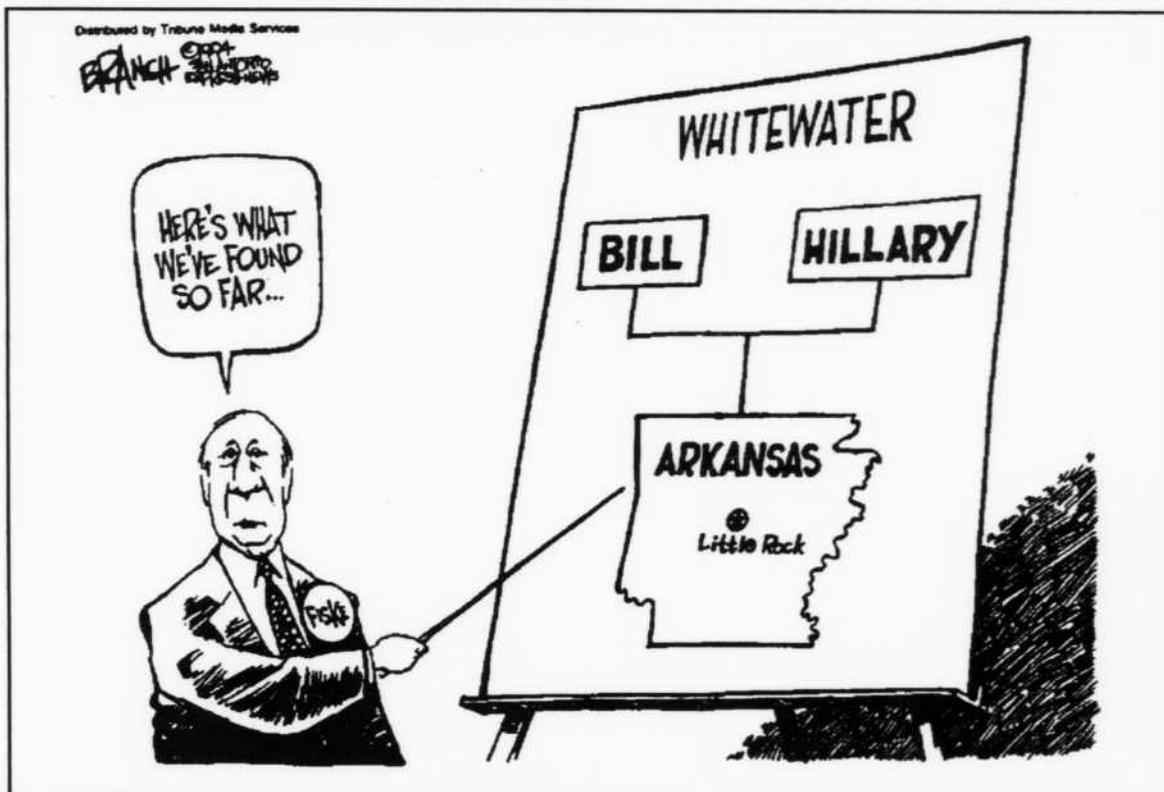
There are sidewalks and paths that are in need of serious repair after the winter storms and the spring flooding.

We need a sidewalk connecting the small parking lot on Greenland Drive to the sidewalk that runs behind Murphy Center. When the rains come (and that's been often of late), that stretch of turf near the rugby field becomes a muddy mess that can be corrected by a simple concrete pathway.

Students walking to campus wouldn't ruin their shoes or the landscape. It would also be one less thing for the curmudgeons of MTSU to complain about.

There comes a time when we have to concentrate on maintaining what we have instead of expanding. We can't concentrate so hard on preparing for the future classes that we let the current students' needs fall by the wayside.

Our problems are only going to multiply if we let the rest of the campus decay while we build newer structures to house future classes. ■



Spring Forum falls flat for some Planning committee should remember the little people as well as the stars

Wake Up WARREN WAKELAND



Being a public relations major, I had an opportunity to attend the College of Mass Communication's Spring Forum held last Wednesday. This was the second year the college had sponsored this program, designed to help Mass Comm majors learn what to expect when they hit the bricks looking for a job after graduation. Judging from the seminars scheduled for this forum, the Recording Industry (RI) and Radio/TV majors will be ready, but the Advertising/Public Relations majors in particular will not be as well prepared.

While the RI and Radio/TV majors had seminars to attend on specific aspects of their industry, the other majors in the College were afforded very general seminars from which to choose. There were 13 seminars scheduled for RI and Radio/TV majors and 11 seminars for the other five disciplines of the College (advertising, public relations, photography, graphics, journalism) combined. I was disappointed to see the obvious

lack of time spent working on seminars for the forum in the other disciplines.

