

# THE ALUMNI RECORD

News for MTSU alumni and friends

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## NOTEWORTHY

### Mitchell named regional director

Ami Mitchell (B.S. '88, M.S. '96) of Frankewing, Tenn., has been appointed as the new director of the Tennessee



Mitchell

Department of Health's South Central Region. Susan R. Cooper, commissioner of health, said, Mitchell assumed the new role after serving as director of the Bedford, Giles and Marshall County, Tenn., health departments.

"I feel a real connection to public health in this region and I look forward to serving in this new capacity," Mitchell said in a news release. "I plan to continue the tradition of working with area leaders to strengthen public health's role in building healthy communities."

Cooper said Mitchell will provide leadership for all administrative, clinical, nonclinical and medical services within the region, which includes Bedford, Coffee, Giles, Hickman, Lawrence, Lewis, Lincoln, Marshall, Maury, Moore, Perry and Wayne counties.

### Ethridge named chief of staff

Nashville native Terry A. Ethridge (B.S. '78) was named chief of staff for the Tennessee Army National Guard in May by Maj. Gen. Gus Hargett.

Before his selection, Ethridge served as deputy chief of staff for aviation. He also served as the state aviation training officer, the executive officer and commander of the 4th squadron, 278th armored cavalry regiment and the aviation operations officer for the guard. He is a UH-1 Huey and UH-60 Blackhawk pilot and served on active duty in a variety of staff and command positions with the 158th Aviation Battalion at Fort Campbell, Ky. Also, he is a 2006 graduate of the U.S. Army War College.

Ethridge, a commissioned field artillery officer from MTSU's ROTC program, and his wife, Karen, have two children, Jordan and Grace.



Ethridge

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## 'A Red, White &



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Tanuverne Ligon (B.S. '75), left, and Shonn Taylor (B.S. '75) enjoy the pregame festivities at the 2006 Homecoming. More photographs from last year and the 2007 MTSU Homecoming schedule can be found on Pages 4 and 5, respectively. This year's activities will include the annual Salute to Veterans. Visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com) for more details.

## BLUE RAIDER SALUTE' Homecoming, veterans tribute set for Nov. 10

### From staff reports

For the past 25 years, MTSU has honored veterans who have served their country in the armed services during its annual Veterans Salute. Each year, hundreds of local and regional veterans visit MTSU's campus and are recognized at events and during a special halftime presentation.

This year, MTSU will combine the 26th Annual Veterans Salute with its 2007 Homecoming celebration, which centers on the MTSU vs. Louisiana-Lafayette football game on Saturday, Nov. 10.

"The homecoming theme of 'A Red, White, and Blue Raider Salute' came pretty easy for us," said Mark Murphy, the Student Government Association's homecoming director. "Not only are we going to work hard to show off our Blue Raider spirit, but we are also honoring all the men and women who have and are currently serving the armed services locally and abroad."

The Office of Alumni Relations, student groups and veterans groups have been working together to create opportunities to commemorate veterans all while

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## National Alumni Board elects 15 new members

The Middle Tennessee State University National Alumni Association recently inducted 15 new members to the Board of Directors. Members are selected via written nominations.

"We are very excited about our new members," said Devin McClendon, 2007-08 president of the National Alumni Association. "Each person brings a diverse background and different experiences from their time at MTSU."

The new members include Ron Akins ('06), Murfreesboro; Kent Ayer ('99), Murfreesboro; Mary Megan Benton ('97), Murfreesboro; Chontel Bridgeman

('93, '95, '96), Murfreesboro; Jamie Burns ('03), Murfreesboro; Milbrey Campbell ('74, '77), Murfreesboro; Alan Clark ('69, '75), Estill Springs; Rollie M. Holden ('83), Murfreesboro; Angela Lee ('00), Chattanooga; Eddie Linville ('01, '03), Lascassas; Susan Mack ('76), Brentwood; Susan Melton ('79) Woodbury; Katy Francisco Riddle ('99, '05), Murfreesboro; Greg Smith ('85), Clarksville; and Doug Young ('71), Murfreesboro. Each member is asked to serve a three-year term.

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# African American Alumni Council commits to objectives

The MTSU African American Alumni Council is ready to spring into action this fall with a full line-up of activities for 2007-08. After several strategic planning sessions, the council is mobilizing its tactical force and has committed itself to six principle objectives for the ensuing term: proclaim MTSU's value as a institution of higher learning; promote the AAAC as a value-added representative of the MTSU experience; produce initiatives that add value to the experience of MTSU's current African-American student population; proactively engage its constituency to increase the AAAC endowment fund; propagate a greater sense of inclusiveness amongst African-American alumni; and provide professional development support for African-American alumni.

As you can see, we have a very progressive agenda this year. However, often overlooked are the hundreds of African-American alumni who support our goal of contributing to MTSU's success through the African American Alumni Council. Excitement is brewing and we are ready to wear our MTSU colors loud and proud.

— Vincent Windrow ('94), President, African American Alumni Council



Windrow

# Keep the MTSU connection

As we dig deep into the new school year at MTSU, our campus is experiencing excitement at every turn. Whether it is the pace and amount of construction, the expanding graduate programs or the record-setting year our athletic department enjoyed, our university has never been a more powerful force or leader in Tennessee than it is today.

As this year's president of the National Alumni Association, it is an honor to serve nearly 90,000 living alumni. It is hard to believe that the Middle Tennessee many remember from their years on campus now boasts nearly 23,000 students. The remarkable statistic very well may be that the same Middle also still maintains the small-campus feel and personality from years past. That same attraction to a close-knit campus that many of us found still draws students from all across Tennessee and the world.

As our campus has grown, so has your National Alumni Association. In the past few years, not only have we expanded our outreach beyond the Middle Tennessee area, but we also have a created interest and professional focus on groups such as the Band of Blue, theater, the School of Nursing and recording industry. As we charge ahead, adding a record number of alumni at each graduation, your alumni staff has been developing and improving programming at every turn. Most recently, more than 500 alumni and their families enjoyed a day at



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the Nashville Zoo with lunch and fun for everyone. Coming this fall, we have one of the best homecoming celebrations ever planned in conjunction with the traditional MTSU Salute to Veterans.

In addition to programs, your Alumni Association recently has added new technology to keep you better and more efficiently up to date. You soon will see an updated e-mail newsletter as well as special announcements to keep you informed, updated and involved. Take a moment to visit *mtalumni.com* and update your contact and e-mail information. We promise not to fill your in-box needlessly, but provide you with monthly university updates as well as the capability to choose your preference of topics.

Finally, during the next few months, I challenge each of you to do just one thing to connect with your university. Visit campus. Read *mtalumni.com*. Give \$10 (or \$100!). Attend a sporting event, play or lecture on campus. Call an old friend from your days at MT. Whatever you do, our university will continue to grow and lead. Our challenge as alumni is to help make it the best in Tennessee.

Go Blue!

