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Campus Briefs

Resurrection of Jesus topic of discussion

Joseph Trafton will speak tomorrow night at 8 on historical and biblical evidence of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The lecture will be held in the McWherter Learning Resources Center, Room 221. The event will include a short presentation and a question and answer session. Trafton is a professor of religious studies at Western Kentucky University. The event is sponsored by the Campus Crusade for Christ and is open to the public.

Sports teams will demonstrate abilities

MTSU's football, softball and soccer teams are participating in their yearly Spring Fling, an all-day event where the teams exhibit the skills and strength they have acquired during their fall conditioning regimen. The event includes games and food while supporting MTSU student athletes.

All events are on campus, starting with a football game at 12 p.m. followed by a picnic at 1 p.m. and a blue and white football game at Floyd Stadium.

In addition, during a softball game at 3 p.m. at Horace Jones Field, *American Idol* contestant Meosha Denton will sing the National Anthem. All food and activities are free, children are welcome and there will be prizes and give-a-ways.

Sorority and fraternity to host blood drive

Alpha Omicron Pi and Pi Kappa Alpha will sponsor a blood drive April 23 in the Keathley University Center, Room 322.

Sigma Phi Epsilon events to take place this week

Sigma Phi Epsilon will host its philanthropy week events throughout this week. Today at 7 p.m., a sand volleyball game will be held in the Recreation Center, with a \$5 fee at the door.

Tomorrow, there will be a dance and spirit competition on the KUC Knoll beginning at 12 p.m.

Also, at 8:30 p.m., there will be a date auction at the Sigma Phi Epsilon house.

All proceeds will benefit the American Heart Association.

Sexual assault awareness focus of upcoming week

Sexual Assault Awareness week will begin April 14 and conclude April 17.

As part of the week, the June Anderson Women's Center will sponsor the Clothesline Project April 14-16 on the KUC Knoll from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

They will also sponsor a rape aggression prevention class April 15 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the KUC, Room 322, and a Take Back the Night Walk/Run April 16 at 4:30 p.m., starting at the James Union Building.

The Take Back the Night march and rally will follow on the KUC Knoll from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

For more information, contact the JAWC at 898-2193. ♦

In the Army now



Photo by Danny Grigsby | Staff Photographer

Freshman Danny Laura Wakefield will trade in her sorority activities for basic training drills July 1 at Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri. See Living, page 4, for story.

Aerospace department gets grant

Funds to aid pilot training research

By Mike Larkin
Staff Writer

The MTSU aerospace department has received a \$720,000 grant from the federal government in order to take part in NASA's Small Aircraft Transportation System.

The grant includes funding for a study on the best methods to train pilots to use new aircraft cockpit technology as well as the purchasing of new planes for the school.

One of the goals of SATS is to allow smaller planes to carry more passenger traffic and take the pressure off the country's major airports. Another goal is to enable people to head to the nearest airport — like the one here in Murfreesboro — and be able to fly to Los Angeles or New York.

Tom Cheatham, dean of the College of Basic and Applied Sciences, said that MTSU "will be doing research on pilot training using the new facilities." These facilities include new airplanes as well as more modern flight equipment.

Known as a "glass cockpit," the largest part of this new equipment consists of a computer screen with multiple displays that represent the various instruments, dials and switches found in older planes. Display information more technical, such as global positioning system location, real-time weather

maps and collision avoidance information.

MTSU's current fleet of planes have decades-old cockpit equipment. Though this is not uncommon for planes at smaller airports, with more than 300 students in training, MTSU is one of the largest aviation schools in the nation. The ability to instruct pilots in the current technologies used in larger and more modern planes is becoming a higher priority.

In order to reach this goal of teaching up-to-date flight technology, MTSU is using part of this grant money to purchase new aircraft. One of these new planes will come equipped with a glass cockpit and will be used primarily for instruction. The rest of the planes will come with the standard equipment but with the ability to be upgraded to glass cockpits within the next two to five years.

This new technology also means flight instructors will be heading back to school as well. Before the new plane is available for student use, the faculty will use it to train themselves and to discover the best method to teach the students to fly the plane.

In addition, there is the possibility that new faculty who are already familiar with the equipment will be brought on board to help instruct the current teachers.

However, until more of the fleet is equipped with the new technology, the curriculum requirements for aerospace students will remain the same. This is in part due to the fact that the simulators students use are

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Printers focus of discussion

Professor suggests looking at covers to understand books

By Kristin Hall
Staff Reporter

While some might say judging a book by its cover is bad, Alan Boehm of the James E. Walker Library says it's a good habit to have.

During Monday's honors lecture, called "Books and Reading in the Early London Book Trade," Boehm discussed the subculture of early printers.

"I happen to think that a really good way of trying to understand why books are made the way they are made is to look at the people who make them," Boehm said.

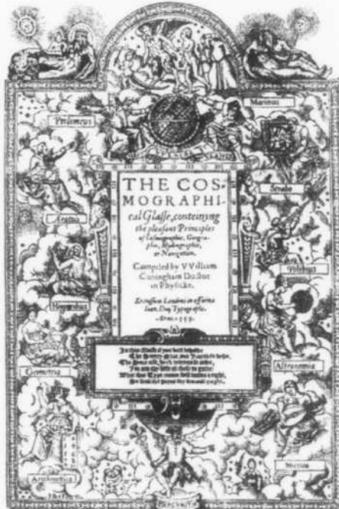
Looking at a book's cover is another way to read a book, Boehm said, because you focus not on the author of the text, but the printer.

The printer culture started after the invention of the printing press in 1450 by Johann Gutenberg.

"I tend to look at printers as a subculture of a dominant culture," Boehm said.

Printers treated other printers like brothers and participated in a culture unlike the mainstream society.

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Courtesy of Alan Boehm

Students looked at stamps from earlier printers that were used to identify the printers location.

War Briefs

U.S. forces fight deeper into Baghdad

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — U.S. forces battled the tattered remnants of Iraq's army for control of downtown Baghdad yesterday, crushing a counterattack and seizing an military airport. Saddam Hussein's fate was unknown after an attempt to kill him from the air. Inside the capital to stay, some Army units routed Iraqi fighters from a Republican Guard headquarters. Others discovered a 12-room complex inside a cave, complete with white marble floors, 10-foot ceilings and fluorescent lighting.

United States doesn't know if Saddam alive or dead

WASHINGTON (AP) — For U.S. leaders, the latest airstrike aimed at Saddam Hussein has returned the Iraqi president to the limbo he had occupied after the first bombs nearly three weeks ago. Officials just don't know if he is alive or dead. After videotapes were aired last week in which Saddam seemed to refer to wartime events, officials said he probably had survived the March 20 strike aimed at killing him.

United States declares air supremacy over Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States declared air supremacy over all of Iraq yesterday, asserting its warplanes can fly anywhere with impunity, even though an Air Force attack plane was shot down near Baghdad. Until now, the Pentagon had said it owned the skies over all of Iraq except in the Baghdad area and over Tikrit, the hometown of President Saddam Hussein, where air defenses were the strongest.

Purported bin Laden tape urges revolt

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — An audiotape purportedly from Osama bin Laden exhorts Muslims to rise up against Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and other governments they claim are "agents of America" and calls for suicide attacks against U.S. and British interests to "avenge the innocent children" of Iraq. The 27-minute tape quotes extensively from the Muslim holy book, the Quran, and says jihad, or holy war, is the "only solution to all the problems." ♦

E-mail sent as periodic reminder

Students warned about illegal downloading

By Mike Larkin
Staff Writer

Jerry Gentry, assistant vice president of MTSU's Information Technology Division, issued an e-mail message to students, faculty and staff recently, reminding them that using the network for unauthorized copying and distribution of copyrighted material such as movies, music and software is illegal.

