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## Professor earns national honor for book

By Lisa Thomason  
Staff Writer

Charles K. Wolfe, professor of English, was honored Thursday for his role as an author, folklorist and music historian.

Administrators, faculty, retired faculty, students, political leaders and members of the community honored Wolfe for his many accomplishments, highlighting the 2000 Deems Taylor Award that he recently received.

Wolfe received the award for

his book, *A Good-Natured Riot: The Birth of the Grand Ole Opry*. The book, released last year, has since won two major literary honors. It has also been reviewed in the *Wall Street Journal* and discussed on the CBS Morning News.

Wolfe has been a member of the faculty at MTSU for 30 years. After earning degrees from Southwest Missouri State University and the University of Kansas, he came to MTSU where he teaches classes in folklore, pop culture, science fiction and composition.

"When casting around for a job," Wolfe said, "I looked at MTSU, and I really liked it. I liked the people here, and I liked the idea of being so close to Nashville and its music."

Over the course of his career, Wolfe has written scores of essays, articles and books, mostly on music, which he says is his favorite topic.

"It seemed as though Charles was on a one-man crusade to fill up my country music bookshelf all by himself," Paul Wells, director of the Center for Popular Music, remarked.

One of Wolfe's books, *The Life and Legend of Leadbelly*, is currently being adapted into a documentary series by Ken and Ric Burns and should be released next year.

The Deems Taylor Award is just one of many honors Wolfe has received. He has also been awarded three Grammy nominations, the Governor's Career Achievement Award, the Association for Recorded Sound Collections Lifetime Achievement Award, the Rolling

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Charles Wolfe autographs one of his books for Dot Harrison, a former MTSU employee.

Photo by Lisa Thomason | Staff

## Congress promises Pell Grant increases

By Lisa Thomason  
Staff Writer

MTSU students who are eligible for federal financial aid can expect to receive more money from the government this year in the form of Pell Grants.

The U.S. Congress has reauthorized a bill increasing the amount of money in the Pell Grant system by \$8.8 billion, up 15 percent from last year. This increase translates into an additional \$450 allowed for the maximum grant amount, bringing the total to \$3,750 for an academic year.

The additional funding is a result of the Higher Education Bill, passed originally in 1965 and re-authorized in 1998. According to Louis Sinkle, legislative director for U.S. Rep. Bart Gordon, the bill initially set up the federal loan program and must be re-authorized every five years.

Keith Talley, spokesperson for Gordon, said the bill "increases the maximum (Pell Grant) amount over time from \$3000 in 1998 to \$5800 by the 2003-2004 school year."

Sinkle explained that since the bill was passed, the volume of student loans has risen dramatically.

"If a student is eligible for federal aid, and he applies for it, he will receive that money" Sinkle said.

Talley stated that Pell Grants are funded by taxpayers' money, and the increase was made possible due to a monetary surplus created since Congress

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## What's in store with Gore

MTSU launching ground for community class beginning in Feb.



Former Vice President Al Gore shakes hands with students outside the BAS Building shortly after arriving on campus Monday.

Photo by Bradley Lambert | Contributor

By Turner Hutchens  
Features Editor

Al Gore plans to start his new course in community building at MTSU as soon as mid-February.

Using MTSU as a launching ground for a new type of program, the class

will involve MTSU in a national network of colleges.

"There are going to be professors from universities around the nation coming here to MTSU to use this as a starting point," Gore said on his visit to campus Monday afternoon. "We're going to talk about connections

between MTSU and community colleges around Tennessee, and Gore is going to establish connections to other historically black colleges around the nation."

MTSU will become involved in a cooperative effort with other colleges and universities around the nation.

"There are no courses like this in existence, at least to my knowledge," Gore said.

"He would like to start modestly and let this thing grow," said Tom Tozer, director of News and Public

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## Lectures, luncheons and music to map Black History Month

By Charlene Callier  
Staff Writer

MTSU's African-American History Committee along with various other organizations will be hosting a number of events in celebration of Black History Month.

The legacy of Black History Month is continued through the hard work and dedication of the African-American History Month committee that is comprised of 20 members, including faculty, staff and students. The

co-chairs of the AAHM Committee are Bonnie Shipp, assistant professor of English, and Tyson King-Meadows, assistant professor of political science.

"African-American History Month is not just for African-Americans but it is for all of us, because sometimes we forget the contributions and accomplishments of African-Americans," said Bonnie Shipp. "We tend to ignore how deeply integrated into the fabric of American society African-

American history and culture really is. This month celebrates the inclusiveness of the idea of American society."

A Unity Luncheon, which is the traditional kick-off of BHM at MTSU, will be held Feb. 1. This luncheon will honor five black leaders in the community who have excelled in serving their community and friends in various ways. The luncheon will be held at 11:30 a.m. in the Tennessee Room of the James Union Building. For ticket information contact the

Multicultural Affairs Office at 898-2987.

The African-American Student Association will sponsor Expressions: Open-Mic Poetry and Spoken Word held in the Cyber Cafe at 5:30 p.m. Feb. 2 and Feb. 23. These events will allow students to express themselves culturally about their experiences or ideas.

There will be a Gospel Extravaganza starring Lorraine Morris-Brown with guest pianist William Richardson Feb. 3 at 7 p.m. in the Tucker

Theatre. Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc. is hosting the event.

"This event is the celebration of a creative component of the African-American existence through musical expression," said King-Meadows.

There will be a lecture by Karla Winfrey on "Entrepreneurialism in the New Millennium" at 6 p.m. Feb. 5 in the Tennessee Room of the JUB. Winfrey is an alumna of MTSU who began her own Internet business. She is an Emmy

Award-winning television journalist and is the president and creator of Colored Christmas.

There will be a brown bag luncheon with Cheryl Ellis on "Obesity and the Young African-American Woman" Feb. 6 at 12:30 p.m. in Peck Hall, Room 222. Ellis is a professor in the health, physical education, recreation, and safety department and focuses on black health issues.

Ralph Wiley - author of

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## Gore: Tense about teaching

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Affairs, adding that the possibilities for disseminating the course were boundless given the technological circumstances.

Gore met to discuss plans for the new course with campus officials, including Deryl Leaming, dean of the College of Mass Communications, and Interim President R. Eugene Smith.

The class in community building will be small, offering more one-on-one interaction with students.

