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# the RECORD

## Y'all 'all in' for homecoming?

by Rhonda Wright  
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You can bet that Homecoming 2008 will hit the jackpot the week of Nov. 3-8.

Tying in with the football season slogan of "All In," the homecoming theme is "Bet on Blue."

The MTSU Alumni Relations Office has been working with student groups to stack the deck with events planned throughout the week that will build on the traditions of the past and make memories for the future.

The week starts with the T-Shirt Swap. Alumni and university faculty and staff can visit the Alumni House between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday, Nov. 3, through Friday, Nov. 7, to trade a shirt from another school for the official 2008 Homecoming shirt. All shirts collected will be donated to a charity. (Students will be able to swap shirts via a Student

Government Association event that same week.)

On Friday evening, graduates of the Class of 1958 and earlier are invited to attend the Golden Raider Induction Ceremony and Dinner at the Tom H. Jackson Building.

Alumni and friends are invited to the Chili Cook-Off at 5:30 p.m. on Friday on the Murphy Center lawn, where chili will be served and judged. Participants either can 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.

Alumni Relations also is inviting the MTSU community to watch the Homecoming Parade at "Mixer on Middle" at the Alumni House, where a complimentary breakfast will be served starting at 9 a.m. Saturday.

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## \$1.97 million grant to help MTSU fight lead poisoning in children

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has awarded a \$1.97 million grant to MTSU to continue its efforts to prevent the lead poisoning of young children.

"HUD's lead-elimination program works through organizations like MTSU to identify and remove lead hazards in homes," U.S. Rep. Bart Gordon said, noting that children are particularly vulnerable to lead poisoning, which has been linked to serious health problems that can result in decreased intelligence and poor school performance.

"MTSU has done outstanding work in this area and reduced the

incidents of lead poisoning in Tennessee children," the Murfreesboro congressman added.

This is the third award MTSU has received to eliminate lead hazards. With the first grant, MTSU cleared 110 homes of lead hazards, and the university is expected to clear an additional 156 homes with the second grant. MTSU's goal with the new \$1.97 million grant is to clear another 110 homes of hazardous lead, specifically in the Knoxville area of Knox County.

"Exposure to lead is very detrimental to childhood development—it actually inhibits development of the brain," said Dr. Kathy

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## Living with latest budget cuts

by Dr. Sidney A. McPhee  
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This communication comes in follow up to my earlier message regarding the state's implementation of additional budget reductions for fiscal year 2008-09, which calls for MTSU to return slightly more than \$3.2 million. On Friday, Oct. 17, we submitted a plan to TBR outlining how these additional reductions would be made and their impact on university operations and employee morale.

Again, the university is committed to protecting its core mission in academics and instructional activities and made no reductions to the Academic Affairs division base budgets. The following are just a few ways in which MTSU will be affected by the latest budget cuts:

- the elimination of vacant

positions in areas such as the Records Office, Development and University Relations, and Business and Finance;

- a reduction in athletic scholarship funds; student programming, training and development activities; travel and professional-development funds; and custodial and grounds services;

- delays in the development and implementation of some information technology projects and services;

- a revision in the weekend lockdown schedule that will eliminate two shifts of building lockdown services on weekends; and

- additional reductions in university landscaping, cleaning schedules and HVAC service calls.

As a result of these latest cuts and reductions, you will notice a decrease in the level of certain campus services; a shift toward more

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## Make a Big Blue Difference!

There's more than one way to make a difference in people's lives, and MTSU's 2008 Employee Charitable Giving Campaign, which kicks off Thursday, Nov. 6, will give employees a chance to Make a Big Blue Difference in the community.

"Joining Together—Making a Difference' is the 2008 theme sponsored by the Tennessee Board of Regents system," said 2008 campaign chair Dr. Gloria Bonner, special assistant to the president for the Office of Community Engagement and Support. "Now, more than ever, it is critical for us to have the support from the MTSU community to help with the changing demands in our society. As a university known for its generous spirit of giving, we are united by the great traditions of this community and bound by its longstanding commitment to

economic and social support for all of our citizens.

"As valued members of this university, we embrace the significance of investing in the community, because we really want to make a difference in the lives of others. As you know, it takes everyone working collectively to create a better future for those who otherwise may not have access to the opportunities available to us."

Even in tight economic times, MTSU employees have always found a way to dig down to find a little extra to help those without jobs, without health insurance, with needs for services that they couldn't otherwise obtain without donations from caring people in the community. Despite ongoing budget cutbacks at the university, some MTSU employees already are making plans to donate or to increase their

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### IN BRIEF

#### CHANGE BENEFITS BY NOV. 14

The 2009 flexible-benefits booklets and enrollment forms are now located on the Human Resource Services Web Site at

<http://hrs.web.mtsu.edu>. All enrollment forms must be received by HRS, located on the second floor of the Ingram Building, no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 14. Please contact the HRS office at 615-898-2929 with questions or for more information.

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# 'Choose' to go to school?!? Nontraditional students do!

by Corinne Dupuis

To quote John Dewey, "Education is a social process. Education is growth. Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself." This quote sums up for me my desire to keep active, never be idle and never stop learning. I had the courage to return to college as a nontraditional student after friend and fellow MTSU alumna Cole Freeman took me by the hand up to the OWLs office. That was two years ago. Now, at 48 years old and 30 credit hours later, I am in the middle of graduate school.

I received a Bachelor of Arts degree in history and education from John Carroll University in 1982. However, upon graduation and with a poor job market for teachers that year, I took a job as a flight attendant for TWA Airlines and traveled extensively for 17 years, got married and had two children. I was the wife of a defense company executive for General Dynamics who sold the Atlas-Centaur rocket to other countries. I have

always used my travels as a learning experience, and now I realize that my goal of being a teacher is still very much alive.

You know you are a nontraditional student when you are older than most of your professors and have more in common with them than your classmates. Or when your motherly instincts kick in and you bring homemade food to class, chide



Dupuis

other students for not calling home more than once a week, or take notes not using a laptop like the rest of your classmates but instead use longhand, taking pride in your penmanship. Also, a nontraditional student will take a three-hour, 7:30 a.m. summer-session class—by choice—and arrive home before their teenagers are even out of bed! However, there are still hurdles to get over, such as juggling my own schedule with that of my two teenage sons and my parents, who have become extended children to me as

they get up in age and have serious health problems.

