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Chi Omega pledges and members celebrate the end of formal rush at sorority Bid Day. The giant freshman class continues to break records, with over 160 girls pledging the four Greek sororities.

## Homecoming 1986 Brings Fun For Lynx, Past and Present

By SUSAN ECK  
Homecoming is a time of excitement and a time of togetherness. Homecoming 1986 will honor nine classes, starting with the class of 1941, celebrating its 45th class reunion. Many activities are planned for these alums by the Rhodes Alumni Association.

With Homecoming 1986 only a week ahead, most plans and preparations are well underway. This year there are many, many ways to get involved in the spirit of Homecoming. Homecoming activities are designed to involve students, faculty, administration, and alums. The Student Government Association

and Social Commission have worked to make this a fun weekend for all people participating.

To kick off Homecoming activities, there will be a Pep Rally Friday October 24 at 8:00 in the Amphitheater. During the weekend, competition will take place among all Greeks for the best Homecoming house decoration. Mr. and Miss Rhodes College 1986 will be announced at the half-time of the football game. And the Homecoming dance will be held at the Peabody following the game. Tickets are \$15 per couple and single tickets may be purchased for \$8 each. The White Animals will be there to

rock you all night long. Homecoming T-shirts are being designed by SGA Social Commission and Tri-Delta sorority. They may be purchased sometime during Homecoming week.

After a long night of dancing and partying at the Peabody, students can enjoy brunch in the refectory Sunday morning at 10:00. Hopefully, all late night partygoers will still be able to make it there. Shrimp, appetizers, and sparkling grape juice will be served.

**DON'T DELAY!** Guys, go ahead and ask a girl to homecoming. It looks to be an exciting time for all who attend.

### HOMECOMING SCHEDULE

#### Friday, October 24

1:00 to 4:00 - Registration and Campus Tours/Briggs Student Center Lobby  
1:30 - "Year After Year" - New Admissions Video in Orgill Room  
6:00 to 7:00 - Alumni Cocktail Party/Peabody Hotel - Venetian Room  
7:30 to 10:00 - President's Alumni Dinner/Peabody Hotel-Continental Ballroom

#### Saturday, October 25

8:30 - Alumni Fun Run  
9:30 to 11:30 - Registration  
9:30 to 11:30 - Golden Lynx Gathering  
10:00 to 11:30 - Reception Honoring Current and Retired Faculty and Staff  
11:30 - Alumni Picnic  
1:30 - Football - Rhodes vs. Samford  
Postgame - Victory Celebrations - Fraternity Row  
Evening - Class Reunion Parties

The 1986 Class Reunion Chairs are: 1941, Henry L. Boothe; 1946, John S. Collier; 1951, Mary Catherine Lynn Hitchings; 1956, Jim Napier; 1961, Kaki Elkin Crews; 1966, Joanna Coss Higdon; 1971, Dan Hatzenbuehler; 1976, Jenny Smoot Prascher and Nancy Jordan Keese; 1981, Emily Parke.

## Baptist Student Union Holds Revival for Chinese Fellowship

By SUSAN ECK

The weekend of September 25-27 was an important time for the Rhodes Baptist Student Union. After practicing hard since the beginning of school to prepare for the occasion, eighteen Rhodes Baptist Student Union members assembled a weekend of activities for the Chinese Baptist Fellowship of the Memphis area. Over forty students attended this revival-type weekend held at various locations in Memphis; many of them spoke Mandarin or Cantonese as their first language. The Student Union put on an interesting group of activities and provided those attending with a different outlook on fellowship and the love of

God.

To get things started off right, the Friday night opening took place at the home of a Chinese family in Memphis. The theme of the night was "The Personality of Jesus." Skits were performed by Rhodes students Chris Caldwell, Kenny Lock, and Kara Hooper. These skits were used to underline the theme of the night.

The Saturday night session of the weekend was held at the Baptist Student Union of Memphis State University. A men's ensemble from the Rhodes Baptist Union performed. This night the skits and songs dealt with the theme of "The Love of Jesus." This speech was given by

Baptist Student Union, Greg Carey.

To wrap things up on Sunday the theme was "The Work of Jesus." Everybody was more involved in the activities that took place on Sunday. A songfest was led by the Rhodes Baptist Student Union with everyone attending participating in the songs and fun. Greg Carey commented on the outcome of the weekend. "It was an exciting week for all of us working because we got to put our faith into active service for those interested in the community. It is particularly challenging to try to explain God's love to persons who don't even understand your own level very well."

## Need a GSL? Read This Immediately

On July 1, 1986, many federally mandated changes became effective in the processing of Guaranteed Student Loans. In light of those changes, each student who applied for a GSL for 1986-87 has been informed of the additional data required by the Financial Aid Office in order to process that application. However, many incomplete applications re-

main in that office because the requisite information has not been received.

As soon as the tax reform legislation is signed into law by President Reagan and re-authorization of federal aid to education is finalized, further changes in the regulations are anticipated. Those revisions will result in some students now eligible for a GSL immediately becoming in-

eligible for such a loan.

Therefore, any student who plans to obtain a GSL during this academic year is encouraged to furnish the Financial Aid Office promptly with all required documents. Immediate attention to this matter is needed.

Please see Mrs. Frisch in the FAO for any needed information.

## SGA Corner

By BETSY HAMILTON  
SGA Secretary

Last week's SGA meeting was held Wednesday evening, October 8, at 6:00 P.M. Minutes are available on the SGA bulletin board outside the mailroom.