In public relations, we were

There were 13 seminars scheduled for RI and Radio/TV majors and 11 seminars for the other five disciplines of the College combined.

given two choices: "How to Get That First Job in Public Relations," and "What Employers Look For in Applicants." In advertising, the choices were, "Approaching Your First Career in Advertising," and "How to Prepare For A Career in Advertising."

Had the forum been more thought out for the other disciplines, maybe there could have been seminars to discuss specific topics like "How To Put Together A Decent Public Relations/Advertising Portfolio," or "How To Fully Prepare For An Interview," or "Getting Motivated To Find A Job After Graduation," or "Getting The Internship You Need To Get Ahead." Had this been done, perhaps the panelists could have done some teaching to students, rather than just go through a basic question and answer session.

In journalism, there were six seminars scheduled. But two seminars were on the same subject ("How To Get A Job") with the same speaker, so that can really be considered one seminar. With the exception of "Free-lancing," these seminars were also general in nature.

Now I realize that the Recording Industry program is the star of the college. The program is recognized worldwide as one of the best anywhere. It should have the kind of specificity that it was given. However, if the rest of the disciplines in the college are to possibly gain the kind of notoriety that RI has attained, they must be treated with the same respect. If Spring Forum is to be "A Day For Students," as the banner in the Mass Comm building suggested, it should have a specific program for each discipline of the college.

From what I can tell, participation on the committee that develops the forum is pretty much voluntary. This year, out of eight members, there were three RI and three Radio/TV instructors on the committee. This may explain to a degree why there was so much disparity in the seminars. This disparity must be corrected.

One way to do this would be to establish an organized committee for the forum consisting of one faculty member

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Hey, MTSU, get over it

You've got more important things to do

Ken-L-Ration X

MIKE REED



It's a pleasant Sunday afternoon as I write this. The sun is warm on my fishbelly skin and I can't think of a single thing to complain about.

That's not quite true. There are a hundred different situations that demand immediate attention, but I can't seem to concentrate on much more than how particularly blue the sky is today. Am I failing in my journalistic duties by not hammering away at some injustice or annoyance?

Probably.

I have a philosophy, if one can call justified laziness a philosophy, concerning my duties.

There will always be things for me to squawk about. If I concentrate on the negative things 80 percent of the time, the odd things 10 percent of the time and the things that are only important to me 7 percent of the time, that

only leaves 3 percent for the good things.

The problem with devoting too much space to the positive aspects of life at MTSU is that you might lose your standing as one of today's disenfranchised youths to whom everyone seems to be marketing their products these days. You don't want to seem too happy with what's going on because that might make you unhip.

Well I'm not afraid to say, I like a nice pleasant afternoon. I like the MTSU campus all dug up and surrounded by chainlink fences. I plan on coming over at night and playing Hogan's Heroes with the rest of the staff.

If you worry about the bad things too much, you wind up like Sluggo.

He's become politically active lately after watching a talk show.

The topic was U. S. foreign policy.

He was truly moved by the injustice he saw.

He went so far as to try and persuade other people to pay attention to U. S. foreign policy.

No one listens to Sluggo (whose only expertise on U.S.

foreign policy comes from a talk show).

U. S. foreign policy is going to break Sluggo's heart.

Sluggo has become a disenfranchised youth.

Sluggo has two choices: Get over it or die with it.

That's what pleasant Sunday afternoons are for: to get over things.

So MTSU, get over the parking problem. Get over the fact that you're having to deviate from your standard paths to go around some fencing. Get over the hectic last few weeks of the semester. Get over the fact that there may not be a job waiting for you in the world. Get over the fact that your lease is almost up and your landlord is raising your rent \$60. Get over the fact that you're paying \$50 per semester to fund a Campus Rec Center that you won't be around to use.

What it all boils down to is this simple fact: You're here and you should make the best of your opportunities.

That's what pleasant Sunday afternoons are for.

Besides, finals are coming up. ■

Attention:

Sidelines is now accepting applications for Summer staff positions.

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Singing In The Heartland: Country music singer and actor, George Strait (bottom left), performed in front of a crowded audience in Murphy Center Saturday night.

Jammin' In The Grill: The Music On The Knoll series continued last

friday with Laughing Storm Dogs, Paw and The Bis-quits. Due to an intense STORM outside, all three bands had to play inside the KUC Grill. Grant Fitch (top left), guitarist for Paw, plays their hit single

"Jessie" in front of MTSU students, while Andrew Coleman (bottom right), drummer for The Laughing Storm Dogs, plays with no shirt.

