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IN BRIEF



WORLD

US sending forces into Persian Gulf

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States began massing "a formidable military force" of warplanes, high-tech missiles and ground troops in the Persian Gulf on Sunday as administration officials warned Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein any attack against Kuwait would be soundly defeated.

Late Sunday, the aircraft carrier USS George Washington was slated to pass through the Suez Canal and enter the Red Sea, a position from which its combat aircraft could strike Iraq. And two amphibious assault ships with 2,000 Marines on board were already in the northern Persian Gulf.



NATIONAL

Family and friends remember boy organ donor

BODEGA, Calif. (AP) — Against the backdrop of a white-shingled country church, family and friends of 7-year-old Nicholas Green gathered Saturday to remember the organ donor whose death helped bring life to five Italians.

Nicholas was shot Sept. 29 by highway robbers in Italy, where his family was vacationing.

Nicholas was declared brain dead Oct. 2 and his parents donated his liver, kidneys, heart and pancreas for transplant to five Italians.



STATE & LOCAL

State caps payments for housing inmate

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The Tennessee Department of Correction has decided to pay counties no more than \$35 a day to house state felons.

The cap was to start July 1 but was delayed until Oct. 1 after counties protested.

State prisoners are housed in county jails while awaiting transfer to state facilities.

Leon Joyner, the department's assistant commissioner for administrative services, said when the state pays an average daily prisoner cost, it essentially subsidizes the county for costs it would incur anyway.

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Rape causes increased safety awareness on MTSU campus

◆ Public Safety questions "person of interest"

GENA J. WELLMANN
Staff Writer

Last Monday's rape, the first ever to be reported to MTSU Public Safety, has caused increased awareness about campus safety in all areas of the campus.

According to Jack Drugmand, director of Public Safety, 172 students called the escort service from Tuesday through Friday evenings. Public Safety had been averaging about eight calls per evening before the reported rape.

"We do have some limitations with the [escort] service," Drugmand admits. "People can get frustrated with the service because they have to wait."

He stressed that students should walk in pairs or, if that is not possible, call extension 2424 for a police escort.

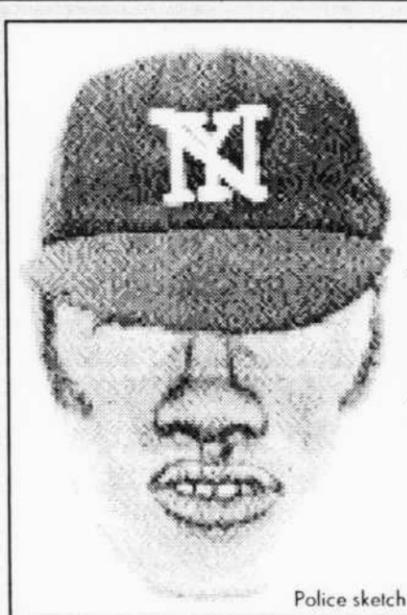
"When things like this happen, it brings everybody's attention up," Drugmand continued. "The [escort] program has been very successful during the 15 years that we've had it. [However,] requests for escorts will die down."

Campus police have not named any suspects in the rape, but, according to Drugmand, a man classified as a "person of interest" has been questioned. The man is not an MTSU student.

"It's our chief priority, and we're spending a lot of time on it," Drugmand said.

A safety awareness program led by Dr. Candace Rosovsky, director of the June

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Police sketch

NOTICE:

MTSU Public Safety has issued this sketch of the suspect in the rape of an MTSU student.

According to the notice issued with the sketch, the suspect is a black male with dark complexion, approximately 18 to 25 years old, 6 feet tall, 190 pounds, medium build with brown eyes and short hair.

He has wide sideburns trimmed toward his nose to the bottom of his ear and a gap between his front teeth.

He was wearing a dark T-shirt, dark pants, white Nike shoes and a New York Yankees baseball cap.

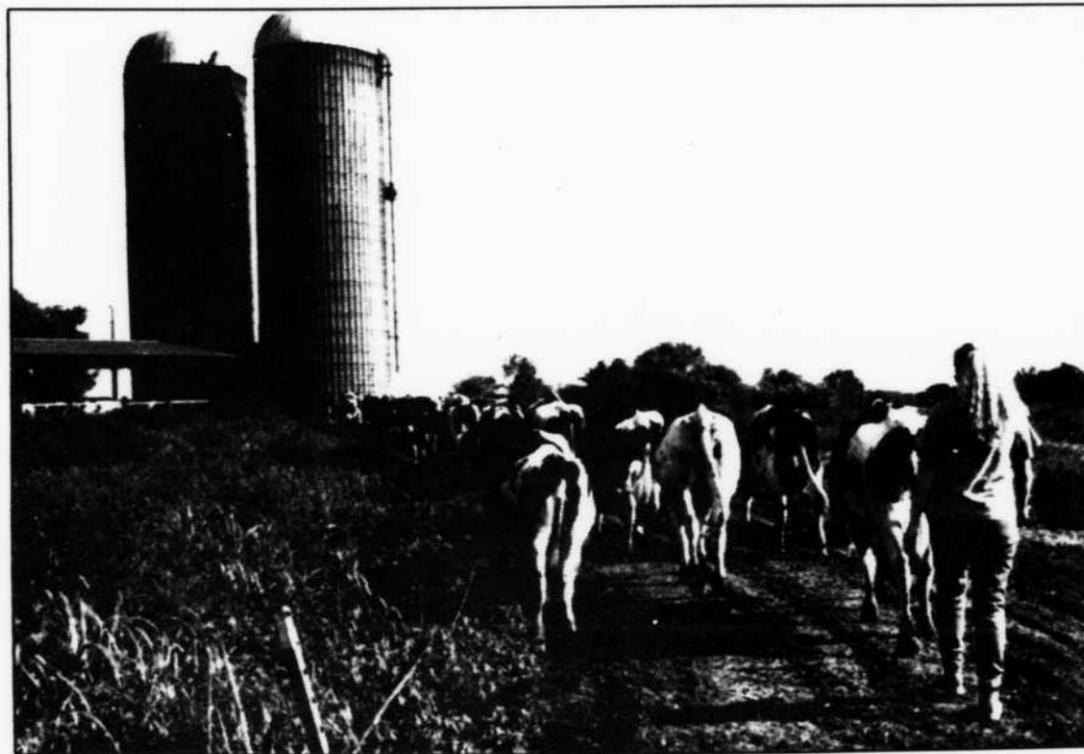
The victim told police she did not see the attacker carrying a weapon.

If you have any information concerning this case, contact Public Safety (898-2424), the Murfreesboro City Police (893-1311) or Rutherford County Crimestoppers (893-7867).

MTSU Public Safety offers a Crime Awareness Survival program that includes tips on what a rape victim should do after being assaulted:

- In spite of your efforts to fight off the attack, remain calm and use your head.
- Tell the first person you meet about the assault, and ask him or her to get help. Point out the attacker if the person is still around, and remember whom you told and exactly what you said.
- Call a friend for support, and ask him or her to accompany you to the hospital.
- Decide if you want to report the assault to the police.
- If you wish to report the assault, do not douche, bathe or change clothes. Your body is a crime scene and you could destroy crucial evidence. Go to the hospital immediately, because a physical exam is necessary to gather evidence leading to proof of rape and to determine if you have sustained any injuries from the assault.
- If you do not wish to report the assault, get medical attention as soon as possible from a doctor, clinic or hospital.

New OSHA standards to affect MTSU



SHERRI LAROSE/Staff

ANGELIA JORDAN, an MTSU pre-vet major, herds cattle in from the field to be fed at the MTSU Dairy Farm.

ESTHER CAMPI
Staff Writer

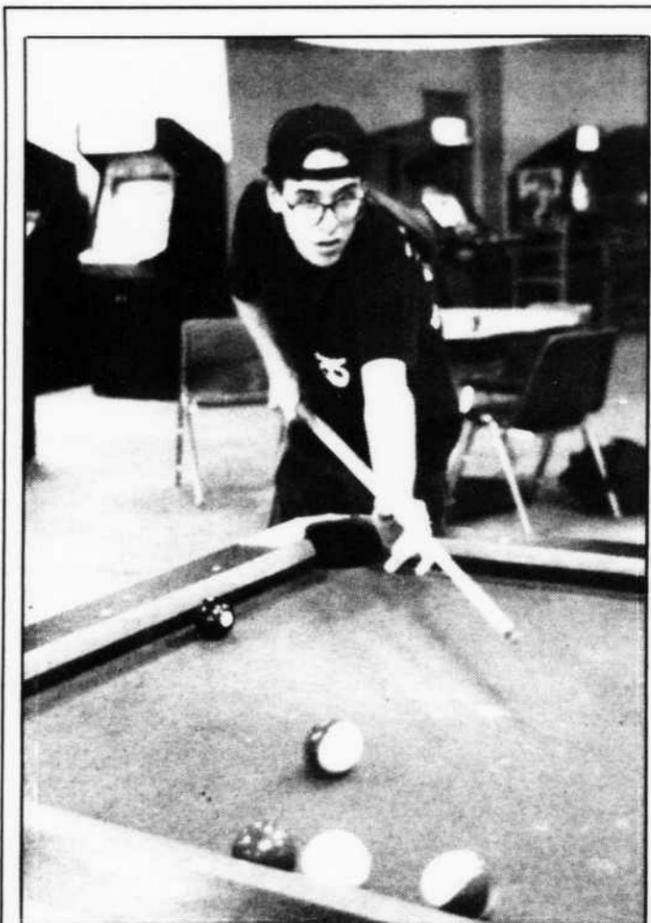
New standards issued by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) will require MTSU to purchase additional safety equipment and provide training for campus workers and officials who enter and work in confined spaces.

Permit-required confined spaces include manholes, silos, steam tunnels and underground telephone wiring systems where ventilation or the possibility of ground or wall collapse are key concerns.

Specific departments affected by the new measure include agriculture, telecommunications and maintenance, said Terry Logan, safety director at MTSU.

The dairy farm silo, for instance, provides for the fermentation of corn feed, producing nitrogen oxide and low

PLEASE SEE **OSHA**, PAGE 6



PETER ABBOT/Staff

THE COLOR OF MONEY: a student practices calling his shot in the KUC game room.

University dedicates new Nursing building

RYAN WHITE
Staff Writer

The new Cason-Kennedy Nursing Building and McComas Auditorium were dedicated last Saturday at a ceremony in Tucker Theatre led by the Department of Nursing.

The program's featured speakers were Brad Hurley of the Tennessee Board of Regents; MTSU President James E. Walker; Dr. Judith Wakim, nursing department chairwoman; James Arnheart, president of the Christy-Houston Foundation and Assistant Professor Marie Potts of the nursing department.

"The dedication of a new building is a special moment in the life of a university," Hurley said. "It is a time to say thanks and express appreciation for those that have made the new nursing building a reality."

The Christy-Houston Foundation was instrumental in making the building a part of the MTSU campus, according to Walker.

"There was no state funding involved," Walker said. "The building was a gift from the Christy-Houston Foundation."

"We are very, very grateful to the whole Christy-Houston board for what they have done for us and what they have done for nursing in Tennessee and on this campus," Wakim said.

Because the building was not state-funded, state politicians assisted the university with some of the complications involved.

"We have [State] Sen. Andy Womack and [State] Rep. John Bragg [to thank], who helped us get through some of the planning. They really were strategic in negotiating some of the difficulties we had," Wakim said.

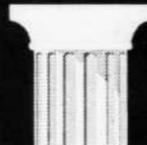
"Getting things through some of the loopholes and getting through the bureaucracy took a lot of help from John Bragg and Andy Womack," Walker said.

Speakers at the ceremony praised the building for the impact it could have on Tennessee and MTSU.

"The building is something we have been dreaming about for a long time," Walker said. "It's something we have wanted for a long time, and it is something that will put us right up there at the top in terms of facilities and training that we will provide for the nursing students of Middle Tennessee State University."

"We feel that we have always had a quality nursing program, and now we have a quality nursing building to complement that."

"The Christy-Houston board serves other boards of hospital ownership," Arnheart said. "As hospital directors, they were fully aware of the shortage of graduate nurses and also knew the focal points of patient care. Now we have a state-of-the-art facility and educational program as well as state-of-the-art instruction and administration, all in the interest of professional nursing." □



CAMPUS CAPSULE

Today

Bill Badley, MTSU Developmental Studies professor, will speak on "Amnesty International: Response to State Violence" as part of the Fall Honors Lecture Series on Oct. 10 at 3:30 p.m. in Peck Hall 107. **MTSU Right To Life** will meet at 6:30 p.m. in Peck Hall, room 317. Contact Ginger Kindle at 890-9434 for more information.

Gamma Beta Phi meeting today at 6:30 in the LRC and tomorrow at 4:30 p.m. in the KUC Theatre. Contact Garth Hanson at 898-3197.

Tuesday

College Republicans meeting 7 p.m. Contact Tim Harrell at 731-7473 or Geoff Jenkins at 895-1084.

Bake Sale sponsored by the Criminal Justice

Wednesday

Association 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. today and tomorrow in Peck Hall Quad. Hot coffee and fresh baked goods of all kinds. Contact Leigh Smith at 898-2630.

Sigma Tau Delta, MTSU Literary Society meeting 4:30 p.m. room 300A Peck Hall. STD invites you to join in the pursuit of higher knowledge. Discuss and dissect the works of famous-and not so famous-authors, including STD members. Contact Tom Strawman at 898-2659.

