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# Candidate search narrowed to 11

By James Evans  
Editor in Chief

The Tennessee Board of Regents has trimmed the initial list of MTSU presidential candidates, and both MTSU vice presidents vying for the position have survived the first cut.

The board's presidential search committee met on campus during spring break with instructions to narrow the list down from the original 27

potentials. The committee cut the list to 12 candidates.

Barbara Haskew - currently provost and vice president for Academic Affairs - and Duane Stucky - currently vice president for Finance and Administration - both made it to the next round.

Glenville State College President Thomas H. Powell also made the cut, but he withdrew his name last week because he said he needs to

focus on his college for now. Powell's move has dropped the list to 11.

James Hindman, who served as provost and vice president of Academic Affairs in 1992, also survived the first cut. Appointed by former President James Walker, Hindman left when he was offered the presidency of Angelo State University.

The next committee meeting is scheduled April 13, and the

list is expected to be cut to down to three to five candidates at that time.

The final candidates will be brought to campus to meet the community and go through the last interviewing rounds sometime early in May, said John Harris, committee member and director of Disabled Student Services at MTSU.

If all goes as planned, the Tennessee Board of Regents plans to have a new MTSU pres-

ident named by May 16.

"That is the goal, but a lot will be determined when we get into it," Harris said.

The 11 remaining candidates are: Haskew; Hindman; Stucky; James Chapman, president of Shawnee State; Richard Davenport, provost and senior vice president for Academic and Student Affairs at Central Michigan University; Albert Etheridge, president of the University of Pittsburgh at

Johnstown; John Haeger, provost and vice president for Academic and Student Affairs at Northern Arizona University; Sidney McPhee, executive vice chancellor of the Tennessee Board of Regents; Thomas Powell, president at Glenville State College, West Virginia; and Bruce Walker, dean of the College of Business at the University of Missouri-Columbia. ♦

## Smith approves new health fee

By Amanda Maynard  
Staff Writer

More than 19,000 students attend MTSU but only one physician is on call at Health Services. The staff of one doctor and four nurses currently treats patients on a daily basis.

As a result of MTSU's lack of medical staff, Health Services director Richard Chapman and Interim President Eugene Smith have proposed a \$35 health services fee. The fee now awaits approval from the Tennessee Board of Regents. If approved, it will become part of the general access fee for students.

Ultimately the fee will allow MTSU to hire at least six new doctors as well as increase the nursing staff.

"This will only improve the quality of our health services," Chapman said. "We want to make it better for the students."

A visit to Health Services will still be free to any student, but the new fee does not cover any lab work or X-rays that a student might have.

Health Services is also looking to create a Women's Health Center.

"We've had many women asking for something like this," Chapman said. The center will be run by a primary doctor and nurse practitioner. It will house a family planning station and will focus on



Rachel Pearl signs in to Health Services Tuesday afternoon. Beginning next fall, the student body could be paying a new fee for the service.

women's health issues. The center will be a place for women with birth control issues or general health questions.

Another addition Health

Services is looking forward to is the MMR vaccine. As of now Health Services does not stock the vaccine, but they plan to provide that service in the future.

The long term goal for MTSU's Health Services is to increase its medical staff and improve the quality of care for MTSU students. Tom Tozer, director of news and

publications said, "In the long run the fee will save you money. Students won't have to pay \$50 or \$60 to see a doctor around town." ♦

## Walking for a cure

## MTSU to host relay for fight against cancer

By Lisa Thomason  
Staff Writer

Members of the MTSU community can soon lend a hand in the fight against cancer.

The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life will be held on the MTSU campus June 9-10. The Relay for Life is a team event that raises money for cancer research. The theme for the relay this year is "Knocking Cancer Out of the Park."

Director of administrative services Deborah Roberts is the team leader for one MTSU team. She said the society suggests teams be composed of 12 to 15 members, although they can participate with fewer.

"It is a 12-hour event and someone is supposed to be on the track at all times," Roberts said. "With more people, you can work in shifts."

Teams are encouraged to raise \$1,500 for the American Cancer Society, or \$100 per team member. Members raise money by receiving pledges for the amount of time they walk in the relay.

The relay, which will be held on the intramural fields, will last from 5 p.m. June 9 to 5 a.m. June 10. It is open to the community from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m., and then

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## Tip leads to arrests in newsstand theft

By James Evans  
Editor in Chief

Thanks to a rare tip to MTSU Crime Stoppers, two arrests have been made in connection with the theft of a *Sidelines* newsstand in mid-February.

MTSU junior Claudia Perry and Michael Calvin, not an MTSU student, turned themselves in to police after warrants were sworn out for their arrests.

The tip was called in Feb. 23, but warrants were delayed because Matt Foster, the officer in charge of the arrest, had to take medical leave due to a knee injury he sustained while breaking up a fight at a campus comedy show in December.

Perry and Calvin are scheduled to appear in Rutherford

County General Sessions Court today to face the charge of theft under \$500.

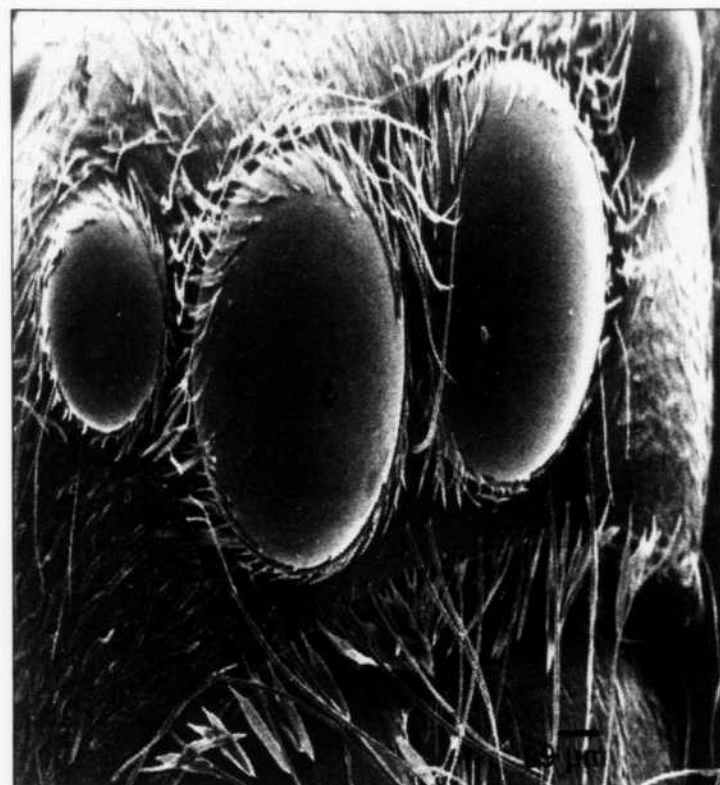
The university's Judicial Affairs office has also started actions against Perry, said Sgt. Tom Wright of Public Safety and a spokesperson for MTSU Crime Stoppers.

The Crime Stoppers board will still have to determine how much the person who called in will receive, which could be up to \$300. Wright said the amount will depend on whether the news rack is recovered.

"As far as we know, they still have possession of the rack," Wright said.

Jenny Crouch, director of Student Publications, said the

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This photograph taken of a spider's eyes under a microscope is just one of Mary Penuel-Matthews' pictures on display in the Weiser-Patton Science Building.

## Tiny subjects get a grand showing

By Kristy Adams  
Staff Writer

Spider eyes, ear mites and stinkbugs.

These may not seem like photogenic subjects to the average person, but Mary Penuel-Matthews sees them in a different light.

To her, they are the subjects of some well-received pictures taken as part of a biology assignment.

The microscopic photographs taken last fall by Penuel-Matthews, a graduate student working on her masters in biology, are now on display in the Weiser-Patton Science Building.

The pictures include close-ups of seeds, spider eyes, a

stinkbug, an ear mite and a small portion of a dead cat's tongue.

Penuel-Matthews took the scanning electron micrographs class last fall and was assigned to take 50 microscopic photographs of anything she chose. Her instructor, Marion R. Wells, an MTSU biology professor for 37 years, enjoyed the pictures enough to have them displayed.

"They're the best I've ever had," Wells said.

Penuel-Matthews said the process of making the pictures requires much time and patience. The first step is to find the specimen and dry it out. This is done with acetone washes and takes several days to complete.

