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Security Chief provides guidelines against rape

By D. BRIAN CONLEY
Staff Writer

For those following a few simple guidelines and taking advantage of university-provided options, MTSU is relatively safe from rape, officials said.

"If someone really wants to do something, there is nothing which will stop them," said Jack Drugmand, chief of MTSU security. "However, we can make it more difficult."

Some of the things Drugmand pointed out to make life difficult for the potential attacker are:

- Travel in groups. Most attackers will not attack women who are in groups. "There is a lot of truth in 'There is safety in numbers,'" Drugmand said.
- Use the "lighted mall." This is a well-lighted pathway running east-west across campus. It begins at the Learning Resources Center, goes in front of the Library and Keathley University Center, through

Peck Hall, turns left and goes in front of the dorms.

"Obviously don't walk in any unlit area," Drugmand said. "Many attackers will not act in a lighted area. They don't want to be seen."

"Anything can happen, but this is a crime where the attacker definitely wants to be undetected."

University officials are constantly looking at the lighted mall to ensure adequate lighting.

"We are also looking at possibly improving the lighting from the Greenland Drive parking lot to Peck Hall," Drugmand said, adding he and Vice President Jessie Warren are planning to walk around the campus one night to survey the lighting.

"We want to see exactly what is needed and the best way to solve problem," Drugmand said. "A lot of people have brought the north-south lighting to our attention and we are trying

to get a handle on it."

- Use the campus escorts. If you must travel alone, call 2424 for a campus escort, Drugmand said.

"The student patrolmen provide the escorts," he said. "They don't mind at all."

The escorts are available anytime from 6 p.m. on, he added.

- Act determined. "Be determined in where you are going. Pre-plan what route you are going to take. Don't loll and lag," Drugmand said.

It also helps to have your keys in your hand as you are walking to your car, Drugmand said. It saves time opening the door and can be used as a weapon if necessary.

- Let someone know where you are. "If you are going somewhere, let someone know where you are going — especially if you are leaving overnight or over the weekend."



Wayne Cartwright•Staff

Fire?

Deena Adams, office management freshman, and Connie Fogle, computer science freshman, talk about the "fire" that took place Monday in their room at High Rise West. Four fire trucks, a fire department van and three Campus Security cars responded to a call from maintenance that Adam's and Fogle's air-conditioner had caught on fire and departed from the scene less than five minutes later. Housing Director Ivan Shewmake said "it wasn't much of a fire." A probable cause was a frayed wire which lodged in the motor and burned lint on the filter.

Biathlon planned

From Staff Reports

The kick-off for Homecoming 1988 at MTSU is a biathlon scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 9 at 2 p.m.

The biathlon consists of a 5km run around campus, a 30km bike ride and another 5km run around campus.

According to Glenn Hanley of Campus Recreation, 200 to 250 people are expected to compete either in the biathlon or the shorter race, which will begin shortly after the biathlon starts.

The shorter course, designed for those who do not participate in the biathlon, consists of a 12 mile bike ride and then back to the lot for a one mile run around campus.

"We give homecoming points to ensure people from campus organizations will enter," Harry Hosey, ASB president.



Frank Conley•Staff

Ready...

James Freeman, sophomore, readies his Anschutz .22 caliber target rifle for practice Tuesday afternoon. The newly formed Rifle Team is hoping to attend its first competition in mid-November.



Sunday, October 9 — Queen's Tea, President's Mansion, 2 p.m.; Blue Raider Biathlon, The Boro Bar and Grill

Monday, October 10 — Fight Song Competition, KUC Courtyard, 3 p.m.

Tuesday, October 11 — Window Decoration Contest Judging, 10 a.m.; Chili Cook-Off, Tennessee Livestock Center, featuring "Walk the West," 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 12 — Scavenger Hunt, KUC Courtyard, 3 p.m.

Thursday, October 13 — Activities Day, Lawn between Cope Administration and Peck Hall, 3 p.m.

Friday, October 14 — Residence Hall Decoration Contest Judging, 10 a.m.; Bonfire/Pep Rally, Cummings Field, 7 p.m.; Homecoming Party after pep rally, The Boro Bar and Grill

Saturday, October 15 — Parade Line-Up, 7:45 a.m.; Parade, 9 a.m.; MTSU vs. Morehead, 1:30 p.m.; Amy Grant in Concert, Murphy Athletic Center, 8 p.m.

Family Planning Center moves off MTSU to health department

By LISA NEWTON
News Editor

The Family Planning Center, which serves approximately 500 MTSU students per semester, is changing location due to staff cutbacks, according to Dot Norris, head nurse at Rutherford County Health Department.

The center, which is now located on campus in the same building as Health Services, will be moved as of Nov. 1, to the health department building in downtown Murfreesboro.

Barbara Martin, director of Health Services, stressed that the Family Planning Center is "not eliminating services, just changing locations."

When the center is located at the health department, MTSU students will follow the exact same procedures

when they go in for their appointments.

"The patients will deal with the same staff and their records will transfer to the new facility," Mary Baird, a clerk in the health department, said.

Norris noted the one problem that may arise is the transportation. Access to the center will not be as easy to MTSU students when the center is moved.

One possibility, Norris said, may be Mid-Cumberland Transportation. They charge a nominal fee for transporting people.

The center, which has been here since the early 1970s, provides family planning services to students. These include an annual physical, counseling, literature and contraceptives.

