

# Sidelines

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**MOTHER AND CHILD:** Valerie Moore holds her newborn Jeremie who is in desperate need of a heart transplant.

## Baby Jeremie wins community's heart

FERN GREENBANK  
Editor-in-Chief

Efforts to raise money for an MTSU couple's newborn have escalated over the past week with almost \$4,000 raised.

Jeremie Layton Moore, born June 14 to MTSU students Valerie and Donnie Moore, is in need of a heart transplant due to congenital defects in his own.

Because of an infection, Jeremie has been placed on the inactive list for organ recipients but the family is hopeful that he will be considered strong enough for the transplant soon.

Jessica Cooley, the paternal aunt, says the family has been informed that Jeremie can probably be sustained on medication for five to six weeks. Cooley says that according to the

organ procurement specialists, the average wait for a donor heart is 14 to 21 days. Jeremie has been on the waiting list for 14 days now.

Cooley said that the MTSU and Murfreesboro community has rallied around Jeremie's cause and the family is touched by the support.

Campus organizations such as the Adult Service Center, Delta Zeta and Pi Kappa Alpha are working on fundraising ideas. K-Mart has raised more than \$1,500 by selling paper hearts. Local businesses have placed contribution jars in their establishments and Kinko's Copies has printed flyers for free.

A Blackmon Community Barbeque raised funds for

See JEREMIE,  
Second Front

## Board approves tuition increase

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Students will be paying more this year for education than last year after a seven percent increase in tuition was unanimously passed by the Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR) last week.

This decision comes after much discussion and debate. It was barely a month ago that the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC) recommended the seven percent fee increase. THEC annually recommends fee increases which are later decided on by the TBR.

This seven percent increase comes only one year after 1991's five percent tuition increase. Nationwide, tuition increased by 12 percent.

Otis Floyd, chancellor of the TBR, said he supported the

increase.

"I believe the seven percent increase will still give us what we need to take care of those points [access, accountability, and quality]."

Vice-Chancellor Jim Vadam said he also feels the increase will still make a college education accessible.

"We have always been a low-fee state. We will still try to keep our fees low. We are still low compared to our peer schools."

Floyd said that tuition will still be low enough to guarantee access to anyone who wants to attend a facility of higher education.

University presidents, like MTSU's Dr. James Walker, have said that they will use the additional money to hire more professors and get better equipment.

"With increased enrollment

MTSU has been pressed to add service and more faculty," said Vice President for Academic Affairs, Jamer Hindman.

"It [the money] will help us a great deal," he said.

"If you look at this nationally, we're still a good bargain," Hindman said.

For example, at MTSU more than \$1.5 million in additional funds will be generated by the tuition increase. Students will pay an increase of \$49 a semester (from \$691 to \$740).

THEC had originally planned to recommend a nine percent increase, which was sure to have been passed by the TBR, but state legislators asked that increases be kept to a minimum.

In the past three years enrollment at state colleges in Tennessee has increased by 30,000.

## Legislation makes stalking misdemeanor on first offense

CHARLES ALY  
News Writer

Maintaining a safe and peaceful environment for the female students has long been a priority of MTSU's Department of Public Safety and Security. Beginning today, the department gets a new tool in the form of legislation that makes stalking a crime.

The new law, sponsored by state Senator Steve Cohen, D-Memphis, makes stalking a misdemeanor on the first offense and a felony on the second if the offense is directed at the same person.

The law will make it easier

for campus police to arrest individuals who harass, follow, or threaten others.

According to Safety and Security Chief Jack Drugmand, his department has worked very hard to be accessible and helpful to the female student. A variety of services are in place to assist in the prevention and prosecution and of crimes against women.

An escort service is available to students from 6 p.m. to midnight each day. The department also offers rape awareness and personal safety seminars.

In the event that a crime does occur, the department's orientation is toward stabilizing

and supporting the victim, says Chief Drugmand. The department works closely with the dean of students and the Women's Center to provide the counseling and support the victim may need.

Public Safety and Security, like any other law enforcement agency, is a fact-finding agency and will provide the avenue for criminal prosecution should the victim decide to press charges.

If the perpetrator happens to be another student, disciplinary action can be handled by the university.

Complaints of harassment

See STALKERS, Second Front

## News Briefs

### Raped student sues school for lack of security

(CPS) A former University of Southern California student who was raped outside an off-campus residence hall four years ago has been awarded \$1.6 million in

compensatory damages from the school.

The Superior Court jury found that the university had provided inadequate security and insufficient information

about the high crime area in the neighborhood where the resident hall was located.

The jury may still require the university to pay punitive damages.

### Tuition increase comes with free semester

(CPS) Trustees of the City University of New York approved a plan that raises tuition but gives a free final semester for incoming freshman who stay until they graduate.

University officials say the

plan will assist students who may otherwise leave school when their financial aid runs out.

For New York residents, tuition will be increased by \$350 for most students, to

\$2,200 a year. Tuition will jump \$600 for freshmen and transfers, to \$2,450.

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Wayne Dobbois reported on June 12 that his keys were stolen from the top of his desk in the James Union Building.

Clifford M. Gould was arrested on June 14 for driving under the influence, first offense, and for

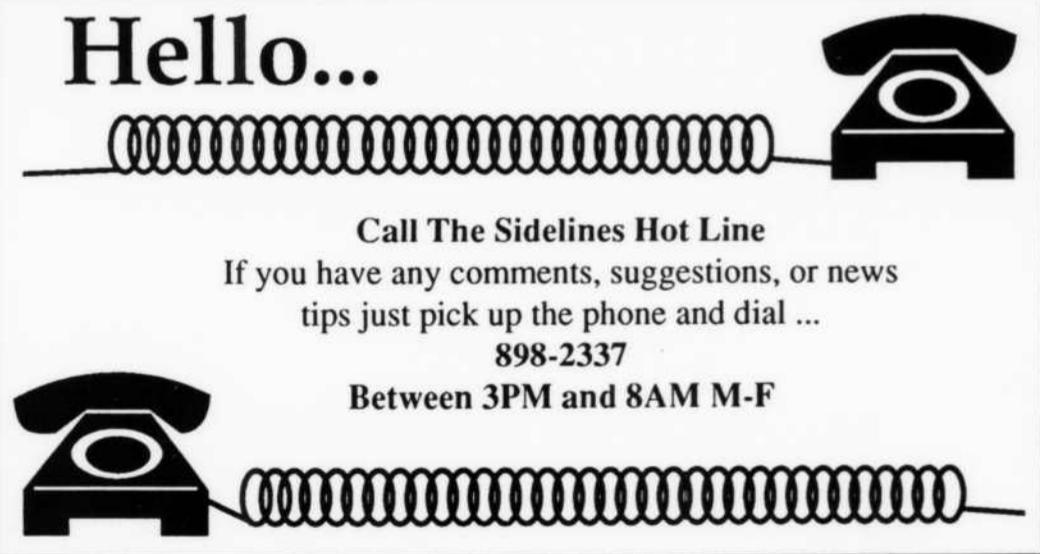
driving on a suspended license.

