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# SIDELINES

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In university investigation

## Professor charged with harassment

By MICHELLE MATHES  
News Editor  
and  
D. BRIAN CONLEY  
Editor

An investigation conducted by the Affirmative Action Office found "there is evidence to support" allegations made by a graduate student claiming she was sexually harassed by her thesis adviser.

Among the charges Reza Ordoubadian, an MTSU English professor for 22 years, faces are: committing "acts of physical violence," against the student, engaging in a "personal relationship" with the student, and hindering the progress of her graduate work at MTSU, a copy of the final report of the investigation, given to *Sidelines* by MTSU President Sam Ingram, states.

Ordoubadian referred all questions to his attorney, William Bullock of Murfreesboro.

"We have been working on this case for a month and a half," Bullock said. "We have had two lawyers work-

ing on the case. We have retained an investigator.

"We have interviewed 15-20 witnesses. These witnesses include professors, graduate students, and students of the university," he added. "We have witnesses that will totally contradict

**"Ordoubadian has not presented any evidence to contradict the charges,"  
Report on his alleged misconduct**

what she has alleged. We will present this information at the appropriate time."

Bullock refused further comment.

The affirmative action investigation was conducted by former Affirmative Action Officer Phyllis Montgomery.

The final report was released Friday.

University officials will meet with Ordoubadian, his attorneys, and the State Board of Regents' legal counsel in the near future to attempt to work out a mutually beneficial resolu-

tion to the case, Ingram said.

"Any action the university takes will be based on the advice of the legal counsel," Ingram said, adding the action taken will depend on the outcome of the meeting.

Possible disciplinary actions the university could impose if the Board decides to reprimand the professor range from a written reprimand to dismissal.

Mary Ashley Nichols, attorney for the graduate student, said she hoped Ingram and the board would agree with the findings of Montgomery's report and dismiss Ordoubadian.

"I am pleased that the director of the Affirmative Action Commission found evidence to support the serious sexual harassment charge filed by my client against Dr. Ordoubadian

for the reasons cited by the director's report, including Dr. Ordoubadian's frequent and 'totally inappropriate' visits to my client's apartment, his numerous telephone calls to her from his office telephone, and his delay of her progress toward the completion of her thesis," Nichols said.

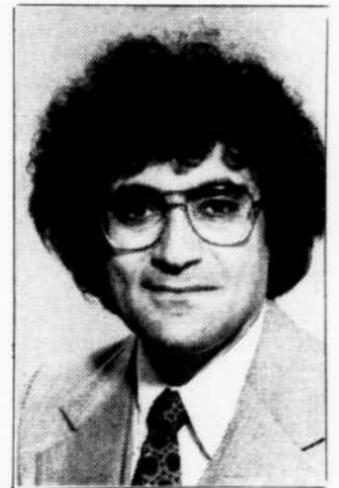
"I hope Dr. Sam Ingram agrees with the findings in the report and proceeds under the appropriate policy of the Tennessee Board of Regents and the university for termination of te-

nured faculty," Nichols said.

The alleged affair supposedly lasted a year, the report states.

According to the report, support for the charge of sexual harassment by Nichols' client comes from the following sources:

● "Sworn statements from more than one individual supporting the allegation Dr. Ordoubadian frequently visited [the student's] apartment.



Reza Ordoubadian

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Michael Johnson • Staff

## Two indictments delivered in attempted kidnapping

By MICHELLE MATHES  
News Editor

Rutherford County Grand Jury indictments were handed down against two individuals who allegedly attempted to kidnap an MTSU student on March 2, police said.

Kenneth Albert Miller, 28, of Cookeville and Marcella Rene Stallings, 27, of Gainesville, were arrested Thursday and charged each with one count of kidnapping and one count of conspiracy to kidnap, said Lt.

John Singleton of the Murfreesboro Police Department.

The incident took place between 8:10 and 8:30 p.m. in the parking lot behind Ezell apartments, said Singleton.

The victim, identified only as an MTSU student, walked out to the parking lot after receiving a phone call which led him to believe that his fiancée was waiting for him, Singleton said. Upon reaching the lot, he was approached by an

assailant who attempted to force him into the trunk of a waiting car.

The victim managed to break free and ran back into Ezell. He then phoned Campus Security. Officer Roy Brewer answered the call, and Singleton and Lt. David Dinkins from the Murfreesboro Police Department assisted.

Stallings and Miller were confined to the Rutherford County Adult Detention Center. Each was released on \$10,000 bond.



George Walker • Staff

(Top) Scott Hogue speaks to a crowd in the Grill yesterday as part of the Associated Student Body Speak-out. The speakout gave candidates for ASB president and vice president positions a chance to debate each other. (Bottom) Doug Holder relates his platform during the speakout while Scott Hogue (left) and Larry Brown look on.

# Police search for auto burglar

By D. BRIAN CONLEY  
Editor

Area police officers are looking for a man who reached into the back of a Murfreesboro Vending Machine Company van and took approximately \$1,350, MTSU security officials said.

"He was possibly carrying a weapon wrapped in a yellow plastic bag," said Jack Drugmand, MTSU security chief. "No one saw a weapon, and a weapon was not displayed."

The driver of the van was servicing a machine in Reynolds Hall when the suspect grabbed the money, Drugmand said. The suspect is charged with burglary to auto.

The suspect is black, approximately 6-foot tall, and weighs around 180 pounds, Drugmand said. He was wearing a tan cap, coat and blue jeans. The suspect left the scene in a burgundy Cadillac Seville.

## Campus Capsule

Graduating Seniors must take the ACT COMP test March 14, 15 or 16 in order to graduate in May. The test is being offered in the Tennessee Room of the James Union Building at the following times each day: 8:30-11 a.m., 1:30-4 p.m., and 6-8:30 p.m. The test will not become part of any student's permanent record. Students do not have to pass the test. For more information call Charles Babb at ext. 2718.

Scientific Research Society and MTSU Ideas and Issues Committee will present a lecture by Peter Karl, assistant professor with the Cornell University Medical Unit, in room 100 of the Davis Science Building on March 9 at 7:30 p.m. Karl's lecture is titled "Amino Acid Transfer by the Placenta: Effect of Ethanol." The lecture is free and open to the public.

# Tourneys take part of student's parking

From Staff Reports

Students who commute to campus will be inconvenienced by the TSSAA State High School Basketball Tournaments being held in Murphy Center, officials said.

The tournaments are being held today, tomorrow, and Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of next week.

The organization requested approximately 600

parking spaces for use by players, officials and other personnel key to the tournaments, Drugmand said.

As a result, the section of the Greenland Drive parking lot closest to Murphy Center has been closed to students, Drugmand said.

Students are being asked to park in the Livestock Pavilion lot and in the new parking lot behind Cummings and High Rise residence halls.

# Housing job hard but worth it: RA

By JOHN WHEELER  
Staff Writer

Although the job of MTSU resident assistant is a challenging one, Gracy Hall resident assistants Tommy Wright and Chris Shavers feel the job is worth the effort.

"If you're going to stay in the dorm, it's the way to go," Shavers stated.

