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TBR announces final four candidates

SHANTELL KIRKENDOLL
News Editor

Only four candidates remain in the MTSU presidential search according to an announcement made Monday by Tennessee Board of Regents chancellor, Otis Floyd.

Last week the search committee reinstated two candidates who they felt should be considered for the position. The field was increased to 11 finalists after this meeting.

Finalists in the search are:

•E. Grady Bogue, chancellor at Louisiana State University in Shreveport, La. Bogue is the only candidate with local ties. He is a native of Memphis where he earned three degrees from Memphis State and served as an administrator for 10 years. Bogue has served as chancellor of Louisiana State since July of 1980.

•James E. Walker vice president for academic affairs and provost at University of Northern Colorado. Walker earned his degrees in education at Atlanta University and earned his doctorate degree at Pennsylvania State.

Walker has served as provost since 1988.

•Verna L. Armstrong vice president for administration and finance at Eastern Illinois University. She earned her degrees in pharmacology from the University of Cincinnati and received her pharmacy license in 1962. She has served as vice president of Eastern Illinois since 1985.

•Billy J. Franklin president of Lamar University-Beaumont in Texas. Franklin has presided as president of Lamar since 1985; previously, he served as president of Texas A&I University for 4 years. He did undergraduate and graduate work at the University of Texas and earned his doctoral degree there in 1969.

Franklin was reinstated as a candidate by the search committee after the withdrawal of Donald Bowen. Bowen was offered the presidency of a Texas university.

"Interviews will be confirmed in the next two or three weeks," said Richard Rhoda of the Tennessee Board of Regents.

Floyd intends to make a recommendation for president

at the Dec. 7 meeting of the Tennessee Board of Regents.

"However a special meeting may be called by the chancellor considering the situation at MTSU, Chattanooga State Tech and Shelby State Community College," said Rhoda.

These schools are presently operating under an interim president. Floyd is responsible for selecting permanent presidents for these schools as well as Memphis State and Tennessee State. He was not available for comment.

Interviews with the finalists will be open to the public as opposed to the private meetings held by the search committee for the past year. Murfreesboro's *The Daily News Journal* filed suit against the TBR for closing the advisory meetings. According to an October 1989 federal court decision the TBR was not in violation of the Tennessee Sunshine Law which stipulates that all governmental meetings must be open to the public.

The position of MTSU president has been vacant since January 1990 when Sam Ingram resigned. ■

Homecoming queens, senators to be elected

Staff Reports

The list of candidates for ASB senators and homecoming queen was released by the ASB office on Tuesday.

Elections will be held Oct. 16 and 17 and polls will open from 8:30 a.m. till 4:30 p.m. on the second floor of the KUC and Peck Hall. Polls will reopen from 5:30 p.m. till 6:15 p.m. for students who attend night school.

Candidates for freshmen senators are: Angela Douglass, Pat A. Elrod, James Ali Boore, Kevin Ragland and Malcomb Edward Bellamy.

Candidates for sophomore sen-

ator are: Elisa P. Hupp, Todd Hill, Todd Abner, Shawn P. Reese and Ashley Baucomm.

Terika Shigh is the only candidate for junior senator.

The 1990 homecoming queen will also be selected during these elections. The winner will be announced during halftime of the homecoming football game scheduled Oct. 27.

Homecoming queen candidates are: Amber Dotts, Denise Trent, Julie Shawn, Christina Baker, Angie Williams, Tosha Nonley, Deana Beaty, Tonja Phillips, Kathie Gentry, Christy Gre-

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MTSU home economics to host open house for all

Nedra Richardson
Staff Writer

The MTSU Home Economics faculty will host an open house for the university, community, and alumni on Oct. 5 and 6, at the Ellington Home Economic Building.

Friday, Oct. 5, the building will be open for tours from 2-6 p.m. Saturday, June Henton, dean of the college of Human Sciences at

Auburn University, will speak on "Professionalism and Ethics" at 1:00 p.m. Tours will immediately follow.

The Ellington Home Economics Building was closed for renovation from May, 1989 until January, 1990. Improvements made during that time involve several structural changes including: the renovation of the

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Paved with good intentions



David Harding/Staff

CONCRETE FOR SIDEWALKS: Workers pour cement for the sidewalks that wind around, and between the portables set up behind the Bragg Graphic Arts building. The sidewalks connect the portables with main walkways and lead to the BGA so faculty, whose offices are in the portables, can use the building's restrooms.

Students to pre-register

REBECCA STONE
Staff Writer

Beginning Spring semester 1991, students will no longer wait in long lines and rush to get class cards at registration.

The long-awaited Student Information System (SIS) will be put into use the first week of November to pre-register students, according to Roger Sims, director of admissions.

Students already enrolled will begin the registration process Nov. 5 at the new scheduling center in the James Union Building, Sims said. Re-enrollment students and new students will register Jan. 8. As in the past, students with the most hours will register first.

The registration process will involve meeting with a data entry person who will enter the class choices into the computer. If a class is closed, the student will have a few moments to make another choice.

The bill will be sent to the student in the mail, and it must be paid by Jan. 5. It will show deductions for scholarships, loans, and other financial aid, and the final amount must be paid.

