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Decision for McPhee's trial pending

By Andy Harper
News Editor

The Tennessee Supreme Court, heard MTSU employee Tammi Allen's appeal last Wednesday in her civil lawsuit against President Sidney McPhee.

Allen filed a civil suit against McPhee in 2003, after an investigation by Tennessee Board of Regents regarding accusations of sexual harassment from Allen about McPhee. The result of the

TBR investigation found both parties guilty of "inappropriate behavior."

McPhee was given a 20-day suspension and \$10,000 pay decrease. Allen was relocated to Development and University Relations, promoted to vice president of the division and given an increase in salary.

In 2004, Rutherford County courts dismissed the suit. Allen filed an appeal with a district appellate court in Gallatin, which

upheld the dismissal. Allen's council responded by filing an appeal with the Appellate Court of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

During last Wednesday's hearing, Allen's lawyer, Gilbert Anglin, cited sexual harassment, retaliation and aiding and abetting sexual harassment as the pri-



McPhee

mary focus of the suit. "One thing we have in this case is there seems to be some misunderstanding about the law," Anglin said in his opening statements to the judges.

Anglin argued the difference between supervisor harassment and co-employee harassment, citing cases in which MTSU would be respon-

sible and liable to be included in the civil lawsuit along with McPhee.

Anglin also noted that the accusation of retaliation stemmed from Allen's job relocation.

Bill Marett, council for both TBR and MTSU, responded by saying the university exceeded expectations by placing Allen a job for which she was under qualified.

Marett also argued that Allen did not follow proper procedure

for reporting sexual harassment.

Anglin responded by noting that only about 4 percent of supervisors on campus have had proper sexual harassment training, and the process by which Allen would have had to report her harassment would have eventually come under McPhee himself.

The decision is pending on whether the court will uphold the dismissal or send the suit to be reviewed by a jury. ♦

Multicultural director fired, position open

By Andy Harper
News Editor

Ralph Metcalf, director of Multicultural Affairs, was relieved of his duties last week, although the reason remains unknown.

"It was a personnel matter," said Gene Fitch, associate dean of Student Affairs and dean of Student Life. "Mr. Metcalf is no longer employed by the university."

Fitch declined comment on what exactly defined the "personnel matter."

Metcalf has been employed at MTSU since 1989. His position remains open, although Colette Taylor, associate dean of student involvement, will be working with the group of students under Multicultural Affairs until decisions to either find a temporary or permanent replacement have been made, Fitch said.

"Right now we are in the process of hiring an interim director," Taylor said. "Hopefully we will have that done within the next two weeks. We will then be doing a national search for a permanent director within the next six to eight months."

Taylor said the interim director will be hired from within the university.

The release of Metcalf marks the second official from the office of Student Life to be dismissed in the past three months.

In late March, then-head

cheerleading coach Jonathan Pursley was also released from his position due to undisclosed matters.

According to Fitch, both incidents are not related.

Renee Hathaway, then-assistant coach, assumed the responsibilities of Pursley while the university sought a permanent replacement.

"As with [Pursley], the university will follow the same procedure of review and hiring for the position in Multicultural Affairs," Fitch said.

Procedure dictates that a staff position like head cheerleading coach or director of Multicultural Affairs will first come under review by university officials.

MTSU will review the job descriptions and responsibilities of the position, adjust any inconsistencies or problems and repost the job, Fitch said.

The procedure takes a few months, but after review, listings for the open job will become available and applicants will be reviewed.

"We don't have a date for when we will be posting the position [for Multicultural Affairs director]," Fitch said.

As for the position of head cheerleading coach, Fitch said applicants are currently being reviewed after the position closed on May 29.

Thirteen applicants are currently under consideration and a decision will be announced in mid-July. ♦

Campus gets fired up with new campaign

By Christin Pepple
Assistant News Editor

MTSU campus is sponsoring a campaign titled "Alert4You," that targets students to be more aware of the safety precautions and drills employed on campus in case of emergency.

"This has been cooking for the better part of a year due to the fact that no one really responds to fire alarms anymore," said Tom Tozer, director of news and public affairs.

"Our contention is that one day these alarms might not be a drill so we need to raise fire safety awareness on this campus for not only the students but the faculty as well," Tozer said.

The campaign will be year long and is being promoted in

several different ways such as brightly colored signs posted all over campus bearing the logo, "Don't sit still, do the drill."

The campaign also took a direct approach in involving the incoming freshman at customs this summer by setting up a booth during the first session of customs.

On a comically ironic note, they handed out Fireball Jawbreakers to the freshman at customs.

"We wanted to plant seeds of awareness of this campaign and we figured, what better way than cultivating the newest members of our campus," Tozer said, "We are handing out key chains to students when they

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Photo by Andy Harper | News Editor

Nathan Bedford Forrest, portrayed by Stan Dalton, leads the Confederate cavalry into battle with blazing guns at last Wednesday's Civil War reenactment.

Fair recreates Forrest's raid on Murfreesboro

Oaklands House hosts Civil War reenactment

By Andy Harper
News Editor

Taking a trip back in time, the Oaklands Historic House Museum held a Victorian Festival and reenactment of Nathan Bedford Forrest's raid on Murfreesboro this past weekend.

The event fell a month shy of the July 13 anniversary of the battle, which occurred in 1862.

The Festival

Prior to the event, the front lawn of the Oaklands House was converted into an encampment for both Union and Confederate "soldiers."

Originally, the Union soldiers had set up camp at Murfree Springs, said Emily Staats, employee of the Oaklands Historic House Museum and resident of Murfreesboro.

"Unfortunately, the Spring is not year-round," Staats said. "When the Spring ran dry, the Union soldiers sent out scouts to find water. The scouts eventually came across Oaklands, which was owned by the Maney family."

The Union soldiers soon occupied the lawn of the Oaklands House, although they never successfully took over the actual house. As a part of the festival, visitors were allowed to wander about the camps as well as the house.

In addition to the employees of Oaklands

giving tours and relaying history, the festival featured various craft demonstrations.

"There's a large array of different things you can learn about the different lifestyle of the time," Staats said. "There is spinning, weaving and how to make soap. We wanted it to be as historically accurate and authentic as possible."

The Battle

Like the festivities, the battle itself was kept historically accurate.

"The battle occurred on the front lawn of the Oaklands House," Staats said.

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Photo by Andy Harper | News Editor

(Left) "Nathan Bedford Forrest" proudly displays his colors. (Right, top) 9th Michigan pay tribute to one of their former commanding officer. (Right, bottom) The boys of the 9th Michigan relax before their impending battle with the cavalry of Nathan Bedford Forrest.

CRIME BRIEFS

June 4, 8:53 a.m.
Theft \$500
Murphy Center
Subject called and advised that another picture has been stolen from the Murphy Center.

June 4, 7:01 p.m.
Traffic
McFarland Health Services Lot
A silver Dodge Dakota King Cab was hit.

June 5, 9:37 a.m.
Vandalism \$500
Scarlett Commons Apt. 8
Subject called and advised that someone had gained access to this room and has charged off a fire extinguisher.

June 6, 1:19 a.m.
Sex Offense/Indecent Exposure
Gentleman Jims-2115 E Main
Christopher Greer and one other subject were arrested for indecent exposure and refused to sign citation.

June 6, 8:47
Burglary
Recreation Center
Subject called and advised that some one had went through her purse and is requesting an officer.

June 6, 3:26 p.m.
Vandalism \$500
Alma Mater Drive
Subject came to the station to fill out report in reference to someone keying his vehicle.

