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# THE ALUMNI RECORD

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## NOTEWORTHY



Photo by Tom Cheatham

MTSU recognized Julie and Lanas Smith (both B.S. '79) for their gift to horse science.

### Smiths gift helps horse science

Alumni Lanas and Julie (Murphy) Smith (both B.S. '79) gave a "generous gift" to MTSU Aug. 7 for the completion of the student riding center arena that will be enclosed behind the horse science building next to the Tennessee Miller Coliseum.

"This program (horse science) has meant a lot to us," Julie Smith said.

Lanas Smith added, "We want to see kids continue to further their education in horse activities."

The couple, who live in Boulder, Colo., met through the program.

The Smiths praise Dr. David Whitaker, director, horse science, and equestrian Coach Anne Brzezicki for their years of dedication.

### Johnson, Zvolensky up for Emmy

Recording industry alumni Steve Johnson (B.S. '96) and John Zvolensky (B.S. '00) were part of a team nominated for a primetime Emmy Award for Outstanding Sound Mixing for a Variety or Music Series or Special or Animation. The award was announced Aug. 27. Along with audio/music mixer Tom Davis, Zvolensky and Johnson, who had audio sweetening roles, were nominated for "Barry Manilow: Music and Passion" that aired on Public Broadcasting Service stations.



Zvolensky



Johnson

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# LIGHTNING STRIKES THROUGH THE DECADES

Homecoming will be a 'Blast from the Past'

By Allison Payne  
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Great times are in store for everyone at Homecoming 2006!

The Office of Alumni Relations and campus organizations have planned ways to reminisce about old times, rekindle friendships and rebuild traditions for MTSU.

A number of activities have been planned for alumni, friends and fans of all ages leading up to the 2:30 p.m. kickoff on Saturday, Nov. 4.

The best MTSU has to offer will be all around—from the pageantry and spectacle of the annual Homecoming parade to Fight Song, Blue Raider Chili Cook-off, Tennessee's Best Alumni

(See 'Lightning' Page 4)



Photo by Seth Alder



File photo by Ken Robinson

Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity and Alpha Delta Pi sorority members get in the spirit at the 2005 Homecoming Parade, walking beside their "American Raiders" float—a parody of the "American Gladiators" game show.

## 3 alumni events in D.C. area for MT-Terps game

By Patience Long plong@mtsu.edu

The MTSU alumni office will host a trio of events in the Washington, D.C., area to mix and mingle with alumni, friends and fans Sept. 7-9.

A reception will be held in downtown D.C. from 6 until 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 7, at Old Ebbitt's Grill. Cost is \$10 per person for the event.

From 5:30 until 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 7, an informal gathering will be held at Joe Theismann's Restaurant in Alexandria, Va., and will include free appetizers and happy hour specials.

Be ready to send the Blue Raiders

(Please see 'Alumni' Page 8)



Photo provided by U.S. Rep. Bart Gordon's office

Washington, D.C.'s, U.S. Capitol Building will be a tour stop for alumni and fans making the football trip Sept. 7-9. U.S. Rep. Bart Gordon (B.S. '71), fourth from right, will greet guests just as he did with Dr. Frank Michello's international studies students in October 2005.



## Got (political) connections?

Dear MTSU alumni,

MTSU is looking for alumni who have connections to Tennessee political leaders.

Tennessee's state and federal elected officials need to hear from concerned citizens, voters and alumni that public support for MTSU must be a priority if MTSU is to continue to accommodate increased quality enrollment with up-to-date facilities and outstanding faculty.

Help advocate and support MTSU by filling out our online form and telling us about your connections in Tennessee. We are looking for alumni in Tennessee who may or may not have ties to MTSU.

By registering, you are expressing an interest in our corresponding with you about legislation or funding that affects MTSU. We encourage you to take action in whatever way you feel comfortable.

You can find the form by following this link: [mtalumni.com/political.htm](http://mtalumni.com/political.htm).

Thank you for your time. We appreciate your support of MTSU and hope to see you back on campus soon.

Sincerely,



Ginger C. Freeman

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# Appalachian authors

## Alumni, faculty add to encyclopedia

By Lisa Rollins [lrollins@mtsu.edu](mailto:lrollins@mtsu.edu)

More than 20 MTSU alumni and several faculty members have made significant editorial contributions to the newly published *Encyclopedia of Appalachia*, a comprehensive reference guide that encompasses many facets of Appalachian culture.

The new title, with more than 2,000 entries, "serves as a one-stop reference for students, teachers, scholars and the general public as they seek information about Appalachia's land, people, economics, cultures and institutions," according to the encyclopedia's Web site ([etsu.edu/cass](http://etsu.edu/cass)).

Members of the MTSU community became involved with the East Tennessee State University project after Dr. Carroll Van West, director of MTSU's Center for Historic Preservation, was contacted by its sister Center of Excellence—the Center for Appalachian Studies and Services at ETSU.

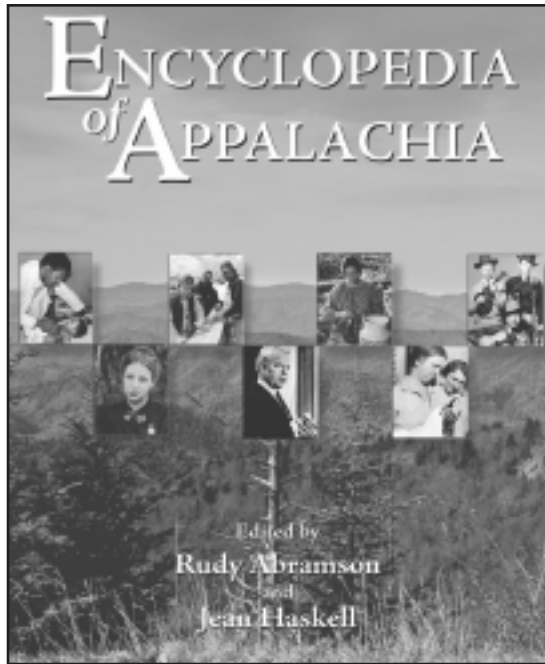
"I had occasion to meet (with ETSU center representatives) and help in initial planning for the project," West said. "I also agreed to be the section editor for architecture and ... I turned to many of our past M.A. historic preservation students that have built successful careers throughout the region (to contribute)."

West said he agreed to undertake the assignment not only because of his research interests in southern architecture, but also out of the conviction that Appalachia particularly suffers from stereotypes.

"All architecture in Appalachia is not composed of log cabins, as the Great Smoky Mountains National Park suggests," West said of the region along the Appalachian Mountains chain that stretches from northern Alabama to Maine.

"The section certainly includes an entry on log buildings," West remarked, "but it also includes such key American architectural landmarks as Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater in Pennsylvania and the Grove Park Inn in North Carolina."

Southern architecture aside, however, the



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CHP-related contributions to the *Encyclopedia of Appalachia* serve to highlight the academic endeavors of MTSU's history department and programs.

