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ASB House issue at second speakout

Speaker candidates cite apathy

By BRIAN CONLEY
News Editor

Round two of Election 1987 is now over, but no one candidate has emerged as the leader of the pack.

Round three is scheduled for 4 p.m. Monday at the Sigma Club-sponsored Presidential Debate. The fourth and final round will be held Tuesday at high noon in the ASB Speakout.

Both are scheduled for the Grill Annex.

The second Speakout was not as controversial as the first, although some hard blows were exchanged.

The candidates for the Speaker of the House spoke first, and not very controversially.

Speaker of the House Candidate Tonda Mott began by listing her qualifications. (Please see related story this page for a detailed description of her qualifications and for the qualifications of all the speaker candidates.)

Mott mentioned two major issues during her opening remarks.

"There is poor advising in the majority of departments," Mott said, "and there are serious ambiguities in the catalog."

"Second, MTSU seriously needs pre-registration," Mott added.

She finished by saying "as students, this is your ASB. If we [the ASB] are to help we need to know how we can."

Terry Hennessee also a candi-

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Sandy Campbell/Staff

John Perdue, candidate for Speaker of the Senate, informs students of his qualifications at the second ASB speakout Wednesday.

House candidates speakout

From Staff Reports

Speaker of the Senate candidate John Perdue proposed that senators from each class should meet periodically with members of their class.

These remarks came at the Speakout on Wednesday as candidates for Speaker of the House and Speaker of the Senate aired their views.

Perdue wants to keep a unified ASB and opposes a unicameral legislature. He said he intends to solve the problem of student apathy and lack of knowledge of ASB functions.

Fellow Speaker of the Senate candidate Ralph Swindler also promises to work toward ending student apathy. Unlike Perdue, he favors a unicameral legislature. "When the system is broken, you look for ways to fix it," he said.

He feels there is an air of enmity between students and faculty and pledges to improve relationships within the MTSU community.

Speaker of the House candidate Tonda Mott, currently a Senior Tonda, promises to "strengthen the House" if the present bicameral system is maintained, or "make a smooth transition" to the unicam-

eral system. She has no objections to either system.

Mott, like the other candidates, opposes drug testing for flagrant admission, saying it is "a flagrant violation of the Constitution." She feels the current advising system and ambiguities in curriculum need to be investigated and pre-registration discussed.

Mott's opponent, Terry Hennessee, is opposed to a unicameral legislature and wants to "return the House to what it should be."

Hennessee, too, wants to work toward ending student apathy and increasing student involvement in campus activities.

Prez runners for House

By BRIAN CONLEY
News Editor

The three presidential candidates discussed pay phones, handicapped parking and the issue of saving the ASB House of Representatives at the second ASB Speakout.

Each of the candidates outlined their qualifications at the beginning of their speech and then talked about what they felt were the issues of the campaign.

Tony Morreale spoke first; he listed several things he plans to accomplish if elected.

"We must see an increase in communication--the ASB and the students must meet halfway," he said.

"The ASB needs to work harder to have interest surveys and Career Days for declared and undeclared majors."

"Currently, MTSU is 80 percent accessible to the handicapped," he said. "I would work to make that as close to 100 percent as possible."

"I think the recreation schedules could be changed to increase availability," Morreale said. "Getting a racquetball court is difficult and you can't use the Nautilus machines at night," Morreale said.

He also pledged to increase the number of pay phones on campus.

"There should be pay phones in J and K Apartments," Morreale said. "Now they have to walk to Wood and Felder to use a pay phone."

"There should also be pay phones in the Monohan, Lyon and Rutledge dorms. It is ridiculous that the girls there have to walk across the darkest part of campus at night to use a pay phone."

Morreale also suggested a "Spring block-party" along the lines of Founder's Day.

"This would help the cohesiveness for all students on campus," Morreale said.

Doug Roth felt there were two important things he would accomplish if elected.

"I would work to make the President's Club work," Roth said. "There are problems in the House and someone who is elected will take the time needed for the House."

The second accomplishment Roth planned dealt with communications between the students and the ASB.

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Security budget sixth among state schools

By DEBBIE ROSE
Assistant News Editor

A comparative analysis reveals that MTSU ranks sixth among the six State Board of Regents schools in Tennessee, in terms of total budget for security.

Memphis State University (MSU), with a total enrollment of about 21,000 students, tops the list with a security budget of \$1 million per year. The university employs 39 commissioned officers.

Tennessee State University (TSU) ranks second with a total budget of \$830,700 for their staff of 40 officers. East Tennessee State University (ETSU) in Johnson City, ranks third with \$429,000. ETSU employs 17 certified officers with additional support from student officers.

Rounding out the list are Austin Peay State University (APSU) with \$296,000; Tennessee Technological University (TTU) with \$292,418; and Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU) with \$88,000 (MTSU's figure does not include salaries).

The last three schools employ 10, 15, and 10 officers respectively.

Each of the six universities have similar training requirements for officers. Most require an eight-

week basic training period at the Law Enforcement Academy in Donelson. TSU also requires its officers to have two years of college and two years of police experience. TSU's officers must have first aid and CPR training, a requirement that MTSU also makes of its security officers.

However, MTSU's officer-to-student ratio of 10 officers to 210 students is the lowest among the six schools. All the other schools had considerably higher rates. Low rates like MTSU's are the most desirable.

Most security chiefs said they felt they did an adequate job of coverage. However, Robert Fowler, Director of Safety and Security at MSU and Chief Jack Drugmand of MTSU want to see improvements.

"I'd like to see lighting around female residence halls improved," said Fowler. "Most of our crime involves theft of unattended personal items."

Drugmand, although he is not "eaten up with problems," would also like to see changes in his department.

"I think we do a good job," Drugmand said. "Improvements need to be made, but if we had 100 people

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Govt. moving against urine test cheating

By JERRY ESTILL Associated Press
Writer

Federal employees inclined to cheat on urine tests in the government's anti-drug campaign would be up against restroom monitors, thermometers and blue toilet water, under guidelines issued today.

The regulations were immediately labeled by the head of a government workers' union as "a comic exercise in Ty-D-bol justice."

The procedures for conducting drug tests on federal workers were announced by Attorney General Edwin Meese III, Health and Human Services Secretary Otis R. Bowen and Office of Personnel Management Director Constance M. Homer.

They emphasized that a two-tier test system will be used to avoid false positive results leading to action against employees selected for testing, and that the emphasis will be on rehabilitating people with drug problems.

"Our purpose here is not to fire employees," said Meese.

But Mrs. Horner acknowledged that dismissal is contemplated for employees who do not respond to treatment and test positive to a second round of tests, and that dismissal after an initial positive result is possible for some in particularly sensitive positions, such as Secret Service agents.

Under the guidelines announced at a news conference, monitors will be put in restrooms where urine samples are given but will stay outside the toilet stalls. Toilets in stalls will be filled with blue water and the temperature of the samples will be taken within four minutes to ensure their accuracy.

"At the collection site, toilet-bluing agents shall be placed in the toilet tanks so the reservoir of water in the toilet bowl remains blue," the guidelines say. This is designed to keep the subjects from submitting water from the bowl for their urine samples.

Some 1.1 million employees in sensitive jobs throughout the government are to be subject to drug testing ordered by President Reagan.

In Louisiana, The National Treasury Employees Union has filed a lawsuit in an effort to prevent the U.S. Customs Service from imposing drug tests its employees.