WNAR mandatory meeting in Mass Comm room 104. Interns 7 p.m., D.J.'s 8 p.m. Contact Stacey Smith at 5051 or 890-7457.

Thursday

The American Criminal Justice Association business meeting 5:30 p.m. in KUC 318. Topics: T-shirts, fund raisers, and plans for a regional conference in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. All interested invited to attend. Contact Leigh Smith at 2630.

Blue Raider Pep Rally and Bonfire. Bell Street parking lot 6:30 p.m. Free drinks donated by Blue Raider Athletic Association. Meet cheerleaders and hear the Band of Blue. Greenland Drive Block Party 2 hours before the game.

Friday

Biology Department Seminar 11:30 a.m. KUC Theatre. Dr. Barry Fields from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention will present "Legionnaires Disease" and the Ecology of Legionella Bacteria. Contact Anthony Newsome at 2058.

Saturday

Attention Sophomores! The Pep Committee is hosting a \$500 Give-away during the Morehead State halftime show. Must be there with student I.D. to win. 10 students will win \$50.

Don Sundquist Candidate for governor will be on campus 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. in the KUC Lounge. Sponsored by MTSU College Republicans and Sundquist Solutions. Free continental breakfast. Contact Tim Harrell at 731-7473.

Upcoming & Ongoing

Student Coalition for Animal Rights meets every Thursday at 7 p.m. Contact Kellie at 898-0457.

International Student's Association meets Thursdays at

6 p.m. in KUC 316. Contact Kaysore Panyanouvong at 893-4457.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets every Wednesday at 8:30 KUC room 315. Contact Greg Logan at 898-3081. All welcome.

Transcendental meditation: anyone interested in forming a group as a new campus organization should contact Paula at 898-4979.

Speech testing or speech therapy services are available to MTSU students. Students should call the MTSU Speech Clinic, 898-2661, for an appointment.

Students for Environmental Action meet every Tuesday at 6 p.m. in the KUC, room 305. Contact Christopher Kincaid at 890-0473 for more information.

The MTSU Symphony invites interested students to rehearsals Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Contact the Symphony office at 898-2484 or go to room 264, Wright Music Building.

Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship meets every Wednesday at 5 p.m. in the KUC, room 313. Contact Brandon at 898-4868 for more information.

The June Anderson Women's Center has support groups for women meeting throughout the semester. All groups are free to students. Contact Mary Glantz at 898-5725 to sign up. Space is limited.

The Advertising Club will host **Bryan Smith**, president of Nashville Advertising Federation and Larry Frankenbach, former NAF president. Tuesday October 18 at 6:30 p.m. Mass Comm Building room 104 Topic: "NAF and AIDs Awareness: What NAF Does and How it Can Help You As a Pro." Contact Dr. Bodle at 5871.

Sigma Tau Delts English Honor Society meets every Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. Peck Hall Room 300A. English majors and minors welcome. Contact Candace Moonshower at 646-4527.

DEADLINES FOR CAMPUS CAPSULE SUBMISSIONS:

MONDAY EDITION:
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5 P.M. TUESDAY

All submissions must be brought by or sent to the *Sidelines* office in writing. Phone-in submissions will not be accepted. *Sidelines* reserves the right not to publish any listing for any reason. *Sidelines* is not responsible for inaccurate information.

CORRECTION

In the Sept. 29 issue of *Sidelines*, Mary Glantz was identified as a clinical psychologist.

Ms. Glantz holds a master's degree in clinical psychology and is a licensed psychological examiner in the state of Tennessee.

She is not, however, a clinical psychologist. A person must hold a Ph. D. in clinical psychology to be considered a clinical psychologist.

Sidelines regrets the error.

The Student's Voice

Sidelines likes to know what students think. After all, this is a student newspaper. Last week we asked some of you if you had gotten your new identification cards yet and how you felt about having to get new IDs two years in a row. Here is what you said:



Erica Neely

Freshman
Mass Comm

"Mine looks like I'm dead, but I think they're OK. They look kind of blurry."



Shane Hastings

Sophomore
Business

"I haven't even got one yet. I think that last year [when] we had to get new ones we went through enough trouble. I don't feel like they should have changed the IDs once again."



Brandt Hurt

Junior
Business

"I think they should have done the troubleshooting beforehand so they wouldn't have to waste our money or time to make the second IDs. If I'd have been a business myself and I had done that to someone, I'd have lost my job."

Honors course discusses horrors of the Holocaust

ISAAC DANIEL
Staff Writer

"The Holocaust: A Case of Systematic Murder in the 20th Century" is an Honors course being offered to Juniors and Seniors this semester.

The syllabus for the course, which is taught by Dr. Sonja Hedgepeth, associate professor of German literature and language and Dr. Lon Nuell, professor of art, describes the course objectives as follows:

- To make students aware of events that led to the rise of Nazism;
- To help students better understand institutionalized genocide;
- To explain the Holocaust; and
- To help students understand the meaning of the Holocaust in contemporary life.

There are two primary questions on which the course focuses: "What does the Holocaust have to do with us today?" and "How does learning about the Holocaust help us to make appropriate choices in our lives?"

"I started studying this subject back in 1978 because I knew Holocaust survivors and Jewish Resistance Fighters," said Hedgepeth, who lived in Germany for 13 years. "Their incredible stories sparked my interest."

Two of the students taking the class are from Germany, one

is a Jewish proselyte (convert), and there is a sprinkling of other religions and nationalities among the rest of the students.

"I took the Holocaust seminar because I am German," said Daniela Gopfert, a student in the class and *Sidelines* production manager. "In Germany, the subject is taboo and I wanted to know more about the history."

"I signed up for the Honors course because my boyfriend, Ken, is Jewish and each of us wanted to learn more about his background," said Lisa Marie Pomfret, *Sidelines* news editor. "All he or I really knew about the subject beforehand was that six million people died during the Holocaust."

"What makes this class different from other classes is that it highlights Jewish history and examines development of anti-Semitism," Hedgepeth added. "We also have guest lecturers, including some Holocaust survivors."

One of the guest speakers in the course is Dr. Walter Renn, chairman of the history department.

Renn received a faculty research grant to study the assimilation of the Holocaust into German national history and consciousness after World War II.

He will lecture on December 1 on "The Significance and Some Implications of the Holocaust". Visitors are welcome to attend the class at 9:25 a.m. □

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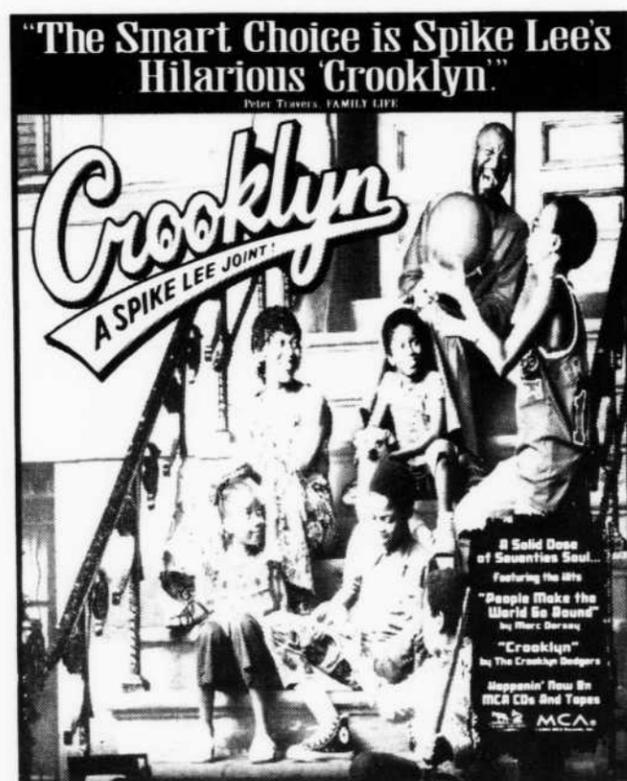
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Music on the Knoll brings Janie Grey and Hank Flamingo

Krys Spain
Staff Writer

Janie Grey, The Nationals, and Hank Flamingo were received well by students during Music on the Knoll, on Friday.

"Music on the Knoll is the music with soul, 'cause they play it for free, just for you and me," said Swan Burrus IV, junior RIM major.

"[Music on the Knoll] is done as an effort to get people to hang out here on the weekend," said Brook Blomquist.

The bands are booked in the summer. Most of the bands play at no charge, though others charge a small fee. The Concert Committee goes before SGA to use student organizational funds when money is needed.

Concerts offers diversity in the Knoll shows by bringing different types of music to satisfy different tastes to the MTSU community.

"Janie Grey, The Nationals and Hank Flamingo are one of our biggest shows," Blomquist said.

Janie Grey has been playing together for three years. They travel all over Tennessee, Alabama and North and South Carolina.

They have a Southern rock sound, and all of their music is original.

Band members are: Denny Presley, vocals and lead guitar; Eric Brown, bass; Kyle Walsh, drums; and Tony Keats doing vocals and rhythm guitar.

"Murfreesboro is really

receptive to music, and it is a central location to the places we travel." Keats said, "There are different types of music in Murfreesboro, and a lot of good places to play."

Randy Prior, junior RIM major, said "Janie Grey is distinctively different from most local bands. These four young men have developed a new blend of Southern rock, blues, and Beatlesque songs that anyone who enjoys live music should appreciate."

The Nationals have been together for five years. They play at the Boro every other Wednesday night and do back-up for Miranda Louise at Mainstreet every other Tuesday.

Band members are: Abe White, bass; William Howse, vocals and harmonica; Jack Pearson, guitar; and Richard Carter on drums.

Hank Flamingo has been together for five years. They play all over the country. Their first album was released last February on Giant Records.

Band members are: Ben Northern, bass; Eddie Grigg, guitar; Stuart Stuart, fiddle; Roy Watts, drums; and Trent Summar doing vocals.

"We played here last year." Summar said, "The Nationals and Janie Grey are such world class bands, I wish there had been more people here to enjoy it."

The last of the Music On the Knoll concert series for fall is Friday, Oct. 14. The bands featured are Rub, Backwaters and Harvest Moon. □

Review courses offered by Continuing Studies

JANET SINGER
Staff Writer

The Department of Continuing Studies will be conducting review courses for the tests that education majors must take in order to teach in Tennessee.

Reviews for the required National Teacher Examination (NTE) and the Pre-Professional Skills Test (PPST) will include instruction on test-taking techniques, essay-writing strategies and reading comprehension.

Assistant Professor of Developmental Reading Harley Anton will be teaching the courses for the third year.

"The review is usually taken by students who have had bad experiences with the tests," Anton said. "Of those who take the review, most pass the first time."

According to Anton, private companies that do the reviews can charge from \$400-\$600. The university charges only \$195.

About 20 students normally sign up for the NTE review and only a few for the PPST review. The PPST is considered to be easier by most students, according to Anton.

The same NTE and PPST tests are given in every state. However, each state has a different scale score that must be made in order to teach in that state.

When asked about the availability of teaching jobs in Tennessee, Anton said, "[Teaching jobs] can be highly available depending on a person's test scores, undergraduate grade point average and willingness to relocate. People need this review. If we don't get the word out, they won't find out about it."

The NTE review for the Oct. 22 exam will be Mondays and Wednesdays, Oct. 10-19 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. The PPST review for the Oct. 22 exam will be Tuesdays and Thursdays, Oct. 11-20 from 6:30-9:30 p.m.

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Space is limited, and participation will be on a first-come basis, so please call 2193 for more information or to register for this free group. An atmosphere of confidentiality will be encouraged.

Sponsored by the June Anderson Women's Center

RAPE (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

Anderson Women's Center, was held Wednesday by campus housing. "It was great," Rosovsky said. "About 20 or so women attended. This is a program we have been doing for the past year or so, not just in response to the rape." She said there is usually a very positive response to the frequent safety awareness programs.

The Women's Center also offers support groups for women who have been sexually assaulted or have had a similar experience.

"Actually, there has been a lower response to this [program] this semester than there was last semester," said Mary Glantz, a counselor at the Women's Center. The support groups are open sessions, and anyone can join throughout the year.

Housing is also stressing safety, and has posted notices about safety precautions on all dormitory room doors and in the elevators of Corlew and Cummings Halls.

MTSU President James E. Walker said in a statement to *Sidelines*, "MTSU has a tradition of providing a safe environment for its students and other members of the campus community. However, one incident such as the one that occurred last Monday evening is one too many. I have confidence that our law enforcement officers are diligently working to apprehend the suspect and that an arrest will be made very soon."

Seventeen certified police officers are employed by MTSU. The staff also includes two non-certified officers and eight student patrol officers. Drugmand said he has applied for funding from the recently passed federal crime bill, which would allow temporary funding for the department to hire nine more officers. One problem with this temporary grant is that the university must provide plans for maintaining the new officers' salaries after the federal grant expires.

"We are here to teach," Drugmand said. He indicated a desire to see more officers on campus and then said, "Growth requires a decision between faculty or police." □

OSHA (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

levels of oxygen, according to Dr. Harley Foutch, chairman of the department of agribusiness and agriscience.

Although blowers provide some ventilation, the new OSHA standard may require additional measures, Logan said.

The impact on telecommunications will be greater than before, now that infrastructure equipment is largely underground, Logan said. Maintenance workers entering manholes for repairs will have to follow new rules about confined space entry.

In compliance with the new OSHA standard, Logan has drawn up a plan for implementation of new rules. Among the provisions is a requirement that an entry supervisor must complete an entry permit form before a confined space is entered. Then the air must be tested hourly for high concentrations of hazardous chemicals.