Dr. John McDaniel, dean of MTSU's College of Liberal Arts, said, "The newly published encyclopedia on the historical roots and cultural accomplishments of Appalachia is an important addition to what can be broadly called Southern Studies—an addition to which the faculty and students in our history department and Center for Historic Preservation have made significant contributions.

With mentoring and partnering from senior faculty in the MTSU Public History Program," McDaniel noted, "graduate students have had a unique opportunity to experience the rigors and delights of researching and publishing in a volume sure to have national significance as a scholarly reference work."

And West couldn't agree more.

The *Encyclopedia of Appalachia* is not only a document of the well-recognized research and expertise of the Center for Historic Preservation," he said. "It is also a testament to the quality of our graduate assistants and how we always try to advance their research and careers by involving them in experiential learning experiences."

In addition to West and former historic preservation graduate students, Drs. Bren Martin (B.A. '89, M.A. '91) and Kris McCusker, associates professors of history at MTSU, and the late Dr. Charles Wolfe, English professor and historian, also contributed to the Appalachian reference work.

Published by the University of Tennessee Press, the *Encyclopedia of Appalachia* was unveiled at the Appalachian Studies Association's spring conference in Dayton, Ohio.

For more information about the "Encyclopedia of Appalachia," please visit the Center for Appalachia Studies and Services Web site at [etsu.edu/cass](http://etsu.edu/cass) or contact Cheryl Carson at the University of Tennessee Press at 865-974-4440.

## MTSU's *Encyclopedia of Appalachia* contributors

Dr. Carroll Van West (B.A. '77), director, MTSU Center for Historic Preservation, said other Center for Historic Preservation-related contributors to the *Encyclopedia of Appalachia* included:

- Ruth Nichols ('85), who is with a consulting firm in St. Louis;
- Susan Besser (M.A. '99), who is a Fort Worth Texas, consultant;
- Jennifer Martin (M.A. '94), a consultant in Raleigh, N.C.;
- Jeff Durbin (M.A. '99), who is with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation in Washington, D.C.;
- Leslie Sharp (M.A. '93), now at Georgia Tech;
- Robbie Jones (M.A. '02), director of preservation at The Hermitage in Nashville;
- Susan Goodsell (M.A. '91), who is with a southern Georgia museum;
- Harrison Stamm Gowdy (M.A. '97), who is with a consulting firm in Cincinnati;
- Ed Salo (M.A. '98), who is with a consulting firm in South Carolina;
- Karen Lowe (M.A. '99), who is a consultant in Chagrin Falls, Ohio;
- Blythe Semmer (M.A. '98), who is with the

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, Washington, D.C.;

- Martha Carver (M.A. '79), who is a program head at Tennessee Department of Transportation in Nashville;
- Trina Binkley (working on master's), who is with Alabama Historical Commission, Montgomery;
- Mike Gavin (M.A. '95), who is with MTSU's Tennessee Civil War National Heritage Area;
- Carole Summers (M.A. '02), who is with HandMade America in Asheville, N.C.;
- Margaret Binnicker (D.A. '99), who is with the University of the South in Seawee;
- Stacey Griffith, who is with a consulting firm in Birmingham;
- Lena Sweeten (M.A. '98), who is with a consulting firm in Cincinnati; and
- Susan Knowles of Pikeville, Tenn., an incoming Ph.D. fellow at the Center for Historic Preservation.

"Pat Wells (publications and graphics) was another MTSU-associated contributor," West said. "There are undoubtedly others, and I did not catch their names. We are such a big group nowadays. But clearly, MTSU has made an important contribution to the scholarship of this region."



# CALENDAR

## Alumni events

### September

**7 Alumni Reception**

5:30 p.m. EDT/Old Ebbitt's Grill,  
Washington, D.C./\$10/  
800-533-MTSU (6878) or [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com)

**8 MTSU Mixer**

6 p.m. EDT/ Joe Theismann's  
Restaurant, Alexandria, Va./  
Free appetizers/  
800-533-MTSU (6878) or [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com)

**9 Blue Raider Rally**

2:30 p.m. EDT/Greenbelt Marriott,  
Greenbelt, Md./Free appetizers/  
800-533-MTSU (6878) or [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com)

**14 Varsity Club Pregame Reception**

4 p.m./Kennon Hall of Fame/  
Open to Varsity Club members and  
their families/615-898-5632

**14 1956 Refrigerator Bowl  
Football Team Reunion**

4 p.m./Kennon Hall of Fame/  
615-898-5632

### October

**6 Recording Industry  
Alumni Reception**

3 p.m./Hilton Downtown Nashville/  
Free/615-898-2225

### November

**3 11th Annual Cooperative  
Education Alumni Dinner and  
Awards Ceremony**

6 p.m./James Union Building's  
Tennessee Room/\$25 per person;  
reservations required by Nov. 1/  
615-898-8961

**4 Alumni Band Day**

800-533-MTSU (6878) or [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com)  
for more information

**4 Homecoming 2006**

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**4 Varsity Club Pregame Reception**

Following Hall of Fame introductions  
(see Page 8)/Kennon Hall of Fame/  
Open to Varsity Club members and  
their families/615-898-5632

**25 Varsity Club Pregame Reception**

12:30 p.m./Kennon Hall of  
Fame/Open to Varsity Club members  
and their families/615-898-5632

## Campus events

### September

**1 First Friday Star Party**

6:30 p.m./Wiser-Patten Science Hall  
Room 102/Free/615-898-5946

**2-3 Tennessee State Cowboy  
Mounted Shooting  
Championship Show**

Noon/Tennessee Miller Coliseum  
Free/615-494-8961

**4 Labor Day Holiday**

University closed



Photo submitted by McLean School of Music

The McLean School of Music Wind Ensemble will perform Sept 22 and Oct. 29 in the WMB Hinton Music Hall.

**6-10 Cowboy Mounted Shooting  
Eastern U.S. Championship Show**

10 a.m./Tennessee Miller Coliseum/  
Free/615-494-8961

**10 MTSU Faculty Piano  
Recital—Lynn Rice-See**

3 p.m./Wright Music Building's  
Hinton Music Hall/  
Free/615-898-2493

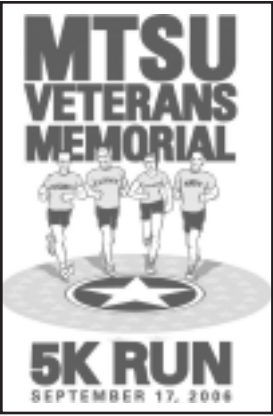
**11 David Loucky, Trombone and  
Euphonium Faculty Recital with  
Caleb Harris, piano**

8 p.m./Wright Music Building's  
Hinton Music Hall/Free/  
615-898-2493

**15-17 Music City Arabian and  
Open Dressage Horse Show**

8 a.m./Tennessee Miller Coliseum/  
Free/615-494-8961

**17 MTSU  
Veterans  
Memorial  
5K Run/Walk**  
2 p.m./MTSU  
campus (Peck  
Hall)/  
Early registra-  
tion \$15/  
888-682-7682  
or [cgiles-  
@mtsu.edu](mailto:cgiles@mtsu.edu)