The head of that 120,000-member union, Robert M. Tobias, said the testing guidelines "add more insult to constitutional injury to federal employees who, after having been accused by the president of being guilty before proven innocent, are now being labeled as potential cheats."

Further onslaughts on employee Fourth Amendment rights and a comic exercise in Ty-D-bol justice, "being labeled as potential cheats."

"The administration continues on in its quest to use federal workers as models by forcing them to line up at the stalls, go while being observed and risk firing if they do not urinate in official government-blue stained toilets," Tobias said in a statement.

Addressing the legal ramifications, particularly the Fourth

Amendment protection against unreasonable searches, Meese noted that the decision on who to test would be made on a department-by-department basis.

If an employee "was in one of the security services or something affecting health and safety," he said, "then there would not be Fourth Amendment that would be involved. I think these have been resolved, or will be resolved, through court action."

He said the only two appeals have upheld testing for jockeys and correctional officers.

"There presently are other cases that are pending before appellate courts now," acknowledged the attorney general, "but the only cases that have been decided say that under appropriate circumstances testing is permissible."

Beer Co. plans hwy "pit stops"

From Staff Reports

ST. LOUIS — Spring Break vacationers heading south this year will get hot coffee, doughnuts, and good advice about highway safety and responsible alcohol consumption at Budweiser "Pit Stops." The stops will be located at designated highway rest areas along major interstate routes in Florida.

Sponsored in conjunction with the Georgia and Indiana state tourism and Highway Patrol departments, the Budweiser "Pit Stops" will be open during the three busiest Spring Break travel weekends (March 6-8; 13-15; 20-22). They are located off Interstate 65 near Henryville, Indiana; I-75

in Valdosta, Georgia; and I-95 in Savannah, Georgia. This is the fourth consecutive year for the program.

Last year, Rick Smith, special assistant to the administrator of the U.S. Transportation Department, kicked off the opening of the Henryville "Pit Stop," pouring coffee and serving doughnuts to the first visitors. Two years ago, Indiana Governor Robert D. Orr visited the Henryville "Pit Stop" and greeted many of the vacationers who stopped for a snack.

"The success of the Budweiser 'Pit Stop' program the past four years has strengthened the unique partnership between the world's

largest brewer and state officials in promoting highway safety," said Smith at last year's event.

The "moderation" message will be reinforced at the "Pit Stops" through distribution of Anheuser-Busch's "Know When to Say When" and "Buddy System" alcohol-responsibility materials, including brochures, bumper stickers, blood-alcohol chart key chains, and other items.

More than 30,000 Spring Break travelers representing approximately 600 colleges nationwide took advantage of the 1986 Budweiser "Pit Stop" program, and company and state officials expect to increase that number in 1987.



Jerry and Marlene Tachoir perform at the Hyatt Regency during one of the live jazz concerts being sponsored this month by MTSU's WMOT-FM.

Campus Capsule

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ASB elections for President, Speaker of Senate and House, and Senators will be held on February 25-26. Polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on the second floor of the KUC and from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and from 5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. in the breezeway of Peck Hall.

Any student with concern for unfair/discriminatory treatment in any area of campus life due to racial factors should forward their grievances (in writing) to the Bi-Racial Committee, Box 7, MTSU.

Free Film: *The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman*, Tuesday, Feb. 17 at 2 p.m. in Room 322 of the KUC. Sponsored by National Women's History Week '87 and Student Fine Arts Committee. Introduction by Angela Hague of the English Dept.

A public meeting will be held to debate legislation concerning the Tennessee open records law on Thursday, Feb. 26 at 7:00 in Room 221 of the Learning Resources Center. Panelists examining the bill will be Sam Hatcher of the *Lebanon Democrat*, Al Knight, media attorney; Capt. Hiram Lester of the Murfreesboro Police Department; and Frank Gibson, metro editor of the *Tennessean* and regional director of The Society of Professional Journalists. The discussion will be moderated by MTSU professor Ed Kimbrell. There is no charge to attend the debate.

ASB debate Monday

From Staff Reports
The three presidential candidates will meet at 4 p.m. Monday in the Grill Annex, for a debate sponsored by the Sigma Club.

"We have a few questions that concern campus to ask the candidates," Vince King, Sigma Club president, said. "We will let them answer the questions and then we will have a series of questions and answers from the audience."

"We want to find out what these guys have to say," said King, who

will be moderator of the debate. "It is a way for the club to be active on campus."

"This is the first step in selecting the right candidate," he added.

The Sigma Club is an elite, male honor society with 30 members. An organization exclusive to MTSU, it is open to juniors and seniors with a minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average.

MTSU has the only chapter of the organization.

Black activist to speak

By VICKIE DASHIELL
Staff Writer

Dick Gregory, comedian and human rights advocate, will speak tonight at 8 p.m. in the Learning Resources Center.

Gregory's first visit in the early seventies spurred protest by white students who burned a cross on campus.

After the visit, a number of students marched to the president's mansion after being inspired by Gregory's talk of human liberation.

Gregory's career goes beyond that of activist and comedian. He is also a political analyst, an expert on diet control and nutrition. He has also written an autobiography, titled *Nigger*.

According to his biographical notes, ego and ambition are the driving forces behind Gregory's career. His goal has always been to "make people laugh, make people listen, and ultimately to help them understand one another."

Security

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[on staff], the statistics would be the same."

Drugmand said typical response time is three minutes although many officers arrive within one minute.

There are no full-time investigators on staff at MTSU. This is something Drugmand would like to see changed.

The security staff of MTSU enjoys a good working relationship with the city police department, something not many campuses have.

Drugmand said the department answers some 5,590 calls a year. 492 of those are crimes of opportunity.

"If a burglar wants to steal, he will," Drugmand said.

Speaker

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date for speaker of the House, spoke next.

"Under the administration of [former] ASB President Randy James, the House was the strongest branch," Hennessee said. "Apathy has changed that."

"However, the House by all rights should be the strongest part of the ASB."

Hennessee said this could be accomplished by simply following the by-laws of the House.

"Any organizational representative who misses more than two meetings should lose their seat," Hennessee said.

"If elected, I will enforce the rules," Hennessee said.

Following a question from the audience, Mott told how she plans to make the House stronger.

"The House can work," Mott said. "Hopefully, the fact the House was almost lost will be sufficient incentive for the members to make it work."

Next, the two candidates for speaker of the Senate spoke.

Ralph Swindler detailed a program he would implement if elected. He believes that every senator should have open meetings with his or her constituents.

"MTSU is disorganized," Swindler said. "If elected, I would have

each Senator meet with his class so they know what is going on.

"I will do my best to establish unity and keep the lines of communication open."

Swindler closed by saying "a vote for me is a vote for you. I will represent all aspects of the university."

John Perdue, candidate for speaker of the Senate, was the next person who spoke.

Perdue, after a question from the audience, said the "lines of communication need to be opened and students need to get more involved."

The only other question from the floor concerned whether the candidates are in favor of a unicameral legislature.

"Before the last House meeting," said Perdue, current speaker of the House, "I was in favor of it."

"Seeing that the House members unanimously failed the bill changed my mind."

"The small organizations will not get the representation they deserve in a unicameral system," Perdue added.

His opponent Swindler took the opposite view on the issue.

"I am clearly for the unicameral system," Swindler said. "The [current] system is broken."