"I can't imagine [teaching] in a group that's too big to have an interaction with the students," said Gore. "So, it will probably be around a hundred or something like that."

"But heck, I'm member of the faculty," he said, gesturing toward Smith. "I'm going to take my direction from the president."

There has been no decision made as to when enrollment for the class will begin or which students will be allowed to enroll.

Gore took a few minutes to greet the crowd of cheering students and other onlookers, high-fiving a child and hugging one MTSU student.

"I'm very excited about it," said Gore. "Just being with all these young people in the student body over there was a great way to start."

"I've never taught before," added Gore. "I'm scared to death of the idea of teaching."

"I thought he was very sincere and humble," said Student Government Association President John Marshall who sat in on the meeting with Gore. "He seemed to be concerned with getting involved with the students, with making sure they

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- Al Gore

Former Vice President

didn't feel isolated from him.

"He seemed to want to jump right in there and be a professor."

Though it is still uncertain which department Gore's new course will be located in, he did say in meetings that all compensation for his teaching services will be donated to the Gore Center here on campus.

The course will be directed toward helping students work in their own communities with a holistic approach to community building, drawing from many disciplines, including law,



Photo by Matthew H. Starling | Chief Photographer

(Above Left) R. Eugene Smith, MTSU's interim president stands next to former Vice President Al Gore along with MTSU student Marshall. Marshall gave Gore an MTSU sweatshirt and other items as he made his way into the courtyard of the BAS building Monday. (Above) Future Professor Al Gore sits in the SunTrust conference room of the BAS building. He was on campus to discuss his future position as a professor.

business, public health, architecture, education and criminology.

"The hope is that the individuals who finish the course successfully will have some skills and some knowledge that they can take back to their home communities and work with the grass-roots community there," Gore said, "that they can help tie the community together in a better way and will

make it the kind of community where families can find the support and connections they need to raise their kids well, and to create a really great life for the families that live in the community."

After Monday's meeting with college officials, Gore looked at several prospective classrooms, including the State Farm Room in the Business and Aerospace Building and Room

104 of the John Bragg Mass Communications Building.

Gore said he chose MTSU because of his family ties with the school and because it was the state's fastest growing school.

"I just thought that MTSU would be a great place to start this national course," he added. ♦

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## History: Variety of activities span the month of February

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*Why Black People Tend To Shout and Black People Should Do Now* — will be making classroom visits on campus Feb. 7. Wiley will also present the keynote address Feb. 8 on "Black Community for the New Millennium" at 7 p.m. at the State Farm Room of the Business and Aerospace Building.

The African-American Student Association will sponsor a forum discussing male and female relationships at 6 p.m. in the Keathley University Center, Room 322. "This forum will reveal the truths and perceptions of black love," said Donna Reed, president of the African-American Student Association.

On Feb. 13 there will be a poetry performance by Leroy Moore at 7 p.m. in the BAS, Room S328. Moore is a poet, writer and activist of the cultural experiences of being black and disabled in the United States. There will also be a faculty workshop with Leroy Moore Feb. 14 from 9 a.m. to noon in the Faculty Senate Lounge.

Bruce Bridges will speak Feb. 14 on "Martin Luther King Jr. Perspective of the Past, Vision of the Future" at 5 p.m. in the

Tennessee Room of the JUB. Bridges is the author of *The Ghetto Mind* and *The Roots of Geography* and is the owner of The Know Book Store. He is an internationally known speaker in the fields of history, geopolitics and multicultural systems.

"Bridges builds off the message of Ralph Wiley and discusses the mind set of the African-American people and how they have been misled in believing certain realities of the African-American people," King-Meadows said.

The MTSU Social Work Department will sponsor a trip leaving at 7 a.m. on Feb. 15 to the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute. According to King-Meadows, this trip will offer students the opportunity to be exposed to actual materials, letters and artifacts that reflect the Civil Rights Movement. For more information, contact Margaret Fontanesi-Seime at 898-5766 or Robert Rucker at 898-2510.

There will be a Distinguished Black Alumni Reception Feb. 16 at 7 p.m. at the Alumni Center. This reception will honor alumni that have excelled in their various fields in the professional world. King-Meadows recommends that students attend

this event because it will give them an opportunity to network with black alumni so students understand they are and should remain a "visual able contributing part of the MTSU community."

The Murfreesboro Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc. will host a formal attire Diamond Ball Feb. 17 at the Smyrna Town Center at 8 p.m. The event will cost \$25 per person and the proceeds will go to scholarships for area high school students.

On Feb. 20 Alpha Phi Alpha, Kappa Xi Chapter will sponsor a "Go to High School, Go to College" mentor program at the KUC. This event is a program for area high school students that will shadow members of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity around all day to meet with professors, attend classes and enjoy the college experience. The students will meet at KUC afterward for an open discussion on their experiences for the day.

There also will be a health fair Feb. 20 from 9 a.m. to noon in the Tennessee Room of the JUB that will be open to the public. The health fair participants will scan for high blood pressure, diabetes and high cho-

lesterol and give advice on how to handle these problems. A brown bag lunch with Adonijah Bakari — who will speak on "Reflections on a Sojourn in Nigeria" will be held at 12:30 p.m. in Peck Hall, Room 222. Bakari, a professor of history at MTSU, has recently returned from Nigeria and will reflect upon his trip.

Also on Feb. 20, Congressman Harold Ford Jr. will speak on the political aspects of the community at 7 p.m. in the State Farm Room of the BAS. Congressman Ford was the keynote speaker at the 2000 Democratic National Convention and was also elected to the House of Representatives in 1996 at the age of 26.

Nathaniel R. Howse Jr. will speak at the School Children's Luncheon at 11:30 p.m. in the Tennessee Room of the JUB Feb. 21. Howse is a former Murfreesboro resident and has argued cases before the federal supreme court. Howse will also recognize the winners of the writers contest at the luncheon.

There will be a debate Feb. 22 on unity among the black students sponsored by the African-American Student Association from 4:30 p.m.-6:30

p.m. in KUC 322. This event will offer an insight to the problems and solutions with unity among the black students.

Sonia Sanchez will have a Poetry Reading Feb. 26 at 6 p.m. in the Tennessee Room of the JUB. Sanchez is a writer, professor and activist that will offer a feminist perspective on the movement for human and civil rights. "Sanchez is a proactive spokeswoman for human rights injustice," Shipp said. "Her poetry becomes a vehicle for social investigation and societal change."