Not long ago I received an e-mail from my uncle, a retired Navy chief, who was shocked and proud to hear that I returned to college. He sent me the story of Rose, who at 86 returned to college to finish her degree. Her words have inspired me: "We do not stop playing because we are old; we grow old because we stop playing." She also said, "The elderly usually don't have regrets for what we did, but rather things we did not do."

For now my teenage boys do not understand why their mom would "choose" the torture of school and studying. There lies the joy of being a nontraditional student: that you no longer "have" to go to school ... you just want to!

*Corinne Dupuis, who recently studied history at Vanderbilt University, is now a graduate student in curriculum and leadership in MTSU's College of Education and Behavioral Science. She submitted this commentary as an entry in the annual Nontraditional Student Week Essay Contest.*

## Nontraditional college students celebrate week at MTSU

by Gina K. Logue  
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A celebration of Nontraditional Student Week is slated Monday-Friday, Nov. 3-7, in the Keathley University Center at MTSU with festivities, encouragement and election-year enlightenment on the agenda.

The activities kick off with an open house from 4 to 6 p.m. Nov. 3 in Room 320 of the KUC, where the organization for nontraditional students, Older Wiser Learners, or OWLs, will offer pastries and cider.

On Nov. 4, Election Day, OWLs will co-sponsor Unity Election Party

2008 with Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority Inc. and other groups from 7 to 11 p.m. in the KUC Grill. The party aims to unite MTSU students of all political backgrounds in a nonpartisan location and to celebrate democracy.

Speakers from both major parties will be on hand, and attendees will be able to watch live television election coverage. There will be food, gift giveaways and a silent auction with proceeds benefiting a local domestic-violence shelter. The event is free and open to the public, but a care-package item for soldiers serving overseas or a small donation at the door is requested.

OWLs will staff an information table in front of the KUC Grill from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Nov. 5. Members who stop by will receive free gifts, and staffers will inform potential members about the organization.

The Nontraditional Week Dinner is scheduled for 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 6 in Room 322 of the KUC. Students may bring their families, a side dish (salad, vegetables or dessert) that feeds eight to 10 people and a liter of their favorite beverage. OWLs will provide the turkey. New members will be inducted into the Pinnacle Honor Society for nontraditional students that evening as well.

Dinner speaker Sharon Mitchell-

Pierre will provide uplifting words about overcoming the daily struggles of being a nontraditional student. Mitchell-Pierre, who retired from USAA Life Insurance Company in 2007, is a summa cum laude graduate of the University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio with a bachelor's degree in business administration earned while juggling marriage, motherhood, a career, night school and other challenges.

For more information about Nontraditional Student Week activities, contact Dr. Carol Ann Baily at [cabaily@mtsu.edu](mailto:cabaily@mtsu.edu) or 615-898-5989 or OWLs President Monique Denney at [mdd3f@mtsu.edu](mailto:mdd3f@mtsu.edu).

## Service-learning lecture set Nov. 7

from Staff Reports  
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Dr. Robert Kronick, professor in the College of Education, Health and Human Sciences at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, will speak on Friday, Nov. 7, about his successful implementation of full-service schools and explain how colleges that increase service-learning requirements by developing relationships with community groups benefit all involved.

MTSU's Learning, Teaching & Innovative Technologies Center, in partnership with the EXL Program and the Colleges of Education and Behavioral Science and Liberal Arts, are sponsoring Kronick's speech in the Faculty Senate Room (Room 100 of the James Union Building) from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Faculty interested in service-learning curriculums, full-service community schools and how to form school-to-community partnerships are invited to attend.

Since establishing his Center for Civic Engagement at UTK, Kronick works with faculty and students in multiple disciplines, including:

- nursing, whose students help students and adults with daily health,

nutrition, etc.

- mathematics, where students help the community manage the "numerical" aspects of life and help tutor;

- architecture, where students designed a clinic and found materials and furnishings;

- engineering, where students have worked with fifth-grade math students;

- political science, where students helped teach civic responsibilities;

- language, where students worked with English as a Second Language classes and helped translate Spanish and Russian; and

- the honors program.

According to Kronick, about 20 percent of a community's problems can be solved by its universities. He says he hopes that through the increase of service-learning initiatives and school-community partnerships on higher-education campuses, that number will increase.

Attendees will learn how Kronick has built his program and how his program has rewarded teachers, students and communities. They also will learn the steps involved in developing a similar initiative here.

For more information on this free lecture, please call 615-494-7671.

## Insurance group awaits golf tourney

by Randy Weiler  
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Awaiting the 25th annual Martin Chair of Insurance Golf Tournament, Insurance Liaison Committee members set Tuesday, April 21, 2009, as the date for the event that will be held at Champions Run Golf Course in Eagleville.

Dr. Ken Hollman, Martin Chair of Insurance chairholder, noted that recent alumnus Andrew Coleman suggested that the ILC emphasize the 25th anniversary of the tournament, which has raised thousands of dollars for MTSU's insurance program.

ILC members discussed the tournament and heard other Martin Chair of Insurance updates from Hollman and ILC news from committee chairman Jim Cavenish at the Sept. 26 luncheon at the new Embassy Suites Hotel and Conference Center.

"It was a wonderful suggestion," Hollman said of Coleman's idea. "One of the suggestions was that we should have T-shirts made to commemorate the anniversary."

On the heels of trying to raise \$40,000 net profit in 2007, Hollman

said, "the goal we talked about next year is \$50,000 net, after we pay for the golf course (usage fee), signs, photographer and meals (lunch and dinner). That's an ambitious goal, but achievable."

Hollman said he is hopeful that BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee would remain the primary tournament sponsor. They contributed \$10,000 in 2008.

Because of current economic conditions, Hollman said the committee members agreed to keep current \$150-per-player and \$150-per-hole sponsorships for 2009.

"We had 100 hole sponsors last year, so we'd like to increase the number of hole sponsors," he said.

Hollman praised the hard-working committee members for their efforts. The chairholder also shared the current state of affairs with the insurance program in regard to students, the Robert E. Musto Tennessee Insurance Hall of Fame, contributions and pledges and this summer's Insurance Education Institute workshop for 18 high-school guidance counselors.

For more information about the insurance program and the golf tournament, call 615-898-2673.

# Allez-y! Université d'Été offers course credit for travel

by Stacy Williams  
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Sitting in a classroom taking notes every day can get pretty dull. Traveling is a way to break the monotonous school routine, but many students can't justify the price tag for the photos. But what if you could travel and earn school credit?

