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WE PLACED 3RD IN THE 'LET'S SAAC HUNGER' PROGRAM!

MTSU collected 10,746 lbs of food last November in our part of the C-USA food drive, placing third overall. Great job, but let's strive to do better this year!



ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The Ice Cream Social will be in July. More Information is Forthcoming!

**Be sure to check
out the Master
Calendar on the
MTSU Homepage
to find out what's
going on around
campus!**



Upcoming Events

The Miller Coliseum is hosting these great events this summer. See mtsu.edu/tmc for more information.

**June 2-4 is the regional 4-h Horse Show
Thursday 9am, Friday 10 am, Saturday 9am.
Free admission**



**June 24-26 Battle in the Saddle Barrel Race
Friday 7pm, Saturday noon, Sunday 9:30am
Free admission**

This is part of a Charity event, they're collecting toiletry items for this show.

<http://www.safeharborevent.com/mboro-pre-entry--event-info.html>

**July 7-10 Eastern US Team Roping
8am each day
Free admission**



**July 24-30th International Grand Championship
Walking Horse Show
Free admission**

**August 3-7th American Vaulting Association
Championships
Free admission**



Letter from Alan Thomas to the Can Do Crew



Can Do Crew Newsletter May 2016

As the spring semester ends and we move into the busy summer, I hope each of you will take a little time to enjoy the warm weather. Summer is a busy time for our division getting campus ready for the new incoming freshman class and returning students, closing the fiscal year, and welcoming new faculty and staff to the MTSU family. The campus will be buzzing with activity this summer as Customs sessions get underway. Please continue to thank students with whom you have contact for attending MTSU.

As you have probably heard, Gov. Bill Haslam proposed, and the legislature approved, a plan to change the governance of the six Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR) universities, which includes MTSU. Consequently, a new local governing Board of Trustees will be established for MTSU. Our new board will have future decision-making power over tuition rates, program enhancements, presidential appointments, and budget control. The transition will begin July 1, 2016, and continue through November, 2017. Throughout this transition period, we will continue to receive support from TBR.

The legislature also approved additional funding for higher education this year that, when combined with our original outcomes funding, resulted in \$3.7 million in new funding for MTSU. For the first time, the salary increases proposed by the Governor for state employees did not include higher education. Although salary increases can be considered, none of the funding will come from the state. MTSU must fully fund all of our budget requirements, including any salary increases, out of the appropriation we were allocated and new funds generated from a small tuition increase. Tuition discussions are currently being held with TBR and any increase will require approval at the June Board meeting. As we learn more about fall enrollment, we will begin making decisions about how the new funding will be distributed.

President McPhee continues to place significant emphasis on enrollment recruitment, retention, and graduations. This spring, Dr. McPhee held Student Success Hearings that were open to the entire campus. If you were able to attend, you learned that considerable work has been done this past year to improve student recruitment and retention. These efforts are intended to provide additional support to our existing students and to stabilize enrollment.

Regardless of our budget and enrollment challenges, it remains important that we continue providing great service to our students. Your continued support of the Image Committee and participation in Can Do Crew events are always most appreciated. If you have a concern or recommendation, please do not hesitate to let your supervisor or me know.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Alan R. Shanon". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Alan" and last name "Shanon" clearly legible.

Interim Vice President of Business and Finance



Coffee and Donut Break

February 18, 2016





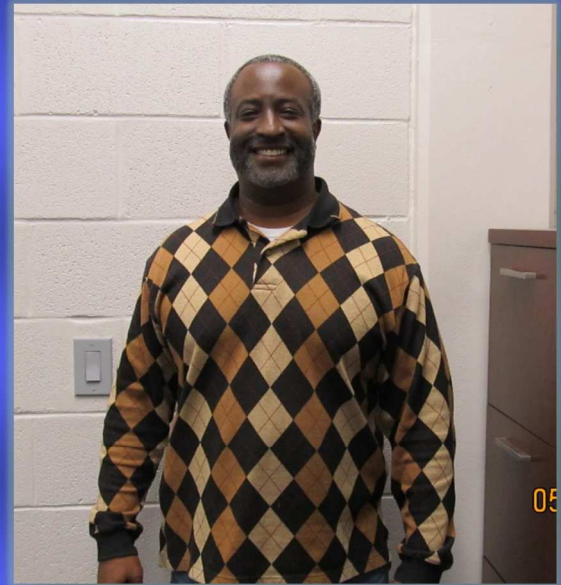






Employee Recognition

**We are so proud of
Dennis McBee for
winning the
2015/2016 Employee
Recognition Award
for Administration.
Good job, Dennis!**



**Also, Congratulations are in
order for Cathy Watts who
won the CUMSA Connie
Lawson Mail Manager of the
Year Award. This award is
presented to the mail manager
that has demonstrated
exemplary service to CUMSA,
the mail services department
of their college and the mail
services industry.**

Way to go, Cathy!