New programs offered to minorities

By LUCAS JOHNSON II.
Staff Writer

The Office of Student Organizations and Minority Affairs is implementing a new comprehensive support program for minority students called the Multi-Cultural Adjustment and Development Program.

According to organization literature, "The MADP

is a multi-faceted program that specifically addresses the unique academic, social and cultural needs of ethnic minority students at MTSU."

The MADP is designed to help minority students make a successful academic, social and cultural transition into MTSU, while assisting them in de-

veloping and maintaining a positive sense of their cultural/ethnic identity.

Two other components of MADP are the Mentor/Protege Program and the Tutorial Program.

The Mentor/Protege Program matches freshmen and transfer students with

a select group of upperclassmen called minority student advisors. The

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—During MTSU's seventh annual salute to Veterans ROTC to induct Smith into Hall

From Staff Reports

The late Colonel Raymond C. Smith will become the third inductee into the MTSU ROTC Hall of Fame during the university's seventh annual Salute to Veterans, Saturday, Oct. 8.

Colonel Smith, a 1953 graduate of MTSU, received the Silver Star for bravery; the Legion of Merit, an award of achievement; the Distinguished Flying Cross; the Bronze Star for valor; the Meritorious Service Medal; the Air Medal; and the Army Commendation Medal. He served in combat during the Vietnam War.

Colonel Smith came back to MTSU in 1975 as the professor of Military Science. He died in 1979 during his tenure as PMS.

Nell Banks Smith will accept the proclamation and plaque on behalf of her husband at the ceremony.

MTSU's Salute to Veterans was originated in 1982 by Joe E. Nunley, former Alumni Relations director at MTSU, and alumnus John Furgess, assistant commissioner of Veterans Affairs for Tennessee.

This year's activities will begin with check-in and a cookout for veterans at the Picnic Pavilion behind

Jones Field at 11:30 a.m., said Marie Kirk, Alumni Relations director.

At 1 p.m. ROTC cadets will escort veterans in war era groups to the football field to be introduced and honored.

"Each year one war era group receives special recognition. In observance of the 70th anniversary of Ar-

mistice Day ending World War I in 1918, the WWI veterans will receive special recognition," Kirk said.

The son, grandson and great grandson of WWI hero Alvin C. York, a Tennessee native, are scheduled to attend, in accordance with the recognition of WWI veterans.

"John Furgess, Lt. Col.

Calloway, the ROTC department, Joseph Smith and the MTSU Band of Blue, and the Alumni Relations office have worked very hard on this year's Salute to Veterans," said Kirk.

After the veterans are introduced, the MTSU Blue Raider football team will take, on Mississippi Valley State University. Kick-off is at 1:30 p.m.



Brian Fletcher

Helen Comer•Staff

Only man in Schardt talks about dorm life

By Beth Richardson
Staff Writer

Brian Fletcher usually smiles when he talks about his daughters — all 137 of them.

"Daughters" is what Fletcher calls the residents of MTSU's Schardt Hall.

He said he believes he has a right to the claim. After all, he is the only male living in the female residence hall.

Fletcher, 28, has lived in Schardt since he married the current hall director, Joyce Beverly Fletcher, in October of last year. His wife is working on her master's in psychology and secondary master's in guidance and counseling.

He is the equipment manager for the Nashville Sounds during baseball season for nine years. He also works at the bookstore at Vanderbilt University and officiates at high school basketball games.

The first indication of the uniqueness of the Fletcher home comes from the brightly painted yellow and purple stripes which zigzag across the hallway outside their apartment door. Colored signs reminding the residents not to walk alone at night, to be quiet while in the halls and always to escort their male guests serve as a constant reminder that this is not a typical apartment.

A community bathroom is only a few feet down the hallway from the apartment. Fletcher said he has never

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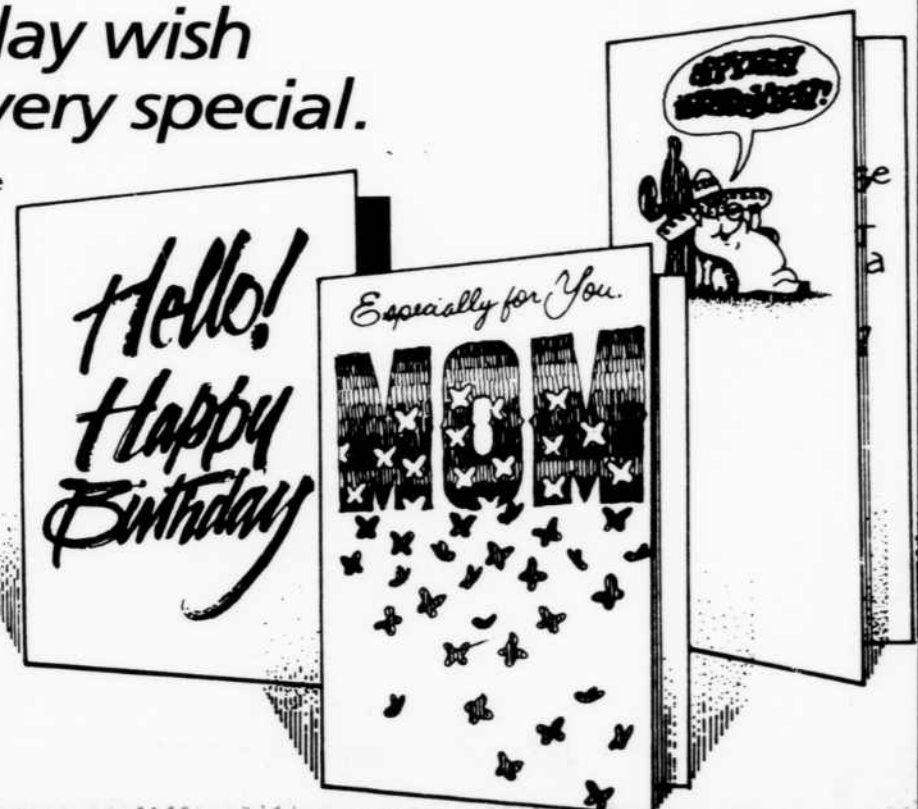
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Christian Yeager, a computer science major, sat soaking up the rays in front of the grill, playing requests to passers-by.