**18 Maya Stone, bassoon; Caleb  
Harris, piano, recital**

8 p.m./Wright Music Building's  
Hinton Music Hall/Free/  
615-898-2493

**20 Faculty Recital: Caleb Harris,  
piano, and Friends**

8 p.m./Wright Music Building's  
Hinton Music Hall/Free/  
615-898-2493

**20-23 NWA National  
Championship Walking  
Horse Show**

Noon Sept. 20, 9 a.m. Sept. 21-  
23/Tennessee Miller Coliseum/  
Free/615-494-8961

**22 MTSU Wind  
Ensemble/Chamber Winds**

7:30 p.m./Wright Music Building's  
Hinton Music Hall/Free/  
615-898-2493

**25 Deanna Hahn-Little  
Faculty Flute Recital**

8 p.m./Wright Music Building's  
Hinton Music Hall/Free/  
615-898-2493

**28-30 International Grand  
Championship Performance  
Walking Horse Show**

7 p.m./Tennessee Miller Coliseum/  
\$5, free for ages 6-and-under/  
615-494-8961

**29-30 Comedy: "Hay Fever"  
by Noel Coward**

7:30 p.m./Boutwell Dramatic Arts  
Tucker Theater/\$8/615-494-881

### October

**2 Todd Waldecker, clarinet/  
Caleb Harris, piano, faculty recital**

8 p.m./Wright Music Building's  
Hinton Music Hall/Free/  
615-898-2493

**4 Danner Invitational  
Golf Tournament**

11:30 a.m./Hermitage Golf Course,  
Nashville/Entry fees: \$350 for indi-  
vidual, hole sponsors \$450, donation  
toward prizes \$195 and team and  
hole sponsors \$1,295/615-604-8810

**4-7 Comedy: "Hay Fever"  
by Noel Coward**

7:30 p.m./Boutwell Dramatic Arts  
Tucker Theater/\$8/615-494-8810

**5 MTSU Women's Chorale**

7:30 p.m./Wright Music Building's  
Hinton Music Hall/  
Free/615-898-2493

**6 First Friday Star Party**

6:30 p.m./Wiser-Patten Science Hall  
Room 102/Free/615-898-5946

**7 Presidential Concert Series:  
MTSU Wind Ensemble and MTSU  
Choir "Hidas' Requiem"**

7:30 p.m./Wright Music Building's  
Hinton Music Hall/Free/  
615-898-2493

**7-8 Pat Parelli  
Horsemanship Clinic**

TBA/Tennessee Miller Coliseum  
Admission charged/800-642-3335

**10 Presidential Concert Series:  
Aima Maria Labra-Makk, piano**

7:30 p.m./Wright Music Building's  
Hinton Music Hall/Free/  
615-898-2493

**10-14 IBRA National Finals  
Barrel Race**

TBA/Tennessee Miller Coliseum/  
Admission charged/615-494-8961

**12 MTSU Symphonic Band/  
Chamber Winds**

7:30 p.m./Wright Music Building's  
Hinton Music Hall/Free/  
615-898-2493

**20 MTSU Jazz Combos**

7:30 p.m./Wright Music Building's  
Hinton Music Hall/Free/  
615-898-2493

**21 Walking for the Children  
Charity Walking Horse Show**

5 p.m./Tennessee Miller  
Coliseum/Call 615-494-8822 for  
ticket information/615-494-8961

**22 MTSU Symphony Orchestra**

8 p.m./Wright Music Building's  
Hinton Music Hall/Free/  
615-898-2493

**23 Stones River Chamber Players**

7:30 p.m./Wright Music Building's  
Hinton Music Hall/Free/  
615-898-2493

**25 MTSU Brass Ensembles**

8 p.m./Wright Music Building's  
Hinton Music Hall/Free/  
615-898-2493

**28 Contest of Champions**

10 a.m. preliminaries, 7 p.m.  
finals/Floyd Stadium/Call  
615-898-2103 for ticket pricing/  
615-898-2493

**29 Sarah Cote Faculty Viola Recital**

3 p.m./Wright Music Building's  
Hinton Music Hall/Free/  
615-898-2493

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# Homecoming Blast From The Past



## Golden Raiders mark 50 years

This year, members of the Class of 1956 will be inducted into the Golden Raiders Society. This special society is for 50-year and earlier MTSU graduates and attendees to honor this memorable milestone.



Only those who attended or graduated from MTSU in 1956 and earlier can wear the special lapel pin and receive the distinction of being called a Golden Raider. All Golden Raiders are invited to participate in the reunion and Homecoming activities.

Honoring graduates and attendees through the class of

1956, Golden Raiders will take part in a number of events during Homecoming. Golden Raiders are encouraged to join us for the following events:

**Friday, Nov. 3**

### 2006 Golden Raider Reunion

#### Campus Tour, Induction Ceremony and Dinner

4:30 p.m., Tom H. Jackson Building (old Alumni Center)  
\$15 Golden Raiders and guests.

**Saturday, Nov. 4**

### Mixer on Middle Parade Watching Party

9:30 a.m., Alumni Relations House, 2259 Middle Tennessee Blvd.

Join us as we watch the 2006 Homecoming Parade from the premier viewing area. The lawn of the Alumni House will be filled with MTSU alumni and friends as we get together for an event that is inspired by the legendary parade-watching parties of yesteryear on Main Street. Admission is free; beverage bands may be purchased on the lawn for \$10.

### Annual Homecoming Parade

10 a.m.

Featuring Grand Marshal and Golden Raider Dr. Liz Rhea, Class of 1955.

### MT vs. Florida-Atlantic

2:30 p.m., Floyd Stadium

Tickets available for \$15 (sideline) and \$10 (end zone) per person by calling 1-888-YES-MTSU (937-6878).

For more information on these or any other Homecoming events, contact the Office of Alumni Relations by calling 800-533-MTSU (6878) or visiting [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com).



File photo by Ken Robinson

Phi Beta Sigma members Emenike Okafor, left, Isaac Caldwell, Bryan Roberson (a.k.a. DJ Breezy) and Wesley Scott wow the crowd during the National Pan-Hellenic Council Inc.'s, Step Show during Homecoming 2005.

## Alumni Band Day will be Nov. 4

With the momentum from last year's record-breaking attendance, this year's Alumni Band Day, to be held on Homecoming Saturday, Nov. 4, promises to pack in the fun with activities for the whole family.

Alumni band members have the opportunity to take part in the MTSU Homecoming Parade, rehearse with the Band of Blue, sit with the band during the game and perform during halftime.

A tailgating party will be on the lawn of Saunders Fine Arts. After the game, there will be a Band of Blue alumni party. Many fun activities for children of all ages, including inflatable playsets and the chance to meet Lightning, the MTSU mascot, are planned.

A detailed schedule and registration information will be available soon. Visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com) for more information.

— Patience Long [plong@mtsu.edu](mailto:plong@mtsu.edu)



Becky Brown Blackburn, MTSU Band of Blue member from 1995 until '98, has a blast playing the cymbals during the 2005 Alumni Band Day.

