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## Long distance 'pyramid' scheme at MTSU

By BRIAN CONLEY  
Sidelines Assistant News Editor

A long distance phone company attempting to entice students to use their service with promises of "unlimited long distance calling" is under investigation in two states for violating marketing and consumer fraud laws.

"We have filed a lawsuit against Independent Communications Network, Inc. for violating North Dakota pyramid law and state consumer fraud law," Tom Engelhardt, director of the North Dakota state consumer fraud department, said. "Our pyramid law prohibits an individual to give money to a plan or scheme if the person also gets money to recruit other people for the scheme."

"We do not have an injunction against ICN but we have put them on notice that their market plan violates our state laws," Engelhardt said. "Their contracts have provisions that their service is void where prohibited by state law. We say it [the ICN marketing technique] does, so this violates our consumer fraud law."

The Wisconsin Better Business Bureau's report on ICN states that the company has been charged with violating Wisconsin laws on fraudulent advertising and state lottery. The Wisconsin Attorney General's Office could not be reached for comment.

ICN is also being monitored by the Wyoming Office of Consumer Affairs.

ICN moved to Cody, Wyo. after being charged with violating Wisconsin laws, according to a Wisconsin BBB report.

The company appears to be charging a \$100-per-month flat rate for unlimited long distance dialing with no time or call limits.

People who obtain the service can recruit other customers for the service and receive a \$25-per-month commission from ICN for each person recruited, as long as each recruit continues to pay his

bill. The recruits can also receive commissions for finding new customers. The original customer receives \$5 for each person his recruits add to the list, through the fifth "generation" of customers.

Tennessee state law (Tennessee Code Annotated 39-6-625) prohibits the formation of chain letters

and pyramid clubs.

"Tennessee pyramid law prohibits a person or group from organizing in such a way that members would pay a fee and recruit other people to join where the prior members would receive money from the new members," Gerald Melton, assistant district

attorney general for Rutherford County, said. Melton said that he could not render a legal opinion on ICN marketing practices.

"This could be in violation of state law," D.C. "Jim" Daniel, a Murfreesboro attorney, said. "If it fits in 626 [TN Annotated code 39-6-625] it is a lottery and is illegal. It is a federal offense to conduct an interstate lottery."

The company is not registered with the corporations division of the state of Tennessee, Louise French, a clerk with the corporations division, said.

Federal Trade Commission officials could not say whether or not they were investigating ICN.

"There are no federal laws to prevent pyramid selling," Larry Hodapp, an attorney with the FTC, said. "However, Section 5 of the Federal Trade Commission Act prohibits unfair or deceptive acts or practices."

The Federal Communications Commission has issued a warning to consumers that ICN may be misleading consumers about the legality of its marketing system.

The Tennessee consumer affairs division has received calls regarding the company.

"We have received some calls about ICN," Melinda Fields, director of the Tennessee division of consumer affairs, said. "They have not been in this state long so I know very little about it."

"Pyramid schemes depend on how quickly you can saturate an area," Fields said. "In the first month if you can get six people, and they get six people, in nine months you will have 10,077,696 people in the organization, and in 11 months there will be well over 362,000,000 people — which is more people than the population of the United States."

"Unless you get in at the beginning the chances get slimmer and slimmer of you making any money," Fields said. "Most prosecution in pyramid cases is

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This homemade ad and numerous others advertising inexpensive telephone rates can be found on selected bulletin boards across campus. ICN, the parent corporation, is under investigation in at least two states.

## Earle may leave after 22 years; athletic 'deficits' not reason

By BEVERLY KEEL  
Sidelines Sports Editor

MTSU Athletic Director Jimmy Earle is not resigning, but he is testing the waters of the job market.

Despite the article in *The Tennessean* on Sept. 23 reporting that the reason for his recently announced job-hunt was a deficit in the athletic budget, Earle said there is no deficit and his reason for leaving is a desire for a change of lifestyle.

After 22 years at MTSU, and five years as the athletic director, Earle has decided to look into other job possibilities. He expects to assume a new position in coaching, administration or sales after his current contract expires on June 30, 1987.

"Unlike the story in *The Tennessean*, it had nothing to do with any financial deficits in the athletic department or an audit of the women's track program last spring," Earle said.

"It's something I've been contemplating for some time," he said.

Sam Ingram, MTSU president, said Earle had expressed his desire to look elsewhere for employment several weeks ago and that it had

nothing to do with a deficit in the athletic budget.

"We have, to my knowledge, not run a deficit in the athletic budget since I have been here," Ingram said.

"We have run some deficits in individual sports and had to help bail those particular sports out, either through private money that was given through the [MTSU] Foundation or by taking leftover money from other sports."

Ingram cited the basketball teams' trips to post-season playoffs as an example. He said the football program spent more money than was in its budget last year, requiring Foundation money to be used.

Another reason mentioned by *The Tennessean* for Earle's decision to leave was the former assistant women's track coach, graduate assistant Terry Edmondson.

Edmondson allegedly misused track funds by receiving repayment for what he has said were legitimate expenses. An internal audit did not find that this repayment was proper.

Ingram said Edmondson acquired about \$600, which he claimed he had spent on track pur-

poses.

But Earle said the track matter was settled this summer when Edmondson resigned and agreed to pay back the money. Earle said he has been thinking about a career change for about two years.

"If that had not happened, I still would have been looking this fall," Earle said. "I just want to see if I have any options."

Earle said he has not applied for a job since he has been at MTSU, although several schools have contacted him. Now Earle is seeing if he is "marketable."

He said he has not sent out any resumes or formally begun to look for another job. He has only talked to several good friends about it, he said.

"If the right opportunity came along, I would certainly consider it," he said.

"It has nothing to do with any-

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Wayne Cartwright/Staff

Kelly Bryant signs a petition as Eddie Tidwell looks on. The petition was being circulated in the area around Peck Hall Wednesday by Fumiko Bruner of Murfreesboro. Bruner's petition asked for signatures of those that support CAUSA USA's goals to affirm a God-centered morality in America, uphold freedom for all and educate people about the dangers of atheistic communism. Bruner and two others, who were also circulating the petition, were issued trespassing citations by campus security.

## Three men with guns found on campus

By DALE DWORAK  
Sidelines News Editor

Three Murfreesboro men were arrested on campus early yesterday morning on charges of trespassing and "carrying weapons for the purpose of going armed," Patrolman Brian Grisham of campus security said.