Helen Comer•Staff

Students' last chance to register is Saturday

By LYNN HOPKINS
Staff Writer

MTSU students' last chance to register to vote in the 1988 presidential election will be noon Saturday at the Rutherford County Courthouse, election officials said.

Students who are Tennessee residents may register to vote from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the courthouse, located in the center of the public square on East Main Street, said Amy Williams, Rutherford County registrar.

Students should contact their local election commission for absentee voting details and procedures.

"We urge all students to make the effort to register to vote for the upcoming election, so that their voice may be heard and they may participate in our democratic system," Williams said.

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minority student advisors meet weekly with their Protoges to assist them with their over-all adjustment and development (education, social and culture) at MTSU.

The Tutorial Program is designed to assist minority students with problem subject areas. Its purpose is to assist students in developing effective learning and problem solving skills.

Any faculty, administrator or student interested in participating in the Tutorial Program can contact the Department of Student Organizations and Minority Affairs.

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had a problem with girls walking about scantily dressed during their late night or early morning trips to the showers. Actually, his only embarrassments have come about from his own indiscretion.

"One day," Fletcher said, "I was laying on my bed with very little on and someone knocked on the door. I had to cover up quickly."

The apartment's "bedroom" is simply one corner of the living area. A large aquarium in the center of the room serves as the only partition.

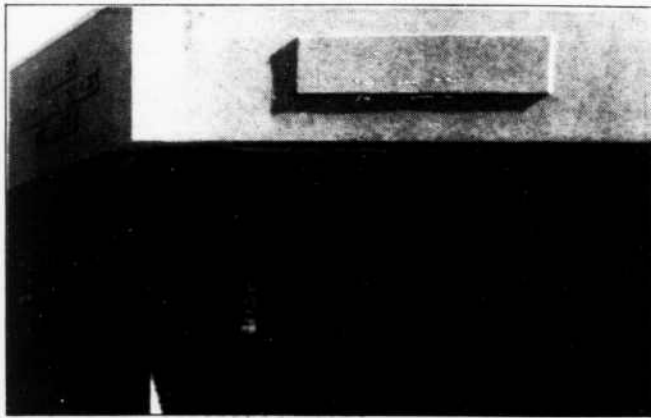
Fletcher said he has found the lack of privacy is one of the few disadvantages to living in the hall. He is quick to add, however, that he really does not mind because it all is just part of his wife's job. She has a 24-hour responsibility, and the interruptions are unavoidable.

"I feel like a protector to some of these girls," Fletcher said. "I just feel responsible."

"This apartment is my home and these girls' rooms are their homes," Fletcher said.

Fletcher said he never had any apprehensions about making an all-female building his home.

"Actually," he said, "I was really looking forward to it."



Michael Johnson•Staff

Perfect timing: Darrell Freeman (left) is working on the hardware he developed for a radio controlled clock that will be installed on the Voorhies Industrial Studies Complex (above) by early next year. The digital clock will receive a signal broadcast by the National Bureau of Standards from Fort Collins, Colorado. Indepent donations by alumni of the department fund the project headed by Dr. Richard Redditt.

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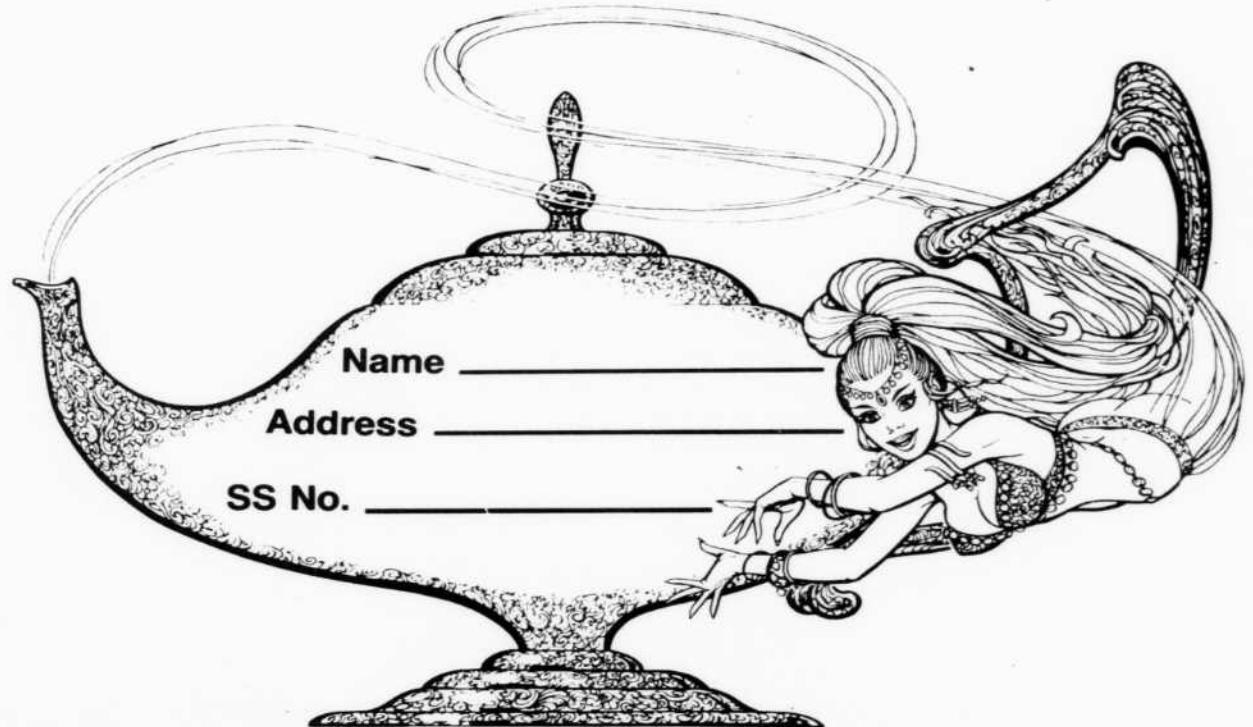
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EDITORIAL