Students will be required to come to endorse financial aid checks in January, according to Beth Parker, Assistant Director of

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Campus Capsule

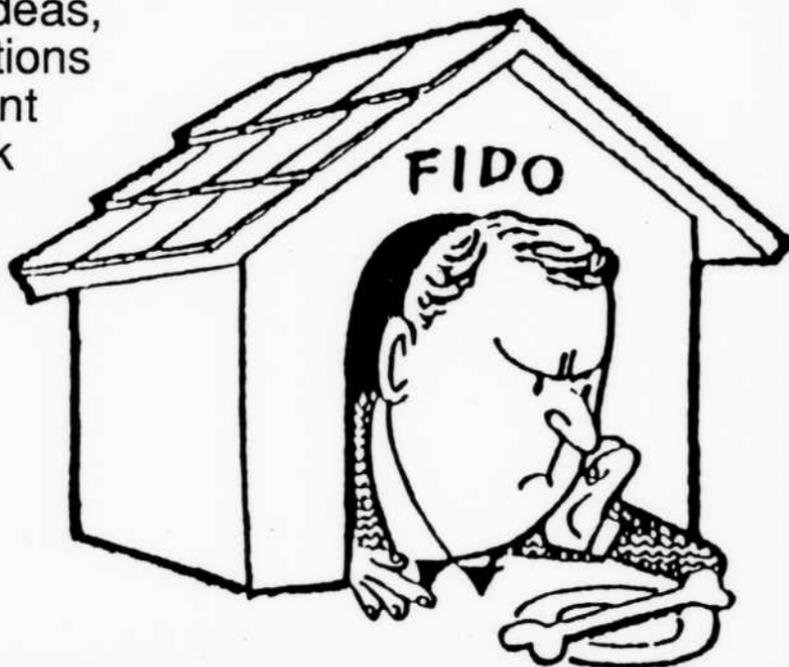
Campus Capsule is a service provided by *Sidelines* for non-profit campus groups. If you have a notice that you would like to run in Campus Capsule, please submit typewritten or printed

information to our office in the James Union Building, Room 310. Items must be received by Tuesday at noon for Wednesday's paper and Friday at 4 p.m. for Monday's. Inclusion is not

guaranteed and is based on available space.

An exhibit of Japanese containers will be featured in the lobby of the Cope Administration Building

Hey Students!! Help us get the *Midlander* out of the "dog house." We, the students, are tired of boring yearbooks and we want to make some changes. If you have some solutions, talent for writing or art, great feature ideas, or any suggestions for improvement come and work with us on the 1991 staff or call us at 898-2815.



throughout October. For more information, contact the Japan Center of Tennessee at 898-2229.

Gamma Beta Phi will have a fund raising table from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. today in the basement of the KUC. The first meeting is Monday, Oct. 8, at 6:30 p.m. in the Multi-Media Room.

Attention! The MTSU Home Economics Faculty will host an open house tomorrow. Come see the newly renovated facilities, meet the faculty and visit with students. The building will be open from 2 to 6 p.m.

The Campus AA Unity Group will meet tomorrow at 7 p.m. in Room 312 of the KUC.

Habitat for Humanity Meeting: Monday, Oct. 8, 6:30 p.m. KUC, Room 312.

Do you dig culture? Interest meeting for new anthropology society is tomorrow at 2 p.m. in Peck Hall, Room 317. For more information, call Darby at 898-3866 or Keith at 893-0123.

The MTSU Department of Music presents a Faculty Recital. David Loucky, Trombone and Euphonium; Polly Brecht, Piano and Organ. Wright Music Building, Oct. 11, at 8 p.m.

All organizations interested

in competing in Homecoming must attend a contestants' meeting Tuesday, Oct. 9, in Room 305 of the KUC at 5 p.m.

Attention STEA members: Picnic meeting Tuesday, Oct. 9, 4 to 5:30 p.m. at Dr. Bergman's house, 1511 Elrod. Bring a sweatshirt for sweatshirt painting. Food will be served but people must sign up at either KOM bulletin board or at Dr. Bergman's office. For more information, call Diane Giles, STEA president, at 459-5647.

Chi Omega presents: Concerned about Campus Safety. Come learn about self-defense Monday, Oct. 8, at 8 p.m. in Room 324 of the KUC. REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED.

The Murfreesboro Young People's Group of Alcoholics Anonymous has meetings every Wednesday at 8 p.m. at 601 Bell St. It is an open meeting and all interested in finding about recovery from alcoholism are welcome. If you need additional information or a ride to the meeting, call Rick at 898-3190.

A second pledge meeting will be tonight, for anyone interested in joining Pi Sigma Epsilon, National Sales and Marketing Fraternity. It is at 5 p.m. in KOM, Room 452. Don't forget, dues must be paid at this meeting!

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Financial Aid. If a student does not pay before Jan. 5, he or she will lose the classes and will have to register again on Jan. 9.

"This will be a much better system for students," said Cliff Gillespie, dean of admissions, records, and information systems. "This is the first of some major changes in the way we offer student services. The next change will be telephone registration."

Departmental chairmen and their secretaries will receive extensive training in order to better serve the students with the new system. Faculty, staff, and students are invited to a general orientation session to get a preview of SIS on Thurs. Oct. 4, at 9 a.m. in the Keathley University Center Theatre. ■

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Food Science Laboratory, installing a central air conditioning system, enlarging the secretary's office, and increasing office space for additional faculty.

A visual merchandising display case was added for use in the fashion promotion class required of all fashion merchandising majors. In this class, students gain "hands-on" experience in visual merchandising by the planning and execution of a storefront window display.

In addition to the building improvements, many areas have new furnishings. Student desks, chairs, and drafting tables have been added or replaced. A computer lab was also established in response to increased computer usage in several classes.

For more information concerning the Open House, contact Ernestine Reeder, home economics chairman, at 898-2884. ■

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gory, Angie Kilgore, Angela Trussell, Lynn Dotson, Kelly Mason, Tonya Johnston, Kathryn Wolaver, Dawn Lischke, Tracy Harvill, Elizabeth Cavender, La Shawn Turner, Kelly DeVore, Rhonda North, Jamie Garmon and Kelly Short. ■

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Opinions

Afternoon classes: better than Oprah

It is time for MTSU to explore the final frontier of education — time.

No, we're not talking about shorter classes or longer breaks, however welcome that might be. Instead, it's time that the school begins to consider scheduling classes during the last unexplored area of scholastic time — the afternoon.

There are now classes beginning at 7 a.m., about as early as humans are capable of learning. There are also a fair amount of evening classes now offered. That leaves the time between 2 and 6 p.m., now relatively untouched by classes.

As enrollment soars and classroom space remains static, the logical thing to do is schedule more classes in our existing classrooms. For many students who work in the mornings, it's makes more sense to take classes in the afternoon than to wait for night classes.