Rodney Harris, 20, Anthony Young, 20, and Alan Jerome Hickerson, 26, were arrested by Grisham and Sgt. Larry Nixon after campus security received a report that they were threatening students with nun-chuks, knives and guns.

"Three male students were walk-

ing back to Clement Hall at approximately 2:15 a.m. when a car with three black men pulled up alongside them, and [the men] asked if they had any money," Grisham said.

The students answered that they didn't have any money, Grisham said.

Two of the men then got out of the car and brandished nun-chuks and knives, Grisham said.

They then told the students to leave slowly "if they didn't want to get shot," Grisham said.

"They told me to run or one of them would shoot me," one of the students said, according to campus-

security's report.

Grisham said the victim then backed away slowly and, when out of sight of the two men, ran to a hall and called security.

"The key to this arrest was that the boy went in and called us and gave a good description," Grisham said. "We quickly found the car and with the help of the Murfreesboro city police conducted a felony stop."

The three men were arrested under misdemeanor charges but are being investigated on possible felony charges due to the presence of firearms, Grisham said.

Grisham said that the weapons

were apparently not shown to the students but that the students were made aware of their presence.

Grisham said that the three men are under investigation and may eventually have felony charges brought against them.

"We're looking at possibly assault with intent to rob or aggravated assault," he said.

"The judiciary around here does not take lightly to trespassing at MTSU," Grisham said. "They consider it a sensitive situation with so many people living in a restricted area."

Two of the men are in the

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## \$170,000 allotted for building plans

By TAMMY BAGGENSTOSS  
Sidelines Staff Writer

MTSU has been appropriated \$170,000 by the state legislature for pre-planning work on the estimated \$12.5 million Mass Communications building, Charles Pigg, director of campus planning said.

"Although the \$12.5 million has not been appropriated, we hope to be fully funded by July 1987," Pigg said. "Approximately \$4 million of the total \$12.5 million will go for equipment for the building."

This is the most extensive and expensive project ever undertaken at MTSU, Pigg said. Murphycenter was the previous most expensive building with a cost of \$7 million.

The new mass communications building is expected to be close to 100,000 sq. ft. and could be ready for occupation by September of 1989. Pigg emphasized that this estimate depended on everything running on schedule. Total con-

struction time is approximately 18 months once the project is started.

The new building will have 11 functional areas including a recording studio.

The new building may also help the mass communications program at MTSU get accredited by the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication, Pigg said.

One of the problems with gaining accreditation was that the department was too spread out.

"If we are going to have a good program we need adequate facilities," Pigg said.

"Ideally it [the mass communications building] will be located close to the LRC and the graphics art building," Pigg said.

"However we aren't sure if there is enough room there, and this is a field that is going to grow, so we have to leave room for expansion in the future."

By ROSEMARY COLLINS  
Sidelines Staff Writer

The MTSU Entertainment Magazine approved for this year was canceled due to inadequate student work funds, MTSU officials said.

"The entire publications operating budget was approved and would cover the costs of physically producing the magazine, but the payroll budget of \$2,700 for the

magazine was not approved," Jackie Solomon, student publications coordinator said.

"If I can't pay students to work on it, then I can't do it," Solomon said.

"The University has no problem with the production of the magazine if it is produced within the student publications budget," Robert LaLance, vice president of

student affairs said.

"The publications student work budget is already the largest student help budget in the state board of regents system, and frankly I don't see us expanding that pool of money in the near future," said LaLance.

"No one got any more money this year than last year, the University's budget was held at the same

amount," LaLance said.

"For whatever reasons, legitimate though they may be, I feel the University has thrown away two good opportunities," Solomon said. "One to provide entertainment information to the university community and secondly, to make money for the publications program."

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## Art dept seeks chair of excellence

By JAMES CHAPMAN  
Sidelines Staff Writer

Faculty members of the MTSU art department have initiated steps to secure a chair of excellence here in the name of Nashville-born artist Red Grooms.

Grooms was described by the *Chicago Tribune* in 1985 as "one of the most popular artists of his generation." He is internationally known for his "sculpto-pictoramas," or contemporary art out of hardware store supplies, and is also a noted film maker.

Art Department Chairman Chris Watts and Professor Lon Nuell who are trying to get the funding for the chair of excellence, both see their project as an "enormous undertaking."

Chairs of excellence came about through an act of the legislature because representatives wanted to promote permanent funding for teaching and research on state cam-

puses by figures of national and international renown, Boyd Evans, MTSU's director of development.

"Funding is the first and biggest item to start the process," Boyd said.

\$312,500 must be pledged from private individuals and/or corporations. This is automatically matched by the university's budget, but this is not mandated. With \$625,000 fully accounted for, the legislature then allows for the sum to be matched for a permanently endowed total of \$1,250,000. A sum from which the annual interest funds can then come perpetually.

An art department chair would become the third chair of excellence on campus. The other two are the Jennings Jones chair in the school of business and the John Seigenthaler chair in the mass communications department.

The chair would expand the capabilities of the MTSU art department.

"As many as three nationally prominent artists could be brought to campus each year for instruction, workshops and seminars," Watts said.

Art students and faculty members recently went to Nashville to view a Grooms exhibit in the Tennessee State Museum. The exhibit was being presented as part of the Homecoming '86 festivities.

The exhibit is entitled "Red Grooms: A Retrospective", and continues through October 26.

A preliminary steering committee is being formed and three or four people are under consideration as members, Watts said.

Grooms has also given his permission and has offered to suggest prominent artists who might participate.

These first steps will continue for about the next six months, Watts said.



Three students in the 9 a.m. Basic Horsemanship class maneuver through their routine of riding exercises. The class meets and does its riding in the area around the Horse barn and Ag Pavilion.

## Campus Capsule

**CAMPUS CAPSULE POLICY:** All submissions to Campus Capsule must be typed and submitted to *Sidelines* by 4:30 p.m. Friday for Tuesday publication or 4:30 p.m. Tuesday for Friday publication. All submissions are printed on a space available basis, and may be edited by *Sidelines* for clarity and brevity. *Sidelines* can not guarantee submissions will be published.

A free stress management seminar will be held in Room 208 in Peck Hall between 8:30-9:20 on Tuesdays and Thursdays between Sept. 2 and Sept. 30. The seminar, given by Drs. West, Heritage and Tang of the Psychology Department will specialize in Test Anxiety.

The Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature will convene Nov. 20-23 in Nashville. Applications for the MTSU delegation are available in Room 304 of the Keathley University Center now. They must be completed and turned in by Sept. 30.

Flight safety seminar the *Flying Raiders* will be sponsoring a flight safety seminar 7:30 p.m. Oct. 2 in the Keathley University Center. Various aviation safety topics will be discussed by featured speaker Stan Smart, a Republic Airlines pilot. Admission is free and open to the public.

MTSU Photographic Gallery will be featuring the photographs of Charles Steckler. The gallery is located in the Learning Resources Center.

ASB Elections for Homecoming Queen and Freshman Senator will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 1 and Thursday, Oct. 2 in Keathley University Center, Second Floor between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Polls will also be open at Peck hall from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 and 5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.

Biracial committee will meeting Tuesday, Sept. 30 at 3 p.m. in Room 212 of Keathley University Center. All persons are invited. Racial concerns may be addressed at the meeting.

A Bloodmobile will visit Murfreesboro, Tuesday, Sept. 30, at the Commerce Union Bank parking lot, Main and Spring streets, from 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

### Long distance

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directed to the ringleaders and not the members.

"I would caution people to be aware of how the companies operate," Field said. "You need to be very thorough in checking companies that come from state to state. Ask a lot of questions and insist on having answers before getting involved."

In addition to allegations about the legality of their marketing, several people have said that the ICN phone system is not adequate.

The report on ICN from the Wis-

consin Better Business Bureau states "we have received reports from several subscribers that it is impossible to get through using the given access code anytime day or night."

"I got out of distributing because I could not get in touch with the parent company," Chuck Turner, a Murfreesboro resident, said. "I was also not sure that the service works like they claimed."

"I never got through on lines except once and no one was there to talk to me," Turner said. "I called during normal business hours."

Officials from Independent Communications Network, Inc. did not return calls made by *Sidelines* staff.

say "no" to the coaches who asks for more money.

One thing Earle said he regrets about this event is not waiting until the uproar over the womens' track coach died down before allowing word of his future plans to spread.

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thing negative," he said.

But a negative aspect of Earle's job as athletic director frustrates him, he said. He said it is hard to

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"New programs are going to have to replace something else, and student publications didn't feel they could redirect their student work budget," LaLance said.

All university departments have student work budgets. The largest is the library's, then campus security, followed by student publications, Winston Wrenn, director of financial aid, said.

"If the student publications department can show that they are doing more, and need more, then a decision may be made to take some money from somewhere else," Wrenn said.

"I did not know that a student magazine could not exist because student help could not be obtained," said Wrenn.

"The publications budget should be resubmitted in October," he said.

## Seniors, The Time Is Now

To make your appointment to have your senior portrait made for the yearbook. Portraits will be made Sept. 22-26. Call 898-2815 to make an appointment.

Underclassmen and graduate students who were not photographed at registration may have their pictures made at this time.

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# Editorials

## Stricter policy, guidelines needed for MTSU drug tests

Drug testing of athletes here at MTSU has proven to be a positive step preventing athletes from using drugs.

The disciplinary actions and steps taken against this group of athletes should be changed.

After the first time an athlete tests positive for drugs, he or she is reported to his or her coach and warned against future drug use. If tested positive a second time, the athlete may face suspension from two or three games. And if an athlete tests positive three times, he or she may be removed from the entire athletic program.

*Sidelines* believes that these actions toward the athlete are too lenient. Possible suspension of an athlete, may not serve as a deterrent. Athletes should know ahead of time that definite actions

will be taken against them if they test positive for drugs.

But athletic trainer George Camp III said that there is currently no written policy at MTSU on what measure would be taken if an athlete is tested positive three times.

There should be a written policy stating exactly what measures will be taken if an athlete is tested positive once, twice or three times, with no exceptions to the policy.

Suspension of athletes from participation for a semester should be a promise and not a maybe after the first positive test.

After the suspension is over the following semester, the athlete should be allowed another chance. A chance to show his talents and a chance to show it without the use of drugs.

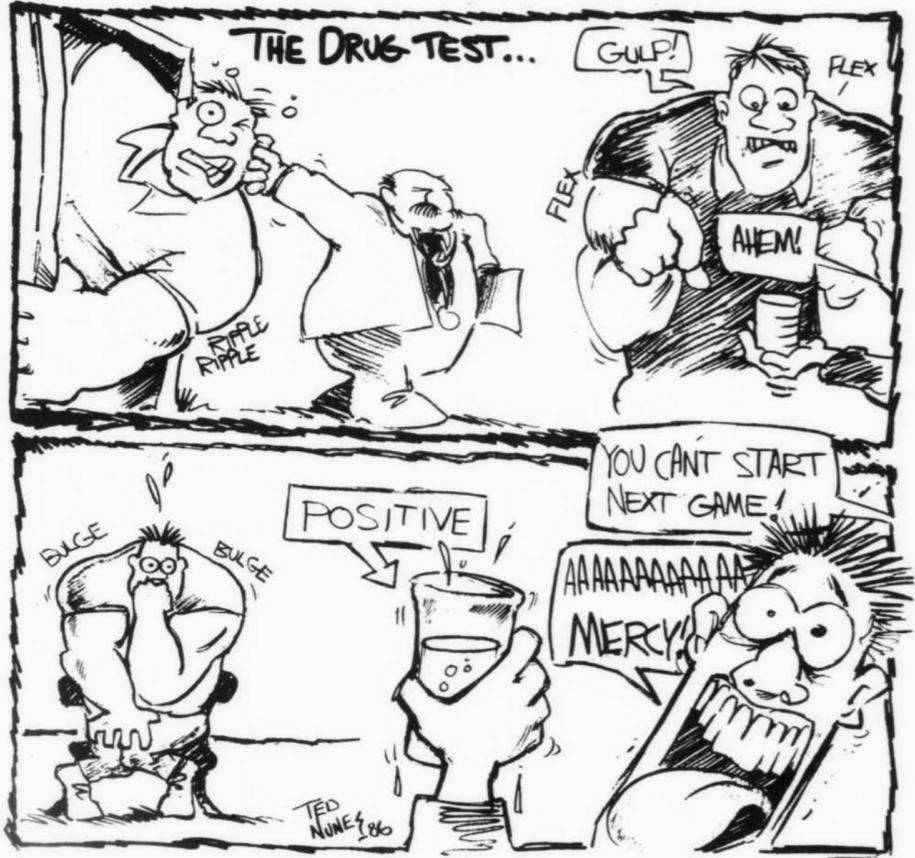
During the suspension

period, the athlete should receive professional counseling and help for the problem.