"The e-mail notice was a periodic reminder," Gentry said. "The Tennessee Board of Regents recommended individual campus announcements (on-screen and otherwise) be sent to network users to make them aware of copyright infringement."

According to a recent article in *The Tennessean*, an estimated 2.6 billion files, such as music and movies, are illegally downloaded every month.

Universities' populations account for a significant por-

tion of this illegal activity.

Many colleges do not monitor network use or scan for illegal sharing programs. As a result of not monitoring, college Internet bandwidth is clogged by people constantly downloading and uploading large files.

Due to the high connection speeds that colleges now offer, students can share music, full-length movies and software titles using person-to-person sharing programs like Kazaa, Bearshare and Soulseek.

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Professor gets recognition for work

Clark honored with Pleas Award

By Stephanie Hill
Staff Reporter

A professor from the speech and theatre department was awarded the 2003 John Pleas Award Monday in the Alumni Memorial Gym.

Bertha Clark received the award, which recognizes an outstanding minority faculty member, in part for her research and teaching of communication disorders.

Clark was notified of her selection in late February. "I was very delighted in

receiving this award because one of the most gratifying things is to earn recognition by your fellow colleagues for the work you do. I really appreciate this award," Clark said.

Clark has taught at MTSU since 1987 and has also taught at Vanderbilt's School of Medicine and Tennessee State University. She earned her undergraduate degree from TSU in speech correction, a graduate degree in special education from George Peabody College for Teachers and her doctorate degree in early childhood education from Vanderbilt University.

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Photo by Aaron Eckerman
Staff Photographer

Bertha Clark, right, receives her award Monday.

File sharing: New blocks

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Though copyright infringement has been an issue for many years, the use of computers allows the illegal files to be shared among not only family and friends but literally thousands of anonymous strangers.

This large-scale distribution costs the copyright holders millions of dollars in lost income. This multi-industry copyright infringement is causing many companies to actively scan for illegal file sharing using special software.

"With the software, they can determine the location of distribution points and where it is going," Gentry said.

Because the files shared via Bearshare or Soulseek are stored on each user's computer, there is no central server to shut down or any single person to hold accountable. Instead, companies seeking legal recourse must target those individuals who share large quantities of files.

According to a news report on CNN.com, the Recording Industry Association of America is filing a law suit against four college students from various universities across the country who were running illegal file sharing servers.

The students allegedly used

their college campus's high-speed connection to share hundreds of thousands of popular music files.

The universities themselves, including Princeton University, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and Michigan Technological University, were not called as defendants; instead, the students are facing a \$150,000 fine per copyright-infringed song.

"Fortunately, it is not a big issue at MTSU," Gentry said. This is due in part to the constant monitoring of network usage by ITD and the blocking of illegal person-to-person sharing programs.

Also, as part of Network Acceptable Use Policy, students agree to refrain from transferring and using copyrighted materials without owner consent.

This includes all forms of illegal file sharing and distribution of copyrighted material. Students caught sharing files can face punishments ranging from Internet use restriction to large fines similar to the students being sued by the RIAA.

The hope is that by taking a proactive approach to copyright infringement, ITD can keep the amount of illegal sharing on campus to a minimum. ♦

Crime Log

Thursday, April 3 - 2:23 p.m.

Theft

Family Housing - F building
A bicycle was reported stolen.

Friday, April 4 - 4:09 a.m.

Public intoxication

Kappa Alpha House
Michael C. Jones of Spring Hill, Tenn., was arrested for public intoxication.

Friday, April 4 - 4:12 a.m.

Underage consumption

Kappa Alpha House
Jefferson Morelock was issued a state citation for underage consumption.

Friday, April 4 - 5:48 p.m.

Trespassing

Alumni Memorial Gym

An individual, who is not a student at MTSU, was issued a trespass warning for showering in the Alumni Memorial Gym.

Saturday, April 5 - 2:23 a.m.

Underage consumption

Judd Hall

James Cooley of Waverly, Tenn., was issued state citations for underage consumption and vandalism under \$500.

Saturday, April 5 - 4:19 p.m.

Vandalism

Sigma Alpha Epsilon House

The side-view mirror of a car was knocked off. ♦

Aerospace grant:

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more up-to-date than the actual planes. Also, the glass cockpit training will be integrated into current classes as part of the curriculum.

Currently, there are about 5,000 airports in the country. However, 80 percent of all passenger flights depart from 64 major airports. These 64 "hubs" are the airports that people typically think of when they hear the word "airport," like those in Nashville, Los Angeles or New York City.

NASA's goal in implementing glass cockpits and other technology on the newly manufactured airplanes is to shift traffic from these hubs and disperse it amongst the other 4,936 airports. This way, Cheatham said, "It would be common for you to walk into the Murfreesboro airport and fly straight to L.A."

The ability to provide this kind of service requires jet planes that are not only small enough to land at the smaller airports but also able to fly long

distances at high speeds.

"We do not have enough jets to do this, but they are in development," Cheatham said.

Many small airports do not have air traffic controllers. The new jet planes require equipment allowing the pilots to coordinate with the other planes heading toward the airport in order to prevent collisions. This technology is also under development and will become part of the training program at MTSU.

As part of MTSU's program, students hope planes will be able to fly themselves without any human interaction. According to Cheatham, this is NASA's ultimate goal.

"In the late 1800s, people probably thought that no one would be able to hop in their own car and drive anywhere they wanted," Cheatham said. "NASA's dream would be for people to go to a small airport and fly their own plane to wherever they want to go."

For more information, contact Cheatham at 898-2613. ♦

Pleas: Recipient nominated for numerous awards

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Her past work includes head teacher, speech pathologist and parent and infant trainer at the Bill Wilkerson Center.

She has also served as a student teacher supervisor in TSU's speech and hearing program as well as to students at Vanderbilt and TSU working with senior citizens.

Clark won the 2002 Distinguished Service Award as founding chair of the Tennessee Association of Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists Board and has written numerous articles.

Clark currently teaches a number of courses in the speech and theatre department, includ-

ing voice and diction, public speaking and language development and fluency disorders.

Clark has also been nominated for other various awards, including the MTSU Outstanding Teacher Award and the Public Service Award.

In 1990, she was appointed to the Tennessee State Board of Examiners for Communication Sciences and Disorders.

In addition, Clark is a co-adviser with Melinda Richards for the MTSU chapter of the National Student Speech Language Hearing Association.

The award, originally called the Faculty Award, was first presented to psychology professor John Pleas in 1996 to honor his

work and writing on weight management and walking. The award was then changed to honor Pleas. Pleas wrote a book titled *Walking*, and was also co-director of the Vanderbilt University Weight Management Program.

The Pleas Award recipient must excel in one or more of the following areas: research, instruction, publications and service, as well as set a standard of excellence and contributed in significant ways to the community and university along while demonstrating a strong commitment to the black student population.

"A committee is set up to review applications, composed of all past recipients and several

other faculty and staff members," explained Alphonse Carter, an engineering technology and industrial studies professor.

Past recipients include Alphonse Carter Jr., Bichaka Fayissa, Gloria Bonner, Sharon Shaw-McEwen, Robert Rucker and former professor Laura Jarmon. The committee also consists of Ralph Metcalf, William Butler and Cheryl Ellis.

"Nominations can come from anyone and the committee requests packages of information from all nominees and then selects a recipient from the information presented," Carter said. ♦

Honors: Printers spread knowledge to public

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"Printers had a[n] elaborate argot, a kind of secret language, a language of the shop that they used to describe the printing process and that they used to identify one another," Boehm said.

For instance, Boehm said a printing house was called a chapel and its printers chapelians.