June 6, 8:09 p.m.
Burglary
Sigma Alpha Epsilon House-Greek Row
Theft of property from SAE house.

June 7, 7:19 p.m.
Miscellaneous
Womack Lane Apt. A
Tree down on power lines Womack Lane, Recreational Center, Greek Row power out.

June 8, 12:15 a.m.
Drug Abuse/Possession/Casual Exchange of Marijuana
Greek Row
Robert Burge issued state citation for simple possession of marijuana and driving on a suspended license.

June 8, 2:51 a.m.
Traffic
Baird Lane
Ruben Gonzalez issued state citation for driving without a license and light law violation.

June 8, 11:34 a.m.
Theft \$500
Davis Science Building
Subject came to the station to fill out book theft report.

June 10, 3:03 a.m.
DUI
Middle Tennessee Boulevard
A male white juvenile was arrested for DUI, 1st offense, consumption of alcohol under 21 and curfew violation.

June 11, 11:15 a.m.
Vandalism \$500
Scarlett Commons Club House
Officer requested in reference to vandalism.

June 11, 12:27 a.m.
Theft \$500
Soccer and Track Field
Caller from Memphis requested a report regarding theft of son's cell phone while on campus three weeks ago at a track meet.

Crime Stoppers and Crime Briefs

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$300 for information that leads to the arrest of the person or persons who took \$30 in cash from the Lost and Found in the KUC room 210D. This crime was committed sometime between Wednesday, April 6 and Sunday, May 27.

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$300 for information that leads to the arrest of the person who took a woman's wallet and a Cingular flip phone from an unlocked locker in the Women's Locker Room of the Student Recreational Center. This crime was committed sometime between 8 a.m. and 8:45 a.m. on Wednesday, June 6.

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information that leads to the arrest of the person or persons who unlawfully entered and took a boom-box CD player containing a Justin Timberlake CD from Room 326G of the Keathley University Center. This felony was committed sometime between 4 p.m. on Tuesday, May 29 and 8 a.m. the next day.

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information that leads to the arrest of the person or persons who unlawfully entered Scarlett Commons apartment 813 and sprayed a fire extinguisher throughout the apartment. This felony was committed sometime between 5 p.m. on Thursday, May 3 and 8 a.m. on Monday, June 4.

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information that leads to the arrest of the person or persons who unlawfully entered and burglarized a black 1994 Honda Prelude parked in the Murphy Center Parking Lot. The burglar(s) took a dark brown men's wallet from the trunk of the car. This felony was committed sometime between 7:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Thursday, May 31.

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information that leads to the arrest of the person or persons who unlawfully entered and burglarized a green 2000 Mazda Miata parked in the MTSU parking lot at the Murfreesboro Airport. Stolen items included an iPod and a green MTSU parking tag (A12787). This felony was committed between 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. on Monday, June 4.

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information that leads to the arrest of the person or persons who took a framed photograph from office G099 of the Murphy Center. This photograph, of the 2006 Women's Basketball Camp, is in a 24" by 36" aluminum frame and has a plastic cover. It was stolen sometime between 4:30 p.m. on Friday, June 1 and 7:30 a.m. on Monday, June 4.

If you know who committed these crimes or have any information about these crimes, please call Crime Stoppers at 615-893-7867 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. All callers will remain anonymous and if your information leads to an arrest you will be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$1,000.



Photo by Andy Harper | News Editor
(Above) Confederate soldiers portrayed by the 8th Texas Terry's Rangers storm Union troops during a reenactment of Nathan Bedford Forrest's raid on Murfreesboro. The Oaklands Historic House Museum hosted the event this past weekend.

Victorian: Local house holds interesting history

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After the Union soldiers occupied the lawn of the property owned by Lewis and Rachel Maney and set up camp, a cavalry of Confederate soldiers led by Forrest heard about the Union invading the Oaklands property.

"When the battle began, Mrs. Maney, Lewis' wife, and their children watched from the second-floor, center window," Staats said. "Dr. Maney helped by treating wounded soldiers from both sides on the back porch."

Forrest led his cavalry to Oaklands and a battle was held between the Union camp and the Confederate cavalry. The result was the Union soldiers surrendering and Forrest freeing the Maney household.

In last weekend's reenactment, the Union soldiers were played by 9th Michigan and 9th Kentucky Infantry, and the Confederate soldiers were represented by 8th Texas Terry's Rangers.

Stan Dalton, a resident of the Knoxville area, played the roll of Nathan Bedford Forrest and has portrayed the historic figure since 1995.

"I play Forrest for the very same reason students of MTSU stood up and defended his name, it is right," Dalton said. "History cannot be changed. People can try to rewrite or blot it out, but the truth is still there."

In addition to his love of history, Dalton said his personal history is also well connected to the Civil War.

"All my ancestors fought as Confederate cavalry," Dalton said. "Playing Forrest allows me to honor them and it gives me per-

sonal pride."

Dalton said one of the best parts about playing Forrest is knowing his family's heritage.

"Someday, people wake up and wonder 'who am I?' and 'where did I come from?'" Dalton said. "I think doing this allows me know who I am by giving me a past to step off of."

The House

Like Dalton, the employees of Oaklands Historic House Museum strive to capture and perpetuate the history of the property to ensure the area is informed of the past.

"We understand the issues surrounding Forrest and slavery," said Leslie Dodd Karl, member of the board of trustees for the Museum. "We understand sensitivity, but we need to remember all of history, both good and bad."

The history of the Oaklands house and the Maney family largely involves the women of the family.

According to Karl, the property for the land came from Dr. James Maney's wife, Sallie Murfree Maney. The house was built in four stages, originally beginning as a two room cabin.

Once Sallie had passed, James handed the land down to his son, Lewis Maney.

"However, because Lewis was ill, his wife, Rachel Adeline Maney, really controlled the estate," Karl said.

Although the responsibilities for the land primarily fell under two generations of the family, Karl said the act of land acquisition was not as uncommon in the area during the Victorian era as many

would assume.

"Land coming from women's families happened more frequently than most people know," Karl said. "In fact, other leading families in the area acquired land through the female members."

By looking at the past from different perspective, such as the contributions of women, Oaklands tries to relate a more complete history.

"We are actually working with a group of African Americans in Mississippi whose ancestor was a slave for the Maney's," Karl said. "We are trying to arrange a family reunion with them and are really excited about helping them find their roots. This helps in marking and interpreting the effect slavery had on the history surrounding Oakland."

Currently, the Museum is hoping to advance reconstruction and archeological research on the both the home and property.

"I'm really excited about looking in the porch area," Staats said. "We have found some medical instruments from Dr. Maney, but we are pretty sure that during his treatment of soldiers during Forrest's raid, some syringes and other medical supplies fell below the porch."

Additional projects and events aside, Karl said the primary focus is still on relaying a historical education.

"With the women and African American aspects, we are broadening interpretation," Karl said. "Culture has destroyed so much of history and it important for us to revive and respect what's left for our community." ♦

Alert: Campus promotes drills

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come to pick up their keys for their rooms and we are handing out magnets to the faculty to reinforce this idea."

Tozer stated that the Virginia Tech incident earlier this year was not the catalyst for raising awareness since they had been planning on hosting this campaign for a year, but it aided in helping people become more involved and more concerned about the growing apathy towards important drills used to educate everyone on the campus in the event of an actual emergency.

"Our office has really gotten more involved with this whole idea this year as far as internal

public relations is concerned. We just want to make people aware of the problem and care enough to respond to the drills," Tozer said.