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LONGING IN THEIR HEARTS

Finding her niche: Raitt returns with a new CD

By Benson
Special To Sidelines

Back in 1990, when Bonnie Raitt emerged from 15 years of virtual anonymity to sweep the Grammy awards with the critically acclaimed *Nick of Time* album, it seemed that she'd finally found a formula for success—something that had previously eluded the talented singer-songwriter.

The genre-bending blend of blues, folk, rock, country and soul that Raitt and producer Don Was created for *Nick of Time* earned not only praise from the critics, but also radio airplay and (finally!) big-time record sales. Bonnie Raitt's time had arrived.

Four years and two albums later, she hasn't strayed too much from that formula; *Longing In Their Hearts* is the latest entry—another mojo stew of bluesy funkiness and tender country-ish balladry. The album burst forth with the opening cut "Love Sneaking Up On You," the Stevie Wonder—"Superstition"-style clavichord provides the percolating bottom over which Bonnie struts her way to the singable chorus, all the while serving up some of her most soulful slide-guitar licks.

Raitt's voice is the definition of experience and soulfulness—the gritty, whiskey-and-cigarettes one she pours into each performance gives her an air of expertise and authority when it comes to singing the blues. When Bonnie wails "Time of Mourning/there's already been a flood of my tears/such a sense of

loss tonight/nought to do but ride it out" in "Storm Warning" we get the sense that she's been there, baby.

It's the sincerity of her delivery that allows her to pull off songs as diverse as these with such ease and conviction. She sounds as comfortable in the context of the Muddy-Waters-Howlin'-Wolf-style blues of "Shadow of Doubt" as she does gliding around the light, reggae groove of "Cool, Clear Water." In an era where radio stations and record labels seem increasingly insistent on classifying and segregating artists according to their "market," Raitt's music achieves its broad-based appeal by blurring these lines and limitations.

Returning on *Longing In Their Hearts* is producer Don Was, whose crystal-clear, tightly knit production style is the perfect complement to the musical performances on Raitt's intimate songs. Along with the precision of studio veteran Paulinho DaCosta's percussion and Benmont Tench's tasteful Hammond-B3 organ playing, several interesting choices of instrumentation appear throughout *Longing In Their Hearts*.

Accordions, a Celtic drum, a pennywhistle solo, flutes and an English horn all make subtle appearances on the album, and the result is surprisingly effective. Even with the presence of this type of instrumental experimentation, there remains the common thread of Raitt's

personal, soulful performances that gives each song the distinctive style that is all her own. On the Texas-rockin' title track, she even manages to make a mandolin sound funky.

The lyrical themes are fairly common country/blues fare: laments of lost love, suffering, longing, pain, and the immense healing power of spiritual true love—topics custom-made for Raitt's honest but road-weary persona. A few of Raitt's writing collaborators and cohorts return here, most notably Paul Brady and Richard Thompson on the delicate "Dimming of the Day," and the title track, written by Raitt with husband Michael O'Keefe.

There may not be anything as instantly cool and catchy on *Longing In Their Hearts* as past hits "Something to Talk About" and the brilliant "Nick of Time," and there may not be anything her quite as heart-wrenchingly poignant as "Too Soon to Tell" or "I Can't Make You Love Me." But the groove...the emotion...the soul...that's what a Bonnie Raitt album is all about, and *Longing In Their Hearts* is packed with enough of that type of punch to knock just about anybody out of their seat.

When Bonnie cleaned up at the Grammys four years ago, it was apparent that she'd finally found her niche. She may not have broken much new ground since, but so what? As long as she keeps churning out well-crafted, listenable albums like this one, there'll be an audience of loyal fans eagerly waiting to enjoy the fruits of her labor. ■

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Sports

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Athletic Director search continuing Committee formed for interview process

Scott Stewart
Sports Writer

The search for a new athletic director at MTSU has taken another step forward with the formation of a search committee by MTSU President James E. Walker.

The position came open with the resignation of former athletic director John Stanford in the fall of 1993.

The search committee is made up of MTSU athletic and academic faculty, along with alumni and community leaders.

The list includes: Senior Women's Administrator and Volleyball Coach Dianne Cummings; Track Coach Dean Hayes; Compliance Officer Race Bergman; Campus Attorney Wendy Thompson; Affirmative Action Officer Forrestine Williams; Blue Raider Athletic Association President Beth O'Brien; Athletic Committee Chair Ron Moser; Faculty Senate President Jill Austin; SGA President Woody Ratterman; Vice President's Representative Robert LaLance; T-Club President George Frost; SACS Athletic Committee Chair Sarah Barlow; Executive Assistant to the President Earl Thomas; Football Coach Boots Donnelly; Dean's Representative Cliff Gillespie and NCAA

"We hope the new Athletic Director will come in and take the university master plan for athletics, and provide leadership for football and all sports."