Horses were the men who pulled the paper out of the press, and apprentices were called devils and spirits.

The head, cheeks, feet, winter, coffin and gallows were all terms used to describe parts of the press.

"Early printers were - I won't say they were alcoholics - but they were heavy drinkers," Boehm said. "And not surprisingly, they elaborated a number of drinking customs."

One of the customs printers followed was giving the first beer to the oldest printer in the house.

"Printers had much like elementary cultures a series of rituals and ceremonies," Boehm said.

If a new press was to be built in a building that never had one before, they baptized the room by splashing beer or ale on the walls.

"That would purify the room, and then they would come in and set the press up," Boehm said.

While some of their actions seem more like unruly college antics than business procedure, these early printers were an important key to the development of mass culture.

"At the same time that these houses are enacting their culture and expressing themselves through rites and rituals, we know that these guys are also manufacturing elements of another culture," Boehm said.

Printers spread the knowledge of philosophers, poets, scientists and historians to the mass public.

Boehm showed slides of

printers' stamps, which serve as emblems the printer would place on the title page to indicate whose press the book came from.

These early trademarks often had mottos that emphasized the importance of learning and illustrated the printers' role as the messenger of knowledge.

"It's as if the printers have a foot in one cultural realm, their own realm of the shop, and they have a foot in this other realm of literature and knowledge," Boehm said. ♦

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From the Editorial Board Artists don't mind, so why should we?

Average manufacturing cost of a new CD: less than \$1.

Median retail cost of an Avril Lavigne CD: \$17.99
Watching enterprising young college students download the album just so they can get that song out of their heads: priceless.

OK, so maybe the Recording Industry Association of America has a point. After all, the organization does have legal precedent on its side, seeing that downloading music that one does not own violates copyright law – blah blah blah.

However, it's a bit much for the record companies to beg sympathy after the way retail CD prices have shot through the roof in the past 10 years. And when the RIAA takes on educational institutions, attempting to penalize these downloaders to the tune of \$150,000 per song, it's easy to wonder who the villain really is.

After all, it is the recording industry that has put the average price of a new CD into the hands of many everyday college students. It is the same industry that simultaneously bawls about the countless millions it has lost thanks to godless infidel students and continues to rather dramatically increase profits.

But what about the artists?

Did anyone ever wonder why, in the grand scheme of things, very few artists have actually spoken out about this cause? Besides the obvious public relations aspect (there's no sense in a popular group or performer alienating their fans), maybe the artists aren't that concerned because they wouldn't have seen much of the additional money from the perceived loss of sales anyway. In fact, more big-name artists have spoken out in favor of file sharing than in favor of legal actions such as those pursued by the RIAA.

In essence, the students in trouble at the universities are exhibiting signs of a backlash that the recording industry itself created. A consumer who feels he or she is not being treated fairly by the proprietor will eventually go elsewhere – and that's the price the RIAA has paid for years of cleaning buyers' pockets. ◆

Clarification

The March 27 *Sidelines* contained ways to support American troops in Iraq. The military science department suggests that those who wish to send packages to MTSU alumni and students in Iraq take them by the post office and have them weighed first, then provide the money for postage when bringing the package to Forrest Hall. Call 898-2470 for further information.

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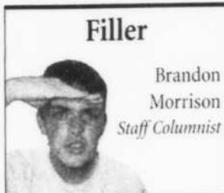
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Convicted, not brain-washed



Filler
Brandon Morrison
Staff Columnist

You're judged by the people you associate with.

Ask any Greek, computer science major or military officer about what people think about them. Odds are, the words "sheep," "geek" or "murderer," respectively, will come up at some point.

Every day, people form opinions about others around them with their observations.

People are bigger than the stereotype they're assigned. Despite how they sometimes look, they are complex creatures capable

of living various kinds of lives. Just because someone holds a particular opinion doesn't mean he or she holds the same beliefs.

Take human cloning, for example. Earlier this year, the Raelians, the biggest proprietors for human cloning, went public with their alleged cloning of a human baby, bringing a whole new argument against the act.

Not only could cloning be unethical or dangerous, but for one to support it would mean he or she was associated with the Raelians.

Not true. Just because one supports the research of human cloning doesn't mean they think that aliens populated the planet with clones of themselves.

Many other examples can be found in all walks of life. Gun lovers don't have to be in the National Rifle Association. Someone who loves his or her country doesn't have to agree with everything his or her AIDS research proponents don't have to agree with the choices victims made to contract the disease.

When someone forms an opinion based on facts, logic and his or her own experience, that person has a right to hold that opinion. Such opinions are valid because they come from an individual's scrutinizing a set of ideas to form a point of view.

The validity of an opinion is the feasibility of one coming to the conclusions based on the information provided. If it's pretty

obvious how someone could come to a conclusion, then it's probably valid.

For example, if someone thinks drug use is wrong because of moral and ethical reasons that can be backed up, then it's a valid opinion.

If someone thinks drug use is wrong because that's what someone told them once, then it's not so valid.

However, not all valid arguments are correct. If someone feels an idea doesn't make sense, they have the right to think the idea is completely and utterly wrong.

It doesn't make sense to say that one person's ideas are just as right as someone else's if there's an obvious flaw in the argument.

That someone is advocating an idea doesn't

automatically make it correct.

During the 15th century, most Europeans thought the earth was flat – based on the information they had, it made sense to them. However, we know today that the earth is spherical.

These Europeans' ideas about the earth were valid but incorrect.

An opinion, no matter how strange, weird or off-the-wall it may sound, can be valid if the person explaining it can show how he or she came to his or her conclusion. However, validity does not make an opinion correct. ◆

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Blame careless users, not manufacturers



Thoughts While Driving
Gary Morrison
Staff Columnist

Few things make my blood boil like an unjust attack on firearms.

Last week, Weiss Mfume, president and CEO of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, testified against handgun manufacturers – more than 80, including Smith and Wesson and Ruger and Glock – accusing them of a "failure to stem the flow of illegal weapons into minority communities."

Mfume said that he's "tired of going to teenage funerals ... as the result of handguns," and that the gun industry is guilty of irresponsibly marketing their products. These claims are strong, and many people readily agree with such claims without examining the facts.

First, guns aren't inherently illegal, but are made so by legislation. A gun is just a product, legally manufactured and sold under various regulations. If a person has an "illegal" gun, what exactly does that mean? Tennessee citizens can legally own certain guns that Californians cannot. Does that make the Tennesseean's gun illegal? Of course not.

Most states ban handguns from being carried inside establishments that sell alcohol. Nevertheless, if an individual breaks this law, he or she is said to have an illegal handgun. Guns can also be modified after they are bought, thereby creating a weapon in violation of state or federal statutes. Again, this gun would be illegal but wasn't originally produced as such. In each of these cases, a person or persons other than the gun manufacturer is responsible for the illegality of the gun in question. If Mfume is so worried about "illegal weapons," he should look first at the community.

Second, irresponsible marketing is a vague argument. Handgun manufacturers emphasize safety consciousness their consumers, many going

so far as to include additional safety of products with the purchase of a firearm.

On the NAACP Web site, Mfume holds gun manufacturers and sellers responsible "for their role in recklessly marketing and supplying guns to criminals," but gives no examples. I've never seen what I would call irresponsible or reckless advertising of firearms in any type of legitimate media outlet. So, I'm not exactly sure how to address the marketing issue other than by saying it is a non-issue.

The third and final point in reference to Mfume's statements relates to the teenage funerals as a result of handguns. There's no way around the core of this argument: People kill people with guns.

