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# Sidelines

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## Construction worker ruptures gas main

By Chad Gillis/ staff

A construction worker ruptured a gas line yesterday at the Business/Aerospace building at approximately 10 a.m., according to Gary Farley, Murfreesboro assistant fire chief.

RCR Construction was planning to pour concrete for a curb when a backhoe worker cut into a gas main. Apparently the worker (whose name was not available before press deadline) was not aware of the potential dangers, according to Farley.

"The low explosive level got pretty high," said Farley, "so we stopped traffic from coming into the area."

Some six fire department trucks, along with campus security, blocked off pedestrian and vehicle traffic on 2nd Street between Cummings and Corlew Hall.

Campus Security responded to the call shortly after the leak began, secured the area, and then proceeded to inform the proper authorities and public, according to Dustin Miller, campus security spokesman.

"The first people we contacted was

the United Cities Gas Company, then Terry Logan [MTSU environmental health and safety services coordinator]," said Miller. "We also contacted the Murfreesboro Fire Department and asked Murfreesboro Police Department for assistance."

Students, faculty and construction workers alike were asked to move from the immediate area and to stay clear of the site.

Contractors that are planning to do any type of digging are required to place a Tennessee One call three days in advance so utility representatives can come to the site and identify where their lines are located.

"The contractor failed to give a Tennessee One call," said Jeff Neely, superintendent for United Cities Gas Company.

The sub-contractor that was operating the back hoe at the time the incident occurred is financially responsible for the incident, according to Neely.

"Unfortunately this happens all of the time," said Neely. "You are supposed to call in advance to digging, but they didn't do that." •

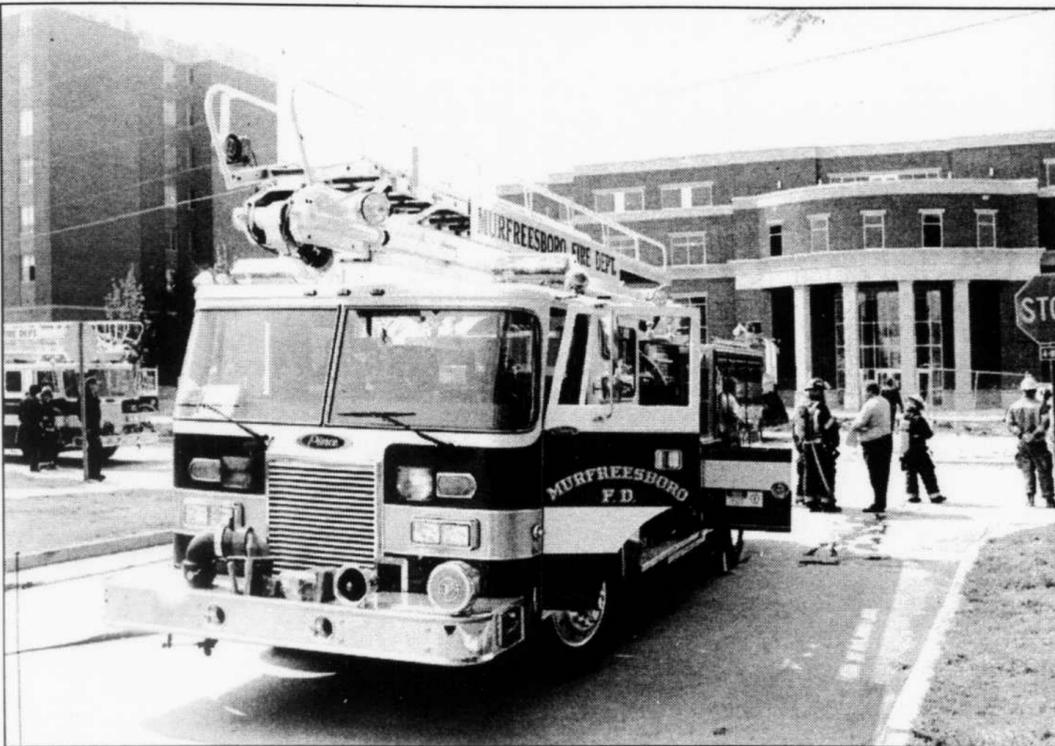


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Early Wednesday morning, firefighters responded to an emergency call placed from the Business/Aerospace building construction site after a worker ruptured a gas main. The area was quickly sealed off to prevent an inadvertent explosion.

## Baker: 5 of 6 goals accomplished

By Jamie Evans/ staff

A little over a year ago Christin Baker made six promises as part of her platform for president, and now, with her term over, Baker said she has accomplished five of them.

Baker's number one intent, she said, was to improve safety on campus. Under this plan, she wanted to increase the lighting in the parking areas and the number of emergency call boxes on campus.

On April 3, a walk-through was conducted by the Safety Subcommittee, after Baker spoke with campus planning, to survey for new lighting needs around campus. The walk-through was also used to evaluate other safety deficiencies.

The proposal to add more lighting on campus is currently being drawn up in a campus planning committee.

Baker also wanted to work with the

Murfreesboro Chamber of Commerce to get some local businesses to help with funding for the university.

According to Baker, the Chamber of Commerce helped with the purchase of some refreshments and prizes for some of the student activities on campus.

As a side effect to the Chamber of Commerce's help, Baker said, attendance increased at major sporting events like football games. This fulfilled her goal, Baker said, to increase school spirit.

Another promise Baker made was the creation of the SGA newsletter that was intended to keep students



Christin Baker

informed of SGA's activities.

In the original plan, this newsletter was to be printed monthly and delivered to the dorms. However, the SGA newsletter appeared only once at the end of the semester in advertising space in "Sidelines."

The one thing that Baker did not accomplish, she said, was the weekend programming through housing that she wanted for the students. She explained that housing was unable to start weekend programming because the office was too busy dealing with overflows and the plans for the new dormitories.

President-elect Ryan Durham said he thinks that Baker worked hard at her position this last term.

"I can definitely say that she taught me a lot about what it takes to be SGA president," Durham said.

"SGA is about planting seeds," Baker said. "I think Ryan will be an incredible president." •

## Maintenance employee faces phone theft charges

By Susan McMahan/ staff

A former MTSU employee faces two charges of theft after he allegedly stole an emergency cellular phone.

Rodney M. James, 31, was charged with theft of property by receiving or concealing and theft of service over \$100 after calls made on the phone were traced back to him, according to Investigator Darrell Collins of MTSU Public Safety.

Collins said James did not deny having possession of and using the phone.

James, who has since been fired from MTSU, was employed as a custodial lead worker when the phone, which is valued at \$300, was stolen from the telecommunications building on March 20.

The emergency phones are kept in one location at all times and are kept only for special situations.

"The phones are not for public use unless there is an emergency or a disaster," said Collins.

According to phone bills, James used the telephone March 21- 23 and again on March 27- 30.

He made calls to Nashville, LaVergne, Jackson and on campus.

Collins said there is a "good

possibility" that James also has used the phones this month, but it can't be determined until the bill is received.