Jennifer Rice reported on June 16 that her rear bicycle wheel

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# Opinions

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## Editor's Corner

### Clinton: The least dangerous...

In today's Opinions section you'll see editorials by students who feel passionate about politics and their chosen politician. I'm a little jealous. I wish I felt a strong commitment toward any one of the three top candidates—but I don't. The only person I want to see in the White House is Al Gore, but since he isn't running, what's a voter to do?

I could do what I have always done in the past—not vote. Yeah, that's a really intelligent decision. But I'm not alone. Millions of eligible voters don't vote because they don't like the choices...but that has got to stop. This year I'm going to vote for someone, just so I feel like I have become a part of the process. At least then I will be able to say I tried, rather than just complaining about the winner, which I usually do.

A few weeks ago I wrote an editorial which basically said that Clinton was an idiot and that I could not even imagine voting for him. I mention this only so you'll get an idea of how much I must dislike the other two choices if I've decided to vote for someone I think is sometimes an idiot.

All three candidates have their down side. I don't think Bush truly cares about the average American. The fact that he thinks Dan Quayle is the ideal presidential replacement says a lot for what Bush's agenda is—making sure he looks good—which in this case backfired.

Perot, on the other hand, scares me to death. I admire the man for his spunk but he seems to be the type that will be radical for radical's sake and not because he wants to implement the will of the people. I think he would be like my father and do what he thinks is in my best interest without explanation except to say, "I'm the father."

As for Clinton, I think he's the least dangerous of the three. He's kind of nutty, but at least I understand his policy proposals. People say he's too smooth, too young, smiles too much and answers questions in a contrived manner. He's been accused of being racist and immature (playing the saxophone on Arsenio didn't help). I agree with some of these charges, but overall, I believe Clinton wants to improve life for the American people.

I think Clinton's plan for funding education is the best I've heard. His plans for creating new jobs and restructuring

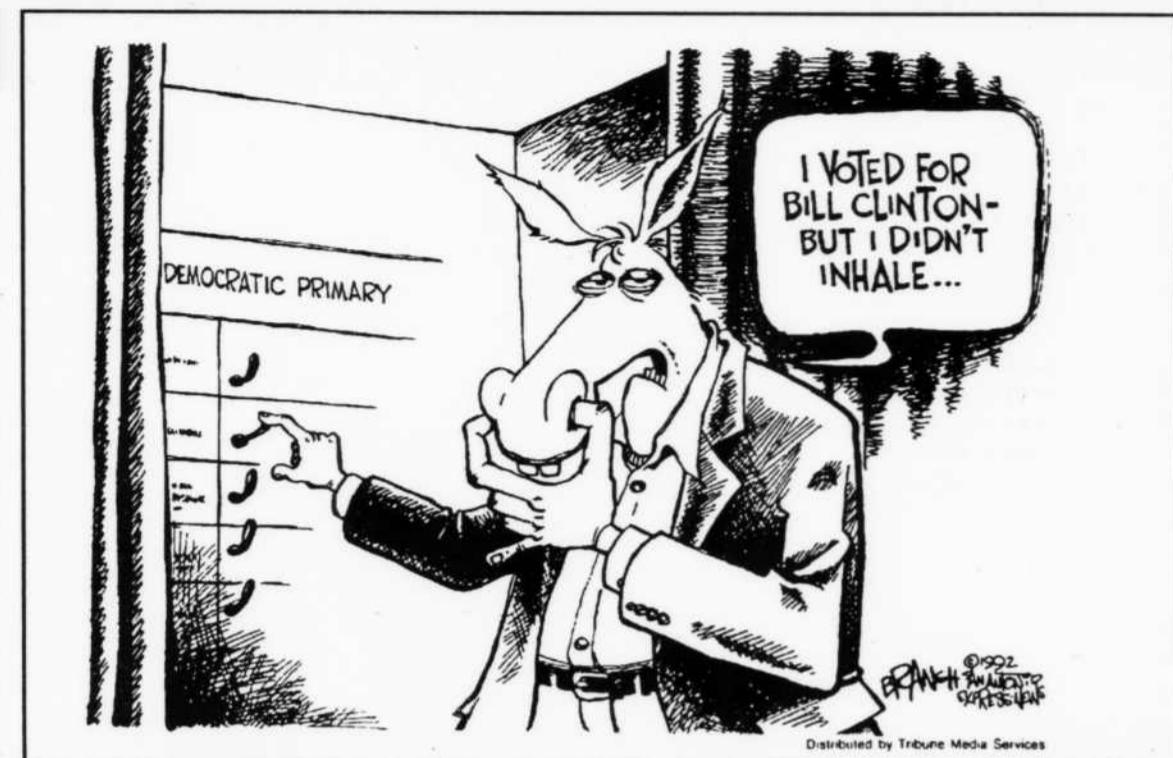
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## AND THE DEBATE IS ON...

### Students make their choices for president

## PEROT

REBECCA RUCK  
Opinions Editor

I'm voting for Perot. There, I've decided. What choice do I have—besides moving to Canada. Really, he's not that bad of a guy. Everyone is so concerned about Perot's "positions." Personally, I like his principles. He wants to stop the political system from being money-driven and [he wants] to give the government back to the people. What more do you need to know? It's what I do know about the other candidates that makes me more confident in my decision to support Perot. First of all, smooth-talking males make me nauseous. Bush and Clinton are polished politicians who are trained to tell you what you want to hear.

George Bush has proven that he is worthless as president. I will be damned if I would vote for someone who wants to push his moral beliefs onto the citizens of this country because he thinks the people need "traditional family values." Remember there is, or should be, a separation between church and state. If Bush is re-elected I may have to build another Mayflower and set sail in search of a new land.

Bill Clinton doesn't have much going for him, either. Although I've voted as a Democrat since I've been old enough to vote, I won't be doing it this

year (sorry, Dad). Clinton's smooth talk and pressed suits don't impress me. If Perot were to withdraw from the election, I guess Clinton would be my second choice—but it doesn't mean I like him.