Look, what the hell else are you going to do at 4 p.m. on a Wednesday afternoon? Watch Oprah? Go on a nature hike to Walter Hill? Sit around on your butt eating Keebler Magic Middle Cookies reading *People* and listening to old Aerosmith albums?

If you're going to be wasting your time, you might as well be wasting it in class. You may fall asleep, but at least you stand a chance of sleep learning something useful with a professor droning on and on in the background.

Seriously, the primary thing that additional classes would require is additional teachers. Since the state board of regents seems loath to appropriate the large sums for capital construction projects, perhaps they would be more willing to shell out the bucks for faculty, instead.



Letters to the Editor

Pull Out! Pull Out!

To the editor:
Red, White and Blue, flows the blood.
America your majesty can no longer flood.
Send those lads across the sea,
To die for lack of energy.
What can you say?
Nothing I bet.
But you'll certainly never get *your* feet wet.

Those boys so tired hold down the fort,
Black, white and other; every sort.
Eyes swollen from pain, bulged and round.
Hands behind back; yellow ribbon bound.
Chant your chants and beat your chest,
Soon you all, will get your rest.

Rat-a-tat-tat goes every heartbeat,
Drums march onward; impaled feet.
Take off your hat and give it, these men.
For our leader not you, do they defend.
Our fuel is so precious, so needed today.
That millions could die, least stand in its way.

One barrel of oil, holds a thousands souls.
Climb up and out men, fast drop these roles.
Hearts stop, legs drop, tears pour,

As man in green suit,
knocks on momma's door.
How much will need die?
They'll take it how far?
Listen to me.
Stop this hell.
Park your car.

Jonathan L. Alivs
Box 7830

MTSU campus planning an oxymoron

To the editor:

All of us know oxymorons. You know, those words that we use that don't really go together. Phrases like jumbo shrimp, civil war, cruel kindness, or my favorite - military intelligence. I would like to add another: campus planning.

When I first came to MTSU ten years ago, I was struck by the beauty and relative uncrowded nature of our campus. Now, of course, growth has added many students and faculty to our campus and space, or lack thereof, has become a problem. How fortunate we are, I thought, to have the land to expand. Instead, what have we done? We continue to build in the center of campus! I was relieved when the Bell Street parking area was blocked, but I watched in great sadness as the beautiful trees surrounding Jones Hall were cut. There was nothing to be done, it was all in the "campus plan". What foolish people we

are! There is plenty of space for additional buildings away from the center of campus. I can't believe the only solution for much-needed space is to add on to an old building. Instead of relieving parking and congestion we only make it worse!

As John Prine said when TVA and the coal companies destroyed his beloved Muhlenberg County, "...and they wrote it all down to the progress of man". Yes, campus planning! An oxymoron with which all of us at MTSU can be more comfortable.

Dr. Joel Hausler
School of Business
Box 236

Column's ideas helped

To the editor:

I am writing in response to a July 11, 1990 opinion column by Chris Bell titled, "Who do self-help books help?" Please run this column again during the fall semester so that students who did not attend MTSU the past summer will have a chance to read it.

I believe it can "help" others as it has helped me. I am one of those many people you referred to who have genuine problems and are up to their necks in turmoil, and your column was encouraging and eye-opening. I have reached an important point in my life where I am tired of being afraid. I know that there

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are others who are also where I am at or somewhere along life's path who could use a supportive voice. Your words were strong yet gentle at the same time. For those who have been hurt by so many other voices, I believe yours in this column can only help to open eyes, hearts, and minds. Thank you.

Charissa Jones
Box 1303

Editorial promoted negative attitudes

To the editor:

I am writing in response to the *Sidelines* editorial which appeared in the Sept. 24 issue. To refresh your memory, you were blasting off about the school's new portable "housing project." This article was extremely offensive. Since when are housing projects and trailers characterized by chickens, Chevys on blocks, or brightly colored mailboxes? Your phrasing was insulting to rural America. It's bad enough that many people in the North associate the South with trash and bare feet; must our own newspaper perpetuate the ignorance? In addition, in this article you claimed that the cost for this undertaking was \$210,000, while in the Sept. 20 issue, you said it was \$140,000. I do not know what the actual cost is, but you could at least be consistent with your facts.

Personally, I do not find the trailers grossly unattractive. Considering the fact the the university is sorely pressed for office space, the administration acted very appropriately in acting to create new, immediate, temporary space. And, as John Harris said, the offices have not created any major problems for handicapped students. We all have to make some allowances for the buildings, but I don't think any of us will die from the effort. This "half-assed" article is proof to me that things on this campus are in pretty good shape. After all, if there is nothing more pressing for *Sidelines* to complain about than moderately ugly buildings which pose moderate problems for MTSU students, then we can all relax and concentrate on our fall finals.

Derek Mullican
Box 5466

Racial equality means equality for all

To the editor:

First, I would like to say that I feel that there is no difference between blacks and whites, other than certain physiological features. A brain has no race, neither does a heart or another internal organ of a human.

In support of Ms. Chandler's Sept. 27 letter, I chose to write also. I personally have many friends from several different races and don't feel any certain

person due to his race is a better or worse friend. So what's going on here? Who's printing these shirts? Who cares? It does not bother me if someone feels comfortable wearing a shirt claiming that black people are smarter (of course I'm assuming that the "Blacker the college...the sweeter the knowlege" means that black individuals are smarter).

But I will say this. There are some people which this statement would make very angry. Sure, a person would say "good, let 'em get mad!" But hey, what is the intent of achieving racial equality? Is it to convince racists that not only are minorities equal to white people, they are smarter? Come on.

I don't believe Martin Luther King ever preached on black supremacy. Nor did he ever say black equality by white dequality.

Isn't there a black student, or any student, for that matter, who will defend these shirts? Write. Let your ideas be heard. I really think a shirt acknowledging black ability is great. But how about "Black and White, together again," "My blood's red. What color is yours?" If the creator of this shirt is in the audience, could he please stand up!