"Telecommunications left the phone service on in the hopes of catching him," said Collins.

James told Collins that he purchased the phone for \$100 from another man, who is currently in jail.

Collins investigated the other man, who said that he had sold James a phone for \$20.

The description he gave Collins of the phone he sold did not match the stolen phone, but the description of the phone the man said he saw James carrying did match.

This arrest is not the first time an MTSU employee has been fired and arrested for theft on campus this semester.

Michael Coltraine, a former worker in MTSU's heating and cooling department, was arrested for felony theft in February after he allegedly stole \$1554 worth of tools from MTSU campus by placing the items on MTSU purchase orders.

Coltraine was caught after he sold the items at local pawn stores.

Murfreesboro Police checked the pawn shop records for the serial number of the tools, which were then traced back to Coltraine. •

## Psychology club sponsors research contest

By Christi Underdown/ staff

The third annual Undergraduate Research Poster Competition will be held on April 24 from 12 p.m. until 5 p.m. on the first floor of Jones Hall, co-sponsored by Psi Chi, the Middle Tennessee State University Psychology Club and the department of Psychology.

"This is a forum for undergraduates to present the research that they have completed

over past semesters," said John Pennington, a professor in the Psychology department who is working with the day's activities. "As faculty, we knew undergrads were doing very high-class research. We wanted to give them, number one, the experience in presenting research to their peers and, number two, giving their peers a chance to see it."

The 26 presentations, each displayed on a 4-by-4 posterboard areas of the field of Psychology: Social/ I.O.

(Industrial Organizational), Clinical/ Personality, Cognitive/Sensation/ Perception/ Experimental and General.

Among the method of presentation, there are common elements. Most posters will follow the pattern of listing an introduction to the subject of study, the methods which the student used, the student's findings or statistical results and a detailed discussion of the results which

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## Walker leaves Vandy hospital

By Jamie Evans/ staff

Mrs. Walker has been released from the hospital and has been placed in an apartment close to Vanderbilt Hospital for recuperation and observation.

Mrs. Walker is stable and showing signs of improvement. If all goes well, she is expected to be back in Murfreesboro in eight weeks.

President Walker has to stay here in Murfreesboro because of MTSU obligations, but is expected to spend as much time as possible with his wife.

Mrs. Walker expresses her appreciation for the many cards, calls, prayers, and well wishes. •

## Alumni to be awarded for outstanding achievements

Staff Reports

Four alumni will be honored at the Annual National Alumni Association on May 3 in the JUB Tennessee Room.

The alumni—Bart Gordon, Mary Ann Zumbro Todd, R. Eugene Smith and Scott Higdon—will be awarded for their outstanding achievements after college.

Gordon, a 1971 graduate, will receive the Service to the University award. Gordon has been a member of congress since 1985. He has promoted legislation for student financial aid reform been an advocate against environmental dangers (including radiation, asbestos, and nuclear waste).

He has served on numerous committees including: Rules; Budget; Commerce; Science; Banking; Aging; East Europe Task Force; and North

Atlantic Assembly.

As a student, Gordon served as a president of the Student Government Association. He continued his service to the university as a member of the Foundation Board of Trustees. He has secured funds for the Horticulture facility and grant funds for a satellite uplink and downlink for the School of Agribusiness and Agriscience.

He has also secured funding for air traffic control simulator equipment for the department of Aerospace.

Mary Ann Zumbro Todd, class of '47, will receive the award for Service to Community. She is a nursing advisor and therapist at the Mental Health Center in Mobile, Ala. Her leadership experience includes work in the American Nurses Association, the

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By Jamie Evans/ staff

This summer MTSU is offering off-campus courses, telecommunications, and correspondence courses to help meet the needs of non-traditional students.

Non-traditional students are usually thought of as being full-time working adults, or adults unable to attend full-time classes because of family obligations.

MTSU is pulling together its resources to reach out to these students by offering off-campus courses at several Middle Tennessee locations. Classes will be held in Columbia, LaVergne, Smyrna, Spring Hill and Tullahoma.

Telecourses and correspondence courses are also being offered in an effort to accommodate students who cannot attend classes on campus due to geographical location or scheduling conflicts.

Telecourse students will have access to video tapes or television programs, read texts, and do other

course work at a time that is convenient for them during the given time set for the course.

Students will have the opportunity to view the segments of their course on MTSU Cable Channel 8 and WDCN. They can also watch them in the McWherter Learning Resource Center or rent the tapes, which are close captioned for the hearing impaired.

Students wishing to be in the telecourse program are required to attend an orientation program, a midterm exam, and a final exam at MTSU.

The correspondence courses involve one-on-one instruction with the student and the instructor through different mass medias. These include print, telephone, e-mail, and fax.

Students need to be admitted to the University and registered before the first day of class in order to avoid late registration. Current students may register by TRAM. For more information or a current schedule, contact the Division of Continuing Studies at 898-5611. •

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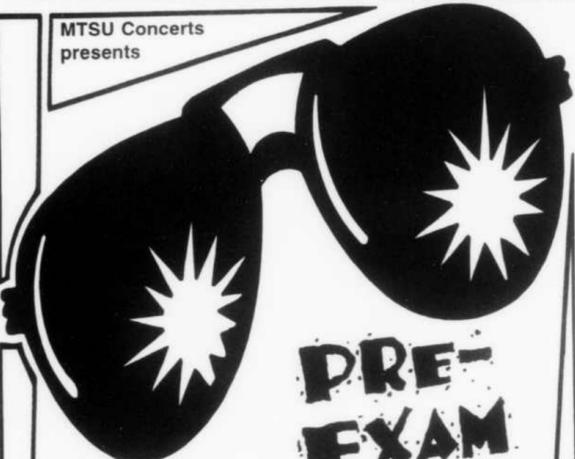


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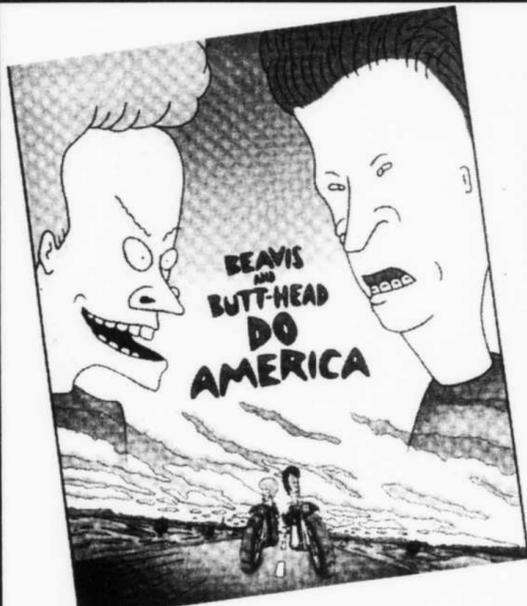
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Alabama League of Nursing, and the South Alabama League for Nursing.

Todd's civic work includes participation in the YWCA, the American Red Cross, the American Heart Association, Cancer Society, Arthritis Foundation, Diabetes Association, and the Mental Health Association.