Ross "Robin Hood" Perot wants to raise taxes for the rich and lower taxes for the poor. Why didn't someone think of this sooner? Perot also knows the value of a dollar and he is not above clipping coupons to save a buck. I'm sure that with him as President, the government wouldn't be spending \$500 for a toilet seat. I also like the fact that he doesn't have to suck up for campaign funds.



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# CLINTON

RICHARD TERRY  
Guest Commentary

With only a couple more months remaining before our presidential election on Nov. 1, I believe a clear-cut choice has emerged among the three presidential contenders. I do not appreciate H. Ross Perot insulting our intelligence and blatantly lying to the American people with this nonsense about his candidacy starting the night of the Larry King show.

The American people did not ask him to run because the evidence shows he has been plotting this campaign since at least 1986. George Orwell wrote about a creature similar to Perot in his novel "1984." Orwell's creature was called Big Brother.

President Bush has proven himself to be a tremendous leader. He led us into victory in Desert Storm. He led us into a recession that has lasted almost two years. He led the way in allowing the deficit to rise to almost \$400 billion. He can pat himself on the back for his accomplishments overseas, but that does not help the more than nine million unemployed workers, nor does it help those that do work since personal income has decreased.

There is only one candidate who has proven himself to be a great leader. Governor Bill Clinton has lead Arkansas as it has led all surrounding states in job growth for the past several years. Clinton lead Arkansas to be recognized nationally for its educational improvements. These improvements include an increase in test scores, high school graduates and college-bound rates.

In 1991, Clinton led the Arkansas legislature as they enacted one of the most sweeping legislative programs in the State's history, including major education,

health and environmental packages, a highway program, tougher child support and domestic abuse laws and tax cuts for low and middle class.

Arkansas stands fifth in the nation in creating new jobs and ninth in wage and salary growth. This has happened while President Bush has led this country to where one in ten Americans are on food stamps.

Clinton is the leader of the three candidates considering he is the only candidate to put forth a plan for correcting the mess our country is in. He plans to jumpstart our dead economy by a Fast Track Highway Spending Plan that should create over 200,000 new jobs, expanding home loans and helping small businesses. These are programs that are part of his short-term plan. He also has a plan for long-term growth once he leads this country out of the recession.

Bush has not balanced a single budget while Clinton has balanced eleven Arkansas budgets. Bush has only put forth the plan of cutting taxes for the rich and hoping the wealth will "trickle down" to the other 98 percent of us. It has not worked.

It is a good thing I am not a full-time journalist, otherwise Ross Perot would be going through my background trying to figure out a way to blackmail me into shutting up. We cannot know where Perot stands on the issues because, like Lenin, he presents new propaganda every day and the only piece we should listen to is what is said today. If it contradicts what he said yesterday, according to Perot, "It doesn't matter."

As for George Bush, he travels around the world proud of how he won the Desert War while Americans lose their jobs and their homes. Bush has lost the economic fight here at home. Americans need a leader who has proven he can do the job.

# BUSH

DUSTIN S. LANCE  
Guest Commentary

In the 1992 presidential campaign there is one presidential candidate, George Herbert Walker Bush, and several others who are mere hopefults. George Bush was elected president for his first term in 1988, after he served for eight years as vice president under the Reagan administration.

President Bush has established his record in the foreign arena. Bush, with the help of his administration, helped to bring an end to the Cold War. He has also been effective in signing a treaty with the Russian Republic, which calls for a reduction of the strategic nuclear warheads. Bush also liberated Kuwait from the illegal occupation of Saddam Hussein.

Domestically, George Bush is calling for a return to the traditional family values, which have been altered or lost throughout much of America today. Bush also supports outlawing abortions, except in extreme cases of incest, rape, or harm to the mother. Bush has often been attacked for producing more achievement in the foreign arena and doing little on the domestic front. It is my view that Bush is not at fault for the domestic problems, but it is the Democratic Congress who is to bear the bulk of the accusations for little domestic gains. President Bush, with the help of his administration, has successfully brought the United States out of the economic recession which had confronted our country.

The Democratic Party, after much scrambling, have placed the majority of their support behind Gov. Bill Clinton. However, Clinton seems to be promising everything to everybody. Clinton has

stated he is "Pro-growth, Pro-business, Pro-labor, Pro-Education, Pro-Health Care, Pro-Environment, Pro-Family, and Pro-Choice." Clinton may be Pro-everything, but his policies have been ineffective concerning many of these issues. While Clinton is scrambling to define his platform, which would suit everybody, he may loose what little support he found in the Democratic party. Bill Clinton will be an ineffective president, due to his constant changes in policy, in order to gain favor from all.

On the other hand, Americans can opt to vote for a billionaire from Texas, who has stated that "he can fix our American political situation, since politicians are unable." Perot sidesteps any question directed at him, and he is constantly contradicting himself. Perot, being conscious of his image, has inflated it and has deceived the American public. On June 11, 1992 Perot stated "Certainly I am an environmentalist, and any thinking, reasoning person is an environmentalist." However, two months earlier, when Perot was asked to comment on the Rio environmental summit, he stated "I don't know a thing in the world about it." If Perot is this uninformed, do we want him as our president?

In November, a vote for the Republicans will be a vote for truth and values. I ask you to vote with the Republican party for George Bush, and if you choose not to, remember who you voted for during the next four years. George Bush is the best candidate running, don't leave the future of America in the hands of someone who is incompetent or promising half-truths. Vote for George Bush!!!

**Editor's Corner:**  
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the inner-cities go far beyond the vision of Bush or Perot. His experience at the state level means more to me than Bush's experience in Europe or Perot's experience with corporate America.

Arkansas isn't the wealthiest state in the country. However, the improvements made there since Clinton took office are tangible evidence that if given the opportunity, Clinton can actually implement policy, not just promise it.

I suppose in the long run, it just depends on what is important to you. My concerns center around health care and education and a stable economy. I think Clinton best represents those concerns.

I'm tired of allowing only the upper middle class to vote and choose representatives. I accept the responsibility for neglecting my right to vote in the past, but I'll be at the polls this November.

I can only hope that the massive publicity over public dissatisfaction with the political process will pay off. I hope millions of Americans—regular hard-working everyday Americans—register to vote this year. I feel sure that if more middle to lower class people voted, Bush and Perot would be relegated back to Texas and Clinton would be given the chance to try to represent people like me.

--Fern Greenbank  
Editor

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# Features

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# Developmental Studies

*We shouldn't need it,  
but we do*

VERA ONG  
Special to *Sidelines*

The students who come into the Writing Lab in room 306 of Peck Hall have needs—ranging from learning to organize ideas for an essay to learning to capitalize “i” for the first person pronoun.