Jonathan Alvis
Box 7830

Schneller corrects letter writer

To the Editor:

[Regarding the letter from Richard Pearl] You need to get your facts straight. There were 37 students enrolled in the Deviant Behavior class which you took in 1987. According to the record, 4 students dropped the class. My records show that you added the course, one-third of the class did not drop, as you quoted.

I believe any teacher will confirm the fact that students drop and add classes during the first week of school because of personal rescheduling and a host of other reasons. Four people dropping the class actually seems like a fairly low number, especially when the section had been reasigned.

Richard, I'm sorry you seem to feel the need to smear me and the Deviant Behavior class. Smear tactics (ad hominy arguments) prove nothing.

I would like to extend to you an invitation to discuss publicly the abortion issues. If my facts are only subjective opinions, as you seem to think they are, you will have the opportunity to prove this. What you will find is that I rely on object facts.

Richard, please note that what appears to be an organized smear campaign on the Opinion page of *Sidelines* is not working. Students are already asking to get into my scheduled class for next semester. Thought you should know.

Dr. Don Schneller
Box 10

Pro-life logical choice

To the Editor:

I find myself obliged to explain the reason for this letter, as well as the feelings behind it before getting to the point.

The desire to write this letter was brought on as a result of reading a pair of letters printed in the *Sidelines* over the past week. The first from a J. Aubrey, the second from an L. Jordan (they will forgive me if I incorrectly remember their names). These two individuals obviously appear to be of the Pro-Choice persuasion, and I respect their right to present their views, however, I simply find it impossible to resist the desire to point out the simple facts they (along with most Pro Choice advocates) seem to ignore (or not care enough to find out about). If they, or anyone else disputes my remarks, then please research them and discover the truth yourself. I offer them this as a written invitation.

When I sat down to compose this letter, I admit I had every intention of blasting the two above mentioned persons with every derogatory adjective I could think of, printable or not!!! Now, I simply feel a need to express my opinions in a reasonable manner, accompanied by Hard Facts!!!

For your consideration:

Abortion rights proponents go out of their way to give you the impression that the extreme is the normal, and that the exception is the rule. I am here to tell you that abortion is absolutely NOT the "last resort" measure that Mr. J. Aubrey would have you believe; as a matter of fact, over 4 out of 5 abortions performed in this country are simply "convenience abortions!!" (Those truly aware of the percentages will attest that this estimate is LOW!) Mr. Aubrey further comments to the effect that Pro Lifers (Dr. Schneller in particular, but his sentiment is technically directed at the entire movement) have no feeling or compassion for the life of the mother. This is simply not true, but let's not forget, as I previously stated, the vast majority of abortions performed are NOT to protect the mother's life (the exception), nor are most women going to engage in a "back-alley" abortion (the extreme).

To simplify the fact that the large majority of abortions are of "convenience" type, consider the obvious fact we must face is that these abortions are literally used as a form of BIRTH CONTROL!!!

Now let's move on to Mr. Jordan's comments. He stated that he "found it interesting how Pro Lifers... refer to the Bible for support." I am a firm Pentecostal Christian, and yet I NEVER turn to the Scriptures for support of my position on this issue!! However, this in no way implies that

the support isn't there! Simply that support from that source is not necessary to expose the Pro Choice argument as misguided. But, that is not the point of this letter nor of the discussion. Mr. Jordan also referred to "the women who is enacting her civil right to do as she chooses with her own body." Bravo, Mr. Jordan, but do you suppose that for just one moment, since we are now the "champions of freedom of choice" (I like the way that sounds), we could request the choice of a very involved second party who has been completely ignored by all the WOMAN'S CHOICE chanters?? CAN WE ASK THE UNBORN CHILD IF IT CHOOSES FOR HIS/HER MOTHER TO DESTROY HIM/HER SIMPLY BECAUSE HE/SHE POSES AN INCONVENIENCE?? No, of course not, but then we've never considered this have we??

So you call yourself Pro Choice, huh? WHO'S CHOICE? The mother's or the child's? "Respect a woman's choice?" BALONEY, more like, "It's OK for her to kill this child because it poses an inconvenience to her." This may be a very bold thing to say, but I honestly feel that any pregnant woman who could actually see her unborn child (I mean SEE it's developing bodily parts) could NEVER have a "convenience" abortion. Ladies, go to the library and take a look at A CHILD IS BORN; this is an excellent book on the unborn child.

Now, I am not unfeeling or without compassion for any woman who has had an abortion, but the honest fact that most women feel some degree of remorse after an abortion seems to make it crystal-clear that something just isn't right here!!

I also wish to express that I

don't believe that a woman should be required to give birth to a child under ANY and ALL circumstances, I know, I know, all the Pro Lifer readers just screamed "Traitor, traitor, you're riding the fence! Make up your mind, are you for or against abortion! All or nothing, no compromise!!!" Sorry guys, this is about the only point on which we part company. If the mother's life is TRULY endangered, or if there is UNDENIABLE evidence of birth defects, then I could not in good conscience blame any woman for aborting her child. BUT, here I must insert my Christian values for just a moment; with God, all things are possible! Don't we still believe this?? 80 percent of the population DOES CLAIM to be Christian (I think maybe a lot of people are fibbing just a bit, but it's not my job to judge). If a Christian woman doesn't rely on God, well... let's just say that personally I, as stated above, can't blame her for choosing an abortion.

OK, I feel I've established that if you look at the facts, you really can't help but come to the conclusion that most abortions are very simply WRONG! If the fact that I've allowed a few exceptions makes me a traitor to my cause, then let them call me a traitor, I've been called worse (and probably will be by most Pro Choice readers).

Well, I've had my say, but let me leave you with this one very disturbing thought: AREN'T YOU GLAD YOU ARE (WERE) NOT THE ONE OUT OF EVERY FOUR BABIES ABORTED IN THIS COUNTRY SINCE ROE VS WADE???

Think about it!