Prez

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"I will use letters and *Sidelines* to communicate," Roth said. "In addition, I will with intensity go to the organizations and ask them to meet with the ASB."

Holly Lentz felt the issues were the House, student advising and Homecoming.

"The House is the only direct voice for the students," Lentz said. "I will go to all organizations and explain to them the importance of the House and how it can benefit them."

"I will also strive to get students to help with the advisement committee," Lentz said. "Advising at MTSU is poor."

Lentz thinks that the smaller organizations on campus may be "left out" because they can not compete with the larger organizations.

"I am working on ideas and ways Homecoming can be accessible to any organization," she said.

Following Lentz's speech the floor was opened for a series of questions from the audience.

One question was "How do the candidates plan to strengthen the House?"

Morreale replied that he would "get out to meet and talk with the organizations, try to get their interest up. With perseverance and desire for change you can change."

Roth said he would help the House members write legislation.

He added, "Through communication I would get a good group who are interested in the House and encourage the non-participants to come to the meetings."

Lentz said she would let the organizations know "what the bicameral government is." She believes that "people are not aware" of their powers.

"I would see to it that there is a

workshop for House members so they know their powers."

Homecoming was another area of concern for the candidates. Several students directed questions to them about homecoming procedures.

The bill currently in progress concerning Homecoming was actually written by myself and William Newberry in my dorm room," Morreale said. "I would like to have everyone get a fair shake."

The bill that will require the submission of the winners of Homecoming activities to *Sidelines* and the announcement of the winners during halftime was written by Newberry and Tony but Roth said he added the section about *Sidelines*.

Morreale did not claim responsibility for the *Sidelines* section.

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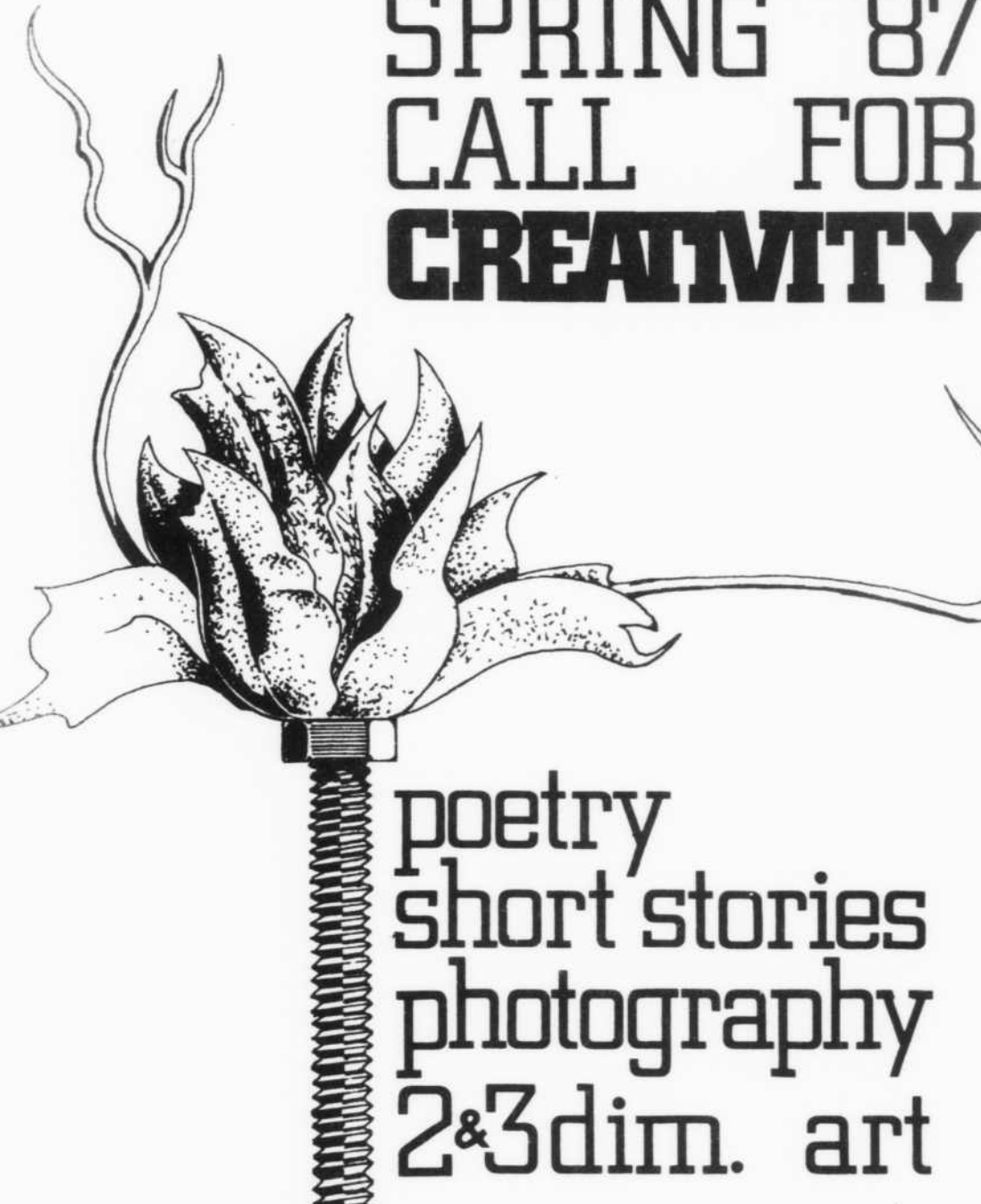
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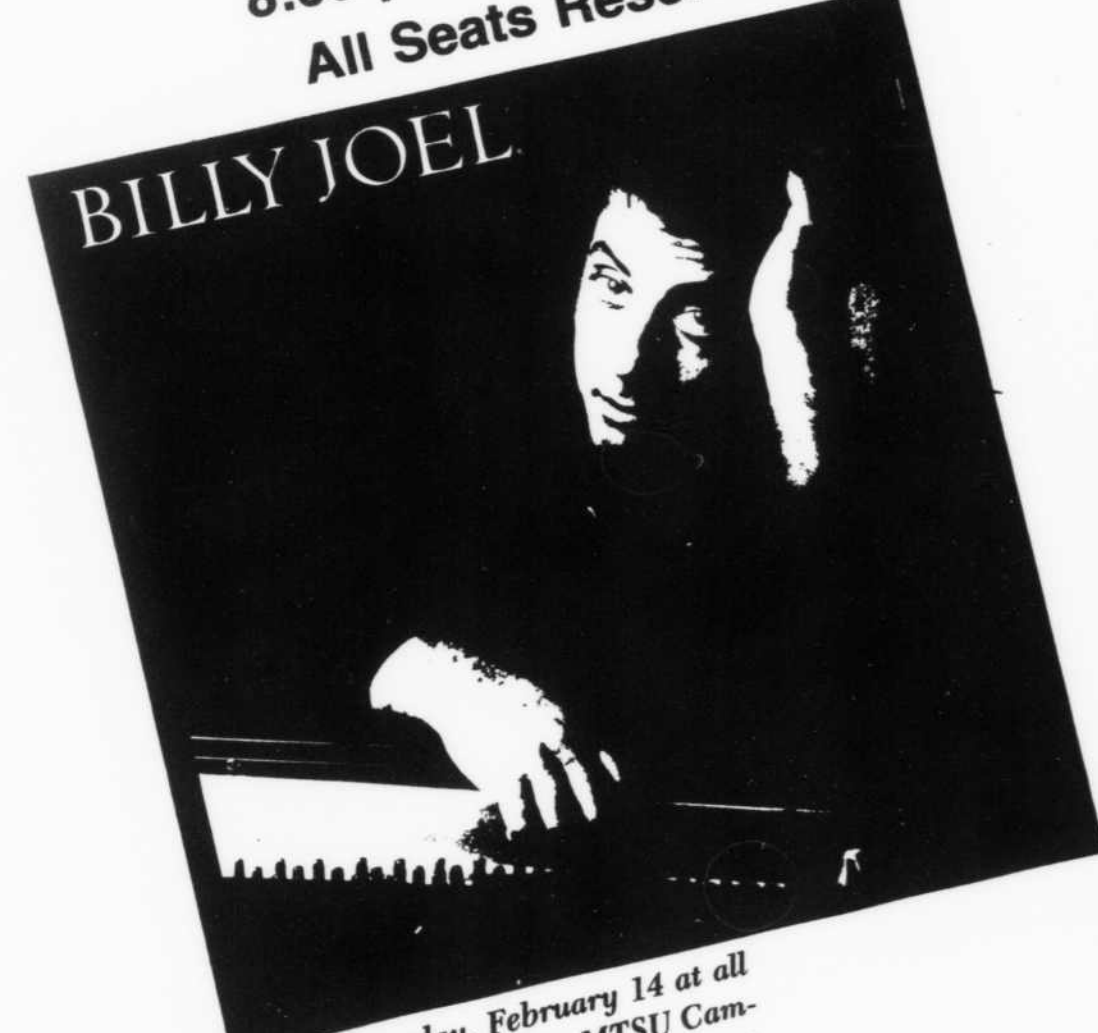
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Entertainment