## Lightning

Tailgate and the new Mixer on Middle Parade Watching Party. The 2006 Homecoming theme will highlight the traditions of MTSU from the past five decades.

Before and after the Blue Raiders face the Florida Atlantic Owls, everyone is encouraged to visit campus and take part in the many events and rallies that will make Homecoming 2006 more memorable than ever.

With a focus on building tradition, memories and pride, this year's Homecoming activities will bring alumni together to relive some of the greatest moments in MTSU history. Even this year's Homecoming theme, "Lightning Strikes Through the Decades," will help remind alumni and current students about the fun-filled college days from the not-so-distant past.

### Building Tradition

When alumni reminisce about

college, many stories are told about the fun had when watching the parade. From lining the sidewalk to partying on the lawns of Main Street, many MTSU graduates spent Homecoming morning having fun with friends and preparing for a Blue Raider victory.

The Alumni Association hopes to continue the tradition of Homecoming fun with the Mixer on Middle Parade Watching Party. The party will kick off at 9:30 a.m. on the lawn of the new Alumni Relations House, 2259 Middle Tennessee Blvd.

### Building Memories

With a full week of activities leading to Homecoming, we hope many more fond memories will be made during Homecoming 2006.

Friday, Nov. 3, will be the official kick off to Homecoming for the Alumni Association. Join us for the annual Homecoming Golf

Tournament, presented by Wilson Bank & Trust, at Indian Hills. We will meet for lunch and registration at 11 a.m. and hit the links at noon for an afternoon of competition and camaraderie that has become a tradition for many players.

Friday night in the Tom H. Jackson Building's Cantrell Hall (the old Alumni Center), the Golden Raider Society Reunion and Induction Ceremony will honor the Class of 1956 for a special event. All grads and attendees who called MTSC home in 1956 or before are invited to share in this evening.

There are plenty of other campus happenings on Friday, including the NPHC Step Show, Blue Raider Chili Cook-Off, Cooperative Education Dinner, Hall of Fame Celebration, Homecoming Open House and various reunions. There is no excuse to stay at home; there truly is something for everyone on the eve of

Homecoming 2006.

### Building Pride

Nothing helps to build a better sense of pride than preparing to cheer your team to victory.

By getting involved in the excitement of the parade, tailgating in Walnut Grove and joining Blue Raider fans for Raider Walk (the south side of Peck Hall), you are showing and sharing your pride for MTSU. Coming together with family and friends in Floyd Stadium and cheering on your Blue Raiders provides the perfect opportunity to share in the proud tradition of excellence we are all building for MTSU.

We hope to see everyone at Homecoming to share in the traditions, memories and pride of MTSU and all it has to offer. For more details, call Alumni Relations at 800-533-MTSU (6878) or visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com).

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# LIGHTNING STRIKES THROUGH THE DECADES

*Many activities for alumni, fans leads to game*

## Schedule of events

**Saturday, Oct. 28**

### Fight Song

2 p.m., Murphy Center

Join in the fun as student organizations compete to sing their way to Homecoming victory.

**Monday, Oct. 30**

### Trick or Treat

**Early evening in Walnut Grove**  
Student organizations will greet early trick-or-treaters with goodies. Bring your Baby Raiders to Walnut Grove in their best costumes to get jump on Halloween and Homecoming. Visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com) for more details.

**All week**

8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Oct. 30-Nov. 3

### at Office of Alumni Relations

Trade in your team shirts at the T-Shirt Swap.

Visit the Alumni Relations House all week to exchange a T-shirt from another college to receive a free Homecoming 2006 T-shirt, available in adult and children's sizes, while supplies last. An annual event sponsored by the MTSU Alumni Association and Student Government Association, the T-Shirt swap promotes Blue Raider pride while helping those in need. For more details, call the SGA at 615-898-2464.

**Friday, Nov. 3**

### Homecoming Golf Tournament

**Presented by Wilson Bank & Trust**

11 a.m., Indian Hills G.C.

Hosted by the MTSU Alumni Association, the tournament begins with registration and lunch at 11 a.m., followed by a noon shotgun start. \$100 per player, \$400 per team. For registration information, contact the Alumni Relations office at 615-898-2922 or visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com).

### Golden Raider Reunion

4:30 p.m., Alumni Center

Highlighting the class of 1956, Golden Raider registration begins at 4:30 followed by a campus tour and the 2006 Golden Raider Induction Ceremony Dinner. Contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 615-898-2922 for more details.

### Blue Raider Chili Cook-Off

5 p.m. Walnut Grove

Blue Raider fans will be putting their culinary skills to the test for this classic competition. A pep rally will cap the night's activities. Registration details can be found at [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com).

### 11th Annual Cooperative Education Alumni Dinner and Awards Ceremony

6 p.m., James Union Building, Tennessee Room

Reservations are required by Nov. 1. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased by calling 615-898-2225.

### Hall of Fame Celebration

6 p.m., Emmett and Rose Kennon Sports Hall of Fame

The celebration is open to all members of the Hall of Fame and will introduce the 2006



Photo by J. Intintoli

Tailgaters get creative and colorful when it comes to Homecoming.

inductees. Space is limited and tickets (\$30) are required. Tickets may be purchased by contacting Jim Simpson at 615-898-5632 or e-mail [jsimpson@mtsu.edu](mailto:jsimpson@mtsu.edu).

### NPHC Step Show

7 p.m., Murphy Center

Tickets available for \$15 in advance by calling the Greek Life Office at 615-898-5812.

### Homecoming Open House

8:30 p.m., hosted by Darrell Freeman

The African-American Alumni Council invites all alumni and friends to get together for a social hour to reunite at the home of Darrell Freeman at The Governors Club in Brentwood. RSVP by contacting Valerie Avent, 615-898-2718 or [vavent@mtsu.edu](mailto:vavent@mtsu.edu).

**Kappa Alpha Psi Reunion**  
9 p.m., James Union Building, Tennessee Room

**Saturday, Nov. 4**

### Alumni Band Day

Visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com) for more information about participating in the Alumni Band events.

### Mixer on Middle Parade

#### Watching Party

9:30 a.m., Alumni Relations House, 2259 Middle Tennessee Blvd.

View the parade here. The lawn will be filled with MTSU alumni and friends. Admission is free; beverage bands may be purchased on the lawn for \$10. For more information, call 800-533-MTSU or visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com).

### Annual Homecoming Parade

10 a.m.  
Dr. Liz Rhea (Class of '55) will lead the parade beginning on Maney Avenue, following Main Street and Middle Tennessee Boulevard to Faulkinberry. Baby Raiders are encouraged to participate in the parade. For more information visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com).

**Horace Jones Field Sign Rededication Ceremony**  
11 a.m., Floyd Stadium, Gate 3  
A new sign honors the late Horace Jones and his contribution to Blue Raider athletics.

**Tennessee's Best Alumni Tailgate**  
Noon, Walnut Grove



File photo by Ken Robinson

Matthew Wallace (B.S. '06) grills hamburgers and hot-dogs during Homecoming 2005.