D.W. Field
Box 6135

Celebrate your talent!

The deadline is rapidly approaching for submissions to *Collage*, MTSU's magazine of the creative arts. The student magazine is only as good as the students who submit material. If you're interested in improving the quality of our magazine, then please bring submissions to:

The James Union Building
Room 306
By 4:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 5

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Features

Voices power Ladysmith to success

CHRIS BELL
Managing Editor

No smoke bombs. No studded leather jackets. No lasers. Not even a 45-minute drum solo.

Just voices.

The human voice was our first musical instrument. Tuesday's concert by Ladysmith Black Mambazo showed that even in a digital age, it is still our most powerful.

The South African *a cappella* group performed here as part of "Singing in Two Worlds," a day-long examination of the links between American and African vocal music. A seminar was held Tuesday afternoon and that evening's concert featured Ladysmith, along with American groups The Princely Players and The Birmingham Sunlights.

Attendance was a little sparse, with the Tucker Theatre filled by only two-thirds. While the crowd was reserved throughout much of the show, both Ladysmith and the Sunlights worked dilligently at getting them involved.

At one point, half-a-dozen audience members were pulled on the stage to sing with Ladysmith, including Student Programming's own Georgia Dennis. Later, a few people got up and danced, and by the end of the evening most of the crowd sang along as the members of all three groups got together on stage.

What may have kept some people away was the prospect of trying to understand a group that doesn't use instruments and doesn't sing in English.

However, when they felt like it, the 10-member ensemble managed to generate as much interplay between their voices as any high-tech prog-rock outfit. The members of Ladysmith showed amazing control of their voices, alternating blasting highs with whispering lows and interspersing many songs with animal and percussion sounds.

The stories told before the songs and the group's energetic dancing and gestures also helped the audience understand the basic thrust of the lyrics, if not



David Hardinge/Staff

TEN PART HARMONY: The members of Ladysmith Black Mambazo entertained a large audience in the Tucker theatre Tuesday night.

the finer details. Like James Brown, when the group moved, it wasn't just to show off; it was an essential part of the show.

There were (in English at least) no direct references to apartheid or the political turmoil that cur-

rently is sweeping their homeland. But Ladysmith's songs, with their themes common to all cultures, helped prove that "Two Worlds, One Heart," is just the start.

MTSU's Center for Popular

Music and the Student Programming deserve a great deal of praise for this concert. Let's hope future efforts will be as fun and meaningful as this one. ■

'Hardware' offers grim view of future

JOE BOB BRIGGS
Drive-In movie critic

The High Sheriffs in Dallas sponsored a contest last month called "Any Idiot Can Write Like Joe Bob," and the results — let's see, how can I say this — the re-

sults were...uh...scary. Not only did the contestants come up with 984 new words for female breasts. Not only did they manage to figure out every cheap trick I've used for the last nine years. But an enormous number of them wrote with the assumption that:

a) anyone who writes like Joe Bob must have a venereal disease, b) anybody who writes like Joe Bob must be drunk at least 18 hours a day, and c) anybody who writes like Joe Bob could never get a woman to go to bed with him.

These are, of course, *lies* and misconceptions. A woman went to bed with me in 1984.

A few excerpts from the thousands of entries (actually it was only 200, but everyone expects me to be a *liar* too):

"In the Middle Ages, when a woman started acting a little out of line and a sensible Middle Ages guy had trouble understandin her, a well-trained doctor would come and drain off a few quarts of blood — usually from a small hole drilled behind the ear. Every once in a while, a lady would die from this, but that isn't the point. The point is that they *tried*."

"I just wanted to tell you, Joe Bob, that you and Festus Hagan are my idols."

"Two girls, both blonde, both seventeen, and both with the same venereal infection, Kim and Colleen discovered their friendship was destined to be."

"Her white shorts became transparent after being drenched, and her Garfield Day-o-the-Week panties were shinin through. She hoped no one would see."

"Dyed-Blonde Fat Chicks in ugly old Camaros are to Trailer-Trash what Preppies are to Yuppies. It's their larva form."

"She went off whistlin through her teeth like a person who's had a '55 Dodge pickup loaded with

salt-licks lifted off her chest."

"Dateline Baghdad Hilton Bar: Ceilin fans creaked and moaned as I sat here waitin for my Shirley Temple with a twist. For entertainment a couple of scorpions are break-dancin on the floor as the ever lastin dust storm whistles outside and the smell of camel dung hangs in the air."

"Then this big slob shows up, looking like a Heath Bar with a thyroid condition."

"She had a mighty nice face and smile, but it was them two big white rabbits lookin as if they were about to escape the hutch that really brought ole Farmer MacGregor to attention, if you know what I mean."

"I've been wantin to chew-mouth with you ever since you got to be president of the English Club."

"When people in Arkansas refer to a woman as a perfect 36, they're talking IQ. With men, it's a shoe size."

"I was flyin up to see my cousin Elbert, who manages a sperm bank for gypsy moths just outta Granola, Wisconsin."

"How I've longed to look into Winona Ryder's darker-than-dirt-stains-that-Tide-cain't-get-out brown eyes and touch her whiter-than-Mikey-from-the-Monkees'-liquid-paper-that-his-folks-

Please see **JOE BOB** Page 8



PLAYING WITH POWER: This scene from "Hardware" demonstrates a use for the Nintendo Power Glove that isn't advertised on Saturday mornings. We can only hope that Mario and Luigi have it as good one day.

Skydiving newest club at MTSU

KAY HILTON
Assistant Features Editor

A new organization is "dropping" onto campus, and if jumping out of the sky is your "thang", this may be the club for you.

Faculty advisor Dan McMurry, of the sociology and anthropology department, is working in conjunction with Orly King of Eagleville to establish the Blue Raiders Skydiving Association. McMurry began jumping last year, and found out that MTSU didn't have a club for this sport. He then began talking with King, and work began to have a club approved.

According to the guidelines provided for starting a club, there only have to be five members to be deemed official.