The last Food Committee meeting addressed the "crunch at lunch" issue with a solution that should alleviate much of the MWF 12:30-1:00 chaos! A coke fountain will soon be installed at the bar in the pub, and there will be a limited number of pre-prepared lunch items (i.e., salads and sandwiches) available to the modern student on the go. This "crunch at lunch" lunch will be distributed in the pub according to the meal plan.

There will be a formal Homecoming Brunch complete with tablecloths and champagne (well, ginger ale fountain) scheduled for the Sunday following Homecoming, 11:00-1:00. Also, be on the lookout for details on a Halloween Pumpkin Carving Contest after fall break.

Challenge grant proposals were accepted from the Literary Arts Festival and Dilemma '87 based on recommendations made to the full SGA by the Budget Committee.

Attention all bag ladies and College Bowl fans: begin training now for the annual College Bowl coming to Rhodes in early November.

Have lunch with Provost Kepple on Wednesdays; sign up with Kurt Low or Reagan Roper or on the sign outside the mailroom. (P.S. It's catered ... mighty fine!)

The Welfare Commission is sponsoring a Fund Drive for United Way on October 23, 24, 27, and 28. Contribute and let love sing out.

## —Master Plan Outlines Construction—

By JOHN HICKS

Those who have taken the time to examine the Rhodes College Master Plan on exhibit in Clough know that Rhodes is entering a phase of expansion that will last into the twenty-first century and increase the student population considerably.

The first phase begins this fall with building townhouses to replace Evergreen Hall. The construction, expected to begin in January, will be finished in August 1987. To win a spot in one of the townhouses, students must submit projects that will be judged on creativity. The most creative groups will live in the townhouses, which house five or six students. Eventually the entire quadrangle of dorms across the street from the campus will be replaced by

about twenty-six townhouses. It will cost no more to live in one of these than it does to live in one of the dormitories.

Rhodes, which has been operating under the original master plan for sixty years, has high expectations. The upcoming additions will allow the school to increase its population and facilitate them better. Already completed are a \$1.7 million renovation of the Burrow Library and the \$2.8 million East Residence Hall.

Among the new buildings proposed is a 44,000 square foot Social Science Hall to house the departments of business, economics, international studies, and political science to be built at a cost of \$5.7

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Lynx fans react to the 1952 Homecoming game at the old Fargason Field, where Frazier-Jelke Science Center stands today. Notice Kennedy Hall in the background. More pictures of past Homecomings inside.

# Editorials

## In Medias Res

By Chris Allen

Sometimes I really don't like my Daddy. Now that I'm twenty, it's obvious I am quite capable of handling things for myself. I don't need Daddy hanging over my shoulder, shouting suggestions about how to deal with school or money or people. Since I was old enough to listen (though he's still not sure I'm that old yet), he's told me how to properly hold the shovel so I won't break the handle out of it, the easiest way to clean out the tool shed, and the best way to take up a trot line.

One of the first things I can remember doing with Daddy is 'possum hunting. I couldn't have been more than three-and-a-half or four years old when I first started going. We would go out in the truck on some of the back roads near Granny's house where we knew there were persimmon trees. When the persimmons were ripe, right after first frost, 'possums would attack the sweet fruits.

The first time I can remember going, Daddy told me to start getting ready about 8:30 p.m. Preparing with my three-and-a-half years of understanding, I put on my boots and blue jeans (so I could walk through thorns) and got my dark jacket and camouflage hunting cap (so the 'possums couldn't see me very well). Dressed, I yelled for Moma to tell me where my flashlight Daddy had bought me (it was the big red kind that required a huge square battery) was. Now that I was ready I started prompting Daddy: "Aren't you ready yet Daddy?" He said, "Just a minute. Get my rifle." He wanted me to get his gun for him. He would never let me touch it before because I was too small.

But, now he wanted me to get it, by myself. With my chest swelled like a half-grown rooster's, I marched into his bedroom, picked up the rifle from behind the closet door, and hoisted it up on my right shoulder. Holding unsteadily to the butt with both hands, I slowly tiptoed back into the living room and proudly presented it to Daddy. (He helped me get it off my shoulder so I wouldn't drop it.)

We got into the truck. (Daddy decided to drive because, he told me, I wasn't used to the clutch.) I stood in the seat on the passenger side with the window down and my flashlight ready to fire. We drove for about fifteen minutes 'til we got to one big grove of about six persimmon trees. Daddy killed the motor and truck lights and told me to walk behind him and to "be real quiet." I opened my door and climbed down with my flashlight. Then I got a running start behind the door so I could get it closed. I didn't slam it too loud, though, because Daddy said I didn't.

I fell in behind him. "Da-ddee, where do you want me to shine?" He told me to hold on a minute. I kept on following him. He flashed his light in a tree every now and then. "Da-ddee are you ready for me to shine?" He told me to hold on a minute. We stopped walking under one really big persimmon tree. (I could see some of the fruits on the ground.) Daddy bent down and picked up one of the persimmons, pulled the crown off the top of the walnut-sized fruit, and split the smoky-orange flesh in half. He gave me one half to eat and he ate the other half. The first thing I noticed as I ate it was the musky-sweet taste, the second was the big flat seed. I spit it in my hand and was amazed by its size.

Daddy stood back up and started scanning the tree we were under with his light. I leaped up and whispered, "Da-ddee, are you ready for me to shine?" He shined his light on one of the secondary branches and asked, "Do you see him?"