What a year for the Post Office!



Who has retired? Who is New?

Salutations to all the most recent retirees including:

Larry Sizemore, Kenneth Buggs, Rabon Brandon and Regina Simmons in Facilities Services

Betty Dunn in Parking & Transportation

Penny Hall at the Tennessee Miller Coliseum



Please welcome our new hires, including:

Belinda Cooper and Vanessa Harrell in Parking Services

Athena Evert in Procurement

Tracey Howard and Susan Smith in the Business Office

Nickolas Madore at the University Police

Alan Parker in Building Services

Elizabeth Wilburn in Murphy Center



What has been happening around the Departments?



Presenting the Business Office's March Madness Competition's new winners: Ben Jones won Bob and Philip Smith won Bobette.



Mary E. Glass, Owner/President/CEO, of To God Be The Glory Radio Broadcast. Co Host is my son, Rev. William Glass, Jr. We are an Out-Reach Involvement in the community. Provide and play new and old gospel music. Announcements are send-in or call-in: Churches, Birthdays, Weddings, Praise Reports, Request Prayers for Sick and Shut-Ins, Military Salutes and much more. We have guest appearances and/or call-in guest interviews. We give away CD's, Gift Cards, and Etc. We highly support any benefits for needy families and/or organizations. We are Believers and Followers of Christ. You can listen to my broadcast every Sunday Morning @ 6:00 on my Website: MaryBarnesGlass.Com, also to WGNS Radio AM1450, FM100.5, Internet, iPhone and any electronic devices. To be a guest, partner, supporter, please contact me, Mary Glass via email: Sister.MaryGlass@Yahoo.Com. Please, mail, send or fax your announcements (2) weeks in advance. Text to: 615-898-1450.



Procurement Open House December 4, 2015



Construction & Renovation and Julie Morrell from Construction Administration participated in the Little Raiders Christmas Gift-Giving Campaign



Can Do Crew Announcements

Kelsey Leigh Givens, daughter of Jeff and Deborah Givens (HRS) will be graduating from Riverdale High School on May 20, 2016.

Good Luck Kelsey!



Gary Milstead, son of Karen Milstead from Human Resource Services, graduated from MTSU on May 7, 2016. He will be teaching Chemistry at Lavergne High School starting in August.

We're proud, Gary!



James and Steven Barker, sons of Gayle Barker in Human Resource Services, both graduated this spring. James graduated with a Doctor of Pharmacy from the University of Tennessee Health Science Center. Steven received a Bachelor of Science in Biology from Lipscomb University.

Congratulations, James and Steven!



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Elizabeth and Nathaniel Hooper, the children of Lottie Hooper in the Business Office, are graduating this year. Elizabeth graduated from Lipscomb University on May 7th with a Master's in Reading Specialty with an Administrative License. Nathaniel will graduate from Riverdale High School and will be going to UT Knoxville in the fall majoring in Political Science with a pre-law concentration. Way to go, Elizabeth and Nathaniel!

Ben Moser, son of Karen (in the Business Office) and Eric Moser, married Elizabeth Hubbard on April 2, in Clay, West Virginia (where Elizabeth is from). They honeymooned in Charleston, South Carolina and now reside in Knoxville, TN. Many Happy Years, Ben and Elizabeth!



Connie Sekulich has left University Police to work in her field after getting her degree in Social Work. Her last day was January 6th after almost 16 years with the Police.

We'll miss you, Connie!



LITTLE ISLA KRISTINE HALFORD, GRANDDAUGHTER OF CATHY WATTS IN THE POST OFFICE, WAS BORN THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2016. SHE WEIGHED 7# 1.4 OZ AND WAS 20 INCHES LONG. BOTH PARENTS ARE MTSU ALUMNI.

CATHY IS RETIRING IN JUNE TO TAKE CARE OF HER!

BEST WISHES ISLA!



Tammy Hughes in the Key Shop would like to announce the graduation from MTSU of both her son, Caleb, and daughter-in-law, Kinley Rae. They have both accepted positions in the Middle Tennessee area in their fields of study. Salutations Caleb and Kinley!