Tozer continued with stating that he wants the logo "Don't sit still, do the drill," to become an umbrella for all of the other emergency scenario drills to be taken seriously by the people on the campus such as Tornado drills.

"We will be on site at different events throughout the year such as the President's Picnic in the fall because we want to brand this idea into everyone because everyone needs to know that one day, this very well might not be a drill," Tozer said. ♦

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FEATURES

Get out of the 'Boro

Savannah bars historical yet fun

Head to, Georgia for cheap, drunken debauchery, more

By Andy Harper

News Editor

While the city of Savannah, Georgia holds a good degree of historic value and artistic talent, easily one of the most visited attractions are the friendly pubs.

Providing refuge from the horrific summer humidity and torrid of tourists, local bars are establishments of fine drink and conversation. In those bars, you are likely to find Savannah artisan, Sonya Bowling.

Bowling, who has lived in Savannah for over two years, has explored the city looking for the most interesting and inviting pubs in which to party. Her discovery — the local places hold more of Savannah's true "taste" than the commercial chains.

While adventuring through downtown, amidst the Spanish moss and beautiful architecture, can be found Savannah's oldest running bar — Pinkie Masters.

"It's the ambiance of the bar that attracts the customers," said Sara Danek, employee of the bar. "It really is just a little corner bar."

Bowling warns that first impressions can be misleading, especially with Pinkies.

"The first thought I had when I went to Pinkies was 'wow this place is old and dirty,'" Bowling said.

The specialty of the house is Pabst Blue Ribbon. According to Bowling, the original owner, "Pinkie," would only serve PBR on tap.

The walls are covered with old black and white photography taken from inside the bar. The general atmosphere feels much like a mini-museum of Savannah history. Despite the tendency to be crowded, the bar is homely.

"It reminds me of an older, dirtier, Southern version of 'Cheers,'" Bowling said.

Traveling down the street, the green-at-heart stumbles across McDonough's Restaurant and Lounge.

"McDonough's has two parts, the quieter side where you can get food and sit," Bowling said. "The other side is where the karaoke is. It is a very diverse place to go."

The bar is spacious and the bartenders always pay excellent attention to their patrons, making McDonough's an ideal place for large group gatherings.

Another plus is the "happy hour" menu. The provides a decently inexpensive menu of buffalo wings, cheese and celery to munch on while purchasing drinks. Also, this is the ideal

place for any St. Patrick's Day party.

If an eye-full of red heads and a rough-and-tough experience isn't alluring, a more prim and proper British bar awaits.

"You can get yards of beer and it has a nice vibe going on," Bowling said. "It is very laid back and people do not get rowdy."

The bar is smaller and serves as a good lunch-dinner eatery, but after the kitchen closes, it transforms into a full pub.

"It is just a great place to have a drink and a conversation," Bowling said. "It's right on Bull Street, so you can see the tourists go back and forth. There is nothing like having a cold pint and making fun of people wearing fanny packs."

If England becomes too stuffy, but there is no interest in a lax of class, Bull Street also features the sweet treat of Lens & Friends — a low in cost, high in class martini bar.

"Our bar is probably one of the few local bars with repeat customers and we focus on customer satisfaction," said Josh Vinson, manager of the bar. "We do get a lot of tourists during the vacation season but we are primarily a local bar."

Vinson also said Lens & Friends offers some of the lowest prices in Savannah.

"We pride ourselves on our inexpensive martinis, compared to touristy-type bars," Vinson said. "We also serve the best tasting ones in town."

Beer is also available, however the main focus of Lens is to cure the sweet-tooth craving. The atmosphere is also very "Sex in the City" chic, providing a great place to relax after a tough day touring about the city.

If martinis fall a far second place to pool and darts, Mercury Lounge is the place to be. This two level lounge features live music upstairs and games down.

"There is a lot to do at Mercury," Bowling said. "Mercury is a good place to go with a big group of people because there is something for everyone to have their hands in."

Due to the size and the variety of activity, bringing a date or meeting a friend for a drink is not recommended. However, for "happy hour," Mercury Lounge has the longest from 3 to 9 and amazing prices.

After a long, hard night of bar hopping, Bowling calls a cab and goes home. From martinis and mingling to pints and pool, Bowling never gets bored with the extensive and interesting mixture of Savannah bars. ♦



Photo by Sandi Van Orden | Contributing Photographer

Patrons of the Six Pence Pub visit outside of the bar on a Tuesday afternoon. The bar, located in downtown Savannah, provides an excellent atmosphere for good conversation over great English beers.

Where (and what) to drink in Savannah, Ga.

Pinkie Masters

318 Drayton St.
(912) 238-0447
Best Drink: Pabst's Blue Ribbon — \$2.50 for a 16 oz. can

Mercury Lounge

125 W Congress St.
(912) 447-6952
Best Drink: Jameson Irish Whiskey — \$6.00

McDonough's Restaurant Lounge

21 E McDonough St.
(912) 233-6136
Best Drink: Bloody Mary — \$6.00 House

Six Pence Pub

245 Bull St.
(912) 233-3151
Best Drink: English beers on draft — \$4.25 per pint

Jens & Friends

32 Bull St.
(912) 236-5367
Best Drink: Caramel Apple Martini — \$7.00

Successful alumna travels world, scores dream job



Photo from Morguefile.com

Before she landed a gig as an associate producer for WKRN, MTSU alumna Jennifer Jackson studied abroad in London, where she interned for Morris Visitor Publications, a company that owns three major British magazines.

After MTSU and an overseas adventure, Jennifer Jackson finds her perfect career

By Derrick McBreairty

Contributing Writer

Growing up in Woodberry, Tenn., Jennifer Jackson always knew there was something more to life than the rural area where she grew up. After a valuable experience overseas, she got a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to put her skills to use.

A December 2005 graduate of MTSU's College of Mass Communication, the 22-year-old former journalism major currently works as an associate producer for WKRN, Nashville's ABC news affiliate, where her responsibilities include selecting sound and video bites and writing scripts.

Additionally, she also helps arrange live shots for Channel 2's local reporters, as well as for reporters from around the country. She takes part in rewriting scripts for the station's Web site and attaching video-clips to accompany the stories, and most recently, she has begun producing the station's weekend morning newscasts.

As for Jackson's latest broadcast journalism success, no one could be prouder than her dad, Pat Jackson, manager of MTSU's Audio-Visual Services.

"Jennifer is very focused and she knows she needs experience," he says. "She works very hard, and she is very determined. As she was growing up, her mother and I both wanted her to do what she wanted, within reason."

On the road to her current career, one of the experiences

Jackson chose was to study abroad. In the summer of 2005, she secured an internship in London, where she worked for Morris Visitor Publications, a company that owns three major London-based magazines specializing in tourism; namely, London, Where London and London Guide.

For Jackson—who minored in global studies and art history—travel abroad was a dream come true.

"I met lots of people from MTSU; there were about 200 people from the United States doing the internship while I was there," Jackson says.

Nothing, however, could prepare her for the bombings that hit London on July 7, 2005, during her internship. These bombings were a series of coordinated terrorist bomb blasts that hit London's public transport system during the morning rush hour. That day, three bombs exploded within 50 seconds of each other on three London Underground trains.

A fourth bomb exploded on a bus nearly an hour later in the city's bustling Tavistock Square. In the end, the bombings killed 52 commuters, four suicide bombers and injured 700, as well as causing a severe daylong disruption of the city's communications and mobile telecommunication infrastructure.