-- Earl Thomas
Committee Chairman

Certification Committee Chair Bob Adams.

The committee will be responsible for reviewing candidates for the job and reporting their findings to President Walker, according to Earl Thomas, who is chairing the committee.

The field of candidates to be reviewed by the committee has been recommended to President Walker by a private search firm hired to locate the best qualified people for the job, according to Thomas.

The selection of the new athletic director is expected to be very important to the recent efforts to upgrade the athletics at MTSU. One of the major changes which has been discussed is the move to Division I football. Currently, MTSU competes at the Division I-AA level, leaving the football program as

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'Heartbreak Hotel'

Blue Raiders earn Saturday split the hard way

Tony J. Arnold
Sports Editor

MTSU's Blue Raiders can't seem to buy a break. Needing a sweep to advance in the OVC standings, Middle salvaged one of two games Saturday against Murray State.

The sad thing, though, is that it should have been a sweep. When doubleheaders are played, OVC squads play only seven innings. In the opener, the Blue Raiders took a 6-3 lead into the seventh inning before disaster struck. With two outs and a runner on first, MTSU pitcher Richie Conway walked the next two batters to load the bases.

Kurt Muskopf then stepped to the plate without a home run to date. That stat changed when he sent Conway's first offering over the left field fence for a grand slam and the win.

The Blue Raiders bounced back in the second game, pounding the Thoroughbreds 11-4 in the nightcap. Conway, who has been one of Middle's most consistent performers, relieved starter Jason Stanton in the sixth inning and was tagged with the loss.

MTSU built its 6-3 lead by posting a run in the second, fourth, sixth and seventh while plating two in the fifth via a Mudcat Brewer two-run homer, his ninth of the season.

The Blue Raiders put the second game away early with a seven-run rally in the third. Doug Barner led off the inning with a solo shot followed by Lance Lodes' single. Scott Haralson singled, allowing Lodes to score, while Chris Price and Brewer reached on walks to load the bases. Catcher Jamie Hicks stepped to the plate and smacked

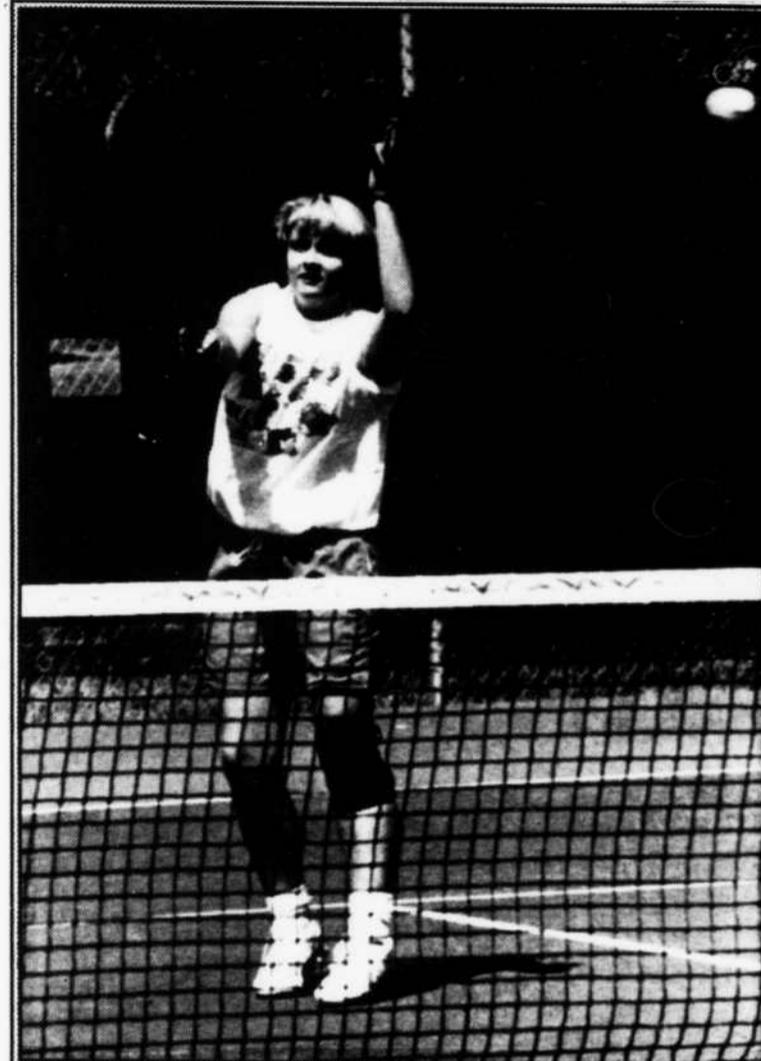
a two-RBI single to left and later scored when Jamie Walker belted a three-run homer to give Middle the 7-0 lead.