Logan, a veteran firefighter and former OSHA inspector, said all departments affected will be required to attend a training session to be scheduled before Christmas break.

"Everybody making an entry, regardless of who they are, will be trained," he said.

In addition to training, Logan will also be required to oversee the purchase of some new air-quality monitoring devices. Logan has already purchased an AIM LOGIC 4501 gas detector, which measures levels of carbon monoxide, hydrogen sulfide, oxygen and combustible gases in the air. Logan said he has already ordered two more for maintenance and plans to purchase one for agriculture and one for telecommunications.

Gas detectors such as the AIM LOGIC 4501, for instance, cost around \$2,600 each. The rescue tripod MTSU currently owns—a body harness with a cable attached to a ring on the back, making a manhole worker immediately retrievable—costs around \$2,000.

But Logan says safety is his main concern.

"It goes with the territory," he said. "It's just the cost of doing business. ...To me, the money is irrelevant. We can't replace people. That's the only thing that's relevant." □

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Five writers share works and insights

BRENT ANDREWS
Assistant News Editor

Five writers shared their works and insights in a program called "Writers in the Round: A Conversation About Their Craft" sponsored by the Tom T. Hall Lectureship of the College of Mass Communication on Thursday.

Speaking at the discussion were Nashville native Ann Patchett, who read from her latest novel, *Taft*; James Whitehead, author, poet and co-founder of the Program in Creative Arts at the University of Arkansas; Nashville writer John Egerton, author of eight nonfiction books about Southern history and culture, including *Speak Now Against the Day*, released Thursday; Cecilia Tichi, professor of English at Vanderbilt University, who read from her latest work entitled *High Lonesome: The American Culture of Country Music*; and country songwriter/artist Tom T. Hall, Symposium founder, who sang songs and talked about the art of writing.

Tichi spoke about the problems of writing about country music, including the difficulty of writing about the art form "without violating its own terms."

"To write a book about country music, you're up against a problem," Tichi said. "The problem is that you're writing about a form that is poetic, that is narrative, that is very concise, very powerful, and how are you going to in any way ... be adequate to it?"

Hall played a song describing the problems a wandering musician encountered when he returned home, and Tichi analyzed the lyrics.

"There are many songs about home, cherishing the homeplace ...," Tichi said. "Along with the home song, [there is] a huge catalog of songs about the road."

"Ordinarily the pattern is this," Tichi continued. "The singer on the road has left home and feels the loss, the terrible loneliness of the uprooting, and then decides to return home, ... get off the fast lane and go back to my 'dear old friends.' [Hall's song] reveals why most homecomings in these songs cannot occur. They cannot occur because the life back home has stayed the same, while the life of the one who has ventured forth ... has changed."

Tichi explained that the lives of those at home and the life of the writer often clash during returns, because of the changes that have taken place in the writer's life while on the road.

Patchett read from her book, *Taft*, a work that explores the life of a Memphis musician, and Egerton read from his latest work, *Speak Now Against the Day*, about a time when Georgia had three governors.

Cheryl Lewis, a developmental studies instructor, had her students attend the event.

"Basically, I hope that

[students] gain a sense of authorship, that styles may vary but they're all valid," Lewis said.

"I'm here for Tom T. Hall," said ETSU education graduate Mary Templeton, who is taking a course in artist management at MTSU. "I like his music; I like his style, the way he writes."

"Students who are serious about writing, of any kind," Hall said, "I think it does them good to be in proximity to successful people, because they see that they don't have any horns, that they're ordinary people, with ordinary voices and ordinary attitudes."

"While it may not be any sort of mind-bending revelation of any sort," Hall added, "it gives students a comfort because they say, 'well, these are ordinary people,' ... I think that's very important."

Hall said he decided to sponsor the program that brought the writers to MTSU during the Southern Festival of Books in Nashville. Money is being raised in Hall's name, according to Deryl Leaming, dean of the College of Mass Communication, that will be used to sponsor other events of this nature in the future.

"During the Festival of Books, all these great writers came to town," Hall said, "and they checked into their motel rooms and they [went] to the festival, and they [left] town. So we thought ... the kids should meet these people, and see them, and talk to them. So that's the focus of [the program]."

"We were really pleased with the turnout," said Dr. David Eason, professor of journalism who helped coordinate the event. "We had a packed house. People were standing in the aisles."

Freshman mass communication major Alar Arena said he attended the event in order to hear insights from professional writers that might help him in his own writing.

"I'm kind of interested in listening to the writers talk," Arena said, "because I've got kind of writing fever. I kind of like to write ... so I'm just curious."

"I'm a songwriter," said Jon Polson, junior recording industry major, "and I've written stories at different times, and I think this might benefit me on how best to market [them], and also how to study."

Leaming said that future events sponsored by the Tom T. Hall program will include a writer's boot camp in the spring, and a Tom T. Hall week. Dates for the events were not specified.

"I think we are just very fortunate to have great supporters like Tom T. Hall, who is supporting this university and working with us to bring outstanding writers to this campus to expose to our students, to the faculty and staff, and sort of enhance their horizon," said MTSU President James E. Walker, who attended the event.

"I think it's just a great opportunity that has been provided for us here," Walker added. □

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Construction of water & sewer to start Monday Oct. 10.

Construction of telcomm/data line in progress

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Construction will create traffic and parking inconveniences on the east part of the campus this week. Construction of a water and sewer line between the Mass Comm and Felder Hall will block vehicle and pedestrian traffic. Work on the telcomm/data line between Wood Hall and Gracy Hall will also block traffic. Further north the intersection near the Nursing Building and BDA will be blocked on Oct. 15. Street parking in that area will be blocked on Oct. 13, 14 and 15.

Bill Smotherman, director of physical plant, says the Utility and Infrastructure Improvements Project is an 18-month program scheduled to be completed next summer. Anyone planning outdoor activities on campus through next summer should call Smotherman at 2414.

MTSU student recalls service to orphanage in Haiti

KRIS WETZEL
Staff Writer

In June 1989, Trey Campbell volunteered 10 days of service to build an additional wing on the orphanage in Riviere Froide, Haiti.

Campbell, now a sophomore



Trey Campbell

mass communication major, was among 18 students from Father Ryan, St. Cecilia and St. Bernard high schools who completed a project started 20 years earlier by St. Edward's parish.

When the group arrived at the Port-au-Prince airport, they were met by tight security due to the coup attempt that spring.

"The political situation was worsening," Campbell recalls, and said Customs officials and armed guards rifled through each person's belongings, confiscating Campbell's pocket knife.

Campbell remembers the

"smell of burning charcoal, open sewers and trash heaps" assaulting them as soon as they left the protection of the airport. They toured the wealthy section of Port-au-Prince, shocked to see that even the elite lived in small houses on unpaved roads.

On their way up the mountain leading to Riviere Froide, the truck broke down, and the students were forced to carry their luggage, supplies and water the remaining way.

In addition to five leaders and one reporter, the students were led by a native Haitian, Samson Desormeaux. Educated in the United States, Desormeaux was highly respected by his people.

"It was rumored that the Haitian people wanted Desormeaux as their president because of his education, his power," Campbell says, adding, "Desormeaux had to go into hiding several times because of death threats."

The group slept on the concrete roof of the orphanage and rose every morning at 6 a.m. to travel to the construction site, located on the other side of the mountain. Aided by Haitian workers, the students hand-mixed the cement used for the foundation of the building.

The abandoned orphanage was the only building with running water, which proved not to be such a luxury.

"After showers, we had to rub down with alcohol to kill the germs from the water," Campbell says. "We kept our mouths clamped tight in the shower to prevent parasites, stomach worms."

Problems of malnutrition and disease were rampant in Haiti. Campbell describes the Haitian workers as "looking half dead." Students regularly witnessed the Haitian's open drug use both on their worksite and in town.

By the end of their trip, only 12 survivors remained. Many students had suffered from heat prostration or diseases caused by the foul water. Even Campbell was not spared, having suffered a concussion when he fell 15 feet off the orphanage roof. Despite his injury, he stayed in Haiti for the remainder of the trip.

Campbell keeps a careful eye on the current situation in Haiti.

He admits he was skeptical at first of the recent American invasion, but says, "Now that they are there, they should make the best of it and do something good."

Campbell says he fears the American soldiers are entering the country knowing little about the culture or the conditions. He says he believes that Haiti's only salvation from its disease, pollution and economic situation is total evacuation, allowing the island to naturally regenerate itself. □

Right to Life group to hold monthly meetings

KRIS WETZEL
Staff Writer

MTSU's Right to Life will meet the first Monday of every month to discuss abortion alternatives and plan activism.

Ginger Kindle, president of the group and a junior political science major, said the main purpose of Right to Life is "getting group members to realize they can make a difference." She said she urges the members to know their politicians' platforms and to stay active.

Kindle said she hopes the group will "educate MTSU that abortion is not the elimination of a blob of tissue." She defined abortion as the "ending of a life."

Right to Life plans to attend the Pro-Life march in Washington D.C. on Jan. 23, 1995. The three-day trip will cost each person \$140.

The group is in the process of petitioning for SGA funds, but said they also hope the Knights of Columbus will help raise the money. Each participating member will also engage in a Bowl-a-Thon with sponsors to help defray their expenses.

Right To Life is putting together a pamphlet to be distributed through campus mail or a table at the KUC. The

pamphlet will contain information about nearby agencies dealing with abortion alternatives. The brochure is scheduled to be ready by next semester.

Right to Life also participates in marches like the annual Walk for Life and staffs a table at the KUC "to educate people that abortion is murder in any form," said Kindle.

The Right to Life group currently has 8 members, even though 30 to 40 students signed up earlier this semester at a membership drive at the KUC.

Ginny Andrews, a junior pre-pharmacy major, said she supports the group even though she is pro-choice.

"I think they have a right to express their opinion," said Andrews.

Becky Sims, a sophomore music major, agreed with Andrews.

"It's a democracy. Everyone should speak," Sims said.

Kindle said that Right To Life is "not out to force anything on anyone."

"We just believe that the problems of pregnancy are not solved by abortion," Kindle said.

Persons interested in more information may contact Ginger Kindle at 890-9434 or Box D304 campus mail. □

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Gulf War vets to receive compensation for unknown illnesses

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate approved and sent to President Clinton legislation Saturday to compensate Persian Gulf war veterans who are found to suffer from undiagnosed and unknown illnesses.

The law is aimed at ensuring "that (these) veterans will receive the benefits they have earned," said Sen. John D. Rockefeller, D-W.Va., chairman of the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee.

Congressional aides said there are at least 10,000 veterans who have complained about mysterious illnesses after returning from the Persian Gulf. The legislation had been requested by Veterans Affairs Secretary Jesse Brown.

The bill provides no specific funding levels, but requires that adequate money be found within the Veterans Affairs budget. The Congressional Budget Office has estimated the cost at between \$35 million and \$40 million per year.

Many veterans who fought in the Persian Gulf have complained that they are suffering from a variety of illnesses linked to their activities during the war with Iraq. In many cases, they have complained of debilitating illnesses and symptoms with no clear diagnosis of what is wrong with them.

The legislation requires the VA

to develop an outreach program to Persian Gulf War veterans and their families and make available services and benefits as well as information about research related to the health effects from serving in the Persian Gulf during the war.

UT Student, Technician Killed During Panther-Tracking Mission

BIG CYPRESS NATIONAL PRESERVE, Fla. (AP) — Three people who were tracking endangered Florida panthers were killed Saturday when their plane crashed into the Big Cypress National Preserve, officials said.

Killed were pilot Jonathon Saunders, 38, of Naples, Fla.; University of Tennessee student Craig Johnson, whose age was unavailable; and a university environmental technician, whose identity was not immediately released.

The single-engine Cessna 172, chartered from the Naples Air Center, nose-dived into the grassy swamps in the southwestern part of the state. The National Park Service found the plane in knee-deep water, which hampered the efforts of search and rescue crews.

A hunter in the area saw the plane going down and radioed authorities. The cause of the crash was not yet known, said Kathleen Bergen, spokeswoman for the

Federal Aviation Administration in Atlanta.

The pilot and two panther researchers had been tracking endangered panthers as part of a joint project between the University of Tennessee and the National Parks Service.

"He died doing what he loved to do," Vivian Saunders, the pilot's wife and the mother of his two children, ages 7 and 9, told the News-Press of Fort Myers. "He was tracking panthers and he got too low."

Bush, Gore Coming to Campaign for Candidates As Elections Heat Up

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Tennessee is such a hot political battleground this year that dozens of Republican gunslingers have come to raise money and support their candidates — and more are on their way.

Former President Bush will be in Nashville Monday to help Republican Senate candidate Fred Thompson.

Dan Quayle, Bob Dole, James Baker, Phil Gramm and Newt Gingrich already have been here. So have actor Charlton Heston, former Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld and political consultant Mary Matalin.

"Tennessee is the Super Bowl of politics this year," Haley Barbour,

chairman of the Republican National Committee, told the Nashville Banner during his visit to Tennessee last week.

Barbour says Tennessee is "pivotal" to Republican chances of seizing control of the Senate in the fall elections. Currently, there are 56 Democrats and 44 Republicans in the Senate.

The term for Vice President Al Gore's old Senate seat — filled on an interim basis by Harlan Mathews — still has two years left. Thompson and Democrat Jim Cooper are in a neck-in-neck fight for it.

Tennessee's other Senate seat, held for the past 18 years by Sasser, is up for a full six-year term. Bill Frist, a Nashville heart transplant surgeon, is the Republican candidate trying to unseat Sasser.