MTSU resident assistants are paid for 15 hours a week at \$3.35 per hour for their efforts. They are also given early class registration, reserved parking space, and private dorm rooms.

However, the job carries a good deal of responsibility along with the benefits.

"Really it doesn't take that much of your time," said Wright, "but you are on call 24 hours a day."

A resident assistant's basic responsibilities are to ensure that dorm life for residents runs smoothly, to enforce rules, and to resolve conflicts between residents.

sidents.

"If everyone respects you, they'll be cool," said Shavers, adding, "You can't be an authoritarian. I just treat people the way I would want to be treated."

"Sometimes you get put in a tough situation," Wright explained, "and you have to tell your friends to turn down the radio or get rid of the beer."

"You can't just look the other way, because enforcing rules is what we're paid for," he added.

Despite these potentially difficult situations, however, both Shavers and Wright agree that overall, being an RA is a very rewarding experience and encourage others to consider it.

Students interested in becoming resident assistants should be prepared for a long selection process.

"We look for the best and the brightest," said Ivan Shewmake, director of student housing.

"If you're just in it for the money, you're in the wrong place," he added.

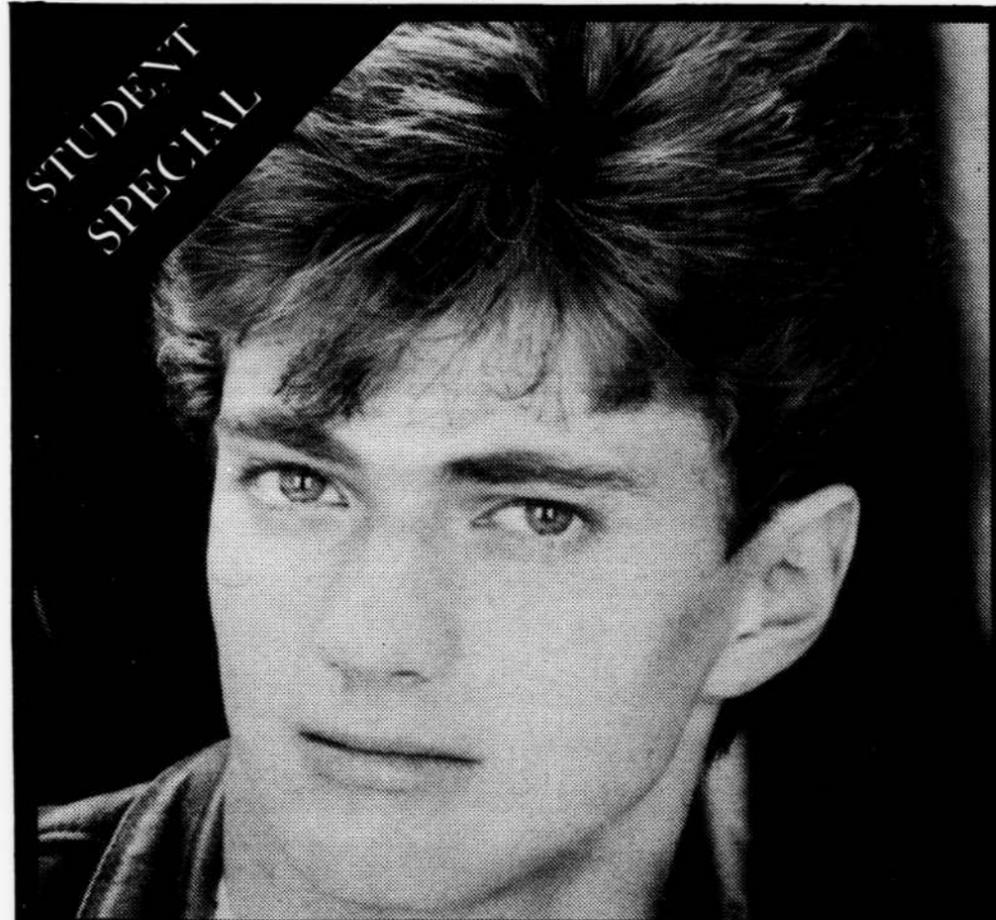
Requirements for eligibility include a 2.5 GPA and a clean discipline record. According to Shewmake, those interested must also be people who enjoy working with and helping people.

Training for resident assistants is also a thorough process. New RAs must arrive at school at least a week before the beginning of the semester for a rigorous training period.

"We need for them to be familiar with the campus because they are going to be bombarded with questions during the semester," said Shewmake.

New RAs are also required to take a psychology course designed to help them in their new jobs.

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● "Sworn statements and university records which support numerous telephone calls by Dr. Ordoubadian to [the student], including two long distance calls on Dr. Ordoubadian's university office telephone.

● "Dr. Ordoubadian's delay of [the student's] progress toward completion of her thesis."

In addition, the report states Montgomery could not arrange an interview with Ordoubadian or his attorneys to allow them an opportunity to give evidence to refute the charges.

"Dr. Ordoubadian has

not presented any evidence to contradict the allegations," the report states.

While conducting the investigation, Montgomery asked each side to present a list of witnesses.

"Of the people Dr. Ordoubadian asked me to interview, I was able to contact seven [author's emphasis] people. Of those people, none provided any information to discredit [the student's] statements," the report states.

"Several of the people who knew him well — some for more than 20 years — indicated they would not be surprised to learn he had

been involved with a student," the report states. "Several people stated they had known about a previous relationship with another graduate student."

In a matter which has no bearing with the sexual harassment charge, Ordoubadian faces a hearing in early April on charges he bit the graduate student on the upper thigh while in her apartment.

The hearing on the peace warrant was originally scheduled for March 3, but was continued at the request of Ordoubadian's lawyers.

# Freedom of Information panel slated for Monday

By FRANK LANNOM  
Staff Writer

Proposals by Nashville Mayor Bill Boner to close certain records which are currently open to the public will be a subject of a forum to be held Monday night.

The Society for Professional Journalism is sponsoring a Freedom of Information Panel March 13, at 7 p.m., in the Multi-Media Room of the Learning Resources Center.

Panelists will include Tom Lee, Boner's press secretary; Metro Police Chief Joe Casey; and Frank Gibson, Metro editor for *The Tennessean* and chairman of the society's Project Watchdog program, said Brian Conley, president of the MTSU chapter of SPI.

"Project Watchdog is designed to inform the public of the media's role in disseminating information about the government,"

Conley said.

One subject to be discussed is Boner's request for legislative action to close records of sex crimes, medical records for state employees, and the imposition of fees for copies of computer records.

"This is a very important issue which threatens the media's ability to inform the public of governmental waste and possible threats to our personal safety," Conley said.

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# Opinion

## ASB elections — an experiment in tolerance



**Mike Reed**

*Tales of the Velvet Elvis*

Well boys and girls, it is as plain as the writing on the wall (or the day-glo flyers if you don't mind a mixed metaphor) that the race for the presidential office of the Apathetic Stupid Body, henceforth referred to as the ASB, is well underway. I look forward to the veritable bouillabaisse of column ideas that will spring forth from this event.