Unfortunately, people kill people with all kinds of items: cars, knives, ball bats, even bare hands. The side of the story Mfume would have you believe is that, without guns, there will be no more gun deaths. Simple logic, right? I'll take it further: Without alcohol, there would be no more alcohol-related deaths; without cars, there would be no more motor vehicle-related deaths.

However, in reality, there will always be alcohol and, hopefully in the United States of America, there will always be the right to legally own and possess a firearm.

Mfume's words are directed at stopping legislation that would prevent gun manufacturers from being sued by every victim of a firearm-related incident. Yes, there are gaps in the system that allow firearms to get into the wrong hands, but these gaps aren't the fault of the manufacturers.

If a person uses a gun in an illegal manner, that person is at fault, not the gun manufacturer. If an individual modifies a gun, causing it to be deemed "illegal," the individual is again to blame.

Place the blame where it belongs – on particular individuals, not manufacturers. Look at the wrong hands, not whoever made what is in them. ◆

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Letters to the Editor Moore has right to speak out

To the Editor:

I appreciate and respect Brandon Morrison's desire to be a *Sidelines* columnist, but he needs to get some facts straight before he misinforms his readers about a subject ("Blind attacks Moore's specialty," March 26).

First, Roger Smith (Mfume holds gun manufacturers and sellers responsible "for their role in recklessly marketing and supplying guns to criminals," but gives no examples. I've never seen what I would call irresponsible or reckless advertising of firearms in any type of legitimate media outlet. So, I'm not exactly sure how to address the marketing issue other than by saying it is a non-issue.

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I agree Moore was out of line with his comments. He thought it was a good idea to use the stage to forward his beliefs. While he should have spent his time thanking all of those people who helped with the success of his movie, he chose to make a political statement on a nonpolitical stage.

I do believe Moore has the right to voice his opinion. I also agree that Morrison has the right to criticize him if he wishes. I also have the right to criticize Morrison's column, just as he has the right to criticize this letter. The ability to express ourselves is what makes this country great. However, if Morrison is just as guilty of the crime he accuses another of committing, it only makes the problem worse.

Zack Bennett

Female pressures worth addressing

To the Editor:

I'm writing in reference to the column that Amber Bryant wrote for the April Fool's Day issue of *Sidelines* ("Honey, bitch-slap me all you want," April 1). The column was funny and cutting.

As a male with four sisters, I've seen the effects of media conditioning and societal pressures on women. I wish more people would address these issues with Bryant's acidic style. Good job.

Chris Lee
Music

Media feeding viewers Bush bologna

To the Editor:

It seems Jeremy Coseo's opinion is poorly informed and badly argued ("Duty, honor ensures freedom," April 3).

Coseo dismisses the opinions of people first-hand. It doesn't take an experienced soldier to understand that war causes death in great numbers, and many of those killed are innocent civilians. He also argues that most Americans have become selfish and have lost their senses of duty because not as many people volunteer for the military as did in the past. Even ignoring the infinite number of ways why Coseo's argument doesn't hold water. It's true, many people against the war have lost something, but it isn't their sense of duty – it's their faith in this country's leadership, the media and the excessive rhetoric and propaganda hammered into our brains as we watch coverage leading up to the war.

Being skeptical of a bad president and his idiotic foreign policies doesn't make a person anti-American. It makes him or her a healthy, freethinking person in a society where people are easily influenced and led astray.

Many who oppose the war pledge support to the military and women serving in Gulf War II. People in the military have families just like anyone else. It would be wrong to wish anything but safety for our fellow Americans. I understand that one of the armed forces' jobs is to protect our freedoms as a country. However, our freedom doesn't need protection from Iraq. Bush hasn't proven Iraq is a threat. Anyone convinced otherwise has either been granted access to government documents or has been fooled by Bush and his cronies.

Coseo would be surprised to know the opinions of the average person who opposes the war are more well-informed and researched than that of the average war supporter. Understandably, it takes a certain amount of work to arrive at one's own decisions, as opposed to believing every word of what is told to us. I'd rather my support of our country's leadership be "weak and fair-weathered" than obscured and blissfully ignorant.

Andy Stella

If you see Kay, tell her
we said hello.

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Photo by Danny Grigsby | Staff Photographer

MTSU students from a variety of foreign countries gather at CiCi's Pizza yesterday for a time of food and fun in honor of International Culture Week.

A bit of culture

Week celebrates diverse students

By Alicia Pickett
Staff Writer

Worldwide communion through bowling, bagpipes and coffee helps international MTSU students sail smoothly into American culture — as well as gives U.S. students a heads-up on global affairs.

"This is really culture of the Wubneh, director of

International Programs and Services Office.

The annual International Culture Week held on campus has helped international students adjust to new settings. It has also created cultural curiosity for American students for the past 13 years.

From Tuesday night bowling to Friday's upcoming bagpipe renditions on the Knoll, the International Programs and

Services Office intertwines worldly cultures with America's traditional novelties.

"It's like a game I've never played," says Prathibha Joshi, a native of India and economics graduate student. "The International office makes sure that you're exposed to different [American activities]."

Crème-filled French dances, Japanese origami artists and

much more will be present for Saturday's on-campus banquet for Culture Week.

"That's the big event where people come from different places," Joshi says.

From Caen, France, to Middle Tennessee, French exchange student Caroline Biron says that the diverse band of worldwide students who come from Asia to South America creates universal unity.

"Each culture is different, and we can learn from each other," Biron says.

In celebration of Culture Week on campus, a Jewish Passover Sedder will be available for all to attend at the McCallie Dining Hall for regular meal price today at 5:30 p.m., according to Laurie Witherow, director of the MTSU Academic Support Center.

This first-time event on campus is sponsored by Housing and Residential Life, in association with Aramark.

"It's about awareness and learning something different," Witherow says.

Coffee Hour in the Hazlewood Dining Room of the James Union Building will be open free of charge from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. for all MTSU students, faculty and the surrounding community.

Tomorrow night, a cookout will be held at the Recreation Center from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Saturday's International Culture Banquet will be held in the Tennessee Room of the JUB. Doors will open at 4:30 p.m. Food will be served at 5:30 p.m. ♦

Switching from student to soldier

Student joins Army, prepares in time of war

By Juanita Thouin
Staff Writer

These days Laura Wakefield spends her time attending classes, studying for tests and hanging out with her Zeta Tau Alpha sorority sisters.

But on July 1, she'll trade those activities in for marching, learning how to shoot a weapon and answering the beck and call of a drill sergeant.

In January of this year, Wakefield, a freshman criminal justice major, joined the Army Reserves.

"I'd like to work for the FBI, and this will be good experience," Wakefield says.

Wakefield will put her uniform on at Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri. After basic training, she'll receive specific training in her chosen army job — military police.

Joining the military was not a spur-of-the-moment decision.

Wakefield and her roommate, Katie Phelps, both graduated from a high school in the Germantown area of Memphis, Tenn. Both were heavily involved in their school's student-run television production program.

"It was a lot of fun," Phelps says.

So when it came time to think about college, it seemed natural to major in radio/TV at MTSU.

But after their first semester, both women realized TV reporting just wasn't what they



Photo by Danny Grigsby | Staff Photographer

After much deliberation, Laura Wakefield, a freshman criminal justice major and Zeta Tau Alpha sister, decided to join the Army and is headed for military training in July.

wanted to do for the rest of their lives.

After many late-night conversations, Phelps changed her major to public relations and Wakefield changed hers to criminal justice.

Phelps isn't surprised Wakefield took the law enforcement route. She describes her roommate as a very dedicated and determined individual.

She was surprised, however, when Wakefield began talking about joining the Army.

"It was kind of a shock," Phelps says, laughing. "But I was really proud of her for doing it."

Wakefield also talked to her mom, Vera, before making her final decision. The new Army recruit says that, while her mom was somewhat fearful of the unknown, she was supportive

of the decision.