"Yea!"  
"Okay, shine your light on him."  
I aimed my light right at the 'possum and fired mine just as Daddy flicked his off. I had the 'possum; he couldn't move. My hand bobbed up and down a little from the weight of my light. Daddy aimed, cocked, and fired his rifle all in a single, swift motion. The 'possum fell and I grabbed him and put him in the truck.

Daddy hasn't changed too much in the last sixteen years. He's got some gray in his shiny, black hair now, but he's still his erect 6'3" self. I'm not shorter than his rifle anymore, though. (I'm 6'4" now.) That's the first thing I pointed out to Daddy when we began one of our weekly arguments this summer. He jokingly countered with, "But you're still not big enough to shoot it!" It made me really mad when he said it, but he did make me think: when I'm old enough to fire his rifle, I won't have to tell him I am.

## Matt Lembke On the Right

### Tennessee Crossroads

November 4, 1986 is a day that historians will view as a crossroads for the state of Tennessee. On that day, voters will choose the Volunteer State's next governor, and the choice offers a stark contrast between two futures. On one hand, Republican Winfield Dunn offers the best chance to keep Tennessee moving on the positive course which outgoing Governor Lamar Alexander has so craftfully developed. On the other hand, Democrat Ned Ray McWherter offers Tennessee the opportunity to move back to the days of backroom deals and patronage politics which

made the state a laughingstock under former Governor and ex-con Ray Blanton.

The state's current prosperity, typified by General Motors' decision to locate its Saturn plant here, has left a dearth of contentious issues in the campaign. Both candidates preach jobs, health care, better roads, and better schools in their respective campaigns, yet a more careful examination reveals that Dunn is a far better man with whom to entrust these vital issues.

Dunn is a former governor of Tennessee, having served from 1971 to 1975. (He was constitutionally in-

eligible to seek a second term). His administration was highly successful, especially in the area of health care and education. Since 1975, Dunn has been a senior executive with Hospital Corporation of America, so he brings a businessman's expertise and common sense needed in grappling with the state's budget. Dunn has surrounded himself with the brightest people the state has to offer, and his new administration promises to be one of new ideas and forward progress.

Dunn has made a firm commitment to continue (Continued on Page 6)

## Viewpoint

by Conrad Lehfeldt

Ask Rhodes freshmen what has concerned them the most in their first few weeks of college and the majority won't say schoolwork, or being away from home. No, the answer is most likely going to be fraternity or sorority Rush.

Rush, to say the least, is an extremely busy time in which a rushee finds that he or she has the opportunity to go out virtually every night. Obviously, one is not obligated to spend every weeknight at Alex's or Murphy's or The Faculty Lounge, but to have a reasonable chance of receiving a bid, one must

meet as many people as possible. This proposes a difficult problem. A college freshman has enough adjustment problems academically and socially without having to worry about his or her chances of pledging.

For this reason, I would suggest a delayed Rush at Rhodes which would begin either second term or about a month to six weeks into the school year. This would give students the chance to ease into Rush, having already become accustomed to the increased work load. A system of delayed Rush would solve another problem that many people

have encountered. Many people attempting to pledge a fraternity or sorority have found it difficult to meet as many people as is necessary within the rather short five week period. When one chooses a fraternity or sorority, that person has made a decision that will probably affect their next four years, and while de-pledging is always a possibility, it tends to mark a person in the eyes of the campus. A decision of such importance, when made after just five weeks, seems very rushed, and could cause someone to make a bad commitment.

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## Observation

by Derek Van Lynn

Recently the campus of Rhodes College has acquired a new resident: a black and white cat. I'm not sure what this animal's SAT's were like, but obviously they were enough to get past the tougher admissions policies. This is quite an accomplishment, since she is now the proud mama of a slew of kittens. I guess she won't be partying at Alex's for a little while.

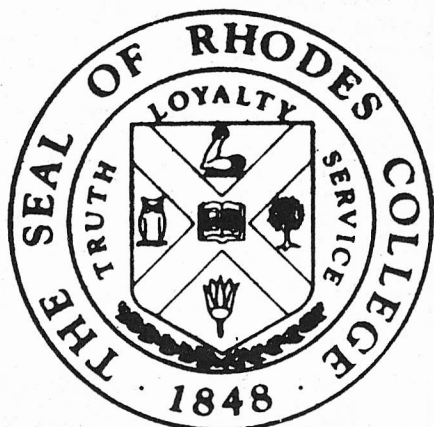
Anyway, I've had the opportunity to get to know this unique feline. (This is a true story, folks.) Last Wednesday morning, after my roommate was up and showering down the hall at some ungodly hour, I was awakened by some annoying meowing. I figured it was one of the other idiots on third floor Glass-Hell

because most everyone is intolerable up there, so I dragged myself out of bed to tell them to shut up or to maybe just gouge their eyes out. But when I went down the hall, there was no one there. I came back to the room, and there was this cat sitting in my doorway.

Being the sociable kind of guy I am, I invited her in. She seemed to be hungry, but all I had were some apple'n'raisin cookies. She looked pretty comfortable curled up by my bed, so I turned off the lights and went back to sleep. Ten minutes later, my roommate returned. He's not the type who enjoys surprises, and his initial reaction to my new friend was, "What the (expletive deleted) am I supposed to do with this

cat?" I responded with a reference to the cat and various parts of his anatomy. Things went well between the three of us after that, except perhaps for my roommate's refusal to sleep on the floor for the rest of the term.