The governor's office and three congressional seats also are up for grabs.

The only big guns called in by the Democrats have been Vice President Al Gore and his wife, Tipper. They've campaigned once for Cooper and will spend Tuesday with the Sassers.

But they don't count as outsiders, said Jane Eskind, state Democratic Party chairman. "They're home folks."

The Gores will be back in Tennessee on Tuesday so the vice president can spend a day campaigning with Sen. Jim Sasser in Northeast Tennessee, Tullahoma,

Jackson and Knoxville.

The senator's wife, Mary, and Tipper Gore will campaign together elsewhere, in Chattanooga and Memphis.

Why haven't any high-profile Democrats, other than the Gores — who are Tennesseans — joined the fray? What about President Clinton, for instance?

"The Democrats are running from President Clinton like scalded dogs," Barbour said. "They just can't run fast enough."

Not so, Eskind said. Clinton had been scheduled to visit the state earlier in the election, but the timing didn't work out because of fund raisers scheduled by the party's major candidates. "We weren't able to reschedule," she says.

His wife Hillary was in Tennessee last week, but not for politics here.

Mrs. Clinton, a leading advocate of President Clinton's medical reforms, was in Memphis to visit young cancer patients and help dedicate a new building at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Randle Richardson, the state GOP chairman, says Tennessee Republicans probably would pass the hat to pay for the trip if Clinton would come here.

"Bringing Bill Clinton into Tennessee would be like committing suicide," he said.



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Alan Jackson: Hotter than a Hoochie-Coochie



LEFT: Alan Jackson "wows" a sold-out crowd at Murphy Center Saturday night.

ABOVE: "Just take another little piece of my heart now baby..." Faith Hill, the opening act for Alan Jackson, gets some help from a youngster out of the audience.

The Alan Jackson concert at MTSU's Murphy Center Saturday night lived up to advance expectations.

Sometimes the anticipation of an event far surpasses its reality, but such was not the case for the sold-out Jackson concert. The combination of new up-and-coming star Faith Hill and the continuing talents of Alan Jackson gave fans a powerful dose of country music.

Jackson has been nominated for CMA awards 26 times in the past five years. He has been a finalist for the Entertainer of the Year award three consecutive years but has yet to bring it home. This does not deter him from cranking out hit after hit.

Faith Hill has toured with Reba McEntire, Brooks & Dunn and Alan Jackson this year. She performed locally during Summer Lights in Nashville this past summer.

Her single "Wild One" debuted with record sales, and Hill performed at the CMA awards show last week, where she was also nominated for the Horizon Award.

Faith Hill opened with a tearjerker. When she sang "I Don't Want to Let You Go, But I Will," the audience responded enthusiastically. Her voice was mellow and captivating.

The rest of her set was a good showcase for her talents.

She was equally adept at upbeat, faster-paced pieces, and she related well with the audience.

A black rhinestone-trimmed dress and high heels gave her an energetic prance, and she worked the stage with good effect. Fans pressed forward with roses, and she interacted with the audience on a personal level. Her friendly girl-next-door attitude combined with her pretty blond

Way Down Yonder On The Chattahoochee

features to make her a very personable performer.

Alan Jackson came onstage to a standing ovation for "Don't Rock the Jukebox." His stage presence was sexy and invigorating. The set was efficient to make everyone feel close and personal. There were large suspended screens that alternated live shots of Jackson and his band with video clips to provide a background to his songs.

I particularly liked his rendition of Merle Haggard's "Tonight I Climbed the Wall." I

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am new to country music, but I enjoyed his tribute to Haggard. Jackson sang beautifully with emotion, and the range of this song was made for his voice.

**Story By
Carol Irwin
Staff
Writer**

cameras of those of us in the nosebleed sections.

Georgia roots inspired his gospel choice "Tell Me What Kind of Man Jesus Is," which was followed by his megahit "Real World." When he launched into "Midnight in Montgomery," I knew I had made the right choice weeks ago when I stood in line for tickets.

The evening didn't end the first time Jackson left the stage. People started leaving to beat the traffic, but enough diehard fans pleaded and he returned to stage.

Concertgoers were of every age, but Jackson held them all. I saw future cowboys in little black cowboy hats cheering alongside grandmotherly types. I even spotted the principal from Mt. Juliet Junior High, Jim Farley, which proves that even educators are real people.

I am a crossover fan, from rock to jazz to country. This concert with Faith Hill and Alan Jackson encompassed eclectic musical styles and provided a dynamite fall evening out. □

Jackson went from hit to hit, and fans cheered him on. He performed another good old country song, this one by Hank Williams. Jackson said he named it "The Mother-in-Law Song" and then apologized to any mothers-in-law in the audience. It was "Mind Your Own Business" and it was humorously done.

Even the played-to-death "Chattahoochee" was well-received.

Jackson seemed to enjoy the audience response; he joked and smiled, winking into the

The Top 10

Movies

1. **TIMECOP**
(Universal) \$23.9 million
2. **TERMINAL VELOCITY**
(Hollywood) \$5.5 million
3. **FORREST GUMP**
(Paramount) \$263.6 million
4. **QUIZ SHOW**
(Hollywood) \$4.1 million
5. **CLEAR AND PRESENT DANGER**
(Paramount) \$112.9 million
6. **NATURAL BORN KILLERS**
(Warner Bros.) \$42.7 million
7. **THE MASK**
(New Line) \$108.6 million
8. **MILK MONEY**
(Paramount) \$15.1 million
9. **TRUE LIES**
(20th Century Fox) \$139.4 million
10. **CORRINA, CORRINA**
(New Line) \$16.2 million

Albums

1. **II**
Boyz II Men (Motown)
2. **FROM THE CRADLE**
Eric Clapton (Duck/Reprise)
3. **RHYTHM OF LOVE**
Anita Baker (Elektra)
4. **THE LION KING**
Soundtrack (Walt Disney)
5. **SONGS**
Luther Vandross (Epic)
6. **DOOKIE**
Green Day (Reprise/Warner Bros.)
7. **SMASH**
Offspring (Epitaph)
8. **TUESDAY NIGHT MUSIC CLUB**
Sheryl Crow (A&M)
9. **FORREST GUMP**
Soundtrack (Epic Soundtrax)
10. **PURPLE**
Stone Temple Pilots (Atlantic)

Fiction

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2. **NOTHING LASTS FOREVER**
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Patricia Cornwell (Scribner, \$23)
4. **THE CELESTINE PROPHECY**
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John Irving (Random House, \$25)
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10. **HALF ASLEEP IN FROG PAJAMAS**
Tom Robbins (Bantam, \$23.95)

End of the Innocence

Robert Redford Takes Us To A Time When Television Was Still Young

By **MELODY BOYD**
Feature Writer

Imagine an era where television is new and society is trusting. During this time period, a scandal was uncovered that distorted the public's image of what was true and violated people's innocence and beliefs.

Quiz Show, produced by Robert Redford, is a film based on a real-life scandal involving fraud and public deceit. Set in the 1950s, when American society was awestruck by television, the game show "Twenty-One" became increasingly popular. The show represented the American Dream, along with the allure of fame and money. Audiences were attracted

(Ralph Fiennes). Son of prize-winning poet Mark Van Doren, Charles Van Doren is an English instructor at Columbia University. Charming and refined, he easily wins the hearts of the American people. He acquires immediate fame and even graces the cover of *Time*.



LEGAL JEOPARDY: Charles Van Doren (Ralph Fiennes, left) and Herbert Stempel (John Turturro, right) contestants of "Twenty-One," which is hosted by Jack Barry (Christopher McDonald, center).



Quiz Show

to the contestants rather than the intellectual content of the show.

In order to make more money, NBC controlled which contestants would be on the show according to whom viewers favored. They did so by giving well-liked contestants the answers before the show, thus boosting ratings.

The story begins when the show's producer wants contestant Herb Stempel (John Turturro) to purposely answer incorrectly so he can be replaced by Charles Van Doren

However, embittered Herb Stempel seeks to expose the corruption, which compels investigator Dick Goodwin (Rob Morrow) to look into it. Goodwin eventually uncovers the truth which, through a series of hearings, is revealed to a shocked public.

This film, however, goes beyond the scandal of a rigged quiz show.

We see three characters with contrasting motivations. Herb Stempel is not interested in exposing the truth for public good. He wants

revenge on the network and Van Doren and desires the recognition he once had as a contestant on the show.

Goodwin never intends to damage Van Doren in the investigation; he strongly believes the government should be of service to the people.

Van Doren represents the tragic figure and battles with his conscience throughout the film. Knowing he is wrong yet desperately trying to suppress it, he finally admits his guilt simply so he may live with himself. Looking more intently into his

high on borrowed wings. Everything came too easily. That is why I'm here today."

Goodwin is dismayed at the ruined reputation of Van Doren; he wanted to expose the network and the sponsors, who, of course, get away unscathed. Goodwin comments, "I wanted to get television, but it looks like television is going to get us."

Redford did brilliant work in this film. The set, design and music were all indicative of the era and gave insight into the public's first impression of television. The cast was

character, we see a man who is trying to escape his father's shadow. He is always known as "the son of Mark Van Doren, the poet," until he acquires his own fame.

When it collapses around him, the distressed Van Doren says, "There was only one way out, and that was to tell the truth. I've flown too

incredible and featured appearances of directors Martin Scorsese and Barry Levinson.

However, Ralph (pronounced "Rafe") Fiennes was clearly the star of the film. Seen before as the ruthless Nazi in *Schindler's List*, this British actor gave an excellent performance. Most of this could be seen in his eyes, which reflected the anguish plaguing Van Doren.

Redford made good use of subtle implications of Van Doren's dishonesty. Being a literary family, he and his father would often quote lines from various works, often describing the worth of a man. During an intense poker game, which came down to Goodwin and Van Doren, Goodwin pronounced, "You're lying," to which Van Doren countered softly, "Bluffing; the word is bluffing."

Although on the surface these scenes involved books and poker games, underneath they represented Van Doren's inner struggle with the truth. Elements like these really made the film exceptional.

Quiz Show is definitely worth seeing; it depicts a momentous era involving one of the first television scandals and does so with fine performances and painstaking direction. Movie buffs who appreciate great film-making should not miss it. □

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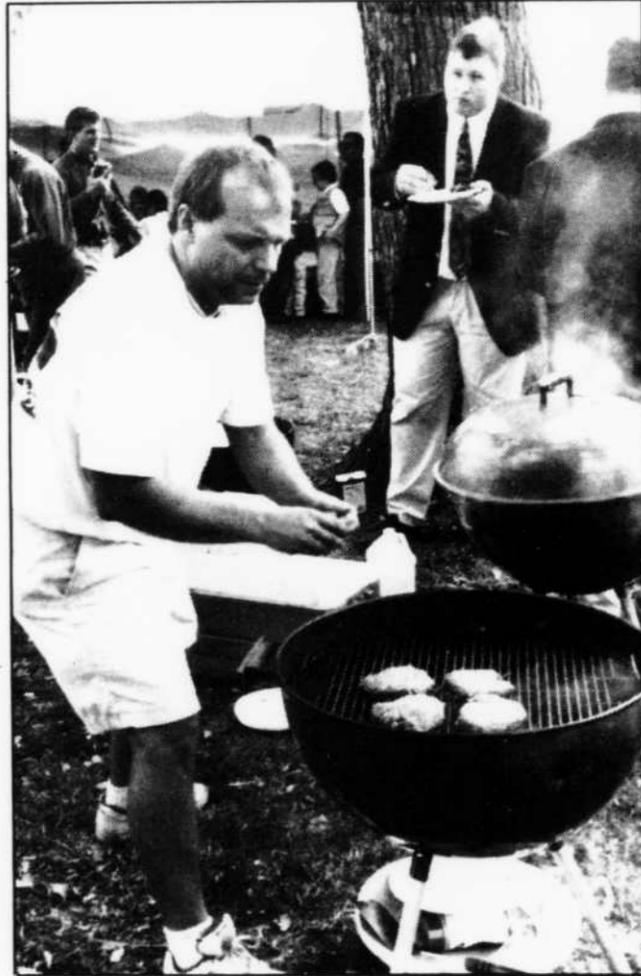
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TOP: The MTSU Blue Raiders take the field against UT-Martin during Homecoming weekend.

RIGHT: Lee Akres, a 1981 MTSU graduate, grills a few burgers at the block party held behind

BELOW: Charles Brown takes a few swings at the MBA Alumni Association's putting green at the block party held before Saturday's football game.



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Homecoming week at MTSU is filled with parades, games, tailgate parties, the game and the crowning of the Queen. The day starts with a parade; as the day progresses, the crowd gets larger.

E n j o y i n g Homecoming is an easy thing to do. There is something for everyone, and all are included in

the fun which within a one-mile of the campus. There were vendors in Domino's and along with grilling at the party. There were Gyrosphere, a sort of huge block to jump around. (They used to "moonwalk.