What really happened on the latest shuttle mission



Return of the rambling hack

Inspired by LARRY KING
Channeled through MIKE REED

Once again, I sit before the CRT screen of all knowledge and watch the words pop up before my very eyes. Of course, that's a trade secret so don't tell anyone. . .

Why is it that, even though I am an obvious celebrity, I have no lecherous entourage...After reading *The Dark Tower: The Gunslinger* by Stephen King, I have come to the conclusion that authors should write their works then leave everything else to professionals...there is no such thing as symbolism, it is a means for critics to sound like they know what they are talking about...Cliff notes are from Satan himself...about the only thing worse than a smoker with a nicotine fit and no cigarettes is a smoker with a nicotine fit that is too lazy to walk to Peck Hall and buy a pack...

Victor, you threw off my concentration...will someone please unplug that phone until I am through writing this brilliant piece of journalistic splendor...wait, I think it's time for another song...*The most beautiful girl in the world/ picks my ties out/ drinks my brandy/ eats my candy...*...Aaaah, I feel much worse...Heck, it's paid for...Mastercard, I am bored...I hear Rebel 100 is changing to a country/easy listening format, will they change their name to conformist 100...What was the point to the *Milagro Bean Field War*...If there is a funnier man than Jim Belushi it's Robin Williams...I don't want an Elvis Mastercard, I'm holding out for the Elvira...Quote o' the day: "How can I be a nonconformist if I don't do what the rest of them are doing?" - Dakota Montana. . . I don't know about you, but, when I read Captain 6-pack a few issues back, I went right out and made a pair of beer goggles, (okay, actually they were Coca-Cola goggles, but the spirit was there)...

Oops, I hit that paragraph button again, oh well, it's too late to go back now...I need some little green jelly beans...just what do you think you are doing? Okay, here is the plan, I capture some young Greek, hypnotize him (giving him a code phrase like "why don't you play some solitaire" so that when he sees a red queen he goes into a trance), force him to run for ASB President next year (no doubt he will win), then force him to disband the ASB from within — or has it been done... The Rascals' first single is now available for a paltry sum at K-mart behind the Zamphir — master of pan flute — album...one of the perks to this job, is being able to read the Bloom County strips before anyone...I don't think the space shuttle was such a big deal...CDs are the work of the devil...if their is a smoother man than Sammy Davis Jr., then I don't have to patronize that cat and I mean that because there is a lot of love in this room...For those of you who did not know, Dusty (the American dream, the man of the hour, the tower of power, moves so sweet he cannot be sour) Rhodes (in pulik if you will) is actually the producer of the same show in which he wrestles — God bless America...In my last column I mentioned clubbing baby seals. I would like to clear the air concerning my views on baby seal clubbing. I really dig the pronounced "thok" the pike makes as it enters the base of the skull. However, as Chris Bell pointed out to me, Greg Louganis made the same sound when he hit the springboard.

Automatic Teller machines are a gift from heaven...I just can't stop when I get started...

I'm tired, boys and girls, it is way too early to try to write this thing...I think I'll stop sort of suddenly, maybe in the middle of a war...

Thinking ahead about a career

By DAVID ROBINSON

Presbyterian Student Fellowship Pastor

What do you want to be when you grow up? That's one of the big questions kids ask themselves. My six-year-old is sure he wants to be a policeman. I wanted to be an Indian. Somehow, I didn't quite understand the difference between an ethnic group and a career.

Most people coming to college don't have that childhood question figured out. Most of the students I talk with have changed their major at least once. Many have changed as many as five or six times. And of course, just because you know what your major is doesn't mean that you are sure what career is best for you. How many history majors are out there today flipping burgers?

The matter of choosing a career can really be quite a challenge, especially in middle-class America where even the sky is no limit. Never in the history of humanity have there been so many options open for you to choose from.

So how do I know what is the best career for me? By asking yourself a lot of questions.

Interests and Desires: What do I enjoy doing most? What are my hobbies? How do I like to spend my free time? What do I most desire? What brings me most inner fulfillment?

Gifts and Abilities: What am I good at? In what areas do I excel? What special gifts has God given me? What seems to come easily and naturally to me?