Larry Inman • Special

MTSU's music department hosted their annual All State Wind Ensemble Conference this past weekend. The highlight of the weekend was "The Music of Prague." This was performed by The Murfreesboro Community Concert Band and conducted by Pulitzer Prize-winning composer Karel Husa. Husa was one of three guest composers present for the weekend conference.

Crowd storms for Rainmakers

BY LARISSA KEILICH
Staff Writer

It was Friday the 13th, the moon was full and Nashville's Exit/In was packed with people who had come to see a band from Kansas City, Missouri — The Rainmakers.

Before they took the stage, however, two other bands (both Nashvillian) performed: Mike Arnold and the Music City Rockers and The Boilers.

"Are you ready to party?" asked Mike Arnold when his band kicked off the show at 10:15 p.m. The Music City Rockers played for about 30 minutes, serving up a select blend of rock-n-roll originals and covers that put the crowd into a receptive and responsive mood.

The Boilers performed from 11:30 until 12:15, ushering in the morning hours of Valentine's Day. An all-original band, The Boilers, did a variety of their material. It can be best described as energetic and power-laden pop rock.

Finally, around 12:45, the headlining act, The Rainmakers took the stage. This four-member band consists of Bob Walkenhorst (lead vocals), rhythm guitar, occasional harmonica and chief composer of songs), Steve Phillips (lead guitar), Rich Ruth (bass) and Pat Tomek

(drums).

In 1984, they released an LP called *Balls* under an independent label. However, they are better known for their 1986 release on Mercury Records, simply entitled *The Rainmakers*. Critics have dubbed this record "the year's most exciting debut."

The Rainmakers' Exit/In show featured music from their records plus new material, some of which will be on their upcoming third release.

They opened with an upbeat, country-style song called "Downstream." According to bassist Rich, "it is a good-time rock-n-roll song, with nothing too heavy about it."

This was followed by "The One That Got Away," "Snake Dance," and "the song that gets people [upset]," "Government Cheese." Its lyrics lash out at the American welfare system for "drugging" the poor.

As the band performed "Drinkin' On The Job," some members of the audience seemed to miss the point. This song is anti-alcohol. Its lyrics describe a wasted and therefore useless, national work force.

"Well, now that we've talked about working, government, drink-

ing and killing yourself, let's talk about God," said Bob, as he donned his trademark black top hat. The band immediately broke into their college radio semi-hit, "Let My People Go-Go." As expected, the crowd was highly pleased.

Other originals which were greatly enjoyed included "Doomsville," "Long Gone Long," and "Small Circles."

They ended their show with more originals, including the hilarious, but blatantly sexist, "Big Fat Blonde." According to Rich, "this song is a satire; there's a lot more to it than appears at first."

The band received a double encore. For the first one, they performed The Cadillacs' "Stranded In

The Jungle" and two Rolling Stones' tunes: "Honky Tonk Women" and "Brown Sugar." For their final encore, they performed Lou Reed's "Take A Walk On The Wild Side."

It was a rare occasion at the Exit/In. The 60-foot neon guitar in the ceiling was lit up for the first time in months to commemorate the performance of one of the best bands to come to town in awhile — The Rainmakers.

'1964' brings Beatles to 1987

By BILL STEBER
Staff Writer

Anyone born before 1960 should remember some of the hysteria and excitement generated by the Beatles.

For those of us who weren't around, or were too young to remember, the Beatles exist only on vinyl and in history books. That is, until a few years ago when four Americans got together and formed '1964' — a pseudo-Beatle band that re-creates the experience of a live Beatle performance.

Admittedly, I was a bit skeptical going into the show at Mainstreet last Saturday night. I did not know how well a Beatle imitation could be pulled off without becoming distasteful at best.

However, my skepticism was laid to rest with an amazingly accurate cover of "Eight Days a Week." The sound and stage presence was so exact that any seasoned Beatle fan would be hard-pressed to find significant differences.

This accuracy of sound is derived chiefly from the close-knit harmonies of Gary Grimes and Mark Benson (as McCartney and Lennon, respectively). Add to that a musicianship that actually compliments the sometimes-criticized abilities of the original band as well as a full array of original period equipment, and it's easy to see how the Beatles can live again.

Donned in black suits, Beatle boots and thick Liverpoolian accents, the post-fab four play a convincing part — visually as well as musically. Each band member strikes an amazing resemblance to the respective Beatle represented.

'1964's' first set included songs from "Meet the Beatles," "Beatles 65" and various songs up to the "Rubber Soul" album. Since the Beatles only did concerts up until

1966, '1964' only plays songs up until that period.

"We'd like to do a couple of songs that we only do every night," remarked Benson in his Lennon-esque humor.

The band followed with "Michelle" from *Rubber Soul* and "I Feel Fine" complete with the introductory feedback (the first rock song to implement feedback).

The second set was a little more upbeat with classics such as "Ticket to Ride," "Hard Day's Night" and "Twist and Shout." "Yesterday" was reminiscent of the Beatles' later concert days when their compositions began to reach a complexity that did not allow for live performance. Although minus the cello section and grandiose production of the original version, "Yesterday" retained its beauty in the simplicity of the live arrangement with Grimes singing to minimal accompaniment.

Noticable to any Beatle fan was the way each band member recreated the subtle characteristics of the original four: the way "Paul" batted his eyes on emphasized notes, "Ringo's" bobbing head and sad eyes, "George's" shyness and toothy smile and "Lennon's" tough attitude and raspy screams.

Equally impressive is the collection of original model and brands of equipment the band uses. This includes Ringo's black oyster Pearl

Ludwig drums, John and George's Rickenbacker and Gretsch guitars and Paul's left-handed Hofner bass. They even used flat-wound strings to achieve the distinctive plunking sound, which is delivered through Vox AC 30 amplifiers.