Drug tests should be conducted unannounced. The current test is conducted through the use of urine samples. Each sample is taken for the athlete to be tested for the presence of specific drugs.

A good deterrent for athletes would be to inform freshmen recruits of the test before granting them scholarships to play specific sports. This should be all the warning an athlete should have. Just as the athlete knows what is expected athletically from

him or her before they sign their name to the grant, they should also know what is expected of them physically on and off the court. Even off the court, these athletes still represent MTSU.



## Long distance callers beware

If you're looking to get something for nothing, you'd better be careful.

There's a long distance telephone company based in Cody, Wyo. that promises its customers a chance to earn free calls by becoming an agent in their pyramid-style marketing scheme. That company has operations here at MTSU.

Independent Communications Network Inc., which promises unlimited long dis-

tance calling for \$100 a month, has allegedly violated consumer laws in several states.

The company allows some of its customers to work as agents in soliciting others to subscribe to the long distance service. Several students here at MTSU who subscribed to the service work as agents for a fee.

The Federal Communications Commission has received complaints about In-

dependent, and the commission has issued a warning to consumers about the telephone marketing operation.

*Sidelines* is also issuing a warning to students. Anyone in need of a long distance service should shop around and ask questions concerning rates, bonuses or anything the company may offer or promise the consumer. The Better Business Bureau in Nashville can also answer questions you may have.

## First Presidents' Breakfast a success

The first Presidents' Breakfast was held in the Tennessee Room this past Tuesday.

At the breakfast, MTSU President Sam Ingram spoke briefly to the presidents of campus organizations and their faculty advisers.

The breakfast was organized by Phyllis Hickerson, director of student information and minority affairs.

The breakfast gave organizational presidents and fac-

ulty advisers the chance to meet other presidents and advisers.

Ingram gave the listeners a short pep talk on the importance of good organizational leadership.

Although 7 a.m. was apparently too early for some of the presidents and advisers, there was a good turnout.

Those attending were asked to fill out an evaluation form to evaluate the idea of the breakfast.

Many of those who attended the breakfast felt that it was a genuinely nice gesture by the Office of Student Information and were glad they attended.

*Sidelines* believes that this Presidents' breakfast is a good idea. It is a chance for organizational leaders to meet and share ideas and issues. It is also an opportunity for them to discuss their plans for the year with MTSU administrators.

## Letters to the Editor

### Don't blame us

Dear Editor,

Someone should have told us when Mr. Baxter would make the announcement for flood relief. We play when Mr. Smith gives us a down beat, regardless of what is coming over the PA system.

All we had heard that the announcement would be made at halftime; no one said anything about in between the first and second quarter. We are told to play certain music at certain times, like the break between quarters when one usually pays no attention to what is going on, anyway!

So, my dear, don't say anything about the band "rudely" striking up to play!

India Cameron  
Box 9400

### Band of Blue not at fault

Dear Editor,

I don't know what your problem is with the Band of Blue" this year, but as a member of the band and a flood victim, I'd like to say that the events of last Saturday's game were not the fault of, or had any-

thing to do with the "Band of Blue".

It was clearly the fault of poor planning which was hampered by our own ASB President Troy Baxter, who was in such good spirits.

The next time something goes wrong, or you see something that you don't like, or you simply do not understand, ask questions. It's very effective and it's your job!

I'm proud to be a member of such an outstanding and nationally respected band, and you should be proud to have such an organization on your campus.

Clayton H. Cooper  
Box 7752

### Wonder if...

Dear Editor,

I wish to enter some interesting hypothetical questions into your opinion forum known as "Letters to the Editor". I am a member of the cast of the play "Inherit the Wind". It is a play that deals with the issue of evolution. My questions are: What if human beings still had tails? What if like our more primitive cousins, we too had a primate tail. What part would they play in our society. How would they

change clothes and furniture? Would they be vestigial and ornamental or prehensil, with many uses. Truly the speculations on this question are endless, but I want to find out what other people think, or don't think. I would be more than willing to take replies in the newspaper or at my personal post office box.

Shellie Braeuner  
Box 2123

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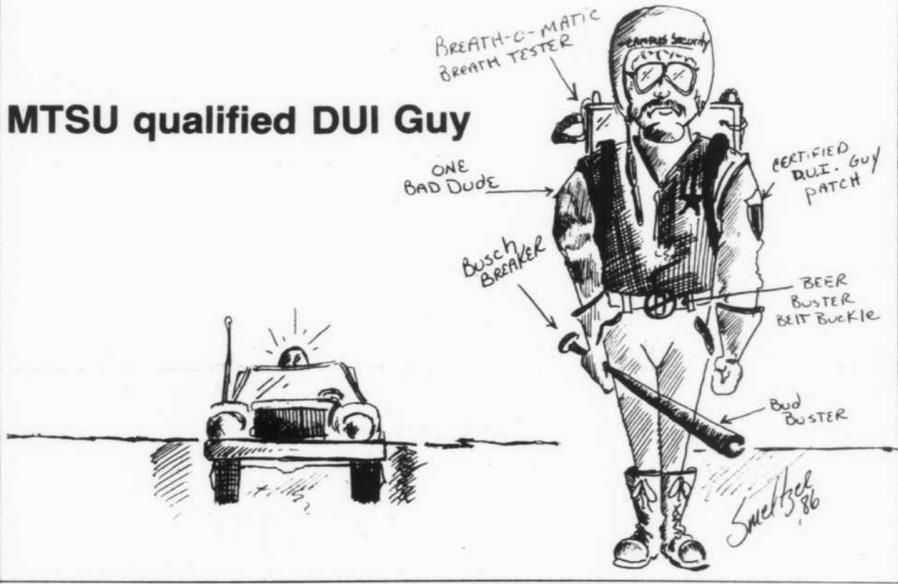
Letters to the editor are welcomed and are considered on the basis of timeliness, interest, taste and space.

All letters must include the author's name, MTSU box number and telephone number. Telephone numbers will not be printed and are for verification purposes only. When warranted, requests to withhold names will be honored.

We reserve the right to edit letters for clarity and space.

Address all letters and inquiries to: *Sidelines*, Box 42, or come by Room 310 of the James Union Building.