Wakefield didn't tell her dad, Robert, until after the fact. According to Wakefield, he wishes she hadn't joined but is still offering his support.

Often times, those who join the military grow up as Army, Navy, Air Force or Marine "brats." This was not the case for Wakefield.

Her father served as an officer in the Navy but gave up that status long before Wakefield's birth.

She was not influenced by her two brothers, Kevin and Michael, neither of whom have military aspirations.

For Wakefield, joining the Army just seemed like a good career move.

According to Phelps, Wakefield scored high on the

armed services vocational aptitude battery test, commonly known as the ASVAB.

She also says that Wakefield works out at the gym every day and is taking her training seriously.

"I so admire her for going out and doing what she wants to do," Phelps says.

Those who know Wakefield describe her as very outgoing, and, though conscientious, somewhat free-spirited.

Her recruiter, Staff Sgt. Meadows, says that Wakefield certainly does not meet the common stereotype for a recruit.

"But," he says emphatically, "she will be one of the best soldiers I've ever put in the army."

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Film festival wrapping up

By Kristin Hall
Staff Reporter

The MTSU Student Film Festival is a celebration of student filmmakers and a chance for others to appreciate the hard work that goes into making a film.

Below is information on the last three movies that will be shown tonight and tomorrow until tomorrow night at 7 in the Keathley University Center Theatre. Awards for the top three films will be given out tomorrow night.

See Monday's *Sidelines* for information on the remainder of the films.

'I Didn't Even Get My Cake'

Directed and submitted by Sarah Shiverdecker
Length: 24 minutes
Technical equipment: Cannon mini digital video, edited on iMovie

This short comedy/mystery is set in a small radio station where the director of the station — a guy everyone hates — is murdered. Shiverdecker used her workplace, a radio station in Carthage, Tenn., to shoot the film over three nights.

"The manager let us shoot on the weekends at night when all the ad people left for the day," Shiverdecker says.

Shiverdecker plays a role

in the film as well and said most of the actors have theater experience.

"In high school, we did a *Blair Witch* rip-off, so that turned out to be good experience for us," Shiverdecker says of her friends, most of whom attend Austin Peay State University and Tennessee Technological University.

'Kissing Booth'

Directed and submitted by Kevin Dunn
Length: 6 minutes, 50 seconds
Technical Equipment: digital video camcorder, edited on Adobe Premier

"A film that's only six minutes can't really focus on plot, but instead this one focuses on the dialogue between two guys," Dunn says.

Dunn would prefer to keep quiet about the details of the film.

"It has a kind of comical twist to it, kind of a laid-back, funny idea," he says.

Shot and edited only a month before deadline, Dunn is also the programming manager at Channel 10, so he worked on the film in his spare time.

"I was really motivated to make a film and see what happens with it, because I've edited a lot of things for

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Dear Annie



Illustration by Lucas Antoniak | Staff Illustrator

Emotional roller-coaster

Dear Annie,

I've been debating whether or not to e-mail you for a couple of weeks, partly because I'm confused, and I don't really know exactly what to ask you or how to tell you what is wrong.

My boyfriend and I have been together for three months, and he is very much in love with me. Some days I feel as though I love him too, and I say that I do, but other days I just don't know. My friends think that it means I don't love him, because if I were in love, then I would know. But I've been hurt in the past by men, and I'm scared of getting hurt again.

My dad left my mom for another woman when I was in high school. With my first love, the relationship ended because our lives were going in different directions. And there are days when I miss him and I think about the good times that we had. Now, I'm terrified of being left by men.

This is why I feel like I can't be honest in any of my relationships. I'm afraid if I share the reality of who I truly am, then they will leave me, which is why it is easier to say "I love you," than to try and explain that some days I do and some days I don't. Do you think that my friends are right and I really don't love this guy? Am I making a mistake by saying "I love you"?
-Trying to Figure Things Out

Dear Trying to Figure Things Out,
I'm glad that you wrote me, and I do understand. We are all trying to figure things out.

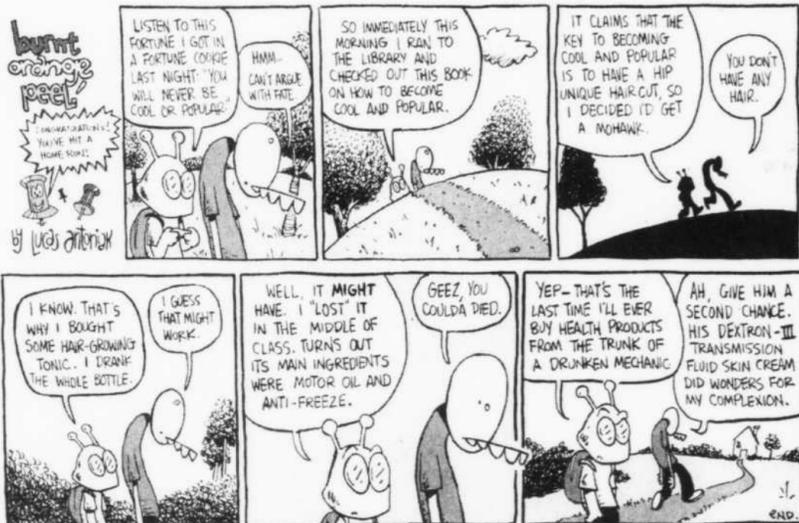
It's never easy getting over problems and issues of the past. If you still suffer from unresolved issues with your boyfriend or your parents' divorce, I advise you to seek counseling. Sometimes it helps just to talk things out because these issues are still close to your heart. Until you deal with the past, you can't deal with the future.

You don't have to know whether you love this guy or not right now. However, I do think it's important to start relationships with honesty. I also understand that it is easier to say "I love you" than to not respond. It's hard to leave an "I love you" hanging in the air.

I don't agree with your friends. I don't think there are any rules that state when we are or aren't in love. You may love him as much as you can right now, considering your past. Would that be the truth? Do those words make sense? If so, then tell him.

People are always going to come in and out of our lives. People we love can leave tomorrow, and it will hurt. But we will be OK, and we will keep on living. This is life. What a shame it would be not to let someone see the real you. Wouldn't it feel better if they loved a real you instead of just part of you? But you do have to figure everything out today, but you do need to figure out how to heal your broken heart and work on being honest in your relationships. ♦

Please e-mail your questions to DearMtsuAnnie@aol.com.



Films: 'How to be Cool' teaches lessons on life, love, laughter in the span of five minutes

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other people, and I was hoping my experiences would pay off," Dunn says.

'How to Be Cool'

Directed and submitted by Kristofer Bristow

Length: 5 minutes

Technical Equipment: Cannon

XL-1 camcorder, edited on

Adobe Premier

"The plot is about a poor guy who's trying to get a date, trying to be cool, just to be noticed," Bristow says. Brad Keaton plays Otis, the dateless wonder, and Mani Roman plays Mr. Cool, who helps Otis change his image to get the girls.

"It started out as a class project that we basically just ran away with," Bristow says. "We took it to a whole new level."

Bristow says they shot and edited the film in two weeks,

but he learned not to feel constrained by the limits of any project.

"You've got to make a diamond out of coal," Bristow says. While making of a comedy is tough, Bristow admits, he thinks the film will do well in the festival.

"As long as people laugh, that's all that matters," Bristow says.

For more information on showtimes, call 898-2551. ♦

Student: Wakefield plans to be determined despite structured environment of Army

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Sgt. 1st Class Robideau, commander at the Murfreesboro recruiting station, said Wakefield appears to be one of those recruits who, when they set their minds to something, will not be swayed.

"She'll do well in a structured environment," Robideau says.