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# CAMPUS BRIEFS

By Lindsey Turner - Assistant News Editor

## IRS, others to hold job interviews

The Placement and Student Employment Center is sponsoring several on-campus interviews today and tomorrow. Abercrombie & Fitch and FedEx Ground will be interviewing today, while the Internal Revenue Service, Eckerd Youth Alternatives and American Heart Association will be searching for applicants tomorrow. Interview times should be scheduled through the Placement Center in Keathley University Center, Room 328. More information is available at 898-2500. ♦

## Recording industry veteran raps

Richard James Burgess, a record producer, artist manager, Internet entrepreneur and author, is holding a workshop titled, "Bridging the Gap: Musicianship and Entrepreneurial Independence in the Recording Industry." The workshop, scheduled for 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. tonight in the Bragg Mass Communication Building, Room 101, is sponsored by the Department of Recording Industry. Burgess, the producer of many pop and urban artists such as Five Star and New Edition, will offer his take on the business and legal aspects of the industry. The workshop is free and open to the general public. For more information, contact Mike Alleyne at 904-8336 or Mike Reed at 898-2919. ♦

## Operas feature orchestra, two casts

The MTSU Opera Workshop will present two performances of the Mozart comic opera, "Cosi Fan Tutte," April 6 and 7 at 7:30 p.m. Each performance will include an entirely different cast and be complete with costuming, set decoration and a small chamber orchestra. Both performances will be held in the Wright Music

Building's Music Hall and will last approximately 135 minutes, including an intermission. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the door. Admission is free to MTSU students, faculty and staff, as well as senior citizens and children 12 and under. For more information, contact Stephen Smith at 898-2504. ♦

## Course to teach defensive driving

Beginning April 7, MTSU's Division of Continuing Studies and Public Services will team up with the Tennessee Regional Safety Council to offer a monthly defensive driving course. The eight-hour course is designed based on worldwide defensive driving standards and proven driving techniques aimed at reducing the number of human-error produced collisions. Focusing on driving options and their consequences, the course is geared toward employee training, insurance discounts, satisfying tickets and continuing education. The program is approved by the state of Tennessee and instructors are certified through the National Safety Council. There is a registration fee of \$50. Classes will be held in the Business and Aerospace Building, Room S260. More information is available at the Tennessee Regional Safety Council at 329-3271 or 1-800-845-9060. ♦

## Journalists explore death penalty

Five award-winning journalists will examine America's use of the death penalty at 7:30 p.m. April 9 in the State Farm Lecture Hall of the Business and Aerospace Building. Ken Armstrong of the *Chicago Tribune*, Mike Tolson of the *Houston Chronicle*, Sara Rimer of the *New York Times* and Frank Green of the *Richmond Times-Dispatch* will discuss the impact the media has had on the controversial topic. The event, sponsored by MTSU's John Seigenthaler Chair of Excellence in First Amendment Studies, is free and open to

the public. For more information, call David Eason at 898-5873. ♦

## Fraternity offers free tax advice

For students and faculty who have yet to file their income tax returns, Beta Alpha Psi, an accounting fraternity, is offering free filing assistance until April 13. Help will be available in the Business and Aerospace Building, Room N423, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekdays. Those seeking help will need to bring all applicable tax forms and prior returns if possible. No appointment is necessary. For more information, call Nick Nichols at 898-5529. ♦

## Play chronicles backwoods murder

"Back County Crimes," a two-act drama by Lanie Robertson, will be presented April 6-14 at 8 p.m. in Tucker Theatre by the players of MTSU Theatre. The play explores the dark side of human nature through a series of stories of backwoods murders and suicides in a small town. The play will feature an 18-member cast. Due to its violent content, subject matter may not be suitable for younger viewing audiences. Admission is free for MTSU students, \$2.50 for faculty and staff, and \$5 for the general public. ♦

## Learn Spanish in one day

MTSU's Division of Continuing Studies and Public Services is conducting "Survival Spanish," a one-day comprehensive seminar for the business, medical and law enforcement community. Participants will learn how to converse in a variety of situations and settings including restaurants, airports and meetings. The focus of the seminar will be on basic words and phrases that will make it easier for people with no prior knowledge of Spanish to "survive" in real-world situations. The seminar is scheduled for April 10 at the MTSU Foundation Reception House from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. An \$89 fee covers lunch, refreshments and all materials. To register, contact Valerie Avent at 898-5651. ♦

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All persons identifying themselves as Democrats are urged to attend this important Convention. MTSU Students, Professors and Staff are especially invited to attend and become active in the Democratic Party.

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# POLITICAL UPHEAVAL

By Jeremy Davis - Political Columnist

## Senate approves campaign finance reform bill

Monday the Senate voted 59-41 in favor of the McCain-Feingold campaign finance reform bill. The bill will ban all forms of soft money and raise the hard money limit from \$1,000 to \$2,000.

Similar bills have been killed in the Senate many times in the past few years, but because of the recent campaign scandals and the split in the Senate, it passed. Three Democrats opposed the bill and 12 Republicans voted in favor of it.

The bill must still pass fierce opposition by Republicans in the House of Representatives.

The most outspoken opponent of the bill is Sen. Mitch McConnell, who said he would sue if President Bush signs the bill into law because he believes it violates the First Amendment guarantee of freedom of speech.

President Bush said he would sign any bill that improves the current system.

## China captures U.S. spy plane and crew

Sunday night Chinese F8 fighter planes bumped into a U.S. Navy EP-3 surveillance plane causing an emergency landing in China.

The American plane was flying in international airspace just outside of mainland China when two Chinese fighters intercepted it and forced the landing. One of the Chinese fighters was lost at sea during the encounter. China is currently holding the plane and the 24 crew members on the island of Hainan in the South China Sea near Vietnam.

President Bush has demanded that the crew be released, but the Chinese government has yet to allow any communication with the hostage crew. Military officials are also demanding the plane not be boarded by Chinese military because of top-secret spy equipment on board. However, the future

of the plane and crew are anything but certain.

This comes a week after a Chinese warship approached a U.S. surveillance ship in a hostile manner near the Korean Peninsula and after the Chinese government arrested two American academics in China.

Tensions are getting tighter between the United States and China because of the plan to sell arms to Taiwan which China refers to as a renegade province and the United States' plan to build a national defense shield in Alaska.

China has increased their hostility towards American presence in Asia and has greatly increased its military buildup.

China claims the spy plane did the bumping in the air, but that seems unlikely given the size and poor maneuverability of the aircraft.

The dispute is between the definition of international water and air. International laws and regulations says that international water begins 12 miles off the coast of a country, but China claims their official water and air space extends 200 miles from their coastline.

## Bush reaches out to Brazil

President Bush made history Friday by meeting with President Fernando Henrique Cardoso of Brazil earlier in his term than previous presidents who have waited until the second or third year.

During the campaign, President Bush promised to make ties within the Western Hemisphere tighter and more of a concern than they have been in the past. Bush's visit to Mexico was his first presidential visit to another country.

The two discussed the possibility of speeding up the North American Free Trade Agreement activation in the rest of the Americas to 2005.

The meeting was significant because Brazil is the second most populous nation in the Western Hemisphere and the eighth largest economy in the world. Traditionally, the nation has been closer to Europe than the United States, but Bush wants to change that.

## Commentary

## Racism today

There has been a proposal floating around out there to pay relatives of slaves because of their ancestors' enslavement. This has to be one of the dumbest things I have ever heard.

Are there any African Americans who are slaves today? No. So why should the government pay them for something that never happened to them? The government would do better by putting that money towards improving education and living conditions in low-income neighborhoods.

It amazes me that in today's overly sensitive and politically correct society that an idea like this could ever make it from someone's brain to mouth without common sense stopping it.

This raises the whole idea of improving race relations in this country. I do not believe racial prejudice can be overcome by giving any group favors over another. Any privilege given to one race is prejudice against another.

This means any reference to race in the workplace or school should be outlawed.

This means a college scholarship should not be given out if it asks what race you are. Scholarships should be given to the best in a certain field or area of achievement. MTSU is just as guilty of racial profiling in the financial aid department as any other school. Here is an example: to be eligible for the Buchanan Scholarship an entering freshman must first get the Presidential or Otis Floyd Scholarships. Both scholarships dish out \$4,000 to their applicants, but the difference

is in the qualifications. The Presidential Scholarship requires that a student make a 29 on the ACT and have a 3.75 GPA. The Otis Floyd Scholarship is given to African American students who make a 25 on the ACT and have a 3.2 GPA.

Is that fair? A black student who makes a 26 and a 3.3 can get up to \$5,000, but a white student who makes a 28 and a 3.6 gets \$0. This is a classic example of reverse racism in the college world. Also, if I were black I would be insulted by that scholarship. By giving black students lower standards for the same scholarship, the university is saying that black students need extra help because they aren't as smart as other students.

Some people may say that because I am white I can't understand what it is like to be a minority. Well, believe it or not, I grew up in an area where white is the minority and I do know how it feels. In Memphis and Shelby County whites are in the minority. In the city the split is about 60-40 percent.

I have been the subject of prejudice in Memphis. I know what it's like to be stared at with hateful eyes and be given poor service at restaurants where I felt I was not welcome. Don't misunderstand me — not all Memphians are racists. I love Memphis and highly recommend it as a great place to live, but there are heavy racial tensions in some areas.

I know I have veered off from my original topic, but this is something I care a great deal about. As long as skin color is the requirement for anything we haven't made progress. I know most of us share the dream of Dr. King and pray that our children will be judged by the content of their character and not the color of their skin. We're not there yet, but one day America just might surprise you. ♦

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## Tiny: Photos displayed

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The photos then must air dry and be put in a critical-point dryer. When that is completed, the specimen is glued onto a stub and plated with gold.

Once all this is done, the specimen is ready to be viewed under a microscope.

For the assignment, she was required to develop half the pictures with black and white film and a 35mm camera. The other half was done digitally. All the pictures had to be taken in a lab.

"Some of the ones that would look good on the computer didn't really turn out as well on the black and white," Penuel-Matthews said.

Not only did she get a good

grade for her photographs, but she also enjoyed the class and professor.

"Dr. Wells is the most patient instructor," Penuel-Matthews said.

Wells explained what it takes to create such high-quality photographs.

"It's all in the technique and thinking and understanding how to manipulate the specimen," she said.

Wells is not only happy with Penuel-Matthews' work, but also with her effort.

"She is not satisfied with anything but the best," Wells said.

