

# Middle Tennessee Psychological Association

## Spring Research Meeting

Middle Tennessee State University  
May 1, 1999

### Program

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10:30-11:30 AM	<p>Welcoming Remarks -- State Farm Lecture Hall</p> <p>Dr. Gloria Bonner Dean, College of Education, MTSU</p> <p>Keynote Address -- State Farm Lecture Hall "Critical Thinking: None of Us Are Perfect"</p> <p>Dr. James Kalat North Carolina State University</p>										
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## Poster Session I -- 8:30 to 9:20 AM

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- #1 **Genealogy and Family Ethnic Identification.** Carol Hughes Gipson. Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Steven Olivas.
- #2 **The Effects of Acute Exposure to Intense Illumination on the Antinociception Properties of Morphine in Male and Female Rats.** A. L. Beck, L. B Tucker, & F. Van Haaren. Lipscomb University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Paul Turner.
- #3 **Exploring Deferred Imitation in Young Children With Down Syndrome.** S. Lynette Jordan & Michelle E. Boyer-Pennington. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michelle Boyer-Pennington.
- #4 **Marijuana Use and the Generation Effect.** Leigh Anne Dempsey, Marty Hester, & Daniel Brown. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. William Langston.
- #5 **If a Picture is Worth 10,000 Words, Then a Spatial Metaphor Ought to be Worth about 5,000.** Neil Norman, Michelle Crawford-Williams, Marion Jones, & Matthew Carter. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. William Langston.
- #6 **Reversed Speech: Psychology Talks Back.** Linda Clark, Rebecca Buxton, Brian Lee, Heather Whitehead, Troy Vaughn, & Carol Paschall. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. William Langston.
- #7 **Does Watching TV Make You Read Slowly?** Matthew Carter & Josh Sharpe. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Stuart Bernstein.
- #8 **Exploring the Stability of Self-Esteem and Self-Concept.** Tara Dry. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Tom Brinthaup.
- #9 **Divorce Coping: Parents' Perspectives of Group Training.** Tracey Fox. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Kimberly Ujcich.
- #10 **Effects of Personality Upon Driving Behavior in the United States.** A. Michael West. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Tom Brinthaup.
- #11 **The Impact of Optimism on Perceived Stress and Illness.** Susan Conrad. Milligan College. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lori L. Mills.
- #12 **Eating Beliefs Questionnaire: Test-retest Reliability.** Anita Krueger, Stacie Mukina, Jennifer Lutz, Kristie Moore, LaVaun Kelley, Christina Annicelli, Frederick Grieve, & Maureen McCarthy. Austin Peay State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Frederick Grieve.
- #13

**Mortality Awareness and Health Perceptions.** Melissa Foster. Middle Tennessee State University.  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Tom Brinthaup.

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**Exploring the Limitations of the Pique Technique of Persuasion.** Maile Porter, Kari Thoman,  
Hunter Jones, & Kerri Mills. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John

#15 Pennington.

**Differences in Territoriality as a Function of Maternal Status.** Jennifer Zorn, Jaclyn Wilson, Linda  
Hyland, & Patricia Davis. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John Pennington.

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## Poster Session II -- 9:30 to 10:20 AM

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- #1 **Does the MTSU First Year Experience Program Improve Students' Transition to College?** Leigh  
Anne Dempsey & Marty Hester. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. William  
Langston.
- #2  
**If Giik Rhymes With Rick, How Do Children Read Ziim?** Tara Appleton & Jennifer Hood. Middle  
Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Stuart Bernstein.
- #3  
**The Effects of a Musical Mood Induction on Story Continuation.** Janet Herrod, Sarah Frazier, &  
Charles Webster. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. William Langston.
- #4  
**Gesturing: Selfishness or Selflessness?** Tara Appleton & Mindy Patterson. Middle Tennessee State  
University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. William Langston.
- #5  
**The Role of Action in Imagery: Evidence from a Mental Rotation Task.** Shanna D. Ray.  
Vanderbilt University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Daniel L. Schwartz.
- #6  
**The Relationship Between Body Decoration and Personality.** Melissa McCallister, Chris Anderson,  
Elaine Elkins, Andre Williams, Veronica Kizer, & Andrea Starkey. Middle Tennessee State University.  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. William Langston.
- #7  
**Effects of Personality Upon Chosen Leisure Activities in Differing Living Environments.** A.  
Michael West. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Tom Brinthaup.
- #8  
**Relationships Describing Facets of Perfectionism and Optimism in the High School Population.**  
Allison L. Beck & Charles R. Kane. Lipscomb University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Paul Turner.
- #9  
**Self-Mutilating Behavior.** Shane Lambert. Milligan College. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lori L. Mills.
- #10  
**Academic Cramming, Procrastination, and Flow.** Chul Shin. Middle Tennessee State University.  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Tom Brinthaup.