Tennessee Supreme Court Justice A. A. Birch will speak on "Race, Politics and the Judicial System" at noon in Dining Room C of the JUB Feb. 27. Birch was the first black judge on the Tennessee Supreme Court.

On Feb. 28 there will be a Quiz Bowl at 3:30 p.m. in the TV studio of the McWhorter Learning Resource Center on the first floor. There is a \$5 entry fee for participants. For more information contact Amy Staples at 898-2569.

Bethune-Cookman Choir Concert will be March 5 at 7 p.m. in the Wright Music Building. For ticket information contact King-Meadows at 904-

8232.

Black History Month is celebrated in the month of February and was founded by Carter G. Woodson in 1926. Carter G. Woodson, known as "the father of black history," dedicated his life to researching and preserving the saga of the black experience.

"African-American History Month is a time to take blinders off of American citizens and say look at what America is today and acknowledge the contribution of an African people," King-Meadows said.

"Sometimes people want to discount the African-American influence on American culture, politics and religion which is simply intellectually misleading."

For more information on the events for Black History Month contact Shipp at 898-2651 or King-Meadows at 904-8232. ♦

*Editor's note: According to the Associated Press Stylebook and Label Manual, the word "black" is the preferred term to be used instead of African-American unless in a direct quotation or as the official name of an organization.*

## Wolfe: Research pays off

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Stone Ralph Gleason Award and the Belmont-Curb Award.

When asked about his most recent award, Wolfe replied that he was "very pleased and honored about it."

"It's nice that the university is doing something for people who have done some academic work," Wolfe said.

"People don't think of MTSU as a major research center; but in reality, there are several faculty members involved in research projects, and it's nice that they are getting recognition for that."

"Dr. Wolfe is recognized across the nation for his work in folk, country and

popular music," Eugene Smith, interim president, said at the reception.

Paul Wells also noted that because of Wolfe's work, MTSU is seen as "a hub of active research and scholarship in the field of popular music."

Another speaker at the reception, John N. McDaniel, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, read from teacher evaluations of Wolfe conducted during his first year at MTSU. In one evaluation, former professor Clay Tucker wrote, "[Wolfe] manages to be sharp, sophisticated and plain folks all at the same time."

In addition to the MTSU community, Wolfe's wife and daughters were also in attendance. ♦

## Aid: Government promises may not come through

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increased its spending cap.

Talley also noted that other forms of federal aid will be increased. Tennessee aid will receive an additional \$1.2 million appropriated for Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants and \$1.4 million in federal Work-Study money. The amount of money available for Perkins Loans and Stafford Loans will remain the same, however.

The effects of the bill can already be seen at MTSU.

According to Financial Aid Director David Hutton, the

amount of money received from Pell Grants last year tops what was received last year, and many applications have yet to be processed.

Last year, MTSU listed 4,034 students as Pell Grant recipients with a total aid amount of \$7,661,000. Currently, the Financial Aid Office has processed \$8,031,000 in federal grants.

Hutton added that approximately 60 percent of MTSU students are receiving some form of financial aid this year, a percentage that is fairly equal to that of other Tennessee Board of Regents' schools. MTSU

received \$580,000 from Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants last year, as well as \$39,000,000 in federal loans. The federal Work-Study program contributed an additional \$647,000, and TSAC grants, given by the state to students who qualify for Pell Grants, conferred \$1,441,000.

Hutton warns that what the government produces is not always what it promises.

"I think they're long overdue to give an increase in Pell Grants," Hutton said.

"I hope in the future they will raise it enough to at least cover books and tuition for our needy

students. In the past, it just barely covered tuition."

In a press release, Gordon stated that, "We have seen dramatic increases in tuition costs... That's why it's so important for us as a nation to make these grants available to deserving students, who are often saddled with a tremendous amount of school-loan debt upon graduation."

For more information about the Pell Grant or other forms of financial aid, stop by the Office of Financial Aid in the Cope Administration Building, Room 218. ♦

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## From the staff Workman evidence too shaky, he should not be executed

In 1981, Philip Workman robbed a Wendy's in Memphis, Tenn. In a resulting shootout with Memphis police, one officer was wounded and another was killed.

It was believed that Workman was the one who killed the officer, and as such, he was convicted of the murder and sentenced to death by lethal injection.

In recent years, evidence has surfaced - largely due to an investigation by Workman's defense lawyers - that suggests that he may not have been directly responsible for the death of the officer.

The defense lawyers claim that the bullet that killed the police officer did not match Workman's gun, and was actually a stray bullet from another officer.

Another landmark finding occurred when lawyers found Harold Davis, the supposed eyewitness who testified that he witnessed the shootout and the fatal incident.

Davis has now told the defense that he was pressured by the Memphis police to testify, and in fact, said he did not actually witness the shootout first hand.

Before the stay, Workman was scheduled to be executed early Thursday morning. Workman has appealed to Gov. Don Sundquist for clemency, and two Tennessee Supreme Court justices have also recommended clemency to the governor because of the extenuating circumstances.

Workman and his lawyers also have two petitions pending review from the U.S. Supreme Court, one of which asks the Court to rule in favor of a second hearing to reflect the new evidence.

We agree. While executing Workman may be ultimately warranted under current Tennessee law, all of the evidence should be reviewed and tried before such a harsh penalty is handed down.

In the end, maybe the court will find that the evidence does not support Workman's claims of innocence, but he at least needs the opportunity to be heard.

It also sounds as if Workman was railroaded in his initial trial, which is not surprising. Everyone understands how much hate is brewed from the murder of a police officer. It would not be shocking if the evidence was fabricated to some degree.

## What a shock...Bush lied

Never trust a conservative. That seemed to be the theme of the White House last week. Bush's promises of compassion and sensitivity in this time of severe political division were shattered into tiny, sharp pieces of glass that are permanently lodged into the feet of equality.

Last week, ironically (or perhaps not) on the 28th anniversary of Roe v. Wade, Bush reinstated the "Global Gag Rule," which bans federal funding to clinics and organizations overseas who advocate, advise or even mention abortion to their patients.

He justified this action by saying, "The promises of our Declaration of Independence are not just for the strong, the independent or the healthy. They are for everyone, including unborn children."