"I was there for the bombings, and it was pretty scary," Jackson recalls, who vividly remembers how quiet and empty the London streets were that awful day.

Jackson's father was in the United States watching the horrifying events unfold.

"I was terrified for her," Pat says. "Despite the scare, Jackson remembers London fondly and longs to return, and current plans include, one day, attending graduate school there."

"My parents have both been very supportive about what I've wanted to do as long as I keep my grades up, especially so I could keep the scholarships," Jackson says.

As for the future, she says that ultimately she plans on perhaps moving away from news production to focus on a different direction.

"I am thinking about writing travel companion books," Jackson says. "After all, I love to travel and write, so it makes sense for me."

Or, she says, "I could always go into teaching English, but then all I would be doing is grading and fixing it, I wouldn't be writing it."

As for her MTSU experiences, "I definitely had a good experience there," she says. "And I wish I would have taken more advantage of some other things while I was there."

Thus, from her humble beginnings in Woodbury to her current producing role at Nashville's WKRN, Jackson says she's more than proud of her humble roots and optimistic about tomorrow.

"I am very happy with where I came from and where I am going," she says. ♦

OPINIONS

From the Editorial Board: Morally Wrong v. Legally Right

The lawsuit filed by Tammi C. Allen against Sidney McPhee is simply one of what is legally right versus what is morally wrong. Obviously, there are huge problems with a system that requires a victim of sexual harassment to have the outcome of her reporting it depend on the findings of a committee that would be put together by the person who harassed her. To establish and enforce a policy with such potential for misuse and abuse is morally wrong.

The Tennessee Board of Regents and their legal council seem to be claiming that, although the policy may seem unfair and it is an oversight and obvious flaw, the rules are still clear – that while it may be wrong to require the harassed to report to the harasser, it was technically the correct and established procedure, one in which the victim did not follow.

While Allen's council does not dispute that she did not follow the procedure, one must wonder how someone could be expected to follow such rules in good conscious and without fear of retribution or of being dismissed completely.

Allen claims to have been sexually harassed in her workplace, and should have the right to seek proper and appropriate damages from McPhee, the university and the TBR following a proper investigation and review. Since she was unable to receive either, the failure of the policies to provide her with a forum for unbiased review is ethically reprehensible.

As per the usual routine, when a woman is attacked or harassed, she must first prove her innocence to the court before the guilt of her victimizer is even considered. Rape victims are asked about their clothing, their sexual habits and the "signals" they were giving. Harassment victims find their every move before and after called into question and gone over with a fine-toothed comb. It does not seem to matter to the TBR and their legal council whether or not Allen was ethically in the right, because for them, there is no room in legal proceedings for ethics, only for technicalities. However, the ultimate question here is, what happens to morality when the technically correct path is ethically impossible?

Lost within the arguments of whether Allen followed procedure or whether McPhee was responsible for attempting to cover up misdeeds is the question of whether sexual harassment is justifiable by technicality or morally reprehensible whatever the situation.

The issue here is not that Allen failed to report her harassment properly or to follow the rules to the letter. The issue here is how the Tennessee Board of Regents and MTSU's policies failed to protect Allen from sexual harassment and proper legal recourse.

Letter to the Editor

CUSTOMS important, not waste of time

To the Editor:

As alumni of both MTSU and the CUSTOMS program, I thought that it should be noted that your editorial board column, "New students failed by rushed CUSTOMS" (June 6) contained some misleading information. While I don't have a problem in questioning any institution, it's not fair to do so by supporting your argument with falsehoods.

To be fair, let's start with what the editorial board got right. Take this quote, "There is the noteworthy fact that CUSTOMS completely ignores the needs of transfer students, dooming them to confusion as they enter a new school." True, there does need to be more help for our transfer students, because they make up such a large amount of our student population and their situation is much different than true incoming freshmen. However, to say they are ignored is just wrong. CUSTOMS hosts a separate and abbreviated session for these students. For them, the social and "college life" aspects have been established. Few 20-year-olds need to hear the importance of balancing social activities with homework, therefore the main focus centers around advising and signing up for the correct classes. CUSTOMS even does some sessions where they go to the actual community colleges.

The editorial board continues, "MTSU needs to treat classes as the focus of the event, not just a last-minute afterthought." Again the editorial board is right on the money. That is why CUSTOMS makes each student spend hours with advisors from their own major, telling them what they need, pitfalls to avoid and classes to consider. Then, the CUSTOMS staff works with each individual to make sure they understand what has been said. On top of that, there are at least two CUSTOMS staff members that stay at the dorms till the end of the night to help. The following day each group's CUSTOMS leader meets with everyone in his or her group to make sure they understand and our happy with their schedule.

Twice in your article you mention that MTSU has no social life, but then you speak of what a waste of time it is to have all of the campus organizations promoting their various social clubs. Which is it? I for one feel that our university has an ever-evolving social scene, with much credit given to the new students who are younger and more involved from their high school years than ever before.

I'm not sure what frustrates me most about this editorial. The fact that is inherently wrong in facts or that it's a poorly written argument. Maybe it's because *Sidelines*, instead of being a leader, continues down the same path of negativism and polarization that other journalist follow, instead of finding the good and praising it. However, I think what inspired me most to write back, was that, as a former CUSTOMS leader, I know that the people who conduct the summer orientations have very little, if any, time to defend themselves against bored, socially inept, future journalists who produce poorly written attack arguments.

J. Kasey Talbott
Alumnus, '06



"And Friends"

Frank Hasenmueller

Republicans can't let Gonzales go

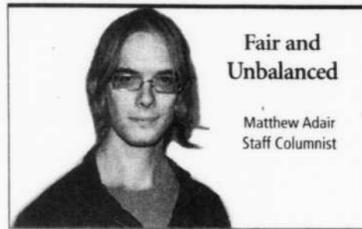
Attorney General Alberto Gonzales is breathing a little easier, thanks to his Republican friends in Congress, but whether he deserves this political thumbs-up from the Senate remains a question that his allies in Congress and the White House haven't been able to answer.

This Monday, Senate Republicans struck down a Democratic move for a vote of no confidence against the attorney general 53-38, cutting Democrats seven votes short of the measure. President George W. Bush called the vote a 'political measure' and wagged the proverbial finger at Democrats, as well as the handful of Republicans who joined in to vote against Gonzales, for trying to tell him what sort of people he can give the reins of government to.

Apparently, the president is either completely oblivious or willfully ignorant of the noise that Congress has been making over Gonzales and his track record as the attorney general.

That should be expected, though—after all, this is the man that, when the president told him that he was going to wiretap anyone he wanted without a warrant, said that was completely okay and absolutely not a violation of the civil rights of the American people, and proceeded to badger then-Attorney General John Ashcroft to let the president have his way. Since becoming attorney general himself, Gonzales has proven to be a good little yes man for the president, gleefully defending the warrantless wiretap program.

This is the same man who, in 2002, wrote a memo calling the Geneva Conventions "quaint" and, under his administration of the Justice Department, has twisted our laws into permitting the torture, mistreatment and indefinite detention of prisoners taken under the banner of the War on



Fair and
Unbalanced

Matthew Adair
Staff Columnist

Terror, people who many times are innocent, have no information that would benefit the United States in pursuing al-Qaida or any other terrorist organization and are bewildered, angry and terrified with their surroundings and their treatment.

This is the same man who, as attorney general, approved of the firing of nine federal prosecutors in 2006 who didn't walk the administration's line, which is what prompted the vote of no confidence in the first place.