Actually, I have never been one to use this forum to attack the ASB. It seemed redundant. In truth, I had planned to run for president myself this semester. I had a campaign manager, a few bucks to grease the local politicians with, and a slogan. It went something like: "Vote Mike Reed for ASB President — the ASB does nothing and I can do less." It was brilliant. My whole platform was broken down to the promise that if elected, I will do everything in my power to disband the ASB.

Sure it sounds crazy, but many people have commented that the name Harry Hosey sounded like a joke. Maybe that's how he got elected. I don't even remember what his campaign promises were and I voted for him.

For those of you about to experience such a campaign as this for the first time, let me warn you about a few things. This time it is important that you clip and save.

Smiling geeks in suits and ties will start handing you leaflets. They will knock on your doors if you live on campus, they will accost you in The Grill, they will bother you at every turn. It is best to avoid Peck Hall for the next few weeks.

The Grill will no longer be a nice quiet place to get ptomaine. It will be turned into a forum for open debate and questions. If you are the type that sit in the grill and read, too bad.

Ignorant people will constantly be campaigning for one goof or another. They will attempt to start conversations with phrases like "Have ya voted yet? Well, . ." or "Who ya gonna vote for?" Avoid these people like the plague.

You will be herded like cattle toward a voting booth (unless you tell them you have already voted, or you avoid Peck Hall). You will pick a name that you saw on some day-glo poster and flip a switch. All told, pretty painless.

No one will win the

majority. There will be a run-off, which means more days of avoiding the KUC, Peck Hall, and anyone wearing a blue coat.

To save you time and effort, I will give you a thumbnail sketch of the campaign process.

First of all, we need to discuss percentages. Roughly 10 percent of you will exercise your right to elect some yuppie into this office, thereby giving him/her about \$3,000 in benefits. On this campus, some 13 percent of you are members of a fraternity or sorority. Since the few students that show any interest in campus affairs are the Greeks, odds dictate that a Greek candidate is a shoe-in for president.

Another factor is that fraternities and sororities vote in blocks. They make that group effort to get their candidate into office. That shouldn't bother me too much. Useless figureheads and titles are a staple to Greek culture. What harm can another Greek in charge do?

There will be plenty of signs and banners telling you to vote for some ham-and-egger in a suit. Plenty more of them will tell you why not to vote for the same geek.

After the carnage and vote counting is done, *Sidelines* will run a big picture of the winner on the front page with a headline

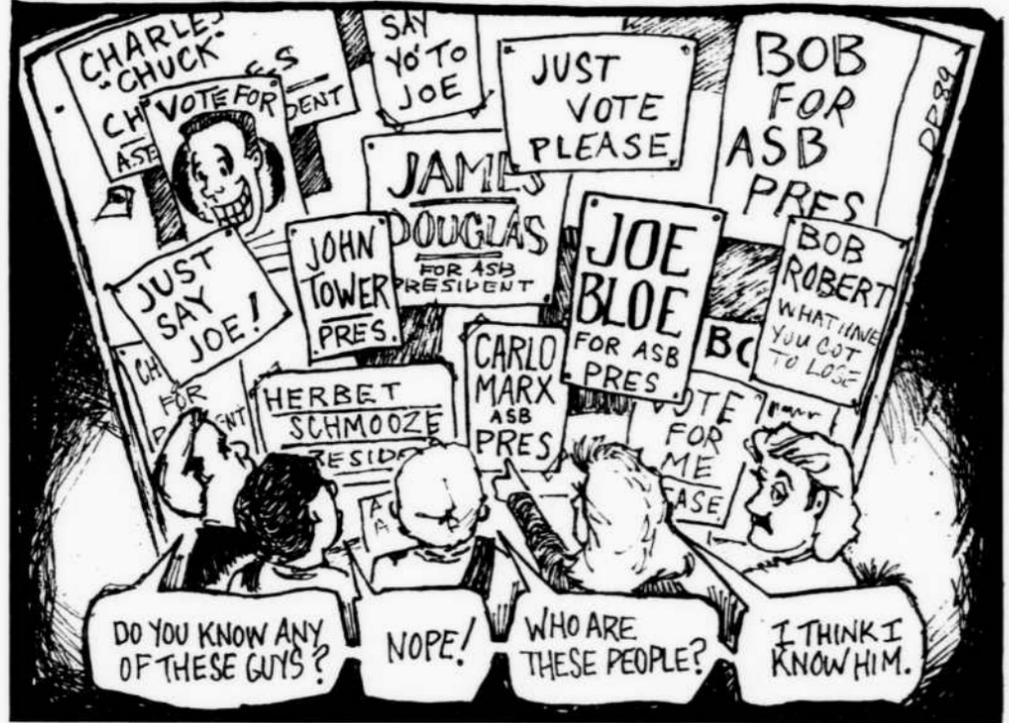
reminiscent of the Pulitzer days.

I, of course, vote every year. I encourage everyone who wishes to do the same. I understand if you don't want to vote. To many stu-

dents the point is lost when they ask themselves "what is the point?"

I think the real vote has already been cast. Does the student population care

about the student government? 90 percent don't seem to. Perhaps silence gives consent, but I think silence merely breeds contempt.



## Democrats should confirm John Tower as defense head



**D. Brian Conley**  
*Bongo's Beat*

As everyone who has been in touch with reality over the past month or so knows, President Bush has been having a hard time with the confirmation of John Tower as defense secretary.

It seems many members of the Senate — with whom Tower served for many years — have decided Tower is a womanizer and drinks too much.

Furthermore, they have decided these are flaws unbecoming a defense secretary.

This is merely an attempt by bleeding heart liberal Democrats to make America weak on defense so the Soviets can actually take over AMERICA without firing a shot.

John F. Kennedy, former President of the United States, and a Democrat, was a notorious womanizer. However, no one criticized him for the same behavior

for which Tower is now suffering public and professional humiliation.

Several differences exist between Tower and Kennedy (I know, Tower is no JFK):

- Kennedy was a womanizing president. Tower is allegedly a womanizing Senator who wants to be defense secretary.
- Kennedy was married. Tower is single.
- No one cared that Kennedy was a womanizer while Tower is being raked over the coals without mercy.

Just because an upper middle-aged man likes to run around with the ladies does not mean he is incapable of serving as defense secretary.

In fact, as one friend of mine put it so eloquently, "If Tower can talk a woman into bed with him — he can get the Russians to do anything." Not to mention the Pentagon.

Look at him. Of the charges that he is a drunkard and can not perform the duties of defense secretary, this is also pure poppycock. As Mike Royko put it, if the Pentagon will allow a drunk defense secretary to let loose a couple missiles into the Kremlin, we have a lot more than a drunk defense secretary to worry about.

In fact, a defense secretary who did not take an occasional drink would concern me a little. I am not condoning drinking by any means.

However, it can be relaxing at times and I would imagine that defense secretaries are a rather stressed out lot.

Neither charge the bleeders are leveling against Tower is valid. In the past, bigger drunks and big-time gigolos have done very good jobs in similar, if not more demanding and critical, jobs.

Tower has said he would quit drinking if confirmed and no one can realistically ask a single man to quit womanizing.

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# Letters to the Editor

**Who does Reed think he is?**  
To the Editor:

This is a letter which I have wanted to write for some time, yet it was not until the March 2 issue of your newspaper that I felt that I had finally been properly provoked.