Numerous flyers advertising the club have been observed on campus, and both McMurry and King say that student interest is up. According to McMurry, ten students have signed up so far.

The purpose of this club is to raise interest in the sport of skydiving. The interest in this sport is growing at colleges across the country. King said skydiving



IT'S RAINING MEN: Orly King, instructor of Body Flights Sky Dive school in Eagleville, and a friend demonstrate the fine art of free-falling. King and Dr. Dan McMurry of the sociology department are organizing a skydiving club for interested students on campus.

has competitions at the collegiate, national and international levels.

Bob Harris is the president, and there are still offices available. Students interested in joining should contact Dan McMurry at 898-2694.

Two colleges in this area, Tennessee Tech and Vanderbilt University, already have skydiving associations, and these clubs compete at the collegiate level. Tech, for instance, took several honors at one of the competitions this summer.

Competitions are divided into conferences, and King and McMurry are hoping that the club will be ready for this area's competition soon. The club hopes to be doing some demonstration jumps on campus later this year. ■

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made-for-him-so-he-would-be-rich-and-not-have-to-be-a-starvin-actor-that-couldn't-sing alabaster skin."

"My wariness was sidetracked like two Union Pacifics collidin in the night as my hands explored her corpus delecti. She even let my hands wander onto her habeas corpus. ...Except for the part where she kept calling me 'Pedro' and saying 'do me with the half hitch and sheep shank,' I was havin a good time."

"Sometimes, in the day-to-day struggle for existence, we all

forget the things that make it worth not puttin the barrel of a shotgun in our mouths and paintin the ceilin red."

"Lusty Passion's breast hammock size had more F's than my 8th grade report card."

"Why? Why does the rain fall, why does the sun rise, and why does my neighbor's dog always urinate on my lawn furniture?"

"If God had not intended that man should eat meat, He would not have given us the Remington Arms Co., mesquite wood briquettes, and Jimmy Dean."

"He wanted to go sit in a smoke-filled room watchin bim-

bos peel off their clothes like old paint on a Newark crack house."

"So I'm bouncin down the road and my head is puttin dents the size of camel humps in the roof of my car."

"There's probly a couple million Arab women who want to mount Mick Jagger's camel."

"Laura Dern is the reason God invented halter tops."

"Since our ribs was about to get acquainted with our backbone, we decided to get us some Mex-cun food."

"I could tell by the way his mohawk was standin on end like a porcupine that's just bit into a

power line that he was hurtin."

"From the rear, runnin away from us, she looked like two VW's tryin to pass each other."

And as for the female breast, it would take ten of these columns to list all the terminology use to describe the everyday garden-variety hooter. So if you want the complete list (there were more than 500 synonyms for hooter), write me at P.O. Box 2002, Dallas, TX 75221.

Speaking of the wasteland of the future, "Hardware" is the best nucular-radiation twisted-metal jubilee since the original "Mad

Max." Things are so bad in New York City that, before you have sex with somebody, you say "Not before I put a geiger counter on your Mister Microphone." Things are so bad that Iggy Pop comes on the radio every morning to scream "And now for the good news — there is no f----- good news!"

And then we've got your basic burned-out warehouse apartment units where guys in dirty T-shirts live with their rusty microwaves, and dark streets where one-armed guys with slimy razorhead do's walk around with bionic diving helmets, and security guards walking around with baseball bats, and dirty babies lyin in the alleys, and the whole thing looks like...well...it looks like New York City.

A couple guys are out trolling through New Jersey, which now looks exactly like the Sahara Desert, looking for old Sony Walkmans they can salvage, when they find the helmet of a "Mark 13," the government robot invented for "population control." One of the guys takes it home to his girlfriend, who makes sculpture out of 58 Buick mufflers and old swingsets, and pretty soon she clamps it on a steel body and the "Mark 13" whizzes into action, revealing how it got its name out of Mark 13 in the Bible: "No flesh shall be spared." (bring your Baptist friends. This is the first maniac out-of-control robot monster with a religious motivation.)

Pretty soon we go from sci-fi to horror as Mark 13 starts frying eyes with lasers, twisting heads off, jerking out eyeballs, and dirtying up the kitchen.

Two breasts. Five dead bodies. Eye-frying. Steamy bionic shower sex. Radiation-free reindeer steaks. Exploding droid. Elevator-door body slicing. Poison syringe gouging. Self-amputation (yikes!). Sci-fi Empty-V (when they say death-metal, they mean death-metal). Excellent "Wizard of Oz" ripoff scene. Buzzsaw Fu. Baseball bat Fu. Aerosol Fu. Sukiyaki Fu. Drive-In Academy Award nominations for Iggy Pop, as the deejay, for screaming "Kill! Kill! Kill! Today's death count is 578"; Stacey Travis, as the blowtorch sculptress, for drinking Lactoplasm and saying "It's stupid, sadistic and suicidal to have children right now"; John Lynch, as Shades the sidekick, for worshipping the cocaine god and saying "It's my heart — it feels like an alligator"; Dylan McDermott, as the techno trash collector, for saying "Machines don't understand sacrifice — neither do morons"; and Richard Stanley, the South African writer and director, for the beginning of a great drive-in career.

Four stars. Joe Bob says check it out (but only the "Unrated" version).■

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Sports

MTSU hoping to pop Colonels

ELIZABETH POPOWSKI
Staff Writer

Every week great games can be seen around the nation.

Some of them might not always live up to your expectations but you can count on a war this weekend when the top-ranked Blue Raiders travel north to take on the No. 4 Colonels of Eastern Kentucky.

The Raiders will put their perfect 5-0 record on the line against a spotless 4-0 EKU.

MTSU maintained its No. 1 ranking after making a winning drive in the closing minutes to upend UT-Chattanooga 24-17 last Saturday.

The Colonels kept their record perfect by thrashing Western Kentucky 35-12 in Bowling Green. The Raiders disposed of the Hilltoppers two weeks ago in a home contest, 20-7.

Eastern is coached by veteran Roy Kidd, who has been at the EKU helm for 27 years. During that time he has beaten the Blue Raiders 17 times.