Gonzales and his aides shuffled around in front of the Senate Judiciary Committee and offered conflicting and contradictory statements as to just what was going on in his department and why the attorneys were fired in the first place.

Of course the president would have faith in this man. He does exactly what he's told, and does it with a smile.

Senator Arlen Specter (R-PA) seemed to speak for those Republicans that were tired of the attorney general's rubber-stamp approval of the president's illegal actions when he told CNN that Gonzales had no confidence from the Republican side of the aisle, and that his colleagues would be more vocal in raising their concerns with Gonzales if they weren't afraid of political retribution from their president and party.

What a wonderful democracy we have – the president can exercise whatever powers

he wants with a nod from his legal counsel, the opposition party is publicly blasted for pulling political stunts when it tries to challenge government officials who fail to do their job and who permit illegal activity and corruption, and dissenters in the party in power are afraid to speak up out of the fear of losing their jobs in the next election. No wonder we couldn't build a functioning republic in Iraq – we have enough problems trying to run one, right here at home.

As to the Democrat's 'political stunt', the vote of no confidence wouldn't have actually removed Gonzales from the head of the Justice Department, had it passed.

Unlike in parliamentary governments such as those of Canada or the United Kingdom, where such a vote can oust an entire government, Congressional votes of no confidence are non-binding measures that simply declare that Congress does not approve of a government official. The only thing the vote would have done is put on the record that a bipartisan majority of the federal legislature feels that the attorney general, as stated in the resolution itself, "no longer holds the confidence of the Senate or the American people."

The real decision making in this case falls to Bush, who has the authority to remove the attorney general from office. However, I would imagine he wouldn't want to kick out as loyal an agent as Gonzales, especially with his second term winding down to its conclusion. A good president needs good men to support him, no matter what, I imagine he must be thinking, and Attorney General Gonzales is as good a man as they come.

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Don't mock those who chose 'Boro

I never thought I would end up in Murfreesboro. In high school, I was that girl – the girl, actually – who made it a point to let everyone know I was going to do bigger and better things with my life. I was going to move to New York, look at it right in its harsh, unaccommodating face and say, "ha!"

Instead, after only one semester, I wound up back in Tennessee, trying to start over and feeling like an idiot for trash-talking those that stayed in the 'Boro for college.

I was now one of them, and to be honest, I have been happier with my education and post-high school experience here than I ever could have been in the Big Apple.

Young Murfreesborians love to declare their dissatisfaction with this growing town, nick-naming it "Mur-free-me" and telling everyone within earshot their plans to escape it. And, as much as I respect and commend these people's big life-plans, I can't help but feel a twinge of annoyance hearing it time and time again.

What was once a cutesy and



Oh, God,
It's That
Jewish Girl!

Sarah Lavery
Staff Columnist

attention-grabbing declaration of independence has become a growing platitude.

I don't plan on staying here forever. I, too, want to get out of Murfreesboro. I'm too cool for it or tired of the familiarity, I just hope to experience the world from many different angles, not all of them tinged with an overwhelming conservative, Republican flavor.

I will not, however, ever purposefully make someone feel stupid for staying here or for loving it. Murfreesboro, with all of its flaws, has a leg up on cities like Los Angeles when it comes to its citizens' authenticity, and New York when it comes to accessibility.

MTSU is not a school just for those who couldn't make it out of Tennessee's borders. I could – and did – make it out, and chose

willingly, to return.

My education here has been far from so-so. I have never felt that I am settling.

So, if you managed to follow your big city dreams, congratulations. More power to ya. Please, though, understand that some people that stayed in the 'Boro aren't less capable, they just followed a different path.

I had a few friends that successfully made it out of here. One moved to New York with me and now works as a technical designer for one of the biggest fashion companies in the country.

Another moved to Los Angeles to attend the University of Southern California and has found her niche living a typical L.A. existence – parties, never ending sunshine, rubbing elbows with celebrities, internships with major film production companies.

I went to visit the aforementioned friend this past week, excited to escape the tedium of my Murfreesboro life and to temporarily join her and her fun in the sun.

Even though I was excited, I

had a feeling L.A. wouldn't agree with me. And I was right. The weather was beautiful and the drool-inducing boutiques unmatched, but after being pushed by drunk B-list celebrities and drunk B-list celebrity groupies at crowded bars night after night, I started to miss the Tennessee ennui I had formerly complained about.

Every restaurant I visited in L.A., although they had beautiful plate presentations and chic interior design, left my stomach growling and my wallet empty. Twenty-four dollars for a tomatoes and mozzarella salad, just because it's the famous Ivy restaurant? I don't think so.

The second I left the Nashville airport, I headed straight to Subway and gleefully scarfed down a \$6, foot-long sandwich.

I'll take Tennessee's ubiquitous Wal-Marts and fast-food restaurants over my Los Angeles Pauly Shore sighting any day. And I am no longer ashamed to admit it.

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SPORTS

Mens's tennis team wins national title

By Clarence Plank
Sports Editor

It has been a rough start for the Blue Raiders tennis team with one of their teammates getting hurt early in the season. By the end, everything had fell upon the shoulders of Middle Tennessee doubles team of Andreas Siljestrom and Marco Born.

It was a normal day for Siljestrom-Born as they went about their business in Athens, Ga. They arrived in Georgia four days early and got some practice in before the championships later on in the week. They were itching to get started.

"We were kind of anxious to play," Born said. "Once we got to play we took it one day at a time because we always knew the competition down there was good."

This was their first trip to the NCAA's doubles championship beyond the semifinals for the Blue Raiders team, but it was not their first shot at a doubles title.

They won the Intercollegiate Tennis Association All-American Championship in 2005. Siljestrom-Born lost in the finals of the ITA National Indoor Intercollegiate Championships in the fall and failed to win the conference this season.

Going into the finals they face the NCAA's defending champs of Kevin Anderson and Ryan Rowe of the University of Illinois.

MT was down in the first set, but rallied in the second and third sets to pull out the win for the doubles championship. Siljestrom-Born finished 4-6, 7-6 (5), 7-6 (4) to close out the season and give head coach Dale Short his first national title and last win as MT's tennis coach.

"I was just thinking to try to take one match at the time and not look ahead," Siljestrom said. "I knew we were very hard to beat especially in three

sets matches. I felt that we were the best team in the tournament but, we had to prove it as well."

MT has won three national championships. Although they were all All-American Championships, this was the Blue Raiders first NCAA Doubles Championships.

"I was very proud of us," Siljestrom said. "I couldn't stop smiling. It was a dream come true for all of us and for the MTSU tennis program. I hope this win will make the program even better."

Three years ago when Born transferred to MT from Tennessee Tech Coach Short paired him with Siljestrom. It took them sometime to adjust working together, but in time they started improve.

Born has won 93 doubles matches since 2005 and finishes his collegiate career in 5th place. Siljestrom has won 111 doubles matches since 2004.