I walked to the Rat with the cat, who was now responding to "Fido." It was there we went our separate ways. We've seen each other off and on since then, and she could be my only hope for homecoming. My roommate, on the other hand, asked me politely "not to bring any more animals into the room at night." Oh well, I can't wait to see the look on his face when I bring home my rhino buddies from the zoo and listen to some Hendrix. More later.



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The prize for the scariest Halloween costume goes to 8 year old Jimmy Jones...

# Campus News

## Help for Jobhunters



Homecoming of the fifties, and the Lynx are still coming.

**By Crickette Rumley**  
Graduate school or job market? These are just two of the choices a senior must face during his last year of college. Luckily, in making these decisions, seniors have access to both information and guidance through the Career Placement Service headed by Tina Fockler.

Already, Ms. Fockler has sponsored a series of orientations to the program. One hundred and ten students, approximately half the class, attended these sessions.

One of the advantages of participating is that students can interview with local and national companies on campus. Only ac-

counting firms have interviewed so far, but a wide variety of organizations will come to Rhodes between now and May. Students will be able to interview with companies such as First American Bank, Nashville City Bank, Peace Corps, Memphis City Schools, and Northwestern Mutual Insurance.

If seniors choose to do their own job search, Ms. Fockler can often assist them. Each year she holds a seminar that teaches seniors how to look for a job. Also, the service can provide information to students planning to go to graduate school.

However, the job place-

ment service is not just for seniors. Starting in the spring, many businesses come to Rhodes to recruit freshmen, sophomores, and juniors for summer jobs. "We get recruiters from Mud Island to restaurants to local firms that need temporary help," said Ms. Fockler.

So, if you are looking for a job, whether it is a permanent position or summer employment, stop by the Center for Counseling and Career Services. "I think we provide a very helpful service to students. There are a lot of resources here for all students, from freshmen to seniors," explained Ms. Fockler.

Rhodes College sophomores interested in a career in government service at the federal, state, or local level are invited to apply for a 1987 Harry S. Truman Scholarship.

Interested students should submit a letter of application, a statement of career plans, a list of past public-service activities or other leadership positions, a current transcript, and a 600-word essay discussing a public policy issue of their choice to Marcus D. Pohlmann, Truman Scholarship Faculty Representative, Harris Lodge Rm. 3, by Oct. 31, 1986.

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Why are Chris Allen and Anne-Marie Akin the new talk of the town? Can a mere birdcage come between them? For the answers to these questions and more, see *Wonderful Town*, McCoy Theatre, Oct. 31, Nov. 1, 2; 7-9; 13-16. (photo by Bobby Reed)

### Berg Is Director of Institutional Research

William D. Berg, former director of enrollment research at DePaul University, has been named to the newly-created post of director of institutional research at Rhodes College, President James H. Daughdrill announced recently.

Working with the different departments, Berg will undertake various research, evaluation, programming and planning responsibilities at the college.

Berg, who also worked for several years in DePaul's admissions department, holds a B.A. degree in psychology from the University of Connecticut where he graduated magna cum laude in 1975.

He earned his master's degree in quantitative psychology at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, where he was awarded a National Institute of Health Fellowship. At Chapel Hill he also served as a research and teaching assistant at the L.L. Thurstone Psychometric Laboratory and was a consultant for the city's Project Outreach.

A lecturer in psychology at Duke University, Berg also was senior data technician for the Duke University Center for the Study of

Aging and Human Development.

Berg, whose work has been published in various journals, belongs to several professional organizations including the National Merit Scholarship Corporation Selection Committee. He is also a consultant to the College Board Admissions Testing Program.

"Bill Berg's commitment to the liberal arts and his expertise will greatly enhance the college's planning and evaluation efforts in all areas," said President Daughdrill. "We welcome him and look forward to a long and mutually productive association."

### Teasley Named Special Studies Associate

Thomas P. Teasley has joined Rhodes College as associate dean of special studies, leaving New York where he was director of development at the New School for Social Research.

In the newly created position, Teasley will work with Special Studies Dean Sally P. Thomason in planning and managing programs for the college's Meeman Center for Special Studies. The Center,

formerly known as the Meeman Center for Continuing Education, sponsors adult education courses, summer conferences, professional training workshops and special programs for high schoolers.

Teasley, a 1969 graduate of Rhodes and native of Lebanon, Tenn., has worked as associate director of development at Fordham University in New York and as director of

marketing and program administrator for the Tennessee Performing Arts Foundation in Nashville. He also has been an economist and editor with the Interstate Commerce Commission in Washington.

While in the army he was stationed in West Berlin where he worked as a senior Russian language transcriber.

## Shakespeare's Wit Hits Rhodes

The Clarence Brown Theatre Company, Tennessee's only fully-professional resident theatre company, is touring the state with a condensed version of Shakespeare's comic battle of the sexes, *THE TAMING OF THE SHREW*. The company will be performing in Memphis on Saturday, October 18, at 7 p.m. in Hardie Auditorium at Rhodes. Admission is free.

*THE TAMING OF THE SHREW*, edited to play in 90 minutes, is the story of a comic encounter between a man and a woman, both unlikely to bend to the conventions of the time.

Petruchio is a charming scoundrel, searching for his fortune in the villages of

Italy. Katherine is a fiery-tempered and independent woman, feared by her family and strangers alike. When they meet, in what starts as a financial agreement, the sparks fly. Soon respect, and even love, follows where spirited confrontation began.