The exhibit of Penuel-Matthews' photographs is available for viewing in WPS across from room 120. ♦

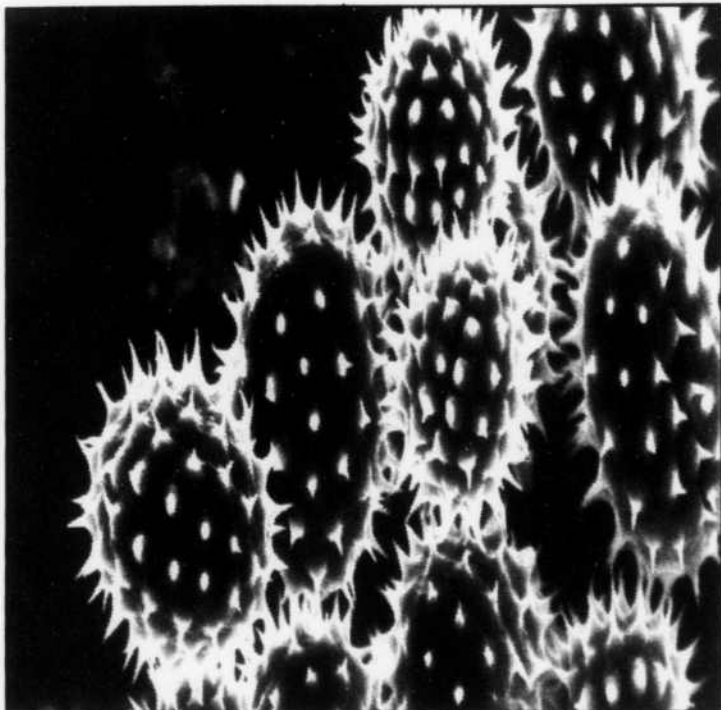


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Mary Penuel-Matthews also has a microscopic picture of pollen on display in the Weiser-Patton Science Building.

## Theft: Tip to be awarded

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rack - a recent purchase - is worth approximately \$150.

This arrest marks the fifth that has been made thanks to MTSU Crime Stoppers, said spokesperson Travis Smith. The crime prevention group was formed in November 1995 as an

extension of the Rutherford County Crime Stoppers.

To date, tips to MTSU Crime Stoppers have led to three felony arrests and two misdemeanor arrests, including this most recent one.

An attempt to contact Perry for comment was unsuccessful before press time. ♦

## SIGHTS AROUND CAMPUS



Photo by Matthew H. Starling | Chief Photographer

As part of the International Culture Week, Vietnamese students display traditional fashions in front of the KUC Tuesday afternoon. Seven students put on the show for students as they looked on and made their way in and out of the KUC.

Grant Reid, a sixth grader from St. Henry School, displays his "Computer Saddlebag" at the Invention Convention March 22. Held annually for local fourth through sixth graders, the convention seeks to promote fun and creativity. This year's contest featured more than 90 inventions that were judged on creativity, affordability and feasibility. The entries were separated into two categories: Games and Make Life Easier.

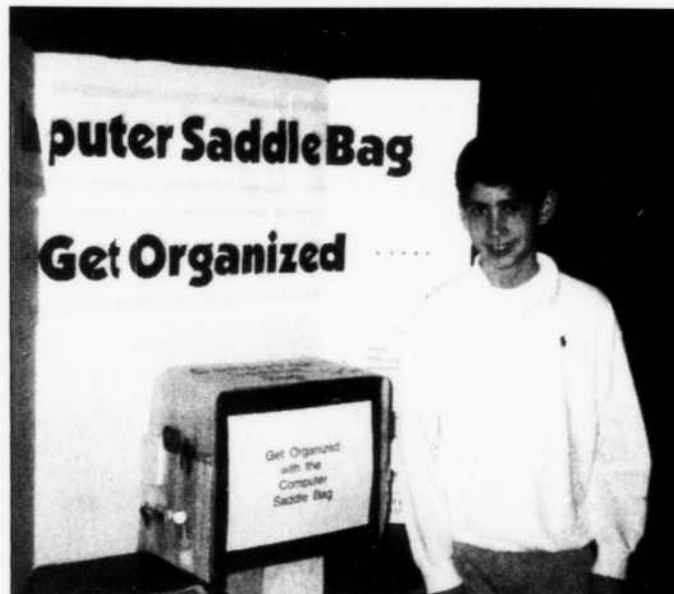


Photo by Lindsey Turner | Staff

## Walking: Sign-ups last through May 1

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the teams will complete the event from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m.

According to Roberts, each team is responsible for planning a campsite with activities the community can participate in. She said there will be games for children such as a fishing pond and a putt-putt hole. Some campsites will also sell concessions.

Due to the sporty theme, Roberts predicts there will also be

activities like baseball throws and basketball shooting contests.

Event coordinators have planned a Campus Kickoff Rally April 9 from 2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. in Dining Room C in the James Union Building to encourage student participation in the relay.

"Some organizations have been involved in the past, but we'd like to see more," Roberts said. She explained that fliers were printed and stuffed in mailboxes of campus organizations to encourage

student involvement. There are currently four teams from MTSU signed up for the event.

People or organizations interested in participating in the relay are encouraged to attend the rally or to contact Donna Abernathy at 896-2372 or Donna West at 214-0380 or 904-3452.

"Help us find a cure for cancer," Roberts said. "That's what it's all about."

Sign-ups continue until May 1. ♦

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## From the staff New health fee not bad, but we want more hours

Health Services Director Richard Chapman and Interim President Eugene Smith have proposed a new \$35 health services fee which will be tacked onto the general access fee.

Currently, Health Services is comprised of one doctor and four nurses. If the new fee is adopted, they can hire six additional doctors.

Usually, we oppose every new point-less fee the administration suggests. But after discussion, we decided that this fee has some merit.

Many students aren't from the immediate Middle Tennessee area. This puts most students away from their insurance-paid doctor and makes it hard when they need to get checked out.

Health Services isn't the emergency room, and it's not so great for serious injuries. Still, many students use the department for more everyday inconveniences such as allergies, colds and birth control.

It's one of those services that we use every once in a while and take for granted.

However, we do have one request. Seven doctors seems like a lot for a place that only is open Monday through Friday during business hours.

Maybe with seven doctors a couple of them can work staggered shifts so that hours can be extended into the evening, and Health Services can be open for a few hours on the weekend.

That way, when students come down with a cold on Friday night, they can go Saturday morning to get a prescription instead of suffering until Monday.

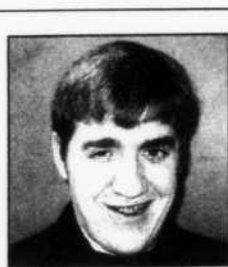
If we pay for six new doctors when we're used to having only one, then this request seems like a small thing to give back to the students. ♦

## CANADIAN BACON

# The arsenic debate still rages

I have to give credit to ole George W. He had to know that his decision to reconsider regulations regarding arsenic in drinking water would set the environmentalist hounds baying after him — but he did it anyway. That's courage.

The critics were quick to attack his decision. Joan Claybrook of Public Citizen said that those who doubt the wisdom of the Environmental Protection Agency's decision are in the grips of a "corporate mindset that favors profits over lives." Nearly every environmentalist who has debated this issue in the past week has asserted, without evidence, that critics of the EPA are weak-minded tools for industry. Apparently no one



Patrick Chinnery  
Staff Columnist

believes that honest differences of opinion can exist anymore.

The EPA's strongest argument is that the National Academy of Sciences examined arsenic in America's water supply in 1999 and concluded that current levels (50 parts per billion) were too high. That study, however, did not state what the best level was.

To come to that answer

for ourselves, we need to balance benefits against costs. At high levels, arsenic can cause cancer and other diseases. But at low levels, it's virtually harmless. Hardly a man-made evil, element No. 33 is found naturally in ground water and broccoli. Yes, broccoli.

In our daily lives, absolute safety is hardly ever our goal. If it was, we'd never drive a car, use a lawnmower, fly in a plane or come out from under the covers. Of course, even then the dust-mites can feed off your skin for years. And who knows what's living inside these dorm mattresses.

Life is not risk free, and most people understand that. Cars come with seatbelts and airbags, devices

that save thousands of lives a year but increase the cost of the vehicle. But we don't armor plate our cars because that would make them too expensive to fuel. And we don't reduce speed limits to 5 miles per hour because that would be paying too high a price in convenience for the sake of safety.

According to the EPA, reducing arsenic levels to 10 parts per billion will save 28 statistical lives per year. That's the benefit.

The water industry estimates the needed regulations would cost \$6 billion to implement and \$600 million a year to maintain. EPA estimates that implementing the 10 parts per billion standard would cost \$210 million per year. Though the two

figures are millions of dollars apart (and I believe the true cost to be somewhere in the middle), we are still talking about a large sum of money.

The American Enterprise Institute estimates that a 10 parts per billion standard will actually cost \$65 million for each life saved.

The EPA itself has suggested that health and safety regulations are reasonable if they cost no more than \$4 million per statistical life saved. In other words, the costs outweigh the benefits.

I'm not saying we should stick with the status quo. But President Bush is right in calling for further review before going through with a plan that will cost millions of dollars by any estimate. ♦

## Dear Annie Spring Fling!

Dear Annie,

I have just returned from a fantastic spring break in Cancun. I met this amazing girl. We had so much in common. We just clicked... ya know? It was just a spring fling - I mean with the distance, well it just would never work. My problem is that it made me realize I may not be in love with my current girlfriend. OK, my girlfriend and I have been together for over a year now. We say, "I love you." But what if we're not meant to be? I mean I felt this incredible connection with the girl in Cancun... I have never experienced that feeling with my current girl. Why did I cheat?