For French students, the opportunity is as good as gold—thanks to Dr. Nancy Goldberg, that is. Goldberg, MTSU French professor and founder of the Université d'Été, believes that studying abroad is one of the best ways to enhance one's knowledge of other languages and cultures.

The 2009 Université d'Été takes students to western France to experience authentic French culture. Students can earn six credits (FREN 3910 or FREN 2910) at MTSU while living in Cherbourg, France, from May 10 to June 8, 2009. Language classes are taught each morning, then the course takes to the streets. Most afternoons are spent experiencing French culture firsthand by touring museums, tasting cuisine and even traveling to Paris. Participating students will spend the month with a host family to be enveloped in the French lifestyle.

Established in 2005, the Université d'Été is "part of a continuing relationship with the Institut Universitaire de Technologie in Cherbourg," says Goldberg.

According to past student evaluations, Université d'Été is an invaluable experience.

"I love this trip, and I'm so very sad that it is ending. My time in France has opened my eyes to the world," said one student.

"My exchange was a truly invaluable experience which I can never forget," added Joe Duke, a senior French major who participated in the summer 2008 session. "It helped me to understand and

experience firsthand the language and culture in a way that could never be taught in a classroom. In addition, I left with lasting friendships, both at home and abroad."

Goldberg has worked in the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures at MTSU for 20 years, and she takes pride in conducting the Université d'Été. She facilitates every aspect of the program from advertisements and applications to teaching and touring. She knows the importance of studying a foreign language in its native country.

"Language is a vehicle of culture, so students also learn what is important to the people in that country and how they see the world," Goldberg says. "Students see what is different, but also what is similar to their own experience, and in so doing, they understand other people's choices and ways of life."

Students are often hesitant to study abroad when they see the price tag, but the cost of studying a month in Cherbourg is \$1,800, which includes all lodging, most morning meals, guided tours, outdoor excursions, airfare to Paris and fees at the IUT-Cherbourg. Students are responsible for the cost of MTSU tuition for six credit hours and for the round-trip airfare to France.



**TRES BIEN!**—MTSU students from a previous Université d'Été have fun at the Eiffel Tower during an excursion to Paris. Applications are being accepted now for the Summer 2009 trip, which earns six course credits.

photo submitted

Those who have completed two semesters of French with a grade of C- or better and are in good academic standing with the university are eligible to apply.

Interested students may find applications in the Study Abroad Office in Peck Hall or through the Université d'Été Web site at [www.forlang.mtsu.edu/goldberg/cherbourg](http://www.forlang.mtsu.edu/goldberg/cherbourg). But don't wait, because the application and deposit of \$200 are due by Feb. 1, 2009.

For more information, contact Goldberg at 615-898-2281 or [goldberg@mtsu.edu](mailto:goldberg@mtsu.edu) and include your name, major, GPA, telephone number, e-mail and a list of your French courses and grades.

## Scholars Academy's needs lead to plans for Nov. 13 'Black & White Gala'

from Staff Reports  
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The Scholars Academy at MTSU will celebrate with and benefit from the first Black & White Gala, a Thursday, Nov. 13, event at the Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center honoring three Tennesseans who have made significant contributions to the areas of education, leadership, diversity and human rights.

"Educating for Extraordinary Excellence: Celebrating our Past, Present and Future" is the theme of the premier gala celebrating the accomplishments of:

- The Hon. Camille McMullen, the first African-American woman to be appointed to the Tennessee Court of Criminal Appeals;
- MTSU alumnus Darrell S. Freeman Sr., chairman and CEO of Zycron, Inc., an information technology service and solutions firm; and
- Dr. Kevin Churchwell, CEO/executive director of the Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt.

Proceeds from the gala will provide scholarship and endowment funds for the Scholars Academy, a four-year academic and social college support program aiming to increase the graduation rates of minority college students.

The gala and a spring golf outing provide funds for minority and underserved Tennesseans, including Gaylord employees and their children, to attend the Scholars Academy at MTSU.

The reception for the Black & White Gala begins at 6 p.m., followed by a

7 p.m. dinner and ceremony of honors and silent and live auctions.

Table sponsorships ranging from \$5,000 to \$50,000 are available; individual tickets to the event are \$200 each.

Honoree McMullen received her law degree from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, and was an assistant district attorney with the Shelby County District Attorney General's Office. From 2001-08, she was an assistant U.S. attorney for the Western District of Tennessee, and she was named to the state's criminal appeals court this year.

Freeman, whose IT firm employs more than 150 professionals across the country, also is the co-founder of Reliant Bank, Pinnacle Construction Partners and DC Properties. He recently completed a second term as chairman of the Nashville Chamber of Commerce and is a current board member of Centennial Medical Center. As former chairman of the 100 Black Men of Middle Tennessee, he led the organization to achieve Chapter of the Year honors in 2005.

Churchwell, a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Vanderbilt University Medical School, returned to Vanderbilt in 1995 to join the faculty as assistant professor of pediatric critical care and anesthesia. Since 2004, he has been listed as one of the "The Best Doctors in America" and "America's Top Pediatricians for 2006-07." He was the first chief of staff at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital and was named to lead the facility in July 2007.

For more information about the Black & White Gala or to obtain tickets or table sponsorships, please contact Michelle McDaniel or Dr. Sharon Shaw-McEwen at 615-898-5975 or e-mail [cdinit@mtsu.edu](mailto:cdinit@mtsu.edu).



## Mallonee exhibit under way at Baldwin Gallery; lecture set

Noted photographer Tom Mallonee's exhibit, "Evidence of Passing: Vanishing Points Along an American Road," will be displayed until Dec. 4 in the Baldwin Photographic Gallery on the first floor of the McWherter Learning Resources Center.

A lecture by Mallonee will be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 3, in Bragg Mass Communication Room 103, with a reception afterward in the gallery.

Tom Jimison, gallery director and professor of electronic media communication, said Mallonee "has pursued large-format black-and-white work since 1979 and often has chosen subjects which stray from conventional notions of

western landscape." In recent years, Jimison said, Mallonee founded Bishop, Calif.-based Owens Valley Imaging, which exclusively produces black-and-white ink prints for artists.

Baldwin Photographic Gallery hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, noon to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and 6 to 9:45 p.m. on Sundays. The gallery will be closed Nov. 27-29 (Thursday through Saturday) for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Exhibitions are free and open to the public. For more information, call 615-898-2085.