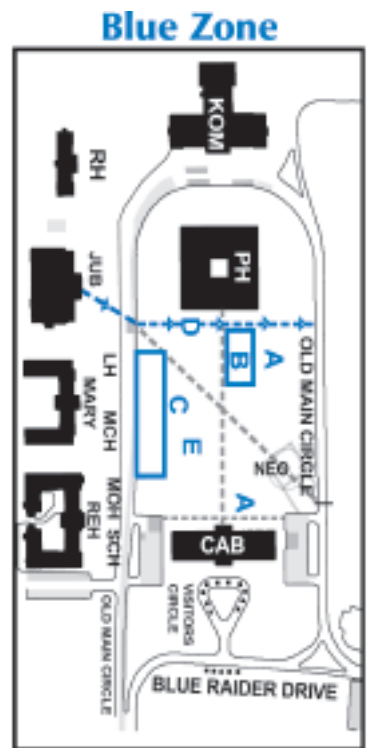
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John Ward (B.S. '93), left, Wilson Bank & Trust-Rutherford County senior vice president, Alumni Relations Director Ginger C. Freeman (B.B.A. '89, M.Ed. '92), Wilson Bank President Stan Hayes and MTSU National Alumni Association President Bob Lamb (B.S. '69, M.S. '77) display the \$2,500 check the bank gave for the 2006 Homecoming golf tournament at Indian Hills Golf Course Nov. 3.

## Game day parking



## Tailgating in Walnut Grove



### White Zone and Blue Zone Map Legend

All Activities Free!

A	-	Inflatables and Face Painting, Pregame Activities and Games
B	-	Food Tent
C	-	Tailgate Parking
D	-	Raider Walk
E	-	Tailgate Tent Area
F	-	BIAA Parking, \$5
G	-	RV Parking
	-	Sidewalks

Maps, legend by Sherry Wiser-George

Visit Tennessee's Best Alumni Tailgate to see old friends and professors, take part in children's activities and find out the latest news from your college. An ARAMARK-catered lunch will be available for purchase in Walnut Grove.

### Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony

Noon, outside the Emmett and Rose Kennon Sports Hall of Fame

Honoring the 2006 Inductees Dionne Rose, Vince Hall and the late W.R. "Jack" Yearwood Free and open to the public. Contact Jim Simpson at [jsimpson@mtsu.edu](mailto:jsimpson@mtsu.edu) for details.

### Raider Walk

12:15 p.m., The Blue Horse Shoe in Walnut Grove

**Varsity Club Reception Following Induction Ceremony**  
until 2 p.m., Emmett and Rose Kennon Sports Hall of Fame  
Visit with fellow Varsity Club members inside the Hall of Fame. Snacks and beverages will be provided. This event is open to Varsity Club members and families. Admission is free. Contact Jim Simpson at [jsimpson@mtsu.edu](mailto:jsimpson@mtsu.edu) for details.

### MT vs. Florida-Atlantic

2:30 p.m., Floyd Stadium

Tickets available for \$15 (side line) and \$10 (end zone) per person by calling 1-800-YES-MTSU (937-6878) or visiting [goblueraiders.com](http://goblueraiders.com). Great group rates also available.

### Alumni Homecoming Queen Reunion

Former queens will be on the field at halftime to join in the crowning of the 2006 Homecoming Queen. Participation is complimentary with the purchase of a game ticket. Call Alumni Relations at 615-898-2922 to participate.

### Al Wilkerson Scholarship Dance

9 p.m., Doubletree Hotel  
Hosted by the African-American Alumni Council, this event is open to the public. Reservations are requested. Tickets are \$20 per person. Light hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar will be provided. Call 615-898-2718 for more information.



# CLASS NOTES

## 1950s

**J. Don Clark** (B.S. '56), Birmingham, Ala., recently celebrated his 50th anniversary as an ordained minister. He has served as pastor of churches in Rockvale, Shelbyville, Nashville and Memphis in Tennessee and led the Homewood Church in Homewood, Ala. for 24 years.

## 1960s

**Ted C. Thompson** (B.S. '68), Auburn, Ala., has joined accounting and audit firm Cherry, Bekaert & Holland, L.L.P. as a consultant. He previously served as the benefits manager for a number of Fortune 500 companies and has more than 25 years of experience in the field.

## 1970s

**David W. Adamson** (B.S. '71), Old Hickory, is serving a one-year term as president of the National Alliance of State Broadcasters Associations.

**Col. James. C. Chandler** (B.B.A. '76, M. S. '81), Alexandria, Va., retired from the Army earlier this year after nearly 30 years of service.

**Lucinda Poole Cockrell** (B.S. '79), Christiana, has been appointed key contact representative for Tennessee for the Society of American Archivists.

**Martha B. Rider** (B.S. '74, M.S. '92), Maryville, received her Ph.D. in community health from the University of Tennessee in May. Rider's research on "Alcohol and Analgesic Use in the Baby Boomer Cohort" has been accepted for presentation at the American Public Health Association's annual meeting. Rider also serves as president of UT's Science Forum.

## 1980s

**Robert Barry Blair** (M.B.E. '87), Murfreesboro, was elected president of the Southern Business Education Association at its annual meeting, where he also received the 2005 Collegiate Teacher of the Year Award. Blair will represent the southern region on the National Business Education Association Executive Board.

**Dr. Dovie Louise Kimmins** (M.S. '83), Murfreesboro, co-presented "Shuffle and Roll: Using Simulations to Challenge Probability Misconceptions" at the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Southern Regional Conference.

**Brian Knox** (B.S. '87), Sussex, Wis., received a Paragon Award of Excellence in Community Relations from the Southeastern Wisconsin Chapter of the Public Relations Society of America. He is director of strategic services for public relations firm Zeppos & Associates.

**Vincent Wayne Smith** (B.S. '84, M.B.E. '85), Murfreesboro, co-authored "Analysis of Generation Y: Teachers' Perceptions," which was accepted for the 2005 issue of the "Journal of Business and Training Education."

**Roy Dean Vaughn** (B.S. '82), Brentwood, recently was named chair-elect of the Public Relations Society of America Counselors Academy.

## 1990s

**Melissa Barron** (B.S. '98), Dallas, Texas, graduated from the Dallas Theological Seminary with a master of arts in cross-cultural ministries.

**Chris T. Brown** (B.S. '91, M.Ed. '96), Murfreesboro, coached the Hooptown Team Pride 10-under girls' basketball team to the Amateur Athletic Union national championship this summer. Brown serves as manager for both

Tomahawk Industries and the Hooptown basketball program for Grand Slam USA in Smyrna.

**Shannon Greenland** (B.S. '95), Fernandina Beach, Fla., saw the release of her latest novel, "Descent into Danger," this summer.

**Bobby B. Grubic** (B.S. '99), Duluth, Ga., has been promoted from manager of electronic media to creative director at AGL Resources in Atlanta.