Should I break up with her? - Spring Fling King

Dear Spring Fling King,

I'm sitting here, pool side, at a picturesque resort on my spring break! While thinking about your dilemma, I find myself distracted by all the luvy-duvy couples strolling along. I'm wondering if they're also being unfaithful to someone back home.

Question - are you in love with your current girlfriend? Just because you say "I love you" doesn't mean you are in love. Maybe the "connection" you felt with the Cancun girl was just infatuation. In time, that relationship might have melted as well - where your "I love you" might not have meant

much. Maybe you don't know the meaning of love.

So why did you cheat? Got caught up in the moment? Fruity drinks (lots of drinks) sun and sand can make anyone feel romantic? I don't know. The point is you cheated. She trusted you. If you've been with her over a year, you owe her your honest feelings. If your feelings aren't real with her... fish or cut bait. It's not fair to just string her along. Don't be a coward. Be sure you're not just using her because there's no one else. If you're still not certain about your feelings, do the both of you a "King-sized" favor... Break it off!

Email your questions to  
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### Recession hype, not merited

To the Editor:

I felt compelled to write a response to Mr. Chinnery's 3/21 article on the U.S. recession. There are several points I must contend with:

1. The nation's executive office has little to do with the economy. Outside of dealings with the federal budget, the President has almost nothing to do with the economy. The President does, however, receive credit for a good or bad economy. In truth, the Federal Reserve System exerts the most influence over the economy.

2. Recessions are a necessary part of the business cycle. During "boom" times, inventories are built up, payrolls expand and credit is extended for construction of new projects. While prosperity is generally a good thing, too much of a good thing can lead to inefficiencies in the economy. Market forces then correct the economy in a downturn — moving it back toward efficiency.

3. American consumer debt is at an extremely high level, but savings rates are also on the increase as Americans become more conservative with their money. The stock market declines in NASDAQ and Dow have been a positive "wake-up" call for American investors to practice financial conservatism.

4. Comparisons between the United States and Asian markets are not valid in the context of their recession. The Asian market collapse was caused by a variety of factors — most notably, risky lending by banks, currency speculation, devaluation of multiple currencies and a lack of capital infrastructure. The United States has a variety of stopgaps built into our system to insure that such a collapse does not happen here. Furthermore, the U.S. banking system is highly centralized and regulated, giving it stability.

5. The 1930s were marked by rampant protectionism. Today's globalized economy translates into higher levels of efficiency and productivity as resources are shared, not hoarded. Furthermore, today's governments are not characterized by hegemony and isolationism as they were in the 1930s.

6. Congress, the President and the Federal Reserve have done an excellent job of easing the impact of the recession. Tax cuts are necessary to help average Americans, and by acting quickly, both Congress and the President have sent a clear signal that they are concerned about the state of the economy. The Federal Reserve has also done well by balancing lower interest rates

against the threat of inflation. While it will take time (maybe even a year or more) for the tax cuts and rate cuts to take effect, the action has shown Americans that the government and the Federal Reserve are concerned and competent.

7. Lastly, employment levels are still stable. Unlike the 1930s, where employment was largely agrarian and labor intensive, today's capital and service intensive labor markets show full employment (5% or less). This bodes well for the average American as we weather this economic storm.

While the nation may indeed be in the midst of a recession, there is no viable reason for hype or panic. We have been blessed in the past 10 years with unparalleled growth, and the United States economy will return from this recession retooled, streamlined and ready for more growth.

Tim Munyon

### Students should keep thier names out of crime log

To the Editor:

I am responding to the letter to the editor written by Ms. Catherine Owen Davis. I just wanted to share my view about the publication of those who drink and drive.

Publishing the names of those who drive while intoxicated may seem like an invasion of privacy at first.

True, the people made a mistake and that's understandable. However, people who don't study for their tests are not going to make people television stars by putting them on those commercials that say "killed at age 21 by a drunk driver" after flashing their picture on the screen. My question: "Would it be an invasion of privacy if the drunk driver who killed YOUR best friend was on the front page of *Sidelines* and the *Tennessean*?"

Whether or not *Sidelines* follows up with the convictions or acquittals of these people is one thing. Keeping your name from being published in *Sidelines* in the first place for drunk driving is another.

Nikki Rowland

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Applications will be available in the JUB Room 306. Three finalists will be selected from the field of applicants and will be interviewed. Interviews will be held at the April 20, 2 p.m. You will be notified if you are to be interviewed.



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## Middle to play Vandy tonight

By R. Colin Fly  
Sports Editor

After winning two of three conference games on the road against Louisiana at Lafayette, a team that finished third in the nation last year, the Blue Raiders baseball team now turns its sights to Southeastern Conference member and in-state rival Vanderbilt.

The Blue Raiders (21-6) have played outstanding baseball behind the pitching of junior Dewon Brazelton (6-1, 1.11 earned run average), senior Kris Lammers (3-2, 3.19) and freshman John Williams (4-0, 3.76). Williams has won four of his seven collegiate starts and has a 42-2 during his last five years where he was a standout at Oakland High School.

While the Blue Raiders have dropped out of all three ranking services' Top 25 lists, a win today and a series victory against Florida International (30-8) could vault MT back on the list. Florida International is ranked as high as 21st on both the USA Today/ESPN Coaches Poll as well as Baseball America's Top 25 list.

Middle Tennessee will likely send sophomore Matthew Griffith or junior Jason Moates to the hill. Both come off shaky starts last week against Memphis. Moates didn't make it out of the fifth inning, while Griffith gave up four runs in one inning of work. The Blue Raiders rallied for nine runs in the fourth to take a 12-5 lead and eventually a 13-9 win, saving Griffith from the loss.

The bats have come alive somewhat for the Raiders, who now hit .295 as a team. Senior Josh Renick leads the way with a .417 average while sophomore Justin Sims has a .370 average and has belted eight home runs to lead the team.

For the Vanderbilt Commodores, the news hasn't been so good. Vandy comes off three straight losses at home against Florida and have come up short in eight of their last nine games to fall to 16-14 on the season. Their only win during the stretch was against Western Kentucky, who the Blue Raiders play May 4 and 5 before playing Vanderbilt in Nashville as their last road game of the regular season.

The Commodores are led by the bat of junior Sean Luellwitz. The first baseman has hit .375 on the season. However, the Commodores as a team bat only .268 and their pitching staff has a 4.98 ERA.

The game will be played under the lights tonight at 7 p.m. ♦

## Coach K lands third title



Photo by Jessica Norton | Photo Editor

A usually calm and composed head coach Mike Krzyzewski becomes ecstatic as the seconds tick off the clock signaling Duke's third championship since 1991.

By DAVID DROSCHAK  
AP Sports Writer

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) - For those tired of hearing Duke this and Duke that, get ready for another large dose of the Blue Devils next season.

Coach Mike Krzyzewski won his third national title since 1991 Monday night against Arizona with a starting lineup of one senior, three sophomores and a freshman.

And that group doesn't include sophomore Carlos Boozer, who started at center most of the season before breaking his right foot; injured sophomore Nick Horvath; and Rutgers transfer Dahntay Jones.

"Our guys have to get physically mature," Krzyzewski said Tuesday. "Mike Dunleavy has to put on 10 to 15 pounds. So does Casey Sanders, but this

last month he has been so good. He'll work at it and if everyone comes back and is healthy, we'll be good."

All-American point guard Jason Williams, a sophomore, has said repeatedly he will return to the Blue Devils (35-4) next season.

"We'll know about everything in a couple of months," said Krzyzewski, being cautious following three NBA defections after the 1999 title loss to Connecticut. "We don't have any signs, but I've been in this long enough to know. The last time I went in for a hip operation, our whole program went zip."

Krzyzewski lost underclassmen Elton Brand, William Avery and Corey Maggette that season. Brand and Avery would have been seniors now, while Maggette would have been a junior.

Shane Battier may now be gone, but Williams set a Duke single-season scoring record with 841 points, breaking the 50-year-old mark of 831 set by Dick Groat. He scored 154 in six NCAA tourney wins.

As the clock ticked to zero Monday night, Williams threw the ball 30 feet in the air and jumped into the arms of Battier, who won his 131st game at Duke.

"For the ball to be in my hands in the beginning of the year and just running this team, and for me to have it at the end of the year, closing it out, is a dream come true," Williams said.

The loss of Battier, who played all 80 minutes in the Final Four, will be significant, but nothing the Blue Devils can't overcome.

"It will be interesting to see next year how much of Shane

is still with the team," Krzyzewski said. "I wonder how Nick Horvath or Mike Dunleavy will react without Shane there. It's already something I'm looking forward to."

Krzyzewski will return for his 21st year at Duke as one of only four coaches to win as many as three national crowns.

"I just try to sing my song for this performance and not worry about things," he said prior to a return trip to campus and a celebration at Cameron Indoor Stadium.

"It makes you healthier and you coach for the right reasons. I just had the most incredible year that I've had with a group of kids. I can't stop smiling." ♦



Photo by Isaac Brekken | U-Wire

Late in the second half, Shane Battier seals Duke's title with a monstrous slam. Battier was named Most Valuable Player.

## Brazelton shines in weekend series, Raiders win two of three from Cajuns

### Staff Reports

The Blue Raider baseball team won two out of three games against top Sun Belt conference foe Louisiana-Lafayette this weekend.

Dewon Brazelton highlighted the series with his 2-0 shutout of the Ragin Cajuns Friday night. Brazelton struck out 14 hitters and didn't give up a hit until the eighth inning allowing only two hits the entire game. Out of the 127 pitches he threw, 79 were strikes.