# Campus Calendar

Nov. 3-16

## Please note:

Event dates, times and locations may change after press time. Please verify specifics when making plans.

## TV Schedule



### "Middle Tennessee Record"

Cable Channel 9:  
Monday-Sunday—7 a.m., 5 p.m.  
NewsChannel 5+:  
Sundays—1:30 p.m.

## Through Nov. 13

### "4 Women 4 Views with Text"

BookArts exhibit, Walker Library  
Special Collection Room  
For information, contact:  
615-904-8503.

## Nov. 3

Monday, Nov. 3

### Fall Honors Lecture Series:

#### Dr. David Foote

3-3:55 p.m., HONR 106  
For information, visit  
[http://honors.web.mtsu.edu/lecture\\_series.htm](http://honors.web.mtsu.edu/lecture_series.htm) or contact:  
615-898-2152.

## Nov. 4

Tuesday, Nov. 4

### ELECTION DAY

For voting information, visit  
[www.rutherfordcountyttn.gov/election](http://www.rutherfordcountyttn.gov/election) or contact: 615-898-7743.

### Learning, Teaching & Innovative Technologies Center Panel: "Using E-Games in Your Curriculum"

11:40 a.m.-1 p.m., Peck Hall 106  
For more information, visit  
[www.mtsu.edu/ltanditc](http://www.mtsu.edu/ltanditc)  
or contact: 615-494-7671.

### JAWC Career/Professional Brown Bag Development Series: Lucy Jones and Katy Riddle of the Career Development Center

Noon-1 p.m., JUB Dining Room C  
For information, contact:  
615-898-2193.

### Our Friends, Our Selves Bookclub

featured book: *What Makes a Man*—22 Writers Imagine the

*Future* by Rebecca Walker

3:30-4:30 p.m., JUB 206

For information, contact:  
615-898-2193.

Tuesday, Nov. 4

### Murfreesboro Youth Orchestra

7 p.m., Hinton Music Hall  
Cost: Adults \$10, students \$5  
For information, contact:  
615-898-2493.

## Nov. 5

Wednesday, Nov. 5

### Nontraditional Student Day

10 a.m.-2 p.m., KUC, second-floor lobby outside the Grill  
For information, contact:  
615-898-5989.

## Nov. 6

Thursday, Nov. 6

### Nontraditional Student Potluck Dinner

Bring a side dish for eight to 10, plus drinks for your family  
5:30-7:30 p.m., KUC 322  
For information, contact:  
615-898-5989.

### MT Men's Basketball vs. North Alabama

7 p.m., Murphy Center  
For information, visit  
[www.goblueraiders.com](http://www.goblueraiders.com)  
or contact: 615-898-2450.

### Faculty Horn Recital:

#### Angela DeBoer

8 p.m., Hinton Music Hall  
For information, contact:  
615-898-2493.

## Nov. 7

Friday, Nov. 7

### Dr. Robert Kronick, "Developing Community Partnerships to Achieve Service-Learning Outcomes"

1:30-3:30 p.m., JUB 100  
For more information, contact:  
615-494-7671.

### First Friday Star Party:

Dr. E. Klumpe, "The Solar Cycle"  
6:30 p.m., Wiser-Patten Science  
For information, contact:  
615-898-2483.

## Nov. 8

Saturday, Nov. 8

### Homecoming: Blue Raider Football vs. Louisiana-Monroe

2:30 p.m., Floyd Stadium  
For information, visit

[www.goblueraiders.com](http://www.goblueraiders.com)

or contact: 615-898-2450.

## Nov. 9

Sunday, Nov. 9

### "MTSU On the Record—TERRA"

Dr. William Canak talks about the Tennessee Employment Relations Research Association and its 11th annual conference.  
7 a.m., WMOT 89.5-FM  
Podcast available at  
[www.mtsunews.com](http://www.mtsunews.com).

## Nov. 10

Monday, Nov. 10

### Fall Honors Lecture Series:

#### Dr. Bob Spires

3-3:55 p.m., HONR 106  
For information, visit  
[http://honors.web.mtsu.edu/lecture\\_series.htm](http://honors.web.mtsu.edu/lecture_series.htm) or contact:  
615-898-2152.

### Faculty Senate Meeting

4:30 p.m., JUB 100  
For information, contact:  
615-898-2582.

### MT Women's Basketball vs. Lincoln Memorial

7 p.m., Murphy Center  
For information, visit  
[www.goblueraiders.com](http://www.goblueraiders.com)  
or contact: 615-898-2450.

### Jazz Ensemble I

7:30 p.m., Hinton Music Hall  
For information, contact:  
615-898-2493.

## Nov. 11

Tuesday, Nov. 11

### Veterans' Day

### Red Cross Blood Drive

10 a.m.-4 p.m., KUC 322/318  
For information, contact:  
615-898-2591.

## Nov. 12

Wednesday, Nov. 12

### MTSU Percussion Ensemble

8 p.m., Hinton Music Hall  
For information, contact:  
615-898-2493.

## Nov. 13

Thursday, Nov. 13

### Retired Faculty/Staff Coffee

9:30 a.m., Foundation House  
For information, contact:  
615-898-5756.

Thursday, Nov. 13

### Annual Majors Fair

11 a.m.-1 p.m., KUC second-floor lobby  
For information, contact:  
615-898-2500.

### MTSU Jazz Artist Series

7:30 p.m., Hinton Music Hall  
Tickets: \$15 each  
For information, contact:  
615-898-2493.

## Nov. 14

Friday, Nov. 14

### MT Men's Basketball vs. Trevecca

7 p.m., Murphy Center  
For information, visit  
[www.goblueraiders.com](http://www.goblueraiders.com)  
or contact: 615-898-2450.

### MT Volleyball vs. Troy

7 p.m., Alumni Memorial Gym  
For information, visit  
[www.goblueraiders.com](http://www.goblueraiders.com)  
or contact: 615-898-2450.

## Nov. 15

Saturday, Nov. 15

### MT Volleyball vs. South Alabama

7 p.m., Alumni Memorial Gym  
For information, visit  
[www.goblueraiders.com](http://www.goblueraiders.com)  
or contact: 615-898-2450.

### MT Women's Basketball vs. Lafayette College

7 p.m., Murphy Center  
For information, visit  
[www.goblueraiders.com](http://www.goblueraiders.com)  
or contact: 615-898-2450.