"We share a great goal: to work toward a day when every child is welcomed in life and protected in law...to build a culture of life, affirming that every person at every stage and every season of life is created equal in God's image."

So basically, Bush not only used his presidential power to resolve the long-debated issue of precisely when life begins, but also violated a constitutional guarantee, that of separation of church and state, during his very first week in office.

We're in for a bumpy ride. Bush also said he reinstated the Gag Rule because he does not believe federal funds should support abortions. But the ban actually denies aid to foreign non-governmental organizations that use their own money - not that of the U.S. government - to advocate or perform legal abortions in their own countries.

Separating private funds associated in any way with abortion from those provided by the United States is not enough for Bush. He instead chooses to use the power of money and politics to inflict his ideological views on those in other countries that don't even share our laws. How presidential.

The ban mostly affects clinics in third world countries that lack important resources, such as food and medicine, to support ever-increasing populations that will only get larger now that this ban has been imposed. The ban keeps abortion from being an option for women who choose to use these clinics. It also takes a multitude of healthcare and reproductive options away from them when clinics near them close because they cannot afford to stay open without these critical governmental funds.

"Where is the compassion in denying American aid to vital public health services overseas?" said Catherine Weiss, Director of the ACLU's Reproductive



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**Angela White**

Online Editor

Freedom Project. "How is it compassionate to cut U.S. support for desperately needed family planning services, maternal health care and HIV/AIDS prevention?"

Note that Bush cannot do this in his own country due to the constitutional right of free speech.

This was Bush's first executive order. He didn't do this after taking care of pertinent matters like education, healthcare and social security. He planned to do this as soon as he became president. While he did run as a "pro-life candidate," He also promised to be a "uniter, not a divider." Instead, he decisively and callously threatened an essential right defended by women for decades, thus permanently dividing us from his administration.

Fortunately, this did not take fighters for women's rights by surprise. We knew, despite his empty promises, Bush does intend to overturn Roe v. Wade and a woman's fundamental right to choose in anyway he can. It may be through the careful selection of Supreme Court Justices. It may be through the use of his veto or executive order power. Or it may be through his choices for pertinent top-level executive positions.

If he can't get a law overturned, he can simply see that it's just not enforced all that well. This shouldn't be too difficult to do with John Ashcroft as Attorney General. The democrats in the Senate have managed to postpone his confirmation, most notably by asking him more than 400 written questions that took 100 pages to answer. But the republican-led legislative body will still most likely confirm him sometime this week.

Although Ashcroft swears to uphold all laws, even those he disagrees with, the question will be just how well he will choose to uphold ones pertaining to the rights of women, minorities and homosexuals. After all, simply choosing not to pursue a particular conviction isn't the same as overturning the law that makes it illegal, at least not technically.

In addition to Ashcroft and the "Global Gag Rule," Bush has already made strides to overturn the recently approved drug mifepristone, otherwise known as RU-486.

The recent confirmation of Tommy

Thompson as Secretary of Health and Human Resources marks a certain threat to mifepristone's continued legality in this country. He cited "safety concerns" as a reason for reviewing the drug's approval, even though it has been safely used in France since 1988, the United Kingdom since 1991 and Switzerland since 1992.

In addition to abortion, mifepristone possibly offers treatment for uterine fibroid tumors, meningiomas, ovarian cancer and many other diseases that affect women. But apparently saving the lives of millions of women nationwide does not outweigh the potential use of the drug as a means to end a pregnancy less than three months old. To men like Bush, Ashcroft and Thompson, women's lives are not as important as unborn embryos that could not even survive without the bodies of women.

Simply put, if mifepristone is taken off the market, it will not be because of medical reasons, but because of political and religious ones.

Religion will undoubtedly play a huge role in this administration's tenure, and women must fight to resist being morally governed by the Religious Right.

There are several resources at the hands of potential women's rights activists. The Feminist Majority Foundation, located at [www.feminist.org](http://www.feminist.org); NOW, located at [www.now.org](http://www.now.org); Planned Parenthood, located at [www.plannedparenthood.org](http://www.plannedparenthood.org); the ACLU, located at [www.aclu.org](http://www.aclu.org); and Transition Watch, located at [www.transitionwatch.com](http://www.transitionwatch.com); are just some of the many Web sites available. One may use these resources to write letters to her senators and representatives, to write letters to the editors of various nationwide and local newspapers, or even to write to Bush himself.

Make your voice heard before the damage is done.

Oh, and on a side note...In celebration of the Roe anniversary, I posted flyers throughout campus that told what actions of Bush's were threatening the constitutional rights of choice and privacy and where concerned citizens could go on the Web to protect these rights. I used many of the same Web sites listed above.

Needless to say, most of these flyers needed to be replaced several times after disappearing from their former places of residence. They weren't simply covered up, mind you, but completely and utterly removed. At least the thumbtacks were left for me to reuse.

It's nice to know that conservatives are consistent in their belief that fundamental human rights should be restricted as much as possible, including the right to free speech. ♦

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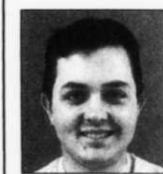
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### Correction

In Monday's story "Introducing MTSU Professor AL Gore" the writer stated that Gore graduated Vanderbilt in journalism. Actually Vandy doesn't have a J-school. *Sidelines* regrets the error.

### For Argument's Sake



**Jason Cox**

Staff Columnist

Before I delve into my reasoning for opposing hate crime laws, let me first say that I understand the purpose behind the laws. However, I cannot support the way they would be implemented, if passed.

That said, hate crime laws are discriminatory. These laws, which are intended to discourage already unlawful violent acts against a person or group based on prejudice and hatred, end up placing more emphasis on one life than another. While I firmly believe in laws that prevent discrimination, I draw the line at creating laws to prevent already illegal acts.

The current hate crime law, passed in 1969, protects on the basis of gender, race or religious beliefs but it's is

quite limited in scope. The laws only applicable if a crime is committed while the victim is participating in the electoral process as a candidate or voter, on federal property, in the workplace, in a public school, university, or receiving benefits from a government agency. These are commonly referred to as the six federally protected acts.

Recently, Congress adjourned without passing a bill to strengthen the current federal hate crime laws. Sen. Ted Kennedy (D, Mass.) proposed a bill that would broaden the scope of the laws.