Lafayette starter Tim Ramon stood toe-to-toe with Brazelton for nine innings. However, the game came down to the top of the 10th. Brandon Johnson led off the inning

with a single. Kris Smith came in to run for Johnson. He got hung up between first and second on a missed bunt attempt by Kris Lammers, but the throw flew into right field allowing Smith to reach second.

Lammers knocked a single to advance Smith to third. A ground-out scored Smith. Chuck Akers put the icing on the cake with a double down the line in right field to score Lammers. Brazelton finished what he started shutting down the Cajuns to close out the game.

Middle Tennessee suffered a tough loss in Saturday's game. The Blue Raiders led 8-5 going into the bottom of the ninth inning, but

gave up four runs in the Cajuns half of the ninth taking the tough 9-8 loss.

Middle scored in the first, second, fifth, and ninth innings. Johnson had a two-run homer in the second and a two-run double in the ninth that put the Blue Raiders up by three. Justin Sims also had a two-run homerun.

Sunday brought redemption for Middle Tennessee as they took a 5-4 win.

With the game even at four in the seventh, Sims delivered an RBI double to the opposite field. The double plated Jason Howarth who led off with a double. ♦



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### WEDNESDAY

#### Baseball

Blue Raiders vs. Vanderbilt  
Murfreesboro, Tenn., 7 p.m.

### FRIDAY

#### Baseball

Blue Raiders vs. Florida Int'l  
Murfreesboro, Tenn., 7 p.m.

#### Softball

Lady Raiders vs. Louisiana Tech (DH)  
Murfreesboro, Tenn., 3 p.m.

#### Outdoor Track

Texas Relays  
Austin, Tx., TBA

#### Women's Tennis

Lady Raiders vs. La. Tech  
Murfreesboro, Tenn., 2 p.m.

### SATURDAY

#### Baseball

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

#### Softball

Lady Raiders vs. Louisiana Tech (DH)  
Murfreesboro, Tenn., 11 a.m.

#### Outdoor Track

Texas Relays  
Austin, Tx., TBA

### SUNDAY

#### Baseball

Blue Raiders vs. Florida Int'l  
Murfreesboro, Tenn., 1 p.m.

#### Women's Tennis

Lady Raiders vs. Mississippi St.  
Murfreesboro, Tenn., 10 a.m.

### MONDAY

#### Baseball

Blue Raiders vs. Belmont  
Murfreesboro, Tenn., 7 p.m.



# FLASH

Wednesday, April 4, 2001

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## Tin Pan South celebrating song and songwriters

By Leslie Carol Boehms  
Flash Editor

The ninth annual celebration of musicianship in Nashville, Tin Pan South, began Monday, April 2 and will continue until April 7.

The festivities began with the Tin Pan South Songwriters Golf Classic at Greystone Golf Course Monday. Tuesday's highlight was the Legendary Songwriters Acoustic Concert that was held at the Ryman Auditorium.

Tin Pan South is presented by the Nashville Songwriters Association International. The title, Tin Pan, was coined in tribute to Nashville's songwriting predecessor, New York's legendary Tin Pan Alley. All proceeds from the events benefit NSAI in their effort to assist songwriters worldwide.

Starting tonight, April 4 and continuing until April 7, there will be club performances at many of Nashville's most famed venues. The Bluebird Café, Douglas Corner Café and Bongo After Hours are just some of the locations that will hold this year's celebration.

The artists involved in Tin Pan South commemorate every genre found here in America as well as some special highlighted international performers.

One special addition to this year's events will be a live taping of Speaking

Freely, a television show taped at WNPT (located at 161 Rains Ave). The taping entitled "Music and Free Speech" will be today at 4 p.m. and admission is free. Featured in the show will be artists Nancy Griffith, Sonny Curtis and Don

Henry. The show will be a combination of music and discussion about censorship and limitations in today's musical society.

For further information on NSAI visit their web site at [www.nashvillesongwriters.com](http://www.nashvillesongwriters.com).

For the complete listing of events and venues for Tin Pan South, check out this week's *Nashville Scene* insert on the event, or go to their web site at [www.nashvillescene.com](http://www.nashvillescene.com). See page 9 for my top picks of this year's Tin Pan.



### LINE UP

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4TH

GILLESPIE ROAD: 9 p.m., The End \$5.

THE NATIONALS: 10 p.m., The Boro Bar & Grill.

THURSDAY, APRIL 5TH

TEAM CHARISMA: 10 p.m., The Boro Bar & Grill.

LLAMA: 10 p.m., Exit/In.

SKYLINE DRIVE: 8 p.m., Bunganut Pig, Murfreesboro.

GRAVE SITE: w/Dhamrakya, 9 p.m., The End \$5.

ROCKIN' AT THE RYMAN: feat. Brenda Lee, The Jordanares, Ronnie Dawson, Gene Vincent's Blue Caps, Eric Heatherly, Sleepy LaBeef, Rosie Flores, D.J. Fontana, Janis Martin, Jack Scott, Ronnie Dawson, Jerry Naylor, 7:30 p.m., Ryman Auditorium, Proceeds benefit the Rockabilly Music Foundation.

FRIDAY, APRIL 6TH

STARK WHITE STORK APPROACHING SHOW-ER: feat. The Features, Glossary, Normalcy, & Roger, 10 p.m., The Boro Bar & Grill.

RED GRASS: w/A.M. Flavor, 10 p.m., Windows on the Cumberland.

MILE 8: 9 p.m., The End \$5.

FUNKY METERS: 9 p.m., 328 Performance Hall, \$21.

ORGANIC DIALECT w/RASMALAI: 8 p.m., Joe's Diner \$5.

BY A THREAD w/RISE FROM RUIN: 8 p.m., Indinet Record Shop \$5.

HUSKY/HOWARD/SAWT ELLE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP BENEFIT: feat. Vince Gill, Allison Krauss, Steve Earle, Gail Davies, San Bush, Don Sears, & Larry Cordle & Lonesome Standard Time, 7:30 p.m., Ryman Auditorium.

SATURDAY, APRIL 7TH

BOO BOO BUNNY CD RELEASE PARTY: w/Kliefelter & Screaming Assheads From Hell, 10 p.m., The Boro Bar & Grill.

A.K.A. RUDIE: 10 p.m., Windows on the Cumberland.

THE LOFT: 9 p.m., Bunganut Pig, Murfreesboro \$5.

SUNDAY, APRIL 8TH

DELTA 88: 6:30 p.m., Bluebird Café.

MONDAY, APRIL 9TH

COPPERTREE MUSIC SHOW: feat. The Edward James Band, Edmund's Crown, Hullabaloo, 8 p.m., 3rd & Lindsley Bar & Grill, \$5.

TUESDAY, APRIL 10TH

RIVERS RUTHERFORD, DAVE BERG, & SAM & ANNIE TATE: in the round, 9 p.m., Bluebird Cafe \$7.

JGB: w/Melvin Seals, 8 p.m., 328 Performance Hall, \$14.

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## 'Tomcats' meows with raunchiness

By Steven Murden  
Staff Writer

The latest installment of gross-out comedies has arrived. *Tomcats*, the first film from the fledgling Revolution Studios, combines slap in the face humor with an endless barrage of sexual innuendoes.

*Tomcats* is a film filled with uncontrollable laughs so raunchy that only the male psyche (with a few exceptions) is able to fully grasp its humor.

Jerry O'Connell, the actor you vaguely remember from somewhere, stars as a cartoonist attempting to save his neck by paying off a hefty debt he owes to a merciless Vegas casino owner.

His plan is to marry off his whore of a friend, who is played by Jake Busey. Busey and O'Connell are the last of a group of old college buddies who, in their younger days, made a "Tomcats bet." This bet stated that the last man to get married wins a payoff that, after several years, has grown to massive proportions.

The antics that ensue as O'Connell attempts to win the money reaches a level of raunchiness that rivals the antics of another supremely grossed-out comedy—*There's Something About Mary*.

So don't bother to bring your



Shannon Elizabeth plays Natalie, Michael's secret weapon in his plan to bring the ultimate Tomcat down.

ladies, gentlemen unless you want an elbow in the side to accompany virtually every laugh.

*Tomcats* also stars such moderately big names as Horatio Sainz, from *Saturday Night Live*, and Shannon Elizabeth of *American Pie* fame.

But don't get too worked up guys. Elizabeth manages to keep her clothes on this time as a tough talking police detective. In doing so, however, she comes across too stiff and never rises above her "eye-candy only" status. I'm one to complain about the eye-candy, though, which is particularly abundant in this film.

However, between the flawless spectacles Sainz is particularly funny as a newlywed doctor attempting to catch his wife, Jaime Pressely, doing some examining of her own on another woman.

In truth, the real star of *Tomcats* is its extreme shock comedy style. From the dominatrix duo to the super sperm donor, and let's not forget the oh-so tasty edible testicle, *Tomcats* never bothers to be intelligent or high in quality. The film's only goal is to make audiences burst into unrestrained laughter. Almost everything about *Tomcats* is drastically repulsive. Yet, there is something about the movie that makes a smile crawl across the face of any viewer.

## Discovering the southern belle

### Southern Women's Show returns to Nashville Convention Center

By Leslie Carol Boehms  
Flash Editor

From fashion and healthy living to the real Erin Brockovich, this year's Southern Women's Show has something for women of all ages.

The Show begins tomorrow and will run until Sunday, April 8. Thursday through Saturday the Southern Women's Show will begin at 10 a.m. and run until 9 p.m. On Sunday, the show will start at noon and end at 6 p.m. As usual, the event will be held at the Nashville Convention Center, located at 601 Commerce St.