## Nov. 16

Sunday, Nov. 16

### "MTSU On the Record—A Christmas Carol"

Actor and alumnus Allan Barlow talks about his work on *A Christmas Carol* and his speech and theatre workshops.  
7 a.m., WMOT 89.5-FM  
Podcast available at  
[www.mtsunews.com](http://www.mtsunews.com).

### Faculty Piano Recital: Titus Bartos

3 p.m., Hinton Music Hall  
For information, contact:  
615-898-2493.

### String Studio Recital

5 p.m., Hinton Music Hall  
For information, contact:  
615-898-2493.



This party is open to all alumni, friends and fans and has the best view of the parade on campus. The MTSU National Alumni Association is providing free homecoming souvenir photos of attendees at the Mixer on Middle.

After the parade, attendees can head to Walnut Grove to tailgate. Tent City is a natural gathering place to get the latest news and see friends and professors. The Colleges of Graduate Studies, Basic and Applied Sciences, Business, and Liberal Arts and the University Honors College will open their tents starting at noon.

The Blue Raiders will take on the Louisiana-Monroe Warhawks in the homecoming game. Kickoff is at 2:30 p.m. at Floyd Stadium.

Game tickets are available by calling 615-898-2103 or visiting [www.goblueraiders.com](http://www.goblueraiders.com). The Alumni Relations Office also has \$8 discounted general-admission end-zone tickets for alumni.

For a full schedule of homecoming events, visit [www.mtsu.edu/~sga/homecoming.htm](http://www.mtsu.edu/~sga/homecoming.htm) or [www.mtalumni.com](http://www.mtalumni.com).

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## Football hero returns to lead this year's parade

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**A** well-known Middle Tennessee State University alumnus and 2008 Kennon Hall of Fame inductee will be returning to serve as grand marshal during MTSU's homecoming parade on Saturday, Nov. 8.

Kelly Holcomb, 35, was inducted into the hall of fame this year for his outstanding accomplishments in Blue Raider football during the 1991 to 1994 seasons. He graduated from MTSU with a bachelor's degree in 1996 after beginning his professional football career.

Former Coach Boots Donnelly recruited Holcomb from Lincoln County High School to play for the Blue Raiders in 1991. He was a four-year starting quarterback for the Raiders and set multiple passing records during his college career.

Holcomb led the Blue Raiders to the Ohio Valley Conference Championship in 1992 and received all-conference honors in 1992 and 1994. He left the Raiders in 1994 as the career passing leader with 7,064 yards and began a lengthy career in



**MARSHALING THE TROOPS**—Former MTSU and pro football player Kelly Holcomb, seated center, his wife, Lori, and their children pose for a photo at the MTSU Alumni House while preparing to serve as grand marshals for the Nov. 8 homecoming parade. The Holcomb children are, from left, Jameson, 5; Jalyn, 7; and Kellyn, 9.

photo by J. Intintoli

the National Football League in 1995.

After playing for the Indianapolis Colts, Cleveland Browns, Buffalo Bills and Minnesota Vikings, Holcomb announced his retirement on July 7, 2008. He now serves as a color analyst

for the Blue Raider Broadcasting Network while spending time with his wife, Lori, and children Kellyn, 9, Jalyn, 7, and Jameson, 5.

## Budget

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online communications to reduce printing and mailing costs; and slower response times, particularly in areas such as maintenance and custodial services and offices where there was already heavy traffic, such as financial aid.

We realize that we have placed an additional burden on our nonacademic units, but protecting our core mission of educating students is essential to our continued success and viability as an institution. While we remain positive in our efforts to deal with these latest reductions, we recognize that having an almost \$10 million reduction in funding over the course of four months has serious implications for the university. Our flexibility in dealing with additional cuts has been drastically diminished. Any future cuts, which we all

anticipate as a result of the worsening economy, could force us to make major decisions about the elimination of programs and possible reductions in our workforce. We are aware of how these cuts affect morale on campus, and we are trying to do everything possible to mitigate it. Because we are a well-managed university in terms of our financial affairs, we fully expect to manage our way through this and become a stronger university.

As some of you may know, we have already had some discussions with deans and chairs in a series of brainstorming sessions about how we will deal with economic conditions on campus. We are continuing that effort. Several members of the working group that we established this summer have been meeting and will be involved in

organizing other groups on campus that will review and address many of the issues that are negatively impacting the university. Additional information regarding these meetings and how you can be involved will be forthcoming. This is a great institution with very dedicated employees, and we hope to make these decisions in a way that will keep the value of our people in the forefront as well.

As always, thank you for your continued support of MTSU. I will keep you apprised of the latest developments on the impact of these cuts.

*Dr. Sidney A. McPhee is president of MTSU.*

## Difference

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contributions in 2009 by bringing lunch from home one more day each week or sharing rides to work. Some are even setting aside a portion of this year's state bonus to give to causes like the Employee Charitable Giving Campaign.

Pledge forms and the campaign brochure once again will be available online at the campaign Web site, [www.mtsu.edu/givemtsu](http://www.mtsu.edu/givemtsu). Paper copies of each also are available from departmental coordinators if needed.

All pledge forms must be returned to campaign headquarters in Room 114 of the Cope Administration Building, via departmental coordinators or direct campus mail, by Friday, Nov. 21, at 4:30 p.m. Employees who return their

forms by the deadline will be eligible for a campuswide drawing on Wednesday, Nov. 26, at 1:30 p.m. for dozens of prizes. (A full listing will be available by clicking the "prizes" link at [www.mtsu.edu/givemtsu](http://www.mtsu.edu/givemtsu).) Donations are not required to enter any of the prize drawings.

The university's 2007 campaign saw MTSU continue its record-breaking tradition of helping the community with more than \$81,000 in contributions. That surpassed the 2006 tally of nearly \$79,500 in contributions.

Faculty and staff can give by payroll deduction to any charitable organization included on a list of 10 independent charities and three federated charitable organizations, Bonner said, including Community Health Charities, Community Shares and local United Ways. The deductions will begin with the first paycheck of 2009.

MTSU's own Project Help, a nonprofit program that provides early intervention and family support services to high-risk children, children with disabilities and children with developmental delays, receives a portion of its funding from United Way grants via charitable giving efforts like this one.