In the fall of 1991, about 53 percent of first-time freshmen entering MTSU needed such developmental studies courses. These courses are designed to prepare students for college-level courses. Developmental studies in college do not count for credit, but cost the same amount as college-credit courses. Why do so many students need these courses?

The answer does not lie in just one individual or institution. The entangling social and academic problems that beset high school teachers and students and the strengthened admission standards of colleges and universities drive students from high schools to college developmental classes.

Students scoring below 19 on the American College Test (ACT) are required to undergo further testing through the Academic Assessment and Placement Program (AAPP). These tests help place students in whatever courses they are ready for, either college-level courses or developmental courses.

If the curriculum framework for secondary language arts provided by the state Department of Education were to achieve its goals, every high school graduate would be able to use “...clear, concrete, and appropriate vocabulary, demonstrate style appropriate to purpose, audience and setting.”

Many developmental

students have not had much writing instruction before coming to college. April Reeves, a developmental studies student, said she only wrote one paper in her high school senior English class. Fred Sandri, another developmental studies student, said he and his classmates did mostly vocabulary exercises. He, too, wrote only one paper his senior year.

“I got a B in my high school senior English class,” Sandri says, “but I didn’t learn anything.”

Carol Bader, MTSU’s Developmental Studies chairperson, said high school class sizes have increased, leaving teachers with less time to grade papers. As a result, teachers do not give as many writing assignments as the students need.

Nancy Finney, a high school teacher at Hillsboro High School

**I got a B in my high school senior English class, but I didn’t learn anything!**

**-Fred Sandri**  
**MTSU Developmental Studies student**

in Nashville, says she is overloaded with extra-curricular activities and often has to deal with the social problems of her students.

Teachers today are not simply academic instructors. They often serve as social workers and counselors as well.

Students who come from broken or abusive home environments are often not in the



Dane Herndon/Photography

**Developing those skills:** The Developmental Studies office is usually stuffed with developmental students seeking advice and help with their schedules from the counselors on hand.

right frame of mind to study. They don’t have strong work and study habits because they lack supervision at home. Such students come to college unprepared and find themselves in developmental classes.

Many high school students fail to help themselves by turning up their noses at books and newspapers. Only two out of 20 students in a developmental writing class at MTSU said they are in a habit of reading newspapers.

“They don’t even read the comics!” exclaimed Sara Dunne, a developmental studies instructor. She added that most students work when they’re not in school and have little time to read. “They prefer watching TV to reading.”

Some parents of high school students have been known to pressure teachers into giving their children a passing grade even though their work might not be adequate. Dunne believes the students that are pushed along in this manner are not ready for college.

To top it all off, admissions standards for Tennessee public colleges were strengthened in

1989 to include two years of a foreign language. However, some say high schools are now sacrificing the basics for the extras.

A student who has not learned to spell “quite” should not be made to conjugate the verb “to go” in French, critics say. Larry Benfield, an Oakland High School English teacher, thinks the foreign language requirement is not appropriate for most students.

“It’s silly to require a foreign language when the students don’t even know the basics in English,” he said.

The Board of Regents and the state Department of Education are working to improve the situation. A new testing program is being offered to high school juniors. This optional test measures writing skills and the scores help counselors determine if students need extra help before entering college.

An article in *The Tennessean* said Tullahoma city schools are emphasizing writing more because of the test. However, Metro schools have not been able to capitalize on the program

because of limited funds.

Education reformers have long recognized the need for smaller high school classes. Fewer students per classroom would give the high school teacher liberty to assign more written work and give each student more individual attention.

MTSU President James Walker told a *Sidelines* reporter that MTSU offers the developmental program as a second chance for students. The developmental program costs a lot of money, but the developmental courses are making a difference.

Most developmental students think the program has helped them. “Coming to the [writing] lab has helped me,” says Jason Echols, a developmental studies student. “I feel like I’m ready to take a college-level class.” However, that doesn’t keep students like Sandri from being frustrated. He believes that if he had a choice, he would get started immediately on college proper.

“It hurts a little being here because it doesn’t earn college credits,” he said. “I just wanna get out of here.”

# Entertainment

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## Judybats blast Nashville

328 Performance Hall - June 27

If the Judybats chose their opening act then someone, anyone, should have a serious heart-to-heart discussion with them. That is unless, of course, they always choose a truly talentless opening act just to make themselves look better. If so, it works better than words can express.

Nashville's 328 Performance Hall was packed for the Judybats' second appearance this year. This self-described alternative band brought the youth of the area out in droves-there were well over 500 dancing bodies flooding the club.

Well, back to the opening act, the Loony Cats (I don't care if it's spelled right or not), they really sucked. Their overall appearance did give me new insight, however. I now see the reasoning behind (a.) leash laws and (b) birth control. They are from Bowling Green, Ky. and were probably kicked out of town for giving the city a bad reputation.

When the Judybats finally came on, around 11 p.m., the neglected fans were pleased, needless to say. They played songs from their debut release *Native Son* and their latest release *Down in the Shacks Where the*

*Satellite Dishes Grow.* They even played some new songs.

They dashed out with "She's Sad, She Said." From the first note the party kicked into high gear.



Sam Gannon/Photographer

**WEREN' T WE WILD?** Jeff Heiskell brings the mood of the high intensity show down a bit with "Lullaby."

328 gets top awards for booking the Judybats, in all their glory, and any time they can achieve this great accomplishment they have my undying gratitude.

Vocalist Jeff Heiskell's volume was continuously turned up. I could only vaguely hear him over the singing voices of the crowd behind me. It was great.

Their power-packed set included "Our Story," "How It Is," "Down in the Shacks Where

the Satellite Dishes Grow," "Margaret Known As Missy," "Is Anything," "Poor Bruised World," "Animal Farm," "Saturday," "Convalescing in Spain," "Native Son," and many others.

People go to concerts not to hear the CD that they've got at home or just to see the songs they already know played live. People go to concerts to have fun, to be entertained and to see something more than a video or album can contain. They go for energy.

Energy is one thing this show did not lack, from the crowd or the band.

By the time they finished their over two hour set, the writhing pit in front of the stage had suffered several dancing injuries. The bruised eye and aching bones I suffered

are only minimal damage compared to the high intensity of good feelings I left the concert with.

The group returned for an encore which included their ever-popular, always-live "Fuck Your Hair." Then it was over. As the masses flowed outward, Johnny Sughrue, rhythm guitarist, came out and greeted some of the fans.