Those involved in the delayed entry program attend monthly recruit meetings.

The recruiting officers try to make these events fun and informational.

Wakefield enjoys these functions because they bring her one step closer to her departure date, and because she's meeting new people who share similar goals.

Not everyone supports Wakefield's entrance into the Army.

Wakefield doesn't let that bother her, however.

"People who were in the Army before me are the ones who ensured we can all have a right to our opinions," Wakefield says. ♦

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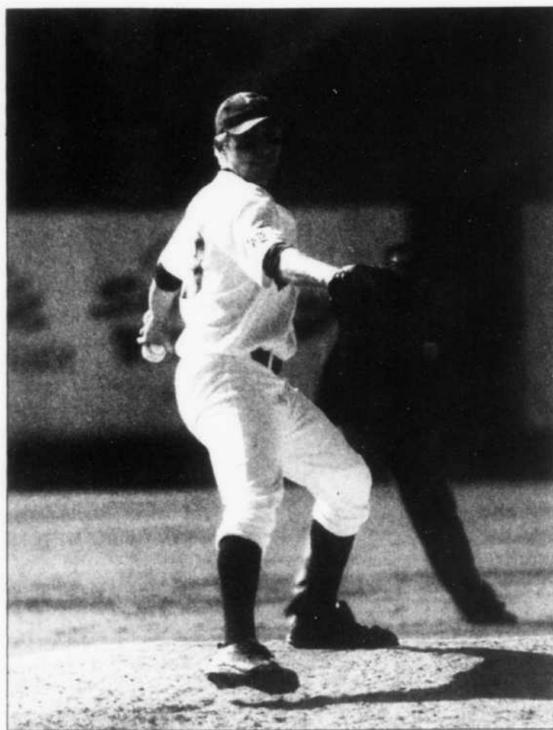
SPORTS

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Wednesday, April 9, 2003

Murfreesboro, Tenn.

MT loses third straight conference series to Golden Panthers



By Grant Ellington
Staff Writer

It was a cold, wet Sunday afternoon at Rees Smith Field and it didn't get any better for the Blue Raider baseball team, as it was blanked 12-0 by Florida International (27-10 5-3 Sun Belt).

The victory gave the Panthers a 2-1 advantage in the three-day series, while the Blue Raiders were outscored 29-11 in the three games.

Middle Tennessee (13-17 3-6 SB) is now 2-7 against Florida International under coach Steve Peterson.

Florida International scored five of its 12 total runs in the first inning. The Panthers continued the onslaught, going on to score eight more runs in the first four innings.

The Blue Raider's starting pitcher Travis Horschel (1-2) just couldn't get it going as he gave up six runs on seven hits in just two innings of work. Chris Mobley came in as relief in the third, striking out eight, while only giving up one run in five innings of work.

Despite Mobley's performance, the Blue Raiders couldn't get any offensive momentum started. Middle Tennessee only had six



Horschel



Peterson

"The way my team played, we deserved to get shut out. We deserved to get run ruled."

— Steve Peterson
MT baseball head coach

hits, leaving eight stranded and committing five fielding errors in the contest. Florida International was able to put a total of 15 hits on the board.

"I thought they wanted this game much more than my team did, and that hurt," Peterson said.

The Panther's Arthur Santos (1-5) had an amazing day, throwing the complete game shutout while striking out a career-high 13 batters.

Jeff Kasser came in the game in the eighth to give up four more runs on four hits to end the game 12-0. The game was called in the eighth because of the mercy rule.

"The way my team played, we deserved to get shut out. We deserved to get run ruled," Peterson said.

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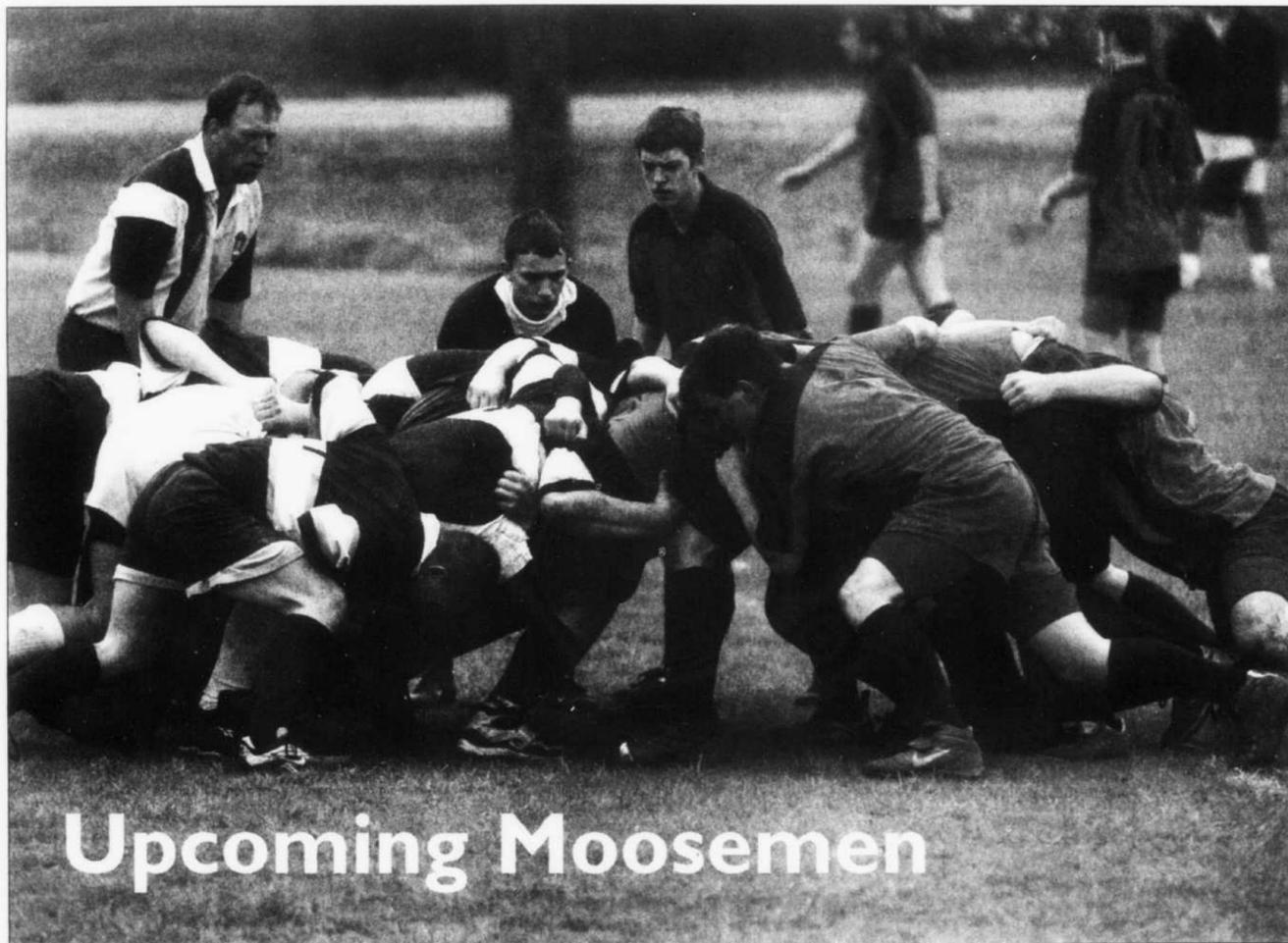
Tennessee's six hits, while Jeff Beachum extended his hitting streak to 10 games with a double in the seventh. Brett Carroll also extended his hitting streak to seven games with a single in the second inning.