**Male Territoriality When Choosing Pornographic Videos.** Brandi Cox & Robin Raper. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. William Langston.

#12 **It's Beer-Thirty: Do You Know Where Your Stool Is?** Michal Moseley, Brandi Cirotto, & Justin Barrett. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. William Langston.

#13 **The Development of Causal Attribution Vignettes.** Sonia Allan. Western Kentucky University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John R. Bruni.

#14 **The Effects of Type and Cost of Request on Compliance.** Jeffrey Thomas, Heidi Welch, Jessica Ray, & Valerie Sweatt. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John Pennington.

#15 **Sex Differences in Territoriality While Using Public Telephones.** Veronica Swanson, Angie Perkey, Annette Curtis, & Leonard Gorman. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John Pennington.

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## Clinical Paper Session

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11:45 **Is the "Quest" for Religion Really Healthy? A Study of Religious Orientation and Anxiety.** Shelly Spaulding. Trevecca Nazarene University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Randy Carden.

12:00 **A Look in the Mirror: How Body Image Satisfaction Relates to Self-Esteem.** Elaine Murphree. Trevecca Nazarene University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Randy Carden.

12:15 **Counseling and Psychotherapy: Attitudes, Expectations, and Outcomes.** John Agee. Western Kentucky University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John R. Bruni.

12:30 **The Relationship Between Obsessive Compulsive Behavior and Self-Talk.** Carla Sloke. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Tom Brinthaup.

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## Gender Issues/Differences Paper Session

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11:45 **Lesbian Partner Abuse in Middle Tennessee.** Kay Ann Meek. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Jeannette Heritage.

12:00 **Gender Differences in the Relationship Between Dating Relationship Satisfaction and Life Satisfaction.** Kristina Anders. Belmont University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Elizabeth Yost-Hammer.

- 12:15 **The Cultural and Gender Differences in the Naming Practice Between African-Americans and Caucasians.** Toni N. Thomas. Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Elliot Hammer.
- 12:30 **Gender Differences in Awareness of Inner Speech.** Julie Cantrell. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Tom Brinthaupt.
- 12:45 **Perceptions and Fears: Homophobia, Fear of AIDS, and Locus of Control.** Aubrey L. Everhart. Belmont University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Elizabeth Yost-Hammer.

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## Experimental/Cognitive-Developmental Paper Session

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- 11:45 **The Effects of Color on Taste.** Alicia A. Stout-Reed. Milligan College. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lori L. Mills.
- 12:00 **The Effects of Arousing Pictures on Memory.** Kimberly J. Feldser, Deanna Vickers, Clark Fitzgerald, Chris Goodmaster, John Radcliff, & Steve Schmidt. Middle Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Steve Schmidt.
- 12:15 **Can Babies Add and Subtract? The Development of Numerical Reasoning in Infancy.** Jennifer Hughes Wagner, Gayathri Narasimham, & Shanna D. Ray. Vanderbilt University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Daniel H. Ashmead.
- 12:30 **The Use of Polygraphs in Treating Adolescent Sex Offenders.** April Dugan. Milligan College. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lori L. Mills.

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## Social Paper Session

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- 11:45 **The Effects of Message Framing and Evocative Situations on Evaluations of Targeted Out-Group Members.** Dee Lisa A. Cothran. Tennessee State University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Elliott Hammer.
- 12:00 **Vignettes: A Critique of Validation Strategies.** Shelly Ball. Western Kentucky University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John R. Bruni
- 12:15 **The Influence of Moral Beliefs and Social Conformity on Behavior.** Jennifer Chadwell. Milligan College. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lori L. Mills
- 12:30 **The Relationship Among Adolescent Maturation, Athleticism, and Manipulated Self-Efficacy.**

Jacquelyn Pennings. Belmont University. Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lonnie Yandell

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