Admission is \$7 for adults, \$4 for children ages six to 12 and admission is free

Southern Women's Show  
APRIL 5-8, 2001  
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for children under the age of six. If you plan on returning to the event a second day, hold on to the ticket stub and re-admission will only be \$4.

The feature of the Southern Women's Show 2001 will be guest speaker Erin Brockovich. Brockovich gained national attention from the critically acclaimed film, named after her, which starred Julia Roberts as Erin Brockovich. Roberts recently won an Oscar for her role in the

film.

Brockovich can be seen Friday at 7 p.m. Her topic will be "The Power of One," which accounts her unique and ambitious story.

The fashion presentation is one tradition that is always a large draw at the Southern Women's Show. Fashion from John Casablanca, Hecht's (formerly Proffitt's) and Hilo Hattie, the Store of Hawaii, will display a section of the

show, which will run throughout the weekend.

Radio station 107.5, The River, will sponsor and present the show. The station will also offer a \$500 Hilo Hattie shopping spree to the guest who best lip-synchs his or her favorite tune. The contest will run several times this weekend.

The Southern Women's Show is always a wonderful outing for a girls' night out. There will be lots of makeovers, giveaways, contests and fashion designers to fill the evening.

For a complete listing of events, schedules and times for the 2001 Southern Women's Show visit [www.southernshows.com/wna](http://www.southernshows.com/wna)



# Local Band Finds 'Common Ground'

By Kristy Adams  
Staff Writer

Common Ground, a somewhat new band with mixed styles of rock, ragae, and hip-hop performed an excellent show Friday, March 16 at Oxygen.

Ok stop! Don't put down the paper yet. I know what you might be thinking. "Not another band article. Exactly how many locals can be as talented as they say they are?"

Believe me, many times I have thought the same exact thing. It seems like every time I turn around some guy is handing me a flyer, with a begging and hopeful look that I'll pity him enough to show up.

I haven't witnessed all the bands of Murfreesboro, but from the ones I've heard, Common Ground is definitely one of the most entertaining talents.

This six-member band

includes Jason Scheider doing vocals, Cameron Malone on bass, Jim Merritt on drums, Phil Hebert on lead guitar, Chris Sellars as the DJ, and Rocky Brown on rhythm guitar. They've been together since October 2000.

The performance began around midnight and lasted approximately two hours. The show had a mixture of originals and similar-style covers.

Although the show started late, they had no problem keeping a crowd. People stayed until the end, dancing and having a good time.

By playing different types of music, they not only satisfy each of their own interests, but also the tastes of the audience.

"We don't do something that none of us want to do," Malone said.

Malone has only been playing guitar for about a year and a half. Beforehand he never saw himself being in a band. Now

his view on performing has changed for the better.

"I'd love to do this for a living," Malone commented.

The other Common Ground members don't perform for a living, but music has been living with them longer.

Hebert and Schneider, friends since childhood, have been playing seven years now.

"It's the easiest way for me to express myself," Hebert said of his music.

With most members of a band having experience, you usually expect a well-developed and enjoyable performance. Common Ground was successful with that accomplishment.

The songs they perform vary from mellow and soothing to dance-oriented. They maintained a good beat, creating many head-bobbers and toe-tappers.

Each song seemed to be classified under a different genre, so the audience was kept guessing

which style would be next.

By switching back and forth between styles, they are sure not to disappoint any attendants who may get tired of hearing a certain type of music over and over again. Because most eyes were glued to the band, Common Ground was successful on the satisfactory level.

The "diversity of music" is exactly the reason Merritt enjoys playing in Common Ground. Although they perform many genres, there are some they prefer not to play.

"We don't do Top 40 shit,"

Malone said.

Common Ground began with Brown and Malone. They wanted to develop a band so they put out an ad for a drummer. Merritt was the first to answer.

Hebert and Schneider then joined, almost leaving the band complete. Not much longer after that, Sellars joined, adding his turntable skills.

Common Ground has only performed for an audience since the beginning of this semester. They've played in several areas of Murfreesboro and

Louisville.

They practice on average three times a week, depending on when they perform next.

As of now they have close to 10 originals. Hebert, Brown, and Malone usually create the songs, but each member writes his or her own part. It takes anywhere between one night and two weeks to get a song completely finished.

If you unfortunately missed this excellent performance of Common Ground, don't worry, they are sure to rock the Boro again soon. ♦

## Editor's Picks:

### Tin Pan South

Wednesday, April 4

**ORIGINAL WOMEN IN THE ROUND:** feat. Tricia Walker, Margaret Becker, Ashley Cleveland, Karen Staley, 7 p.m., The Bluebird Café, \$10.

**THE LOSER CHICKS:** feat. Annie Roboff, Bekka Bramlett, Beth Neilson Chapman, "Bobbi Dee," 9:30 p.m., The Bluebird Café, \$14.

**SQUARES IN THE ROUND:** Dave Berg, A. Scott Miller, John Davis, R.S. Field, R.B. Miller, 9:30 p.m., The Sutler, \$5.

Thursday, April 5

**DANISH SONGWRITERS:** w/Brett Perkins, Jeff Cohen, Sascha Dupont, & Teitur, 7

p.m., Bongo After Hours Theatre, \$5.

**PIANO NIGHT:** w/Beth Nielsen-Chapman, Jimmy Webb, Bill LaBounty, Karen Taylor-Good, Larry Weiss, Mark T. Jordan, 7 p.m., 6 Degrees, \$15.

**GIRLIE GIRLS:** feat. Robin Lee Bruce, Christi Dannemiller, Roxie Dean, Kristyn Osborn and special guests, 9:30 p.m., Douglas Corner Café, \$10.

Friday, April 6

**MARCUS HUMMON:** w/Radney Foster, George Ducas, & Carolyn Dawn Johnson, 9:30 p.m., 12th & Porter Playroom, \$7.

**NSAI PRESIDENT'S SHOW:** feat. Mark Alan Springer, Shari and Christi

Baker, Linda Hargrove, Jon McElroy, Blake Shelton, 7 p.m., Douglas Corner Café, \$7.

**CANADIAN SONGWRITERS:** feat. Shirley Myers, Steve Fox, John Landry, Gordie Sampson, Tim Taylor, 9:30 p.m., Bongo After Hours, \$5.

Saturday, April 7

**ROCK NIGHT:** Dreaming in English, Mark Slaughter, Without Ruth, 9 p.m., 12th & Porter Playroom, \$5.

**THE BALD & THE BEAUTIFUL:** feat. Jerry Vandiver, Julie Burton, Tim Buppert, Stephanie Del Ray, Dusty Drake, 7 p.m., Radio Café, \$5.

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# Childhood fantasy or parental hell

By Zack Hansen  
Staff Writer

As a neutral college student, I find Ci-Ci's Pizza to be the most entertaining and unique of Murfreesboro's local eateries.

The name alone gives mixed feelings of euphoria and nausea. There are worse places in the world to eat, but how good of an experience could you expect to have at a \$3.99 all-you-can-eat pizza buffet at 6 p.m. on a Saturday? Yet, something about this Italian emporium makes me return every weekend.

"Well, we're hungry and we've got five bucks, so..."

The thought needs no completion. Only one thing comes to mind, and that's Ci-Ci's Pizza. From the ghoulish cries of "Welcome to Ci-Ci's!" to the rambunctious (and seemingly blind) children running to and fro, this pizza place is a nonstop adventure.

I can just imagine Mom coming home from work, too tired to cook and asking the kids where they would like to go for dinner. Then she and Dad grimace as they realize the fatal

mistake she has just made. Where do the kids want to go? To Ci-Ci's of course!

Grab your tray and get in line! There are many varieties of toppings on Ci-Ci's pizzas. One of my favorites, and a unique one I have seen, is a barbecue-type pizza. Other tasty treats include ham with pineapple, your basic pepperoni and an occasional Mexican pizza, which is topped with lettuce.

Do you see the man carrying three heaping plates back to his table? He's not helping his kids transport their food to the table. Those plates are all his! So don't be shy at Ci-Ci's. Fill your plate as high as it will go and feel free to go back as often as you like for seconds!

The big surprise comes after you have thoroughly cleaned off your plate — the dessert pizzas! Some choices include apple cinnamon, strawberry and chocolate fudge pizzas. One complaint is the discontinuation of the glazed donut pizza. It was my favorite and, alas, is no more.

Here's one Ci-Ci's safety tip: Don't let your kids put Coke in that clear plastic cup! Those are for

water ONLY and, if you try to break this rule, the pizzeria employees will do something about it that you'll never forget. Instead, use a handy red cup for your soft drinks, or a green one for the kids' beverages! A wide variety of drinks are available for your refreshment.

The major draw to this establishment is its carnival-like atmosphere. Televisions cover the small restaurant, and each one seems to be showing an NFL game, without fail. There is a small arcade in a narrow hallway next to the bathrooms. Candy and prize machines abound, including one that scoops up sugary treats with a claw. And the best part is that you play until you win!

Occasionally, one will be lucky enough to attend Ci-Ci's on the night of a birthday party. A week ago I was there and a clown was making the coolest balloon animals I've ever seen.

She was creating Sesame Street characters, as well as many other creatures. The \$3 buying price may be a little steep, but just watching the creation of these trinkets is entertainment enough.

Ci-Ci's may not have the best food, and the abundance of cheer might prove to be too much, but the price is right and the restaurant has that inexplicable something that makes casual diners into regular customers.

Ci-Ci's is a budget-priced, friendly place for the whole family, which is more than can be said about most restaurants during these modern times.