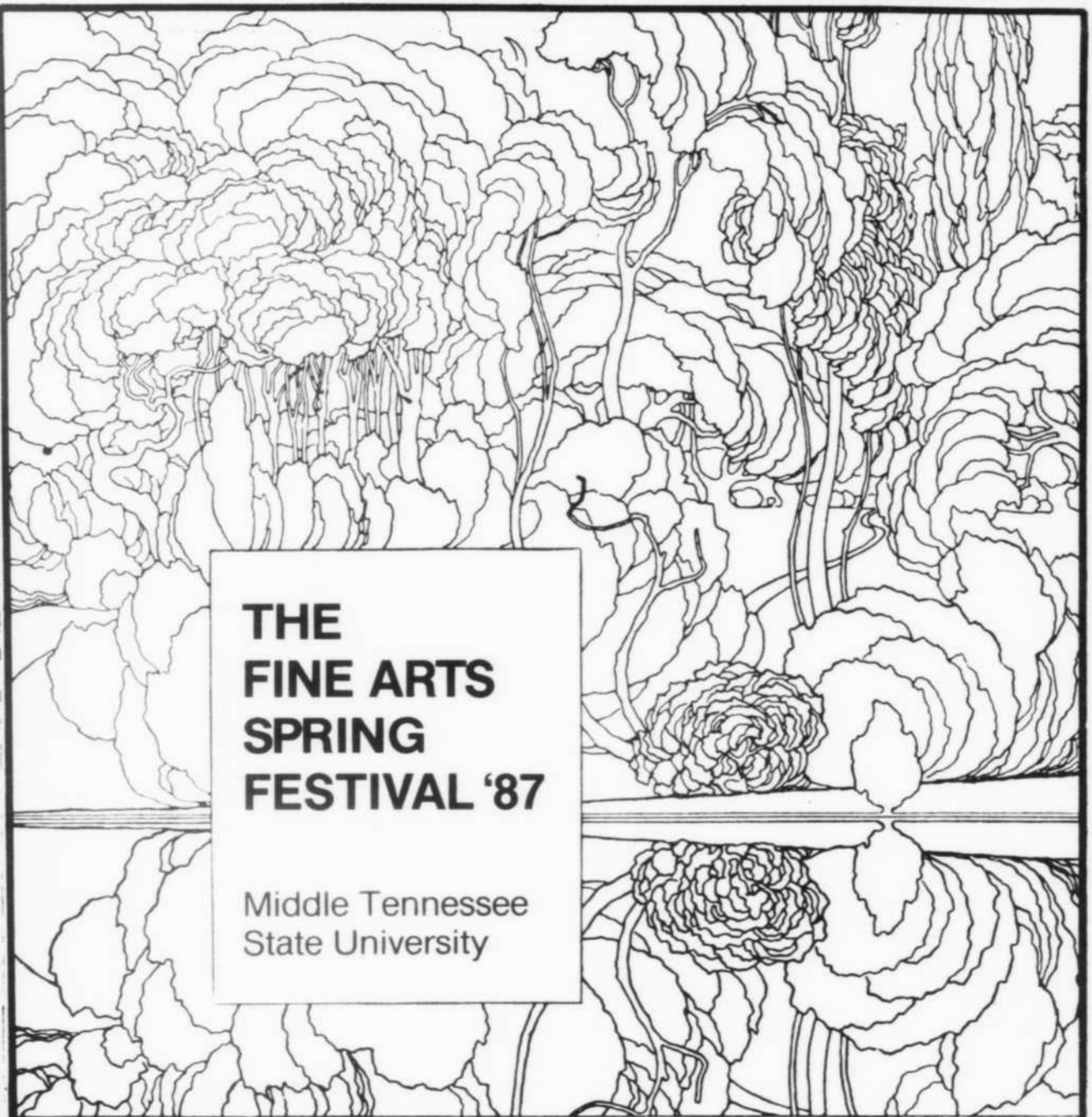
The result of this meticulous attention to detail contrasted the look of the band sharply from that of the audience. It was indeed ironic to see people dancing in hairstyles that make the once-fabbing mop-tops of the original fab-four look tame by comparison.

Some might call this Beatles renaissance distasteful and degrading to the integrity of the original band, but the smiles I saw led me to believe otherwise.

As Benson puts it, "You can hear the Beatles on radio and records, and you can see videos, but you can never see them live. This is for all the people who never got to see them — as well as those who did."

'1964' lets a new generation experience the excitement of a live Beatles concert accurately and with an enthusiasm the original band lost toward the end of their concert career. It was evident that those who saw '1964' were musically richer for it. After all, its not every day that one can look back at history and smile.

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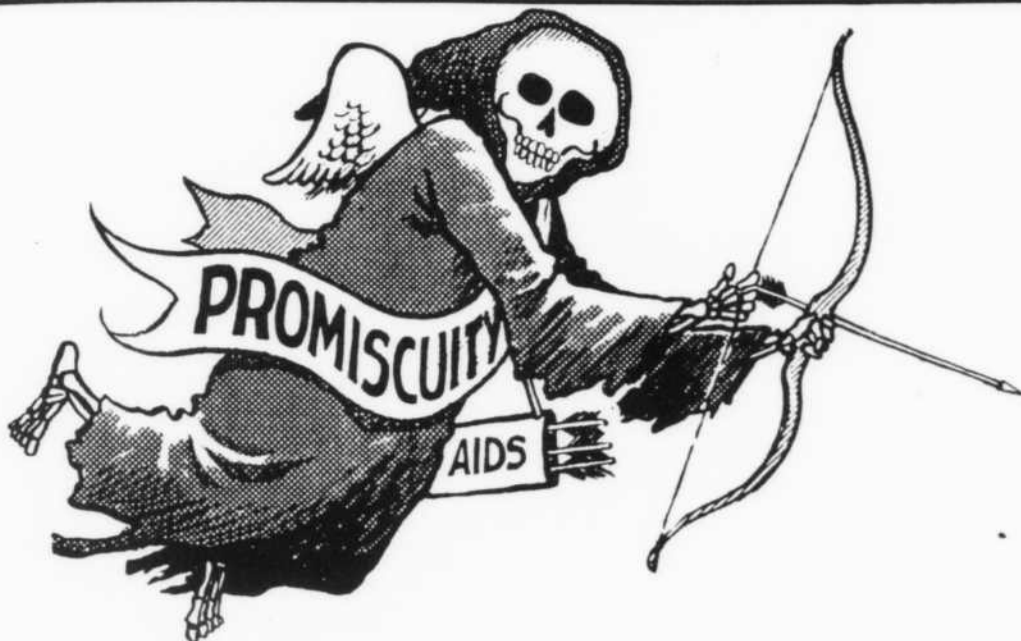
Once again this coming fall well meaning members of the ASB are going to try and get the House of Representatives to work. And once again they are going to find that it won't. Year after year the ASB House has been an embarrassment to student government at MTSU. Plagued by absences and lack of support from the very organizations it is trying to represent, the House has limped along without any hope of being useful.

Each of the candidates for the Presidency has pledged to make the house work. They are afraid of "block voting" should MTSU go to a unicameral system of student government. Only 1,100 students voted in the last ASB election. That is approximately 10 percent of the student body and clearly not a "mandate from the people." It is obvious that only those who really care, or wish to have power, are going to vote.