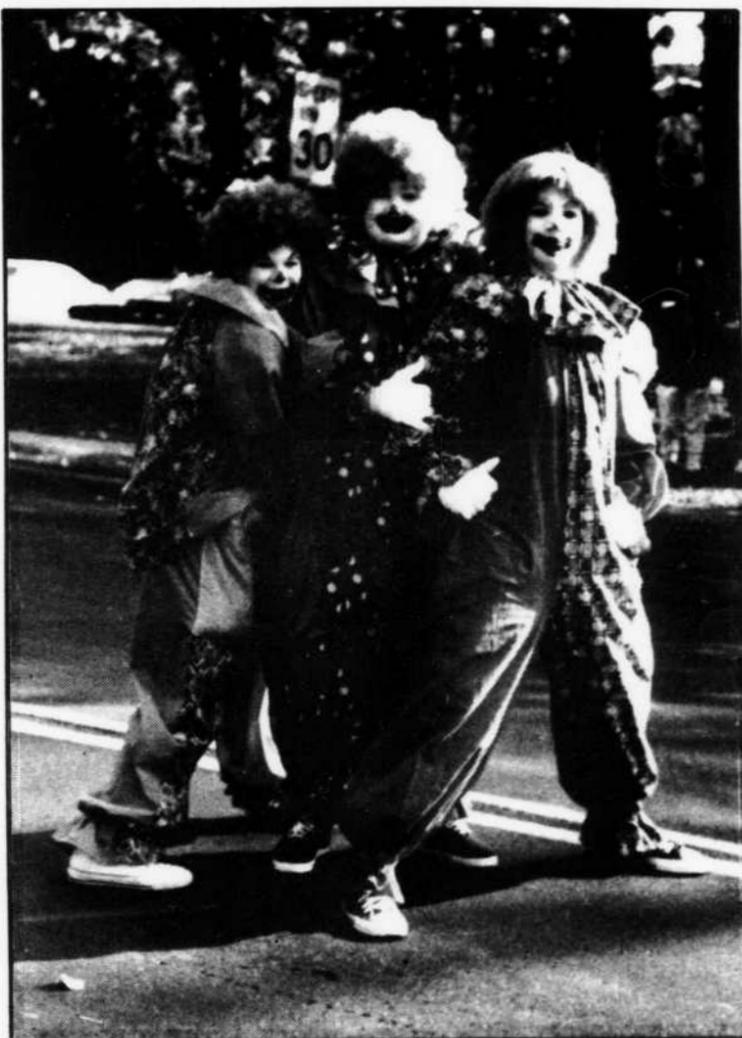
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ABOVE: A couple of students from the Wesley Foundation "down around" on Saturday.

RIGHT: Drew Bergman escorts new Homecoming Queen Marla Frisby off the field.



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BELOW: The last vehicle of the parade rolls along, occupied by women from Delta Zeta.

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morning there was a rugby game, tickets for the Sawyer Brown concert being sold, and then the Alan Jackson concert that evening.

Then at the game, the Raiders steamrolled their way to a 38-7 victory against UT-Martin. We hope Homecoming is as much fun next year!

TOP: Melissa Larmer of the dance team paints Adam McDonald's face during the block party in front of the Blue Raider Bookstore.

ABOVE: An unbelievably happy MTSU fan enjoys the Gyrosphere in the bookstore parking lot.

LEFT: The SAE and AOPi homecoming float passes by.

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The Queen and her Court

And the new MTSU Homecoming Queen is...

By **KRYS SPAIN**
Staff Writer

Topping off a week of activities and contests, Marla Frisby was crowned 1994 Homecoming Queen during halftime of the MTSU/UT-Martin game on Saturday.

Frisby, who was escorted by SGA President Drew Bergman, is a junior sociology major and is involved in Alpha Delta Pi. Frisby was a junior varsity cheerleader, Alpha Delta Pi corresponding secretary, Alpha Delta Pi Panhellenic delegate, MTSU Panhellenic president and SGA representative.

Frisby is also involved in Gamma Beta Phi and Student Programming and is a student ambassador and student orientation assistant. She also coordinated the Homecoming Parade in Fall 1993 for SGA.

"I was very excited to be nominated to represent Alpha Delta Pi. I am very proud to be a student at MTSU. I want to thank the students for choosing me," Frisby said.

"I also feel honored to represent the university, especially since my family are MTSU alumni," she added, "As Homecoming Queen, I hope to represent MTSU every day instead of just the one day."

The 1994 Homecoming

court was announced at the Queen's Tea on the president's lawn Sunday, October 2nd, by 1993 Homecoming Queen Leanne Odom.

The court, in alphabetical order, is: Alicia Catron, Stacy Cowan, Christy Huffman and Candy Moss.

Alicia Catron is a sophomore nutrition major and is involved in Kappa Delta sorority. Catron participates in volunteer work and was Panhellenic rush chairman last summer. She was elected Greek Goddess last spring.

"I am flattered and surprised, and I [was] extremely nervous," Catron said. "I owe a lot of thanks to my Kappa Delta sisters."

"I'd like to be a positive role model for kids," she added. "I feel really bad for people that quit school; they are missing out on a lot of wonderful opportunities. Therefore, I think that what Leanne [Odom] suggested is a wonderful idea."

Odom had said that the Queen should go out and be a role model for children and represent MTSU.

Stacy Cowan is a senior early childhood education major and is involved in Chi Omega sorority. She has spent two years in SGA, as House secretary and on the election commission.

Cowan is involved in Gamma

Beta Phi Honor Society, Kappa Omicron Nu Honor Society, Student Advisory Committee, intramural sports and volunteer work. She has served as both pledge class vice president and vice president of Chi Omicron and is currently serving as rush chairperson.

"I feel extremely honored to be [on the court]" Cowan said. "I love school here, and I think that Leanne's idea would be great PR for MTSU."

Christy Huffman is a junior who has a double major in pre-med and chemistry/biology. She is also president of Delta Zeta sorority. Huffman has been Delta Zeta Best Pledge, pledge social chairman and active social chairman and is currently Delta Zeta president.

Huffman made the dean's list for three semesters, was in SGA for one semester, was Homecoming chairman in Fall 1992 and was in Student Programming for one semester. She is also involved in Beta Beta Beta (honors biological fraternity) Phi Mu Delta (pre-professional fraternity) and the National Honor Society.

"I feel honored to represent MTSU," Huffman said, "and I hope that [Marla] will not only wear the crown on her head, but also hold MTSU dear to her

heart. I don't feel like it's a competition—to me it's an honor."

Candy Moss is a junior elementary education major and a member of Alpha Omicron Pi. She was sponsored by Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. Moss is a student ambassador and works with kindergarten children at Reeves-Rogers Elementary.

Moss also is a member of Gamma Beta Phi and Kappa Delta Pi (honors teaching society), and is soon to be initiated into Tau Omicron (women's honor society). She served on the Panhellenic Council for one year, the AOPi alumni relations committee for one year and is currently the AOPi pledge educator.

"I didn't think I'd make it this far," Moss said. "I am so excited about being in Homecoming court. By running for Queen, I've made many new friends and had fun. So [even though I didn't] win Homecoming Queen, it's been a worthwhile experience."

Elise Hill of the SGA Homecoming committee said, "We had 13 ladies who ran. I [was] excited, and I think that this [was] very exciting for all the ladies."

Other Homecoming activities were the fight song contest and

banner contest on Monday. The fight song winners were: first place, Kappa Alpha; second place, Alpha Delta Pi; and third place, Alpha Omicron Pi.

The banner contest winners were: Kappa Alpha, fraternity, and Alpha Delta Pi, sorority.

On Tuesday, Kappa Delta won the chili cook-off.

On Wednesday, there were various activities outside Family Student Housing. Dance and casino night was Thursday. There was 54 prizes given away, including a large television and a portable stereo with CD player.

All day on Thursday and Friday, there was a canned food drive for Second Harvest Food Bank.

Friday night, a pep rally was held at Toot's, and Saturday morning, there was a parade and float contest.

In the Greek category, the winners were: first place, Alpha Delta Pi and Kappa Alpha; second place, Chi Omega and Sigma Chi; and third place, Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Alpha Omicron Pi.

In the Open category, the winner was Alpha Eta Rho aerospace fraternity.

In the Homecoming game, which started at 1:30 p.m., the Blue Raiders beat UT-Martin 38-7. □

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In Our Opinion

By the Sidelines Editorial Staff

Sidelines pushing Toys for Tots

As a newspaper read not only by the university population but also the Murfreesboro community, *Sidelines* has a duty to inform not only about news, sports, opinions and features but local interests and philanthropic causes as well.

This semester, the paper has chosen to help support a philanthropic cause—the Toys for Tots campaign.

Toys for Tots is a program run every year during the holiday season that asks the public to donate toys for needy children in the areas where the program is established. Parents bring the children to places in the community where the toys are kept, and children choose the toys they want to take home with them.

The program has had great success as a contributor to needy families in local communities nationwide. *Sidelines* wants to take an active role in helping the Murfreesboro community through this program.

With 17,000-plus students on this campus, as well as more than 1,000 faculty and staff, MTSU has an opportunity to set a trend among universities nationwide in supporting philanthropic causes, where all the students, rather than just mainly the Greek organizations, contribute to a cause.

If 5 percent of the MTSU community donates a toy to this cause between now and Dec. 15, more than 900 toys will be donated to the children of Murfreesboro and Rutherford County. We feel this is a worthwhile goal.

In the future, we hope to announce at least one community function where people will be asked to donate toys as a price for admission. In the meantime, if you wish to donate to this worthy cause, you may bring your toys to the *Sidelines* office in room 310 of the JUB. Ask for Lisa Marie Pomfret, the news editor.

Toys for Tots is MTSU's chance to give something to the children of the community for which the children will be able to see an immediate benefit.

We hope you will choose to participate.

Warren Wakeland
Managing Editor

Editor's note: It was pointed out this week that not all liberals play "hide the gerbil," an activity where live gerbils are inserted into the anus for the purpose of creating sexual pleasure. The editor acknowledges that there probably are liberals who have never engaged in such activity and is happy to set the record straight.

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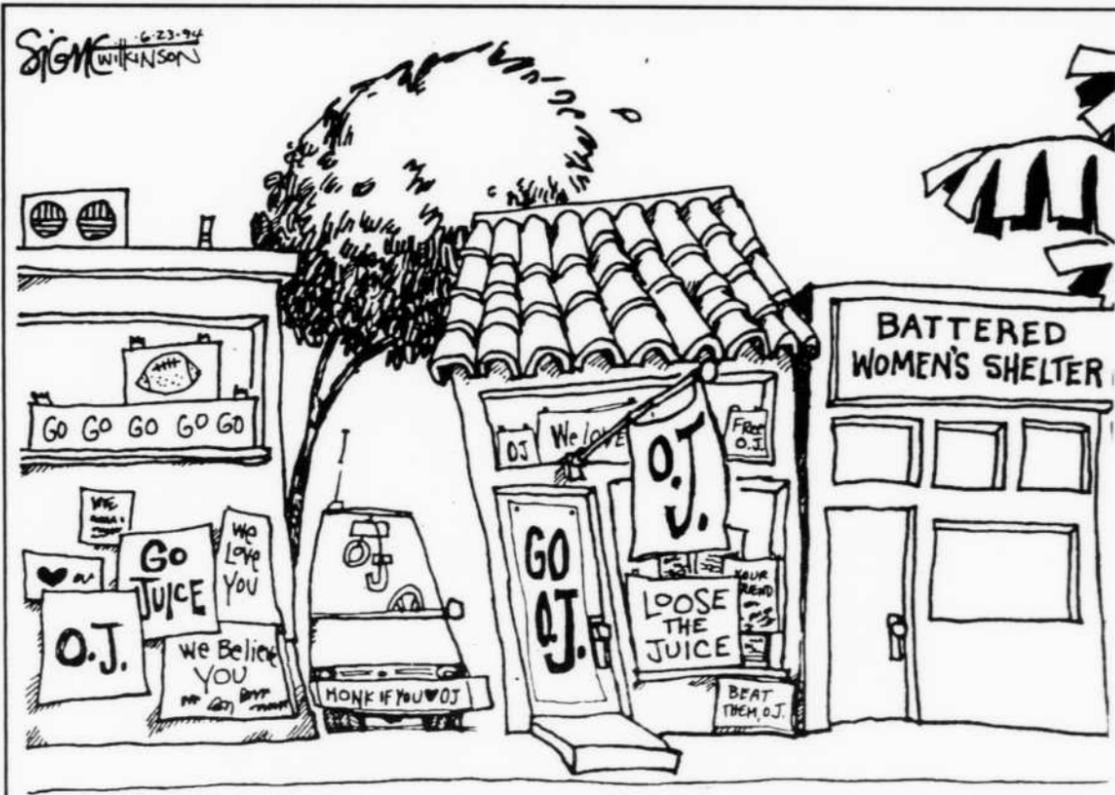
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Bicycle riders no threat to students on foot

As you will recall in our last episode, I was complaining about "the lack of rack." There aren't enough bike racks around the academic buildings, and I suggested the university make some changes.

Today we discuss actually riding the bike itself and why there is no need for the walking masses to be concerned.

I have noticed while riding between Mass Comm and Peck Hall at 10 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday that a lot of you seem to have a fear of cyclists. You seem to think that we are going to hit you if you are not watching out for us.

I've had friends tell me, "Some guy on a bike almost ran me down in front of KUC the other day!" I say, "Almost." That generally means they haven't been run down.

I have seen moves and faces made that make me think you're in the demolition derby. Some of you play dodge ball, shifting from one side to the other until you finally make your move to avoid. It's like Barry Sanders of the Detroit Lions running with the football. A juke here, a dip there, do a reverse spin, then explode to the left and avoid the oncoming bicyclist.

Others just take on that "Move an inch and you're dead!" look. You seem as though you know you're going to get bounced if you don't freeze in

your tracks.

Then there are others that don't care if a bicycle is coming. You are Gen. George Patton defending France. You wouldn't give the cyclist room to maneuver if there were 20 coming at you.