*Devin McClendon*

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Sitting on the banks of Old Hickory Lake, alumni and friends enjoy the aerospace party . The group raised \$8,000 for scholarships.

## Alumni enjoy 'roaring' good time at zoo

On Saturday, May 19, MTSU alumni, friends and family gathered at the Nashville Zoo at Grassmere for the first MTSU Alumni Zoo Day. More than 500 people enjoyed great weather and great food for a day of fun and family.

The Office of Alumni Relations staff set up tents in front of the main entrance to the zoo where registration was held. Temporary tattoos, information on upcoming alumni events and MTSU posters and schedules were available to all. The cost included half-off admission to the zoo and a great lunch provided by the alumni relations office. Of course, the animals were exciting and the children, both young and old, enjoyed their day.

Many alumni complimented on their zoo experience.

"The day was beautiful, the animals entertaining, and the lunch was great! It was a perfect day for my family," said Carol White, an MTSU training coordinator.



Gina Fann (B.S. '84), alumna and editor of *The Record*, a publication for the MTSU community, added, "The weather, the animals, the folks who helped us, our great lunch — it couldn't have been more perfect."



# CALENDAR

## Alumni events

### September

**15 2nd Raiders on the Harpeth**  
9-11 a.m./Beginning location TBD/  
Visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com) for information

**25 Chattanooga Alumni and Future Raider Reception**  
5:30-7:30 p.m./Location TBD/Visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com) for more information

### October

**12 Memphis Alumni Event**  
6-9 p.m./Pat O'Brien's/\$10/  
Reservation deadline: Oct. 10/  
800-533-6878

**13 Pre-Game Tailgate Event, Middle vs. Memphis**  
"The Barn" in Memphis/\$8.50 per person/Visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com) for more information

**24 Knoxville Alumni and Future Raider Reception**  
5:30-7:30 p.m./Calhoun's, 400 Neyland Drive, Knoxville/Visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com) for more information/  
800-533-6878

**25 Young Alumni Wine Tasting and Gathering**  
5:30-7:30 p.m./Arrington Vinyards/  
Visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com) for more information/  
800-533-6878

### November

**9-10 Homecoming 2007**  
See Page 5 for complete schedule or visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com)

## Campus events

### September

**7 MTSU Physics and Astronomy First Friday Star Party**  
6:30 p.m./Wiser-Patten Science Hall, Room 102/Free/615-898-5946

**5-9 Cowboy Mounted Shooting Eastern U.S. Championships**  
9 a.m./Tennessee Miller Coliseum/Free/  
[cowboymountedshooting.com](http://cowboymountedshooting.com)

**14-15 "The Sound of Music"**  
7:30 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/\$10/  
615-898-2493

**14-16 Music City Arabian and Open Dressage Horse Show**  
Time TBA/Tennessee Miller Coliseum/Free/[mtaha.com](http://mtaha.com)

**16 "The Sound of Music"**  
3 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/\$10/615-898-2493

**18-22 NWA Championship Walking Horse Show**  
Time TBA/Tenn. Miller Coliseum/  
Coliseum/[nwaha.com](http://nwaha.com)

**19 Presidential Concert Series — Verdehr Trio**  
7:30 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/615-898-2493

Charlie Myatt (B.S. '69), left, president of First Tennessee Bank, discusses a 1950s-era aerial photo with a fellow Blue Raider.

**21 MTSU Wind Ensemble/Chamber Winds**  
7:30 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/Free/  
615-898-2493

**23 MTSU Faculty Piano Recital—Lynn Rice**  
3 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/  
Free/615-898-2493

**24 Faculty Voice Recital — Stephen Smith**  
8 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/Free/  
615-898-2493

**27-29 International Grand Championship Performance Walking Horse Show**  
Time TBA/Tennessee Miller Coliseum/[walkinghorseowners.com](http://walkinghorseowners.com)

**28-29 "Mother Courage and Her Children" by Bertolt Brecht**  
7:30 p.m./Boutwell Dramatic Arts Building's Studio Theatre/  
[mtsu.edu/theatre](http://mtsu.edu/theatre)

### October

**1 Stones River Chamber Players**  
7:30 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/Free/  
615-898-2493

**3 Danner Invitational Golf Tournament**  
11:30 a.m./Hermitage Golf Course, Nashville/Entry fees: \$350 for individual, hole sponsors \$450, donation toward prizes \$195 and team and hole sponsors \$1,295/615-785-8657

**3-4 "Mother Courage and Her Children" by Bertolt Brecht**  
7:30 p.m./Boutwell Dramatic Arts Building Studio Theatre/  
[mtsu.edu/theatre](http://mtsu.edu/theatre)

**4 "The Sound of Music"**  
3 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/\$10/615-898-2493

**4 MTSU Women's Chorale**  
7:30 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/Free/  
615-898-2493

**5 "Mother Courage and Her Children" by Bertolt Brecht**  
Noon/Boutwell Dramatic Arts Building's Studio Theatre/  
[mtsu.edu/theatre](http://mtsu.edu/theatre)

**5 Department of Physics and Astronomy First Friday Star Party**  
6:30 p.m./Wiser-Patten Science Hall, Room 102/Free/615-898-5946

**6 "Mother Courage and Her Children" by Bertolt Brecht**  
7:30 p.m./Boutwell Dramatic Arts Building Studio Theatre/  
[mtsu.edu/theatre](http://mtsu.edu/theatre)



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**8 Faculty Bassoon Recital — Maya Stone**  
8 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/Free/615-898-2493

**9 Faculty Jazz Saxophone Recital — Don Aliquo**  
8 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/615-898-2493

**9-13 IBRA National Finals Barrel Race**  
9 a.m./Tennessee Miller Coliseum/  
Free/[ibra.us/index.shtml](http://ibra.us/index.shtml)

**10 "Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee," a Conversation with the Filmmakers**  
11:20 a.m./Keathley University Center Theater/615-494-8784  
5:30 p.m./Country Music Hall of Fame Ford Theater, Nashville

**11 MTSU Symphonic Band/Chamber Winds**  
7:30 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/Free/  
615-898-2493

**19 12th Annual Cooperative Education Alumni Dinner and Awards Ceremony**  
6 p.m./JUB Tennessee Room/  
R.S.V.P.: [pgrizzle@mtsu.edu](mailto:pgrizzle@mtsu.edu),  
615-898-2225

**19-21 Smoky Mountain Reining and Volunteer Breeders Classic Derby**  
9 a.m./Tennessee Miller Coliseum/  
Free/[tnrha.org/index.html](http://tnrha.org/index.html)

**21 MTSU Symphony Orchestra**  
4 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/Free/  
615-898-2493

**22 MTSU Jazz Combos**  
7:30 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/Free/  
615-898-2493

**24 World Percussion Ensemble**  
7:30 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/Free/  
615-898-2493

**25 MTSU Wind Ensemble**  
7:30 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/Free/  
615-898-2493

**27 Contest of Champions**  
Floyd Stadium/615-898-2103

**28 MTSU Concert Chorale — Middle Tennessee Choral Society**  
3 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/\$10/  
615-898-2493