The House is supposed to give a voice in student government to the upwards of 129 organizations, dorms and groups on campus. Yet few if any ever choose to use it. Most delegates don't even realize they can enact legislation. The House is a white elephant.

Had the referendum for a unicameral legislature been on the ballot *Sidelines* would have come out as supporting it. This support, whether or not it would have made a difference in voting, is now useless because the students at MTSU won't be given a chance next week to vote for a unicameral legislature. We feel that they should at least have had the chance.

CUPID OF THE 80s...



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Letters to the Editor

Editor's note:
In the last issue of *Sidelines*, a mistake was made in the letter by Mr. J. Robert Marlin. A paragraph was not printed.
We at *Sidelines* regret the error and apologize to Mr. Marlin.

Marlin refuted

Mr. J. Robert Marlin,
As full-time, tuition-paying card-carrying members of the Middle Tennessee State University Student Body, we are OUTRAGED at the manner in which you falsely accused the current ASB Election Commissioner, of violating the Comprehensive Electoral Act of 1983. If you, Mr. Marlin, had taken the time to read, thoroughly, the

ASB Constitution and Electoral Act, you would not have embarrassed yourself by make false accusations. And by the way, Mr. Marlin, neither of these documents are subject to your "interpretation" either. However, it is fairly obvious to us as to why you would make such false accusations, seeing that you have never been involved in student government at MTSU. Yet, all of the sudden, you have become and instant expert at criticizing those who are.

Mr. Marlin, we have taken the time to compile a listing of the provisions that you have stated have been arbitrarily violated by the ASB. Also, we have taken the time

to compile a listing of provisions that are stated explicitly in the Comprehensive Electoral Act of 1983 and the ASB Constitution that firmly support the actions of the Election Commission thus far.

It is obvious, to us, that your inept ability to read and understand documents of this nature shed serious doubt on the allegations that you have raised. Simply put, Mr. Marlin, you don't understand simple, basic student government operations

Mr. Marlin, you stated that Nanette Krusbe, Election commissioner, resubde the freedom of

speech of ASB candidates for office, thus violating the Constitution. Your reference was to direct order of the Commission not to speak at any organized functions until after the first Speakout. In recent memory, no candidates for ASB Office have enjoyed such privileges. Even Ms. Holly Lentz, the candidate for ASB President that you are undoubtedly supporting, was very aware of this order, seeing that she was the 1986 Election Commissioner and enforced this order very strictly (the current ASB President can attest to the fact seeing that he was a candidate under Ms. Lentz's authority). Article II, Section 3 of the Electoral Act of 1983 gives the Election Commission the power to make this decision, thus giving you allegation of a violation no validity.

Mr. Marlin, you also stated that the Election Commission was in violation of the Constitution by moving the elections from March to February. This allegation should have been investigated fully prior to making haste judgements and comments as you have.

Mr Marlin, the Comprehensive Electoral Act of 1983, is simply a by-law of the ASB Constitution, which has been approved by the House of Representatives, the ASB Senate, and administrators as well. All three of these organizations have stated that in no way does this by-law violate the Constitution of the ASB, MTSU, The State of Tennessee, and yes Mr. Marlin, the Constitution of the United States.

In Article II, Section 4 of the Electoral Act of 1983, you will find that elections for student body of-

ficers are governed by the provisions of this Act. You are correct in stating that the Constitution of the ASB mandates that elections shall be held in the month of March. However, the Electoral Act clarifies this by stating in Article IV, section 2, that no election shall take place during the weeks of mid-term or final examinations. Also, Mr. Marlin, if you had bothered to take the time to research the Electoral Act further, you would have found Article VIII, Section 7 which requires initial Spring elections to be held on two successive days during the first week of March. Mr. Marlin, you must not realize that mid-term examinations are scheduled for the first week of March. Perhaps you should consult the university calendar before making any further embarrassing statements on this matter. We wonder, if election had been scheduled for the second week of March, even though it would have been a violation, would you still be complaining? Probably so citing your inexperience in ASB government operations and your inability to understand thoroughly the documents that have been discussed in this article

We support Nanette Krusbe and the Election Commission. We have seen them working day and night for several months to put together Election 1987. The ASB welcomes critical suggestions, but they should be warranted and investigated fully, unlike that of yours, Mr Marlin.

Maybe now we can get on with Election 1987.

Troy Baxter
ASB President

Scott Higdon
Former Chief Justice
ASB Supreme Court

Farewell Tracy

Dear Editor,
In regards to your article about Tracy Hoagland's accident. It is really sad for me to pick up my school paper and see such a poor, tasteless article on the front page. I knew Tracy from Motlow State Comm. College in Tullahoma. And to pick up a *Sidelines* and see this about a friend and fellow student is heart-breaking. The fact that you guys said she didn't have her seatbelt on was off a bit. Everything I read about the accident said she did have it on. But that is not the point I am trying to make. While I was at Motlow I worked on the paper and we didn't abuse the people we called "our classmates" If a fellow student has an unfortunate accident and lost their life, the school paper was

how we said good-bye. I would expect something like this from the *Tennessean* and/or the *Banner* but not from our school paper. I just feel you could have been a bit more sympathetic about the situation, think about how many times you've been late to class, and the feeling you had. I just feel the next time you write an article about a fellow student, you should stop and think about how you and your friends would feel if this article was about you.

I would just like to finish this letter by saying good-bye to a dear person. Those of us who knew Tracy knew the goodness in her heart. I just feel lucky that Tracy touched four years of my life. I think Tracy was a good and warm hearted person. I feel she would have made an excellent teacher. So I say farewell to a friend and fellow student.

Beth Williams
P.O. box 2800

Conley questioned

To the Editor:
This letter is concerning the election campaign for ASB President and a controversy that has arisen. Brian Conley, the reporter currently covering the campaign, is the main point of my letter.

Brian Conley, whose job requires him to report the news in an honest and unbiased manner, has openly declared his support for the candidate Doug Roth. He has also attempted to persuade voters to support Doug Roth. I can give specific names if necessary. This presents something of an ethical dilemma.

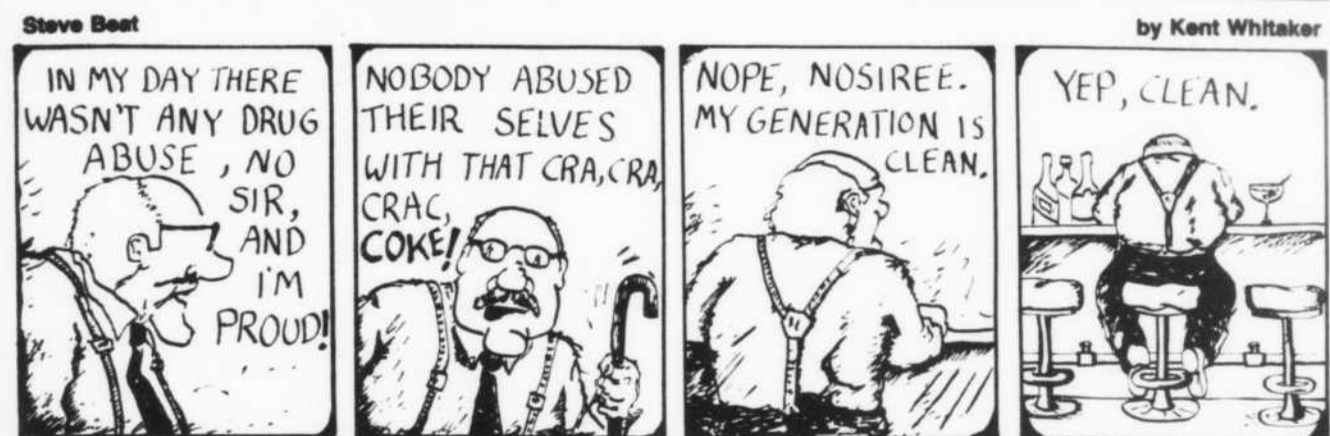
During the "Speak Out" held at the Grill on Thursday, February 12, I asked Doug Roth if he would ask Brian Conley to step aside and let someone else report the campaign in an unbiased and honest manner that would be fair for all candidates involved. Doug Roth said that he would. That promise was not kept.