I have been a student at Middle Tennessee State University since 1985. My degree will be conferred in May of this year. For the past four years, two or three times each week, I have picked up and read your newspaper, and two or three times each week, I have indeed marvelled at the numerous inaccuracies, misspellings, and grammatical travesties which somehow manage to escape your writers' minds and slip past the editor's desk. Yet, I have taken all these errors with the proverbial "grain of salt," reasoning that your newspaper should, for those students studying journalism, be a learning experience, and that one learns best from one's mistakes.

My attitude was changed

drastically by the March 2 column "Tales of the Velvet Elvis" written (and I use the term rather loosely) by Mike Reed. In this column, Mr. Reed, in response to the rhetorical question as to why *Sidelines* is not more accurate, responded:

"I am sure that I speak for everyone when I say . . . we don't want to (be more accurate). . . and furthermore, we don't have to. . . If you don't like *Sidelines*, what are you (the reader) going to read? There is no other paper on campus! We have all the readership. We have all the advertisers. We have it all."

As I said, I had previously attributed the errors in *Sidelines* to the general inexperience of its staff. Now, however, it seems that Mr. Reed has taken it upon himself to speak for the entire *Sidelines* in saying that your inaccuracy is due to you and your staff's personal arrogance. In light of this new development, I would like to address some of the issues that I feel are at hand.

First of all, says Mr. Reed, you are inaccurate because you want to be. Fair enough. Although I find that a quite unprofessional attitude, you and your staff are entitled to your opinions, for which you have my utmost respect.

Secondly, Mr. Reed says that you are not accurate because you feel that it is not necessary, citing that the *Sidelines* staff is not graded or compensated well for their work. Although I have never studied journalism, I had always understood that high on the list of the serious journalist was the accuracy of his/her reporting. I am assuming that much of your staff writes for your paper because, in the future, they hope to become journalists for major papers. I would like to point out that, in the real world, journalists are not graded for their work and, at least in the beginning, their pay is meager at best. Still, it seems that these beginning reporters strive for accuracy in their reporting,

despite the obvious shortcomings of their careers. Perhaps you and your staff would benefit by following this example.

Thirdly, Mr. Reed seems to indicate that if one does not like *Sidelines*, it really does not matter to the *Sidelines* staff, since, as Mr. Reed would indicate, *Sidelines* has all the readership, all the advertisers, and all the talent. You are correct about the advertisers. As to the readership and the talent, both could be easily disputed.

Finally, Mr. Reed speaks for the entire staff when he says, "We do for this campus better than it deserves." I would simply like to say that I have a great deal of respect for the faculty, staff and students of this university. I have thoroughly enjoyed my education, and I feel that I have been well

educated during my years here. I also feel that your newspaper, and its attitude, has done more than any single act or publication to promote apathy on this campus. The attitude seems to be that if it is your staff's job to report the news, and your staff is not concerned enough to spell correctly the names of the people involved in the stories, why should the average student care? This fact that through your general indifference you promote student apathy (of which your staff seems to be a glowing example) is, in my opinion, your most heinous crime.

In closing, I would like to say that you and the staff of your paper should remember that the readers of this campus do have a choice, and that at this time, the choice has been made. Perhaps this is why your newspaper, as Mr. Reed

puts it in his composite letter to the editor, ". . . winds up on the floor of the Grill twice a week." Your paper simply does not do for this campus better than it deserves, or even what it deserves. Your general unprofessionalism and inaccuracy has been easily detected by the student body at large, and I think that I speak for the student body when I say that your newspaper will, until some changes in your attitudes and your reporting manifest themselves, continue to be considered a farce.

I sincerely hope that you and your staff decide to implement some changes. It would be a shame to waste the talent that I know lies buried under a pile of editorial red tape somewhere in Room 310 of the James Union Building.

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# Rolfs takes a closer look at humor



**Jeremy Rolfs**  
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Members of MTSU's faculty and administration have, along with several members of the student body, expressed considerable concern about the seemingly "racist" tone of my "Live As The Other Half Lives" column, which appeared in the Feb. 23 *Sidelines*.

It is with the utmost sincerity and humility that I extend an apology to anyone who may have taken offense.

My intent was simply to acknowledge and address several stereotypical images with the hope that humor could help shed the negative connotations that are often associated with the characteristics that form our social identities.

I do believe, however, that the concept of the American melting pot, and more importantly, the denial of individuality it inevitably comes to represent, is in no way a valid doctrine. It is my firm belief that the process of cultural assimilation *denies* individuals their heritage, and serves only to enhance tensions among races, classes, and cultures that are inherently different. The "colorblindness" that so many American institutions, including those of education, have strived for is, in my opinion, both a repressive and superficial means of addressing the problems spawned by varying heritages. It is only when humans become proud and aware of their differences, not ashamed or overly-defensive, that the individuals of a society can mesh together to form some greater whole.

First, however, these differences must be recognized, perhaps initially by laughing at them. Yet, in order to laugh at *ourselves*, it is first necessary that someone laugh at us. Someone must tell the joke, if it is ever to be heard.

This, not racial condensation, was my column's intent. Again, my apologies to anyone who took offense to this somewhat unclear motivation, or its rather potent realization.

All humor, interestingly enough, by its very nature, is at someone's expense. Think about that.

*"Those people who can actually laugh at themselves ... are to be admired."*

From the knock-knock jokes you told as a child to make your friends feel silly for backing into your word play, to David Letterman, who makes the world feel silly by being silly himself, to Eddie Murphy, who makes you laugh by swearing at you, to perhaps even Mike Reed and myself, who are probably more funny looking than anything else, every joke has its target.

Try to remember the last time you had a really good laugh. Precisely what were you laughing at?

Take a closer look.

My guess is that it was *at* someone or something, even if that someone might have been yourself.

Perhaps humor is funny until it targets you, personally, at which point it becomes something else, like, say, "racist" or "offensive."

Those people who can actually laugh at themselves when someone *else* tells the joke, ah now, those people are to be admired. They are the people who understand the true implications of a smile, humor and growth.

There are, of course, limits to humorous good taste. These I may well have crossed. Once again, I apologize. I am human. I live, I learn, and I laugh. So be it.

Clarification: I am in no way condemning humor. In

fact, I feel it to be one of the most powerful and human forms of communication in existence. I only dwell on it now to try and understand it myself.

However, enough is more than enough.

Please go on and enjoy the rest of the paper, the *Opinion* pages and the *Back Page* in particular, as they are by far *Sidelines'* most hip sections. Please laugh profusely at *Tales of the Velvet Elvis*, or Don Pedigo's cartoon on page 4, or whatever turns you on.

Do me one favor, though. If you do find yourself laughing at something, try to figure out why it's funny. See if it is not at someone's expense.

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# Lifestyles

## Comic's show entertains crowd



Michael Johnson/Staff

Cartoonist and comic Steve Gipson speaks to an audience at a free noon show yesterday while drawing a cartoon of Michael Jackson.

By WENDY GRIFFIN  
Lifestyles Editor

Using a jock strap as a nose guard was just one of the stories comic Steve Gipson told during a free noon show in the Keathley University Center yesterday.