She also served as president of the SGA when she was at the university.

R. Eugene Smith, also from the class of '47, will receive the Professional Achievement award. He has been vice president of Business and Finance at the University of Memphis since 1971. He was formerly auditor and director of audits for the Office of Comptroller of Treasury of the State of Tennessee.

He is a member of 10 professional organizations including board membership in both the Southern and National Association of Colleges and University Business Officers. He is the only Tennessean to be elected president of both organizations.

Scott Higdon, class of '86, will receive the Young Alumni Achievement award. Born with physical deficiencies which prevented use of all parts of his body except neck muscles, he started school in a special program but was later mainstreamed into a regular school program.

Higdon has worked in the field of artificial intelligence and has worked at the Defense Mapping Agency of St. Louis. He is currently involved in a long-term, full-time training program at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. With the use of voice activated devices, he drives his van from Massachusetts to Tennessee. •

**On Campus** 

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**April 1997**  
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**Now Until May 2**  
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**Now Until June 5**  
Japanese Silk Exhibit: Scenes of Japan. Rose Center Exhibit **Mon-Fri 9 a.m.-5 p.m.** at 442 W. 2nd N. St., Morristown. Contact the Japan Center at 898-2229 or the Rose Center at 423-581-4330 for more information.

**Now Until June 20**  
Careers Now Program announces internship opportunity for all career fields. Must be available for Fall semester 1997. For more information contact Angela Bond at 898-3954.

**THURSDAY, April 24**  
The June Anderson Women Center is hosting a Free Legal Clinic from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. in

Room 206 of the JUB. Please call ahead before coming. For more information, contact Tracey Scott at 898-2193.

Five Day Study Plan hosted by Pinnacle Honorary Organization is a Student Success Seminar to help students implement an effective study plan for finals. From **Noon-1 p.m.** in KUC 320. Call 898-5989 to reserve your place in this workshop.

Golden Key National Honor Society will meet at KUC 312 from **5:30-6:30 p.m.** Contact Cosette Joyner-Watson at 904-0116 for more information.

**FRIDAY, April 25**  
Pinnacle Honorary Organization deadline for membership applications. Applications at Adult Services Center at KUC 320 or call 898-5989 for more information.

**SUNDAY, April 27**  
Alpha Delta Pi Alumnae Association of Murfreesboro will hold Jewel Degree at **2 p.m.** in the Chapter Room. Grand President, Beth Gentry Mannle, will attend Contact Leola McClure at 849-7525 for more information.

Model United Nations meets every Sunday evening. Anyone interested is invited to attend. Check the Model U.N. bulletin board outside PH 211 for meeting times and locations or call William Duston at 904-6068.

Wesley Foundation University Worship meets at **8 p.m.** at the Wesley Foundation. Call Bill Campbell at 893-0469 for more information.

**MONDAY, April 28**  
Presbyterian Student Fellowship Prayer Luncheon will be at **noon** at 615 N. Tennessee Blvd. Please call Michael Malone at 893-1787 for more information.

**TUESDAY, April 29**  
Campus Crusade for Christ will meet at **7:30 p.m.** in Bragg Mass Comm. 103. Call Janelle Cox 867-3054 for more information.

Wesley Foundation Supper is a weekly event at **5:30 p.m.** at the Wesley Foundation. \$2.50 a plate. For more information call Bill Campbell at 893-1469.

Lambda Association meets at **7 p.m.** in MC 104. For more information call 780-2293, email [mtlambda@frank.mtsu.edu](mailto:mtlambda@frank.mtsu.edu), or visit our web page at [www.mtsu.edu/~mtlambda/](http://www.mtsu.edu/~mtlambda/).

College of Mass Comm. Fourth Annual Awards Ceremony will be held at **3:30 p.m.** in the lobby of Bragg Mass Comm Building.

**WEDNESDAY, April 30**  
Christian Music Society will hold an organizational meeting at **9 p.m.** in Lyon Hall. Contact Kim Mackey at 898-4474 for more information.



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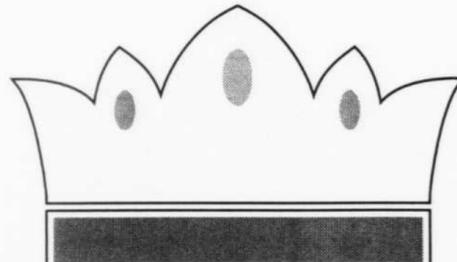
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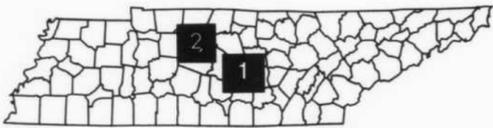


Sarah, Heather, and Katrynia



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# Around the State



## School blast still a mystery

**1** SMYRNA, Tenn. (AP) — A city official says the cause of a natural gas explosion last week at Smyrna Primary School may remain a mystery.

The school's students were on spring break Friday when the blast occurred as a school maintenance man tried to light the school's boiler.

"We may never know the cause since the explosion knocked all kinds of things loose," said Smyrna natural gas manager Pat Hickey.

The maintenance worker, Jerry Case, was not hurt. City, county and state investigators have been at the school since Friday.

The school reopened Tuesday. The boiler room was heavily damaged.

All the lines and meters leading to the outside of the building have been tested and were functioning properly Wednesday, officials said.

## Cameraman claims assault by senator

**2** NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A local television cameraman says state Sen. John Ford kicked him in the groin after he asked him a question Wednesday.

Newt Danley of WSMV was covering another event at War Memorial Plaza when he asked Ford, D-Memphis, about a March 31 speeding citation, said the station's news director, Al Tompkins.

Ford responded, "I don't have time for this, damn it," and walked away, Tompkins said.

Ford then tried to close a door on Danley, hitting him in the shoulder, Tompkins said.

He then closed a second door on Danley. When Danley opened the door, Ford kicked him in the groin and walked away, Tompkins said.

Tompkins said the incident lasted 26 seconds and was recorded on videotape. Danley was not seriously injured.

When an Associated Press reporter asked Ford about the incident later in the day, he said, "Don't ask me nothing stupid like that."

Tompkins said the station is considering whether to file charges. The station has called Ford's office to ask for an apology but hasn't gotten a response, he said.

Ford was pulled over last month on Interstate 40 near Dickson for going 95 in a 65 mph zone, said Billy Hudspeth, an agent for the 23rd Judicial Task Force.

"He was upset and rude but didn't make threats or anything like that," Hudspeth said Wednesday.

Ford has a May 9 court date on the speeding charge. He has faced other controversies while in office.

The senator has a hearing scheduled Friday in a Memphis courtroom on charges that he brandished a shotgun while ordering city utility workers off his property in February. He is charged with five counts of aggravated assault.

In another incident, a Henderson County jury acquitted Ford in 1991 on charges of assault and possession of a deadly weapon. A truck driver said Ford shot at him on Interstate 40.

Ford paid a fine in 1994 for speeding in Madison County. Ford filed a complaint that he was mistreated by the officer who stopped him.