**Dr. Meredith Anne Higgs** (M.Ed. '97, Ed. S. '00, M.Ed. '01), McMinnville, was presented the 2006 MTSU Older Wiser Learner Professor Award. Higgs helped to begin a conversation group that has proven to be a valuable exchange for students and professors alike.

**Jim Horten** (B.B.A. '93), Daytona Beach, Fla., is a senior sales consultant at PrestoSports, which provides athletic content management software to colleges and conference offices. He previously worked for Tennant Printing, where he started a collegiate printing program focused on school and organization media guides.

**Amanda Legge** (B.S. '97), Chattanooga, has been named media coordinator in the marketing communications department of Siskin Hospital for Physical Rehabilitation. She previously served as communications manager for the Tri-Cities Regional Airport and as a radio news anchor for Houston Valley Broadcasting in Kingsport.

**Monica McAnally Museler** (B.S. '97), Charlotte, N.C., has been awarded the prestigious Professional in Human Resources designation.

**Robert Reineri** (B.S. '98) Henderson, Nev., accepted a position as a staff software engineer with the Entity Analytic Solutions Group of IBM in Las Vegas.

**Katy Francisco Riddle** (B.S. '99, M.Ed. '05), Murfreesboro, has joined The Webb School in Bell Buckle as director of alumni relations and special events.

**Richard W. Ridley** (B.S. '90), Charleston, S.C., is a publishing consultant and authored the book "The Takers—Book One of the Oz Chronicles," which won an Independent Publishers Book Award in the horror category.

**Abby Wells** (B.S. '96), Nashville, has been appointed to the board of directors for the National Association for Campus Activities, which links the higher education and entertainment communities in a business and learning partnership. She has been an active volunteer for organization for many years, leading educational sessions and participating in concert workshops.

## 2000s

**Joel. E Fortner** (B.S. '02), Dayton, Ohio, recently accepted a promotion in Air Force public affairs taking him back to Arnold Air Force Base in Tullahoma, where he began his career after graduating in 2002.

**Greg Miller** (B.S. '06), Nashville, was profiled in the April 2006 issue of "SPIRIT" magazine for his dedication and positive attitude as a longtime employee for Nashville's Southwest Airlines.

**Chaney Mosley** (B.S. '00, M.Ed. '04), Eagleville, has been selected by the National TEACH program committee to represent Georgia in a two-week international education program.

**Matthew Peachey** (B.S. '02), Columbia, recently obtained his doctorate degree from Vanderbilt Medical School. Peachey also recently began his four-year residency in internal medicine and pediatrics at Vanderbilt Medical Center.

**Tara M. Prairie** (B.Unv.S. '00), Murfreesboro, received a master of arts degree in bioethics from the Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee. She serves as research ethics compliance officer at MTSU.

**Jim Van Wicklin** (B.Unv.S. '02), Murfreesboro, owner of VW Web Design, has been awarded Website of the Month for the design of the Hallmark Homes Inc., Web site (*buildhallmark.com*) by the American Association of Webmasters. Additionally, the association awarded seven Gold Design Awards for other Web sites VW Web Design has completed for other Middle Tennessee businesses. He serves as development officer for the MTSU College of Basic and Applied Sciences

## In memoriam

**Editor's note:** MTSU and the Office of Alumni Relations extend deepest sympathy to the families and friends of alumni who have passed away.

### 1950s

**Freeman Pillow Jordan** (B.S. '53), Nashville, died April 20, 2006.

## Baby Raiders

**Reece Garrett Brawner**, born May 1, 2006, to Susan and **Joel Brawner** (B.S. '92, M.S. '99) of Lafayette.

**Josef Patrick Michael Meldrum**, born Nov. 2, 2005, to **Christie Knapp** (B.S.N. '98) and Greg Meldrum of Justin, Texas.

**Emily Elizabeth** and **Andrew Charles Menees**, born Feb. 3, 2005, to **Kimberly Spencer** (B.S. '99) and Andrew "Kip" Menees of Greenbrier.

**Avery June Thomas**, born June 29, 2005, to **Stephanie Keith** (B.B.A. '00) and **Jeff Thomas** (B.S. '99) of Zebulon, N.C.

**Adella Halona Walker**, born April 20, 2005 to Holly and **Bill Walker** (B.S. '91) of Old Hickory.

## 2001-06 grads receive help with e-mail forwarding

### From staff reports

Looking for an alumni e-mail address to use for Facebook, personal use, etc.? MTSU is providing e-mail forwarding for alumni who graduated between 2001-06.

To obtain access to your forwarded account:

- You must know your MTSU e-mail address from when you were a student;
- You must provide a personal email address;
- You must e-mail both of these items to [email@mtsu.edu](mailto:email@mtsu.edu).

Note: Response times may vary.

MTSU is not providing permanent e-mail accounts to alumni or students—only e-mail forwarding.

Student accounts become inactive approximately one semester after graduation.

## Send us your news for Class Notes

Your fellow classmates would like to know what you have been up to lately.

Your new job or promotion will be posted on the Office of Alumni Relations' Web site and also published in *The Alumni Record*.

Let us know if there has been a new addition to your family or if an alumnus has passed away.

To submit your information, go to [mtalumni.com/classnotes](http://mtalumni.com/classnotes).

**Lenace Hyde Gurley** (B.S. '92), left, and **Jill Hardin Hobson** (B.B.A. '99), right, present a scholarship certificate to **Heather Greenwood** at Lincoln County High School.



Photo submitted

## Alumni awards \$29K to students

### From staff reports

The Alumni Association is proud to announce \$29,000 in alumni scholarships was awarded to incoming freshmen for the 2006-07 academic year.

These scholarships are a result of a new program offered by the MTSU Alumni Association.

"This scholarship program gives alumni the chance to help students in their own community," said Ginger Freeman, director of MTSU's Office of Alumni Relations.

The alumni scholarships are awarded to students from areas that have raised at least \$1,000 in donations toward the Alumni Scholarship Fund.

Once \$1,000 has been raised, qualified students from the area are eligible for the award.

"This scholarship gives me enough money to pay for the rest of my tuition," said Heather Greenwood, a graduate of Lincoln County High School in Fayetteville. "I can now focus on paying for my books and living expenses."

Twenty-nine students were awarded scholarships from across Tennessee as well as some out-of-state students.

If you would like to learn more information about this program or would like to donate, please contact Patience Long at 1-800-533-6878 or e-mail [plong@mtsu.edu](mailto:plong@mtsu.edu).



Williamson
alumni help
preserve
Harpeth

The Williamson County Alumni Chapter organized the first Raiders on the Harpeth event on Saturday, May 13. This community service project was in conjunction with the Harpeth River Watershed Association, which is dedicated to preserving and restoring the ecological health of the Harpeth River and its watershed.
'We thought this would be a great opportunity to bring alumni from the area together for a good cause,' said Marc Rogers (B.B.A. '80), alumnus of Williamson County. 'I think we got a lot accomplished and enjoyed the experience.'
The volunteers met at 8:30 a.m. at Aspen Grove Park in Franklin. They removed trash and debris from the stream and its banks and planted native trees, and a brave few waded the stream to remove litter. After four hours of cleanup, the volunteers enjoyed



Photo by Wesley Murchison/Sidelines

Laura McClendon, wife of Devin McClendon (B.A. '94, M.Ed. '95), plants trees during Raiders on the Harpeth.
a picnic courtesy of the Alumni Association.
'We hope to keep doing projects like this in the future,' said Rogers. 'It is nice to know that MTSU is out there making a difference in communities throughout Middle Tennessee and beyond.'
If you would like to organize a community service project in your area, please contact Patience Long at 1-800-533-MTSU (6878) or e-mail plong@mtsu.edu.