Using transparencies, Gipson drew cartoons of rock stars, presidents, and evangelists while making jokes about them.

"Tina Turner has Mick Jagger lips," he said, as he drew a cartoon of Tina Turner with lips covering most of the page.

He also made fun of country music.

"Country music makes me want to drink beer and

beat up somebody I don't know," he joked.

He then played a Dolly Parton song and attempted to draw her cartoon. He measured the screen before attempting to draw her breasts, while suggesting that boyfriends in the audience wished that their girlfriends had bodies such as Dolly's.

Gipson tried to persuade the audience that Cyndi Lauper is actually Jim Nabors as he played a record of *Girls Just Want to Have Fun* on 33 speed.

Gipson drew a large crowd and the audience seemed amused as he spoke of embarrassing moments such as the experience of

having to purchase maxi pads and condoms. With uplifting humorous topics such as these, what more could you ask from a free show?

A nationally known comic and former animated cartoonist for television and newspapers, Gipson said he became interested in drawing cartoons during 10th grade study hall. Since then, he has drawn for 26 years.

Gipson currently lives in Chattanooga and has been in business for himself, performing and freelancing, for the past 14 years. He now performs in schools, shopping malls and corporate offices.

## Top five records; videos

By BRIAN WILLIAMS  
Senior Staff Writer

Debbie Gibson broke the 'sophomore jinx' with "Lost In Your Eyes" as the number one pop single, and "Electric Blue" as the number one pop album last week.

Finishing up the top five pop singles were: "The Living Years" by Mike & The Mechanics; "You Got It (The Right Stuff)" by New Kids on the Block; "Roni" by Bobby Brown; and "Paradise City" by Guns 'N Roses.

Rounding out the five pop albums were: "Don't Be Cruel" by Bobby Brown; "Appetite for Destruction" by Guns 'N Roses; "Traveling Wilburys" by the Traveling Wilburys; and "Shooting Rubberbands at the Stars" by Edie Brickell & The New Bohemians.

"Lean On Me," which tells the story of Principal Joe Clark (played by Morgan Freeman), stood tall as the number one movie this weekend.

The movie grossed around \$5 million last weekend.

Other top grossing

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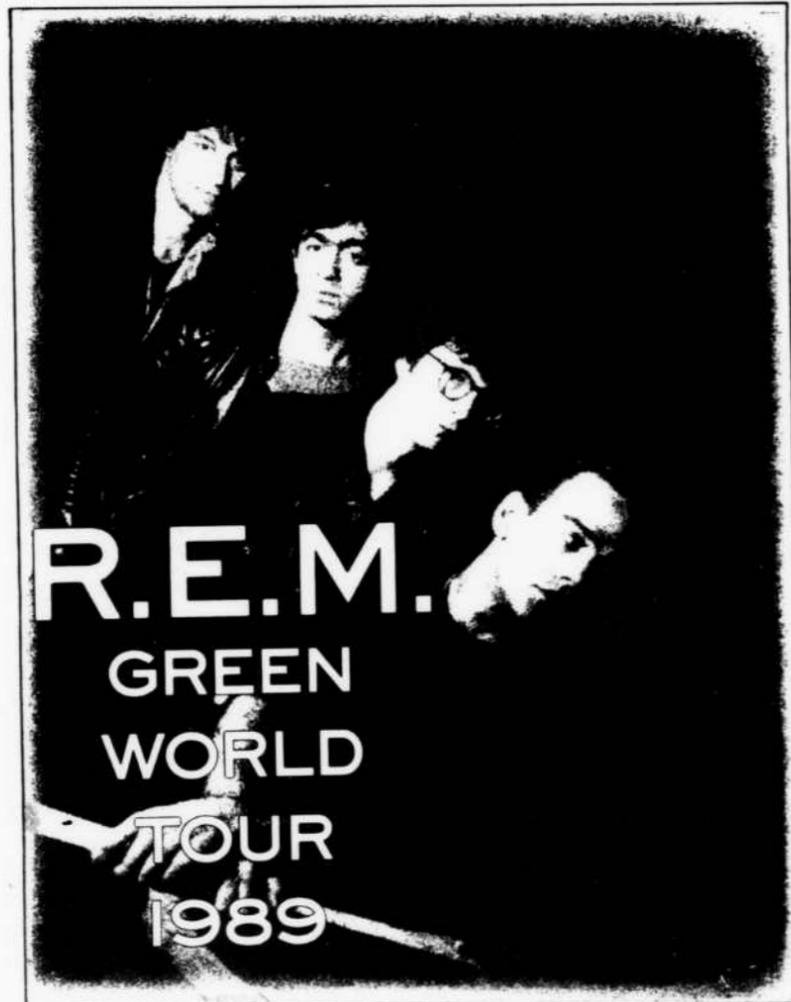
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Mammy Namms

# Class produces video

By WENDY GRIFFIN  
Lifestyles Editor

Students in a TV Production, an MTSU mass communications course, had to come up with an idea for a class project, so they made a music video.

The video, entitled "Words," features an MTSU-based band, the Mammy Namms, performing one of their original songs.

One of the students asked the band to participate in making the video,

and the group willingly agreed.

The students, most of whom are amateurs, did all of the production work themselves.

The group took a total of three hours to tape the video on March 1. Finishing touches will be completed on the video sometime after spring break.

"I'm really proud of my students. They are top notch," Tom Hollis, news

adviser for Channel 33, said.

Hollis would like for anyone interested in getting in-

involved with a new program for Channel 33 to come by Studio A in the Learning Resource Center, or call 898-2218.

## Music recitals slated

From Staff Reports

Two piano majors, studying under Jerry Perkins, will present recitals this weekend in the Music Hall of the Wright Music Building.

Philip Autry will present his graduate recital Friday, and Veronica Edwards will present her junior recital Sunday.

Autry's program will include works by Galuppi, Liszt, Beethoven, Takacs, Scriabin and Rachmaninoff.

Edwards is a member in the MTSU Chamber Choir and Concert Choir.

Her program will include music by Mozart, Rachmaninoff, and Dello Joio.

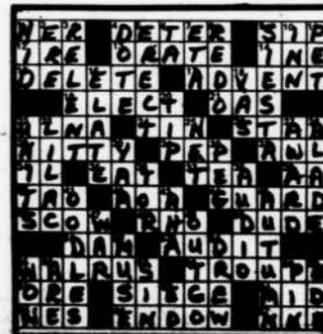
Both recitals will begin at 8 p.m. and are free and open to the public.

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movies included: "Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventures," "The Burbs," "Rain Man," and "Dream A Little Dream."

Bruce Willis had the number one rented video — the action-adventure "Die Hard."

Information for this listing taken from *Variety* and *Billboard*.



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# Sports



Frank Conley • Staff

Blue Raider junior guard Gerald Harris battles Eastern Kentucky's Jerry Goodin for a loose ball while senior forward Randy Henry looks on during last night's OVC tournament semi-final contest. The Blue Raiders defeated the Colonels 81-64 to move on to tonight's championship game with Austin Peay. Tonight's game will be broadcast on ESPN.