Murray answered with two in its half of the inning, but the Blue Raiders tacked on insurance runs with an RBI triple by Price in the fourth and RBI singles by Price and Hicks in the sixth.

Patrick Mayes went the distance for MTSU, improving his record to 2-1 on the year. He allowed eight hits, four runs, two of which were earned, three walks and struck out three.

A third game of the series was played Sunday, but results weren't available at press time.

The Blue Raiders (16-16, 4-5 in the OVC) return to action Wednesday night in Knoxville playing the nationally ranked Tennessee Volunteers. Tennessee defeated MTSU 3-0 last week in Murfreesboro. ■



Sherri LaRose

UP AND OVER: MTSU Lady Raider Carol Macpherson returns a forehand during her loss to Susan Sheather Thursday. Macpherson plays in the No. 1 singles spot for MTSU.

Raider netters ace Peay in tennis action

Tony J. Arnold
Sports Editor

Middle Tennessee State's Blue and Lady Raider tennis teams continued their winning tradition on the Murphy Center courts last Thursday by dominating Austin Peay.

Dale Short's Blue Raider team swept through its opposition 7-0, which was impressive in the fact that the team is still trying to rebound from the loss of Anthony Deluise who returned to Australia recently after learning of a serious arthritis condition.

Shane Scrutton, a Tennessee transfer, won his No. 1 singles match in straight sets over Rodney Way while Paul Goebel defeated Mattias Ericsson 6-4, 7-6 at the No. 2 slot.

Frederic Neimeyer downed former MTSU player Rick Stoller 6-4, 6-2. Patrick Zackrisson was a 6-3, 6-1 winner. Mark Follet defeated his opponent 2-6, 6-1, 6-2 while Rob Williams completed

the singles sweep with a 6-1, 6-1 victory over Murfreesboro native Trey McFarlin.

Scrutton and Chris Quinn were winners at No. 1 doubles as were the duos of Goebel and Zackrisson at No. 2 and Williams and Niemyer at the No. 3 spot.

In women's action, the Lady Raiders gained a 7-2 win.

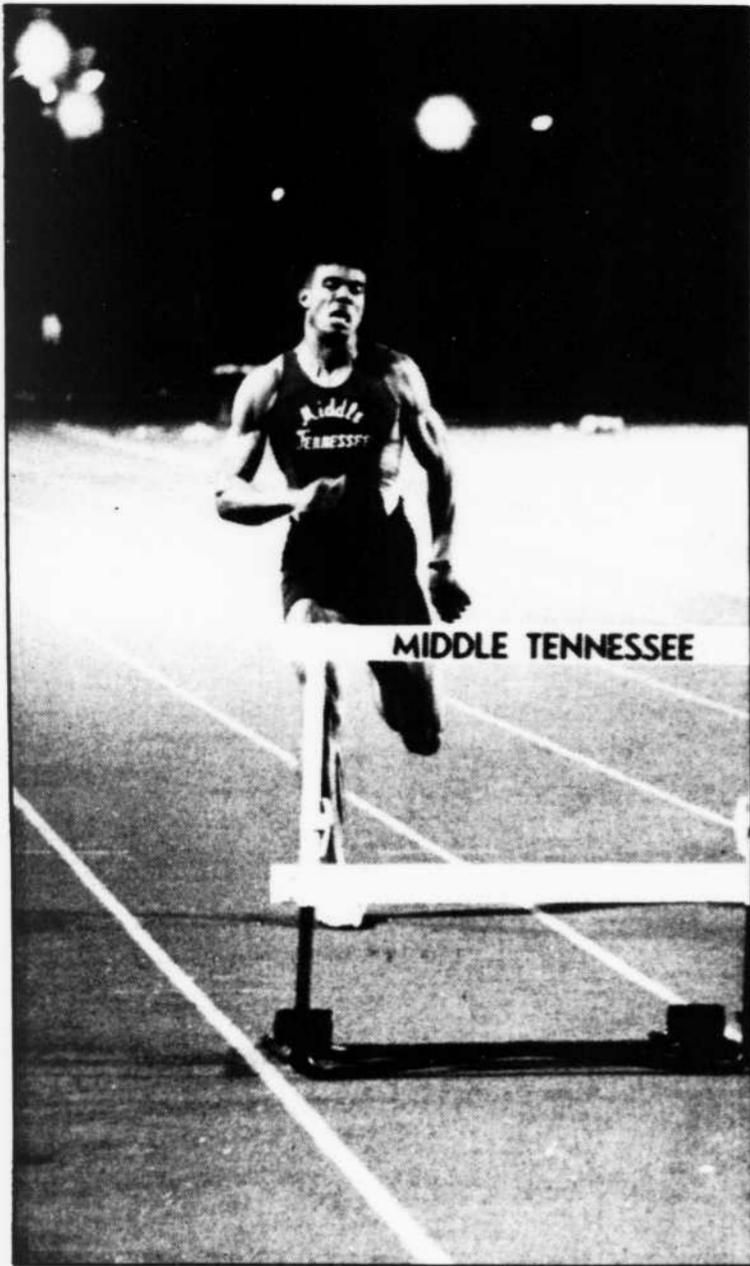
Leanne Melgaard was victorious at the No. 2 singles spot. Angie Green, Jenny Oliveira and Michelle Wilson followed suit with wins as well.