One major change was to include protection of sexual preference. This is a reaction to the rash of violent crimes that have been committed against homosexuals in the past few years.

The biggest change, however, would be the expansion of its powers beyond the six acts to include being in any place, public or private, and engaging in any act.

My problem is not with the prosecution of those who commit violent acts based on prejudice. These offenders should be prosecuted to the fullest

extent of our existing laws. My problem is with prosecution under any law that is based solely on the motive behind the act. There are already many laws that punish for violent crimes.

Common sense dictates that you don't need two laws to punish the same act.

The biggest problem is, if the victim falls under a minority category, the penalties increase drastically. This is horribly unfair.

Imagine this for a moment: A man goes to trial for assaulting another man on a city sidewalk. During the trial, it is revealed that the assailant has strong homophobic feelings and followed the victim out of a gay bar.

Meanwhile, in the next room, a similar charge is being debated. The assailant testifies that he selected the victim randomly and was an extremely aggressive person.

If the hate crimes were enacted, and all other factors were the same, the first assailant could receive up to TEN YEARS more jail time than the latter.

Instead of enacting a hate crime law, we can make the penalties more

severe for violent crime offenders, regardless of who the victim is.

Motive is considered in every assault and murder case debated in any courtroom in this country. Creating a law that punishes solely on motive and thought violates the one freedom that all humans are absolutely, unconditionally guaranteed-freedom of the mind.

I bring this subject up because, despite the recent failure of the hate crime bill this year, it will come up again in the next session of Congress. This issue is still very relevant.

If we enforce the laws already in effect have on the books, we are doing all we can to create a just society. Unfortunately, there will always be hate, there will always be ignorance, and there will always be someone demented enough to act on their prejudices. This is the price we pay to live in a free society.

All men, women and children in this country, regardless of their race, gender, religious or sexual preference, are protected under our current set of laws. Hate crime laws are unnecessary and could only add to the divisions that permeate our society. ♦

## Letters to the Editor

Mail your comments to Box 42, drop them off at JUB 310 or e-mail them to [stupubs@mtsu.edu](mailto:stupubs@mtsu.edu). Letters may be edited for length, grammar or content.

## Sidelines should cover more track

I was perusing *Sidelines* a few days ago and a question popped into my head. Why are there no track meet dates? There are up-to-the-minute stories about the football team and our "great" (crappy) basketball team, as well as dates for their upcoming loss-

es (did I say that...I meant games). But, there are never any reports as to when there are track meets. There is no hype going on about them...considering they are just about MTSU's only winning team. I just thought that I should bring that to your attention. I

can only hope that you would cover their adventures and give them as much praise as they deserve...because they actually win!

AJ Miner

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## The Two Minute Drill

R. Colin Fly  
Sports Editor



### Gunn Shy?

While the Blue Raiders may be struggling, freshman Tommy Gunn has thrust himself in the spotlight. Gunn dropped 17 points on New Orleans Saturday for a new career high after reaching 15 points three other times, including the game two nights earlier against Louisiana Tech in Ruston, La. Gunn shot 60 percent from the field and added four more points from the free throw line against the University of New Orleans. He also snagged four rebounds and dished two assists out against the Privateers. Even UNO's fans were impressed when he laid down a monster dunk in the first half which led one announcer for College Sports Southeast to say, "that might be the play of the year in the Sun Belt Conference."

### Sweet Shooting

Senior Freddie Martinez hasn't had quite the shooting stroke this season as in previous years, but against New Orleans, he did hit 5 of 13 attempts, including going 44.4 percent from three-point range. His 4 for 9 performance from behind the arc helped him score 14 points, marking his first double figure performance since he scored 11 against North Texas on Jan. 6.

### Jani's Mission

It's not quite the way the coaches drew it up, but for the second time in the last week, sophomore Jani Hiltunen recorded the team's only blocked shot of the game. The Blue Raiders have blocked at least one shot in 93 consecutive games, thanks in large part to Hiltunen's efforts.

### Turned Over

The Blue Raiders could only convert 10 points of 17 of New Orleans' miscues Saturday. Compare that with UNO's 21 points of 19 turnovers by MT, and the difference of 11 points would have been the game, since the Privateers hit a meaningless basket as time expired to win by 13 points.

### Tennngren, again

Junior Iiro Tennngren scored in double figures for MT against Louisiana Tech Thursday in the losing effort. Tennngren, who looks to be one of the key inside scoring threats for the rest of the season, also grabbed six rebounds to lead the team in that category.

### Radio and TV

Fans can listen to all Blue Raiders basketball games by tuning the dial to 104.9 WBOX FM. They can also catch the coaches' radio shows live from Toot's Restaurant on Mondays. The show, which starts at 7 p.m., is hosted by Chip Walters and fields questions from the audience about the team and upcoming Sun Belt Conference match-ups. ♦

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# Jayhawks downed by Blue Raiders, 4-3

## MT Media Relations

LAWRENCE, Kan. - Despite the frigid surroundings outside of the Alvarac Racquet Club that has stranded Middle Tennessee's tennis team in Kansas for another day, there was no shortage of heat inside the tennis facility as the Blue Raiders knocked off No. 61 Kansas 4-3.

Hostile environment and tennis usually aren't terms associated in the same sentence, but on Sunday afternoon, the Blue Raider tennis team found themselves battling the elements inside the facility rather than outside.

"They (Kansas) were sky-high for us," said head coach Dale Short. "It was a hostile environment and to survive that will really help us down the road."

After opening the match with two wins in doubles to take a 1-0 lead, Middle Tennessee and Kansas played six straight singles matches that went the full three sets.

"That was the first time since I have been coaching that I have seen every match go the distance," exclaimed Short.

Daniel Klemetz and Robert Gustafsson won their singles match at positions one and two,

respectively, but Kansas was up to the task as Quentin Blakeney defeated Oliver Foreman at the No. 3 position. Pete Stroer knocked off freshman Michael Staniak, and Trevor Short was defeated by Andrew Metzler at No.5, tying the match at 3-3.

After being drilled 6-1 in the first set by Barragan, Mark Pellerin regrouped to take the second set 6-4 in the deciding match. With the match even, Pellerin and Barragan battled to a near deadlock in the third and deciding set before Pellerin gave the Blue Raiders their third straight win to open the season winning the super tie break third set 10-7.