-- Sam Gannon

## Get Hotwired with Soup Dragons

Enter England's soupy, psychedelic pop band by getting your hands on *Hotwired*, the new album by The Soup Dragons. Following close behind several other alternative bands who basically worship, and more often than not, rip off the Rolling Stones, The Soup Dragons have

on the dance charts. Backed by the soulful, wailing voices of blues women, the catchy Stones-like riff of "Divine Thing" is combined successfully with a post-modern dance drum track which makes for a unique sound only found in The Soup Dragons. For the most part, the entire album attempts to fuse the '60s and '90s music as triumphantly as this one song, but "Divine Thing" is the only song that does it to near perfection.

If the most important thing in your life is to be retrospectively hip, this album is a must. The songs supply quite nicely, for those who long for it, a flowery '60s groove while adding a perfectly danceable '90s disco beat. I am sure anyone could get a

small preview of this new compilation of songs by simply visiting a local coolie dance club like the *Midnight Sun*.

In addition to the heavy dance tracks, the Dragons throw in a few laid back tunes which actually sound something like New Age self-help tapes. Among these pseudo ballads is the song "Forever Yesterday," which has at its beginning and conclusion a soft, seductive female voice. The voice (I suspect) is supposed to belong to a girl whose occupation is a phone sex operator, but she sounds more like a sex therapist than a dial-a-lover. When her voice instructively repeats "breathe slowly and deeply," it sounds like she is giving

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taken Keith Richards' suave guitar licks and backed them with high-tech dance beats.

The first single from *Hotwired* is "Divine Thing," which will no doubt be a big hit

# Sitting at the feet of a god

If you missed Matthew Sweet opening for the Indigo Girls Sunday night, you must be (a.) very unlucky (b.) very foolish, or (c.) very uninformed.

It would be in a vain and foolish attempt to describe and review in detail the inspirational Matthew Sweet set at the Indigo Girls concert Sunday night, so I won't. Instead, here's something different. So you've admired him for a long time. So you've found something in his music that makes you sick with emotion. So what do you do when this person, this image on TV, this demi-god, calls you the phone and says "Hi"?

When Matthew Sweet called me Saturday morning I wasn't as rattled I thought I would be. I was profoundly cool-well, I stuttered my way through it.

I had read tons of articles on him. Any and every question that could have possibly been asked had been asked. What could be left to question him about?

I knew I had to be creative

and entertaining-especially to keep him on the phone. I had this dream that he got really mad at me and hung up. I didn't want that.

I asked him exactly what I wanted to know.

What is the meaning of life?

"Life has no meaning. We are just a part of nature, everything we do is nature. There's no meaning to it."

Who are you going to vote for and why?

"I'm going to vote, I know that much. I just don't know who for, probably Bush, but I don't know. I haven't been keeping up recently, but I will study the issues before I vote."

What's the last movie you saw?

"The last movie I saw was "Patriot Games." I didn't like it. Before that was "Alien3," it was worse. I want to see "Buffy the Vampire Slayer." I did a song on the soundtrack. I read the script and I really liked it. I love teen angst, camp films."



**A God:** Matthew Sweet performs in front of the sold out crowd at the Indigo Girls concert Sunday.

What CD is in your CD player right now?

"Right now I've got *My Bloody Valentine* in the CD player, but I don't really listen to it. I like the new Lindsey Buckingham CD, but it's not that good, not as good as *Tusk*. That was great. Also check out Peal, they're really great."

What's going to be your next single after "I've Been Waiting"?

"After 'I've Been Waiting,' I

don't know. Maybe 'Day for Night,' or 'Evangeline,' or trying to release 'Divine Intervention' again. There's even been talk of releasing 'You Don't Love Me,' which is a really weird kind of pop love song."

Well, my stuttering ended about two minutes after I hung up the phone. I still won't touch the phone- there's some part of him still trapped inside.

I know he's just a person like anybody else, but people who have a dramatic effect on you begin to mean something to you. There's a larger-than-life aspect to that.

In many ways, to connect with Matthew Sweet for only a few minutes has altered me eternally. Thanks Matthew.

-- Sam Gannon

**HOTWIRED:** Continued From Page Seven breathing lessons. Fortunately, there are not too many of these poorly written ballads on the album, but the songs that are slow and droning at least have been recorded with a psychedelic sensibility—panning vocals, nifty sound effects, and, of course, the ever-popular whining WAH WAH guitar. I am pretty sure these songs were produced especially for those who like to indulge themselves in extra-curricular illegal activities.

As far as lyrics go, they don't. The credits do not indicate who wrote the words, and I think it is a fairly smart omission. I'll not dwell too much on the embarrassingly cliched lyrics because The Soup Dragons' irresistible grooves do not, for the most part, require well-crafted words in order to catch someone's ear.

This album is ideal for summer. It is mindlessly optimistic and fashionably hip. It never strays from its original intention which is to create pop songs that grab you and make you feel like things are better than they really are. In other words, it really helps out when you're broke and your Visa bill and rent is due, and all you got from your lousy parents was money for summer classes that you did not want to take anyway.

If you're looking for a CD to listen to this summer while drinking beer and hanging out by the pool, this is your best choice. Even if you can't talk your roommate into buying *Hotwired*, I do not think it would be a complete waste of your money to at least buy the cassette.

-- Mark Roberts

## Best Bets

### Performance

Jeffrey Gaines with Melissa Ethridge, Grand Ole Opry House, Wednesday, June 18. Tickets available at Ticketmaster.

Nashville Opera Company, Wright Music Hall, July 3, 7:30 p.m., Admission \$3, for information call Ext. 2223.

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# Sports

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## Sports Editorial

# Reds ride in hopes of settling wild west

*Cincinnati in charge after chopping up Braves*

TONY J. ARNOLD  
Sports Editor

Choppers were chopping as fans awaited June's version of the World Series between the Cincinnati Reds and Atlanta Braves.

After a weekend series over a week ago, "Hot 'Lanta" was on fire and appeared ready to tackle the division race before we even reached the midway point of this season. The Braves took three of four games in Atlanta, narrowing the gap between them and the first place Reds to a mere two games.

After series games with other teams, Atlanta entered this past weekend just one game behind the Reds who hosted a three game series in Cincinnati.

But contrary to the games in Atlanta, the Braves were no match for the Big Red Machine

who did the chopping, sweeping the Braves' hopes of first place back to four games.