"In past years, our university has been very supportive of this overall campaign, and that support helped MTSU meet its goal with regard to increased participation. May we count on you again this year for your contribution to this worthwhile initiative? Working together, united around the values and principles that we share as citizens, I have every confidence that we can move beyond today's challenges as a community and 'Make a Big Blue Difference,'" Bonner said.

The annual effort at MTSU is conducted in unison with all TBR institutions.

For more information about the campaign, contact Laurie Glenn at 615-494-7900.

## Grant

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Mathis, MTSU's project director and an associate professor in the Department of Engineering Technology. "We're working in partnership with the City of Knoxville and community action program to target children between prenatal and 6 years old."

With this new grant, MTSU's work is expected to prevent the poisoning of approximately 250 children under the age of 6. The grant is part of HUD's Operation

Lead Elimination Action Program, or LEAP, whose purpose is to eliminate lead poisoning as a major public health threat to young children. LEAP provides grants to private sector, non-profit and for-profit organizations that identify and control lead hazards in privately owned housing units.

For more information about the program, call 1-866-OTN-LEAP (1-866-686-5327) or e-mail [tnleap@mtsu.edu](mailto:tnleap@mtsu.edu).



# MT Baseball announces busy 2009 schedule

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The Blue Raider baseball program will play host to a three-game series Feb. 20-22 to open the 2009 season at the newly renovated Reese Smith Field and begin a stretch in which the Blue Raiders will play six of its first seven games at home.

"Our home opener is Missouri State, a ball club not far removed from the College World Series, who is one of the strongest teams in the Missouri Valley conference. So we will have our hands full early with a team that we have not had much success against," said Head Coach Steve Peterson.

After a short trip to Nashville to face Belmont on Feb. 24, the Blue Raiders will return home to play Tennessee Tech, Jacksonville State and Memphis.

Middle Tennessee will then open Sun Belt Conference action at New Orleans March 6-8.

After that three-game series, the Blue Raiders return to Reese Smith Field for nine games, which will include Lipscomb, Arkansas State, Southern Illinois and Florida Atlantic.

The squad will hit the road after that to play nine away games, including Arkansas-Little Rock, Austin Peay and Louisiana-Lafayette.

Middle Tennessee plays host to Vanderbilt on April 7 after its long stretch on the road and will play Florida International at Reese Smith Field that weekend.

"It is another good schedule," Peterson said. "It is even better than last year, because we had to play so many road games by design due to the stadium being under construction. We have more home games than normal, with some being very attractive, including conference and nonconference. It should be a very demanding schedule, as it is every year."

The Blue Raiders travel to Nashville to square off against the Commodores before heading up to Knoxville to face Southeastern Conference foe Tennessee April 15. The team then heads to Mississippi State for a two-game series.

MTSU will round out its 2009 baseball season by playing its last seven games at Reese Smith Field. Mississippi Valley State will play Middle Tennessee in a three-game series before the team plays host to Tennessee on May 12. Then rival Western Kentucky will visit the Blue Raiders in their final games of the season before the conference tournament begins May 20.

For the complete 2009 baseball schedule, visit [www.goblueraiders.com](http://www.goblueraiders.com) and click on the "baseball" link under the "Men's Sports" heading. Then click on "2009 schedule." Or go to [www.goblueraiders.com/schedule.cfm/sport/baseball/season/2009](http://www.goblueraiders.com/schedule.cfm/sport/baseball/season/2009).

# ORCO students find success at Dollywood

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On Oct. 9, seven MTSU students took off for Dollywood, but they weren't just there to have fun for fall break.

Five of the students are part of an experiential-learning organizational communications, or ORCO, class in which they learn how to create and run nonprofit organizations and events. Current students Jen Gibson, Trenton Hughes, Nick Palmer, Shawn Riggs and Dede Smith were joined by Shain Pounds, a past student of instructor Lori Kissinger who volunteered to help with the event. The students assisted statewide VSA arts Tennessee in presenting a performance at Dollywood's Show Street Palace Theater that featured young performers with disabilities.

VSA arts Tennessee is a local nonprofit organization that is part of an international group whose mission is to provide opportunities for people with disabilities to participate in and express themselves through the arts and arts education.

More than 300 special-education students were bused into the park for this performance, which also was open to the general public. The MTSU ORCO students assisted in registration, evaluation and general logistics for the event.

"This was a dream come true," said Kissinger, who also serves as VSA executive director. "VSA has been working for six years to create an event at Dollywood that would feature our performers with disabilities. Everyone

did a great job, and the event went perfectly."

The seventh MTSU student, Ramsey Tyson, played a different but equally important role. Tyson had demonstrated his bass-guitar skills during a speech in one of Kissinger's classes. When Kissinger and the class learned that a bass guitarist would be needed for the performance, they contacted Tyson, bringing him from the front of a university classroom to the Dollywood stage.

Dollywood was so impressed with the performance and workers that they are considering making this an annual event at their park, Kissinger said.



**DOING UP DOLLYWOOD**—MTSU organizational communication students and leaders pause after coordinating a performance at Dollywood during fall break. From left are Trenton Hughes, Shawn Riggs, instructor Lori Kissinger, Shain Pounds, VSA board member Cynthia Watkins, Dede Smith, Nick Palmer and Jen Gibson. Not pictured is student Ramsey Tyson.

photo submitted

## Distinguished Lecture Fund deadline is Nov. 10

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The MTSU community is encouraged to apply for funding now to bring distinguished lecturers to campus.

The Distinguished Lecture Committee seeks to promote appearances by nationally and internationally known speakers who focus on the timely discussion of regional, national and global issues in a variety of fields.

Through the Distinguished Lecture Fund, the committee supports academic and other departments that wish to bring to the MTSU

campus individuals who represent a recognized level of expertise in their respective fields. The programs sponsored will represent a balance of topics pertinent to the student population of MTSU and should be designed to elevate the campus dialogue on important current events. Preference will be given to funding the appearance of well-known speakers who can bring educational excellence to campus.

Speakers may include authors, lecturers, politicians and other relevant individuals. These programs should generally be open to students, faculty, staff and community members without charge.

If you would like to apply for

funds, you may apply online at [www.mtsu.edu/nsfp/fund\\_nsfp.shtml](http://www.mtsu.edu/nsfp/fund_nsfp.shtml) by Monday, Nov. 10. Click on the Distinguished Lecture Fund tab. Applicants will be notified through e-mail within three working days that the application was successfully received electronically.

The Distinguished Lectures Committee will meet shortly after the deadline to review the applications for funding.