Green and Melgaard won their doubles match as did Cissy Collier and Oliveira.

MTSU's men improved to 9-11, but are 3-0 in the OVC. The Lady Raiders are 11-8, 2-1 in league action.

Both teams played UT-Martin Sunday afternoon and will return to OVC action Tuesday at home.

At 2 p.m. both squads will tackle Tennessee Tech. At 7 p.m. that evening, they will play Tennessee State. ■



MIDDLE TENNESSEE

Coley Jackson, staff

Outdoor Track Action

Track action was all about Thursday night at Horace Jones Field as MTSU's track team hosted its first outdoor meet in three years. Among the competition was UT-Chattanooga and Western Kentucky. Members of the Blue and Lady Raiders dominated most of the events.



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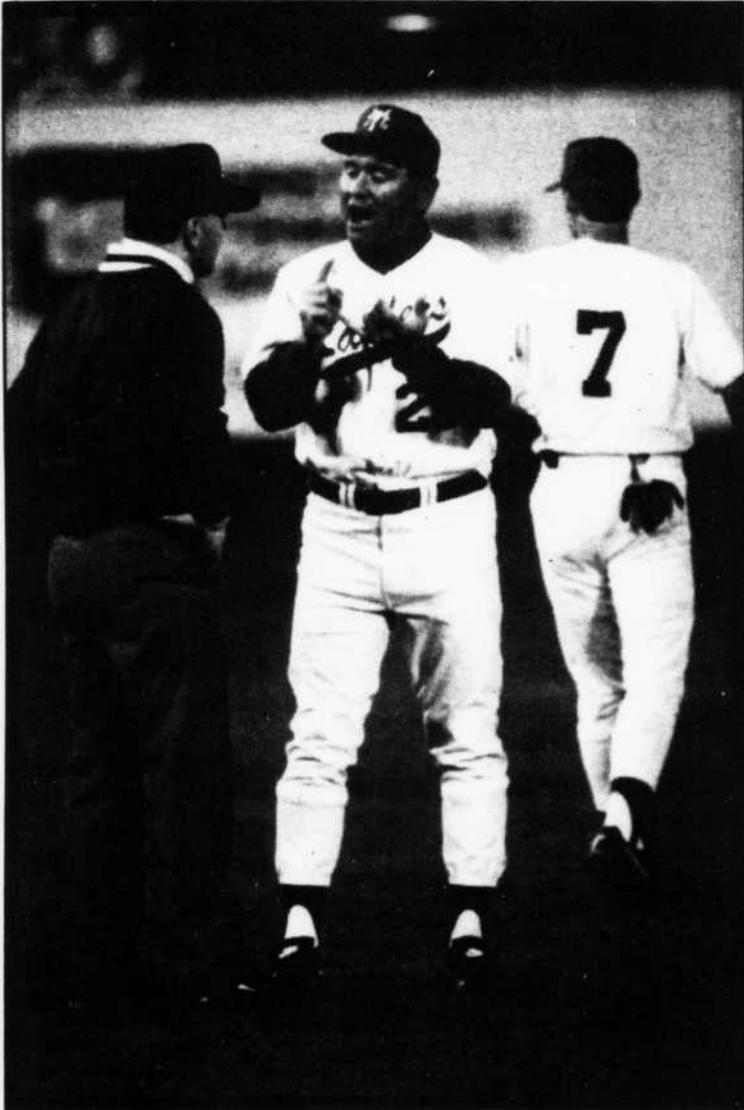
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GETTING IT STRAIGHT: MTSU baseball coach Steve Peterson gives the umpire a piece of his mind after a call during last week's 3-0 loss to Tennessee.