**28 Faculty Clarinet Recital — Todd Waldecker**  
8 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/Free/615-898-2493

### November

**1 Faculty Recital — Deanna Little, Flute, and Jerry Reed, Piano**  
8 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/Free/615-898-2493

**2 Department of Physics and Astronomy First Friday Star Party**  
6:30 p.m./Wiser-Patten Science Hall, Room 102/Free/615-898-5946

**2-3 "Romeo and Juliet" by William Shakespeare**  
7:30 p.m./Boutwell Dramatic Arts Building's Tucker Theatre/  
[mtsu.edu/theatre](http://mtsu.edu/theatre)

**7 MTSU Percussion Ensemble**  
8 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/Free/615-898-2493

**7-10 "Romeo and Juliet" by William Shakespeare**  
7:30 p.m./Boutwell Dramatic Arts Building Tucker Theatre/  
[mtsu.edu/theatre/](http://mtsu.edu/theatre/)

**8 MTSU Jazz Ensemble**  
7:30 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/Free/  
615-898-2493

**12 Faculty Recital — Christine Isley Farmer, Voice; Deanna Little, Flute; and Leopoldo Erice, Piano**  
8 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/Free/615-898-2493

**15 Jazz Guest Artist Greg Osby**  
7:30 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/\$15/  
615-898-2493

**15-17 An Evening of Student-Written Short Plays: "Intervention" by Jayme Smith and "Marcus Eardus in the West" by Will Fancher**  
7:30 p.m./ Boutwell Dramatic Arts Building's Studio Theatre/  
[mtsu.edu/theatre](http://mtsu.edu/theatre)

**18 MTSU Chamber Winds**  
3 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/\$15/615-898-2493

**19 Stones River Chamber Players**  
7:30 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/Free/  
615-898-2493

**29 MTSU Wind Ensemble**  
7:30 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/Free/  
615-898-2493

**29-30 Fall Dance Concert by MTSU Dance Theatre**  
7:30 p.m./Boutwell Dramatic Arts Building's Tucker Theatre/  
[mtsu.edu/theatre](http://mtsu.edu/theatre)

**30 MTSU Women's Chorale**  
7:30 p.m./Hinton Music Hall of Wright Music Building/Free/  
615-898-2493



# 'A Red, White & Blue Raider Salute'



Alumni and friends attend the Mixer on Middle Parade-Watching Party on the MTSU Alumni House front lawn.



An MTSU Band of Blue alumni majorette performs at the 2006 Homecoming. Band alumni will gather again Nov. 10 and join current Band of Blue members in the parade and on the field for the MT vs. Louisiana-Lafayette game.



Alumni, friends and MTSU staff enjoy the pregame food at the MTSU Alumni House.



Seneca McPhee rides with her father, President Sidney A. McPhee, in the parade.

John Marc Stephens, foreground, a redshirt junior tight end from Murfreesboro, leads a group of MT football players past fans during the traditional Raider Walk in Walnut Grove. MT is coming off a 7-4 season in 2006; the team played in the Motor City Bowl in Detroit. Second-year Coach Rick Stockstill's team is picked to finish second in the Sun Belt Conference based on a vote by coaches. Preseason All-Sun Belt selections include offensive lineman Franklin Dunbar, defensive ends Erik Walden and Tavares Jones and defensive back/kick returner Damon Nickson.



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## Homecoming

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making homecoming full of events for the whole family.

The highlight of this collaboration occurs during the annual Homecoming Parade. The grand marshal is an alumnus, outstanding community member and recipient of the Joe Nunley Award, which is given to a World War II veteran who has provided outstanding service to the community. Dr. Bob Womack will lead the Homecoming Parade on Saturday starting at 10 a.m. A 1948 MTSU graduate, Womack has been a loyal alumnus and highly regarded educator throughout the country.



Womack

Other highlights of the week include the T-Shirt Swap, which begins on Monday, Nov. 5, and continues through Friday, Nov. 9. Alumni can visit the Alumni House between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to trade a shirt from another school for an official 2007 Homecoming shirt. All shirts collected will be donated to a charity.

All alumni and friends who hit the links are

welcome to participate in the annual Homecoming Golf Tournament on Friday, Nov. 9, at Old Fort Golf Club in Murfreesboro. Entry fee is \$125 per person or \$500 per team and includes lunch, cart, green fees, range balls, mulligan and red tees.

On Friday evening, graduates from the Class of 1957 are encouraged to attend the Golden Raider Induction Ceremony and Dinner at the Kennon Sports Hall of Fame.

All alumni and friends are invited to the Chili Cook-Off at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, where chili will be served up and judged. Participants can either enter a recipe or enjoy the food. Afterward, everyone can head to Murphy Center and watch student groups battle it out at the National Pan-Hellenic Council Step Show at 7:30 p.m. Later that evening, the African American Alumni Council will host a social mixer.

Saturday's fun starts at 8 a.m. with a Veterans Memorial Service at the Tom H. Jackson Building. Then, the alumni office invites everyone to the MTSU Alumni House for the second Mixer on Middle at 9 a.m. This parade-watching party offers a free breakfast to all alumni, friends and fans.

Beverage bands can be purchased for \$10. Baby Raiders (and their parents or guardians) also are encouraged to participate by meeting at Mixer on Middle and walking in the parade.

After the parade, the Colleges of Graduate Studies, Honors, Basic and Applied Sciences, Business, Education and Behavioral Science, Liberal Arts and Mass Communication invite you to Tent City, a centralized location where you can get the latest news from your college and see old friends and professors.

Tailgate enthusiasts are welcome to enter the 2007 Tailgate Contest, where your tailgate will be judged on overall Blue Raider spirit. This year, the Alumni Association has opened the field to include Walnut Grove, Greenland and RV Row.

There are many other activities offered for all ages during the week of Homecoming. For a more detailed schedule, please refer to the 2007 Homecoming Calendar in this issue of *The Alumni Record*, visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com) or call 1-800-533-MTSU (6878). We hope to see you there.



# 'A Red, White & Blue Raider Salute'

## 2007 Homecoming schedule of events

### Friday, Oct. 19

#### Fight Song

Time TBA, Murphy Center

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

### Week of Nov. 5-10

#### T-Shirt Swap

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 2007 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. All collected T-shirts will be donated to charity. For more information, contact the SGA at 615-898-2464. Available during Office of Alumni Relations business hours, 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

### Friday, Nov. 9

#### Homecoming Golf Tournament

11 a.m., Old Fort Golf Course

Hosted by the MTSU Alumni Association, the annual Homecoming Golf Tournament will begin with registration and lunch at 11 a.m., followed by a shotgun start at noon. Cost is \$125 per player, \$500 per team. For registration information, contact the alumni relations office at 1-800-533-MTSU (6878) or visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com).