For more information, call 615-898-2454.

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## Final lecture in public history series set Nov. 13

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The Heritage Center of Murfreesboro and Rutherford County and the Tennessee Civil War National Heritage Area will present the final lecture in its series of public programs at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13.

Spurgeon King, a doctoral student in the public history program at MTSU, will discuss the unique history of Elmwood, also known as the Hord Farm, which was built in 1842 by Thomas Hord. The property is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

"Elmwood is an important example of a family farm that survived during the Civil War," King said. "Its historical significance lies not only in its architectural design but the period of Union occupation and use as a hospital during the Battle of Stones River."

The farm is located north of the Stones River National Battlefield along the Old Nashville Highway and Northwest Broad Street/U.S. 41-70.

Admission is free to the Nov. 13 lecture, which is the fourth talk in the 2008 Community Heritage Lecture Series held at The Heritage Center and sponsored by the TCWNHA, which is a partnership unit of the National Park Service.

Located just off the square at 225 West College St., The Heritage Center is open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding major holidays, and features guided walking tours of the town square on the hour. Group tours are available Monday through Saturday by advance reservations. Admission is free.

The Heritage Center is a joint venture between the TCWNHA, Main Street: Murfreesboro/Rutherford County, the City of Murfreesboro and the Center for Historic Preservation at MTSU. Additional support comes from the Rutherford County government and State Farm Insurance.

For more information on the Community Heritage Lecture Series, please call the center at 615-217-8013 or e-mail Jennifer Butt at [jbutt@mtsu.edu](mailto:jbutt@mtsu.edu).



# 'Bet on You' is theme of Career Development Week events

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The MTSU Career Development Center will hold a Career Development Week Nov. 10-14 that will have something for all students, ranging from freshmen to graduate students.

It is a first-time event to help the center inform students about November as Career Development Month as well as National Career Development Day on Nov. 15.

With some exceptions, all Career Development Week activities will be held in the Keathley University Center. Following Homecoming's "Bet on Blue" theme, the Career Development Week theme will be "Bet on You."

"Our goal is to let people know we are here and to use us to start focusing on their career development," said Karen Austin, Career Development Center associate director. "People at varying stages of their career start asking questions—and these (events) are prompters. Even if they only come to 'Resumania,' questions will be asked that will get them to thinking about their plan and show them what they may be doing well or may not be doing well."

The "Resumania" event to which Austin refers actually is called "Resumania: Make Your Resume Crazy Good." It will be held twice, Tuesday and Wednesday (Nov. 11-12), from 10 a.m. until noon in the area just outside the KUC Grill.

Austin said other can't-miss sessions will include the Majors Fair from 11

a.m. until 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, in the KUC second-floor lobby and "Managing Change: Transitioning from College to Career" on Tuesday, Nov. 11, from noon until 1 p.m. in the KUC Theater.

"If you are a freshman or are undecided, you cannot miss the Majors Fair," Austin said. "Your decision (on a major) will be the key to open the door you want."

The "Managing Change" session will be led by Kevin McNulty, who is chief motivation officer and founder of Murfreesboro-based Humadyn, a company that specializes in helping people and organizations succeed.

The first four sessions on Nov. 11 will have an entrepreneurship theme, Austin said.

An Etiquette Dinner will be the final event of the day from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the James Union Building's Hazlewood Dining Room. The guest speaker will be announced soon.

Austin said the "From Service to Success" event from noon to 1 p.m. Nov. 12 in the KUC Theater will allow students to hear from panelists who will discuss organizations like VISTA, the Peace Corps, AmeriCorps, MTSU student leadership, branches of the military and others.

Friday's "Managing Your Career" speaker will be Vincent Windrow, an MTSU alumnus who recently became director of MTSU's Department of Intercultural and Diversity Affairs. The event will be held in KUC 314.

For more information, call the center at 615-898-2500 or visit <http://career.web.mtsu.edu/>.



## Alumnus brings 1-man 'Christmas Carol' to Tucker

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MTSU Theatre and Dance will present Allan Barlow's adaptation of the classic novella *A Christmas Carol* at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, in the Boutwell Dramatic Arts Building's Tucker Theatre.

MTSU alumnus Barlow's one-man show will put a new twist on the original Dickens script, said Jeff Gibson, associate professor of speech and theatre.

"My inspiration came from the story itself," said Barlow, a 1983 graduate of MTSU's theater program. "It's a splendid story with a message everyone should hear; I never get tired of telling it."

Admittedly, playing so many roles in a one-man show comes with its difficulties.

Said Barlow: "Although memorizing an hour and a half of dialogue was a big challenge, the hardest thing for me was visualizing the settings and blocking for over 20 different characters. I had to pay extra attention to each character's point of focus so the audience would always know which character was speaking."

As for his favorite role in the original Dickens

work, Barlow said, "I love them all! That's part of why I developed the show: so I could play all of them!"

"I guess if I had to pick a favorite scene, though, it would be the meeting between Scrooge and Marley. It's this scene that really sets the story in motion," he added. "After all, a tortured soul given a brief respite from eternal damnation is a pretty compelling character."

In addition to performing *A Christmas Carol* during his time at MTSU, Barlow also will work with students in several theater classes during his visit.

"I am excited about returning," he said. "I haven't been an acting student myself for over 20 years. I'm very curious to talk with the current crop about how they view the prospect of a life in the theater."

After graduating from MTSU, Barlow successfully worked with the Nebraska Theater Caravan for three seasons. Since that time, he has worked in theaters throughout the Pacific Northwest. He has appeared in dozens of industrial videos and television commercials for companies such as



Barlow

Toyota and Microsoft. His movie and TV series work includes roles in the films "Last Stand" and "Lost on the B Side" and roles in the CBS series "Northern Exposure" and Lifetime Network's film "Better Off Dead."

"The best part of being an alumnus of the MTSU program is the people I came to know while in school," Barlow said. "They are still the funniest, most interesting people I know. (And) even though I live 2,000 miles away, we are in constant contact. They are still my closest friends."

Tickets for *A Christmas Carol* may be purchased at the door on the evening of the Nov. 18 performance. Tickets are \$5 for general admission. MTSU students will be admitted free of charge with valid ID. For more information, please visit [www.mtsu.edu/theatre](http://www.mtsu.edu/theatre).

There also will be a school-group-only matinee at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 17. Tickets for this performance are \$4 for students and chaperones are admitted free. To make reservations for the school-group matinee, teachers may call 615-494-8810.