Shakespeare's play is a witty and physical comedy — full of brawls, disguises, plots, and confusion — as Petruchio sets out to tame a shrew, and Kate the Shrew does everything in her power to resist.

The cast of professional actors assembled for *THE TAMING OF THE SHREW* are experienced and talented performers, all of whom have worked with CBTC recently. Petruchio

is played by Barry Mulholland; Lynn Watson is Katherine.

The rest of the cast — Richard Bowden, Robert Hock, Monique Morgan, and Scott Threadway — will play many roles, including suitors, fathers, and servants.

*THE TAMING OF THE SHREW* tour is produced by the University of Tennessee Center for Theatre Excellence, and also funded in part by the Tennessee Arts Commission and the Tennessee Humanities Council, a not-for-profit corporation with primary support from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

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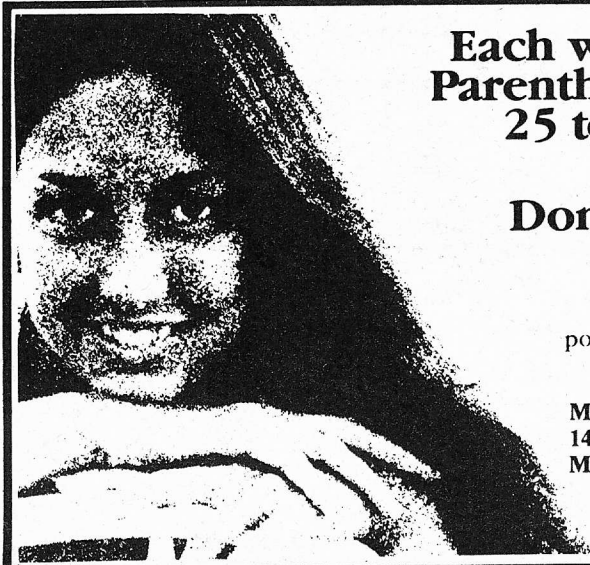
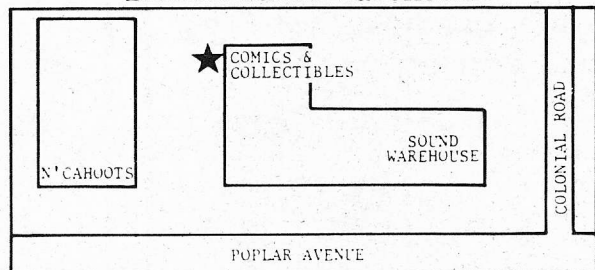
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This class is set for October 16 at 7:00 p.m. at the Consolidated Import Services offices, located at 2404 Summer Avenue. The owner, Chris Corcorum, of CIS has sixteen years of emergency safety experience and is offering this course free to all interested persons. Items expected to be covered include minor auto repair and personal safety.

For more information, flyers will be available in the Dean of Students office, 3815, or call CIS at 324-2474. CIS asks that you call and make a reservation. Refreshments will be served.

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# Rat Food/ For the Birds?

Coordinated By MARK WELLS

Has the refectory changed for the better? Are you pleased with the quality of the food? How is the service, and is the Rat capable of handling the greater number of students this year? We asked two students this week for their opinions on these questions, and here are their responses.

## Carolyn Brown

As a senior at Rhodes I've spent a vast majority of my time in the refectory, contemplating whether this is as good as Mom's food or whether a trip to McDonald's might be better than Beef Tom Mac Casserole. Endless times I've counted out quarters to obtain the Dairy Queen-Meal deal, yet this year those trips are less frequent, as the Rat has made a few basic changes.

Positively the lines have improved tremendously with the doors opening at 4:30. Especially with the new Tuesday/Thursday N1

and N2 class schedules, one can eat without suffering indigestion. The food has slightly improved this year — no more pancakes and sausage for Sunday night dinner ... Yet we all miss Tina's face in the serving line. It has been great having the sandwich bar open at night, the more variety the better, in having to satisfy close to 1200 students. Larger cups this year are an added plus to have that caffeine to start the day off with. I am still amazed that new varieties are still seen in the food ... nowhere but the Rat could

you find roast beef wrapped around a pickle. And once again this year the Rat has excelled with the breakfast meal, especially in its variety of fresh fruit.

Negatively, one can always find something to pick at in the Rat. There always seems to be times when ice is gone, cups are dirty, or milk is bad. Occasionally it is nerve-racking when the Rat closes its doors early and you miss the meal. Yet considering the increase in enrollment the Rat workers are only human and try to do their best.

## Hal Prince

So, how are things in the Rat, you ask me. Let me put it this way — how many times this year have you seen a pile of those corn dogs and turned right around and headed for Taco Bell? How many of your dinner table conversations have been taken up by debates over just what "Pizza Joe" is supposed to be? Add to these conditions the construction noise and lunchtime mobs, both caus-

ed by overenrollment, and you've got a real zoo on your hands.

Aha, caught you! Thought this was going to be another inflammatory response by ol' radical Hal, didn't you? Well, you might expect such a statement from any one of us. Sure, we all give the Rat a hard time, and sometimes even rightly so. But what would we have to complain about if we didn't use the Rat as

our scapegoat? Do you expect us, after a hard day of studying, to sit there and say something intelligent or enlightening?