## Lady Racers upend Middle, deny MTSU trip to OVC finals

By KEVIN SPAIN  
Assistant Sports Editor

MTSU suffered another case of the second half blues Monday night, as they blew a big lead and lost to Murray State 73-66 in the OVC Women's Tournament semifinals.

Middle's loss marks the first time they have failed to make it to the championship game since 1982.

The Lady Raiders had beaten Murray twice this season, and had come into the game with a five game winning streak.

"We broke down as a team," Coach Lewis Bivens said. "They played a zone in the second half, and we couldn't get the ball inside. We didn't adjust well to

what they were doing to us."

Middle enjoyed a 14-point halftime advantage, but the second half belonged to the Lady Racers.

Murray went on a 24-8 run in the first 6:30 of the second half, and built up as much as a 13 point lead. The Lady Raiders never regained the lead.

"Murray has very good athletes, and we let them get going in the second half," Bivens said. "Sheila Smith did a good job, and this was the first time she really hurt us."

Smith led the Lady Racers with 27 points, 25 of which came in the second half. Center Michelle Wenning, who was sick with the flu the last time the two

teams met, scored 12. Julie Pinson and Angie Waldron added 10 each.

MTSU was led by Tawanya Mucker with 17 points. Stephanie Capley had 16 and Sandy Brown added 15.

With a 21-6 record, the Lady Raiders are still hopeful of an at-large bid to the NCAA tournament.

"Since we didn't win, it is out of our hands now," Bivens said.

"Coach seems to think we have a shot, but I doubt it," senior Lianne Beck said. "We've beaten a couple of good teams, but the way we lost to a couple of teams was pretty sad.

"But we're still hoping and praying."

## Hammonds muscles Raiders past Colonels, into OVC finals

By M.A. BROWN  
Sports Editor

Although he didn't start last night's Ohio Valley Conference Tournament semi-final game against Eastern Kentucky, Blue Raider senior center Kerry Hammonds virtually ended it.

Hammonds, who sat on the bench with fellow starters Chris Rainey and Quincy Vance for the first five minutes of the contest, came in to score 21 points and pull down four rebounds, leading Middle to an 81-64 rout of the Colonels.

With the victory, the Blue Raiders will now face Austin Peay, who defeated Murray State 74-65 in the other semi-final game last

night, in the OVC championship tonight at 6:30 in Nashville's Municipal Auditorium.

"We knew [APSU head coach Lake] Kelly would be scouting us, so we decided to mess him up," Blue Raider head coach Bruce Stewart said of the reasoning behind benching the three starters.

The Blue Raiders had little trouble handling the Colonels without the threesome, as they jumped out to an 11-7 lead before Hammonds and Rainey entered the game with 15:09 remaining in the first half.

Senior center Randy Henry led Middle in the first half, scoring 12 points, as the Blue Raiders built a

37-23 margin at the half and never looked back.

Hammonds' 21 points topped the scoring for Middle. He was joined in double figures by Henry with 16, Gerald Harris with 13 and Rainey with 12.

The Colonels were led by Darrin O'Bryant with 25.

"I'm not embarrassed to be beaten by Middle Tennessee," EKV head coach Max Good said. "Rainey, Henry and Hammonds may be the best three players on one team at one time this league has ever seen."

APSU's Kelly said he expected a battle in tonight's championship game.

"It will be a great game. It will be tough to beat Middle, but we'll win," he said.



Ken Salter • Special

Lady Raider reserve center Deborah Bell goes up for a shot with Murray's Angie Waldon during the Lady Racers' upset victory over Middle in the OVC tournament.



Frank Conley • Staff

Tennessee Tech's Angela Brown, the tournament MVP, and Murray's Angie Waldon battle for a loose ball during action in the OVC championship game Tuesday night.

# Eaglettes barely hold late lead, down Murray 80-79 to win OVC

By KEVIN SPAIN  
Assistant Sports Editor

Murray State's Cindy Brazee missed a layup with one second left to allow Tennessee Tech to hold on to an 80-79 win and the OVC Tournament.

Tech blew an 80-69 lead with 1:16 left to set up the deciding play.

"Murray has a good team, and them winning would not have surprised me," Tech coach Bill Worrell said. "They are well-coached and never give up. We were lucky to win."

Tech held a 38-32 lead at

halftime, and built up a 14-point lead with 3:13 remaining in the contest, before Murray went on a 17-6 run.

"I feel like no team can come back like we can," Murray State coach Bud Childers said. "We showed a lot of character, and had two shots to win."

Angela Brown led the Lady Eagles with 25 points. Cecilia Ramsey had 15. Melinda Clayton had 14, and Arnetta Peterson added 13.

Murray was led by Sheila Smith with 24. Karen

Johnson chipped in 19, and Michelle Wenning had 10.

"I always thought we had the best team in the conference," Tech's Angela Brown said. "When we played Middle up here we didn't rebound well, plus they had the home court advantage."

Brown was named the tournament's MVP. She was joined on the all-tournament team by teammates Melinda Clayton and Cecilia Ramsey. MTSU's Tawanya Mucker and Sheila Smith of Murray.

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# Austin Peay controls Martin, blows by Racers into finals

By KEN SALTER  
Senior Staff Writer

Austin Peay controlled the boards and Ohio Valley Conference player of the year Jeff Martin in the second half to pull away and defeat Murray State 74-65 in the semi-finals of the OVC tournament.

The Governors will now meet MTSU tonight for the OVC tournament championship and an automatic berth in the NCAA tournament.

Austin Peay coach Lake Kelly credited his team's second half surge to their defense.

"They fought hard, were

great on the boards and played good defense," Kelly said. "It's probably the toughest we've played all year."

The first half was tight throughout as there were 10 lead changes and nine ties. In addition, no team ever enjoyed more than a seven point lead.

Jeff Martin led the Racers in the first half scoring 12 points, despite only attempting four shots from the field. He made the most of his opportunities, however, as he was 3-of-3 from three-point land.

Austin Peay managed to play to a draw in the first

half even though leading scorer Keith Rawls had only five points.

With the score tied at 32 at halftime, the Governors came out firing in the second half.

All-OVC first team member Rawls hit a three-point shot just 14 seconds into the half, and the Govs never looked back.

At the same time, Martin and his Murray State teammates went cold.

Martin hit just 2-of-11 field goal attempts in the second stanza, and as a team, the Racers hit just 31 percent.

# MTSU netters crush Lipscomb

From Staff Reports

MTSU's tennis team kicked off their 1989 season with an 8-1 thrashing of David Lipscomb Saturday in Murfreesboro.

The Raiders only loss of the day came at the hands of Lipscomb's Mike Car-

mody, who defeated MTSU's number five player Chris King in a hard-fought three-set-match, 3-6, 6-4, 7-6.

Middle's Craig Haslam, Nick Sheumack, Mike Infert, Johan Francen and Jeff Raper all won their singles

matches, while the teams of King and Francen, Chris Coffee and Brian Duncan and Sheumack and John Deelcarmen all won in doubles.

MTSU will meet Trevecca Saturday at 1 p.m. on the Murphy Center Courts.