On Friday, February 13, Brian Conley was again reporting biased and leading information for Doug Roth. He (Brian Conley) gave a large list of (Doug Roth's) qualifications while he hardly mentioned the other two candidates (Holly Lentz and Tony Morreale) qualifications. Holly Lentz and Tony Morreale, both gave large lists of their own qualifications, which Brian Conley failed to mention. I know that for a fact because I was there.

Again, I must state that Brian Conley is not reporting the campaign fairly. Is this a form of censorship or just plain and simple yellow journalism?

Brian Petty
PO Box 7999

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Sports

Raiders going for conference title



Blue Raider Ty Baynham attempts shot against Austin Peay Saturday. Frank Conley • file

By TONY STINNETT
Sports Editor

The Blue Raiders will make their annual trip through "Death Valley" this weekend needing only one win to clinch the Ohio Valley Conference championship and the home-court advantage throughout the conference tournament.

The Raiders, who will enter the game with a record of 20-4 overall, clinched a share of the conference title with a win over Murray State last Monday night.

"We had a piece of the title last year," Coach Bruce Stewart said. "One of the goals we set this year was to not share the title with anyone. We set out to win the conference and host the tournament.

"We are just a step away, we just need to go ahead and make that next big step," Stewart said.

The Raiders will have a big task ahead of them this weekend as they battle Eastern Kentucky on Saturday night and Morehead on Monday night.

Eastern Kentucky is currently fourth in the conference with a record of 6-5 in the conference — 14-10 overall.

One of the main points that concerns Stewart is Eastern Kentucky's fast break and rebounding ability.

"We've got to eliminate their fast-break opportunities," Stewart said. "We can't let them get any easy baskets behind our defense.

We are also going to have to eliminate their second shot opportunities and not give them two or three shots."

The Colonels are led by 6-2 senior guard Antonio Parris. Parris leads the conference in free-throw percentage. Parris is second in the conference in three-point field goal percentage and fourth in the conference in scoring with an average of 19.1.

Junior guard Jeff McGill leads the conference in three-point field goals. McGill is second in the conference in assists and averages 16 points per outing.

"We have to control their two guards," Stewart said. "Jeff McGill and Antonio Parris are two excellent players, so it's important we do a good job controlling these two young men."

Morehead State has been the surprise team in the OVC this year. After being picked to finish seventh in the pre-season poll, the Eagles are currently in second place behind the Raiders.

Despite their strong first half start, Morehead has now dropped three straight conference games. The Eagles are 13-10 overall and 7-4 in the Ohio Valley Conference.

All three losses have been on the road, and Morehead is very tough at home.

Despite their last three losses in conference play, Stewart is con-

vinced that the Eagles are no fluke. "They are a good team, and their early start was no fluke," Stewart said. "They played good here, and they have a good basketball team."

Morehead lost their games on the road, and they are very tough at home. They have just faced a little adversity on the road, and fortunately for us they dropped those games."

The Eagles are led by 6-9 senior center Bob McCann. McCann is considered by some as the best player in the OVC and a possible first-round draft choice in the NBA draft.

McCann is averaging 17.9 points and 11.5 rebounds a game.

Morehead has a lot at stake in this game.

"Morehead is not out of it, and they also have a chance to host a first round game in the tournament if they finish second, third or fourth," Stewart said. "Certainly

they don't want to drop two games this weekend and then a game to Eastern Kentucky when they play. They certainly have a lot at stake also."

●The Raiders' 90-76 win over Murray State Monday night gave Stewart 20 wins or more for seven of the eight seasons he has been a head coach.

●Sophomore guard Chris Rainey continues to shoot above the .500 mark from three-point range, hitting 28 of 54 from outside the arc, a .519 clip. He's hitting an even better .544 on all field goals.

●Sophomore forward Randy Henry leads the team in field goal percentage, hitting .576. As a team, the Raiders are hitting at .511 from the field, the same pace at which they set a new school record for accuracy last season.

●The Raiders still have the best team record and winning percentage in the state of Tennessee.

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Wheelchair basketball provides excitement

By MICHELLE GALLOWAY
Sports Writer

I have recently spent a lot of time watching a lot of basketball games. But one game in particular seems to stand out above all the others.

Commentary

It was filled with excitement and competition. The competition had the usual tenseness that surrounds every basketball game.

There was not much of a crowd to support teams, but it really did not matter.

The referees heard the usual bickering from the players as they repeatedly called fouls or violations. Players were landing all over the floor as they tenaciously hustled for rebounds or steals.

From an outsider looking in, the final score of the game was not the

overall outcome. The major theme of the game was the fact that every player finished the game sweating and exhausted but with smiles on their faces.

This special basketball game was played in wheelchairs. It was the first of the kind that I have seen in person. Handicapped or not, the players worked hard to win.

It is not with sympathy that I

write this piece. It is more out of pride. The fact that handicaps are proving that they are just as good and even better at what we, the

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Carolyn Holland • Staff

Blue Raiders tackle Vanderbilt player after he passes the ball. Story below.

Rainey's improvement leads to success

By DUSTY LOCKE
Sports Writer

Dwayne "Bam Bam" Rainey is one of the stalwart foundations upon which this year's successful basketball program has been built.

Rainey transferred to MTSU after attending the University of Georgia for one year. He said that after attending a small high school, he felt out of place at such a large school.

Assistant Coach Ralph Radford informed him of MTSU's interest in him, and it was a welcome

major in a physical education field and after college, if no offers come his way, he would like to be either an assistant coach or a head coach at the Junior College level.

Rainey has a younger brother who plays football and baseball in the family's new hometown of Columbus, Georgia. Rainey said that his mother "is not into sports."

When asked about her reaction to his playing college basketball, he said that she left the decision of which college to go to entirely up

to him. Each time he hits the floor, Rainey says that he tries to score in double figures, rebound in double figures, keep his man in scoring and take up any slack in defense that might result from another player missing an assignment.

"You have to give 110% every time out in order to be an affective player," Rainey said.

Rainey feels that this year's team is an improvement over last year's. "Everyone knows each other," and they play more as a team. He

feels that each individual can anticipate the level of play of the other players.

"Winning the OVC tournament and surviving a few rounds in the NCAA are what it will take for the team to get the national recognition that it deserves, Rainey said.

He believes that they can make an impression on basketball fans across the nation, if they are able to make it to the national tournament.

Rainey is a junior, and he plans to return to MTSU next season — showing as much improvement as he did this year. He spreads the credit for his improvement among Head Coach Stewart, Radford and Assistant Coach Tommy Smith.