#### Golden Raider Reunion

4:30 p.m., Hall of Fame

Highlighting the Class of 1957, Golden Raider registration begins at 4:30, followed by a campus tour and the 2007 Golden Raider Induction Ceremony Dinner. Contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 1-800-533-MTSU (6878) for more information.

#### T-Shirt Swap continues

Deadline to trade in T-shirts is 4:30 p.m. at Alumni House.

#### Chili Cook-Off

5:30-7:30 p.m., Murphy Center Parking Lot

Blue Raider fans are asked to participate in the challenge by entering or judging this classic football season competition. This year, we are going to expand the competition to include three different divisions: restaurants, student groups, and alumni and friends. To register or for more information, contact Mark Murphy at 615-477-3145 or [sgahome@mtsu.edu](mailto:sgahome@mtsu.edu).

#### Phi Chi Alumnae Reunion

7 p.m., location TBA

For more information, contact Melissa Bosi, [bosi2@gmail.com](mailto:bosi2@gmail.com), or call 404-406-1566.

#### Alumni Band Concert

7:30 p.m., T. Earl Hinton Music Hall in Wright Music Building

Former members of the University Bands are welcome to join Tennessee Valley Winds, a

Murfreesboro community band, on stage to perform a "through-out the years" concert. The concert is free and open to the public. For more information visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com) or call 1-800-533-MTSU (6878).

#### NPHC Step Show

7:30 p.m., Murphy Center

Tickets are available by calling the Greek Life Office at 615-898-5812.

#### African American Alumni Council Scholarship Benefit

Hosted by Darrell and Gloria Freeman. For more information, visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com)

### Saturday, Nov. 10

#### Veterans Memorial Service

8:30 a.m., Tom H. Jackson Building

Come join us as we celebrate MTSU's history of outstanding military service and unveil the plans for the new veterans memorial. For more information, call 1-800-533-MTSU or visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com).

#### Mixer on Middle Parade-Watching Party

9 a.m., MTSU Alumni House

Join us as we watch the 2007 Homecoming Parade from the best location on campus. The lawn of the Alumni House will be filled with MTSU alumni and friends as we get together for an event that is uniquely MT, inspired by the legendary parade-watching parties of yesteryear on Main Street. Breakfast is free; beverage bands may be purchased on the lawn for \$10. For more information, call 1-800-533-MTSU or visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com).

#### Annual Homecoming Parade

10 a.m., Alumni Relations House

Dr. Bob Womack (class of '48) will lead the annual Homecoming Parade beginning on Maney Avenue, following East Main Street and Middle



Photo by Jack Ross

#### Band of Blue alumni members perform during the 2006 homecoming game in Floyd Stadium.

Tennessee Boulevard to Greenland Drive. Baby Raiders are encouraged to participate in the parade. For more information, visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com).

#### Salute to Armed Services Picnic

11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Hall of Fame

MTSU ROTC cadets are sponsoring a free picnic (\$2 donation) for all active-duty military, reservists, veterans and families. During the picnic, the Joe Nunley Award will be presented. For more information, contact Maj. Steve Daugherty or Maj. Chuck Giles at 615-898-2470 or [arotc@mtsu.edu](mailto:arotc@mtsu.edu).

#### Alumni Band Day

All alumni band members are invited back to campus to participate in the Homecoming Parade and perform hits with the Band of Blue. For more information visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com) or call 1-800-533-MTSU.

#### Iota Tau Alumni Reception

11:30 a.m., Fairview Building

(location subject to change) R.S.V.P. by Oct. 15 by e-mailing [dlp2r@mtsu.edu](mailto:dlp2r@mtsu.edu) or calling 615-556-1110.

#### Tent City

Noon, Walnut Grove

Visit Tent City to see old friends and professors, take part in children's activities and find out the latest news from the university. Colleges participating include

Graduate Studies, Liberal Arts, Business, Honors, Basic and Applied Sciences, Education and Behavioral Science and Mass Communication. Lunch from ARAMARK catering will be available to purchase in Walnut Grove.

#### Tailgate Contest

Noon

Blue Raider Fans show their spirit and compete to win \$200. Fans can compete in the following categories by submitting a registration form available on [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com): student, alumni and friends, and RV row. Judges will visit tailgate sites in search of the best food, decorations and school spirit that Walnut Grove and Greenland have to offer. Visit [mtalumni.com](http://mtalumni.com) or call 1-800-533-MTSU (6878) for more details.

#### Varsity Club Reception

Visit with fellow Varsity Club members in the new outdoor boxes in the north end zone of Floyd Stadium. 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.

#### Raider Walk

12:30 p.m., Horsehoe in Walnut Grove

Join the Band of Blue, MTSU cheerleaders and Lightning to rally for your Blue Raider football team as it prepares to bring home victory at Homecoming 2007.

#### MT v. Louisiana-Lafayette

2:30 p.m., Floyd Stadium

Tickets available for \$15 (side-line) and \$10 (end zone) per person by calling 1-888-YES-MTSU (937-6878) or visiting [goblueraiders.com](http://goblueraiders.com). Great group rates also available.

#### Alumni Homecoming Queen and Cheerleader Reunion

Former queens and cheerleaders will join in the festivities of the 2007 Homecoming. Participation is complimentary with the purchase of a game ticket. Homecoming queen T-shirts and cheerleading T-shirts are available for \$10 each; contact the alumni relations office at 1-800-533-6878 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 available for \$20 per person. Light hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar will be provided. Call 615-898-2718 or email [vavent@mtsu.edu](mailto:vavent@mtsu.edu) for more information.

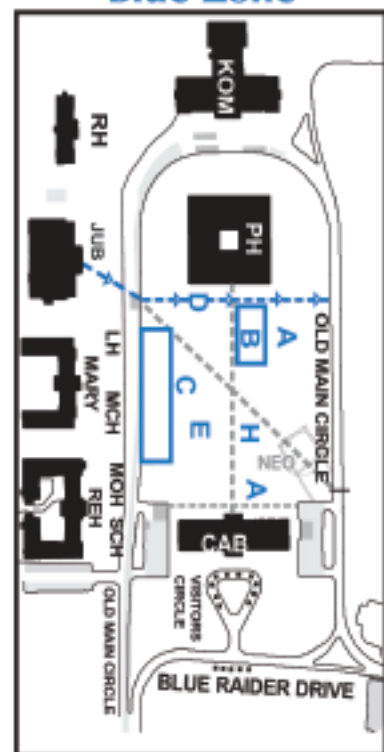
## Game-day parking

### White Zone



## Tailgating in Walnut Grove

### Blue Zone



#### 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	=	BRAA Parking, \$5
G	=	RV Parking
H	=	Tent City
Sidewalks	=	-----

Maps, legend by Sherry Wisner-George



A father and baby daughter watch the 2006 homecoming game.