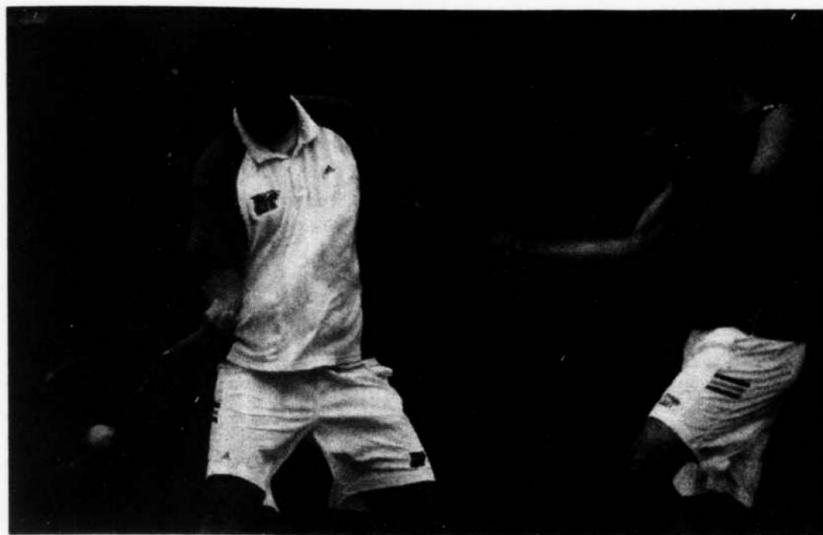
They both are first and second in doubles winning percentages with Born having a record of 93-22. Born winning percentage is .809, while Siljestrom is .771.

Right now Siljestrom is competing in Germany and hoping to play on the pro circuit sometime soon. Born will be going to graduate school for a master's in Sports Management.

"I kind a put tennis aside for a little bit," Born said. "That was a good way to finish up and there are some people that want me to go on the pro circuit to play tennis. It's something to think about."

Siljestrom is pleased with the results of their championship run because it has been a long time coming for the two of them.

"I am very happy to end our college career with a win in the NCAA," Siljestrom said. "This has been our goal since me and Marco started playing together three years ago. We always knew we could do it and it was a great feeling to win in front of all the fans that traveled to see us play."



Seniors Marco Born and Andreas Siljestrom sent head coach Dale Short off into the sunset with a national title and 20 years of coaching experience.

For Born-Siljestrom winning the NCAA national title was a great way to send Coach Short off into retirement.

Born feels it's too soon for Coach Short to retire, but Dale Short has been around for sometime. Siljestrom feels it is a good way to walk away from the sport.

"I think this is a dream come true for Dale," Siljestrom said. "He could not end his career in a better way than winning the NCAA championship. I think he deserves it because he has been

a great coach."

Coach Short molded Born-Siljestrom into the team that they are today. They worked on their serve and volleys during the off-season, while trying to help the team.

"He knows a lot about technique and our games so he helped us out whenever we were struggling with parts of our game," Siljestrom said. "We only lost one match during the spring season so we had a lot of confidence as well." ♦

Sports Briefs

MLB drafts two Blue Raiders

Middle Tennessee senior short-stop Matt Ray was drafted in the 18th round by the Oakland A's as well as Blue Raider signee Bryce Brentz, who was selected in the 30th round by the Cleveland Indians during the second day of the Major League Baseball First Year Amateur Player Draft.

Ray batted .332 in 52 games in 2007 for Middle Tennessee after spending his first three seasons at Central Florida. Ray stole a team-high 24 bases, scored 50 runs and added 16 doubles and 28 walks.

In the last decade, only one year saw no Blue Raiders being drafted — 2005. Ray becomes the 18th player selected by a Major League club in the last 10 years.

Brentz helped South Doyle reach the championship game of the TSSAA state tournament two weeks ago at Reese Smith Field. He tied the state tournament record for hits with 12, doubles with four and two home runs.

Head baseball coach Steve Peterson announced the signing of Benji Farr to a national letter-of-intent for the 2008 season.

Farr hails from Cartersville, Ga., and Cartersville High School, where the lefthander pitcher compiled a 22-2 combined mark the last two seasons. In 2007 he was 11-1 with a 1.17 earned-run-average in 12 starts, tossing six complete games. He had three shutouts in 60 innings of work and struck out 96.

As a junior Farr was also 11-1 with a 1.14 ERA in 12 starts with nine complete games. He had three shutouts and worked 74

innings, striking out 107.

Farr compiled a 31-9 career mark for the Cartersville Canes with a 1.95 ERA in 40 starts, working 219 innings. He had 21 complete games and eight shutouts, tossing one no-hitter and four one-hitters.

Farr also did good work as a hitter at Cartersville, batting .313 with 10 doubles and 15 RBIs as a senior and .396 with 13 doubles and 18 RBIs as a junior.

Righthanded pitcher Judd Stoltz agreed to a national letter-of-intent this week, for the ninth signee for the 2008 season.

The 6-foot-3, 200-pound Stoltz was a two-time All-District 10-AA selection at Marshall County High School and helped lead the Tigers to the Class AA state baseball tournament in Murfreesboro two weeks ago. Marshall County was eliminated from the state tournament by eventual state runner-up University School of Jackson.

For his career, Stoltz notched 19 wins on the mound while also carrying a .360 batting average with six home runs and 61 RBIs.

Golf team falls short, women hopeful

Sophomore golfers Rick Cochran and Chas Narramore will have to wait a little longer to realize their dream of playing in the U.S. Open after failing to place in the top 15 during sectional qualifying Monday.

Even though the talented two-some may not have advanced out of the 115-player field that includ-



Senior Matt Ray was drafted in the 18th round of the Major League Baseball Oakland A's.

ed 109 PGA Tour players and six amateurs at the Colonial Country Club in Cordova, they represented themselves and Middle Tennessee well, finishing in the top half of the field. Complete results were not available Monday evening.

Cochran shot a 2-over 146 after putting up 73s in each of Monday's two rounds, while Narramore finished 3-over 147 in the U.S. Open Sectional Qualifier.

Donned in MT golf apparel, caps, and toting their Middle Tennessee golf bags, Cochran and Narramore were playing to achieve their dream of reaching one of golf's grandest stages at the U.S. Open, but in the process they

brought recognition to their program in a field full of professionals from across the country, and abroad.

Golfer Taryn Durham has reached great heights during her extraordinary collegiate career; however, the junior linkster will play in the U.S. Women's Open, June 28-July 1.

Durham shot rounds of 73 and 75 in sectional qualifying at the par-72 Village Links of Glen Ellyn in Glen Ellyn, Ill., Monday and was one of 21 players to earn a spot in the 156-player field for the

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I am Sportacus

J. Owen Shipley
Staff Columnist

Lebron James, stop believing...

As you ponder the possible meanings of that headline, ask yourself one question: What do LeBron James and Tony Soprano have in common? Nothingness.

And I don't mean Zen-Buddhist nothingness. They each promised a big Sunday night, and neither delivered. Each event actually happened. The Sopranos did end, and Lebron did play pretty well in the second half. Both offered drama but neither provided surprises.

When Tony called me up, spoke in code and told me it would all end in a diner, I was expecting a true climax. Then, when Lebron promised a retaliatory strike against the Spurs so awesome it would wake up the three people in China who didn't already own his jersey, I figured he meant they would win. I was wrong on both counts.

Around 5 p.m., I made the drive to my dad's house to enjoy the night on the type of HDTV that remains out of reach for anyone I've ever even said "hi" to in Murfreesboro. I wasn't disappointed. The TV, as always, was amazing.

The plan was to watch "The Sopranos," a show I have been following for roughly 23 years (I said roughly), while keeping an eye on the NBA finals which would hopefully be going well enough (anything close enough to write an actual column about) for me to skip the first half.

It didn't work out that way. While "The Sopranos" was filled with more tension, bad music, awkward strippers and food references than any episode in the show's history, the ending was uncharacteristically lacking in the excitement category. The bland finale didn't really come as a shock to me because it followed the show's history to its logical conclusion. But I wanted more. I wanted Tony to die simply because of how much I didn't want him to die. I wanted something memorable.