That just might give us time to think about people who wonder where they're going to get their next meal or who don't get a chance to take their education past high school, if even that far. As for me, I'd rather fuss about the chicken supreme.

## Master Plan Outlines

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million. This new hall should be completed by December 1988. Another project scheduled is renovation of the gymnasium at a cost of \$425,000. Also scheduled are a \$1.6 million addition to the Burrow Refectory, and a new entrance sign for the corner of North Parkway and University Streets. An expansion of the Briggs Student Center to add to the bookstore, mail room, and offices is scheduled for the summer of 1988. A \$1.2 million refurbishing of Palmer Hall is tentatively scheduled for completion by October 1989. A renovation of Voorhies, Townsend, and Trezvant is estimated to cost one million dollars.

The first phase of construction of South Dorm will be finished in 1993 at a cost of \$3 million and will house 93 students. The second phase of townhouse construction will be finished in 1994.

Various other projects include a \$1 million addition to McCoy Theatre in 1994, a third phase of townhouses, and a \$2.0 million faculty club and inn in 1997. Renovation of Kennedy Hall, another addition to the Burrow Library, and a new administration building are planned for completion in 1999. A new auditorium and humanities building will be built in the year 2000.

## PROFILES IN RHODES HISTORY

# Alexander Administration Saw Radical Changes

By CRAIG GIBSON  
Vietnam. Racial trouble. The late 1960's. In the wake of the Peyton Rhodes administration came John David Alexander, one of the youngest college presidents in the country at that time and the first Southwestern alumnus to become president. A Rhodes Scholarship winner and ordained Presbyterian minister, Alexander established a Task Force which included faculty, administration, and students, whose purpose was to evaluate and improve all aspects of the college's educational system. In the end, it brought many improvements to the academic program.

Among Alexander's chief goals was to give students opportunities for independent and interdisciplinary study. Some degree requirements were relaxed, and in the 1968-69 year, our current three-term system was adopted. With this came the abolition of Saturday classes and the

lengthening of Tuesday/Thursday classes to an hour and a half. The main advantage of this was that the first term ended at Christmas instead of after the new year. However, the system was a disadvantage to transfer students and because of the rhythm of the Tuesday/Thursday classes (one day off between and then four days off). Other less radical changes included a pass-fail program that allowed students to take some classes without fear of hurting their grade point averages and a system by which they could get credit for courses taken at the Memphis Academy of Arts.

In 1967, the Computer Center was established — made possible by a donation from the University of Tennessee Medical Units. This presidency, with the help of grants and endowments, saw the construction of several new buildings. Because of the difficulty of constructing such an immense building

in the Gothic style and the need for openness in the middle of campus, the Frazier-Jelke Science Center was built underground. Clough Hall, the math building, and the Physics Tower were also built at this time.

Alexander's administration was also a time of change in the duties and responsibilities of faculty and students. The budget for creative activity and research by faculty was increased. The students voted to abolish compulsory chapel attendance, prescriptive dress, dorm rules, and drinking prohibitions. In order to keep the study area of the library open until midnight, students volunteered to do late duty themselves since funds were not available for overtime personnel. Alexander's administration also established the SRC, giving students responsibility for their own actions.

## Crossroads

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Gov. Alexander's nationally acclaimed Better Schools Plan, and Dunn pledges to avoid implementation of a state income tax. Rather, he will work with the people in determining what new programs will be needed and how they will be funded.

McWherter, in contrast to Dunn, is a career professional politician, educated in the Ray Blanton school of Democratic politics. McWherter is counting on special interests such as labor and teachers to put him in the governor's office. Realizing that Gov. Alexander's policies are extremely popular, McWherter has tried to paint himself as the logical successor to the Republican governor.

However, McWherter's policies seem to exhibit

more demagoguery than substance. For instance, McWherter has questioned the career ladder portion of the Better Schools Plan. This means in effect that McWherter is rejecting a chance to ensure that quality teachers are recognized and remain in the educational system. McWherter has made many promises for new programs, yet he maintains that no new taxes will be needed to fund his largesse. Certainly, the voters of Tennessee are smart enough to realize that his claims that the booming economy will generate the revenues is a farce.

The appearances of the two men are symbolic of their potential impacts on the state. McWherter is a sort of Tennessee Tip O'Neill, seeming with his

obesity and grin to fit in better twenty years ago than today. In Dunn, we have a trim, well-tailored business executive who seems ready to confront the 1986 problems of this state. Certainly, Dunn is a far better representative for Tennessee to send to international boardrooms in search of new industry and jobs.

The issues that the two men present in the campaign are not radically different, but the image and background of each are far apart. The Republicans under Lamar Alexander have saved Tennessee from the shame of the Blanton years. It is only logical that Republican Dunn be chosen to carry on the state's progress.

## Viewpoint

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The greatest casualties of Rush, however, are those who "fall through," or in other words, do not receive a bid from a sorority or fraternity. The most important feeling a freshman wants to gain is acceptance, and the most crushing blow that he can be dealt is rejection from the Greek system. Unfortunately, their failure to gain a bid may not truly be an indication that they are disliked. They simply may have not had the time to get to know enough people.

In very basic terms, the most important thing for a rushee to do is get to know as many people as possible before formal Rush begins. With respect to the amount of time prior to Rush, however, the system does

not seem to be very conducive to the needs of the rushee. While the lack of time is a problem for both the fraternities and sororities, the fraternities are lacking in an area where the sororities are quite strong — organized Rush functions.