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included reasons behind the conclusion.

Students will be present from 4 p.m. until 5 p.m. to answer any questions, concerning the research.

"In the psychology field, we are going to conventions all the time, to keep up-to-date," said Pennington. "This is like a within college, within MTSU mini-convention."

Stephen Davis, a professor of psychology at Emporia State University, will be speaking on Thursday from 11 a.m. until 12 p.m. in the Keathley University Center room 324. Davis, the former Psi Chi fraternity national president, will be speaking about his and his students' research in a presentation entitled, "Rats, Academic Dishonesty, Discrimination at the Shopping Mall and Waiters and Waitresses: Psychology and You." Davis will also be speaking specifically about Academic Dishonesty from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. on Friday in Jones Hall room 138.

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# Opinions

## In our view

### Baker's role limited, but sincere

As SGA president, it could never be said that Christin Baker let her reach surpass her grasp. Armed with an agenda comprised of six modest goals — to study ways to improve campus lighting and safety, to help increase school spirit, to get the Murfreesboro Chamber of Commerce more involved with university activities and funding, to coordinate weekend activities with the department of housing and residential life, and to create a monthly SGA newsletter to be distributed to students — Baker tried to seek practical ways to use her time in office to help the university.

How well she accomplished her goals is, in all fairness, hard to quantify and subsequently open to interpretation. According to Baker, her administration was able to make serious progress in all but one of her campaign initiatives.

First, under Baker's direction, a survey of campus lighting needs and other safety deficiencies was made in cooperation with campus planning. Second, home attendance at football games did experience a slight increase, giving some the impression that school spirit was on the rise. Third, in conjunction with former SGA president Woody Ratterman, the Murfreesboro Chamber of Commerce did play a supportive role in a handful of campus activities. In fact, they were particularly helpful when it involved MTSU's athletic department, where Ratterman is in charge of drumming up support for the football program. And finally, the SGA did produce a newsletter that ran as an advertisement in this newspaper.

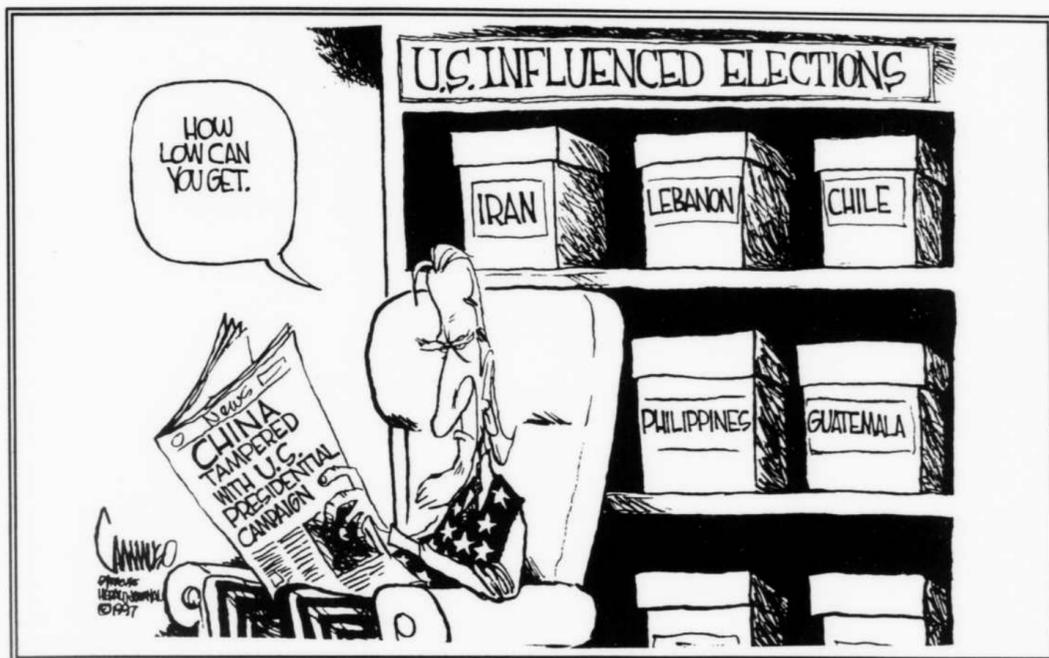
(Baker has said her sixth goal, regarding weekend on campus activities for dorm residents, never got off the ground due to an inability to discuss the matter with housing officials.)

So should we give Baker kudos for a job well done? Not so fast. For example, while a survey of campus safety was conducted, the impact of such an inquiry is questionable, given that any improvements suggested by the survey are doubtful to be implemented in light of the already shrinking 1997-98 fiscal budget. And on the issue of increased football attendance, one wonders whether the increase in football attendance had more to do with the athletic department's creative scheduling (hosting only five home games, three of which involved events — Opening Day, Homecoming and Family Day — which traditionally draw big crowds, thereby creating somewhat misleading and inflated measures of student support) than it did thanks to any concerted effort on the part of SGA.

But it is nothing new, certainly, for elected officials to take credit for the good things which happen around them, no matter how influential they might have been in bringing them about. And one could hardly blame them. If it happens on your watch, then you're probably entitled to own up to it, good news or bad.

Yet, no matter how much credit we may choose to bestow upon Christin Baker, one thing that could not be called into question was her leadership on the important issue of MTSU's name change. In a forum earlier this semester, Baker was the first to stand before a highly skeptical audience of alumni, students and concerned community members, and voiced her support for the name change. In doing so, Baker represented the silent majority of students who favored changing MTSU's name, and subsequently achieved her finest moment as SGA president.

On balance, therefore, it can be said that while Christin Baker's year as president was anything but groundbreaking, it was not necessarily groundless. She may not have done everything students might have hoped for, but she didn't drop the ball either. Her grasp, however limited, never failed her reach.



## Wakeland's top 10 wishes for M-T-S-U



### Ramblings

Warren Wakeland

It's my last column. OK, don't everyone cheer at once.

I've tried to come up with subjects that would interest all of you as students, particularly about things that happen around campus. When I wrapped up my old column in December 1995, I had hoped someone would step up and embrace the mantle of the student's voice. No one did, so when I could come back, I did.

I'm very proud of the fact that I've only written one bad thing about parking the whole semester, and it wasn't even about me. Of course, riding a bike, you don't have a lot of parking problems. Unless there are no trees around.

I have also been quite flattered by the number of you who have stopped me from time to time to say you thought something I wrote was good or funny. It's always good for writers to have their egos stroked.

Now it's time to say goodbye forever. No coming back this time. It's time for the kid to go make some scratch.

And with that time upon us, and because I've put more than three years of blood and sweat into this paper, I declare the right to leave a list for the ages; a list of what I hope MTSU will have in the next millennium.

And even if I don't have the right, I'm gonna do it anyway. Sue me.

So, madames et messieurs, for your dining pleasure, I present my Top 10 Wishes for the Future of MTSU. And it is MTSU. Always will be for me. Not this UMT crap.