"For the first time in Mark's career he had a chance to clinch a match," said Short. "I'm really proud of him and how he battled."

The Blue Raiders didn't return home until early Tuesday morning. Due to the snowstorm in Lawrence, the team was unable to return home Sunday afternoon. With the win, Middle Tennessee is now 57th to start the season, ranked 3-0 on the year with all three wins over ranked opponents. The Blue Raiders will face Purdue next Sunday at the Racquet Club at 11:00 a.m. ♦

## RESULTS

### Middle Tenn. def. Kansas 4-3

**Singles:**  
Daniel Klemetz (MT) def. Rodrigo Echagay (KU) 6-3, 1-6, 1-0 (10-1)  
Robert Gustafsson (MT) def. Elazar Magallon (KU) 6-5 (7-4), 5-6 (1-7), 1-0 (10-7)  
Quentin Blakeney (KU) def. Oliver Foreman (MT) 3-6, 6-3, 1-0 (10-7)  
Pete Stroer (KU) def. Michael Staniak (MT) 6-3, 5-6 (5-7), 1-0 (11-9)  
Andrew Metzler (KU) def. Trevor Short (MT) 6-6 (4-7), 6-3, 1-0 (10-6)  
Mark Pellerin (MT) def. Alex Barragan (KU) 1-6, 6-4, 1-0 (10-7)

**Doubles:**  
Foreman/Gustafsson (MT) def. Echagay/Magallon (KU) 8-6  
Klemetz/Staniak (MT) def. Blakeney/Stroer 8-3  
Barragan/Metzler (KU) def. Short/Pellerin (MT) 9-7

## Intramural Basketball Schedule for Jan. 31

Wednesday, January 31, 2001

League	Time	Place	Teams
IFCB/I	6:00 p.m.	RC C3	Kappa Alpha II v. Sigma Alpha Epsilon II
IFCB/I	6:00 p.m.	RC C5	Alpha Gamma Rho v. Sigma Alpha Epsilon III
IFCB/II	7:00 p.m.	RC C3	Pi Kappa Alpha III v. Sigma Phi Epsilon II
IFCB/II	7:00 p.m.	RC C5	Kappa Alpha III v. Alpha Tau Omega II
IFCB/II	8:00 p.m.	RC C3	Sigma Chi II v. Beta Theta Pi II
IFCA/I	9:00 p.m.	RC C1	Pi Kappa Alpha I v. Sigma Phi Epsilon I
IFCA/I	9:00 p.m.	RC C3	Kappa Alpha I v. Sigma Alpha Epsilon I
IFCA/I	9:00 p.m.	RC C5	Sigma Chi I v. Alpha Phi Alpha
IFCA/I	10:00 p.m.	RC C1	Beta Theta Pi I v. Alpha Tau Omega I
IFCA/I	10:00 p.m.	RC C3	Sigma Nu I v. Sigma Alpha Epsilon I
IFCA/I	10:00 p.m.	RC C5	Pi Kappa Alpha I v. Alpha Phi Alpha



## No luck with No. 7



The streak is now at seven as the Blue Raiders put in their worst shooting performance of the season.

Jani Hiltunen led the Blue Raiders in scoring with nine while Dale Thomas pulled down a team high 10 rebounds. UALR's Stan Blackmon led all scorers with 19.

MT's next game is Thursday vs. Western Kentucky. ♦

## Intramural Basketball Preseason Rankings As of Thursday, Jan. 25

### Men's Overall Top 10

1. Greekmixer
2. Tha Realest
3. Alpha Phi Alpha
4. Sigma Alpha Epsilon I
5. Memphis
6. HB IV Vengeance
7. Corlew Magic
8. Beta Theta Pi I
9. Dam Ba Jam
10. Chat-Atlanta

### Men's A Top 10

1. Greekmixer
2. Tha Realest
3. MEMPHIS
4. HB IV Vengeance
5. Corlew Magic
6. Dam Ba Jam
7. The Outcasts
8. Rough Riders
9. Farmhouse
10. The Ruckus

### Men's B Top 10

1. Chat-Atlanta
2. Charlie's Angels
3. Run-N-Gun
4. A - Team
5. Long Range Assassins
6. Reynolds Raiders
7. Raiders for Christ # 1
8. FUBAR
9. # I Stunnas
10. The Rebels

### Women's Overall Top 10

1. The Rovers
2. Chi Omega
3. Rollers
4. Delta Zeta
5. Tennessee
6. Zeta Tau Alpha
7. Raiders for Christ
8. Alpha Delta Pi
9. D.C.F.
10. Alpha Omicron Pi

### IFC A Top 10

1. Alpha Phi Alpha
2. Sigma Alpha Epsilon I
3. Beta Theta Pi I
4. Kappa Alpha I
5. Pi Kappa Alpha I
6. Sigma Nu I
7. Sigma Phi Epsilon I
8. Alpha Tau Omega I
9. Sigma Chi I

### IFC B Top 10

1. Sigma Alpha Epsilon II
2. Beta Theta Pi II
3. Pi Kappa Alpha II
4. Kappa Alpha II
5. Sigma Phi Epsilon II
6. Alpha Tau Omega II
7. Sigma Nu II
8. Alpha Gamma Rho
9. Sigma Chi II
10. Sigma Alpha Epsilon III

# Track finishes among top three

## MT Media Relations

JONESBORO, Ark. — The men's and women's track and field teams competed at the Arkansas State Invitational Saturday in preparation for the Sun Belt Conference Track and Field Championships later in the year.

"Arkansas State is the host of the conference meet," said head coach Dean Hayes. "That's where the Sun Belt Championships will be, so it was basically preparation for that."

Although team scores were kept, both teams concentrated on areas of emphasis rather than points. Despite that, the men's team finished second behind Ole Miss while the women's team placed third behind Ole Miss and Arkansas St.

For the Lady Raiders, Kim Freeman had a strong showing jumping 39'00" 1/4 for first place in the triple jump. She also turned in a second place distance in the long jump. Stephany Reid followed Freeman in the triple jump for second with Lashon Kennedy placing third behind Freeman in the long jump.

"I was real pleased with our jumps today," commented Hayes. "All of our girls had some good distances."