Personality Traits: Who am I? What makes me unique? What kind of temperament do I have? What is my personality makeup?

Experiences: What experiences have I had (including at home, in school, in jobs, in church, with clubs, in leisure time, in travels, in readings and elsewhere) which have helped shape me into who I am today?

Significant People: Who has made an impact on my life for good? Besides my parents, what other people stand out in my past and present as having a significant effect on my life? Who are my mentors? Who are my heroes?

Dreams and Goals: What are my dreams for a career? What would my ideal job description be? What have I done or am I now doing to strive towards these ideals? What goals have I set for myself for this year? Five years from now? Are my goals measurable? Have I broken my goals down into specific steps and options?

Personal Preferences: What are my geographical preferences for a career? How far away would I be willing to relocate? What income level do I desire? What kind of lifestyle do I want? What sort of work setting is important to me?

Faith: How have I involved God in my decision-making process? How could I allow God to be more actively involved? Am I trusting in God to guide me as I make decisions about my career, or am I trying to figure it all out on my own?

Yes, there is a lot you can do on your own. Let me encourage you to go to the Guidance Center on campus (KUC room 329), take some of the occupational interests tests which are free and available to all students and look into some of the hundreds of careers about which they have information on their computer.

There are also hundreds of books on the subject. Some of the information for this article was taken from Martin

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Letter Policy

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Address all letters to Sidelines, Box 42, or come by Room 310 James Union Building.

Letters to the Editor

Gays discussed enough for now

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to the current preoccupation with homosexuality here on campus. The first thing that I wish to comment on is, consider if you will the percentage of homosexuals on campus and the amount of space in the paper devoted to this special interest group. Second, the practice of punishing the group for the actions of a few.

The homosexual activity in the restrooms, committed by a few, caused everyone who uses the rooms to be punished by the removal of the doors. Was this just an easy way of avoiding dealing with the perpetrators? Or is this because, to label those who use the rooms for sexual purposes as homosexual, would put the president in such a bad light that he would rather avoid it?

Consider if you will the articles printed in the Nashville papers and the way they caused the president and the school to be viewed. It is sad that special interest groups can wield that much power and cause those of us who have no special interest power to suffer these indignities.

One other point, is this sexual discrimination? Would the president have done the same thing to the women's room and would the women have stood for it? Somehow I doubt it.

Hopefully, this will be the last article on homosexuality here on campus and we can move on to something new. I do not even want to see an article commenting on the restoration of the doors. I would just like to see them put back on.

R.J. "Stumpy" Binder
Box 5487

To the Editor:

This is in response to the editorial that appeared in *Sidelines* on the 3rd of October. Since Mr. Stults decided to print a statement out of context that I made this summer in such a way as to make it appear that I am a racist which is not the case I thought I should respond.

First I admit I made the statement. However, I was discussing the comparison of apartheid when compared to other social injustices in the world's history. After making the statement I immediately said that "that did not come out right, it's not what I mean." I then went on to explain a plan that the U.N. has proposed that many African nations support, which calls for a canton system similar to Switzerland's to be set up in South Africa.

If Mr. Stults had talk with Mr. Ted White, director of minority affairs, he would have found out about the work for minority students I have done on this campus. In January I fought against strong opposition and won the release

of funds to the Minority Affairs office in order to bring Leone Bennett, the editor of *Ebony* magazine, to speak on campus. Since then I have fought to bring a debate on apartheid to this campus. I am happy to report that just last week after a long bitter argument it was finally approved.

I also would like to add that after reading the article I was able to discuss it with Mr. Stults. In that discussion he admitted to remembering my entire discussion. In fact he admitted to thinking that the statement that he printed did not fit with the rest of the views that I expressed that day. I hope that this letter clears up any confusion about my views on apartheid.

Victor John E. Vale II

(Editor's note: My sole admission to Mr. Vale concerning his statement was that, yes, he did give a vague extension of his views on apartheid on that day. However, neither then nor in this letter did he detail his plan. — D.S.)

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Clark's book, *Choosing Your Career*. Both the Guidance Center and Todd Library have listings of available resources for career decision-making.

But I want to also encourage you to involve God in your career decision making process. As the proverb goes: "A man's heart plans his way, but the LORD directs his steps." (Proverbs 16:9)



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SPORTS

Blue Raiders face Delta Devils

CECIL JOYCE
Sports Writer

Middle Tennessee gears up this week for their upcoming game with Mississippi Valley State.

The Blue Raiders are coming off of a heartbreaking 21-19 loss at the hands of Alcorn State last Saturday night.

When asked about last week's game, coach Boots Donnelly replied, "We played very poorly, our best drive of the night was the Greyhound ride home."

With the loss last week, MTSU fell from seventh to sixteenth in the latest Division I-AA poll.

Mississippi Valley is unranked.

The game will be played here at Johnny (Red) Floyd

Stadium at 1:30 p.m. MTSU enters the contest with a 3-2 mark, while Mississippi Valley comes in at 2-3, including a 45-7 defeat last week against Southern.

The Raiders are looking for answers to what happened to their once revived offense. The Raiders gained only 164 total yards in last week's defeat. Maybe it will come at the hands of Mississippi Valley.

Quarterback Marvin Collier is still trying to get on-track after a very poor performance last week (he completed only 2-of-13 passes for the night in the pouring rain. He was replaced

in the game by his backup, Phil Ironsides, who completed 5-of-12 for 42 yards.