'Passionate' about MTSU, Lamb's
goal is to serve 85,000 alumni

It is an honor to serve as president of MTSU's National Alumni Board for 2006-07, and I serve with great passion and devotion as the university continues its tremendous growth.
MTSU has changed immensely since I walked the campus as a student in the late '60s, but the mission of the faculty and staff remains the same—to give each student the opportunity to succeed and grow with education and life experiences.
The National Alumni Board, and in particular the Office of Alumni Relations, wants to invite each of you to campus during the current school year. Make this the year you reconnect with old friends and classmates, participate in any number of campus activities and reunions or schedule a tour of the many new facilities already finished and the others currently on the drawing board in Murfreesboro.
My goal, and the primary goal of our board, is to better serve our more than 85,000 alums across the country and the world. To accomplish this goal sufficiently, we must hear from as many



Lamb

of you as possible. Please do not hesitate to call the Office of Alumni Relations at 800-533-6878 or drop an e-mail to alumni@mtsu.edu. Also, please visit the Web site, mtalumni.com, for information about upcoming events or breaking news from our organization and the university.
With enrollment expected to push past 23,000 students this fall, the landscape of the university is changing every year, making this a very exciting time to be associated with MTSU. I have worked for many years with the alumni association and many other campus activities and want everyone to enjoy the gleaming aspects of our university.
The association encourages you to get involved with your university. We are here to represent you and welcome your suggestions and comments. Thank you for your support, and Go Blue!
MTSU National Alumni Association President
Bob Lamb graduated from MTSU in 1969 with a bachelor's degree in biology and in '77 with a master's in biology. He is managing broker and chairman of Bob Parks Realty in Murfreesboro. He and his wife, Jeri, live in Murfreesboro.

CALENDAR

- 29 MTSU Wind Ensemble and Vanderbilt Wind Ensemble
7:30 p.m./Wright Music Building's Hinton Music Hall/Free/ 615-898-2493
- 31 MTSU Commercial Music Ensemble
7:30 p.m./Wright Music Building's Hinton Music Hall/Free/ 615-898-2493
- November
- 2 MTSU Jazz Artist Series
7:30 p.m./Wright Music Building's Hinton Music Hall/\$15 per ticket/ 615-898-2493
- 3 Hall of Fame Celebration
6 p.m./Kennon Sports Hall of Fame/\$30 per person/ 615-898-5632
- 3 First Friday Star Party
6:30 p.m./Wiser-Patten Science Hall Room 102/Free/ 615-494-8639 or 615-898-2130
- 3 Joel Pagan, guest violist recital
8 p.m./Wright Music Building's Hinton Music Hall/Free/615-898-2493
- 4 Homecoming 2006
See Pages 4-5 for full details
- 4 Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony
Noon/Kennon Sports Hall of Fame/Free/615-898-2493 (See Page 8 for inductees)
- 5 MTSU Choral Concert
3 p.m./Wright Music Building's Hinton Music Hall/\$10 per ticket/ 615-898-2493

- 6 Peter Sommer, saxophone, and Art Landy, piano, Guest Jazz Artist Recital
8 p.m./Wright Music Building's Hinton Music Hall/Free/615-898-2493
- 7 Steele Moegle, guest pianist recital
7:30 p.m./Wright Music Building's Hinton Music Hall/Free/615-898-2493
- 8 MTSU Clarinet Choir
8 p.m./Wright Music Building's Hinton Music Hall/Free/615-898-2493
- 9 MTSU Jazz Ensemble
4:30 p.m./Wright Music Building's Hinton Music Hall/Free/615-898-2493
- 9-11 Longhorn Championship Rodeo
TBA/Tennessee Miller Coliseum/Admission charged/615-494-8961
- 10-11 Musical: "Oklahoma" by Rodgers & Hammerstein
7:30 p.m./Boutwell Dramatic Arts, Tucker Theatre/\$8/ 615-494-8810
- 13 Paul W. Martin Sr. Honors Lecture: "Techonomics, The Theory of Industrial Evolution by Dr. Lee Martin
TBA/Paul W. Martin Sr. Honors Building Room 106 Amphitheater/Free/ 615-898-2152
- 15-18 Musical: "Oklahoma" by Rodgers & Hammerstein
7:30 p.m./Boutwell Dramatic Arts, Tucker Theatre/\$8/ 615-494-8810
- 17-18 MTSU Opera
7:30 p.m./Wright Music Building's Hinton Music Hall/Free/615-898-2493

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- 19 MTSU Chamber Winds
3 p.m./Wright Music Building's Hinton Music Hall/Free/615-898-2493
- 24-26 Thanksgiving Holiday
University closed
- 27 An Evening of Schumann with MTSU faculty H. Stephen Smith, tenor, and Caleb Harris, piano
8 p.m./Wright Music Building's Hinton Music Hall/Free/615-898-2493
- 29 MTSU Flute Choir
8 p.m./Wright Music Building's Hinton Music Hall/Free/615-898-2493
- 30 MTSU Women's Chorale
7:30 p.m./Wright Music Building's Hinton Music Hall/Free/615-898-2493
- 30-Dec. 1 MTSU Dance Theatre's Fall Dance Concert
7:30 p.m./Boutwell Dramatic Arts Tucker Theatre/\$8/ 615-494-8810
All times Central except where noted.
All events are subject to change.
For calendar updates, visit mtalumni.com or call 800-533-6878.
For MT athletics schedules, visit goblueraiders.com.
For Tennessee Miller Coliseum events, visit mtsu.edu/~tmc or call 615-494-8961.
For Tennessee Livestock Center events, visit tennesseelivestockcenter.com or call 615-898-5575.
Submit calendar items to alumni@mtsu.edu, or write c/o Alumni Relations, P.O. Box 104, MTSU, Murfreesboro, TN 37132.
Deadline for Dec. 1 issue: Nov. 1.

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Witherspoon takes helm

Don Witherspoon (B.S. '64) of Murfreesboro was appointed this spring to serve a one-year term as MTSU Foundation president, the Office of Development and University Relations announced.

Witherspoon was an officer in the U.S. Marine Corps. and retired from Pfizer as director of logistics. He and his wife, Hanna (B.A. '64), are "tireless advocates for MTSU and extremely generous with their resources," said Kippy Todd, assistant director for annual giving in the development office.

The Witherspoons have served as co-presidents of the Rutherford County Alumni Chapter since 2003.