Naomi Ansah was the only other Lady Raider with a first place finish running a 57.88 in the 400-meters.

Willisa Heintz did not win an event for the first time this season running 7.06 in the 55-meters for second place behind Teneesha Jones of Ole Miss, who set a new meet record.

Heintz did not compete in the 200-meters.

Other notable finishes for the Lady Raiders were Kelley Smith (second in the 55-meter hurdles) and Nicolette Jarrett (third in the 400-meters).

On the men's side, Godfrey Herring provisionally qualified in the 400-meters for the NCAA Championships winning the race by more than two seconds over Ole Miss' Aaron Fenzel.

"That was a great performance by Godfrey," said Hayes. "It was run on a 200-meter track, and he had it under control all the way."

Middle Tennessee had several impressive performances on the day. Michael Long enjoyed his most successful meet since arriving on campus as a freshman. Long's jump of 46'4" earned him first in the triple

jump while he also took second in the long jump just ahead of teammate Rob Jordan, who was in third.

Tanko Braimah also enjoyed his best outing of the season winning the 200-meters with a time of 21.66. His time of 6.41 in the 55-meters was good for second place. Teammate D.J. Spann placed third in the 55-meters.

Jasper Demps and Haneef Sharif did something that is becoming extremely common during their time at Middle Tennessee. The duo went one-two in the 55-meter hurdles. Demps got the best of Sharif on Saturday with a time of 7.46.

Both teams will be back in action next weekend when they travel to Bloomington, Ind., for the Indiana Invitational. ♦

## RESULTS

### Georgia def. Middle Tenn. 7-0

**Singles:**  
Arthi Venkatesan (UGA) def. Manon Kruse (MT) 6-1, 6-4  
Lori Gray (UGA) def. Tanja Buchheim (MT) 6-1, 6-1  
Anne Nguyen (UGA) def. Michaela Gridding (MT) 6-2, 8-0  
Tina Hojnik (UGA) def. Inge Weirich 6-3, 6-2  
Christa Gray (UGA) def. Carlen Veniter (MT) 7-6 (2), 6-4  
Alexandra Smith (UGA) def. Niger Kaur (MT) 6-1, 6-2

**Doubles:**  
Venkatesan-Hojnik (UGA) def. Kruse-Varnell (MT) 8-4  
Gray-Nguyen (UGA) def. Veniter-Weirich (MT) 8-3  
Gray-Smith (UGA) def. Gridding-Kaur (MT) 8-3

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### THURSDAY

#### Women's Basketball

Lady Raiders at Western Kentucky  
Bowling Green, Ky. 7 p.m.

#### Men's Basketball

Blue Raiders vs. Western Kentucky  
Murfreesboro, Tenn., 7 p.m.

#### Men's Tennis

Blue Raiders at Chattanooga  
Chattanooga, Tenn., 3 p.m.

### SATURDAY

#### Women's Basketball

Lady Raiders vs. Florida Int'l  
Murfreesboro, Tenn., 2 p.m.

#### Men's Basketball

Blue Raiders at Florida Int'l  
Miami, Fla., 6:30 p.m.

### SUNDAY

#### Women's Tennis

Lady Raiders vs. Iowa  
Nashville, Tenn., 11 a.m.

#### Men's Tennis

Blue Raiders vs. Purdue  
Murfreesboro, Tenn., 11 a.m.



# FLASH



## Snatch: A new classic

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With colorful names like Brick Top, Bullet Tooth and Frankie Four Fingers, Ritchie's characters add to the film's unique style. The cast of virtual unknowns, aside from Benicio del Toro as a gambling-addicted smuggler and Brad Pitt as a tattooed bare-knuckle boxing champion, give performances that could be foundations for prosperous careers. Pitt is especially funny because viewers are left hanging on his every word in

the hope of understanding half of what he says.

*Snatch* isn't for the faint of heart. It's dirty, harsh and down right brutal in some spots. But that's half the reason it's so damn funny. To enjoy it, you have to be a little jaded toward the realities of life and realize it's only funny because it isn't happening to you. So, if you think you can handle it, go catch a glimpse of *Snatch*. For those of you who won't even bother because the title evokes too much graphic imagery, well here it is again — *SNATCH!* ♦

## England's Roni Size releases new album

By Brian Spencer  
Staff Writer

It seems funny to me that the worlds of drum 'n' bass and hip-hop music haven't mixed more than they have. The two sound like they naturally go together. Dre, of the hip-hop duo Outkast, commented recently in an interview with *Paper Magazine* about what he thought a possible reason for the holdup of this fusion might be.

"To the average playa on the street, house music is kind of connected with the gay community, and drum 'n' bass is connected with house music," said Dre. "In the 'hood, they think you're gay or you're white. It's terrible that they want to put it like that. I want to break those barriers."

Those barriers between hip-hop and drum 'n' bass come crashing down on the second effort from the Bristol, England based jungle collective Roni Size/Reprazent entitled *In the Mode*. With this release, Reprazent strays from the straight jungle sound that filled the award-winning debut album *New Forms* for an album that strives to emphasize fusion.

"Hip-hop is the mother of drum 'n' bass, and the child sometimes goes back to its mother," said vocalist Onallee.

In addition to Onallee, Reprazent is comprised of DJs Die, Suv, Krust, Dynamite MC and Roni Size — the chief architect of the group's direction and sound.

"With this record, I'm trying to make something for me," said Size. "I love everyone, but it's for me in my car, and if I'm happy with what it sounds like to me in my car, it's really what I want."

*In the Mode* smacks with crispness and precision throughout the album's 17 tracks and easily avoids the dreaded sophomore slump that many artists experience.

"Snapshot" is one of the few instrumental songs that calls upon the sound of *New Forms*, with every layer of sound stacked carefully on top of each other to create a stunning landscape of organized chaos.

"Switchblade" features Dynamite on vocals over a beat that you would expect to hear in the background of a revolution. Dynamite also sums up the overall sound of *In the Mode* in the song "System Check." "It's made from the multitude of sounds we got/In particular the bottomless bass that don't stop."