In fact, the Big Blue has found it difficult to defeat the Colonel squad in Richmond over the past few years. The last Raider win came in 1984 when MTSU handed the Colonels two home defeats. One came during the regular season while the other occurred in the playoffs.

But this is the present, not the past, and feelings are that this match-up pits the Raiders' best team ever against a Colonel team



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Something Has To Give

When the Blue Raiders and EKU Colonels clash Saturday night, something will have to give. Both teams have put up some impressive numbers and by looking at the totals, it appears to be an even contest. Here are some totals to think about.

The Raiders average 232.4 yards on the ground but only give up 126.6.

The Colonels only give up 108.8 yards rushing per game while offensively they rack up 288.

MTSU has allowed an average of 11.4 points per contest while they have scored 29.2.

Eastern has allowed an average of 14.2 points per contest while they have scored 36.5.

MTSU averages more than three TD's per game.

Eastern has given up only six TD's this season (less than one per game).

MTSU averages 191.4 yards behind Phil Ironside's arm. They give up 131.6.

Eastern averages 89 yards in the air. They give up 229.5

that has earned the same title. "MTSU is a fine veteran football team," said Kidd. "They should be ranked No. 1 this season."

MTSU mentor Boots Donnelly is equally complimentary of Kidd's squad.

"They are a typical Eastern team," he said. "They have an excellent defense, a super running game and they're much better than average when they pass. There just don't seem to be any weaknesses."

According to Kidd, it is the Col-

onels' offense that will have the biggest struggle against the Blue Raiders.

"MTSU has a different kind of defense than our kids are used to. We have to prepare differently. We're just not there yet."

Kidd's Colonels are led by an explosive backfield.

Tailback Markus Thomas, who is only a sophomore, currently leads the OVC in rushing with 464 yards and six touchdowns.

The return of fullback Tim

Lester has also helped the Colonels out. The 1988 All-OVC pick missed all but one game last year with a knee injury.

MTSU will counter with tailbacks Joe Campbell and Ricky Martin.

Campbell carries a 102.4 yard average into the contest, second only to Thomas, and Martin has the ability to explode past the defense with blistering speed.

Helping out the backfield for EKU will be returning senior QB Lorenzo Fields. Although he is known more for his ability to move the ball on the ground, the experienced leader also possesses an ability to sniff out open receivers when an opportunity appears.

Phil Ironside will take the snaps for the Raiders. The senior, last week's OVC player of the week, leads the league in total offense with a 202.8 average.

"Ironside throws the ball exceptionally well," Kidd commented. "He has a lot of confidence."

The Colonel offensive line is also extremely strong with the likes of All-OVC senior center Jim Von Handorf and 1st team Kodak All-American Al Jacevicius.

MTSU is equally strong with players like Steve McAdoo, Mike Gibson and Mike Nihill.

Defensive leaders for EKU include linebacker Kelly Blount and defensive end Brett Kolnick.

Blount has 28 tackles and 15 assists to go along with three pass interceptions, one of which he returned for a touchdown.

Kolnick has 21 tackles with 12 assists, including three tackles for a loss of yardage.

MTSU is led by linebacker

Please see **EKU**, page 11

I don't wanna eat no dirt



Carl Lambert•Staff

SACRIFICING HIS BODY: Donnie "Pin Head" Mitchell dives forward during the MTSU Moosemen's rugby match against the Chattanooga Rugby Club Saturday. The Raiders won the contest 28-3 and travel to Memphis this weekend to participate in the Mid-South tournament.

On the road again — but racking up wins

From Staff Reports

Womens' tennis head coach Sandy Neal took her Lady Raider squad on the road this past weekend and returned home with three wins.

The Raiders participated in the Tennessee Tech Tournament held in Cookeville, Tenn.

MTSU downed East Tennessee State, Carson Newman and Tech in the two day event.

Lorinda Weiss, who plays No. 1 singles, led her team with three victories.

No. 2 singles star Yael Soresman, No. 3 singles representative Angie Leake, and No. 4 singles

player Jenny Olivera each followed Weiss with spotless marks at 3-0.

In the No. 5 singles slot, Katrina Beuchler escaped with two wins while No. 6 Jennifer Lewis fell short with no wins, but took her opponent to the three-set limit in one of her matches.

Weiss and Olivera took to the duo courts and came up victorious in each match as did the team of Leake and Soresman.

The Lady's returned to the courts yesterday afternoon to host the University of the South and results from that match will be posted in Monday's *Sidelines*. ■

MTSU-EKU contest nations best?

OK people, so I picked Vanderbilt last week.

I've already heard enough about it so lets skip the chatter and get to this weekend's picks.

Several OVC teams open the conference season this weekend

On The Line

By Tony J. Arnold

and including the MTSU-EKU match-up which is being billed as the top game in the Division I-AA nation.

The Volunteers, who had the Auburn game in the bag last week, are enjoying the weekend off while Vandy returns to the field against Syracuse.

Let's see how I can do this week.

MTSU at Eastern Ky.

Boy what a game.

This match-up is perhaps the biggest game in MTSU history.

It isn't a playoff game and it isn't for the OVC title (Although the annual winner usually goes on to claim the OVC crown). But it is the first time both schools have been ranked so high.

Many coaches agree that one of the two squads will be playing for the national crown in future months.

Being a Raider fan makes it hard to be un-biased and Richmond has been an unplea-

sent place for the Big Blue the past few years.

I really think that you could flip a coin for this outcome because in my opinion, this is probly the top game in the nation, I-AA, I-A, you name it, this game will be a dog fight.

MTSU 34 EKU 27

Don't let us down Big Blue. Go rip 'em apart!!!!

Morehead at Tn. Tech

The Eagles out of Cookeville are looking good right now with a 3-2 record but they still have the toughest part of their schedule left to play.

Morehead hasn't looked too strong either with a 3-2 record,

and also has the likes of EKU and MTSU lying in the near future.