Another player who may be in the hot seat at the moment is place kicker Joe Lisle, who missed two field goals that were in range Saturday night. This came after a record-setting performance the week earlier.

Mississippi Valley has been defeated this year by Tennessee State, 13-6, Jackson State, 35-14 and Southern, 45-7. They have defeated Miles 48-14 and Arkansas-Pine Bluff, 27-20.

This will be the second meeting between the two schools. MTSU won last year by a score of 38-7 in Memphis.

Mississippi Valley will be going with sophomore quarterback Willie Steward, who has completed 41

of 98 passes for 455 yards this season. When asked what he expects from this young quarterback, coach Donnelly said, "He has come a long way, I expect a heck of a lot more this year than I saw last year. He has a lot of talent."

Valley comes in with two fine running backs, Ronald Humphrey and Aundra Lambert. MTSU can expect to see a lot from both of these runners. "They have an excellent running game," coach Donnelly commented.

Mississippi Valley's main defensive player is Linebacker Tony Haggie, who has 30 tackles this year. MTSU encounters with their outstanding secondary, which have inter-

cepted the opposing quarterback twelve times, led by Don Thomas with five.

This will be the first day game of the year for MTSU, and maybe the first in three weeks in which it hadn't rained. Coach Donnelly, however, did not blame Saturday's loss on the poor weather.

"We just didn't execute the way we're capable of doing," he said.

Whatever the case may be, poor weather, bad offense, or defense, the Raiders need to find that missing link before this Saturday's game, and most definitely before their next OVC game in two weeks.

Things still look very optimistic for the OVC crown.

• Morehead State's tailback, Jerome Williams is the OVC Offensive Player of the Week. The sophomore running back rushed 24 times for a total of 136 yards and one touchdown in the Eagles' loss to Samford.

• Defensive Player of the Week honors were earned by Eastern Kentucky's Chris Coffey. The linebacker totaled 12 tackles, nine assists and one pass deflection in EKV's 10-0 win over Tennessee State. He also claimed one tackle for a loss.

• Eastern Kentucky and Tennessee Tech are tied for first place with MTSU in the OVC.

• MTSU, ranked seventh last week in Division I-AA poll, fell to 16th this week.

Auction and fishfry draws crowd

By Sports Writer
Jason Allen

The MTSU baseball team took a break from their workouts Monday, to host the annual Grand Slam Auction and Fish Fry.

The event, which took place at the Livestock Pavilion, is a benefit to help support the MTSU baseball program.

"Everything ran really smooth," said Head Coach Steve Peterson.

"It was just a tremendous job done by a lot of people. The Blue Raider Athletic Association, the people who cooked the food, the Jack Daniels Band, Beamon Pepsi...just to name a few," said Peterson.

"It was a joint effort by many people who really support MTSU baseball," said Peterson.

An all-you-can-eat catfish dinner was served from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. as the Jack Daniels Band entertained.

The auction started at 7:30 p.m., with everything from televisions to horses being auctioned off.

The Auction and Fish Fry drew a record crowd to the Livestock Pavilion and also raised a record amount of money for the baseball program.

"Every penny we earn goes into the baseball program," said Coach Peterson. "To compete at our level, it takes a lot of outside money, this event really helps us out."

"We had a lot of fun tonight," added Peterson. "There's a lot of work involved with it, but everyone had a good time doing it. It was a great success, and I'm sure I'll be writing thank you letters all week."

As for the baseball team itself, the Blue Raiders swing back into action today with a home game at 5 p.m. against Motlow State.

The fall baseball season is now winding down, and Coach Peterson seems optimistic about the way his team has looked.

"I think that we're gradually making improvements," said Peterson. "Our newcomers are realizing that they have to make some adjustments and that playing on the division one level is a little bit more difficult than they're used to. They're also adjusting to me, the coaches, and our practice routines."

role in the team's success, and Peterson is already seeing some positive signs.

"That will be the key to this team," admits Peterson. "We've had excellent leadership the past two seasons, which led to two championships. Our seniors seem to be picking up the tempo a little bit. There's no question it will be a de-

termining factor."

The Blue Raiders offense will not have the power of last year's club, but Peterson feels they can adjust.

"We're not going to be able to sit back and blow people away with our power. We'll have to steal bases, hit-and-run and use the sacrifice bunt."

The pitching staff will also have a new look this season.

"We don't have a Dave Richardson whose going to pitch great every time out, but we'll have more depth than our previous teams," said Peterson. "What quality that depth is, I don't know yet, we'll find out this spring."

Peterson went on to add, "we've set a goal to make the OVC tournament again, and we're not backing off."

Following today's game, the Blue Raiders wrap up the fall season with home games Oct. 9th against Volunteer St. (3 p.m.) and Oct. 12th against Western Ky. (5 p.m.).



Frank Conley/Staff

Even Head Basketball Coach Bruce Stewart and family showed up to eat at the fishfry Monday night. About 2,000 people showed up for the dinner and auction. Over \$1,500 was raised to benefit the MTSU Baseball Team.

Olympics Games just beginning

By MICHELLE
GALLOWAY
Sports Editor

Olympics!

Sorry, they aren't over.

Yes, they held their official closing ceremonies Sunday, but there is no doubt that someone, somewhere is already training for the next Games.

I know everyone is probably tired of the Olympics, considering they were on television almost every waking hour.

But it is the highest level of competition in which an amateur athlete can compete.