# CLASS NOTES

## 1960s

**William Kelton** (B.S. '69), Old Hickory, Tenn., is an electrical contractor.

**W.H. "Hal" Skelton Jr.** (B.S. '66, M.Ed. '73), Wartrace, Tenn., retired from the Bedford County Department of Education after 41 years of service. He served as teacher, basketball coach and principal at Wartrace High School, as assistant principal and principal at Cascade High School; and as supervisor of student services.

## 1970s

**Martha Balachandran** (B.S. '74, M.B.Ed. '83) and **Dr. Robert Blair** (M.B.Ed. '87), Murfreesboro, presented "Business Etiquette and Image Management" at the National Business Education Association Conference in New York City.

**Rhonda Blocker** (B.S. '79), Harvest, Ala., is a travel agent with Adventure Travel in Huntsville, Ala.

**Dr. Walter Chitwood** (B.S. '78), Murfreesboro, has been appointed to the board of directors of the American Board of Oral Implantology/Implant Dentistry.

**Col. Terry A. Ethridge** (B.S. '78), Murfreesboro, has been named chief of staff for the Tennessee Army National Guard.

**U.S. Rep. and Bart Gordon** (B.S. '71), Murfreesboro, has been awarded the prestigious National Preservation Leadership Award by the Civil War Preservation Trust. Gordon, a founding member of the Congressional Battlefield Caucus, has long been an advocate of the federal Civil War Battlefield Preservation Program. He also was instrumental in the creation of the statewide Tennessee Civil War National Heritage Area.

**Melissa McDonald** (B.S. '79), Smyrna, Tenn., is the communications director for the Tennessee Board of Probation and Parole.

**Carolyn Norman** (B.S. '76), Cleburne, Texas, is a part-time medical technologist at Glen Rose Medical Center Laboratory.

**Dr. Kim Cleary Sadler** (B.S. '76, M.S. '79, Ed.S. '98), Murfreesboro, presented a poster, "Hands-on and Hypothesis-Based Learning in the Middle Tennessee Cedar Glades," at the fourth NAAEE Research Symposium in St. Paul, Minn.

**Paul Swecker Jr.** (B.S. '70), Rocky Mount, Va., is retired from the U.S. Department of Agriculture as a sole surveyor and from Wal-Mart, where he served as a greeter/security personnel.

**James F. Walls III** (B.S. '71), Cane Ridge, Tenn., has joined Palm International in La Vergne, Tenn.

**David Womack** (B.S. '70), Murfreesboro, received a Crystal Excellence award from State Farm. Womack has been an agent in Murfreesboro for 26 years. He is chairman of the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce and secretary of the MTSU National Alumni Association.

## 1980s

**James Roger Allen** (B.S. '88), Nashville, Tenn., has been ordained into the priesthood of the Southern Episcopal Church.

**Elvis Brandon** (B.S. '86), Hermitage, Tenn., received the 2006-2007 Excellence Award from the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development and has been named dean of allied health at Volunteer State Community College.

**Sondra Eitnear** (B.B.A. '88), Arlington, Va., is a live-events manager.

**Darrell Freeman** (B.S. '87, M.S. '90), Nashville, Tenn., is president and CEO of Zycron, Inc. He recently made history by being reelected to a second term as chairman of the Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce.

**Brian Knox** (B.S. '87), Sussex, Wis., received two Awards of Excellence from the Wisconsin chapter of the Public Relations Society of America for exemplary work performed in 2006. He is director of strategic services for Zeppos and Associates in Milwaukee.

**Paula Lowe** (B.S. '83), Hendersonville, Tenn., is a Creative Memories consultant.

**Lisa Tate Nix** (B.B.A. '89), Murfreesboro, has been selected to serve a three-year term on the Leadership Health Care board of directors.

**Mark Pickel** (B.B.A. '88, M.B.A. '89), Asheville, N.C., has been promoted to vice president of finance and technology for Biltmore Estate.

**Marc Rogers** (B.B.A. '80), Franklin, Tenn., is with Emdeon Business Services.

**Susan Kelly Sanders** (B.S. '86), Pleasant View, Tenn., is a licensed massage therapist. Her Web site is [rejuven8tion.com](http://rejuven8tion.com).

**Drs. Vincent Smith** (B.S. '84, M.B.Ed. '85) and **Robert Blair** (M.B.Ed. '87), Murfreesboro, presented "Communication Learning Goal Assessment in an AACSB Accredited College of Business" at the Association for Business Communication-Southeast USA Conference.

**Lynda Tewell** (B.S. '85), Phoenix, Ariz., is a programmer/analyst.

**Dr. J. Brandon Wallace** (M.A. '87), Murfreesboro, co-published "Two Methods for Predicting Limited Life Expectancy in Nursing Homes."

**Kory Green Wells** (B.S. '86, M.S. '91), Murfreesboro, wrote "Really Good for a Girl," an essay included in the nonfiction collection *She's Such a Geek: Women Write About Science, Technology, and Other Nerdy Stuff*. The essay was named in the "Books We Love" section of the December 2006 issue of *Ladies Home Journal*.

## 1990s

**William Bandy** (B.S. '97), Hendersonville, N.C., was presented with the Gemini Air Cargo All-Star Award for "extraordinary performance above and beyond the call of duty" while delivering tents and tarpaulins for the International Red Cross and Red Crescent to war refugees fleeing the fighting in the Darfur region of Sudan.

**Robert Boudreau** (B.S. '94), Kingston Springs, Tenn., is a network engineer.

**Vijoya Chappellear** (M.S. '98), Fenton, Mo., is a writer/producer for Joyce Meyer's television program, "Enjoying Everyday Life."

**Allyson Collinsworth** (B.B.A. '99), Lebanon, Tenn., is the scholarship administrator for the United Methodist Church GBHEM Scholarship office.

**Carol T. Cothran** (B.B.A. '93, M.B.A. '96), Franklin, Tenn., is an audit coordinator for Federal Reserve Bank.

**Paula Cox** (B.S. '97), Dawsonville, Ga., is a special education teacher at Riverview Middle School.

**Anthony De Luise** (B.S. '98), Tallahassee, Fla., has been appointed to serve as press secretary for the Florida governor's executive office.

**Betty Edwards** (B.B.A. '98), Fayetteville, Tenn., is a facilities analyst for Boeing.

**Amanda Hope Ellis-Ashburn** (B.S. '93), Whitwell, Tenn., has been named

outstanding specialist by the national non-profit network Jobs for America's Graduates for the second year in a row. She is the JAG program career specialist/teacher for the three Marion County high schools.

**Dr. Tom Frazier** (D.A. '94), Williamsburg, Ky., recently was named chairman of the Department of English and Modern Foreign Languages at the University of the Cumberland.