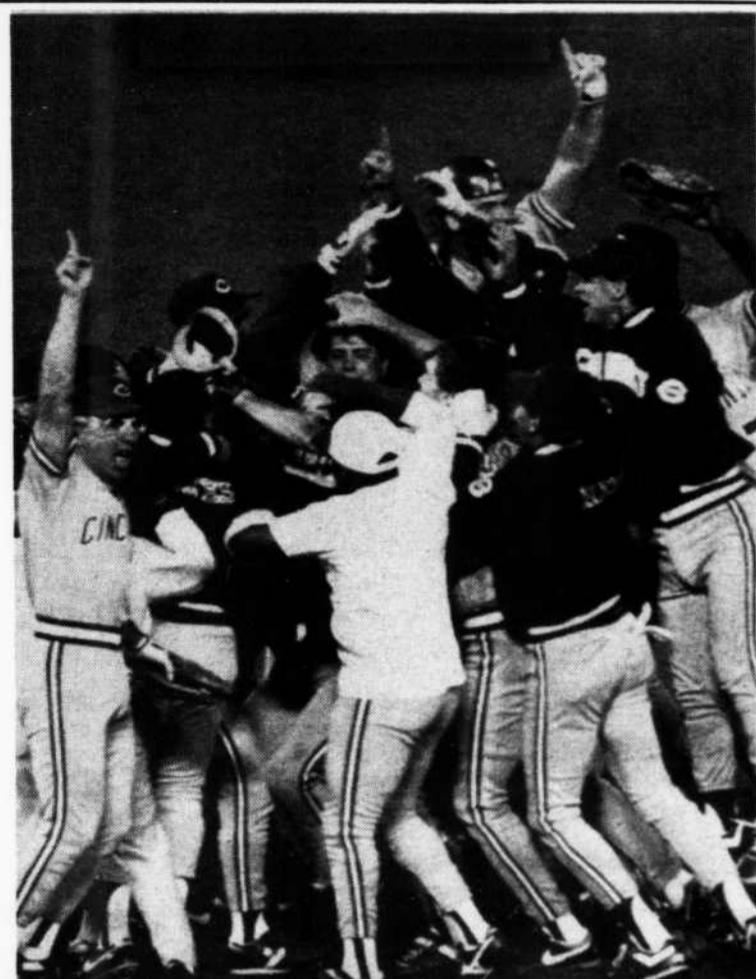
After last year's dream season, most so-called experts gave Atlanta a 50-50 chance of repeating. Most figured it would be a two team race between the Los Angeles Dodgers and Cincy.

Well, they were half right but instead of the lowly Dodgers who are barely treading water, the Braves have set out to prove doubters wrong.

It's certainly still early in the year, but if you witnessed the two series' between the two front runners you would have thought it was the last game of the season with the winner taking all.

That isn't the case yet, but I'm going to tell you why the Reds will settle the wild west and

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Associated Press

**CELEBRATION TIME:** Members of the Cincinnati Reds celebrate after winning the World Series in 1990. After a recent series with Atlanta, it appears as if the Reds will have a chance to gain glory again this year.

## Murray's Popeye picked, but was it too late?

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Popeye Jones' college coach believes Jones must be disappointed at not being drafted until the second round of the NBA draft, but the coach says Jones has a good shot at making the Houston Rockets.

The Rockets drafted the former Murray State star with the 41st pick in Wednesday night's draft.

Jones had hoped to go as high as the first round, but the two teams that had shown the most interest—Phoenix and Golden State—took big men Jones had battled in his final two NCAA tournament games. The Suns took Arkansas center Oliver Miller with their first pick, the 22nd of the draft, and the Warriors took Alabama forward Latrell Sprewell two positions later.

Phoenix had hoped to take him with one of its two second-round selections but the Rockets took Jones before the Suns had another chance. Another potential suitor, New Jersey, took Louisiana Tech center P.J. Brown with second pick of the second round.

"I would think he's a little disappointed," said Murray coach Scott Edgar, who said he hadn't talked to Jones. "It's a great honor to be drafted, but maybe he didn't go as high as he had hoped. I was disappointed because he did everything he was instructed to do but what he was lead to believe (didn't happen). But he has to remember that a lot of good players didn't get drafted."

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## 'A League of Their Own'

*Movie about women's baseball team opens tonight*

ASSOCIATED PRESS

It was supposed to be a gimmick, another way for women to keep the country going while the men were off fighting the war.

Late in 1942, a baseball executive feared next year's season would be cancelled and announced he was forming a women's softball league instead. While stars of local teams got out their bats and gloves, press coverage recalled Ricky Ricardo's bemused expression whenever Lucy vowed she was going to get a job.

"Ladies of Little Diamond" was how *Time* magazine headlined its article on the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League, the brainchild of Chicago Cubs owner and chewing gum king Phil Wrigley and now the basis for the film "A League of Their Own."

"On softball's miniature diamond...and aided by softball's underhanded pitching," *Time* said, "girls can pitch, bat, field grounders and otherwise perform like reasonable facsimiles of the male."

They were better than reasonable. Those "girls," some married with children, kept the league going for 12 seasons and entertained millions of fans. A few players were considered good enough to hold their own against the men. The league itself was good enough to earn a special exhibit at The Baseball Hall of Fame.

"Some of the press may have looked down on us when they first heard about the league, but they changed their minds in a big hurry," said Dottie Collins, a pitcher for six seasons. "We weren't on a lark."

"There was a playoff game in the later years of the league and [team manager and former major leaguer] Max Carey said that as far as he was concerned it was the greatest game he had seen in his life, the playing ability and the pitching ability."

The men did play baseball in 1943, but Wrigley still went ahead with his plans. He dispatched Cubs scouts all over the country, with some players eventually earning a then-generous \$125 a week. There were four teams at first and 12 at the league's peak. Each season lasted at least 100 games and ended with a round of playoffs.

"We had people coming from all sections of life," Collins said. "We had farm girls, the rich girls who had all kinds of money. We had the gals who had never been away from home, gals who didn't know how to dress in public. You had them from everywhere."

The managers were men, many of them former major-league stars. There were Hall of Famers Carey, Jimmie Foxx and Dave Bancroft, as well as Guy Bush, Woody English and Bill Wamborgans,

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**Popeye:**

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Jones couldn't be reached Wednesday night or Thursday. A woman who answered the telephone at his home in Dresden, Tenn., said Jones "had gone into hiding" during the draft. Jones also didn't return messages left at his apartment in Memphis, Tenn.

Rebounding figures to be Jones' biggest contribution to an NBA team. He led the nation in rebounding last season with a 14.4 average and is the seventh leading rebounder in NCAA history.