FM 106.7 becomes MT flagship

Widening its fan base across the middle Tennessee region, MT athletics signed a deal with Nashville-based WNFM-FM 106.7 The Fan as its new flagship station.

WNFM will air all MTSU football and men's basketball games, the teams' coaches shows and select women's basketball games. Murfreesboro's WGNS-AM 1450 was retained as a local flagship for Rutherford County.

Buchanan Fellows start in '07

Recruiting begins this fall for the first class of University Honors College Buchanan Fellows, the college has announced.

Buchanan Fellows, named for Murfreesboro native and 1986 Nobel Laureate Dr. James M. Buchanan (B.S. '40), will receive full-tuition scholarships and \$1,000 per year for books, said Dr. Jill Hague, former interim associate dean for the college.

For more information, call the Honors College at 615-898-2152.

Enrollment will pass 23,000

MTSU is projected to reach and pass the 23,000 mark for student enrollment—a university milestone—when final, permanent totals are sent to the Tennessee Board of Regents the week of Sept. 11, MTSU officials said.

Dr. Bob Glenn, vice provost for enrollment services and vice president for student affairs, said one area of projected growth is in graduate students.

McPhee stays Sun Belt head

MTSU President Sidney A. McPhee was appointed to a second term as president of the Sun Belt Conference and chair of the Executive Committee during the spring meetings in Destin, Fla. The Executive Committee is the league's decision-making body. McPhee, who served in the same capacity 2004-06, will now preside over the committee until the spring of 2008. Being selected for a second term is the first for a league president in recent memory.



Witherspoon

Hall, Rose, Yearwood join MT shrine

From MT Media Relations

Three of the most successful athletes in the history of Middle Tennessee athletics—Vince Hall, Dionne Rose and the late Jack Yearwood—will become the 31st class inducted into the Blue Raider Hall of Fame, Saturday, Nov. 4, as part of Hall of Fame Weekend when the Blue Raider football team plays host to Sun Belt Conference foe Florida Atlantic.

"The 2006 class is characteristic of what we have come to expect in our honorees," said Jim Simpson, Varsity Club director. "They all represent the character, leadership, athleticism and deep love for this university that make them uniquely qualified to be members of the Blue Raider Sports Hall of Fame. Their stories are all remarkable, and we look forward to their induction in November."

Hall, nicknamed "Flea" for his uncanny balance and ability to avoid tacklers, practically re-wrote the record books at MTSU as it pertained to rushing and still is prominent in almost every rushing category. Hall had 18 100-yard rushing games and three 200-yard games as a Blue Raider, including getting 100 yards in 10 of the 14 games during his senior year. Named to the All-OVC teams in 1983 and 1984, he was also selected the OVC Offensive Player of the Year in 1984. Hall still holds the single-season rushing record, gaining 1,439 yards in 1984. He ranks No. 1 in rushing yards per game all-time with an average of 130.8 yards per contest.



Hall

Rose (B.S. '05) was the first female All-American at Middle Tennessee in any sport, achieving the honors twice in the high hur-



Rose

dles and twice in the long jump. While at Middle Tennessee, she set four indoor school records and two outdoor and was the NCAA Champion in the indoor high hurdles and the OVC Track Woman of the Year in 1994. Rose still holds indoor Blue Raider records in the long jump, the 55-meter dash and the 55-meter hurdles, and outdoor records in the long jump and 100-meter hurdles. Rose was also a member of the record-setting 1994 relay team (4 X 100-meter).

Recruited by Coach "Wink" Midgett to Middle Tennessee for the fall of 1942, Yearwood (B.S. '49) played in every quarter of every game during that season, playing both offense and defense. Yearwood proudly served his country during World War II from 1943 to '46, escaping a German POW camp while on a march and weighing only 115 pounds. He returned to MTSC to finish his education, again playing both offense and defense for the Blue Raiders, along with holding down an outfield position on the baseball team. He was an all-conference performer for both of his last two years in football, while being named to the Who's Who in America's Colleges in 1948.

Yearwood earned a master's at Peabody College and taught and coached in Tennessee and Florida, retiring from coaching in 1974 and teaching until 1983. He died this summer.

"This gives me a sense of pride and honor, and I didn't even think much about the Hall of Fame until later on in my life," Yearwood said earlier this year.



Yearwood



Photo by Denise Gideon/MT Media Relations

Alumni relations office employee Sherry Young, right, greets alumnus Mary Alice Nixon (B.S. '69, M.Ed. '79) at the Blue Raider Blast in Woodbury July 18. Other blasts were held in Shelbyville, Smyrna and Murfreesboro.

MT 'Blasts' into 3 counties

The Alumni Association recently partnered with the Blue Raider Athletic Association to bring Blue Raider Blasts into different communities in Middle Tennessee, highlighting the 2006-07 athletic season.

The events, which took place in Woodbury, Shelbyville, Smyrna and Murfreesboro, included balloon artistry, inflatables, music and barbecue.

More than 700 alumni, friends and fans attended the blasts, which featured Director of Athletics Chris Massaro, head coaches Rick Stockstill (football), Rick Insell (women's basketball), Kermit Davis (men's basketball) and Steve Peterson (baseball), along with student athletes.

"These events really built up momentum for the Blue Raiders' upcoming athletic season," Massaro said. "We are hoping to bring these blasts to many more communities in the future."

— Patience Long

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off with a bang when a pep rally is held at the Greenbelt Marriott, where the team will be staying, at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 9. Free appetizers and a cash bar will be available.

The weekend events conclude with the Middle Tennessee-Maryland football game at 6 p.m. ET Sept. 9. For tickets to the game, call the MT ticket office at 1-888-YES-MTSU (937-6878).

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Blue Raiders 2006 football schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Time (Central)
Aug. 31	Florida Int'l*(BB)	Murfreesboro	6 p.m./ESPN+
Sept. 9	Maryland	College Park, Md.	5 p.m.
Sept. 14	Tennessee Tech (F)	Murfreesboro	6 p.m./ESPNU
Sept. 23	Oklahoma	Norman, Okla.	TBA/Fox Sports
Sept. 30	North Texas*	Denton, Texas	6:05 p.m./CSS
Oct. 6	Louisville	x-Nashville	7 p.m./ESPN2
Oct. 21	Louisiana-Monroe*	Monroe, La.	6 p.m.
Oct. 28	La.-Lafayette*	Lafayette, La.	4 p.m.
Nov. 4	Fla. Atlantic*/HC	Murfreesboro	2:30 p.m./CSS
Nov. 11	Arkansas State*	Jonesboro, Ark.	2:05 p.m.
Nov. 18	South Carolina	Columbia, S.C.	TBA/CSS
Nov. 25	Troy*#	Murfreesboro	2:30 p.m./CSS

Dates and opponents are tentative and subject to change. Home games in bold.

\* — Sun Belt Conference game BB — Beach Bash

HC — Homecoming/Hall of Fame (F) — Faith & Family

x — LP Field 1-888-YES-MTSU or

# — Salute to Veterans/Senior Day [goblueraiders.com](http://goblueraiders.com)

CSS—College Sports South ESPNU—ESPN University

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