Sadly, while the NBA Finals aren't over yet, their conclusion looks every bit as obvious. As always, we have reached the point in the column where you — my only reader — want to grab me and scream "WHAT DOES THIS HAVE TO DO WITH SPORTS?"

The answer, my friend, is "everything."

Sports are entertainment, just like TV, movies and Paris Hilton's driving record. As Lorne Michaels should have learned a long time ago from having too many repeat skits on "Saturday Night Live," Americans crave surprises. That's why we like comic books, Jerry Bruckheimer films (I had no idea so many things could explode just from being near Nicolas Cage) and Super Bowl ads.

Super Bowl ads, in particular, are a uniquely American experience. Of all the people who watch the Super Bowl, less than half are real fans. A great deal of that other half are actually more interested in seeing the year's new commercials (the Super Bowl is the fall sweeps of advertising) for the first time than watching a game with a mostly predictable outcome. That is the problem. Predictability is the bane of entertainment. Which is why the aforementioned Paris Hilton going to jail is bigger news than the 28 U.S. soldiers killed in Iraq as of May 11. The Hiltons of the world are unpredictable.

I'm not being critical, although perhaps I should be. I mean only to point out that as a would-be entertainer, I knew the second I switched to the Cavs Spurs game that my first-ever national sports column would be crap. Total fertilizer. The Spurs were ahead by 27 and the worst thing is, I knew exactly how the lead would dwindle to a respectable number because even that aspect of the game was predictable. Nothing about these NBA finals will be surprising unless Mike Brown actually starts coaching, Tony Parker is revealed to be an illegal alien (from Mars, not France) or Marv Albert runs on to the court screaming through a rubber ball gag that he is eloping with Charles Barkley.

Short of Nicole Richie suiting up for the Lakers, I am starting to think the NBA play offs need an overhaul. A three-month postseason is excessive if the result is an anti-climactic final that shouldn't make it past five games. But what do I know? I'm just a sports writer.

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Hockey team dreams of greatness

By Clarence Plank
Sports Editor

The Blue Raiders Hockey Club is hoping to ride their momentum into the 07-08 season and take the Southern division by storm.

After a slow start, the team started to rebound with their 9-8 win over top ranked division opponent University of Tennessee-Knoxville back in January of this year.

The second half of the season saw a team that was in their first year in the Southern Division were adjusting to traveling far less since moving out of the Northern Division.

The club has been in existence for five years in a Division III

league called the American Collegiate Hockey Association (ACHA).

"It helps us out a lot on our travel schedule," Cody Smith president and team captain of the club said. Two years ago we were going to places like Michigan, North Texas and we were all over the place. Now it's more Georgia, Kentucky, Alabama and Florida. Places that are closer to here."

The team would travel a lot sometimes, so those 17 hour or long bus ride really wear them out especially if they have to play a game in a couple of hours.

It's a lot easier on our budget and our players," Smith said. "It's hard to get off a bus to play."

The ACHA has over 300 collegiate schools competing in the

league along with some of the Sun Belt Conference members that we know.

The team calls Southern Ice Arena their home ice, which is located in Franklin, Tn., near the Cool Springs Galleria mall. The Arena has two ice skating rinks and is off Gothic Dr.

Students can get into the games for one dollar and non-students only have to pay two dollars. Their season starts on September 22-23 with Robert Morris University in Birmingham, Ala. The Blue Raiders first home game is October 6 against the University of Georgia.

They have been doing their best to recruit new players to the team since they were short handed for much of the season, while doing

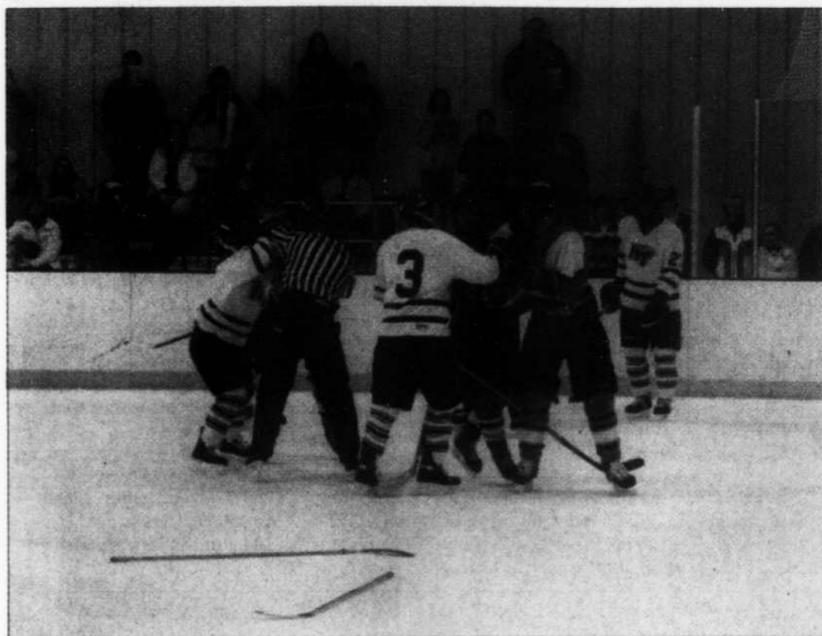
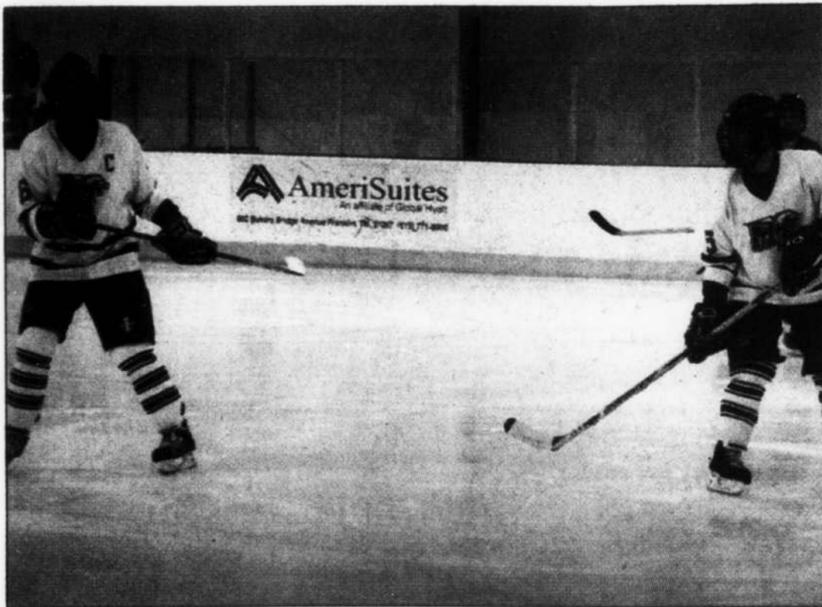
customs. It was due to being short handed that they ended up in third place in the rankings tournament earlier in the year.

If they had a full roster they might have won the tournament and made the nationals, since they take the top two teams.

The team will have all of their members returning for the new season, but some of them will graduate in December. Smith is one of those people that will be playing for part of the season.

Things have been going really well since Seth Lake took over coaching the team in the fall of 2006 and he has been working on bring in new sponsorship to help

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Photos courtesy of the MTSU Ice Hockey Club

The Blue Raiders hockey team fights with players from the Tennessee Volunteers hockey team on January 28, 2007. The full story on the Hockey Club begins on page 6.

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out the team.