He was one of two Ohio Valley Conference players selected. Morehead State's Brett Roberts, the nation's leading scorer this season, was chosen by Sacramento with the last pick of the draft. NBA statistics compiled by league scouting director Marty Blake indicate only 31 percent of players drafted in the second round turn in careers of at least four seasons, but Edgar believes Jones has a

chance to beat the odds.

"He's been an underdog for a big part of his career," Edgar said. "But if I were Houston, I would be licking my chops to get a player like him with the 41st pick. He's got good skills and a great work ethic. And that's why he's got a good chance of making that team."

**Baseball:**

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who as a second baseman for the Cleveland Indians pulled off the World Series' only unassisted triple play.

Wrigley made his fortune through baseball and candy, but he built the new league like a Hollywood mogul. Image counted; he wanted good, clean, family entertainment. Not for him were the suggestive team names used in local softball leagues—Slapsie Maxie's Curvaceous Cuties or the Num Num Pretzel Girls. Instead, there were the Kenosha Comets, the South Bend Blue Sox and the Racine Belles.

Slacks and tight skirts were forbidden. Players considered too uncouth or too masculine were kept out. Before the first season began, Wrigley sent recruits to Helena Rubenstein's Gold Coast beauty salon, where, *Time* reported, they would learn "makeup, posture, and other whatnots usually neglected by lady athletes."

"I don't think they selected us on the basis of our looks, but they were strict on our being feminine," said Gloria Elliott, a pitcher for Kalamazoo. "They wanted you to wear feminine attire and to act like a lady."

"You know what the rules were, don't you?" Dottie Schroeder, a shortstop who played in every season of the league, said with a laugh. "Rules were made to be broken. You were supposed to be in two hours after the evening game, but sometimes it extended later. It was never malicious, but we enjoyed bending the rules a little."

And whatever "whatnots" in which the players were supposedly groomed, their manners on the field could be as bad as the guys'. Smoking and drinking were forbidden, but you couldn't stop anyone from indulging in baseball's most incurable vice: arguing with the umpires.

"Some can swear as well," *Time* noted. "Henpecked Harry Wilson, the dean of girl softball umpires, maintains that the female Lippy Durochers, with their special brand of umpire-baiting, draw larger crowds than softball's DiMaggios."

"Umpires of girls' softball games, almost always men," added *The New York Times*, with unintentional humor, "have their hands full, too."

The league wasn't softball for long. It evolved from underhand pitching to sidearm to overhand. By the time it folded in 1954, the women were using a regulation, major league baseball and playing under standard baseball rules.

'A League of Their Own' opens tonight nationwide.

**Reds:**

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advance to the National League Championship series rather than Atlanta.

For starters, the Braves are an excellent team. Their pitching staff is probably the best rotation in baseball.

On the other hand, Cincinnati isn't as deep, but they aren't too bad. The Reds' staff is one most teams still dream of.

The difference here is the bullpen where the Reds are hands down the most powerful in baseball. Sure, you can argue Oakland and Mr. Eckersley, but how can you argue with a team that has players nasty enough to throw at their own mothers? Even a middle relief man, Scott Bankhead, leads the team in wins with eight.

Offensively speaking, the Braves do a lot of talking with the lumber. Hitters like Terry Pendleton, Ron Gant and David Justice are hard to beat. However, gaps at second and short don't produce like those of the Reds.

Cincy can throw out a player at every position that is capable of leading the team. The bench is enriched with talent and that has already proven itself with virtually every Reds star spending time on the disabled list, but the team has held strong to first place.

Defensively, I'd probably call it even. Both teams have golden gloves and can steal hits with a blink of the eye.

All of this is on paper though, how about comparing the two when they go head-to-head.

In Atlanta, the Reds managed to take the opening game in extra innings. Atlanta took the final three, yet each game went down to the wire—meaning Cincy played well on the road.

In Cincinnati, it wasn't nearly as close. The Reds bombed away in the first two games while the hapless Braves couldn't seem to rekindle the flame from a week earlier.

Sunday's game proved to be

a thriller with controversy playing into the outcome, yet consider this:

If you saw the play where Chris Sabo stole third, stop and think. The throw was there and the tag was down. Because of a cloud of dust, it was impossible to see when Pendleton's glove touched Sabo.

Sliding head first means Sabo's hands got to the base first. Could his hand have caught the side of the base instead of Pendleton's glove which was placed in front?

Do you still refuse to believe he could have been safe?

If your convinced that the play cost Atlanta the game take this at heart.

A couple of innings earlier, Billy Hatcher rapped a double but was thrown out at second. The replay clearly showed he was safe, unlike the Sabo call that was unjudgeable.

That was the third out of the inning. The next inning, the first man up to bat, Joe Oliver, hit a home run. Maybe that could have been a two-run homer instead?

I think it's obvious after the weekend wins that Cincy is the clear favorite that everyone will be chasing. I'll grant you that neither team will continue the winning pace that each has recently prospered from, but no one else in the division will contend.

If you're a Braves fan, you have to be sick to win 95 percent of your games for three weeks and still be in second.

As far as the rest of the teams, San Diego doesn't have the pitching and San Francisco isn't consistent enough to make a run. Los Angeles is just a disappointment and Houston is a year away from contention.

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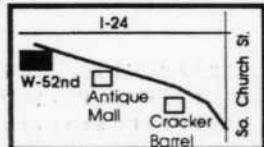
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# The Second Front Page

Middle Tennessee State University

## One of every six college women will be raped: Study

College Press Service

Seventy-eight women are raped every hour in the United States, a total of 683,000 in a year, estimates a study by the Crime Victims Research and Treatment Center at the Medical University of South Carolina.

The National Women's Study, funded by the National Institute of Drug Abuse, based its projections on a three-year study of 4,008 adult women.

The statistics are much higher than those previously reported by the government and other sources. According to the National Women's Study, one out of every eight adult women or at least 12.1 million American women has been the victim of rape and only 16 percent of rapes are ever reported to police.