The influence of hip-hop is shown by the album's three guest artists: Method Man, Zack de la Rocha, and Rahzel of the Roots. Method Man is more than able to keep pace with the frenetic beat by Reprazent in "Ghetto Celebrity," as he spits lyrics with quick speed, showing why he's known as a party rocking emcee. Rahzel shows once again why he's known as the human beat box on the track "In Tune With the Sound." De la Rocha proves that he was the heart and soul of his former group Rage Against the Machine on the track "Centre of the Storm," as he attacks the rhythm with a ferocious tenacity that drips of confident contempt: "Don't choke/if ya smell smoke/I dip my tongue in gun powder/then I



clear my throat."

In an interview with *Paper Magazine*, De la Rocha said, "I remember Reprazent getting onstage, and within 15 minutes the place was leveled. Kids were having to pick up their body parts hit with this sonic bomb. I knew at that moment, I had to work with them."

I saw Reprazent live in concert in Atlanta about three years ago, and De la Rocha's statement basically describes what happened there. I've never been to a concert where everyone in the entire crowd was dancing almost right away. It was an unbelievable experience. *In the Mode* lives up to the expectations I had for it. I strongly recommend picking it up next time you have \$14 burning a hole in your pocket. ♦

## LINE-UP (cont.)

SUNDAY, FEB. 4

INSANE CLOWN POSSE  
all ages show, 8 p.m., 328 Performance Hall  
Tickets avail. through Ticketmaster, \$19 adv., \$22 door.

MONDAY, FEB. 5

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w/Snapcase & Dashboard Confidential, all ages show,  
8 p.m., 328 Performance Hall, \$12 adv., \$15 door.

TOM MASON  
8 p.m., Bunganut Pig, Murfreesboro

ADRIENNE YOUNG  
10 p.m., Radio Cafe

TUESDAY, FEB. 6

MARTIN SEXTON  
9 p.m., 12th & Porter Playroom

TWIZTID  
w/Mastamind, Shuvel, & Realist, 7 p.m., The Paladium  
Tickets avail. through Ticketmaster, \$15.

THE LOST  
10 p.m., Faces Restaurant & Lounge

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 7

MIKE PALMER  
9 p.m., Faces Restaurant & Lounge \$1.

GATTIS  
w/the Death Ray Davies, 9 p.m., The End \$5.

THE NATIONALS  
w/Duncan May, 10 p.m., The Boro Bar & Grill \$5.

SUPERDRAG WITH SLACK  
James Union Building, doors open at 8:30, show starts at 9 p.m.

## Cabaret: musical full of gushy love, not irritation

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rehired at the Kit Kat. Unwilling to give up her life of fun and dissolution, Sally has an abortion. Bradshaw leaves, and Sally, once again, takes the stage. "Life is a cabaret, old chum," she sings.

The finale, not surprisingly, shows she's wrong. To the sound of a roaring fire, the backdrop raises, exposing a white wall lit with brilliant flickering light. Some of the cast stand before the wall, their backs facing us and their postures oddly like that of hanged people. With a sneer, the leering Emcee, dressed in a trench coat, asks if the audience has forgotten its problems. He tears open his coat, showing off a striped concentration camp uniform with a yellow star and pink triangle — the Nazi identifier for homosexuals. And then, in a burst of light, he is shot.

Before the performance, the waiting audience watches the Kit Kat Girls stretching, often in hilariously lewd ways, or stand-

ing around bored and chatting. The Kit Kat Band tunes its instruments. It's like being in the club before opening. As the show starts, the Emcee addresses the audience directly. These things effectively confuse the distinction of whether the audience is sitting in the Kit Kat or in a modern performance hall.

The Emcee steals the show with his wicked innuendo and smutty wit. With manic energy, Peterson gives an excellent performance, but his hair and makeup are reminiscent of the mid-80s rather than 1930 — think Robert Smith of the Cure, but with cheekbones and a lascivious smile, and having a great time, instead of being depressed.

The Kit Kat Girls do a great job dancing in raunchy staccato rhythm and belting out their songs. In their suggestive sleazy underwear, garter belts and shredded stockings, they looked like working women in the old sense. Their heavy makeup and tousled, bed-head hair portrays

them as available. The performances of "Money" and "Two Ladies," in particular, stand out.

Cuervo and Robinson, as Fraulein Schneider and Herr Schultz, act well and sing powerfully, even if their songs aren't especially inspiring. Interestingly, their songs are the play's weakest and got cut from the film version of *Cabaret*.

The roles of Bradshaw and Ludwig don't allow the actors to do anything particularly noteworthy. Stratton and McVety are adequate to the job. Andrea McArdle is disappointing as Sally Bowles. McArdle was the original Annie in the 1977 Broadway musical *Annie*. Although she has a good voice, I think she was miscast in this production. In the film version, Minelli, in the role of Sally, sings lustfully in nearly every song.

Luckily, in this adaptation, McArdle has fewer numbers because her voice and attitude don't have the depth to convey the coarse sexiness of the

cabaret. Sally's lines portray her as naive perhaps, but also as enjoying her lifestyle passionately. McArdle, however, plays the role as if, despite her words, Sally really thinks being part of a tramping and sleazy underworld is hard work. Her dancing is heavy compared to that of the Kit Kat Girls, but she sings well in *Cabaret*.

The role of Sally might have benefited if Lenora Nemetz had gotten the part.

As Fraulein Kost, she plays an engagingly sympathetic hooker. Her brassy manner matches the artifice of her over-dyed hair. Her smoky voice in the reprise of "Tomorrow Belongs to Me" is the best singing of the production.

Speaking of smoking, booze and sex aren't the only plentiful things in evidence. The cast goes through a dozen cartons of cigarettes in every performance. There's no smoke without fire, so the saying goes. And *Cabaret* is blazing hot. ♦

## Williams: Like Macy Gray, new talent pushes old moods

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medical expenses. Since the 1993 event, the Sweet Relief Musicians Fund has collected the proceeds for other musicians in medical need.

Williams was married in 1994

to Mark Olsen, former Jayhawk member. The couple worked together several years before Williams decided to go solo again.

Her solo career has improved her success over the past few years. Even though little is known

about Williams, she's not new to the music scene. In 1979 she moved to Los Angeles from her hometown, Shreveport, La., to develop her music career. It wasn't until 1987, when she released her first hit "Happy Come Home," that her career started to

progress.

To get a taste of Williams' music, you don't have to go out and buy her CD. Right now, she's on tour and will be in downtown Nashville on Feb. 10 at 12th and Porter. I truly recommend experiencing her talent. ♦

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