## MTSU qualified DUI Guy



## Campus not safe grounds for drunk driver

With weekend parties after football games almost everywhere this year on and off campus, students that indulge in alcoholic beverages should recognize the fact that Driving Under the Influence is an offense that they can possibly be charged with.

Students should be aware that MTSU campus security

officers are commissioned police officers with the city of Murfreesboro. This commission means that officers have full arrest powers licensed by the police department, and can thus arrest anyone for DUI — on or off campus. MTSU security along with the Murfreesboro Police may stop a car if they

suspect the driver is driving while intoxicated — this is called "probable cause".

After leaving that wild party, some students may think that just because they drive through campus they are safe, but Murfreesboro Police or campus security can indeed arrest anyone for DUI.

By Kent Whitaker



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# Collegiate Concerns



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## Students march to protest funding cuts

A new University of Texas group's final effort to show lawmakers, who plan to cut funding to Texas colleges and universities, student's outrage by marching in protest.

The group, called Students For Higher Education, was to hold a march on this past Tuesday at the state capitol.

"We need to show the Legislature and people around the state that we are concerned and worried about cuts," Scott Borsky, Students' Association senator-at-large, said. "When they cut higher education, they cut the future of Texas."

As reported in *The Daily Texan*

## Harvard president takes rare travel leave

Harvard University President Derek C. Bok will take a three-month leave of absence beginning in January to travel abroad, the first leave he has taken in nearly 20 years.

University Professor Henry Rosovsky, an economist and former dean of the faculty of arts and sciences, will be acting president during Bok's absence.

The announcements were made by the Harvard Corp., the university's governing board, of which Rosovsky is a member.

Bok, 56, became president of Harvard in 1971 after serving as dean of its law school since 1968.

As reported in *The Tennessean*

## ETSU offers computer master's program

East Tennessee State University's new master's degree program in computer and information sciences started this semester.

Once administrators of the university's School of Basic and Applied Arts and Sciences recognized a need for the new master's program, their ideas were presented to the Curriculum Committee and the Graduate School Committee, as well as to ETSU President Ronald Beller.

Approximately 40 students are currently enrolled in the graduate study program. According to Dr. Gordon Bailes, department chairman, the department expects its first graduates in May 1987.

As reported in *The East Tennessean*

## \$10,000 equipment theft has ripple effect

Repercussions following a \$10,000 theft in Pan American University's psychology department have extended well beyond the simple loss of property, resulting in an overhaul of security measures at the Liberal Arts Building, discontent among faculty and charges of administrative negligence.

Faculty members at this university in Edinburg, Texas no longer have keys to enter buildings or department offices. To gain access to their offices faculty members must contact a Traffic and Security officer.

Twenty-seven faculty members have signed a petition protesting the action.

"I took an extreme position," Assistant Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences Paul Mitchell said.

As reported in *The Pan American*

## Enrollment increase surprises officials

After six years of declining enrollment, a 6.5 percent increase this fall has given Western Kentucky University more students than projected for 1990.

Preliminary figures released last Wednesday show that total enrollment this fall is 12,186 — an increase of nearly 800 students from last fall's 11,388.

The figures released are estimates, President Kern Alexander said, "but we didn't want to hold this back."

As reported in *The College Heights Herald*

## Dissected shark yields mangled hand

Three graduate students studying sharks in Tampa Bay found a mangled human hand in the belly of one of their specimens, police said.

Two of the University of South Florida students who found the hand in the freshly-caught, black-tip shark declined to talk about their discovery.

"I don't want to be associated with it, to tell you the truth," one told *The St. Petersburg Times*. "If there's a murder involved, I don't want to be associated with it."

The police speculated that the hand had been in the shark's stomach no more than 24 hours or so before it was found Saturday.

As reported in *The Tennessean*

## Vanderbilt biochemist wins high award

Dr. Stanley Cohen, a biochemist at Vanderbilt University Medical Center, has won the international 1986 Albert Lasker Basic Medical Research Award for his discoveries about cell growth.

Dr. Reta Levi-Montalcini of Rome, a neuro-embryologist who worked closely with Cohen at Washington University in the 1950s, also received the award. Four other scientists from around the world won other Lasker awards.

"I'm a human being. It's very nice when other human beings think what you're doing is great," Cohen said Monday of his \$15,000 Lasker award.

As reported in *The Tennessean*

# Tennessee State University's loan default rate at 43 percent

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Tennessee State University is ready to sue students who have failed to repay National Direct Student Loans at a rate that has cost the university federal funds for the loans, state officials said.

Comptroller William Snodgrass, in a state audit report, said the university is compiling information that could support such lawsuits and to ensure that students who owe money are interviewed before leaving school.

Snodgrass' report for the year ending June 1, 1985, showed that 42.69 percent of TSU students defaulted on loans, up from 39.86 percent on June 30, 1984. The default is figured by dividing the amount of over due principal by the total of matured loans.

Under the federally backed loan program, students may borrow up to \$6,000 each directly from the

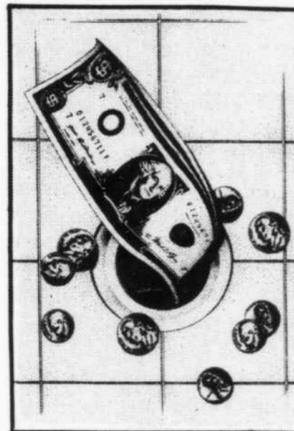
university over a four-year period. Federal funds are allocated directly to colleges and universities as part of a pool to be used for the loans.

However, if the default rate exceeds 25 percent, the university can no longer get money from the federal government for those loans, said Homer Wheaton, TSU's director of financial aid. The maximum default rate soon will be lowered to 20 percent, he said.

As a result, TSU could lend only money that other students have repaid, he said.

Loans that were defaulted on after 1981 will be referred to the state Board of Regents for legal action during the 1987 fiscal year, according to the audit report.

Officials at the Tennessee Higher Education Commission and the Tennessee Student Assistance Corp. said they did not have the default rates for all Tennessee col-



lege and university students, since the direct loans are handled by the various schools.

The student assistance corporation administers tuition grants and some low-interest student loans,

but not the National Direct Student Loans.

"We have a history of serving a lot of low-income students," Wheaton said. "Low-income students, particularly those who don't stay in school, don't get good jobs or may not get any jobs at all."

However, the university "has not done the best job in trying to collect" and is plagued by personnel turnover and a lack of qualified help, he said.