If Ci-Ci's doesn't appeal to you, then try the China Buffet next door, which is also fabulous. But that's another story.

TONIGHT

Tonight I can write the saddest lines.

Write, for example, "The night is shattered and the blue stars shiver in the distance."

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Tonight I can write the saddest lines. I loved her, and sometimes she loved me too.

Through nights like this one I held her in my arms. I kissed her again and again under the endless sky.

She loved me, sometimes I loved her too. How could one not have loved her great still eyes.

Tonight I can write the saddest lines. To think that I do not have her. To feel that I have lost her.

To hear the immense night, still more immense without her. And the verse falls to the soul like dew to the pasture.

What does it matter that my love could not keep her. That the night is shattered and she is not with me.

This is all. In the distance someone is singing. In the distance. My soul is not satisfied that it has lost her.

My sight searches for her as though to go to her. My heart looks for her, and she is not with me.

The same night watching the same trees. We, of that time, are no longer the same.

I no longer love her, that's certain, but how I loved her. My voice tried to find the wind to touch her hearing.

Another's. She will be another's. Like my kisses before. Her voice, her bright body. Her infinite eyes.

I no longer love her, that's certain, but maybe I love her. Love is so short, forgetting is so long.

Because through nights like this one I held her in my arms my soul is not satisfied that it has lost her.

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By Pablo Neruda

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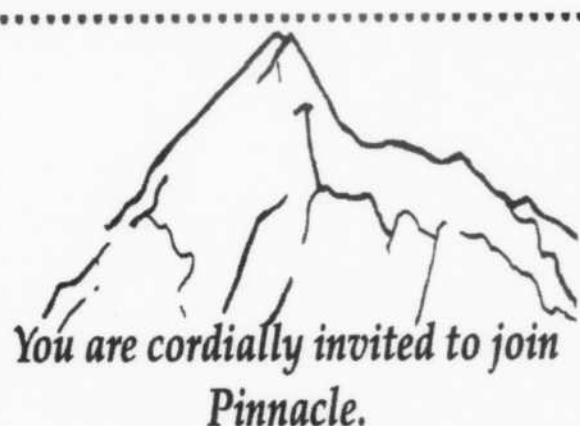
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DEPO-PROVERA® Contraceptive Injection (medroxyprogesterone acetate injectable suspension, USP)

This product is intended to prevent pregnancy. It does not protect against HIV infection (AIDS) and other sexually transmitted diseases.

What is DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?

DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection is a form of birth control that is given as an intramuscular injection (a shot) in the buttock or upper arm once every 3 months (13 weeks). To continue your contraceptive protection, you must receive your next injection promptly at the end of 3 months (13 weeks). DEPO-PROVERA contains medroxyprogesterone acetate, a chemical similar to (but not the same as) the natural hormone progesterone, which is produced by your ovaries during the second half of your menstrual cycle. DEPO-PROVERA acts by preventing your egg cells from ripening. If an egg is not released from the ovaries during your menstrual cycle, it cannot become fertilized by sperm and result in pregnancy. DEPO-PROVERA also causes changes in the lining of your uterus that make it less likely for pregnancy to occur.

How effective is DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?

The efficacy of DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection depends on following the recommended dosage schedule exactly (see "How often do I get my shot of DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?"). To make sure you are not pregnant when you first get DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection, your first injection must be given ONLY during the first 5 days of a normal menstrual period. ONLY within the first 5 days after childbirth if not breast-feeding and if exclusively breast-feeding. ONLY at the sixth week after childbirth. It is a long-term injectable contraceptive when administered at 3-month (13-week) intervals. DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection is over 99% effective, making it one of the most reliable methods of birth control available. This means that the average annual pregnancy rate is less than one for every 100 women who use DEPO-PROVERA. The effectiveness of most contraceptive methods depends in part on how reliably each woman uses the method. The effectiveness of DEPO-PROVERA depends only on the patient returning every 3 months (13 weeks) for her next injection. Your health-care provider will help you compare DEPO-PROVERA with other contraceptive methods and give you the information you need in order to decide which contraceptive method is the right choice for you.

The following table shows the percent of women who get pregnant while using different kinds of contraceptive methods. It gives both the lowest expected rate of pregnancy (the rate expected in women who use each method exactly as it should be used) and the typical rate of pregnancy (which includes women who become pregnant because they fail to use their birth control or because they did not follow the directions exactly).

Percent of Women Experiencing an Unplanned Pregnancy in the First Year of Continuous Use		
Method	Lowest Expected	Typical
DEPO-PROVERA	0.3	0.3
Implants (Norplant)	0.2*	0.2*
Female sterilization	0.2	0.4
Male sterilization	0.1	0.15
Oral contraceptive (pill)	-	3
Combined	0.1	-
Progestogen only	0.5	-
IUD	-	3-4
Progestin	2.0	-
Copper T 380A	0.8	-
Condom (with spermicide)	2	12
Diaphragm (with spermicide)	4	18
Cervical cap	6	18
Withdrawal	4	18
Periodic abstinence	1.9	20
Rhythm method	3	21
Vaginal Sponges	-	-
used before childbirth	6	18
used after childbirth	9	28
No method	95	85

Source: Trussell et al. *Obstetrical General* 1990;55:58-67

\*From Norplant® package insert.

Who should not use DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection? You should not use DEPO-PROVERA if you have any of the following conditions:

- If you think you might be pregnant
- If you have any vaginal bleeding without a known reason

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• If you have had cancer of the breast

• If you have had a stroke

• If you have or have had blood clots (phlebitis) in your legs

• If you have problems with your liver or liver disease

• If you are allergic to DEPO-PROVERA (medroxyprogesterone acetate or any of its other ingredients)

What other things should I consider before using DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?

You will have a physical examination before your doctor prescribes DEPO-PROVERA. It is important to tell your health-care provider if you have any of the following:

• a family history of breast cancer

• an abnormal mammogram (breast x-ray), for cystic breast disease, breast nodules or lumps, or bleeding from your nipples

• kidney disease

• irregular or unusual menstrual periods

• high blood pressure

• migraine headaches

• asthma

• epilepsy (convulsions or seizures)

• diabetes or a family history of diabetes

• a history of depression

• if you are taking any prescription or over-the-counter medications

This product is intended to prevent pregnancy. It does not protect against

transmission of HIV (AIDS) and other sexually transmitted diseases such as

chlamydia, genital herpes, genital warts, gonorrhea, hepatitis B, and syphilis.

What if I want to become pregnant after using DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?

Because DEPO-PROVERA is a long-acting birth control method, it takes some time after your last

injection for its effect to wear off. Based on the results from a large study done in the United States,

for women who stop using DEPO-PROVERA in order to become pregnant, it is expected that

about half of those who become pregnant will do so in about 10 months after their last injection,

about two thirds of those who become pregnant will do so in about 12 months, about 83% of

those who become pregnant will do so in about 15 months, and about 97% of those who become

pregnant will do so in about 18 months after their last injection. The length of time you use DEPO-

PROVERA has no effect on how long it takes you to become pregnant after you stop using it.

What are the risks of using DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?

1. Irregular Menstrual Bleeding

The side effect reported most frequently by women who use DEPO-PROVERA for

contraception is a change in their normal menstrual cycle. During the first year of using DEPO-

PROVERA, you might have one or more of the following changes, no bleeding at all. Unusually

heavy or continuous bleeding, however, is not a usual effect of DEPO-PROVERA, and if this

happens, you should see your health-care provider right away. With continued use of DEPO-

PROVERA, bleeding usually decreases, and many women stop having periods completely. In

clinical studies of DEPO-PROVERA, 55% of the women studied reported no menstrual bleeding

(amenorrhea) after 1 year of use, and 68% of the women studied reported no menstrual bleeding

after 2 years of use. The reason that your periods stop is because DEPO-PROVERA causes a

resting state in the ovaries. When your ovaries do not release an egg monthly, the regular

monthly growth of the lining of your uterus does not occur and therefore, the bleeding that

comes with your normal menstruation does not take place. When you stop using DEPO-

PROVERA, your normal period will usually in time, return to its normal cycle.

2. Bone Mineral Changes

Use of DEPO-PROVERA may be associated with a decrease in the amount of mineral stored in

your bones. This could increase your risk of developing bone fractures. The rate of bone mineral

loss is greatest in the early years of DEPO-PROVERA use, but after that, it begins to resemble the

normal rate of age-related bone mineral loss.

3. Cancer

Studies of women who have used different forms of contraception found that women who used

DEPO-PROVERA for contraception had no increased overall risk of developing cancer of the

breast, ovary, uterus, cervix, or liver. However, women under 35 years of age whose first exposure

to DEPO-PROVERA was within the previous 4 to 5 years may have a slightly increased risk of

developing breast cancer similar to that seen with oral contraceptives. You should discuss this with

your health-care provider.

4. Unexpected Pregnancy

Because DEPO-PROVERA is such an effective contraceptive method, the risk of accidental

pregnancy for women who get their shots regularly (every 3 months [13 weeks]) is very low.

While there have been reports of an increased risk of low birth weight and neonatal infant death

or other health problems in infants conceived close to the time of injection, such pregnancies are

uncommon. If you think you may have become pregnant while using DEPO-PROVERA for

contraception, see your health-care provider as soon as possible.

5. Allergic Reactions

Some women using DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection have reported severe and

possibly life-threatening allergic reactions known as anaphylaxis and anaphylactoid reactions.

Symptoms include the sudden onset of hives or swelling and itching of the skin, breathing

difficulties, and a drop in blood pressure.