For all of you who fall into any of these three categories, this column's for you. I know that getting hit by a bicycle does happen. Remember, we cyclists are not unsusceptible to our gravest enemy—the car.

I got bounced in July on North Tennessee Boulevard by some clown doing about 55. I got pretty scraped up and bruised up, too. And the car only sideswiped me.

I saw a girl get hit last week in the Square downtown by someone who wasn't looking for a bike. Just doinked her into the middle of the road. Luckily neither she nor her bike was hurt. The driver of the car did not even get out to see if she was all right.

You need to know that we cyclists are people, too. We are capable of navigating the ooh's and aah's of this campus and community as well as you, even though we are doing so at a considerably higher rate of speed.

We do pay attention to the environment around us. At MTSU you have to, because the sidewalks

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school daze



WARREN WAKELAND
Managing Editor

Stalking can be as threatening as a rape



SUNNY BEASLEY
Assistant Features Editor

Rape is not a joking matter. Though I have never been raped, I have been stalked.

The definition of stalking, according to Webster's 20th Century Dictionary, is "to peruse stealthily and behind cover; to watch and follow warily for the purpose of killing, as game."

When you are stalked, you are haunted not only by the nightmares, phone calls and any other threatening thing that your stalker can imagine, but by the abuse that can occur. There have

been laws enacted in several states in attempt to prevent stalking; in most cases these laws have not been effective.

My instances have been with males whom I have dated and have broken up with. The humiliation that the victim has to go through—not only the stalker but the procedure that the police put you through—is nearly as bad as the stalking. To be totally honest, they think you are lying in most instances.

Then you must take out a restraining order. If that is not obeyed, then when the person(s) are on the premises, you must call the police. The police will try to send an officer to you as soon as possible. In most cases they are slow and don't pay much attention to you.

The police were caught

ignoring stalker calls when Tracy Thurman was almost killed by a stalker who was her estranged husband. When she got out of the hospital, she pressed charges against the city and the officer assigned to investigate. The police still ignore some of the stalker calls they receive, even though she won her lawsuit.

I can speak from experience, because I had my arm broken and my face beaten by a stalker. I have seen this person since he did this, and he thinks that it is the funniest thing that has ever occurred, because he was never prosecuted.

Rape is an ugly word, but when you are taken unwillingly, it is the only word for it. When you are stalked, you are robbed of the one thing that is given to you in the Constitution: freedom. □

CLINTONGATE: The continuing crime



ISSUE FIVE: "FOSTERGATE"

TODD MEYERS

Editor in Chief



FOR THE RECORD

There is still no convincing explanation of the peculiar circumstances surrounding the Foster death. But it appears that the White House is hiding something, and the cover-up started the minute Foster was found shot to death in Fort Marcy Park.

At the White House's insistence, Foster's death was investigated by the Park Police, who have little knowledge or experience in dealing with homicides. Unfortunately, the bullet was never found, ballistics tests were never performed on the alleged weapon,

routine procedures were overlooked, witnesses were never questioned, and the crime scene was not properly secured. The investigators never questioned people living next to the park where the body was found.

The White House refuses to release either the alleged suicide note or the autopsy report, but the official ruling is a suicide. It has been claimed that no evidence has been found to the contrary, but the truth is that no witnesses have been questioned under oath before a grand jury concerning his death. In fact, several witnesses have gone on the record to dispute the "official" version of events. Emergency paramedics who were first on the scene told the press that the Foster death did not look at all like a typical suicide.

According to numerous sources, it now seems clear that suicide or not, Foster did not die in Fort Marcy Park. Blood drainage from the body suggests that Foster's body was moved after the time of death to the location in the park. Also, synthetic fibers were found evenly distributed on Foster's clothes, suggesting that his body had been rolled up in a carpet. And witnesses report an unmarked white van was seen parked in the area shortly before the discovery of the body.

But the most compelling evidence is the matter of the phone calls. Foster was the Clintons' personal lawyer, overseeing all matters of financial investment, including Whitewater. At noon, Foster's office received a call from Little Rock concerning David Hale, a former judge who was under investigation for financial improprieties. At 1:17pm, Foster returned to his office and phoned Little Rock to get the news—Hale had been

indicted on charges relating to Whitewater and was willing to testify against the Clintons in exchange for a lighter sentence. According to investigators, Foster then drove to Fort Marcy Park and committed suicide.

Foster died the very day that a subpoena for records related to Whitewater was served in Little Rock. White House aides immediately sealed Foster's office and kept police investigators out for three days while searching through his files. Patsy Thomasson, Mrs. Clinton's personal assistant, was one of the aides who combed through Foster's papers after his death. Thomasson was formerly the Vice President of Lasater & Company, and she ran the business while Lasater was serving time on his cocaine convictions.

Clearly, on the day Foster died, he was under the impression that Whitewater was about to unravel. That is indicated in his alleged suicide note. Assuming that Foster's death was self-inflicted, it establishes that what Foster believed the press would discover about Whitewater and related scandals was serious enough to drive him to suicide. The subsequent White House search of his files indicates that Foster possessed highly sensitive information the Clintons considered essential to conceal.

It is foolish to think that the White House would obstruct a murder investigation to search for incriminating documents, and then hand those documents over to a special prosecutor for review. Suicide or not, the Foster death was fortunate for the Clintons, for if anything was found in Vince Foster's office, it is long gone now. It is not likely that anything from Foster's files will ever shed light on the series of scandals collectively referred to as "Whitewater." □

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JIM MOORE
Special to *Sidelines*

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"Duke" then called us all liars, con artists, rip-offs, "who should be locked away." Then he started screaming,

"We hate people like you!"

Nice question, Duke.

Listener reaction was immediate and angry.

As host and sponsor of the event, I was livid. I called Steve Dickert, general manager, and within a minute or two was on the air live. I berated them both for their hostility, their lack of fairness and their slanderous accusations of criminal conduct.

They knew they had messed up and interviewed me, briefly, almost daily for the rest of the week. Dickert estimates it "was about \$5,000 worth of free advertising." As if that could make up for the initial travesty! Never, in subsequent interviews, would either of them address the reasons for the outburst. Even then, the emphasis was on keeping it light and funny.

Jeff Pearlman at the *Tennessean* wasn't much better. After laying off work a few days, thus delaying the story, he finally came out with it the morning of the seminar. Then he wrote that many people would think Leah is "three eggs shy of a carton."

Is it any surprise that people who have undergone these traumatic abduction experiences are hesitant to speak up? Even though half of all Americans, according to polls, believe in extraterrestrials, the news media still treat it with scorn and mockery—parroting the official government line.

Of course, a more recent poll showed that 70 percent of those who answer poll questions lie, so who knows! How accurate is that poll anyway?

Channel 4 told its reporter not to cover the event beforehand, and it turned out that neither they, nor any

other news media organization, covered the event at all. Except for the tapes that will be shown on *The Omega Report*, there was a malicious and concerted effort at discrediting the whole subject and the speakers, followed by a total and deliberate news blackout in Nashville.

It matters not that former President Carter has seen UFOs, as did then-California Governor Ronald Reagan—along with astronomers, astronauts, generals, pilots, and millions of others.

It matters not that there is hard evidence—radar screen recordings, photos, metal samples, powder residue samples, some even say bodies on ice.

It matters not that 5 percent of the American people believe they have been abducted—that's more than 10 million people.

It matters not that prominent psychologists such as Harvard's Pulitzer Prize nominee Dr. John Mack say this is a trauma that does not fit into any other psychological category. It is indeed something unique.

If anyone ever needed an example of how the press parrots the official government line of propaganda, how the media act in concert to destroy those who do not parrot that same propaganda—then one needs look no further than the Nashville media the week leading up to Oct. 1, 1994.

This happens time and time again, on subject after subject.

As you study your "officially approved, politically correct" history texts, remember this: "History is nothing more than the lies agreed upon by the victors." □

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aren't always level to the ground and hitting one of those on the side can cause a neat little heave over the handlebars. People who drive around here sometimes pay more attention to the hot-looking member of the opposite sex walking along the sidewalk rather than the road.

I believe I speak for most cyclists here when I say we do understand that it's crowded around here and we make every attempt to be safe and avoid the masses. When we do have to fight the crowds, we try to do so at your speed until we can get to our speed.

We are not daredevils (at least I'm not—some of the Rimmers may be, though). Here are some basic tips for all you walkers out there. Use these when you see a bicycle coming.

- Don't panic. We are paying attention to you. It will hurt us more if we hit you than it will hurt you, so we make sure we don't hit you.

- Don't deviate from your normal movement. You don't need to stop in your tracks. We will go around you, even if you are moving. Even at 10 a.m. in front of KUC and the library, we can get around you.

- Make sure you know where you are going. We can't read your mind. You get hit when you aren't aware of what you are doing.

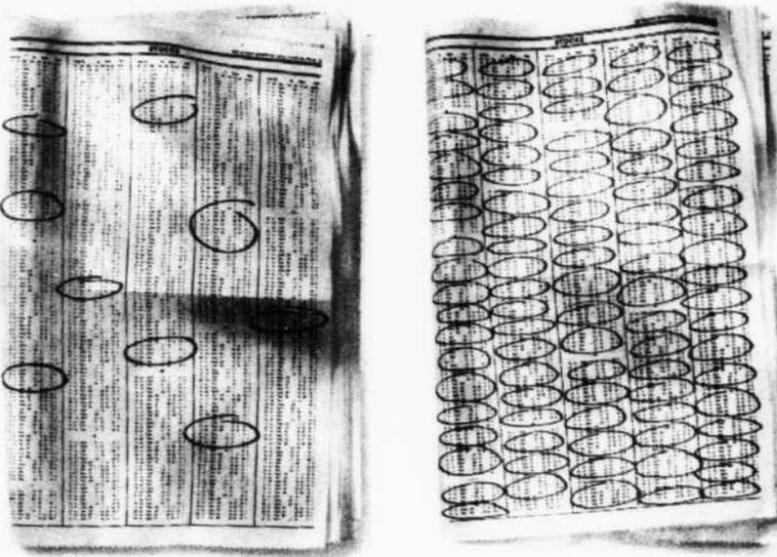
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We'll have HOV lanes for bikes. Yeah, that's the ticket. □

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"Duke" then called us all liars, con artists, rip-offs, "who should be locked away." Then he started screaming,

"We hate people like you!"

Nice question, Duke.

Listener reaction was immediate and angry.

As host and sponsor of the event, I was livid. I called Steve Dickert, general manager, and within a minute or two was on the air live. I berated them both for their hostility, their lack of fairness and their slanderous accusations of criminal conduct.

They knew they had messed up and interviewed me, briefly, almost daily for the rest of the week. Dickert estimates it "was about \$5,000 worth of free advertising." As if that could make up for the initial travesty! Never, in subsequent interviews, would either of them address the reasons for the outburst. Even then, the emphasis was on keeping it light and funny.

Jeff Pearlman at the *Tennessean* wasn't much better. After laying off work a few days, thus delaying the story, he finally came out with it the morning of the seminar. Then he wrote that many people would think Leah is "three eggs shy of a carton."

Is it any surprise that people who have undergone these traumatic abduction experiences are hesitant to speak up? Even though half of all Americans, according to polls, believe in extraterrestrials, the news media still treat it with scorn and mockery—parroting the official government line.

Of course, a more recent poll showed that 70 percent of those who answer poll questions lie, so who knows! How accurate is that poll anyway?

Channel 4 told its reporter not to cover the event beforehand, and it turned out that neither they, nor any

other news media organization, covered the event at all. Except for the tapes that will be shown on The Omega Report, there was a malicious and concerted effort at discrediting the whole subject and the speakers, followed by a total and deliberate news blackout in Nashville.

It matters not that former President Carter has seen UFOs, as did then-California Governor Ronald Reagan—along with astronomers, astronauts, generals, pilots, and millions of others.

It matters not that there is hard evidence—radar screen recordings, photos, metal samples, powder residue samples, some even say bodies on ice.

It matters not that 5 percent of the American people believe they have been abducted—that's more than 10 million people.

It matters not that prominent psychologists such as Harvard's Pulitzer Prize nominee Dr. John Mack say this is a trauma that does not fit into any other psychological category. It is indeed something unique.

If anyone ever needed an example of how the press parrots the official government line of propaganda, how the media act in concert to destroy those who do not parrot that same propaganda—then one needs look no further than the Nashville media the week leading up to Oct. 1, 1994.

This happens time and time again, on subject after subject.

As you study your "officially approved, politically correct" history texts, remember this: "History is nothing more than the lies agreed upon by the victors." □

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aren't always level to the ground and hitting one of those on the side can cause a neat little heave over the handlebars. People who drive around here sometimes pay more attention to the hot-looking member of the opposite sex walking along the sidewalk rather than the road.

I believe I speak for most cyclists here when I say we do understand that it's crowded around here and we make every attempt to be safe and avoid the masses. When we do have to fight the crowds, we try to do so at your speed until we can get to our speed.

We are not daredevils (at least I'm not—some of the Rimmers may be, though). Here are some basic tips for all you walkers out there. Use these when you see a bicycle coming.

- Don't panic. We are paying attention to you. It will hurt us more if we hit you than it will hurt you, so we make sure we don't hit you.

- Don't deviate from your normal movement. You don't need to stop in your tracks. We will go around you, even if you are moving. Even at 10 a.m. in front of KUC and the library, we can get around you.

- Make sure you know where you are going. We can't read your mind. You get hit when you aren't aware of what you are doing.