Wheaton said a U.S. Department of Education decision to give students only six months after leaving school to begin paying on the loans has added to the problem. The students previously had nine months.

"Six months is entirely too short a time," he said, adding that a student could drop out of school for a semester and find himself in default.

# Bias grand jury studies two reports

UPPER MARLBORO, Md. (AP) — The grand jury investigating the cocaine-induced death of Len Bias has been asked to choose between two conflicting medical reports pertaining to the manner in which the basketball star ingested the fatal dose of the drug.

Keith Gatlin, a former teammate of Bias at the University of Maryland, also testified Tuesday in connection with the probe, which is expected to conclude after the Prince George's County grand jury reconvenes Sept. 30.

Earlier this month, a team of doctors issued a report suggesting Bias died of a massive dose of pure cocaine he swallowed, possibly in a drink. The report's findings have been questioned by the state's medical examiner's office, which prepared the autopsy that determined that the Boston Celtics' first-round draft pick snorted the drug.

Bias collapsed in his dormitory on the College Park campus shortly after ingesting an unusually pure form of cocaine in the early hours

of June 19, according to the autopsy report.

The state's chief medical examiner, Dr. John Smialek, is believed to have testified during the closed hearing that Bias snorted between 400 and 500 milligrams of the drug moments before his death.

However, a report released Sept. 12 by three Prince George's General Hospital and medical staff members indicated that Bias swallowed three to five grams of cocaine, perhaps in a soft drink or a beer.

The report prepared by pathologist Dr. Ivan R. Mattei, clinical laboratory director William A. Barnes III and director of toxicology Charles H. Peddicord backs up a contention by Bias' parents that their son unknowingly swallowed the cocaine.

The authors of the new report, which was commissioned by State's Attorney Arthur Marshall Jr., based their findings on the final autopsy report and records from Leland Memorial Hospital, where Bias was pronounced dead.

Mattei appeared before the grand jury Tuesday, sources said, but he, Smialek and Gatlin left the courthouse without speaking to reporters.

Smialek has publicly criticized the new medical report, calling it "an opinion that is based on a great number of assumptions which I feel are inappropriate."

Smialek has said that if Bias swallowed 3-5 grams of cocaine, a much greater amount than 5 milligrams would have been found in his stomach during the autopsy.

Gatlin, who had already spoken before the grand jury, was called back to reiterate his contention that he was asleep when authorities arrived at Bias' dormitory, according to a grand juror who spoke on the condition of anonymity.

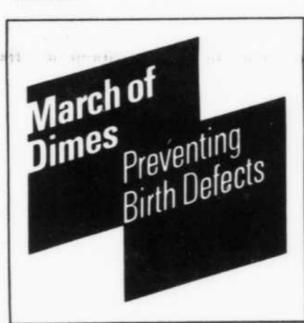
The grand jury began its probe July 1, shortly after Smialek's office concluded that Bias died of "cocaine intoxication."

As a result of the hearings, Brian Lee Tribble, who allegedly provided Bias with the drug, has been

indicted for possession of cocaine, possession with intent to distribute cocaine, distribution of cocaine and possession of PCP.

Also, Terry Long and David Gregg each have been charged with possession of cocaine and obstruction of justice.

Meanwhile, the University of Maryland campus task force on athletes' academic achievement on Tuesday held an open forum to hear recommendations from faculty, staff and students on its examination of support programs for athletes.



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# Art / Entertainment

## Noted trumpeters to play at contest

By MONA VINSON  
Sidelines Entertainment Editor

The Contest of Champions, which will consist of 30 marching bands, performing in competition, will be held at MTSU on Oct. 25.

"Thirty bands will perform in the preliminaries and the top eight or ten bands, according to scoring, will compete in a final performance," said Joseph Smith, Director of MTSU Band of Blue.

The bands are lined up numerically and the awards ceremony begins at 9 p.m., which "is a show all in itself," according to Smith.

"We are bringing in 21 herald trumpets," Smith said. "They have

opened for the Olympics and played for the unveiling of the Statue of Liberty."

The contest usually gathers an audience of 15,000, according to Smith.

This is also the eighth year for a two-hour international TV program of the contest, Smith said. The program, which should be televised sometime in November, will consist of only the final evening competition.

A lot of construction is being done for a new center platform, with spiral stairs on either side, where the awards are received.

The Band of Blue is presently practicing its show for The Contest of Champions and preparing for the guest bands.



MTSU's Band of Blue rehearses for its featured performance in the annual Contest of Champions. Thirty high school bands will compete in the October 25 event. The contest will be televised in November.

## Honors lectures focus on future

By MONA VINSON  
Sidelines Entertainment Editor

"Technology's Impact on the Quality of Life" is the theme for the Honors Program Lecture Series for this fall.

The lectures are held on Wednesday afternoons at 3:20 in Peck Hall 107 and are free and open to the public.

On Oct. 1 Dr. Ronald Bombardi of the MTSU department of philosophy will continue the series of lectures with "Artificial Intelligence: New Directions."

The rest of the series will be as follows:

•Oct. 8 — "Technology and Art," by Chris Watts of the MTSU art department.

•Oct. 15 — "Shifting Gears into the Information Age," Virginia Vespers of the MTSU library

•Oct. 22 — "Recent Trends in Computer Technology," Peter Rob of the MTSU department of information systems

•Oct. 29 — "The Impact of Television on Our Daily Lives," Ed Kimbrell of the MTSU mass communications department.

•Nov. 5 — "Modern Technology and the Health Industry," Rick Canada from the Middle Tennessee Medical Center

•Nov. 12 — "High Tech Agriculture and Its Implications," Samuel C. Ricketts of the MTSU agriculture department.

•Nov. 19 — "Genetic Engineering Issues," Phil Mathis of the department of biology

•Dec. 3 — "High Technology and Stress in the Work Place," Joyce McQuilkin of the MTSU psychology department.

## New Man album not worth it



Things get even worse on "Way Over There," which in one verse, is practically plagiarism (see if you can figure this one out): "It's getting scary to look in the mirror/Watching the lines in my face getting clearer..." Does that sound like another well-known rock song to you?

On side two, the torture continues, as "Flying Cowboy" combines with its pop-rock sound a screeching heavy metal guitar riff that is most unfitting. The lyrics of this song are really lacking in substance: "I am your flying cowboy/I'll carry you away/We'll round up all the bad guys/I'll shoot them if you say/Your flying cowboy..."