6. Other Risks

Women who use hormone-based contraceptives may have an increased risk of blood clots or

stroke. Also, if a contraceptive method fails, there is a possibility that the fertilized egg will begin

to develop outside of the uterus (ectopic pregnancy). While these events are rare, you should

tell your health-care provider if you have any of the problems listed in the next section.

What symptoms may signal problems while using DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?

Call your health-care provider immediately if any of these problems occur following an injection

of DEPO-PROVERA:

• sharp chest pain, coughing up of blood, or sudden shortness of breath (indicating a possible clot

in the lung)

• sudden severe headache or vomiting, dizziness, or fainting, problems with your eyesight or

speech, weakness, or numbness in an arm or leg (indicating a possible stroke)

• severe pain or swelling in the calf (indicating a possible clot in the leg)

• unusually heavy vaginal bleeding

• severe pain or tenderness in the lower abdominal area

• persistent pain, pus, or bleeding at the injection site

What are the possible side effects of DEPO-PROVERA Contraceptive Injection?

1. Weight Gain

You may experience a weight gain while you are using DEPO-PROVERA. About two thirds of

the women who used DEPO-PROVERA in clinical trials reported a weight gain of about 5 pounds

during the first year of use. You may continue to gain weight after the first year. Women in one

large study who used DEPO-PROVERA for 2 years gained an average total of 8.1 pounds over

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average total of 13.5 pounds over those 4 years, or approximately 3.5 pounds per year. Women

who continued for 6 years gained an average total of 16.5 pounds over those 6 years, or

approximately 2.75 pounds per year.

2. Other Side Effects

In a clinical study of over 3,900 women who used DEPO-PROVERA for up to 7 years, some

women reported the following effects that may or may not have been related to their use of

DEPO-PROVERA: irregular menstrual bleeding, amenorrhea, headache, nervousness, abdominal

cramps, dizziness, weakness, or fatigue, decreased sexual desire, leg cramps, nausea, vaginal

discharge, depression, insomnia, acne, pelvic pain, no hair growth or excessive hair loss, rash, hot

flashes, and joint pain. Other problems were reported by very few of the women in the clinical

trials, but some of these could be serious. These include convulsions, jaundice, urinary tract

infections, allergic reactions, fainting, dizziness, osteoporosis, lack of return to fertility, deep vein

thrombosis, pulmonary embolism, breast cancer, or cervical cancer. If these or any other problems

occur during your use of DEPO-PROVERA, discuss them with your health-care provider.

Should any precautions be followed during use of DEPO-PROVERA?

1. Missed Periods

During the time you are using DEPO-PROVERA for contraception, you may skip a period, or your

periods may stop completely. If you have been receiving your DEPO-PROVERA injections

regularly every 3 months (13 weeks), then you are probably not pregnant. However, if you think

that you may be pregnant, see your health-care provider.

2. Laboratory Test Interference

If you are scheduled for any laboratory tests, tell your health-care provider that you are using

DEPO-PROVERA for contraception. Certain blood tests are affected by hormones such as

DEPO-PROVERA.

3. Drug Interactions

Cytidine (aminoglutethimide) is an anticancer drug that may significantly decrease the

effectiveness of DEPO-PROVERA if the two drugs are given during the same time.

4. Nursing Mothers

Although DEPO-PROVERA can be passed to the nursing infant in the breast milk, no harmful

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# X-Rated novel replaces 'Penthouse'

By Kristy Adams  
Staff Writer

If reading about sex offends you or makes you uncomfortable, I suggest not opening *The Book of Revelation* by Rupert Thomson. If you let the fear of offense keep you from reading it though, in this case, you'd be missing out.

This incredible novel is filled, and I mean filled, with sex, torture, anxiety and disappointment.

It's what I like to call a "reality horror." It doesn't scare you with science-fiction mumbo-jumbo. It's scary because it could really happen.

I'd start by introducing you to the main character, but it never gives his name. The only identity he has throughout the book is given by one of his temporary employers who calls him Mark. I'll use this name when referring to him.

Mark lives in Amsterdam and is a dancer/choreographer. The story begins in a dance studio where his longtime girlfriend, Brigitte, asks him to buy her cigarettes. Immediately, the story gets interesting.

As he's walking to the store, three women in hoods and cloaks confront, sedate and kidnap him. They lock him in a white room for 18 days doing, unimaginable things to him. Let's just say that if you've got a perverted mind, this will probably be your favorite portion of the book.

To tease your curiosity, the women hold a banquet one night where they, and their guests, feast on the food laying on Mark's naked body. Afterwards they all, both men and women, have "dessert." Use your imagination.

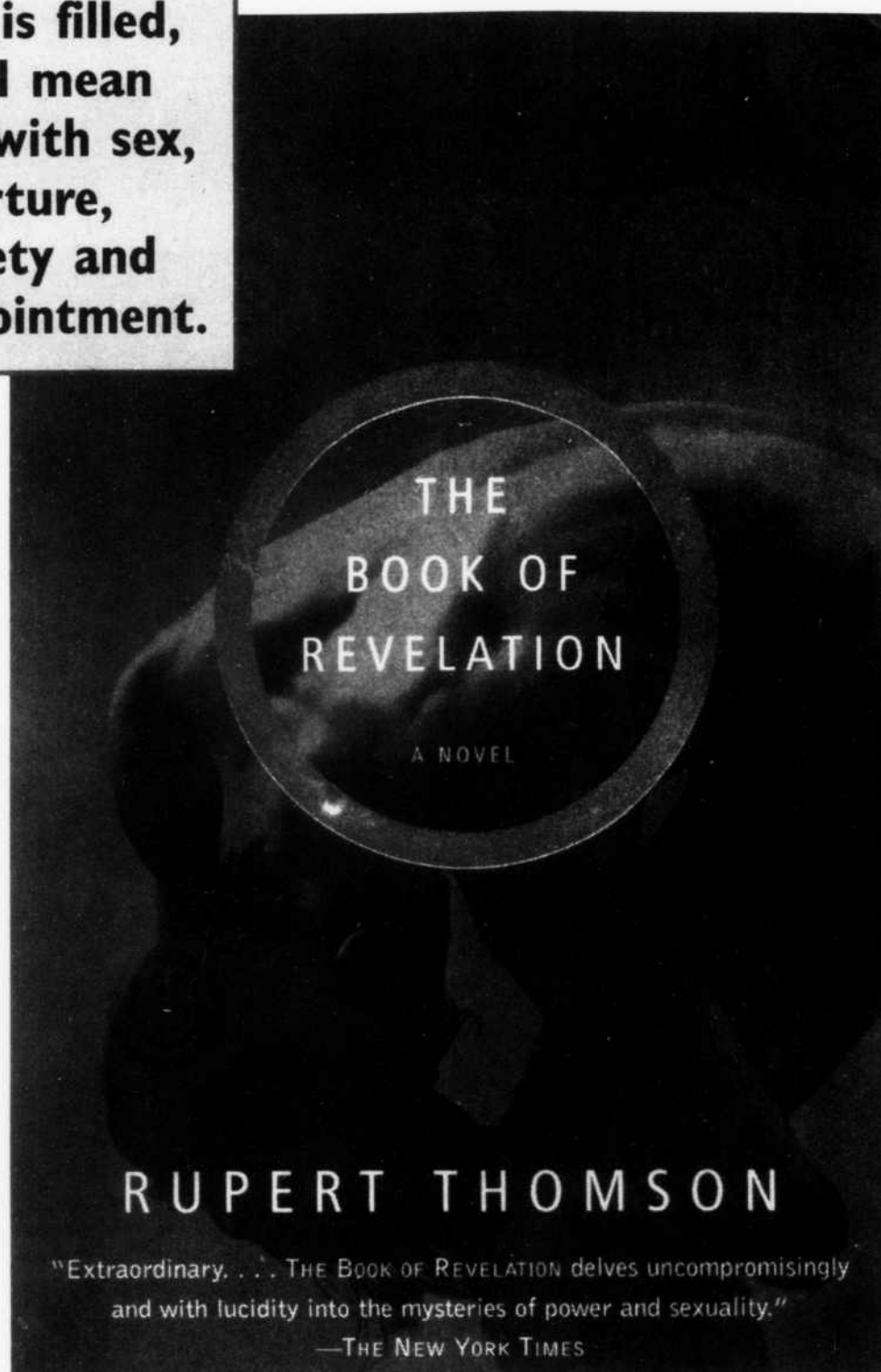
It's important to know that during his entire time in captivity, the women never reveal their faces. Once he is released, he can only remember them by the details of their bodies.

As you can imagine, this event changes his life. His girlfriend doesn't believe the story and leaves him. He quits his job and moves in with a close friend.

After Brigitte's disbelief of what really happened, he chooses not to tell the truth to anyone. He spends several years traveling and tours across the world. Even though he escapes from life, the three women never leave his thoughts.

Once he's done traveling, he decides to search for the women for answers. Because he only knows them by their bodies, his way

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of finding them is to sleep with any possible candidate. He ends up sleeping with hundreds of women before giving up.

From the point of his release, the rest of *The Book of Revelation* causes the reader to anticipate two events. First, that he'll find the three mysterious women; and second, that he'll tell what truly happened.

If you're interested in knowing the out-

come, I strongly encourage you to read it yourself.

There's one thing I want you to keep in mind while reading this novel.

Remember the character Mr. Olsen. He only has a minor role, but it's very important. If you don't remember, you'll only be confused and disappointed at the end. Enjoy! ♦

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