"He was the roller hockey coach before he came to us," Smith said "He's been great. He does our scheduling. He went down to the meetings down in Naples, Fla., where all the coaches go. It's more like a

scheduling thing. He's really dedicated himself to the team."

If any are interested in joining the club, call head coach Seth Lake at 615-945-7470 or e-mail him at mtsuicehockey@yahoo.com. Cody Smith can be reached at 615-300-6776 or e-mailed at puckerster67@hotmail.com. ♦

Sports Briefs: Reid finishes third

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U.S. Women's Open to be played June 28-July 1 at Pine Needles Lodge and Golf Club in Southern Pines, N.C.

Middle Tennessee women's golf coach Renna Short said Durham is deserving of the honor shortly after the heavily-decorated golfer became the first Blue Raider linkster to qualify for the Open.

By this time the sun was setting over the course and daylight had long since given way to dusk as seven remaining hopefuls went back on the links for a playoff to determine four spots.

On the first playoff hole, one golfer birdied to advance, five, including Durham, parred, and one bogeyed to be eliminated leaving five players for three spots as they headed to the second playoff hole.

All five players parred the second playoff hole to set up a third. Durham's tee shot went 20 feet above the pin on the par-3 and she ended up sinking a 20-foot birdie to secure the coveted spot in the Open.

The first two rounds of the U.S. Women's Open will be aired on ESPN, while the final two rounds will be carried by NBC.

Track earns All-American honors

Senior Orlando Reid finished third in the 200-meters, earning his third All-America honor of the week as Middle Tennessee placed 20th as a team Saturday at the NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships at the Alex G. Spanos Sports Complex in Sacramento, Calif.

Reid finished third in the 200 in 20.75, garnering his third All-

America honor of the week and the fourth of his career. Florida State won the overall men's championship with 54 points, while the Blue Raiders finished the national meet with 14 points for 20th place.

Reid was responsible directly or indirectly for 11 of the team's 14 points, placing eighth in the 100-meter finals on Friday and as a member of the fifth place 4x100-meter relay team along with seniors Juan Walker and Sean Waller and sophomore Samuel Adade. Walker earned the team's other three points with a sixth-place showing in the long jump on Thursday.

Middle Tennessee earned seven All-America honors during the national meet, one each for Waller and Adade, two for Walker and three for Reid.

Full results from the meet may be found at <http://www.flashresults.com/2007/Meets/outdoor/NCAADivision1/index.htm>.

Reid finished eighth in the 100-meters and the men's 4x100-meter relay was fifth, both earning All-America honors Friday at the NCAA Track and Field Championships at the Alex G. Spanos Sports Complex in Sacramento, Calif.

Reid posted a time of 10.32 in the 100-meter finals, placing eighth after coming out of the blocks slowly. Reid becomes just the second All-American in school history in the 100-meters, joining Mardy Scales, who won the event at the national meet in 2003.

The 4x100-meter relay of senior Walker, Reid, senior Waller and sophomore Adade finished fifth with a time of 39.78, becoming just the second 4x100-meter relay in school history to earn All-

America honors. The 2003

foursome of Brad Orr, Pedro Holiday, Mardy Scales and DJ Spann also garnered All-America accolades.

Walker and Reid as well as the men's 4x100-meter relay made event finals during competition Wednesday at the NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships in Sacramento, Calif.

Walker was a busy man on Wednesday, running the first leg of the 4x100-meter relay at 3 p.m. local time before taking part in the long jump preliminaries an hour later at the Alex G. Spanos Sports Complex. At 5:20 p.m. he competed in the 110-meter hurdle prelims and took part in the high hurdle semifinals at 7:10 p.m.

Walker made the long jump finals after winning his flight with a mark of 25-3.5. The mark was the second best in the long jump prelims, behind the 25-8.75 by Barrett Saunders of Kansas. The long jump finals are set for late Thursday evening.

Walker made the semifinals in the 110-meter hurdles with a time of 13.88 in the prelims but failed to make the finals, running 13.86 in the semis, 13th fastest overall.

The 4x100 foursome of seniors Walker, Reid and Waller and sophomore Adade made the finals, posting a time of 39.90, sixth fastest in the 18-team field.

Reid made the 100-meter semifinals with a time of 10.17 in the prelims, his fastest this season, and followed that with a 10.19 in the semifinals, advancing to the event finals Friday night.

In other action for Middle Tennessee athletes, junior Morgan 23rd did not make the finals, placing 23rd in the prelims with a mark of 23-5.5. ♦

MTSU Ice Hockey Club Schedule 2007-08

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 Emery-Riddle Aero. University Sept. 24, Oct. 5 Birmingham, Ala.
 Georgia Oct 6, 12-13 Franklin, Tn.
 Alabama Oct. 19-20 Birmingham, Ala.
 Alabama Oct. 26 Franklin, Tn.
 Tulane Oct. 27 Franklin, Tn.
 Louisiana State Oct. 27 Franklin, Tn.
 Kennesaw State Nov. 2 Kennesaw, Ga.
 Life University Nov 3. Kennesaw, Ga. (DII)
 Eastern Kentucky Nov. 9-10 Lexington, Ky
 Florida Gulf Coast Nov 16-17 Fort Myers, Fla.
 Central Florida Nov. 18 Fort Myers, Fla.
Thanksgiving Break Nov. 23-24
 Georgia Tech Holiday Tournament Nov. 30-Dec.1-2 Duluth, Ga.
 Life University (DII) Dec. 7-8 Franklin, Tn.
 UNC-Charlotte Jan.18 Franklin, Tn.
 University of Tennessee Jan. 19 Franklin, Tn.

Ever Thought About Being A Model?



Here's Your Chance!

Advertising agency is seeking attractive men and women ages 18-22 for a national student housing campaign photo shoot. Photos will be used in the company's new website design and in print ads and other marketing materials nationwide.

Final selections will reflect a group diverse in ethnicity and lifestyle/personality types. Models will receive a \$50 VISA gift card as compensation.

Casting Call

Tuesday, June 19th

11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

College Grove (Leasing Office)
 1540 New Lascassas Hwy.

Directions: From Nashville take I-24 East toward Chattanooga to exit 78 B. Take Old Fort until it turns into Memorial. At the Memorial, Clark red light, turn right onto Clark. Travel down Clark until you reach the HWY 96 red light, turn left and follow 96 about .25 miles and you will see College Grove on your right.

Talent submissions may also be submitted via email to talent@edrtrust.com by 6/19/07.

Selected models will be notified June 21st

Photo Shoot

Wednesday, June 27th
 (tentatively scheduled)

Must stay all day

In the event of rain, shoot may be moved to Thursday, June 28th



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Sports and Clubs Contact Information:

Baseball: Jared Young 424-8140
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Skydiving: Bailey Ryan 901-496-7526
Women's Soccer: Megan Allender 653-5442
Men's Soccer: Matt Richmond 482-4018
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Women's Volleyball: wvolley@mtsu.edu
Wheelchair sports: Kevin Green 314-303-1281
Wrestling: David Cooper 406-8061

Boxing and Racquetball Clubs do not have contact information at this time. If you know anyone that is a member of these clubs please inform them that the *Sidelines* wants to do a profile on their club this summer.

For the sports clubs call Jessica Northcutt @ 898-2104
 For Intramural sports call David Tippett @ 898-2104

We are looking for writers for the summer and fall semesters. Students can also come and do their practicum with *Sidelines*.

Intramural and club sports: do you have anything coming up in the summer and fall? Contact slsports@mtsu.edu.