**Lance Frizzell** (B.S. '93, M.S. '00), Murfreesboro, has been named deputy chief of staff to Lt. Gov. Ron Ramsey. He recently received the Bronze Star for meritorious service in Operation Iraqi Freedom III as a member of the Tennessee Army National Guard's 278th Armored Cavalry Regiment.

**James Morris Hamby III** (B.M. '95, M.A. '98), Murfreesboro, was voted Teacher of the Year at Rock Springs Elementary.

**Melissa Hamby** (B.S. '97, M.A. '99), Murfreesboro, is a full-time mom after working six years in the Bridgestone International human resources department.

**Michelle Harvill** (B.S. '94), Birmingham, Ala., has opened Moza Tile, a high-end tile and stone design studio located in Cahaba Heights in Birmingham.

**Dr. Aimee Holt** (M.A. '98), Murfreesboro, was a participant in presenting "The Perception of Teacher Sexual Misconduct by Age of Adolescent" at the Southeastern Psychological Association annual convention in New Orleans and "Membership Needs Assessment for a State School Psychology Association" and "A School-Based Needs Assessment: Teachers' and Parents' Perceptions" at the National Association of School Psychologists convention in New York City.

**Dr. Jeffrey Hopper** (M.B.A. '97, M.A. '05), Murfreesboro, co-published "The Obese Smoker's Wage Penalty" in the December 2006 *Social Science Quarterly*.

**Marla Lamont** (B.S. '95), Nashville, Tenn., is a human resources recruiter.

**Angela Layton** (B.S.'99), Joelton, Tenn., is the 2007-08 director of continuing education for Meeting Professionals International's Tennessee chapter board of directors. She has been named planner of the year at MPI's annual Gala and Circle of Excellence Award Ceremony.

**Tim Mason** (B.M. '90, M.A. '92), Atlanta, Ga., is a teacher and musician.

**Sarah Napier** (B.S. '98, M.Ed. '04), Huntsville, Ala., is an early-intervention teacher and computer lab technician.

**Dr. Karen Petersen** (B.S. '98), Murfreesboro, has accepted a 2006-07 academic fellowship with the Foundation for the Defense of Democracies in Washington, D.C.

**Dr. Erin Rohman** (B.S. '99), Memphis, Tenn., has completed her internal medicine residency with the University of Tennessee at Memphis, and is completing an allergy/immunology fellowship.

**Abby Wells** (B.S. '96), Nashville, Tenn., has been appointed to the board of directors for the National Association for Campus Activities. She is an agent at William Morris Agency.

**Laryssa Wilson** (B.S. '95, M.B.A. '02), Smyrna, Tenn., is a realtor with The Realty Association in Nashville, Tenn.

## 2000s

**Jacob Acton** (B.S. '06), Murfreesboro, has been accepted into the University of Memphis Health Science Center Medical School and plans to pursue his medical degree in neurosurgery.

**Michael Acton** (B.S. '06), Newcastle, Wash., is a sales representative for BASF Construction Chemicals LLC.

**David Andrews** (B.S. '06), Franklin, Tenn., is a network technician for the City of Brentwood.

**Whitney Arnot** (B.S. '02), Denver, Colo., has been awarded a law degree from the Michigan State University College of Law.

**Lacey Ballard** (B.S. '04), Murfreesboro, is the assistant director of video for Vanderbilt athletics.

**Linda Barnette** (B.S. '00), Fort Worth, Texas, is a certified human resources professional. She is semiretired and traveling in an RV with family across the U.S.

**Christopher Barnes** (B.S. '02), Hampton, Ga., is an air traffic controller.

**Courtney Bates** (B.S. '06), Mount Joy, Pa., is a project manager.

**Henry Bedford** (B.S. '01), Los Angeles, Calif., is a production assistant on a Comedy Central animated show called "Lil' Bush." He also is writing and directing a short film.

**Ashley Nicole Brown** (B.S. '05), Trenton, Tenn., received her master of science degree in speech language pathology from East Tennessee State University.

**Dusty Brown** (B.S. '01), Murfreesboro, is an artist and stay-at-home mom.

**James W. Byerly** (B.B.A. '00), Olympia, Wash., is the business development manager in active directory software sales for Advanced Toolware Inc.

**Amanda Carmichael** (B.S. '03), Chattanooga, Tenn., is a communications consultant for Unum.

**Jessica Carrell** (B.A. '04), La Vergne, Tenn., is a staff accountant.

**Ryan Chittaphong** (B.S. '07), Stockbridge, Mass., has completed an internship with the prestigious Berkshire Theatre Festival and accepted a position at the world renowned Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival ([jacobs-pillow.org](http://jacobs-pillow.org)).

**Jennifer Cordle** (B.S. '03), Cottontown, Tenn., is a Peace Corps volunteer in Mali, West Africa, training local villagers how to effectively begin campaigns to promote healthy practices such as family planning, proper child nutrition and malaria prevention.

**Ashley Eicher** (B.S. '02, M.S. '06), Nashville, Tenn., has received the prestigious Gracie Allen Award for Individual Achievement, Program Host, as co-host for an 11-part special for ABC and the Country Music Association.

**Delia Espinosa** (M.B.A. '02), Union City, N.J., is an associate director for the wealth management practice of the Swiss Bank, UBS.

**Paul Fulcher** (B.S. '07), New York, N.Y., is with the global customer support division and financial support of Bloomberg LP in Manhattan, N.Y.

**Matthew Flynn** (B.S. '07), Chicago, Ill., is a market manager for Holcim US Inc.

**Elizabeth Guin** (B.S. '02), Murfreesboro, is the public health emergency preparedness educator for communicable and environmental disease services with the Tennessee Department of Health.

**Charles A. "Tony" Graves** (M.B.A. '05), Franklin, Tenn., has been elected to the Franklin Special School District Board of Education and served as a delegate to the Tennessee School Boards Convention. Graves is regional president for Dyersburg-based First Citizens National Bank and leads their expansion efforts into Williamson County and middle Tennessee.

**Elliot Hamm** (B.S. '05), Murfreesboro, is a police officer.

**Ave Hart** (B.B.A. '03), Murfreesboro, is a realtor broker.

**Craig Hill** (B.B.A. '04), Murfreesboro, is a plant superintendent.

**Aaron Hines** (B.S. '03), Jacksonville, Ark., is a USAF C-130 navigator.

**Bradley Holmes** (B.S. '00), Mt. Juliet, Tenn., is a commercial insurance underwriter for Indiana Insurance, a division of Liberty Mutual.

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# Baby Raiders

**Liam Harris Alexander**, born March 28, 2007, to **Sarah** (B.S. '03) and **Sean Alexander** of Gallatin, Tenn.

**Jane Sophia Ambrose**, born April 2, 2007, to **Jessica** (B.S. '03) and **Henry Ambrose** (B.B.A. '02) of Fairview, Tenn.

**Taylor McKenzie Arnold**, born May 27, 2006, to **Michelle** (B.B.A. '02, M.B.Ed. '03, Ed.S. '05) and **Randy A. Arnold** (B.S. '04) of Nashville, Tenn.