"Beautiful Rose" and "Say Your Prayers" are, lyrically, somewhat more serious attempts; however, the tiresome dance-mix style in which they are presented spoils their potential. "Beautiful Rose" uses the metaphor of faded flowers to compare faded beauty: "How does it feel to be one of the lucky ones?/How does it feel to be out in the cold?/Fading away is a fate so inglorious/How does it feel to a beautiful rose?"

"Say Your Prayers" begins like this: "Don't get scared when someone says they love you/Don't be scared 'cause maybe they really do/Say your prayers when someone says they know you/And they're doing what's good for you." This starts out fairly slow and shows some potential, but, unfortunately, its sensitivity is undermined when it develops into a techno-poppish-sounding dance cut.

On the whole, I am really disappointed with this album and can't help but wonder how New Man was able to sign with a major label. I'm hopeful that we won't be hearing from them again, at least not until they get a lot better. Spare yourself some pain - don't go anywhere near this album!

## Tennessee literary festival slated; noted authors to host workshops

By MONA VINSON  
Sidelines Entertainment Editor

The Tennessee Homecoming '86 Literary Festival will bring home some of America's literary greats to Tennessee for three days of workshops for aspiring writers and literary fans.

Workshops will be held at the Tennessee Performing Arts Center and Hyatt Regency in downtown Nashville, Oct. 9-11.

Distinguished writers that will participate include: Peter Taylor, recipient of Pen/Faulkner Award

for Fiction; Andrew Nelson Lytte, novelist, Agrarian and retired

editor of The Sewanee Review; Nikki Giovanni, award-winning

poet; Homecoming '86 honorary co-chairman Alex Haley; and Wilma Dykeman, author, teacher and chairperson of The Literary Festival.

Topics to be discussed are: Tennessee in Folklore, Legend and Song; Oral and Ethnic Traditions, Tales and Stories; Literature of Tennessee Before World War I; The Agrarian Legacy; and Non-Fiction Essays, Travels, Nature and Special Topics.

The festival is open to the public and costs \$10 per person.



## 'Fahrenheit' won't fire up your nights

By KATHERINE BERNARDI  
Sidelines Entertainment Writer

Toto's latest release, "Fahrenheit," comes after a two-year absence from recording as a unit. The group, comprised of former studio musicians, have been involved in other projects. The question is why have they even bothered?

## Review

There is nothing new on this album. Their style hasn't changed much since their first LP almost seven years ago. Even now, they seem to copy some of their earlier hits.

Toto's music takes precedent over the crafting of lyrics — horns fill up the sound, and guitars are used as an afterthought. "Till the End" and "We Can Make It Tonight" are average songs about salvaging a love gone wrong. They are peppy and bouncy, which seems out of sync when you're trying to regain a lost love.

"Without Your Love" is reminiscent of Toto's biggest hit, "Africa," from a few years back. It has a low congo drum sound and hummable melody that makes this tune stand out.

The song that really rocks is the fourth track, "Can't Stand It Any Longer" brings out the electric guitar and Joseph Williams puts passion and emotion in his vocals.

The last song on side one is a dreary-drudge ballad that should have been omitted entirely. Williams' whiney voice makes this tune a turn-off.

Side two kicks off promisingly with the highly unique title track which shows off the talented musicianship of Toto's members and their excellent command of jazz stylings. David Paich and Steve Porcaro's keyboards add intensity and heighten the sense of anticipation. This is easily the most danceable track on the record.

From there, the rest of the album is a trio of slow moving jazzy ballads of which nothing spectacular stands out.

Despite help from Don Henley, Michael McDonald, David Sanborn and Miles Davis, "Fahrenheit" is not hot enough to raise a sweat.

## Chili Cook-off scheduled; all proceeds benefit MD

By MONA VINSON  
Sidelines Entertainment Editor

The Homecoming chili cook-off will be held on Oct. 6 at The Boro at 5 p.m. and all proceeds will benefit muscular dystrophy.

Participants will set up their booths at 3 p.m. The doors will open to the public at 5 p.m. and the judging of the chili will take place at 5:30 p.m.

"The celebrity judges will be Joe Case of Channel 5, Carl P. Mayfield, Mayor Joe Jackson, Harry Chapman and Chairman of the Criminal Justice Dept. at MTSU, Frank Lee," Kear said.

"Starventures talent agency has donated three bands for the cook-off," Kear said. They are "Three White Chicks," "Straightlace" and "The Vacations."

The "Homecoming Kick-off Classic" is \$3 for all-you-can-eat and is sponsored by the ASB, Kear said.

"Last year the cook-off was on Thursday and we've moved it to Monday this year to start off Homecoming," said Lora Hendrick, Homecoming Director. "We moved it closer to campus so more students can come."

## COLLAGE CONTEST '86

Collage, the visual art and literature magazine of Middle Tennessee State University, is now accepting submissions for the Fall 1986 issue!!!

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Three-dimensional artwork

Each submission should include the name, p.o. box, and telephone number of the artist. Submissions can be brought to the Collage office in the James Union Building, room 306.

**Deadline for Submissions is October 20, 1986!!!**

For further information contact James Tucker, editor, at 898-2533, or in JUB room 306 on Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 - 11:00.

# Sports

## Raiders ready to snap losing streak at Eastern

By ANDY REED  
Sidelines Sports Writer

After winning 15 consecutive regular season games, the Blue Raiders must now snap out of a two-game losing streak at one of the toughest places imaginable.

The Blue Raiders, 1-2 after narrow losses to 7th-ranked Tennessee State and 4th-ranked Georgia Southern, travel to Richmond, Ky. Saturday to face perennial Ohio Valley Conference power Eastern Kentucky, picked to finish second to MTSU in the standings this season. Kickoff is scheduled for 12:30 p.m., (CST) at Hanger Field.

"Eastern has always been a tough place to play and win," Blue Raider coach Boots Donnelly said. "Right now is no different. They have another fine team and will pose a lot of problems."

The Colonels, who had won four straight OVC crowns until Middle snapped the string last year, are 1-0-1 after a 23-3 rout of UT-Chatanooga and a come-from-behind 13-13 tie with Marshall last week.

MTSU, which is below .500 for the first time since 1980 when they opened the season 0-8, opened with an easy 47-0 romp over Miles College before losing a 7-6 heartbreaker to Tennessee State and a 34-31 slugfest with Georgia Southern. The Blue Raiders are unranked in the latest NCAA I-AA

poll after being ranked No. 4 in the preseason.