Lady Raiders sweep Eastern

Staff Reports

MTSU's Lady Raider softball team improved to 23-19 overall and 9-7 in OVC action Saturday with a sweep of Eastern Kentucky's Lady Colonels.

Middle took a 5-3 win in the opener, but had to duel out a 10-7 victory in 10 innings to complete the sweep.

In the opener, Eastern took the early lead 1-0 before Middle

tied the game in the fifth on a Melissa Webb RBI double. The Lady Raiders then took the lead in the eighth when Stacy Gafford's triple plated Mandy Baird. Gafford then scored on a throwing error. However, the lead was short-lived as Eastern answered with two runs of its own.

Middle answered right back, though, in its half of the ninth. Brenda Bessinger and Baird

both singled and Gafford followed with an RBI double for the decisive runs.

Jill Booth picked up the win for MTSU.

Gafford struck again in the second game giving Middle an early 2-0 lead with an RBI triple followed by an RBI single by Fine. But for each run Middle posted Eastern answered, before the Lady Raiders pulled out the win in the extra inning contest. ■

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conform to Division I regulations.

Also on the agenda will be gender equality under the bylaws of Title IX, which calls for equal funding between men's and women's sports.

"We hope the new athletic director will come in and take the

university master plan for athletics, and provide leadership for football and all sports," Thomas said.

An official posting of the position from the university states the main responsibility of the athletic director is "the overall planning, management, and coordination of the university's intercollegiate athletic program.

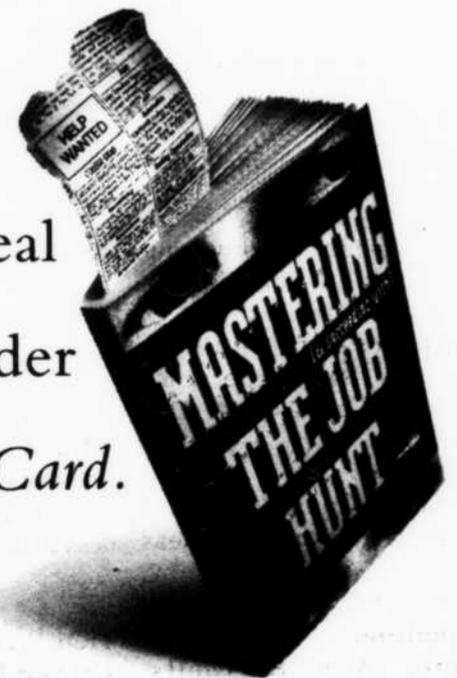
"Some of the specific responsibilities include supervising and monitoring all budgetary transactions coordination and communication with all coaches; insuring that all coaches and personnel understand and adhere to NCAA and OVC rules; along with other management and public relations activities." ■

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Robbie Watts, staff

HAVING TROUBLE? Carly Griffin plays with her umbrella in the rain on Tuesday while her mother works in the photography lab

Clinton outlines plan for weapons searches

WASHINGTON (AP) — Gang-infested public housing could be searched for guns without violating the Constitution if tenants agree, President Clinton said Saturday, announcing a new plan to make housing projects safer.

"We're going to work with residents in high-crime areas to permit the full range of searches that the Constitution does allow — in common areas, in vacant apartments and in circumstances where residents are in immediate danger," Clinton said in his weekly radio address.

"We'll encourage more weapons frisks of suspicious persons, and we'll ask tenant associations to put clauses in their leases allowing searches when crime conditions make it necessary," he said.

"We will empower residents to build safe neighborhoods, and we'll help to organize tenant patrols to ride the elevators and look after the public spaces in these high-rise public housing

units," Clinton said.

Although the new policy is national in scope, it will be targeted immediately on Chicago, where gangs and guns in scores of high-rise public housing projects are seen as an immediate threat.

Filling in the details at a briefing later in the White House, Housing Secretary Henry Cisneros said the goal is to accomplish sweep searches "within constitutional limits."

Cisneros said the policy will enlist tenant associations to write leases permitting police searches for guns and drugs as part of a multifaceted attack on crime and violence in housing projects.

And he said discussions are taking place within the government on whether to try to ban guns outright in all federally assisted public housing units.