Carroll has now hit in 23 of 28 games this season. Carroll is batting .324 with 31 RBIs, eight homeruns and 10 doubles on the season. Josh Archer ended his 12-game hitting streak with an 0-for-3 day.

Junior shortstop Shane Kemp hyperextended his knee catching a foul ball in the eighth. Kemp started the game in place of the injured Chad Cooper.

The Blue Raiders host the Memphis Tigers this week. The first game will be at 7 p.m. on Tuesday and the second game will begin at 3 p.m. on Wednesday. The Blue Raiders split a two game series earlier in the year versus the Tigers. ◆

Photo by Danny Grigsby | Staff Photographer
MT pitcher John Williams' record is 2-2 for the season. Williams pitched during Saturday's game against FIU.



Upcoming Moosemen

Photo by Danny Grigsby | Staff Photographer

The Oakland Muddogs are slated to begin play in the Middle Tennessee Conference Championships on Friday night in Lavergne.



Photo by Danny Grigsby | Staff Photographer
Tony Neely, head coach of the MT Moosemen, officiates high school rugby games during the offseason.

High school players look to MT alumni

By David Hunter
Senior Staff Reporter

Oakland Muddogs coach Phil Maddox is taking the sport of high school rugby to the next level.

In only three years of Maddox, the Muddogs, who played for Middle Tennessee's rugby team for five and a half years, has turned the team into a high school powerhouse in the state of Tennessee. Two years ago, the team defeated Brentwood for the championship. Last year, Brentwood returned the favor by winning the championship over Oakland. This season, the Muddogs want to bring the title back to Murfreesboro.

"I have the same expectations this year that I like to carry every year, which is a state championship," Maddox said.

The Muddogs just completed their season with a 4-2 record in the Middle Tennessee Conference. They will have the No. 2 seed in the upcoming playoffs, which begin on Friday night against

"I think that these kids take away a lot more than just athleticism. It teaches you about sacrifice. It teaches you about managing your time. It teaches you about being a better man."

—Phil Maddox,
Oakland High School rugby coach

Green Hills.

The game is at Lavergne and kicks off at 7:30 p.m. If the Muddogs come out on top, they would make a return trip to the Cup Finals for the Middle Tennessee Conference on April 19.

The Tennessee High School Rugby State Championship Tournament is the following weekend at Brentwood.

Maddox joined MT's rugby team after learning about its success.

"One of first things I did my first month of college was hunt down the coach and

come out to a practice. I have been hooked ever since," Maddox said.

His coaching philosophy mirrors his high school football coach Robert Lassater at Hendersonville High School. Maddox uses two different ways to try to get new players on the team. One is using a demonstration table, and the other is current players bringing friends out to join the team.

There are several benefits to playing rugby. Maddox stated that rugby teaches

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Lady Raiders drop four straight in SBC opener

By Joah Beasley
Assistant Sports Editor

Middle Tennessee continued their road swing in Lafayette, La., last weekend after dropping four losses in their Sun Belt Conference opener against the Lady Cajuns.

The Lady Raiders (17-14, 0-4 SBC) manufactured a single run in the first inning after Kristina Hieb scored on a sacrifice fly to left field by Dani DeCamino. However, MT relinquished the lead, and then some, in the bottom half of the first after the Lady Cajuns teed off on starting pitcher Valerie Swanson, who was pulled and replaced by Tiffany Childress.

The Lady Cajuns added enough runs in the fifth and eighth to end the game early and put the Lady Raiders on the receiving end of the mercy rule, 12-4.

Courtney Mitchell added some firepower for MT after she parked a two-run shot over the left field wall. The Lady Raiders scored one more in the top of the sixth inning as Kip Phillips smoked an RBI single, scoring Muriel Ledbetter.

Game two provided the same result as game one after the Lady Cajuns' pitchers fired a shutout against MT 5-0.

The Lady Cajuns struck first with a lead-off solo shot by Robertson. Becky McCurtry advanced to second off a wild pitch after being issued a free pass to first. A two-out walk for Bryant put runners at the corner and set up a first and third situation. A double steal allowed McCurtry to swipe home giving the Lady Cajuns a 2-0 lead.

The Lady Cajun starter Brooke Mitchell cruised through six innings of work with eight strikeouts and allowed one Lady Raider hit. Afton Thoms was called on in the top of the seventh to close out the victory for Lafayette.

The Lady Raiders tried to get back on track for games three and four of the series but were defeated yet again in 10-0 and 6-3 losses at Lady Cajun Park on Sunday.

Also on Sunday, MT was dealt a shutout for the second straight time in as many days in game one. MT was also beaten by the mercy rule for the second time in the series after the game was called in the fifth inning.

Lady Raider hurler Stacy Preator was knocked around early in the contest after giving up seven runs on seven hits in

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Syracuse beats Kansas for national title

By Darryl Slater
Daily Orange (Syracuse U.)

(U-WIRE) SYRACUSE, N.Y. — After pre-season practices, the Syracuse men's basketball team broke huddle with the chant of "Final Four!"

Final Four Syracuse began the season unranked, that notion seemed unlikely.

Now, the Orangemen can call themselves champions.

No. 3-seeded Syracuse won its first NCAA men's basketball championship in school history Monday night by beating No. 2 Kansas, 81-78, in the Louisiana Superdome. As the clock ticked down, the fans gathered in the Superdome cheered ravenously and bottlenecked out of the

arena into steadily falling snow. Fans rushed to Marshall Street, where they danced on the snow-covered sidewalks and swung from trees. Fireworks crackled above the street as some fans lit flares and jumped through them.

As the buzzer sounded in New Orleans, SU head coach Jim Boeheim briefly thrust his hands over his head, then calmly shook hands with Kansas head coach Roy Williams. Boeheim's wife, Juli, rushed from the stands and twice planted a kiss on her husband's lips.

In winning his first national title, Boeheim, SU's 27-year head coach, exorcised his ghosts from the 1987 championship,

also held in the Superdome. In that game, Indiana's Keith Smart hit a shot with four seconds left to snuff SU's hopes.

Before Monday night, Boeheim had more NCAA tournament wins (37) than any other active coach who hadn't won a title. Kansas' Williams is now second on that list with 34 wins.

SU played in the national title game twice before, losing to Indiana 74-73 in 1987 and to Kentucky 76-67 in 1996.

En route to this year's championship, SU beat four Big 12 teams — Oklahoma State, Oklahoma, Texas and Oklahoma State, Syracuse smothered the notion that it takes experience to win a national title. All

season, the Orangemen started two freshmen — forward Carmelo Anthony and guard Gerry McNamara — and two sophomores — and two Warrick and center Craig Hakin. Syracuse will likely be nationally ranked No. 1 before next season, and, should Anthony return, the Orangemen will be odds-on favorites to repeat. ♦

Anthony leads Syracuse to championship

By Hal Bock
AP Sports Writer

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — When Syracuse's first national championship was secure, Carmelo Anthony stepped up on a stage to the awards ceremony, and a chant began spilling down section by section at the Superdome.

"One more year! One more year!"

Anthony, just smiled; but, then again, he always does.

The freshman with NBA talent swears he hasn't thought about declaring for the draft. He might now, though.

"I enjoy every moment," he said. "I don't regret coming to college. I had a fun year. I had a great year on the court and off the court at school. Just being around my teammates, being with my coaching staff; they just made me so proud."

Now comes decision time for the 6-foot-8 star, a smooth scorer, a rugged rebounder and a future pro. The question is whether he goes now or later.

"That's his decision," coach Jim Boeheim said. "I'm not going to make it for him. I'll talk to him. He's got to make a simple decision: 'What do I want to

do?' Then make his choice."