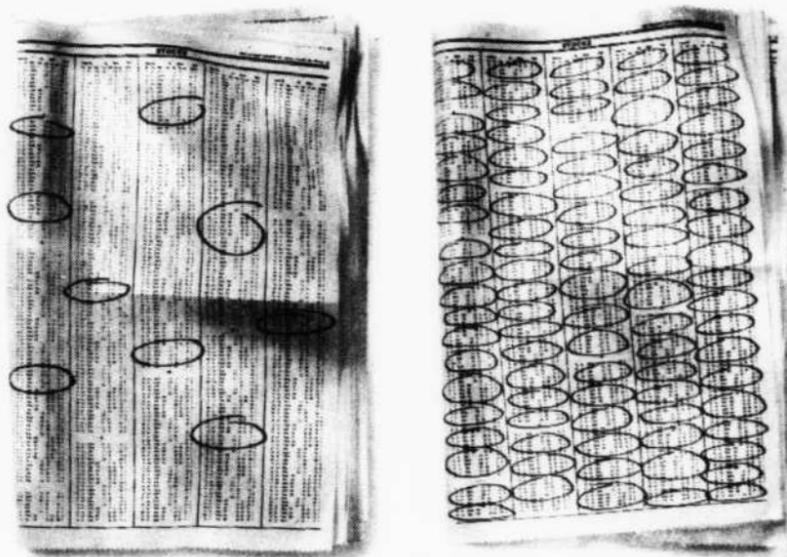
Bicycles are a big part of daily life at MTSU. All we ask is that when you see us coming, give us a little room to maneuver. You don't have to juke and jive to avoid us—we will make our way around you. Just be aware that there are bikes coming.

And maybe soon the university will see the traffic congestion problems in front of KUC and the library and make the sidewalk four lanes.

We'll have HOV lanes for bikes. Yeah, that's the ticket. □

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Letters to the Editor

Readers take issue with the writings of the editor

To the Editor:

Dialogue: "... discussion of ideas..., a talking together." I read nothing in your article which approached a conversation. I saw half witted generalizations that were not grounded in fact. The reason no one responds to your slime is because they do not wish to be soiled by stooping to your infantile level. I, however, feel an obligation to speak out against ignorance.

You say all the liberals are in San Francisco. Unlike most of the editorial staff, I have been to San Francisco a dozen times. I have seen more anal retentive conservatives there than in middle Tennessee. There are definitely more liberals in Tennessee than San Francisco. Because there are gay liberals, how can you slam every liberal as gay. There are as many gay conservatives as liberals, I am sure. Would you like your faulty logic turned on you? David Duke was Grand Dragon of the KKK, therefore, every conservative is a racist, unintelligent, bigot. The reason conservatives do not care about social programs such as food stamps is because they are So Fat from feeding off of government Pork. Go back to the drawing board; write a logical argument, and maybe, just maybe, we can talk about our opposing views in an educated open minded way.

Jude P. Santana
Box 0687

To the Editor:

I'm writing in regard to the column "In Our Opinion," most particularly the issues of Sept. 26 and Oct. 3. Since the column uses the word "Our" as part of title, and the column is unsigned, then, logically, the readers should assume that this is the unanimous opinion of every editor on staff: Todd Meyers, Warren Wakeland, Lisa Marie Pomfret, Robin Dixon, Scott Stewart, Charles Hogue and Sharon Spurling. Perhaps these columns even represent the unanimous opinion of the entire *Sidelines* production team. If this is not the case, I strongly believe the author of the column should sign his or her name.

Apparently, in the column of Sept. 26, the author seems to believe that the most noble of all women are those who remain at the hearth suckling babies and stirring the stew. In the Oct. 3 column, the author seems to believe that all liberals sleep around, think of abortion as casually as they think of sleeping around, and regardless, it doesn't really matter to them for they are all too stoned to know what they're doing.

Such generalities are beneath the dignity of any literate person: author or reader. Also, it's extraordinarily childish to take wholesale pot shots at any individual or any segment of society while hiding behind the barn in the dark.

If you are going to write a column, sign it!

Sue Mullin
Box 5799

Editor's note: Okay, I wrote all the "staff editorials" that have been complained about by Jude and Sue--and I take pride in that fact. Here, Sue, this should make you happy:



Todd Meyers—Editor

Reader has a message for campus rape victim

To the Editor:

On Friday, September 30th, I and several others marched for everyone's right to be safe at night but especially the right for women to be free from sexual harassment and rape. Three days later a woman is raped not far from where we marched. As we walked that night we received strange looks and yells of "Get a life!" I can only hope that out of this tragedy those who yelled and

others like them will see the real problem that we all face. Yes, men and women for no society can be truly free until all its members are free. (Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.) It could be your mother, your sister, or your daughter.

I also want to applaud the woman for reporting this act. It took great strength and courage. I am praying for you.

Nanette Trobaugh
Box C-723

Reader takes issue with Michael Grantham's column

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to a very insulting column written by Michael Grantham in the September 12 issue of *Sidelines*. Mr. Grantham engages in an assault on the principles of the religious right, comparing people of this group to an infectious disease, and even going so far as to say that the religious right bears some kind of kinship to Hitler in their pursuit of their agenda.

The arguments offered by Mr. Grantham are far more fallacious than any of those made by the Christian right. Let's start with the comparison to Hitler. Does he honestly believe that the Christian right is that hateful? The obvious question to ask Mr. Grantham is has he ever met someone from the religious right? I consider myself a member of this group; and I am very insulted when someone tells me that I am like Hitler. On a similar note, I am just as insulted when someone compares me to an infectious disease. The current swing to the right in the Republican party is not a small one. In fact, this swing is also visible on Mr. Grantham's on side of the political spectrum. The most obvious example of this is in Congressman Jim Cooper, who is in the middle of a bid for the Senate. His commercials echo many of the views of the religious right, including prayer in the schools which Mr. Grantham calls, "a long-standing bastion...with the fallacy-ridden assumption that everyone's world view is as simple as those of Bible characters long ago."

While we are on the subject of fallacies, let's look at some of the other points in this column. I'll begin with his assessment of prayer in schools. I don't recall anyone in the Christian right asking to abolish all religions but Christianity and saying that everyone has to pray. We are simply saying that we should be allowed to. How does someone saying a prayer cause the institutionalization of all the innocent victims who don't want to? What is so offensive about wanting to say a prayer at a graduation ceremony, or beginning a school day with a prayer? If this kind of institutional activity is so offensive, then why does the United States Congress begin each legislative day with a prayer? If an outward expression of our beliefs is so offensive, why are we still allowed to sing the national anthem at sporting events, or pledge allegiance to the flag?

If you would like to see everything that could offend people removed, then let's get rid of these two institutional activities as well. In fact, while we are at it, let's just remove the American flag from campuses, ban the use of the word "God" on our money, and remove religious studies from the curriculum!

Let's move on to these slanderous "infomercial-type sermons" that the religious right is using to destroy the credibility of our President. The first thing to examine here is that Jerry Falwell does not hold a copyright on this story. President Clinton's sexual escapades have been reported by the media since the Presidential campaign of 1992. To give Mr. Grantham the benefit of the doubt, I will assume for a moment that they are slanderous. If so, who won't the President defend himself in court? Why is he trying to hide behind a stretch of executive privilege? If they are slanderous Mr. Grantham, let the President defend himself.

In conclusion, the simple truth is that the religious right is a group that is growing quite fast. The evidence of this is clear in the success of Oliver North in his bid for one of the US Senate seats in Virginia, the adoption of conservative principles by local candidates like Jim Cooper, Phil Bredesen, and Jim Sasser, and it is evidenced by the growing fear among liberals everywhere saying that the religious right is taking over the political arena. Look around Mr. Grantham, there is a lot more of us than you think.

Geoff Jenkins
Box 7690

Reader praises *Sidelines* staff writer

To the Editor:

Sharon Spurling's "It was a perfect night to take back" was magnificent! Not only did Ms. Spurling accurately document the activity, she captured the "feel" of it as well. To read her column is to remember, perfectly, a most remarkable evening.

Jim Neal
Professor, History Department
Box 0198

Reader takes issue with Christina Basiel

To the Editor:

Without a doubt, MS. Basiel, our resident Conservative Philosopher, has some very controversial, if not homophobic opinions on the U.S. Military, and society in general. Unfortunately, Ms. Basiel failed to proofread her own article, because many of her arguments contradict themselves. For instance, she begins by defining the role of the military as "...defending a country from attack, protect the national interest, and guard the citizens of the government it represents." Later, she has a complete change of heart and states "...that our armed services bear the responsibility of defending God's will." Well, which is it?

Sorry, Ms. Basiel, but until Reverend Fletcher, Felcher (whatever) becomes our Commander-In-Chief, the U.S. Military's agenda will be to continue to carry out the orders of the President of the United States. Nothing more, nothing less.

Ms. Basiel seems to fear the services becoming a social club, and uses that to justify the need for selective recruiting. Few would argue with that need, only as to the traits they are selecting. If the services bear the responsibility of defending God's will as you say, why shouldn't recruiters exclude Atheists as well? They don't because Atheists can fly a plane, pull a trigger, treat the wounded, and carry out orders as effectively and efficiently as Christians.

She goes on to say that "During the course of battle, unity amongst men is essential to survival." As innocent as that may sound, her statement has a hidden message, one with far-reaching, if not scary implications. Gen. Omar Bradley said in 1949 that

A system of complete racial integration might seriously affect morale and thus affect battle efficiency. If we try to force integration on the Army before the country is ready to accept these customs, we may have difficulty attaining high morale.

It's a petty premise, a scare tactic that poses to protect the majority at the expense of the minority. Anyway, shouldn't these "fighting men" be more than prepared to defend themselves against *all enemies*, be it Haitian dictators or the homosexual in the top bunk? Ultimately, the argument is as wrong today as it was some forty-five years ago; no less popular, but still wrong.

As far as the need for women to attend to their "natural biological functions," I'm afraid I'll have to concede your point on that issue. Not that I understand your point, however. Whatever it means, I just don't particularly want to read your explanation.

Oddly enough, we do agree on one point. America does need to return respect to our military. We can accomplish that in one fell swoop: Recruit good men and women to join the ranks.

Jerry Cobb
Box 1960

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Homecoming victory sweet for Blue Raiders

◆ Blue Raiders remain in the hunt for the OVC title

SCOTT STEWART
Sports Editor

The MTSU Blue Raiders regrouped Saturday to hand the Pacers of University of Tennessee-Martin a 38-7 defeat in front of a Homecoming crowd at Horace Jones Field.

The win kept the Blue Raiders in the hunt for the OVC with a conference record of 3-1 and an overall record of 3-2. The Pacers fall to 2-3 overall and 0-3 in the OVC.

The Blue Raider offense started slowly, but gradually built steam as the defense smothered the Pacer offense, giving the Blue Raider offense time to get on track.

"The defense gave us a lot of opportunities," said Blue Raider quarterback Kelly Holcomb. "We were stopping ourselves—that seems to have been a problem up to this point."

"This point" came late in the first half and continued early into the second half when the offense scored five out of six possessions.

"When we started, we were extremely flat, playing with no emotion," Blue Raider football coach Boots Donnelly.

The emotion was provided by Donnelly, who pulled his offensive unit aside following an interception on a tipped

Holcomb pass midway through the second quarter.

The offense took the next possession 80 yards, led by Holcomb passes to Cory Simpson and Demetric Mostiller, who caught a 14-yard pass from Holcomb for the touchdown.

"Kelly [Holcomb] threw the ball, and I just hoped I would catch, and I did," Mostiller said. "I was just happy to be out there making plays, which I haven't done up to now."

After a defensive hold and a 27-yard punt by UT-Martin, tailback Kippy Bayless gained most of the yardage on a 56-yard drive. The drive, which culminated in a 6-yard touchdown run by Bayless, came late in the first half and gave the Blue Raiders a 14-0 lead going into halftime.

"When we got 14 points in the first half, with the way we were playing defensively, I felt secure about how the game was going," Donnelly said.

The way the defense was playing left the Pacers scoreless and hopeless at halftime. The Blue Raider defense stopped the Pacers cold on seven possessions in the first half, led by the efforts of Markee Tate, who intercepted a pass, and Jeff Lee, who sacked Pacers quarterback Todd Mather on his own 10-yard line



CHARLES HOGUE/Photo Editor

CHARGE!!: Blue Raider defensive tailback Trent Young is determined to bring Pacers quarterback Todd Mather to a screeching halt.

to force a punt. Overall, the defense held the Pacers to a total of 170 yards offense with just 61 yards rushing and 109 in the air.

"Our defense did a great job; they kept us in the game early," Holcomb said. "They're beginning to look like the team of old."

The offense, which finished with 451 total yards, continued its scoring binge on its first possession in the second half. After the defense stopped the Pacers on their initial second-

half possession, Kippy Bayless carried most of the load on a 41-yard drive that ended with a 35-yard Garth Petrilli field goal.

Rick Holliday recovered a fumble caused by Mike Ellies' sack of Mather, giving the Blue Raiders the ball at the Pacers' 11-yard line, where fullback Robbie Roberts took it in for the touchdown, leaving the Blue Raiders ahead 24-0.

Donnelly had nothing but praise for his defense, which held the Pacers scoreless into the fourth quarter, when the

Blue Raiders had many of the defensive starters out of the game.

"The whole football team defensively is young and undersized, but they are learning from week to week," Donnelly said. "Our defense gave us the opportunity to stay in the ball game, to get something started offensively."