In addition to having to put the losses behind them, the Raiders also have to deal with a rash of injuries which has put the playing status of three starters in doubt.

All-OVC tailback Gerald Anderson did not suit up for the Georgia Southern game after receiving a shoulder separation in the TSU game. All conference offensive guard Cecil Andrews dislocated an elbow against Southern, but has been fitted for a silicone cast and might be able to play, even after missing this week's practice. In addition, quarterback Marvin Collier missed part of a series against Georgia Southern with a slight shoulder separation. He returned to the game and will probably play this week, though he has also been held out of practice.

Of the three, Anderson probably has the most experienced replacement. His backup, Dwight Stone, touched for 148 yards and three touchdowns against the Eagles.

"He's a quality runner," Donnelly said of Stone. "He showed us Saturday night that he can be a very hard and determined runner. We don't feel there is that much difference between him and Gerald, but it hurts our depth when we don't have both of them."

Freshman Van Dangler, who drove MTSU to a touchdown while Collier was out against Georgia Southern, would replace Collier if necessary while fellow freshman Bob Malia is listed behind Andrews on the depth chart.

Even if it was, the Raider offense would have to contend with Eastern's rugged defense, which is ranked first in the country against the rush and is sixth in total defense. Linebacker Fred Harvey, one of the nation's best, leads the charge, followed by safety Pat Smith, who is the OVC Defensive Player of the Week after intercepting four passes (a school and conference record) and recovering a fumble.

"They're sound, sound as a dollar everywhere," Donnelly said of the Colonels' defense. "But Harvey is the chairman of the board. There are very few collegiate linebackers around who are better than he is. He's not their only weapon on that side of the ball by any means, but he's the best."

Offensively, tailback James Crawford is coming off a 119-yard, one touchdown performance against Marshall. Quarterback Mike Whitaker is third in the conference in total offense, with his favorite target being Alvin Blount, the No. 2 receiver in the league.

Trying to stop that offense will be a defense which, after opening the season with back-to-back stand-out performances, was victimized for over 500 yards against Georgia Southern. Roosevelt Colvard, Freeman Davis, Doug Althouse and Vince Johnson are the top MTSU tacklers.

If the game should come down to a field goal, Eastern coach Roy Kidd can call on senior kicker Dale Dawson, whose last-ditch field goal tied the game with Marshall.

Meanwhile on the other sideline, Donnelly should be able to feel secure about his special teams, which



Blue Raider quarterback Marvin Collier(11) gets back into the swing of things after missing most of this week's practice. Collier suffered a slight shoulder separation against Georgia Southern, but should be ready to play against Eastern Kentucky Saturday, according to football coach Boots Donnelly.

## Campus Rec ready for ride

By CHRIS DRUMRIGHT  
Sidelines Sports Writer

Campus Recreation activities are a way to relax and meet new people, a campus recreation director said.

"I believe intramurals are an excellent way to take your mind off classes," Jill Bailey, Campus Recreation director, said. "You can just relax and enjoy yourself."

"Already, students have been able to engage in such activities as tennis singles and softball. Flag football is going on right now," she said.

Campus Recreation will begin taking sign-ups on Oct. 13 at 7 p.m. for the overnight bike trip on Oct. 18.

Participants will meet in the MTSU pool parking lot on Oct. 18. The group will bike to Old Stone Fort State Park in Manchester, Tenn. and camp overnight. The bikers will ride back to the campus on Sunday.

Cost for the trip is \$5 plus an additional \$5 if a Campus Recreation bike is rented. Campus Recreation will provide a school van to carry the gear, the camping fee and camping equipment.

"It's just an all-around good time," Bailey said. "This is one of the activities sponsored by Campus Rec in which people can meet a lot of new friends."

## Intramural tennis creates rivalry

From Staff Reports

Known as "Tom," Setta Moonvanit has dominated campus recreation tennis over the past two years.

Originally from Bangkok, Thailand, Moonvanit plays with the ease and guile of a coyote. Last year Moonvanit lost only one set in his run to the championship. His 6-7, 7-5, 6-4 victory over Maurice Petway was the closest he came to losing last year. After the three-hour match was over, both players said they knew a rivalry had been born.

History has repeated itself and they must now face each other again. However, the road is not a smooth one for Moonvanit or Petway. Both players faced the brink of elimination in this year's tourney. Moonvanit went three sets before eliminating Kevin Taylor in the second round. He came within two points of losing to Paul McGuaghy in the third round but came back to win 1-6, 7-6, 7-5, in the semifinals he defeated Lee Cambell 6-4, 4-6, 6-3. Petway lost his second round match to Paul McGuaghy 6-3, 6-2, but came back to defeat Steve Harfis and Kenny Wilson to reach the finals.

When asked about his chances in the championship match against Petway, Moonvanit said, "I think I have more consistency than Maurice. I've played 14 years and I know how to make the needed adjustments."

"Maurice does not yet have the experience that I do," he said. "His biggest weakness is consistency. If he played more defensively, he would be a much better player. When he plays too aggressively, he misses a lot."

What strategy will Petway use to defeat the defending champion?

"To beat Tom, I have to keep him off balance by mixing things up," Petway said. "I will change the pace by hitting him some hard, high, bouncing topspin shots with some occasional low bouncing slices. I can't let him get into a groove in the baseline rallies."

"If he is steadier than me from the baseline, I will chip his first and second serves and follow them into the net, forcing him to hit numerous passing shots to win the match," Petway said.

## Former Blue Raider in majors

Former Blue Raider baseball player Kenny Gerhart has made the "Big Leagues;" he is the starting center fielder for the Baltimore Orioles.

Gerhart, who graduated from MTSU in 1982 after playing three seasons for the Raiders, is the first player under head baseball coach John Stanford to play in the major leagues.

After spending four years with over half a dozen farm teams, Gerhart

moved up from the Rochester Red Wings to the Orioles, according to Ed Given, MTSU Sports Information Director.

In 1982, Gerhart was awarded the honors of All-Conference, NCAA All-Region and the OVC Player of the Year. He was also All-Conference in 1981.

While wearing a Blue Raider uniform, Gerhart compiled a .294 batting average, 17 homers, 61 runs batted in, 87 runs and 35 out of 35 stolen base attempts ratio.

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Here's to He-Man, G.I. Joe, The Thunder Cats, The Superfriends, and The Jetsons; and Kevin Crowley. Cheers! Your favorite bus-boy, Doug Bell (DOUGER).