The timing of the first night of fraternity formal Rush, during which everyone going through Rush must visit every house, is very poor. Due to the fact that many men have already been extended, and have accepted, early bids, the night has no bearing on their decision. Such an evening would be much more beneficial if duplicated towards the beginning of Rush. Sorority

rush, however, contains many organized activities at the beginning of Rush which give the girls a structured opportunity to meet people from the very beginning. These are extremely important to the rushees who are attempting, as stated earlier, to meet as many people as possible.

In the eyes of this college freshman, Rush at Rhodes has been an incredible experience, even if it was an occasional distraction to schoolwork. It is in some respects well-organized, but it is a system that has its faults. These weaknesses are not glaring but significant enough to be recognized, and if corrected, would make Rush a better system for everyone.

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# Sports

## Sweet Victory on Sewanee's Hill; Rhodes Triumphs 28-7

By CONRAD LEHFELDT

On a cool and cloudy day in Sewanee, Tennessee, the Rhodes Lynx produced their finest effort of the season, dominating the Sewanee Tigers 28-7. The much-heralded Sewanee passing game was controlled by a fearsome Lynx rush that produced six sacks and two forced interceptions. Rhodes' prowess on offense matched its defensive prowess as it outgained Sewanee in total yards by a margin of 391-251. Steve Becton began the scoring with a three yard run with just over two minutes left in the first quarter to give the Lynx a 7-0 lead, and as the sky became more threatening and the temperature steadily dropped, the Rhodes lead increased.

Leading the charge on defense was junior defensive tackle Johnny Moore who had three sacks and applied constant pressure on the Sewanee quarterback. Rhodes was clearly the winner of the battle at the line of scrimmage. In addition to its six sacks, the Lynx defensive front held Sewanee to 31 yards rushing on 26 carries. Conversely, Rhodes powered its rushing game on offense to the

tune of 215 yards on 56 carries. The strength of the offensive line nearly matched that of the defense, and the success of each helped carry Rhodes to a very balanced victory.

Perhaps the most pleasant surprise of the game was the success of a previously questionable passing game. Joe Welborn produced solid statistics, completing ten of nineteen passes for 176 yards, but it was the individual performance of senior tight end/wide receiver Shawn Abel that stood out most on the minds of the 1,500 fans at McGee Field. Abel's touchdown catch in the second quarter gave Rhodes a 14-0 lead, and he amassed 106 receiving yards on six catches, some of them spectacular.

The lead was but 14-0 at halftime, and one couldn't help but wonder if the potent Sewanee passing attack wouldn't become untracked in the second half. The answer came on Rhodes' very first drive as they marched 75 yards for a touchdown. Chuck Wade broke a 30 yard run during the first drive, and Scott Decker capped it with a 28 yard touchdown catch from Joe Welborn. With a 21-0 lead

Rhodes appeared to be on its way to victory, but the defense still had to continue its success against the Sewanee attack. Two of Sewanee's third quarter drives ended with interceptions, one by Trey Clark and the other by Jim Chase.

Chris Lewis capped the third quarter, Rhodes' strongest of the game, with a two yard touchdown to make the score 28-0. Sewanee scored a meaningless touchdown in the fourth quarter to make the final score 28-7.

Of the 1500 fans at the game, most were silent Sewanee fans, forced to witness a humbling defeat during Parents Weekend. However, the Rhodes football team wanted to thank a small yet extremely vocal contingent of fans who made the trip from Memphis and gave the fighting Lynx much-appreciated support. Has Rhodes finally reached its potential? Are they to continue the winning ways that were seen before the Millsaps game? The beginning of the answer lies at Homecoming against Samford. See ya'll there.

## Fall Ball Strengthens Lynx

By GREG CAREY

Coach Alan "Bo" Reynolds knows how to get the best out of baseball players in a laid-back atmosphere. Fall baseball is the best way for him to display his talents. In October, baseball is glamorous only in places like New York and Houston, Boston and Anaheim, and not in Memphis. Reynolds took command of Rhodes' new fall program in 1984 and came away with only one win. This year, the autumn Lynx are 5-4 on a steady diet of Christian Brothers College and Shelby State, both scholarship schools. This year is the first time Rhodes has beaten CBC in

the fall.

Fall ball gives freshmen needed experience at the college level before the spring regular season. The freshmen get acquainted with their new teammates, and the team gets a jump on its opponents who don't have fall programs. The program has worked so well at Rhodes that the Lynx have won the last two CAC championships.

This year, there are nine freshmen on the fall roster. Five of them — Chris Burr, Keith Flexsenhar, Mike Harrel, David Lewis, and Todd Mullen — are starting. Pitchers Jeff Calvert and Lance Vickers are throwing well, and Reynolds notes that the

Lynx "are hitting the ball extremely well. You can tell that we've worked a lot on hitting and defense, because that's where we're strong." The veterans have been great leaders, according to Reynolds, "helping the younger guys to adjust." About the team's work in practice, Reynolds "can't say enough" to praise the Lynx.

This fall is evidence to the great progress of Rhodes baseball. Coach Ellingsworth is seriously gearing the Lynx for this year's NCAA playoffs, knowing that this year's edition of the Lynx should be even stronger than the last two CAC champs.