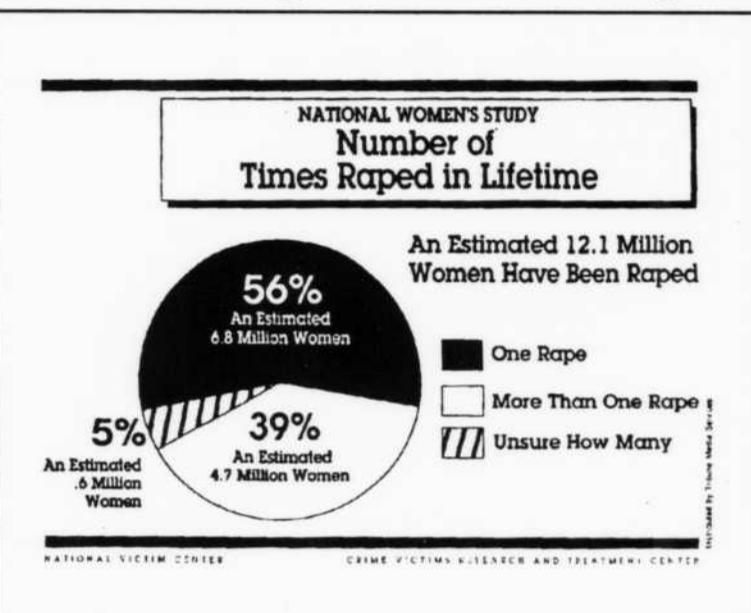
In contrast, a Newsweek survey in 1990 reported that 16 women confront rapists every hour.

Authors of the study say the reason the National Women's Study figures were so startling is that they included all rapes occurring in the lifetimes of the women surveyed.

According to the story in the University of New Mexico's Daily Lobo, FBI studies show one out of six women will be raped during college. And 27.2 percent of women report being raped by the time they reach college, 57.8 percent by their dates.

The National Women's Study points out the lingering effects of rape on the victim.

"Rape has a devastating



impact on the mental health of victims, with nearly one-third (31 percent) of all rape victims developing Rape-related Post-traumatic Stress Disorder (RR-PTSD) sometimes in their lifetimes."

The disorder "dramatically increases American women's risk for major alcohol and drug abuse problems," the study said. Compared with women who have never been raped, rape victims were 13 times more likely to have major alcohol problems and 26 times more likely to have major drug abuse problems.

The survey also included information on victim's attitudes toward reporting the crime.

Sixty percent of rape service agencies thought the publicity of the 1991 West Palm beach trial of William Kennedy Smith would make rape victims somewhat or much less likely to report the crimes to police.

Smith was acquitted of the rape charge.

The study says that, without exception, rape service agencies thought that public education about rape, expanding counseling and advocacy services for victims, and laws protecting confidentiality by prohibiting disclosure of their names by the news media, would be effective in increasing victims' willingness to report sexual assaults.

Date of acquaintance rape has been one of the hottest topics on college campuses in the past several years.

In a survey of 2,971 white, middle-class college men, 187 admitted that they had raped a woman, 157 coerced a woman into having sex when she didn't want to, and 854 coerced women into unwanted sexual contact, according to Robin Warshaw's book called "I Never Called It Rape."

## Legislation attacks stalkers:

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by another student are handled by Dr. Gail Stephens, coordinator of judicial affairs and student life, in the Keathley University Center room 122. Dr. Stephens accepts written complaints only.

Dr. Stephens will contact the accused student and allow that party to present their side of the story. If necessary, Dr. Stephens will also conduct

further investigation before making a decision about possible disciplinary sanctions.

Most complaints of harassment or threats are minor incidents and are dealt with by ordering the students to have no further contact, states Dr. Stephens. However, should suspension or expulsion be warranted, the student is entitled to a hearing.

During 1991 there were 33 reported assaults, 14 reported incidents of harassment and 8 incidents of telephone harassment.

There has not been a reported rape on campus since 1986, according to Chief Drugmand.

Campus police are on duty year round, 24 hours a day, and can be reached at 898-2424.

## Seigenthaler chair to be filled by August 1

DAVID SMITH  
News Writer

The John Seigenthaler Chair of Excellence for First Amendment studies, empty since May, will hopefully be filled by the end of July, says Ed Kimbrell, dean of the College of Mass Communication.

Kimbrell has been working closely with Seigenthaler on the appointment but refuses to name the candidate replacing James Squires, who left to become campaign director for presidential candidate Ross Perot.

"It's just too premature to give out the name of the candidate," Kimbrell said. "There has been no contract signed and no board approval. The candidate is anxious to come aboard but you never know, plans can fall apart."

The Seigenthaler chair is a unique position within the department. It was set up to deal with issues regarding the First Amendment's constitutional guarantee of free speech.

Seigenthaler is very interested and very involved in the process of selecting the chairman. His friends and board members work with him to come up with a list of people who can enrich the program to help the students and the community as a whole.

The term of the Seigenthaler chair is usually no longer than two semesters. Kimbrell believes this is very important in the First Amendment field of study.

"It is important that we get fresh ideas as often as possible," Kimbrell said. "We need a

person who will meet with students, faculty, and community leaders to express their beliefs on the rights of free speech."

Kimbrell said that Seigenthaler holds similar beliefs on the matter.

"John (Seigenthaler) would like to see a different chairman each year," Kimbrell said. "He'd like a new vision each year with persons of different careers, different journalistic views and different philosophies to fill the chair and refresh the ideas of the program."

Three people were selected as possible chair holders, all nationally and internationally ranked. Kimbrell admits that it is hard to find someone on short notice to fill a position like this.

"It's tough to get these types of people on such short notice, Kimbrell said. "Many do not turn down the job but ask rather, 'When in the future can I hold the chair?' It is my feeling that all three will hold the chair in the near future."

Although not mentioning candidates' names, Kimbrell was eager to share plans on forthcoming activities sponsored by the chair. He stated that two major conferences will be held during the spring semester.

The first will be a conference dealing with continued media research for First Amendment rights. The second will deal with new news gathering methods as opposed to the old style.

Kimbrell added that the new chairman will probably only hold the chair for one semester with the rest of the chair's funding going toward these two conferences in the spring.

## Jeremie's heart fund:

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Jeremie and the Veterans of Foreign Wars as well as the Ladies Auxiliary of the Moose Lodge have donated to Jeremie's fund as well.

"A lady called yesterday to tell us that her son is named Jeremie and he heard about our Jeremie," said Cooley. "This little boy told his mother that he wanted to do something to help, so the mother called to say she was sending a donation. We just cried, it was so touching," added Cooley.

Jeremie's parents have taken up residence at the Ronald McDonald House in Nashville to be closer to their son. "They're holding up as well as can be expected," said Cooley.

Funds raised will be used to pay Jeremie's medical bills in the future, as Medicaid covers the expenses at this time.

Insurance costs will be astronomical for the baby after the heart transplant and the young couple hopes to use the funds raised to sustain Jeremie's care until insurance coverage takes effect.

Donations can also be made to the non-profit organization Transplant, Inc., located at 233 Wilson Pike Circle, P.O. Box 291, Brentwood, Tenn., 37024-0291. The organization matches the funds of donors and is made up of people who have been the ordeal of organ transplantation.