10. For God's sake, please don't change the name of this place.

I list this as No. 10 because it's already done, so no matter what number the wish, it will not be granted.

9. An airboat fan for the Davis Science Building.

If you ever go in there, you know there are some exceptionally nasty smells floating around. I don't know what these smells are, but I'm sure every science major is going to be dead by age 40.

A couple of those huge fans that come on the flat-bottom boats they use in the Everglades should get the nastiness out of there, and make for some really cool hairdos for the ladies.

8. Name the new library after retired Rep. John Bragg.

Hell, we've already got two buildings named after him. Why not make it three? Besides, we wouldn't be getting this library if he hadn't used his considerable power in the state legislature to get it passed. It was his last glorious achievement for this school. He deserves the honor.

Also, could you keep it open 24 and 7 for insomniacs like me who would rather study at 2 a.m. than watch Jerry Springer's show about hermaphrodite castration?

7. A 25 mph speed limit on campus.

I've already written about how idiotic the new 15 mph limit is, and how no one — not even Public Safety officers — obeys it. Just put it back where it was. There's no reason for us to be turtles.

6. A retractable roof for the new stadium.

It's not publicized much, but a study done in 1994 (I think) showed that Murphy Center is going to be a man-made cave pretty soon. It's sinking into the ground. If we create SkyDome South, MTSU would have the most dome athletic facility in the country. What a recruiting tool for Coach Donnelly and Coach Wiel. Champions would be expected, gentlemen.

5. State budget increases for the next 20 years.

So many sections of classes are being cut because adjunct instructors are being laid off — I mean, not rehired — that much of the fall schedule book is worthless. I figure it will now take the average student 37 years to graduate, because at this rate MTSU will soon have to stop offering classes.

What a concept it would be to

increase availability of class sections as enrollment increases. We'd have... efficiency! In a state-operated business, that's dangerous.

4. An instructor evaluation form that matters.

This semester, I drew neat designs in the answer sections. I said every class let out early, my GPA was below 2.0, and I expected to make an "A" in every class. Even science.

Each college should be allowed to make up their own form. On it, they could ask questions that actually determine whether an instructor is doing a good job, instead of when class lets out. Of course, that would be more efficiency, and we can't have that.

3. Extra manpower for Public Safety.

I figure they're going to need 2,747 officers once Frat Boy Row is built in order to properly enforce the state laws regarding alcohol on state property.

No one can convince me the Greeks want to move on campus. Their national chapters are forcing the issue. Moving on campus means they can't drink in the frat boy house, and we all know you can't have a real fraternity without drinking. That's downright un-American. Some things are important, you know.

2. Acquisition of the Nashville School of Law.

Right now, TSU gets anything they want from the state for improvements. Their projects automatically go to the top of the THEC Capital Projects list. Something to do with the federal government and race quotas, I think. I say let them decide to build their own law school and hit the state up for it. This one's ours.

And (drum roll please) the No. 1 Wish for the Future of MTSU:

1. A lifetime contract for President Walker.

Don't forget to stick in that \$170 million buyout clause, so we know he ain't gonna go nowhere. This way, MTSU is sure to become the best state school in Tennessee, because he won't quit until that happens.

What a long, strange trip it's been. Arrivaderci. •

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### Student asks for help in keeping campus clean

Dear Editor,

Does it really feel that pleasant to walk on campus and step among miscellaneous pieces of trash scattered all over the place? Well, then why are janitors the only people to pick it up?

I am getting sick of realizing how oblivious to this a lot of people seem to be. There is unfortunately too much trash on campus on a too wide area to be cleaned up only by people who are getting paid for doing it.

It may not seem obvious, but cigarette butts or candy bar wrapping which stack underneath bushes, or on the grass sometimes don't ever get picked up at all. Though it is

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inaccessible, it is still visible.

I took part in a "campus-cleaning operation" organized by the Gamma Beta Phi society last month, in which about 30 people cleaned the surroundings of Peck Hall. In less than an hour, the whole place was free of cigarette butts and other pieces of garbage. For how long, though? We might be as many as 20,000 people (students, faculty members and staff) walking on MTSU sidewalks everyday. If every single person decided to pick one piece of trash every day on his/her way to class or to work, then what we did to Peck Hall in an hour would be expanded to the whole campus entirely, with little effort and no cost.

People might think, employees are getting paid for cleaning campus. To these people I reply: "Does this give you the right to litter regardless

and step in your trash until janitors clean up?" Janitors don't work every single day. Looking at shattered glass and food bags (sometimes empty, fortunately) stack up in the parking lot beside your car is not that amusing, especially when you end up being the only sucker who takes the initiative to throw it away so you can back up your vehicle safely.

Of course, I didn't mention that, before cleaning up, there would also be the option of not littering as much, and be a little more considerate of our campus. But I think that at this point, there is more hope in trying to have sensible people pick up trash of others than in trying to have those "others" not spread it.

Benoit Weber

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# Features

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## Junior Shakespeares gather for writing conference

By Christi Underdown, staff

The Second Annual Young Authors' Conference, spotlighting 410 students, ranging from first to eighth grades, and their original stories, poems and autobiographies on Saturday, April 26 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

"The conference is intended to promote a love of literacy," said Bobbie Solley, assistant professor of elementary and special education and co-coordinator of the conference. "We hope exposing the children to real authors and having them feel like real authors will promote literacy — both reading and writing."

The creation of the conference began with Solley. She turned to her colleague Nancy Crews, and the two of them started building upon the blooming concept. They drew inspiration from the program already established at the University of Alabama in Birmingham.

"They had been doing it for years," said Solley. "They helped put ours

together last year, but we're working by ourselves this year."

Each of the 25 schools in attendance is allowed 20 representatives, and each establishes their own standards for choosing their students. The edited, typed and bound manuscripts of the selected works include stories, illustrations, poems, character descriptions, autobiographies, parodies and other original compositions which were created by the students in their classrooms.

Workshops, led by MTSU students and volunteer elementary school teachers from Rutherford County, will give the children an opportunity to read their work aloud to their peers and participate in discussion groups.

Within these workshops, published authors, Helen Kettman from Dallas, Texas, Jaimie Gilson from Wilmette, Ill. and Vicky Grove from Inonio, Mo. will speak to the children about the experience of writing.

Kettman will speak to the first, second and third graders about how a

book is made, including getting ideas, the writing and editorial processes and what an illustrator does.

"To be a good writer, a young person would write and read," said Kettman, author of tall tales such as *The Christmas Blizzard*. "The most important thing is to read other books and practice writing."

Gilson will speak to the fourth and fifth graders about the process of writing: where to get ideas, what to do with them and how a piece grows. She said that small children really have a difficult time accepting the concept of rewriting.

"They find it hard to believe that it is much more fun in rewriting," said Gilson, author of books such as *Do Bananas Chew Gum?*. "You get to play with the words... They want it to be easy."

Gilson said she wants to encourage kids to write about ordinary things, as well as fantastic.

"The knowledge that is created doesn't have to be about outer space

or something new, because you can write about what you know," she said. "They don't have to go where no kid's gone before."