During the past two weeks, I have run marathons, jumped hurdles, played soccer and even played some water polo with the best amateur athletes in the world.

I mean the BEST in the world.

I've seen our best athletes win gold and I've also seen our best lose gold.

Yes, even those that lost were our best. They were included as a part of the U.S. package that went to

Seoul.

Not all could capture fame like Greg Louganis, Matt Biondi, Florence Griffith-Joyner and Carl Lewis.

The entire team dedicated four years of their life in hard practice and dedication just to earn the privilege of traveling to Seoul.

Think about the boxer that showed up late for his match, only to find out he had lost without even stepping into the ring.

That's got to hurt.

Speaking of boxers, who paid off the Korean officials anyway? We lost the gold medals, but we didn't actually lose the fights. What happened to fairness?

Our athletes gave up years of their lives for a few moments of competition.

But at least they didn't cheat.

I really feel sorry for the Canadians and Bulgarians.

Not the athletes that tried to win with drugs, but their embarrassed countrymen.

I couldn't believe those athletes would put their en-

tire lives in danger for some short-lived fame.

I saw the fastest man in the world become practically the dumbest man in the world overnight.

Ben Johnson was a fraud. He didn't earn the 100 meters gold medal, he earned what he received, public shame.

I saw weight-lifters lifting

incredible weight—waving good-bye to their competition because of their withdrawal from the Games.

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tive steroid test results.

Steroids was the lowpoint of the Olympics, and no matter what the case there was no excuse.

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LIFESTYLES

New fall season on TV

By GARY BUCHANAN
Lifestyles Editor

Editor's Note: This article is part two of a two-part series focusing on the new fall television season.

Don't touch that dial, sports fans, as we preview the second half of the new fall television season. If you remember our last episode, we left off with Wednesday evening with the visual offerings of the new season.

— Wednesday evenings this fall will be "old folks" night, with comedy veterans Dick Van Dyke and Mary Tyler Moore returning to the small screen.

They're not teamed up together, as with the classic *Dick Van Dyke Show*, but they are back-to-back on CBS each with their own sit-coms. Van Dyke, with son Barry stars in a show called, believe or not, *The Dick Van Dyke Show*.

The Mary Tyler Moore

show, yet unnamed, has not shot an episode yet, so it still remains a question mark. Both shows premiere on Oct. 26.

Unsolved Mysteries premiered its new season last night, and showed its usual potpourri of strange and sometimes interesting stories. Last night's episode, for example, dealt with UFO's and a teenage slasher. That's probably a lot of what you'll be seeing from them this fall.

Baby Boom and *Tattinger's* are NBC's Wednesday new offerings to the fall slate. *Baby Boom* stars Kate Jackson in this take-off of the movie which chronicled the life of a professional woman juggling a career and a baby. If you saw the movie, you won't recognize much, but the name in the small-screen version, but Jackson turns in some fine acting nonetheless.

Tattinger's is a stylish show created by the executive producer of *St. Elsewhere*, and now occupies its time slot. Lots of flash and style make this another show in the mold of *Miami Vice*, but revolving around the restaurant business, rather than a vice squad. Strange concept, huh?

— Thursday evening has belonged to NBC since the debut of *The Cosby Show*. Each year, the other networks have had shows going head to head with Cosby trying to break NBC's monopoly of the evening. This year is no different.

Knightwatch is going up against "the Cos," and will probably meet with the same fate as the others — cancellation. If it matters, *Knightwatch* deals with some young ruffians fighting for truth, justice, and the American way in the streets. I'm not sure if this

show would make it even if it weren't going against *Cosby*.

There is a bright spot on Thursday, and guess what, it's on NBC! Judd Hirsch, of *Taxi* fame, returns to television on *Dear John*, a sitcom about a man who joins a singles club shortly after his wife left him. *Dear John* is nestled comfortably between stalwarts *Cheers* and *L.A. Law*.

— Friday evening is basically returning with its old schedule — CBS dominating with the tandem of *Beauty and the Beast* and *Dallas*. NBC is trying something new called *Something Is Out There*, a story of a L.A.

policeman who falls in love with an alien, which sounds similar to *Beauty and the Beast*, if you ask me.

— Saturday is chock-full of new shows, as a total of five shows will be trying

their luck this fall. Among the highlights are CBS's *Dirty Dancing*, which will try to latch on to some of the movie's fame. Patrick Cassidy will be stepping into Patrick Swayze's role of Johnny Castle, with Melora Hardin taking the role of "Baby." This show should appeal many of the young and young at heart that saw the movie.

Peter Falk will resume his role of the trench-coated detective Columbo in *The ABC Mystery Movie*. Burt Reynolds and Louis Gossett, Jr. are also on tap for these weekly movie specials.

Well, this is a tidbit of the new season. This year we'll be seeing some old friends, and making some new ones. Stay tuned, TV fans, to see if they meet the standards of a hit, or if they dive head-first into the bottomless pit of cancellations.

Family Day on Saturday

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MTSU's Family Day is slated for Saturday, October 8, at 9:30 on the Murphy Center track.

The theme of this year's Family Day is *Shape the Future*, and will feature recent graduates who have attained success in various fields of endeavor.

Guests for Family Day will include:

- Larry Paragis, air-personality for WSM, 95-FM.
- Laura Mulloy, personal shopper and fashion consultant for Castner Knott
- Mike McDonald, Attorney and special consultant to Mayor Bill Boner of Nashville.