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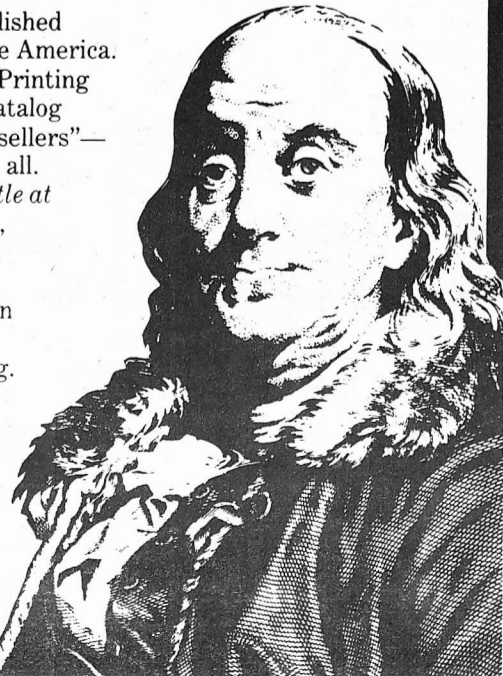
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## Tricia Browning: The Inside Scoop

By JOAN MARGRAFF

"All I want to do is work as hard as I can and do the best I can." These words are those of freshman Tricia Browning, the number two ranked player on the women's tennis team at Rhodes.

Tricia began playing at the early age of six. "I asked my parents if I could play. I don't remember why, but I was always asking to play!" Tricia's dad bought her a regular-sized racquet and had to cut it down to fit her size. Her mom and dad supported her interest in tennis. "My dad always played with me when I was little because

no one else my age could play."

Tricia's experience of playing at an earlier age has given her a competitive edge. "I grew up playing on the hard court. It's all I've ever played." Tricia has the ability of a winner to remain cool on the outside. "I try not to show much emotion. If I'm having a bad day I don't let my opponent know." This is one of the keys to her success.

Tricia ranked in her home state of Tennessee for both her sophomore and junior years of high school. She has played in tournaments during the summer since the age of ten.

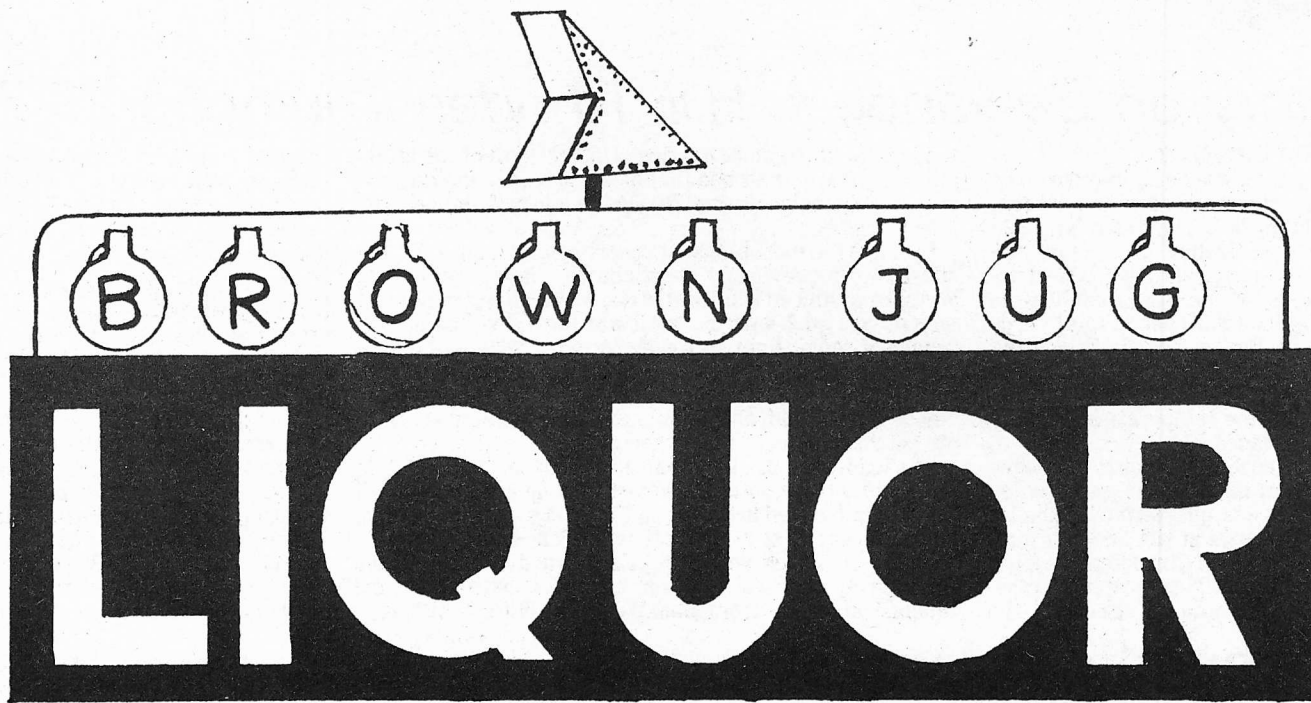
She always planned on playing tennis in college and is still doing exceptionally well.

At Rhodes Tricia plays both singles and doubles and likes them both. "I get along well with my doubles partner. We communicate really well. In singles if you're having a bad day, it just affects you; in doubles it affects the other person as well. I try hard to do especially well in doubles."

Tricia has some favorite tennis players too. She admires the way Chris Evert-Lloyd plays and also enjoys Boris Becker, because "he's an exciting player."



Members of the class of '59 at the 1969 Alumni Day luncheon.



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