Rainey says they tell him to be aware of what is going on around him in order to be on top of his game. He knows that he isn't perfect, but he tries to do the best with what he has. He says that the coaches spend the necessary time to let each player reach his full potential — if he is willing to put forth the effort.

"Rainey has had a great year," Assistant Coach David Clement

Even if they do not catch Tech, the Lady Raiders are playing about as good a brand of basketball as anyone in the league. They have a twelve game winning streak going, and there are two games left before the conference tournament.

"We seem to continue to get a little stronger and steadier, almost game-by-game," Head Coach Jim Davis said.

"At least a small miracle would have to take place for us to overtake

Tech, I guess," he continued, "but our job now is just to keep on playing the best we can and let the chips fall where they will."

In their first meeting with the Lady Raiders in Murfreesboro, Eastern Kentucky was an 84-62 loser, and Morehead was soundly beaten 90-73 by the Lady Raiders as Kim Webb racked up a total 50 points in the both games.

Lianne Beck came off one of her better games when she scored 20

points against Murray State. Against Murray State, MTSU managed to eclipse the 100 point milestone. It was the first time they had surpassed that barrier this season.

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Ladies seek to stay alive in conference

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Frank Conley • file

Dwayne Rainey pulls down a rebound in Saturday's game with Peay.

Raider profile — Dwayne Rainey

change to feel like he belonged again.

Rainey lived in Tolberton, Georgia as a youngster, and he attended Central High School. His high school had no interest in basketball, Rainey focused all his attention on basketball.

He said that no one was skeptical about his ability to play college-level ball, however, they were apprehensive about the magnitude of his defensive game. As we can see, this apprehension was unbased.

All sports and strength clinic to be held

By TONY STINNETT
Sports Editor

In conjunction with MTSU, Blue Raider strength Coach E.J. "Doc" Kreis is conducting the All Sports Speed and Strength Clinic of Champions on Saturday, Feb. 28 at Murphy Center.

The clinic will begin at 8 a.m. and last until 6 p.m. Admission is \$15 a person, and an all-you-can-eat buffet will be provided so no one will have to leave Murphy Center.

Kreis has put together a line-up of guest that will definitely make the clinic a worthwhile event.

Among those speaking at the clinic are: Johnny Parker, strength coach of the Super Bowl champ New York Giants; Dana LeDuce,

strength coach at Texas University; Jeff Madden of Rice University; Dr. A.H. "Lefty" Solomon, a professor of sports psychology; Olympic champion Meg Ritchie; Dr. Judd Biasotto, professor of sports vision; Dean Hayes, track coach; Frank Costello, Maryland University; Pat Etchberry, University of Kentucky; Dr. Fred Hatfield and LeBaron Caruthers, strength coach of the St. Louis Cardinals.

Kreis felt that a clinic of this kind needed to be held so that coaches and athletes could get a proper understanding of speed and strength.

"We're hearing the cries of coaches and athletes wanting to know how to get information about the proper physical conditioning," Kreis said. "Now, no one has an excuse not to come and learn. It's

at their fingertips."

The clinic is open to everyone, male or female, and their is no age limit for attending the clinic.

"Too often we've heard people say they would like to know the rights and wrongs of physical conditioning," Kreis said. "This is not just for coaches or football players looking to build themselves up. It's for everybody."

"Girls need this stuff for basketball, volleyball, track, swimming or any sports they normally compete in."

The clinic gives those interested a chance to get involved in physical conditioning and gain information pertaining to physical conditioning. There will be no reason for leaving Murphy Center due to the buffet that is being provided.

Rugby team battles to tie with Vanderbilt

From Staff Reports

The MTSU Rugby Club kicked off its 1987 spring schedule Saturday with a 10-10 tie at Vanderbilt.

MTSU struck first with some outstanding backline play resulting in a Brian Phelps score. Barry Dunnavent's conversion gave the Raiders a 6-0 lead early in the game.

Baseball season opens Saturday in Bama

By CHUCK MORRIS
Sports Writer

The MTSU baseball team has started preparing for the 1987 baseball season.

The Blue Raiders, winners of the Ohio Valley Conference Southern division and runner-up to Eastern Kentucky in the conference tournament, have ten players returning from last years team — including the entire infield.

The Raiders will look to sophomore third baseman Chris Whitehead to be their leading slugger. Whitehead broke the single-season home run record last year as a freshman with 18 round-trippers. He also batted .314 and had 50 runs batted in.

The infield will be the Raider's strong suit, with Whitehead returning at third base, sophomore Eddie Pyle at shortstop, senior Chip Carnes at second and sophomore George Zimmerman at first base.

The Raiders will be without an All-OVC catcher for the first time in three years. Tim Goff, now a catcher in the Kansas City Royals organization, parted the position the past three years. His brother Randy held the position before

him. Chris Courtright, a transfer from the University of Tennessee, will be looked upon to handle the bulk of the catching duties. Last years backup catcher, Dick Martin, underwent arthroscopic knee surgery after football season.

MTSU's pitching staff will be thin. The Raiders lost Steve Sonneberger, 1986 Southern division player of the year, to graduation. Chris Norton, Greg Johnson and Dave Richardson return from last year's team to form a formidable starting pitching staff.

Senior Barry Vetter will return to be the bullpen ace. Vetter set a new Blue Raider record by a pitcher for appearing in the most games last season — all in relief.

The outfield has lost left fielder Bob Tribbey, an All-OVC performer, to graduation. Tony Hayes, who slugged a grand slam and a three-run homer in one inning against Eastern Kentucky in the conference tournament, will probably play in left field.

Anthony Holmes will again patrol center field. Holmes started off slow last season, but he came on strong during the conference sea-

half at 6-3 going into halftime.

Vanderbilt came out strong in the second half and scored immediately, however, the Commodores held a 7-6 lead over MTSU.

Vandy decided to attempt a penalty kick. The Commodores con-

verted the kick and led 10-6 late in the game.

MTSU regrouped and rebounded on offense. After moving the ball deep into Vanderbilt territory, Phelps got his second score of the day to tie the game at 10.

MTSU will have its home opener this Saturday against the University of Tennessee. Game time is 1 p.m.

petition also includes local NAIA powers David Lipscomb, Trevecca and Cumberland University.

The Blue Raiders open their season on the road Sunday, Feb. 22 against the University of North Alabama in Florence, Ala.

Tracksters prepare for meets

By MICHELLE GALLOWAY
Sports Writer

The Middle Tennessee State Lady Raiders Track Team will be hosting two meets this weekend at Murphy Center.

On tonight's schedule, Fisk University and Vanderbilt will make a visit for a shot at beating the swift Lady Raiders of MTSU.

The field events will start at 5 p.m., and the running events will follow at 6 p.m.

The 1-1 Lady Raiders are favored to win tonight, but the attraction of tomorrow's six team meet is a toss-up.

The Lady Raiders will go up against Division II National Powerhouse Alabama A&M, who has

six women already qualified for the nationals.

Tennessee State, Memphis State, Murray State and Kentucky State will finish up the scheduled teams for tomorrow's meet.

"It should be a good meet," said Coach Thomas Keith. "We will give Alabama A&M a run for their money, finishing at least second, if not first."

East Tennessee State University, which was initially scheduled for tomorrow's meet, has been replaced by Kentucky State due to financial reasons.

The weekend meets are free and open to the public, and any support would be greatly appreciated.

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