Tech shouldn't have too much trouble with Morehead.

TTU 42 Morehead 17

Tenn. State at Austin Peay

TSU has played good football since the setback they suffered from MTSU to open the season.

Peay, however, has been unable to chalk up a win to date this year.

TSU's strong passing game should lead them to a win but the day-by-day improvement of Austin Peay cannot be overlooked.

TSU 31 APSU 17

Murray State at Indiana State

Both of these teams have been struggling this season.

Murray sports a 1-3 record while ISU is 1-4.

Since I really don't know much about either of the teams I'll have to go with the home team.

ISU 26 Murray 21

Other picks this around the nation that might be of your best interest include:

Alabama 42 SW Louisiana 17

Auburn 46 Louisiana Tech 14

Florida 24 LSU 17

Miami 21 Florida State 17

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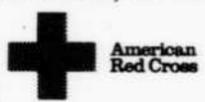
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EKU from page 9
 Scott Boykin who has 49 tackles, 22 of them being solo.
 Fields might have trouble with MTSU's secondary which features the talented trio of Jimmy McCamey, Marty Carter and Jamie Redmon.
 An unpleasant surprise for the Colonels is the announcement of the return of Anthony Coleman.
 The senior linebacker is expected back for the game after sitting out three games due to arthroscopic knee surgery.
 Eastern has yet to play an OVC contest this season, while this will be the Big Blue's second, after

they downed TSU 38-6 in the opening game of the '90 campaign.
 One impressive star beside the list of EKU's wins is their 42-34 victory over Georgia Southern. It
We will have to play better than any game so far. If we don't beat them, no one will. — Roy Kidd
 was the first loss that the Eagles had been handed since 1985 when MTSU defeated them.
 MTSU had trouble with Georgia Southern in the second week

of the season this year in Murfreesboro. The Big Blue rallied in the final minutes of the game to snatch a 16-13 victory from the current No. 1 ranked Division I-AA team.
 However, according to Kidd, their previous opponents may seem strong but they haven't faced the likes of an MTSU Blue Raider squad.
 "I just hope that we can win," Kidd said. "We will have to play better than any game so far. If we don't beat them, no one will."

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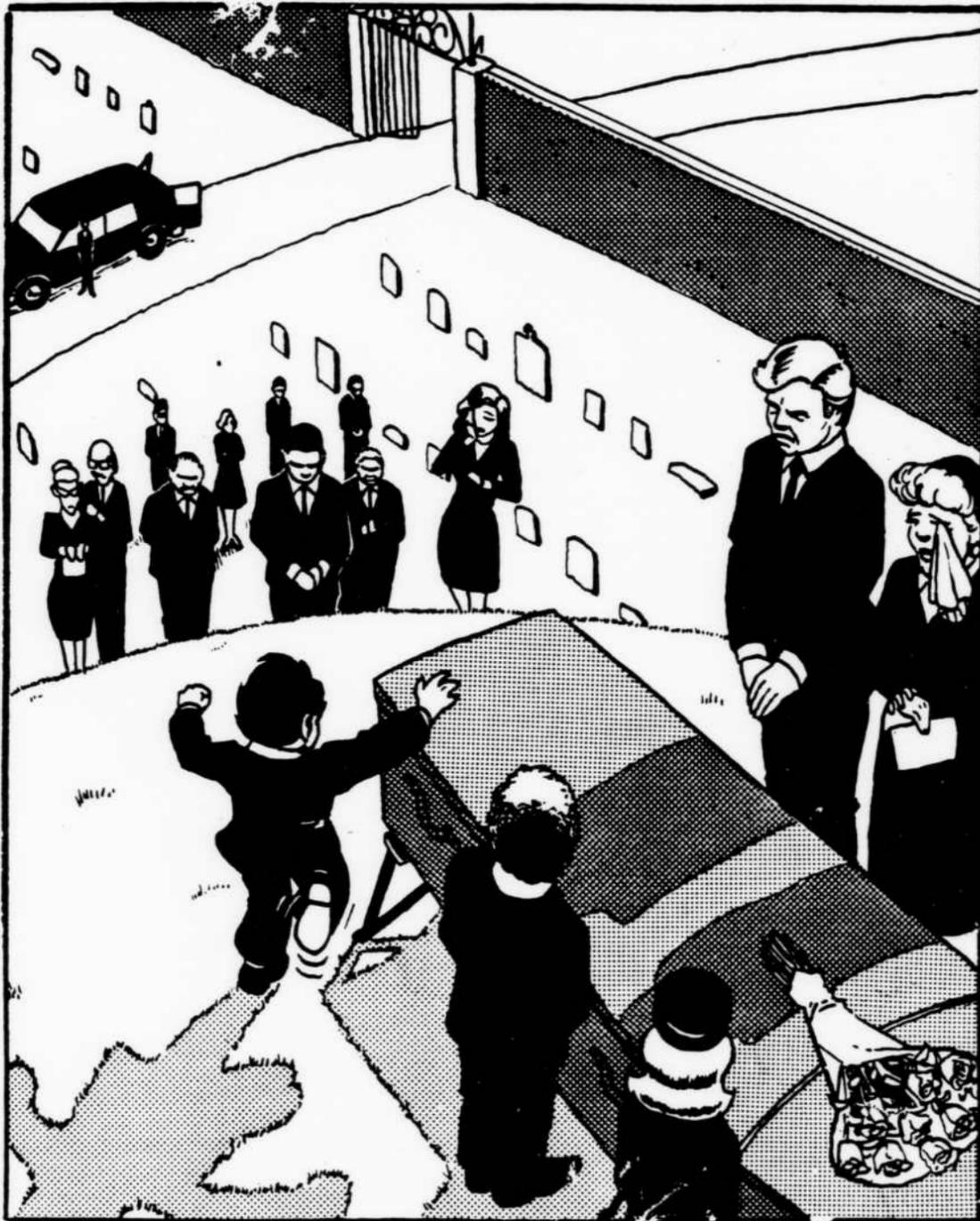
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