**Ethan Thomas Axley**, born March 30, 2007, to **Melissa Johnson** (B.Univ.S. '98) and **Sam Axley** (B.S. '95) of Lafayette, Ind.

**Chloe Dean Bash**, born May 14, 2007, to Denise and **Alexander Bash** (B.B.A. '02) of Oneida, Tenn.

**Avery Joan Basler**, born Nov. 29, 2006, to **Julie D.** (D.A. '01) and **Steven A. Basler** (B.B.A. '01) of Highlands Ranch, Colo.

**Brooklyn Elizabeth Bernarding**, born March 4, 2007, to **Alicia** (M.S. '93) and **Trevin Bernarding** (B.B.A. '92) of Hixson, Tenn.

**Kristina Carol Bosch**, born March 17, 2006, to **Jamie Bosch** (B.S. '01) of Murfreesboro.

**Macy Dae Boswell**, born Jan. 31, 2007, to **Monica Fuller-Boswell** (B.S. '93, M.S.T. '01) and William Boswell of Estill Springs, Tenn.

**Isabelle Boyd**, born Feb. 14, 2007, to **Brandi** (B.A. '05) and **Christopher Boyd** (B.S. '04) of Keller, Texas.

**Melody Magdalene “Maggie” Chakales**, born Jan. 19, 2007, to **Annie** (B.S. '02) and **Jonathan Chakales** (B.S. '02) of Calhoun, Ga.

**Lola Klaire Chappell**, born April 14, 2007, to **Jill** (B.B.A. '01) and **Tim Chappell** (B.S. '04) of Watertown, Tenn.

**Seth Paul Charles**, born Feb. 20, 2007, to **Barbara** (B.A. '00) and **Scott Charles** of Nashville, Tenn.

**Claire Elizabeth Charlton**, born April 3, 2007, to **Leah** (B.A. '94) and **Timothy Charlton** (B.B.A. '04) of Smyrna, Tenn.

**Virginia “Ginny” Elizabeth Clements**, born July 5, 2007, to **Alice** (B.M. '01) and **Eric Clements** (B.M. '03) of Murfreesboro.

**Jake Thomas DeBlanc**, born June 3, 2006, to **Christie** (B.S. '98, M.A. '05) and **Joey DeBlanc** (B.S. '99) of Murfreesboro.

**Imogen Faith DuBarry**, born Feb. 23, 2007, to Karen and **Philip DuBarry** (B.S. '99) of Cincinnati, Ohio.

**Elizabeth Sue Akualeohiilani Elam**, born June 3, 2006, to **Mary E.** (B.S. '04) and **Mark Elam** (B.A. '03) of LaFollette, Tenn.

**Blake Allan Fowler**, born March 22, 2006, to **Carol** (B.S.N. '01) and **Richard Fowler** of Newport News, Va.

**Donald Ray Gandy III**, born June 29, 2007, to **Joyce Varela** (B.S. '96, M.S. '02) and **Donald Ray Gandy Jr.** (B.S. '94) of Spring Hill, Tenn.

**Thatcher Allen Groce**, born May 18, 2007, to **Susan** (B.S. '97) and **Jaime Groce** (B.S. '97) of Franklin, Tenn.

**Allyson Paige Hall**, born May 28, 2007, to Heather and **Michael Hall** (B.B.A. '95) of Murfreesboro.

**James Marshall Hamby**, born Dec. 29, 2006, to **Melissa M.** (B.S. '97, M.A. '99) and **James Morris Hamby III** (B.M. '95, M.A. '98) of Murfreesboro.

**Savanna Autumn Hancock**, born May 24, 2007, to **Katie** (B.S. '03) and **Scott Hancock** (B.B.A. '02) of Spring Hill, Tenn.

**Anna Klaire** and **Audrey Kate Harder**, born March 2, 2007, to **Kimberly** (B.S. '99) and Denning **Harder** of Tullahoma, Tenn.

**Jasmine Hart**, born Dec. 14, 2006, to **Ave Hart** (B.B.A. '03) of Murfreesboro.

**Ellie Christian** and **Hannah Grace Haynes**, born February 27, 2007, to **Rachel** (B.S. '98) and **Chad Haynes** (B.S. '99) of Murfreesboro.

**Cahlin Deshawn Henry**, born May 4, 2007, to **Jennifer** (B.B.A. '05) and **Ryan Henry** of Manchester, Tenn.

**Riley Foster Hill**, born April 11, 2007, to **Heather** (B.S. '01, M.A. '04, Ed.S. '05) and **Travis Hill** (B.S. '03) of Louisville, Ky.

**Rebecca Lynn Hopkins**, born April 27, 2007, to **Lyndi** (B.S. '98) and **Steve Hopkins** (B.S. '98) of Murfreesboro.

**Hannah Claire Hughes**, born Jan. 24, 2007, to **Mitzi** (B.S. '87) and **Michael Steven Hughes** (B.B.A. '89) of Murfreesboro.

**Cara Elizabeth Jones**, born April 5, 2007, to **Ashley** (B.S. '96) and **Bryan Jones** of Dyersburg, Tenn.

**Zachary Keaton Jones**, born April 8, 2007, to Terra

(B. Univ. S. '04) and Zachary **Jones** of Wake Forest, N.C.

**Aaliyah Gabrielle King**, born March 1, 2007, to **Kirsten** (B.M. '01) and Ray **King** of Antioch, Tenn.

**Houston Thomas Kologinczak**, born July 5, 2006, to **Kelley** (B.B.A. '03) and Matthew **Kologinczak** of Christiana, Tenn.

**Brady Ryan Lewis**, born May 17, 2007, to Beth and **Ryan Lewis** (B.S. '95) of South Pittsburg, Tenn.

**Eli Walter Allen Ludin**, born Jan. 11, 2006, to **Krystal Hembree** (B.B.A. '05) of Cookeville, Tenn.

**Tate Malone**, born Nov. 24, 2006, to **Kimberly** (B.S. '99, M.Ed. '02) and **Tracy Malone** (B.S. '97) of Ardmore, Ala.

**Heather Lynsey McLaughlin**, born Dec. 20, 2006, to **Janice** (B.S. '99) and Russell **McLaughlin** of Sandford, Fla.

**Brianne McQuillan**, born Nov. 22, 2006, to **Tanya** (B.S. '02) and **Jayme McQuillan** (B.S. '06) of Murfreesboro.

**Christopher Rocco Melzoni**, born Jan. 18, 2006, to **Kimberly** (B.S.N. '00) and **Johnnie Melzoni Jr.** (B.S. '01) of Old Hickory, Tenn.