# Moosemen out-battle Ft. Campbell

From Staff Reports

MTSU's Rugby Team won a hard fought 8-7 victory over Ft. Campbell in Murfreesboro Saturday to keep their season's record unblemished at 4-0.

The Moosemen jumped out to an 8-0 lead in the first half before Ft. Campbell attempted a late comeback, cutting the score

to 8-7 in the closing moments. However, they missed a conversion attempt which would have given them the lead.

"It was real physical out there," Senior prop player David LaFontaine said. "They thought they would roll over us, but we gave them a hell of a war."

The victory may have

been costly for the Moosemen, as they lost two key players due to injury.

Number eight player Clay Walls left the contest with torn ligaments in his knee, a possible career ending injury, and Mike Murphy separated a shoulder.

The Moosemen will next meet Georgia at 1 p.m. in Murfreesboro.

# Scoreboard

### Women's OVC Tournament

#### Semi-finals

#### MURRAY STATE 73, MTSU 66

MURRAY STATE 73  
Shelia Smith 8-18 10-11 27, Michelle Wenning 4-10 4-6 12, Julie Pinson 4-10 0-2 10, Angie Waldon 4-4 2-4 10, Johnson 4-16 0-1 8, Poe 2-4 0-0 4, Pierce 1-4 0-0 2, Huffman 0-2 0-0 0, Camp 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 27-63 16-24 73.

#### MIDDLE TENNESSEE 66

Tawanya Mucker 6-13 5-7 17, Stephanie Capley 6-12 4-4 16, Sandy Brown 6-13 0-0 15, Scruggs 3-12 0-0 8, Bell 2-3 1-2 5, Beck 1-5 1-2 3, Newton 1-2 0-0 2, Davenport 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 25-60 11-15 66.

Halftime score — MTSU 38, MSU 24. 3-point goals — MSU 3-8 (Pinson 2-5), MTSU 5-19 (Scruggs 2-10). Fouled out — none. Total fouls — MSU 16, MTSU 21. Rebounds — MSU 48 (Wenning, Pinson 9), MTSU 35 (Mucker 9). Assists — MSU 14 (Pinson 7), MTSU 21 (Beck 10). Steals — MSU 2 (Pinson 2), MTSU 2 (Scruggs 2). Blocked Shots — MSU 3 (Waldon 2), MTSU 0. Turnovers — MSU 13 (Pinson, Johnson 3), MTSU 15 (four with 3). A — 1,500.

#### TENNESSEE TECH 86, MOREHEAD 63

MOREHEAD 63  
Drucella Connors 5-8 6-9 16, Christi Smith 4-11 2-5 10, Teresa Hobbs 1-10 7-10 10, Kelly Downs 4-10 0-0 10, Magrane 3-7 3-4 9, Stamper 1-8 2-2 4, Gaunce 2-4 0-0 4, Bradford 0-2 0-0 0, Vincent 0-1 0-0 0, Litton 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 20-62 20-30 63.

### TENNESSEE TECH 86

Angela Brown 12-20 5-10 29, Cecilia Ramsey 6-16 2-3 14, Melinda Clayton 6-10 2-4 14, Renay Adams 5-9 3-6 13, Peterson 4-13 0-1 8, Monday 0-1 4-4 4, Moontooth 1-4 2-4 4, Scott 0-2 0-0 0, Marshall 0-0 0-0 0, Tittle 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 34-75 18-32 86.

Halftime score — MSU 41, TTU 33. 3-point goals — MSU 3-8 (Downs 2-6), TTU 0-3 (Ramsey 0-2). Fouled out — Smith. Total fouls — MSU 25, TTU 17. Rebounds — MSU 45 (Magrane 10), TTU 54 (Brown 14). Assists — MSU 13 (Downs 7), TTU 24 (Ramsey 11). Steals — MSU 1 (Downs), TTU 6 (Peterson 3). Blocked shots — MSU 1 (Magrane), TTU 3 (three with one). Turnovers — MSU 18 (four with 3), TTU 8 (Peterson, Monday 2). A — 600.

#### Finals

#### TENNESSEE TECH 80, MURRAY STATE 79

MURRAY STATE 79  
Shelia Smith 8-26 7-8 24, Karen Johnson 8-15 3-5 19, Michelle Wenning 4-8 2-3 10, Pierce 2-3 2-2 6, Pinson 2-8 0-1 6, Waldon 1-1 4-5 6, Poe 1-3 2-4 4, Camp 1-2 0-0 2, Brazee 1-2 0-0 2, Huffman 0-0 0-0 0, Eddy 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 28-68 20-28 79.

#### TENNESSEE TECH 80

Angela Brown 10-19 5-6 25, Cecilia Ramsey 5-7 4-6 15, Melinda Clayton 4-7 6-7 14, Arnetta Peterson 4-12 5-6 13, Monday 1-4 3-5 5, Scott 0-2 4-4 4, Adams 2-4 0-2 4, Moontooth 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 26-55 27-36 80.

Halftime score — TTU 38, MSU 32. 3-point goals — MSU 3-14 (Pinson 2-6), TTU 1-3

(Ramsey 1-3). Fouled out — Pierce, Pinson, Brown. Total fouls — MSU 28, TTU 20. Rebounds — MSU 47 (Smith 9), TTU 35 (Brown, Clayton 7). Assists — MSU 7 (three with 2), TTU 23 (Monday 8). Steals — MSU 6 (Smith, Pinson 2), TTU 5 (Monday 4). Blocked shots — MSU 1 (Waldon), TTU 2 (Brown, Clayton). Turnovers — MSU 15 (Johnson, Pierce 4), TTU 13 (Clayton, Monday 3). A — 850.

### Men's OVC Tournament

#### Semi-finals

#### MTSU 81, EASTERN KENTUCKY 64

EASTERN KENTUCKY 64  
Darrin O'Bryant 12-18 1-1 25, Mike Davis 6-11 3-5 15, M. Smith 4-6 0-1 8, Davie 2-3 2-2 6, Greathouse 2-8 2-2 6, Baker 1-3 0-0 3, D. Smith 0-0 1-2 1, Goodin 0-2 0-0 0, Ross

0-10 0-0, Peck 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 27-52 9-14 64.

#### MIDDLE TENNESSEE 81

Kerry Hammonds 7-11 7-8 21, Randy Henry 6-16 4-4 16, Gerald Harris 4-5 5-6 13, Chris Ramey 4-13 3-4 12, Wallace 2-3 1-2 6, Buck 2-4 1-1 6, Vance 1-4 1-3 3, Ingram 1-3 0-0 2, Hunter 1-1 0-0 2, Webb 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 28-60 22-28 81.

Halftime score — MTSU 37, EKU 23. 3-point goals — EKU 1-8 (Baker 1-3), MTSU 3-6 (three with 1). Fouled out — Goodin, Davis. Total fouls — EKU 24, MTSU 15. Rebounds — EKU 29 (Davis 8), MTSU 35 (Henry 8). Assists — EKU 14 (Greathouse 10), MTSU 19 (Henry, Harris 5). Steals — EKU 3 (three with 1), MTSU 7 (Vance, Henry 3). Blocked shots — EKU 3 (Smith 3), MTSU

2 (Ingram, Hammonds). Turnovers — EKU 12 (Greathouse 4), MTSU 6 (Harris, Ramey 2). A — 3,500.