Grove, who will speak to the sixth, seventh and eighth grades, said she would like to tell the children about the "ultimate connection," how writing can "help connect you to yourself and the outside world," as well as learning to use writing as a tool to heal and explore the self. At the same time, she said she wanted to "demystify" the whole writing process.

To implement these ideas, she explained that writers must "juggle three balls: memory, observation and imagination."

"I think it's so important to write about what you know — that is, to put you into your stories," said Groves, the author of *Good-bye, My Wishing Star*. "I'll be giving the kids examples from my own work of where I've 'kept' the people and places important to me by painting them with word pictures." "I definitely see some competition

among these kids," she said. It's usually the shy kids that have that spark in their eye. A lot of them are like "hate to say this, but I guess I want to be a writer."

While the authors explain their love of writing, the "Crafty Characters," a puppet group from Franklin, will perform in the LRC Theatre.

Simultaneously, the "Pied Pipers," a drama troupe from Henderson, Tenn., will present a variety of mixed-up fairy tales in the KUC.

According to Solley, the conference has received a great reception among students, parents and teachers alike. "We got two letters from kids last year, thanking us," she said. "That felt good."

"I like to write because it's fun," said Emily Lupoli, the six-year-old author of "Mary's Cat" and a first grader from Mitchell Neilson Primary.

"We want to show children how powerful reading and writing can be," said Solley. "It will be hectic, but it's a lot of fun."\*

## Dance the night away



Steve Purinton/staff

Angela Risto, Angela Skala and Vinoth Sivapatham perform their "Feels Like Another One" dance routine during the Dance Production and Dance Club's "What Do You Think About That?" recital in Tucker Theatre last Friday. The number was choreographed by Eric West and Jennifer Oatsvall.

## Murfreesboro Little Theatre performs Williams' 'Iguana'

Staff Reports

A down-and-out minister, a group of schoolteachers from an all-girls college, and a run-down hilltop resort in a Mexican rain forest — that's the recipe for touching drama laced with humor in Tennessee Williams' "Night of the Iguana," being performed by the Murfreesboro Little Theatre April 25-27 and May 1-3.

Directed by Tom Harris, the play centers around the Reverend T. Lawrence Shannon, who is leading a tour group of teachers from Baptist Female College in Blowrock, Texas, through a Mexican rain forest. The group stumbles upon a resort run by Shannon's friend, Maxine Faulk, and the plot begins to thicken.

Maxine, who has recently lost her husband, is infatuated with Shannon. Meanwhile, Miss Fellowes, one of the tour members, accuses Shannon of romantically pursuing her protégé, Charlotte. Charlotte, though attracted to Shannon, says nothing has happened between them.

Mixed into this formula are spinster Hannah Jelkes and her 97-year-old grandfather, Nonno, along with a group of German tourists and locals who work for Maxine.

Williams described the theme of

the play as "how to live beyond despair and live." The original 1961 production starred Bette Davis in the role of Maxine, and the production recently received a revival in New York.

The Murfreesboro Little Theatre production, which will be performed at the Murfreesboro/Rutherford County Center for the Arts, stars Brian Patterson as the Reverend Shannon and Elyce Helford as Maxine. Other cast members include: Darci Stebbins as Charlotte; Stephanie Giles as Hannah; Frank Ginanni as Nonno; Nelda Pope as Miss Fellowes; Seth Dunavant as Hank; and Buffy Stigall, Brian Smith, Bradley Porter and Karen Johns as the German tourists.

All shows begin at 8 p.m., except the April 27 matinee show, which begins at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for senior citizens. There is a "student rush" special, allowing students with a valid ID to get tickets for \$5, 30 minutes prior to the show. Because seating is limited and the April 25 show is already sold out, it is recommended that students call ahead to make sure seats are available. For tickets or more information, contact the Center for the Arts at 904-ARTS (2787).\*

## Rodeo to benefit child abuse prevention

Staff Reports

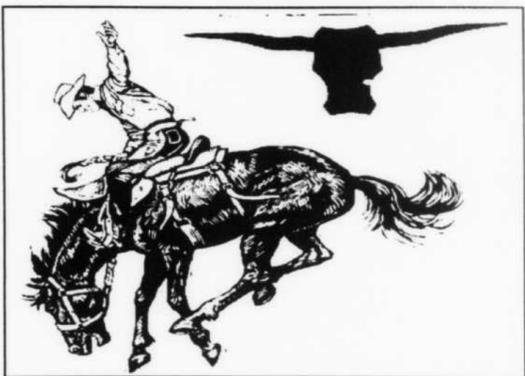
Get out your leather boots, dust off your cowboy hat, and come out to the MTSU Livestock Center for a good time and a worthy cause.

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month, and through the efforts of country music star Charlie Daniels' Twin Pines Ranch and the Murfreesboro Noon Exchange Club, the Rutherford County community may make a huge step forward in the elimination of child abuse.

The 10th Annual Charlie Daniels Twin Pines Ranch Rodeo will take place Friday, April 25, and Saturday, April 26, at the MTSU Livestock Center. The events will begin at 7:30 p.m.

"A portion of the proceeds from the rodeo will benefit the local community projects of the Murfreesboro Noon Exchange Club, primarily the Prevention of Child Abuse Program," says Melinda Tate, publicity chairwoman for the rodeo.

The goal of the program, housed in the Child Abuse Prevention Center at 115 Heritage Park Drive, is to draw attention to and eliminate the problem of child abuse. Last year, over 3.1 million cases of child abuse were reported



to Child Protective Services. It is impossible to determine how many cases go unreported.

Since 1979, over 81,000 children and more than 43,000 families have been provided with services from various programs of the Exchange Club. The club holds the "Give a Kid a Flag to Wave" event at Christmas, as well as prayer breakfasts and freedom shrines. The national goal of the program, however, is the prevention of child abuse.

"We provide family classes and parent classes at the Center," says Steve Sandlin, rodeo chairman. "We've now started a program where judges in divorce cases require parents to attend these classes before the divorce can go through."

Daniels, an honorary member of the Exchange Club, is "very in favor of the child abuse prevention program," Sandlin says.

The rodeo is an International Professional Rodeo Association (IPRA)-sanctioned event, and cowboys and cowgirls from across the country will come to Murfreesboro to compete in the events. Among the events scheduled for the two-day rodeo are: steer wrestling, bareback bronco riding, team roping, calf roping, barrel racing, saddle bronco riding and bull riding. The rodeo clowns will also be on hand to entertain the children.

Tickets for the rodeo are on sale now. Reserved box seats are \$10 each night for all ages, and \$60 will reserve an entire box for one night. General

admission prices are \$8 for adults and children over 12, \$6 for children age 6 to 11, and free for children 5 and under. All prices are for each night.

Tickets may be charged by phone by calling the MTSU ticket office at 898-2103. The office accepts Mastercard and Visa.

"We want to raise \$30,000 [for the Child Abuse Prevention Center], which is a pretty good step up from past years, which was usually around \$15,000 to \$20,000," Sandlin says. "There's a good possibility we'll get that this year."