**Sheldon Hershel Miller**, born Dec. 22, 2006, to **Karsonya Jones** (B.S. '04) and Sherman Miller of Nashville, Tenn.

**Allison Victoria Monnin**, born May 3, 2007, to **Christy** (B.S. '95) and Christian **Monnin** of Murfreesboro.

**James Miles Neely**, born March 27, 2007, to **Jennifer** (B.B.A. '00, M.B.A. '06) and Lindsey **Neely** of Murfreesboro.

**Kelly Nickols**, born May 23, 2006, to Amanda and **Corey Nickols** (B.S. '00) of Red Bank, Tenn.

**Cooper Brooks Nunnally**, born April 2, 2007, to **Michelle** (B.S. '97) and **Brooks Nunnally** (B.S. '96) of Locust Grove, Ga.

**Judson Thomas Orrand**, born March 13, 2007, to **Amanda** (B.S.N. '01) and **Shane Orrand** (B.S. '00) of Franklin, Tenn.

**Connor Alan Pachciarz**, born May 11, 2007, to **Elizabeth** (B.B.A. '02) and Justin **Pachciarz** of Hendersonville, Tenn.

**Nathaniel Thomas** and **Braeden Carlisle Payne**, born Dec. 27, 2006, to **Mani** (B.S. '01) and Paul E. **Payne** of Murfreesboro.

**Amir Kaleel Rahman**, born May 22, 2007, to **Revida** (B.B.A. '95) and Yusuf **Rahman** of Brentwood, Tenn.

**Braedon Phillip Robert Pearson**, born March 20, 2006, to **Robbie Lynn Young** (B.S. '98) and Brian Pearson of Murfreesboro.

**Gabriel Luis Rossi**, born Oct. 13, 2006, to **Melissa** (B.S. '02) and Luis **Rossi** of Spring Hill, Tenn.

**Tyler Preston Santel**, born April 27, 2007, to **Rebecca** (B.B.A. '05) and **Scott Santel** (B.S. '03) of Knoxville, Tenn.

**Matthew Garrett Sheppard**, born March 22, 2007, to **Rachel** (B.S. '93) and **Tony Sheppard** (B.S. '91) of Louisville, Ky.

**Maddison Hope Simpson**, born Oct. 9, 2006, to **Melissa** (B.S. '07) and Jon **Simpson** of Springfield, Tenn.

**Lela Mae Sisk**, born March 4, 2007, to **Jennifer** (B.S. '02) and **Brandon Sisk** (B.S. '99) of Rockvale, Tenn.

**Shealee Rose Smith**, born May 18, 2006, to **Shannon** (B.S.W. '98) and **Jeremy Smith** (B.B.A. '96) of Gallatin, Tenn.

**Luke David Veltum**, born Oct. 30, 2006, to **Laura** (B.B.A. '96, M.B.Ed. '05) and Glen **Veltum** of La Vergne, Tenn.

**Xavier Odell Viazcan**, born Jan. 23, 2007, to **Kathryn** (B.S. '03) and Edgar **Viazcan Rios** of Minneapolis, Minn.

**Meredith Regan Warner**, born Dec. 6, 2006, to **Stephanie** (B.S. '97, M.C.J. '07) and Charlie **Warner** of College Grove, Tenn.

**Sidney LeeAnn Warner**, born Nov. 10, 2006, to **Christie Bolin** (B.Univ.S. '94) and Johnny **Warner** of Crossville, Tenn.

**Addison Rae West**, born Sept. 22, 2006, to **Rebecca West** (B.S. '00) of Berkley, Mich.

**Garron Michael West**, born Dec. 27, 2006, to **Jaynie** (B.B.A. '79) and Joe **West** of Lafayette, Tenn.

**Andrew James Williams**, born April 25, 2007, to **Melissa** (B.S.N. '00) and Ralph **Williams** of Murfreesboro.

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Murfreesboro

Liz Rhea ('55)

Murfreesboro

Katy Francisco Riddle ('99, '05)

Murfreesboro

Brandon Robbins ('03)

Cookeville

Ronald Q. Roberts ('84, '91)

Murfreesboro

Bob Rochelle ('68)

Lebanon

Mary L. Secrest ('74, '78)

Atlanta, Ga.

Chuck Shaw ('78)

Murfreesboro

Greg Smith ('85)

Clarksville

R. Eugene Smith ('57)

Collierville

Janice B. Tant ('76)

Nashville

Chip Walters ('85)

Murfreesboro

Phyllis H. Washington ('74, '77)

Murfreesboro

Hanna R. Witherspoon ('64)

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Murfreesboro

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Murfreesboro

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## Career Fair set for Sept. 20

The 26th annual MTSU Career Fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 20 on the Murphy Center track. More than 150 top employers and graduate school recruiters will participate in the event, which is hosted by the Career and Employment Center.

Job-seeking alumni are invited to attend and present their resumes to prospective employers. Alumni who are employers are invited and encouraged to register and recruit new graduates for their companies. For the roster of participants and for additional information, call the Career and Employment Center at 615-898-2500, e-mail Pat Stamps at [pstamps@mtsu.edu](mailto:pstamps@mtsu.edu) or visit the Career Center Web site at [mtsu.edu/~career](http://mtsu.edu/~career).

# 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.*

**1940s**

**Catherine Barker** (B.S. '46), Jasper, Tenn., died June 7, 2007.

**James W. Jackson Sr.** (B.S. '43, M.A. '54), Murfreesboro, died March 11, 2007.

**Mary Carmene Jordan** (B.S. '40), Morrison, Tenn., died Oct. 30, 2006.

**Ida Lee Wright** (B.S. '42), Woodbury, Tenn., died April 11, 2007.

**Maurine Yancey** (B.S. '42), Alexandria, Tenn., died May 7, 2006.

**1950s**

**Horace Hayes** (B.S. '51), Dalton, Ga., died April 14, 2007.

**Guy A. Scott** (B.S. '51, M.A. '52), Huntsville, Ala., died March 14, 2007.

**1960s**

**Richard Allen Haas** (B.S. '65),

Millville, Del., died Aug. 27, 2006.

**Sharon Lester Martin** (B.S. '65, M.S.T. '83), Murfreesboro, died May 16, 2007.

**Lacy E. Suiter** (B.S. '66), Nashville, Tenn., died Aug. 8, 2006.

**1970s**

**Claude Jackson Cocke** (B.S. '73), Quebec, Tenn., died Sept. 21, 2006.

**Dr. John Gich** (D.A. '78), Wilkes Barre, Pa., died Jan. 1, 2002.

**James Richard McGregor** (B.S. '71, M.A. '72), McMinnville, Tenn., died Oct.

18, 2006.

**Patrick O. Powell** (B.S. '73), Columbia, Tenn., died April 10, 2007.

**Ellis Judson Smith Jr.** (B.S. '79, M.C.J. '80), Van Nuys, Calif., died May 3, 2007.

**1990s**

**Nancy Heathcott-Lopez** (M.S. '96), Anderson, S.C., died Oct. 26, 2006.

**Laurie Tremelling** (B.S. '96), Vero Beach, Fl., died June 17, 2007.