The Blue Raiders will play host to the Eagles of Morehead State next Saturday at 1:30 p.m. □

MTSU soccer team continues trend of Homecoming wins

SCOTT STEWART
Sports Editor

The MTSU soccer team thrilled the Homecoming crowd at the rugby field Saturday as they came from behind against rival Tennessee to win 2-1 and take sole possession of first place in the Southeastern



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GOAL!!: Ethan Agee shows his stamina while protecting the ball from the Volunteers of Tennessee.

Collegiate Soccer League's East division.

Tennessee scored first in Saturday's game only 3:03 into the 90-minute game. MTSU did not answer the tie until 87:21 into the game when Alan Oates, former Murfreesboro Oakland standout, hit on a penalty

kick. MTSU coach Charlie West was proud of his team's effort during the scoreless period in the game.

"We played hard, and it was a tough-as-nails game," West said. "Our team did what was necessary to get the win."

According to West, goalie Shields Templeton saved the day for the Blue Raiders, with four game-saving goals. Templeton's effort was punctuated with his header save that kept MTSU within one point of the Vols.

"I can't say enough about the job Shields did," said West. "His effort saved the game for us more than once."

After Oates' penalty kick gave MTSU the tie, Ben Jordan put in the game-winner for the Blue Raiders with less than a minute left in the game.

"The Tennessee game has become a great rivalry," West said, "and this game was a very hard-played, very

physical game. "I believe we gave the crowd everything they could want to see in a soccer game, and they responded by being very vocal in their support."

The win, which is the third



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straight one-point game between the two teams, gave MTSU a one-point lead in SCSL East play over Tennessee and Georgia Tech, who gave MTSU its first loss last weekend in Atlanta.

Scoring is decided by wins and ties, with a win counting two points and a tie counting one. After Saturday, MTSU

had totaled five points in conference play, while the Vols and Yellowjackets each have four and Auburn is in second place with three.

West added that the win Saturday was extremely important to his team because of the way the standings are decided.

"It was very important that our team win this game, since we had a loss and a tie going in," West said. "A tie or loss would not have done any good, but the win put us in control of our own destiny for the rest of the season. Now we don't have to depend on someone else to win; we can depend on ourselves."

MTSU will host West division co-leader and undefeated Mississippi State at the soccer complex next to Murfreesboro airport at 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15. They will be traveling to Oxford, Miss., Sunday, Oct. 23 to play Ole Miss. □

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Tennessee vs Arkansas	Vols 35-3 Vols may be able to beat Vandy too	Hogs 24-10 Two wins does not a winner make	Vols 10-3 I can flip-flop too	Vols 31-17 Hog-heaven for the Vols	Vols 20-7 Vols ready for Ham hocks
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NOTICE: Due to circumstances beyond our control, the 'On The Line' staff picks were not printed in the Oct. 6 issue. The *Sidelines* sports staff would like to apologize for the confusion this error may have caused and will take preventive measures to keep it from happening again. The picks on this page are from last week and are unedited (that's a promise) along with the story.

Arnold maintains lead

Tony Arnold now owns a comfortable three-game lead over Jessica Clayborn after a 7-3 performance last week in On The Line.

"I'm cruisin' now," Arnold said. "This is the easiest year I've ever had—nobody's figured out my system."

Clayborn, who remained in second place with a 6-4 mark, was still recovering from last week's UT victory.

"It's not fair!" Clayborn cried. "Who would have expected UT to be prepared to win a game after being humiliated by Mississippi State? It's obvious I'll never be able to pick their games, so I'm flip-flopping from here on out."

Scotty Leamon and Drew Butler both posted 5-5 records. They remained a game behind Clayborn and four games behind Arnold, but they have intentions of passing both.

"It's just a one game lead for second place," Leamon said. "I can make that up next week and give Arnold a real run for his money. Anyone could have made a slip-up last week with UT."

"Don't forget me," Butler added. "Since we're on the UT theme, don't forget I was the only who chose Mississippi State the other week. I have full intentions of rising on Arnold like Auburn did on LSU."

Scott Stewart remained in last place after posting a 5-5 record, putting him five games behind Arnold.

"Nobody's even thought about me," Stewart said. "but I guess you're supposed to expect this treatment when you pick Vandy to win a game." □

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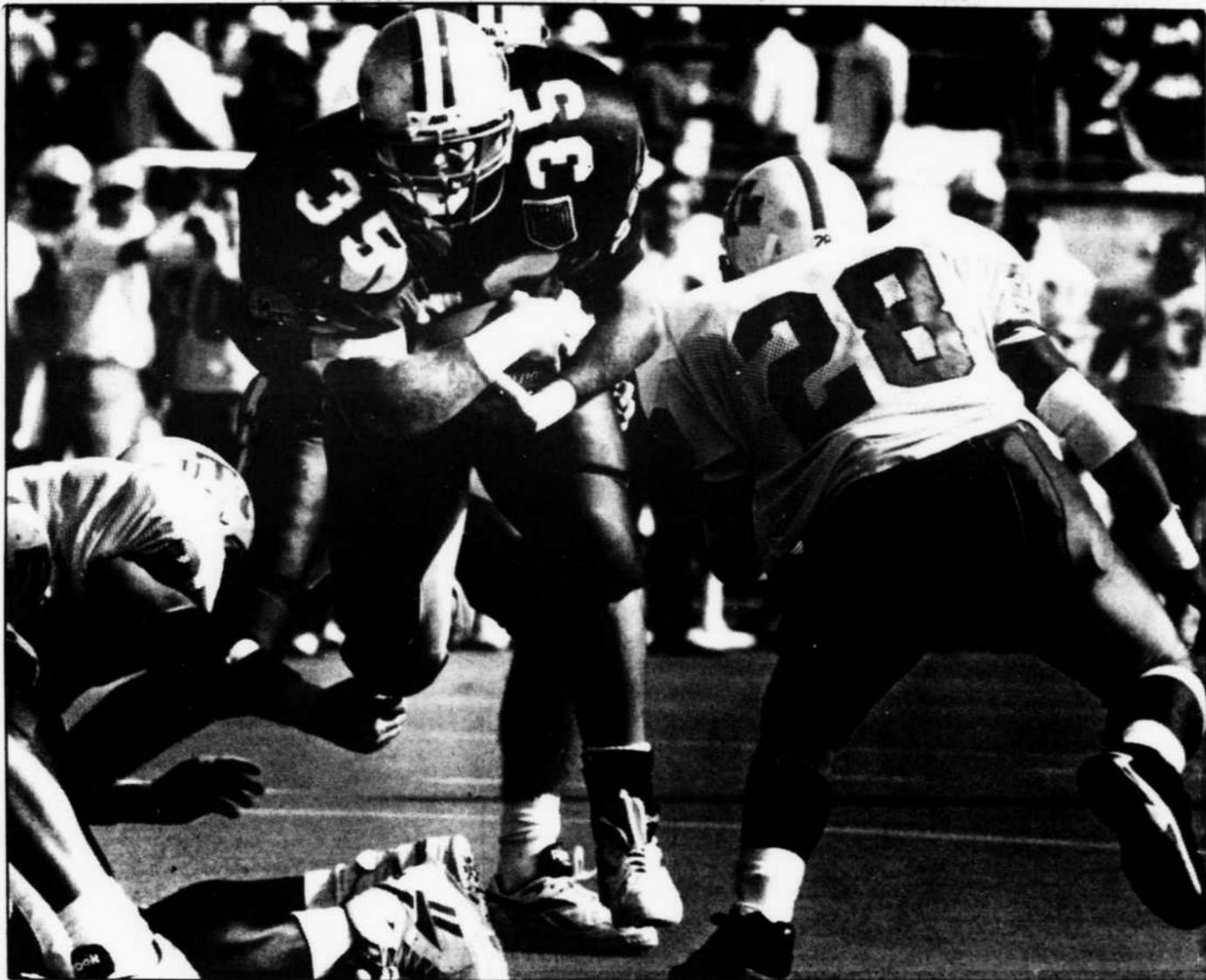
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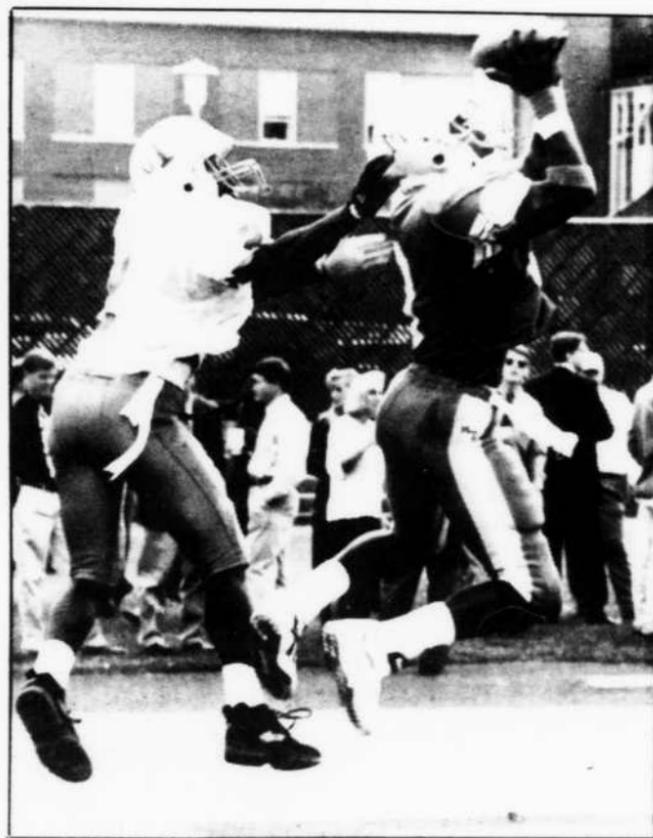


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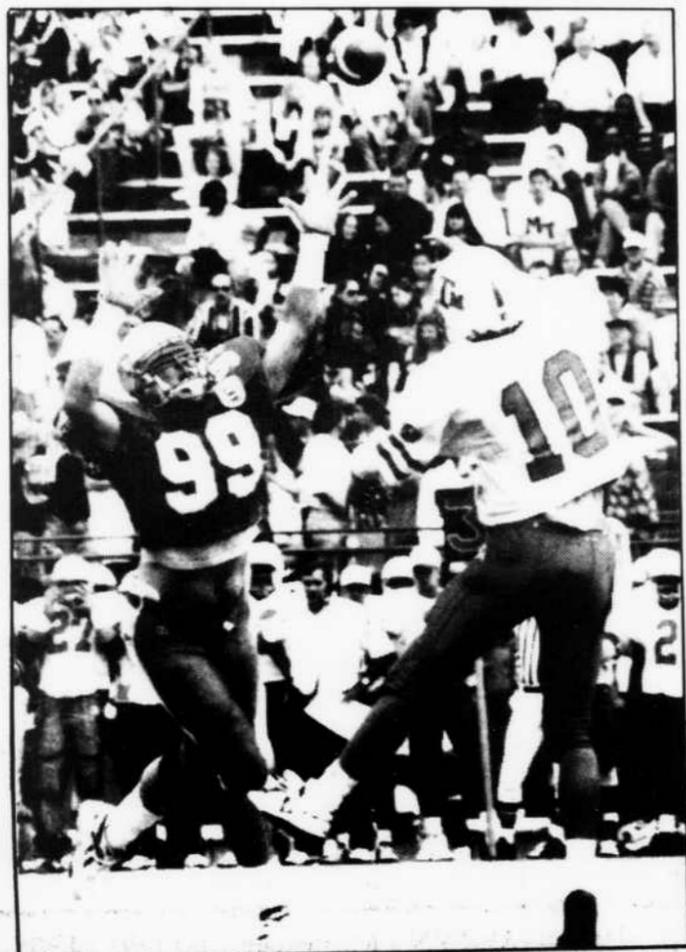


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THE BEST OF HOMECOMING '94



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TOP: Blue Raider fullback Robbie Roberts muscles his way thru the Pacer defense for a touchdown. **MIDDLE LEFT:** Blue Raider split end Percy Blue struggles to free himself from some aggressive Pacers. **MIDDLE RIGHT:** Defensive tailback Markee Tate makes a successful completion despite Pacer interference. **BOTTOM LEFT:** Blue Raider defensive tailback Trent Young gracefully poises for the ball. **BOTTOM RIGHT:** Kippy Bayless breaks free from the pack.



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Visitor	Game	Home
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	Miss St. at S. Carolina	
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	Tenn Tech at UT-Martin	
	Penn State at Michigan	
	Oklahoma at Colorado	
	Nebraska at Kansas St.	
	USC at Stanford	
	Arizona at Washington St.	
	BYU at Notre Dame	
	W. Virginia at Pitt	

Student Picks

In this week's standings, Pete Hopkins and Monica Gordon went 13-3. Chris Goggin, Brian Early, Christina Frazer, and Emeri Gordon went 12-4. Carter Henson, Rhonda Hall, Brian Gray, Paul Christensen, Greg Meyer, Lee Eaton, Daniel Pigue, Rickey Clardy and Corey Skaggs went 11-5. Forrest Moegle, Robin Lindsay, Bonnie Davis, Rodney Smith, Russ Hudson, Alyssa Storey, Ryan Gray, Keith Bennett, and William Wood went 10-6.

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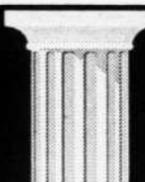
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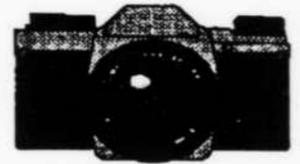
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