"We want everyone to attend and have a great time," Tate says. "If there are people out there who have never been to a rodeo, we urge them to come see what it's all about. It's good entertainment for a charitable cause."

Additional local sponsors of the rodeo include SAM's Club, Texas Boot Outlet, Advantage Dodge and Middle Tennessee Medical Center.

For more information about the Charlie Daniels Twin Pines Ranch Rodeo or the Murfreesboro Noon Exchange Club, contact Steve Sandlin at 848-1967. For more information about the Child Abuse Prevention Center, call 890-4673.\*

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Saturday, April 26 — Wild Blue

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Thursday, April 24 — Roland Gresham

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Saturday, April 26 — Live comedy at 8 and 10 p.m.



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## Men's tennis sails to 7th straight conference title

By Rachel Bailey/ staff

For the seventh year in a row, the MTSU men's tennis team has captured the Ohio Valley Conference title. After defeating Eastern Kentucky and Austin Peay on Sunday, MTSU faced Tennessee Tech in the final round of the OVC tournament Monday, defeating the Golden Eagles 4-0.

In addition to the conference title, MTSU's Fred Niemeyer was named OVC Player of the Year and Blue Raider skipper Dale Short was honored as OVC Coach of the Year.



Fred Niemeyer

Middle's Anthony McNamara, Marshall Brown, Julius Roberts, and Jim Madrigal were all named to the All-OVC team.

Due to rain at Centennial Park, the final match was moved to Vanderbilt's

tennis center, where the weather had spared the courts. After a quick warm-up, MTSU and Tennessee Tech squared off for the championship.

The doubles point was won with only two matches as Niemeyer/DeLuise and Stephone Floricien/Madrigal recorded 8-1 and 8-5 wins for Middle. However, the number one doubles match of McNamara/Roberts was halted with the Blue Raiders ahead 7-5 when the OVC title had been clinched.

In singles play, the Blue Raiders wrapped up the victory with wins by



Dale Short

Roberts, McNamara, and Jim Madrigal. These three matches ended a lmost simultaneous with scores of 6-1, 6-1 for Madrigal; 6-2, 6-2 for Roberts; and 6-0, 6-1 for McNamara.

In other action: Niemeyer's, DeLuise's and

Brown's singles contests were all stopped in mid-play once results had determined that Middle had already earned the title, although all three matches were within MTSU's grasp.

"We were definitely the favorite in the tournament," said Anthony DeLuise, "but all the teams came out and played well."

The men's tennis season has not yet ended. They will be returning to the regionals for the third straight year, and it looks like this will put MTSU in prime position to qualify for the NCAA's for the first time in school history. •

## Four Lady Raiders receive OVC softball recognition

Staff Reports

The Lady Raiders have enjoyed a successful April, earning individual awards in addition to being 13-9 in the conference. Among those honored:

Sophomore third baseman Pierrecia Lyons (Murfreesboro, TN) was named the Black Female Athlete of the Year on April 17 at the Ebony Awards Banquet given by MTSU Multicultural Affairs.

Junior rightfielder Jamie Polsteen (Brentwood, TN) was named OVC Softball Player of the Week on Monday. Polsteen batted .565 (13 of 23) over eight games for MTSU last week, scoring five runs while earning three RBI's and stealing three bases.

The only other Lady Raider to receive OVC Player of the Year honors this season is junior centerfielder

Allison Cheatham (Murfreesboro, TN), who earned the title of week of April 14 for her outstanding performance.

Meanwhile, Lady Raider freshman pitcher Jaclyn Story (Smyrna, TN) pitched the first perfect game in school history on April 16 against Tennessee State. Story was named OVC Pitcher of the Week the week of April 1.

The Lady Raider will play their last home game on April 29 against Tennessee Tech. Besides being against conference rivals, this game will be special as the MTSU senior softball players will be honored.

Senior players include outfielder Brenda Bessinger (Hendersonville, TN), catcher/first baseman Charlotte Peay (Milton, TN), infielder Kandel Walker (Hurricane Mills, TN), and utility player Melissa Webb (Clarksville, TN). •



Steve Purinton/staff

Rachel Actkinson scurries back to first to avoid being doubled up in Sunday's doubleheader against SEMO.

## Men second, women third at OVC track championships

By Rachel Parrish/ staff

In the Ohio Valley Conference Championships that were held this weekend in Charleston, Ill., MTSU's men's team finished second behind Eastern Illinois while the women were third.

Closing out his OVC season with a bang was senior Kenden Maynard. Maynard, winning the 400 (:46.12/:46.73) and the 200 (:21.55/:21.04) was chosen as the OVC athlete of the year. His time of :46.12 is the fastest quarter-mile in MTSU history. The last mark of Ed Stegall (:46.44) dated back to 1977.

The only sweep belongs to the Raider long jump squad of Jahez Salahuddin (24'01 1/4), Rashaad Rahay (23'11) and Bonniface Amuzu (23'09 1/2) who placed first, second, and third. Raider Torrence Riley took the first place spot in the high jump with his leap of 6'09 1/4, while Haynes (6'06) was third.

Dana Dixon (14.40/14.84), Carlos Clardy (14.75/14.89) and Daryll Arvin (14.60/15.35) were seventh through ninth.

Behind Maynard's :46.12 400m time were Lawrence Barnham (:48.63/48.77) who placed fifth and Lamar Hill (:46.64/50.97) who placed ninth.

Christian Nsiah (10.61/10.72), recovering from a hamstring injury, was third in both the 100m and 200m dashes. Keith Watkins (10.92/10.79) was fifth.

Taking third through fifth spots in the men's 400m hurdles were Shane Heavener (54.63), Arvin (55.88), and Dixon (56.39).

Jason Smith, in one of the longest events of the day, posted a seventh-place finish time of 32:57.25 in the 10,000m run finals.

In the triple jump, Salahuddin placed first with a jump of 49'11 1/4, and Riley placed second with 49'03 1/4.

Vince Akridge places third in the men's discus.

The 400m relay team of Nsiah,

Maynard, Watkins, and Amuzu beat out EIU by one second with their time of :40.65.

Unfortunately, things were not as great for the Lady Raiders, who suffered the loss of sprinter/jumper/hurdler Nekeya Ralls. Her strained hamstring and lower leg stress fracture had been a hindrance all season. Ralls was expected to score 50 points.

Bianca Conley was fourth in the long jump with her leap of 17'10 1/4, tied for sixth in the high jump (5'0), and was fifth in the triple jump (37'00).

Javelin throwers Angie Leavelle (116'05) and Anita Bartlett (130'09) were sixth and ninth in their event.

Shelly Jonson was the only Lady Raider to produce two first place finishes. She took the shot put easily (44'01), and then won the discus throw (147'00). Jonson will be competing in the NCAA championships on June 3 and 4.

Maronda Harris was fourth in the 100m hurdles (14.60/14.61), while Saran Dumone (15.19/15.12) was seventh.