Clinton and Cisneros were responding to a federal judge's ruling in Chicago last week that searches conducted without legal warrants violate the constitutional protection against unwarranted

search and seizure.

"My guess is there are some who might want to test these questions; that's what courts are for," Cisneros said.

But he contended people also have rights to live in safety and without fear. "These rights are being abridged," he said.

Cisneros said that in the worst cases, such as the Robert Taylor Homes in Chicago, the public housing experiment now lies in ruins.

"I am not afraid to acknowledge that public housing in the worst configurations has failed," he said, adding that ideally, many of the high-rise projects should be replaced with small, less concentrated units.

Cisneros said the first goal of the new policy is to seize control of housing that is now in the grip of gangs.

"It is essential to get control of the lobby of a building, to control access and entry ways, to use metal detectors," he said. ■

Students prone to credit card abuse: study

College Press Service

As many as one-third of all college students have the potential for serious credit card abuse, according to a study at the University of Illinois at Carbondale.

Although many students graduate with debts that they expected to pay, such as educational loans, some could risk going straight from graduation to bankruptcy because of unexpected financial burdens that result from poor use of credit cards.

Connie J. Armstrong, assistant professor in technical and resource management, and M. Joyce Craven, visiting assistant professor in health care professions management, surveyed 243 students and found that one-third showed credit attitudes and behaviors that indicated future financial trouble.

Some of those factors include owning a large number of credit cards, having multiples of the same card, making minimum payments on balances and being

unaware of the card's interest rates.

"A credit history can become very well-known," Craven said. "It could hurt graduates in their future careers because employers have access to credit ratings." A company might not be as willing to hire a recent graduate who has reached the maximum limit on all of his or her credit cards, compared with someone who makes regular payments.

Armstrong and Craven also found that most students in the survey were in debt not because of educational expenses, but because they used plastic to pay for clothes, gas, entertainment, travel, groceries and eating out. Only three percent of the charges were for books or tuition.

They encouraged students to avoid running up large credit debts by limiting the number of cards they hold, shopping for low interest rates and paying off the balance every month.

"Remember that the money you're spending today is tomorrow's income," Armstrong said. ■

Canadian couple dumps child's body in woods

Parents had claimed daughter was missing

NEW YORK (AP) — A Quebec couple who claimed their 2-month-old daughter disappeared in Central Park admitted Sunday they had dumped her body in woods in Quebec more than a week ago after finding her dead in her crib.

Using a map the couple drew for detectives, Quebec police quickly found the body. The cause of death wouldn't be known before an autopsy Monday, said provincial police spokesman Tom McConnell.

The discovery ended a search involving about 75 New York City police, including scuba divers who checked ponds in Central Park, said John Hill, chief of Manhattan detectives.

The father had reported the infant missing Saturday afternoon — 18 hours after she supposedly disappeared.

The couple drove to New York with their other child, 4-year-old Priscille, who showed no signs of abuse, Hill said. The girl was sleeping Sunday afternoon in a police station but would be turned over to city welfare officials, he said.

The parents — Joseph Bales, 33, and his wife, Helene Lemay, 31 — met with reporters at the station house late Saturday and made a tearful plea for the return of their infant girl, Muguet.

Within several hours, the parents' story unraveled. First the mother, then the father, admitted what really happened, Hill said.

"These aren't hardened criminals," Hill said. "If they were hardened criminals they wouldn't have made such stupid blunders."

Hill said that within the past two or three years, the couple had a foster child taken from them by Canadian authorities because of abuse allegations. He had no details.

The couple feared trouble, Hill said, when they found their baby dead in her crib on April 8 in their home in Saint Romain, about 20 miles north of the Vermont border in southern Quebec.

So the parents decided to get rid of the body that day. They wrapped it in three plastic bags and dumped it in woods near the remote Quebec town of Eastman, about 75 miles from their home.

Over the next week, the

parents decided to concoct a story about the girl's disappearance. They apparently decided to tell the story in New York because it's a big city, said police Sgt. Sean O'Neill, who helped interpret for the primarily French-speaking couple.

The father told detectives Saturday afternoon that he had fallen asleep on a park bench the evening before and awoke to find the infant missing.

"We were suspicious from the beginning," Hill said.

After checking with U.S. Customs and hotel officials and talking to Priscille, detectives determined that the parents hadn't brought the infant into the country, and the couple was charged with filing a false report. Then they admitted dumping the body.

The parents, both unemployed, face extradition to Canada. There was no immediate word what charges they might face there. Quebec police were coming to New York City on Sunday. ■