— Geoffrey Herring, a loan officer from Mid-South Bank,

and many others will be on hand to discuss how they began, their current jobs, how they chose their careers, and how MTSU prepared them for their futures.

MTSU faculty members will be on hand in booths to answer questions that students, parents, and prospective students will have about the university or their field of study.

Student ambassadors will also be on hand to conduct guided tours of campus to parents and anyone interested.

The cost for the Family Day activities is \$6, which covers the lectures and question/answer sessions, an all-you-can-eat lunch in one of the campus cafeterias, and a ticket to an afternoon of Blue Raider football game as MTSU clashes with Mississippi Valley.

For more information on the Family Day activities, contact the Office of Public Relations at 2919, or the Admissions Office at 2111.

Working for a living

By JENNIE OGG
Special to Sidelines

She does not carry a gun nor handcuffs. Her only weapon is a flashlight. She claims her job requires absolutely no intelligence. If you can stay awake until 2:30 a.m. and put a key in a hole, you could qualify as well.

Valerie Costantini is a native New Yorker, a sophomore RIM major and a MTSU residence security guard.

She claims her job is not as bad as most people think, because it really does not require that much work.

She reports to duty at 11:00 p.m. and catches up on her homework while residents wander home. At the proper time, she locks the lobbies and then grabs a little sleep from 2:30 a.m. until 7 a.m.

Sound tough? Not so, says Costantini. The only requirements for the job is someone who is "trustworthy, responsible to stay the whole time and know what is acceptable and what is not."

As you can probably imagine, Constantini has had some odd things happen to

her while on duty.

"A strange guy wandered in and asked 'Can you type?' I told him 'No, I'm on duty.' He was acting really weird. When he left, I watched him as he drove backwards to the K.O.M. He came back again and asked if I was sure I couldn't type for him.

"Later security caught up with him, and they told me he was just going to the different lobbies trying to find someone to type for him," Constantini recalls.

Constantini does rounds to check out all doors and around the outside of the building where she is working that night. Despite the late hours and her solitary walk, she is not frightened.

She does, however, prefer certain places to work for security reasons. She doesn't like to work at Highrise or Cummings because the guards are unable to see the elevators from the desk. She doesn't like to work Lyon lobby for another reason. She says that the new furniture is uncomfortable to sleep in, because you can't put your feet on it.



Holly Hunter, William Hurt and Albert Brooks star in "Broadcast News," which plays this month at the K.U.C. Cinema.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

The Tennessee Livestock Center announces a Tennessee Fall Jersey Show and Sale on Friday October 7, at 6:30 p.m., and Saturday October 8, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Approximately 120 head of cattle will be shown and 30 head of cattle will be sold. Admission to the show is free.

"Wise Guys" (R) is the current movie in the K.U.C. Cinema. Showtimes are at 3:30, 6:00, and 8:30 p.m.

Y-107 will present their annual *Boomsday*, a fall fireworks spectacular, Saturday evening at Riverfront Park in Nashville. Activities will be going on all day for the 1988 "Riverfest" at the downtown park.



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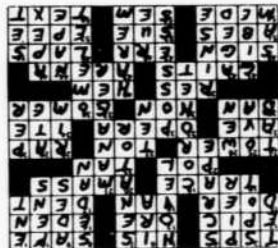


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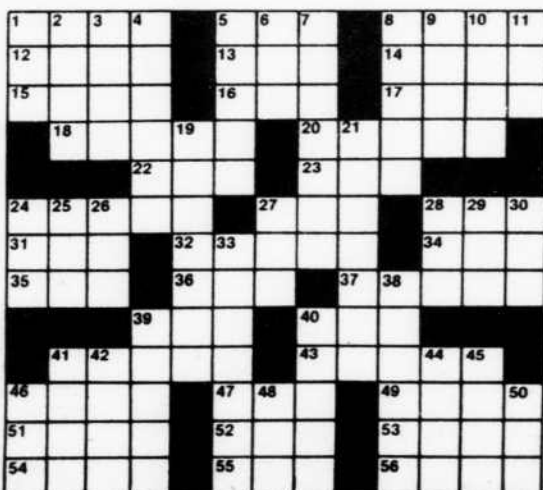
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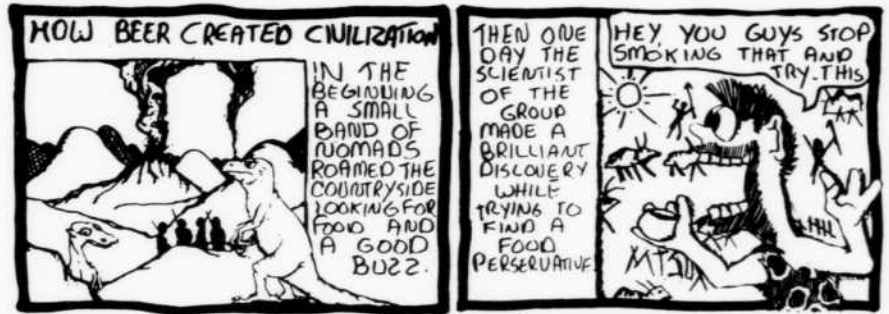
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31. Hall
32. Musical drama
34. Native (suf.)
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10. Marshes
11. Ear, Nose, Throat (abbr.)
19. Prince's crown
21. Person in charge
24. Projection
25. Eggs
26. Cyst
27. Number
28. Edge
29. Dined
30. Each
33. Haas
38. Egg dish
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