In the women's 400m dash, Tyjuana Phillips (56.94/56.52), Rachel Parrish (56.50/56.84) and Trina Weddington (58.17/58.81) were third, fourth and ninth respectively. The prelim times were bests for both Parrish and Weddington.

Senior Kim Watson (12.48/12.10) was fourth in the 100m finals and fifth (24.98/24.99) in the 200m.

Saran Dunmore (1:04.57/1:03.44), Maranda Harris (1:05.31/1:07.99), and Tablitha Pyles (1:06.81/1:08.76) were third, eighth, and ninth in the 400m hurdles.

In the 10,000m, Stacy Soda (41:43.29) was eighth.

The 400m relay team of Weddington, Bethany Brent, Phillips and Watson (:46.86) was second.

Next weekend, the women's and men's teams will travel to Columbus, Ohio, to compete in the Jesse Owens Invitational. •

## Raiders scrape by AP to avoid sweep

By Doug Malan/ staff

Middle Tennessee had an opportunity last weekend in Clarksville to make up ground on conference-leader Tennessee Tech, if only the Blue Raiders could sweep Austin Peay.

Instead, Middle found itself scrapping to take Sunday's game, 5-2, and avoid a sweep at the hands of the Governors. The Blue Raiders did stay 2.5 games behind Tech, which lost Sunday at UT-Martín.

Brad Howard (6-1) pitched eight innings scattering six hits and allowing two unearned runs in the victory. Chad Kirby came in the ninth inning after the first two batters reached base.

Ryan Dillard went 2-4 with a homerun and two RBI. Clay Snellgrove added two hits, placing him eight away from the career record at MTSU.

Andrew Thompson added a solo homer in the second inning, his sixth of the year.

"We're in a position now where we have to have help," head coach Steve Peterson said. "All we can do is win the rest of our games. They won't hear anything from me about a championship until they're in a position to win one."

"This was a very important win because we're still in a position to get back to the top," pitching coach Buddy Custer said. "The bullpen got in a funk Saturday and today we just made them swing the bats and we weren't going to allow any free passes."

Following the homeruns in the first two innings, Middle (22-17, 9-6) added three more runs through the eighth inning. Jeremy Owens scored on a wild pitch in the fifth, Dillard added an RBI single in the eighth and Snellgrove drew a bases-loaded walk in that same inning.

Peay scored its two runs on errors in the ninth inning.

On Saturday, Austin Peay won the first game 9-7 on a three-run homer by Benji Zimmerman in the bottom of the ninth.

Middle led 7-1 before the Governors scored eight runs in the last three innings. The Blue Raiders committed three errors in the last two innings and Kent Brown added a two-run single for Peay.

Kirby (3-7) got the loss allowing three earned runs in 0.2 innings.

Peay's momentum continued in the second contest as Zak Doan pitched a complete game two-hitter as the Governors blasted Middle 10-1.

APSU scored eight runs in the fourth inning, sending 13 men to the plate and producing six RBI singles and an RBI double. Zimmerman added a two-run double in the seventh inning.

Starter Jamie Powers (3-2) got the loss for Middle.

After last weekend's games, the Blue Raiders are tied with SEMO for second place in the OVC. The top two teams in the conference receive byes in the tournament's first round.

Middle plays a three-game series with SEMO this weekend at Reese Smith Field. •

## NCAA approves Nashville's Music City Bowl

Associated Press

The city of Nashville has received NCAA approval to host a post-season college football bowl game beginning in 1998.

A five-person delegation pitched the Music City Bowl at the NCAA's special events committee annual meeting Wednesday in Orlando, Fla. The game will feature a

Southeastern Conference team versus an at-large invitee and will be played sometime between Christmas and New Year's Day. Vanderbilt Stadium will host the game in 1998 before it moves to the new downtown football stadium the following year.

"This is exactly the kind of thing I want to see start happening in Nashville," Mayor Phil Bredesen said. "This is great for the new stadium, for

Vanderbilt and for the city."

Both bowl teams will guarantee the purchase of \$12,000 in tickets and will receive \$750,000.

The NCAA must re-certify the Music City Bowl in the spring after securing a title sponsor and a national television contract.

Sources told the Nashville Banner that discussions with ESPN and CBS have already begun. •

## Sports Shorts

### Baseball Next Games

Saturday, April 26  
SEMO at MTSU (DH), 2 p.m.

Sunday, April 27  
SEMO at MTSU, 2 p.m.

Tuesday, April 29  
MTSU at Vanderbilt, 7 p.m.

### Softball Next Games

Saturday, April 26  
MTSU at Morehead St., Noon

Sunday, April 27  
MTSU at Eastern Kentucky, Noon

Tuesday, April 29  
Tennessee Tech at MTSU, 5 p.m.

### Outdoor Track Next Meets

April 24-26  
Penn Relays in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

May 4  
Jesse Owens Meet in Columbus, Ohio

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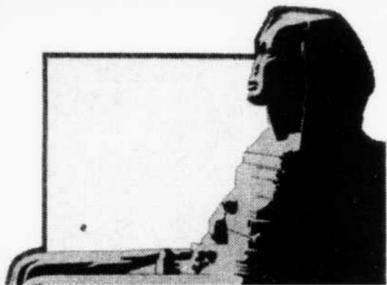


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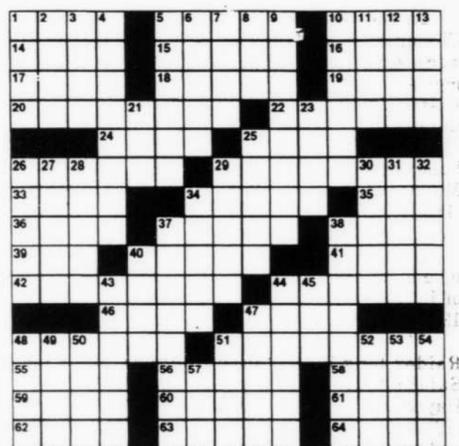
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- ACROSS
- 1 Burn slightly
  - 5 Tender
  - 10 Shut with force
  - 14 Acting part
  - 15 Cheek coloring
  - 16 Musical sound
  - 17 — the Red
  - 18 Illegal fire setting
  - 19 Decays
  - 20 Doorway
  - 22 Weds in secret
  - 24 Rim
  - 25 Expletive
  - 26 Hair cream
  - 29 Wrist decoration
  - 33 Distinct entity
  - 34 Dashing youth
  - 35 Mexican cheer
  - 36 Irritate
  - 37 Stop
  - 38 Look over
  - 39 The sun
  - 40 Carried
  - 41 Roman statesman
  - 42 Put into bondage
  - 44 Weight inspector
  - 46 Help along
  - 47 Pierce with dagger
  - 48 Unproductive
  - 51 School publication
  - 55 Ripened
  - 56 Included with
  - 58 — mater
  - 59 "Clair de —"
  - 60 Oslo natives
  - 61 Spool
  - 62 Sly look
  - 63 Seizes
  - 64 Finished



**ANSWERS**



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