Brandee Kent is a freshman mass communication major with a journalism emphasis.

## Police issuing citations for traffic violations

from Staff Reports  
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MTSU Police officers have begun issuing University Campus Citations for violations of specific traffic laws, including speeding, to help serve as a deterrent to dangerous driving without bringing an undue hardship on motorists.

University Campus Citations, or UCCs, essentially will be the same type

of ticket as a campus parking citation. This means that UCC will be very different from a conventional traffic ticket.

"Typical traffic tickets in Rutherford County usually start out costing anywhere from \$115 to \$179 depending on where and how the ticket is issued," MTSU Chief of Police Buddy Peaster said.

"They also can count against a person's driving record. This means that a person who gets a typical

traffic ticket may get an increase in his or her vehicle insurance rates."

UCC fines will start out at \$20 for running a stop sign and \$25 for speeding; speeding fines can reach as high as \$50, depending upon the nature of the violation.

University Campus Citations will be issued only for violations occurring in on-campus roadways and parking lots.

The Office of Parking and Transportation

Services will receive the citation fines. Appeals of UCC citations will be handled the same way that parking tickets are appealed, officials said.

For questions or more information about the new University Campus Citations process, please call MTSU Police at 615-898-2424.

An advertisement for MTSU's Emergency Text Messaging Service. On the left is a black mobile phone. To the right of the phone, the text reads: "Sign up for MTSU's EMERGENCY TEXT MESSAGING SERVICE". Below this, it says "Go to www.mtsu.edu/alert4u". At the bottom right, the MTSU logo is displayed with the text "MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY".



# Orange you gonna show your blue at men's game vs. UT?

Share your Raider spirit and let people know you are true-blue! The MTSU Alumni Relations Office is selling a great T-shirt to wear to the Friday, Nov. 21, MT vs. UT Men's basketball game, around town, to the gym ... anywhere you want to show off your MT pride.

The shirts are royal blue and come in both short and long sleeve sizes adult S, M, L, XL and XXL. Short-sleeved shirts are \$10 each, and long-sleeved shirts are \$15 each.

Stop by the Alumni Relations Office, located on Middle Tennessee Boulevard across from the President's House, weekdays between 8 a.m.



and 4:30 p.m. or call 1-800-533-MTSU (1-800-533-6878) to get yours.

To purchase by phone, credit-card payment is required at the time of your call, and there's a \$3 shipping fee for each shirt mailed. Order soon, because supplies are limited!

The game is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at Murphy Center. It will be broadcast on CSS-TV, the Comcast/Charter Sports Southeast cable network. For ticket information, visit [www.goblueraiders.com](http://www.goblueraiders.com) or call 615-898-2450.

## True champion



**A STELLAR EXAMPLE**—Robert A. McCabe Jr., center, chair of Pinnacle Financial Partners, accepts the 2008 Jennings A. Jones Champion of Free Enterprise Award during MTSU's recent Economic Outlook Conference at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Murfreesboro. Making the presentation are Jones College of Business Dean Dr. Jim Burton, left, and Jones Chair of Excellence in Free Enterprise chairholder Aubrey Harwell, right. The annual award recognizes an honoree "who exemplifies the ideals of free enterprise through any combination of entrepreneurship, governmental involvement, participation in civic and charitable affairs and education." McCabe began his banking career in Knoxville and moved up the management ranks after his bank's acquisition by First American National Bank before accepting the position with Pinnacle. McCabe serves as a director of SSC Service Solutions of Knoxville and National Health Investors of Murfreesboro and is chairman of Goldleaf Financial of Nashville. He also is a member of the World President's Organization and Chief Executives Organization, serves as a trustee for the Ensworth School and is chairman of Cheekwood, the Middle Tennessee Boy Scouts Council and the Nashville Downtown Partnership.

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### Awards

Lori Kissinger (speech and theatre) is this year's recipient of the Mayor's Advisory Committee for People with Disabilities' Professional Award, which is presented by the Office of Nashville Mayor Karl Dean. Kissinger serves as executive director for VSA arts Tennessee.

MTSU's Office of Institutional Research won a regional award for "Best IR Website" at the annual conference of the Southern Association for Institutional Research Oct. 21.

### Grants

Dr. Jane Marcellus (mass communication) has received a \$1,250 research grant from the American Journalism Historians Association to support a book-length study of American author, playwright and journalist Sophie Treadwell.

### Honors

Joe Hawkins (aerospace) will be inducted into the Tennessee Aviation Hall of Fame Nov. 15 during the seventh annual Tennessee Museum of Aviation Gala Ceremony in Sevierville. An aviation mechanic, Hawkins was selected by the Tennessee Aviation Hall of Fame Board of Directors.

### Presentations

Dr. William Langston (psychology) will present a poster, "Affect and Horizontal Position" at the session on embodied cognition during the Annual Meeting of the Psychonomic Society Nov. 15 in Chicago.

Dr. Bill Levine (English) has been invited to participate in a Liberty Fund Socratic Seminar, "Restoring the Lost Constitution: The Presumption of Liberty," at the Liberty Fund's headquarters in Indianapolis in March 2009.

Drs. Marva S. Lucas and Nancy J. McCormick (mathematical sciences) presented "Research Results of a Redesigned Mathematics Curriculum for Underprepared College Students" at the Fourth International Conference on Research and Access in Developmental Education Sept. 26 in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Dr. Stephen R. Schmidt (psychology) will present a paper, "Exploring the Emotional Carry-Over Effect in Memory," at the Annual Meeting of the Psychonomic Society Nov. 15 in Chicago.

Dr. Ellen Slicker (psychology) presented "Parenting Dimensions, Negative Affectivity, Bullying, Victimization and Self-Esteem" at the

Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Conference Oct. 24 in Houston, Texas.

### Publications

Dr. Colby Jubenville (health and human performance) is a co-author of the following papers: "Using Institutional Selection Factors to Create Profiles: Marketing Small, Private Colleges and Universities to Prospective Student-Athletes," to be published in the *Journal of Marketing for Higher Education*; "Examining the Impact of Market Size of Facility Security Operations at Indoor Multipurpose Facilities on College and University Campuses," to be published in the *Journal of Venue and Event Management*; and "Influences on Event Attendance Decisions for Stock Car Automobile Fans," which has been accepted by the *International Journal of Sport Management and Marketing*.

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