#### AUSTIN PEAY 74, MURRAY STATE 65

MURRAY STATE 65  
Donald Trivis 7-14 5-7 20, Keith Rawls 5-15 3-4 16, Timmy Johnson 5-5 2-4 12, Myron DeVoe 5-8 1-3 11, Javin Johnson 3-10 4-7 10, Ware 2-6 1-3 5, Howard 0-2 0-0 0, Brooks 0-0 0-0 0, Bosater 0-0 0-0 0, McKenzie 0-0 0-0 0, Jones 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 27-61 16-28 74.

#### MURRAY STATE 65

Jeff Martin 6-15 1-2 16, Chris Ogden 7-11 1-2 15, Don Mann 3-11 5-9 13, Jones 3-7 2-4 8, King 2-7 2-2 7, Foster 1-1 0-0 2, Brooks 1-8 0-0 2, Robbins 0-1 2-2 2, Gold 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-61 13-21 65.

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DEADLINE for all advertising in MONDAY issues is noon the preceding Thursday. Ads to appear in THURSDAY issues must be turned in by noon the preceding Monday

For further information please call 898-2815 or stop by the James Union Building Room 306. Mail-in advertising can be accepted by non-local customers with correct insertion order if mailed to SIDELINES, Box 42, MTSU, Murfreesboro, TN 37132

## CLASSIFIEDS

### FOR RENT

FREE RENT!! \* For new leases only. First 1/2 month free. 2 Bdrm 1 Bath. \$295/month \$100 deposit. Water furnished. Pets w/ approval. Lease Required. Across from M.T.S.U. Natchez Place.

### HELP WANTED

VOICE TEACHER (preferably student) for 4-year-old child model, good pay, great hours. Call Cindi at 895-1920 or 893-9334

### SERVICES

WORD PROCESSING: TYPING \$3/PAGE Discounts For:(Multiple pages) Long lead times.(Repeat clients) Different Font Styles - Charts & Graphs In Your Papers - Form Letters - Resumes - Mailing Labels etc. - Customized Forms - Spell Correction - DATA Storage On 360K FLP. - Pick Up & Delivery Info. 896-4436 JAH ENTERPRISES

### MISCELLANEOUS

ROOMMATE WANTED-(female) \$190 per month. Living & Dining room furniture provided. Washer & Dryer provided. Separate room with private bath. Available April 1st. Call 890-8114 for Sonya.

### ADOPTION

ADOPTION. Consider your baby's future: bright, happy, secure in loving home. Call Claudia/Bill collect at (215)623-3118.

## The Student Publications Committee is now accepting applications for 1989-90 MIDLANDER EDITOR

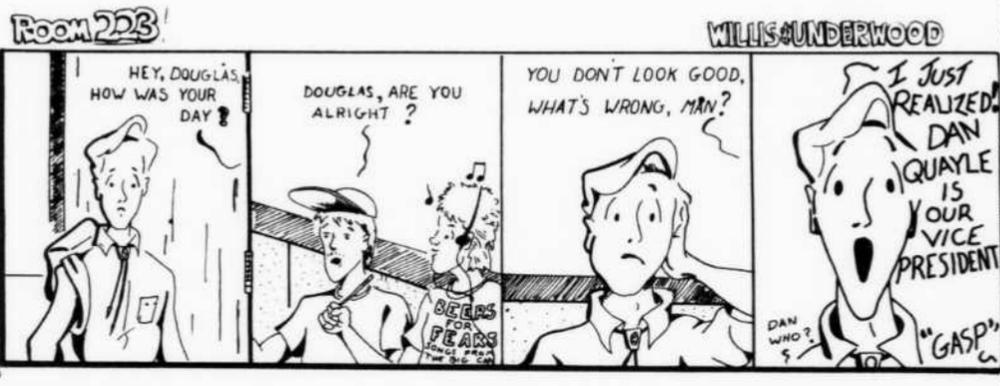
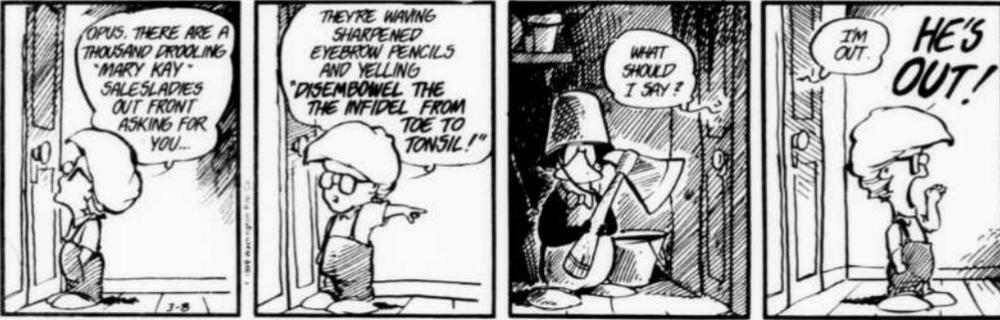
Candidates must have a 2.5 GPA, must be full-time MTSU students this semester, and must enroll for at least nine hours of coursework in the fall and spring semesters.

Applications are available in Room 306 of the James Union Building. A transcript and letters of recommendation are required. Deadline is 4 p.m. Friday, March 17. For more information please call Jackie Solomon, Student Publications Coordinator, at MTSU ext. 2338.

# The Back Page

## BLOOM COUNTY

by Berke Breathed



**ACROSS**

- That girl
- Prevent; discourage
- Drink in small quantities
- Anger
- Pompous public speech
- Belonging to (suf.)
- Leave out
- Birth of Christ
- Put in office
- Organization of American States (abbr.)
- Arm bone
- Can
- Pierce
- \_\_\_\_\_ Gritty
- Energy
- Pointed tool for making holes
- Midwest state (abbr.)
- Consume
- Brewed drink
- Group for alcoholics (abr.)
- Chinese philosophy
- Flightless bird
- Keep safe
- Flat-bottomed boat
- 17th Greek letter
- Man (slang)
- Water barrier
- Check records
- Large-tusked animal
- Touring singers
- Iron
- Prolonged period
- Central
- Man's nickname
- Provide with property
- Direction (abbr.)

**DOWN**

- Keep out of sight (p.t.)
- Before (poetic)
- Slacken; give in
- Lavish excessive love
- Build
- Teacher's helper (abbr.)
- 7th Greek letter
- Do over
- Nap in Mexico
- Hotel
- Dog; cat
- Make happy
- Organic vessel
- Edge
- Entities
- Easter flower
- Meshwork
- Merit
- Cutting part of knife
- Sweet potato
- Cylindrical pin used to fasten
- Rocks on top of mountain
- Broadcasting sound
- Lots and lots (slang)
- Expression of surprise
- Follows summer
- Armed conflict
- Surpass
- Think about
- Draw (p.t.)
- Expression of amazement
- Form of be
- Moral error
- Wire with sharp point
- Netherlands city
- Edward's nickname

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