Anthony's draft stock is certainly high. He was the Most Outstanding Player of the Final Four, scoring 20 points, 10 rebounds and seven assists in the 81-78 victory over Kansas in the final game. He would have been the first player with a championship game triple-double.

He scored a career-high 33

points in the semifinal game against Texas after averaging 22 points and 9.8 rebounds during the regular season. He was a force from the start, scoring his first basket in the season-opener against Memphis with a thunderous dunk.

Boeheim knew he had a

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	SBC Games				All Games				
	W	L	Pct.	Stk.	W	L	Pct.	Stk.	L5
Louisiana-Lafayette	4	0	1.000	W4	24	5	.828	W9	5-0
Florida International	4	0	1.000	W4	26	19	.578	W11	5-0
Western Kentucky	0	0	.000	—	18	18	.500	L1	3-2
Middle Tennessee	0	4	.000	L4	17	14	.548	L4	1-4
New Mexico State	0	4	.000	L4	7	40	.149	L7	0-5

Recent Results

April 2

Western Kentucky 3-5,
Evansville 2-2
Middle Tennessee 4-9,
Tennessee-Martin 1-0
#25 Louisiana-Lafayette 5-9,
Louisiana-Monroe 1-0

April 5

*#25 UL Lafayette 12-5,
Middle Tennessee 4-0
*Fla. International 13-2,
New Mexico State 2-1

April 6

*#25 UL Lafayette 10-6,
Middle Tennessee 0-3
*Florida International 15-9,
New Mexico State 0-0
Louisiana 3,
Western Kentucky 2

Upcoming Games

April 9

Middle Tennessee at Tennessee State (DH), 4 p.m.

April 10

Lipscomb at Middle Tennessee (DH), 3 p.m.
Tennessee State at Western Kentucky (DH), 5 p.m.

April 11

St. Thomas at Florida International (DH), 5 p.m.

April 12

*Western Kentucky at Middle Tennessee (DH), 1 p.m.
*New Mexico St. at Louisiana-Lafayette (DH), 1 p.m.



April 13

*Western Kentucky at Middle Tennessee (DH), 1 p.m.
*New Mexico St. at Louisiana-Lafayette (DH), 1 p.m.

April 15

Western Kentucky at Eastern Kentucky (DH), 2 p.m.

April 16

Middle Tennessee at Lipscomb (DH), 2:30 p.m.
Florida Atlantic at Fla. International (DH), 5 p.m.
Nicholls State at UL-Lafayette (DH), 5 p.m.

April 17

Austin Peay at Middle Tennessee (DH), 3 p.m.
UT-San Antonio at Louisiana-Lafayette (DH), 7 p.m.

April 19

*Louisiana-Lafayette at Fla. International (DH), 12 p.m.
*New Mexico State at Western Kentucky (DH), 2 p.m.



Lady Raiders: Team faces Tennessee State today at 4

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2.2 innings of work. Swanson was called on but struggled on the hill, allowing three runs and one hit while working 1.1 innings.

For the Lady Cajuns, Mitchell continued to dominate, tossing her second straight shutout. Mitchell worked four innings, allowing one hit while fanning three Lady Raiders.

The Lady Cajun bats were hot in game two on Sunday after posting a two run spot in the first inning.

The Lady Raiders manufactured three runs in the fifth. A lead off pinch hit for Davis followed by a Phillips bunt and a Ledbetter walk loaded the bases. Mitchell hit a sacrifice

deep enough to right field to allow Davis to tag up and plate the first run for MT since game one on Saturday.

Phillips later scored on a wild pitch, and Cherinka kept the inning alive after delivering an RBI double, scoring Ledbetter.

Although the Lady Raiders showed signs of life, it was not enough to topple the Lady Cajuns. Lafayette went on to win the game 6-3.

The Lady Raiders will finish up their road swing in Nashville tonight against Tennessee State before returning home to play host to Lipscomb University on Thursday.

First pitch action begins at 3 p.m. at Lady Raider softball field. ♦

Anthony: Orangemen win first school championship

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major talent on his hands watching Anthony in the pre-season workouts.

"I knew he would help us," he said. "I knew he'd be a special player. We were talking about him being the player of the year in college basketball. We weren't talking about being the freshman of the year. We thought he honestly had a chance to be the best player in college basketball."

Anthony was Syracuse's security blanket against Kansas.

When the Jayhawks sliced an 18-point deficit down to three, he helped the Orangemen rebuild the lead to 10.

In the final minutes, with the game in the balance, he became a 6-foot-8 point guard, trusted to bring the ball down the court.

He was in some pain at the end, banged up a bit in the first half. He pawed at his back down the stretch, but he said that was nothing new.

"I paid a physical toll the whole tournament," he said.

"The whole season, everybody's been beating me up. Coach told me to tough it up."

Keith Langford hurt Syracuse offensively but wound up fouling out of the game trying to guard Anthony.

"I thought the key is that Carmelo is hard to guard," Boenheim said.

"He got Langford in foul trouble. Everyone who's played him gets in foul trouble."

Anthony learned this game on the hard streets of Baltimore in a neighborhood he calls "The Pharmacy" because of all the drugs. His mother was determined he go to college, even if this was a one-year stop-over on the road to the NBA. Anthony stamped it as a season Syracuse would never forget.

And he won't forget, either. He beamed as he wore the net around his neck, a trophy from the championship he was so instrumental in achieving.

"Everything I did in the gym from the preseason - all of it - just paid off tonight," Anthony said. ♦

Muddogs: High school teams key to growth

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people more than just how to play a game.

"I think that these kids take away a lot more than just athleticism," Maddox said. "It teaches you about sacrifice. It teaches you about managing your time. It teaches you about being a better man."

Even with the rivalry between Brentwood and Oakland, it has helped the suc-

cess of the MT rugby team. The team has players who hail from both schools.

Maddox said that the growth of rugby has taken the same path as soccer.

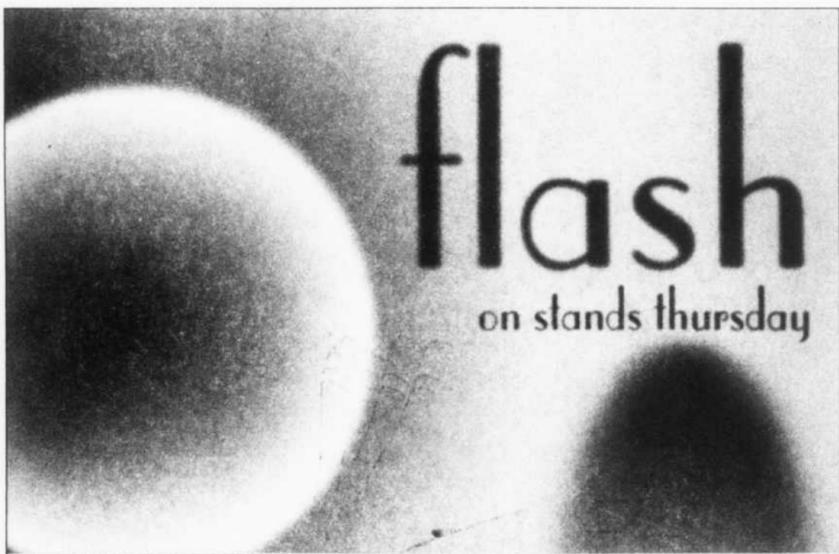
"I compare [rugby] to soccer a lot of times," Maddox said.

"The success of USA rugby directly correlates to the success of high school rugby in the United States. It's going to do it's own growth anyway. We've already seen growth every year;

it gets bigger and better."

He also mentions that success and growth will come with the support of the administration and the football coaches.

"One of the most key and important things as a high school coach is to make sure you have the support of the staff of the school, the principal and most importantly, the football team," Maddox said. ♦



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