

Can Do News

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MTSU Finance and Administration

Upcoming Can-Do Spring Events...

Can Do Crew MT Baseball game

Date: April 23, 2010 (Friday Night)

Game time at 6pm

Tickets are \$4 (if we have a group of 20)

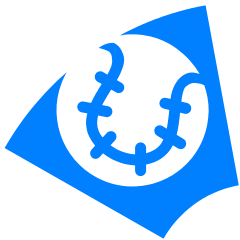
Children 2 and under are free.

Come root on our Blue Raiders at a spring baseball game!

Those interested in a pregame tail gate let us know!

Money needs to be in by April 20th.

Email Jennifer Coppinger (jcopping@mtsu.edu)



RELAY for LIFE

Friday, May 21st 2010

at Siegel High School

Join the CAN DO CREW Team:

http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR/RelayForLife/RFLFY10MS?pg=team&fr_id=22735&team_id=688369

We would like you and your families to take part in this event. It's a great way to get involved and it's a family friendly event!

Shana Miller has committed to this event as Team Captain. We would like to get some shirts made up if we have enough participation. We'll be looking for sponsors for the tee shirts too! Let Shana know if you have any ideas or questions about this event.

samiller@mtsu.edu or 494-8879!

From the Desk of Mr. John Cothorn:

Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!! NO, if you are like me, you are somewhat tired of the snow this year. Let's hope that snow is finally over and warm weather is upon us.

All kidding aside, I appreciate what everyone did on those challenging snow days. As usual Business and Finance carried the major load to make the campus as accessible as possible on those days. Those efforts did not go unnoticed.

As I mentioned in my last message, the Tennessee Higher Education Commission recommended to Governor Bredesen and the legislature how an additional overall six percent (6%) reduction should be made in higher education effective July 2010, which for MTSU will be approximately \$6 million. Additionally, Governor Bredesen included in his proposed budget an additional 3% overall reduction for higher education if certain proposed taxes on cable service are not enacted. Therefore, dependent upon the new taxes, our total state appropriation reductions will be at least \$31 and up to \$34 million over the last three fiscal years. Be thankful though, as I have previously mentioned, we have had federal stimulus funds and state maintenance of effort funds to help gradually meet the reductions that will be fully effective July 1, 2011.

One positive note to Governor Bredesen's proposed budget is a 3% salary bonus for state employees, including higher education, this next year. It too, however, is tied to the new taxes. It is now up to the legislature to approve.

You may have heard that 122 faculty and staff members applied and were approved for the voluntary employee buyout. This included 33 Business and Finance employees. Most of the positions will not be refilled. So this will require some reorganization, downsizing operations and services and some of us taking on additional duties. The voluntary employee buyout and other reductions being made will help avoid layoff next year provided there are no further state appropriation reductions.

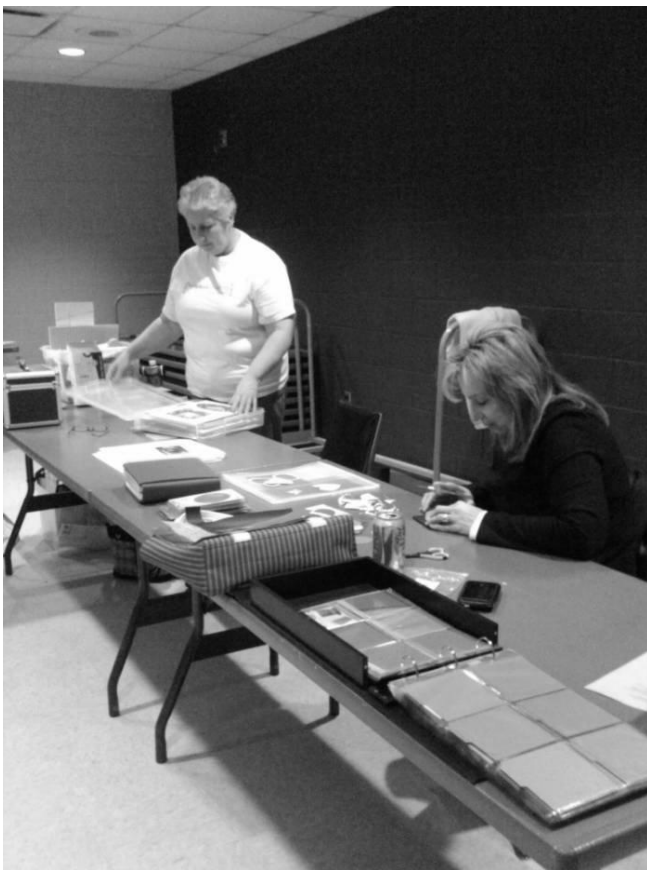
Please continue your support of our Image Committee and the Business and Finance Council and participate in our upcoming activities. We too need to hear about your concerns and recommendations.

As always, I appreciate you being a Business and Finance Can Do Crew member.

Candid shots from Winter 2010 Can Do Crew Events

Can Do Scrapbook Day

Despite the weather a few Can Do Crew scrappers got together and spent the day sharing ideas and having fun! Thanks to Honey Baked Ham for a great lunch.



Doughnut Break 2010



CAN DO CREW NEWS



Thanks to everyone who completed the survey and sent them back.

Our door prize winners were:

Nemmie Inman
Terri Carlton
Betty Weigant



Welcome New Can Do Crew Employees

William Featherstone	Public Safety
Susan Quinn	Business Office
Kentrell Roper	Public Safety

A MEMORIAL TRIBUTE

James Luter was the Grounds/Motor Pool Manger in Facilities Services. The memorial rock at the baseball stadium is a fitting tribute to James. He loved taking care of the athletic fields, most notably, the baseball field. James was honored by Coach Steve Peterson at the 2006 Groundhog Luncheon and was given the prestigious Railbird Jacket award for his hard work and support of the baseball program. James had picked out several large rocks that he wanted to use for landscaping on campus. The memorial rock

located at the baseball stadium is one of the rocks that James had hand-picked and it will serve as a lasting reminder of the tireless work he put into making the campus beautiful.



Announcements and Upcoming Events

Congratulations to Donna Reed in Accounting Services on her son, Tyler Reed's, graduation from MTSU on May 8th and upcoming marriage on June 19, 2010. Best wishes!



RV and Boat Show

held at the TN Miller Coliseum

April 1-3, 2010



\$5.00 for those 14 and older

Under 14 are free

1-8p.m. Thursday & Friday

9a.m.-9p.m. on Saturday



Blue Raider

Football Fans!!

Remember the MTSU spring football game
on April 10, 2010

Dog Agility Trials

held at the TN Livestock Center

April 24-25th

6:30am-7:30pm each day

Free admission!

American Quarter Horse Association presents

Quarter Fest

at the TN Miller Coliseum

April 30-May 2, 2010

Visit www.aqha.com

or www.mtsu.edu/~tmc for details

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