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# the RECORD

## Welcome home...



by Randy Weiler

Offerings will be plentiful for both MTSU alumni and students for the 2006 homecoming.

More than a week of activities for young and old alike will lead to the 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 4, Sun Belt Conference football game between the Blue Raiders and Florida Atlantic at Floyd Stadium.

At 9 p.m. that day, the Al Wilkerson Scholarship Dance, sponsored by the African-American Alumni Council, at the

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file photo by  
J. Intintoli

## 'Generous gifts' = \$1.5M

**McLean, Kennon commit funds to academic, athletic growth**

from Staff Reports

Bob McLean, local philanthropist and MTSU graduate (B.S. '72), has committed \$1 million to the MTSU Foundation to enhance both

academics and athletics at the state's largest undergraduate university.

McLean presented the check to MTSU President Sidney A. McPhee during the Oct. 6 football game between the Blue Raiders and the Louisville Cardinals at Nashville's LP Field.

McLean said he made the commitment to show the importance

of both athletics and academics.

"I know that this fine university has the talent and vision to pursue excellence in both these areas of college life," McLean noted.

"Well-rounded graduates and future employees need a well-rounded educational foundation. I have

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## 'Etiquette 101' may keep you (*achoo!*) healthy this winter

by Tom Tozer

Nearly 23,000 students converging on the MTSU campus—sharing classroom space, restroom sinks and stalls, dining halls and keyboards—sounds like an ideal recipe for passing along colds, flu and other respiratory maladies.

Welcome to "Respiratory Etiquette 101."

"Eat, sleep and get lots of exercise," Andre Fresco, Rutherford County public health director, advises students, faculty and staff.

"People should recognize that simple cleanliness, hand-washing and staying away from people who are infected are all good practices for maintaining good health," Fresco says. "It doesn't guarantee that you won't get sick, but it indicates that you're trying your best not to."

"But don't exercise if you're running a fever," cautions Dr. Bart Warner, regional medical officer for the State Department of Health. "And get to health services immediately."

Both Warner and Fresco are

See 'Healthy' page 5

## Be true-Blue in giving

from Staff Reports

MTSU's annual Employee Charitable Giving Campaign is back and bluer than ever with a vigorous effort to help neighbors in need.

"It's always a privilege to find ways to give back to our community," said Lucinda Lea, vice president for information technology and MTSU chief information officer, who is serving as chair for the 2006 campaign.

"One of the most beautiful

things any human being can do is to provide a helping hand to those around us who are in need."

The 2005 campaign saw MTSU pledge a record-breaking \$76,300-plus in contributions. The annual effort at MTSU is conducted in unison with all Tennessee Board of Regents institutions; this year's campaign ends Nov. 10.

"We are blessed every day as residents of this community and as employees of this university," said

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### IN BRIEF

#### IACUC, IRB APPLICATIONS DUE BEFORE MONTH'S END

Protocol applications for MTSU's Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee and the Institutional Review Board must be submitted this month. IACUC applications are due Tuesday, Oct. 24, at 4:30 p.m., and IRB applications must be received by Tuesday, Oct. 31, at 4:30 p.m. Both IACUC and IRB submissions can be made at the Office of Compliance in Business and Aerospace Room S245. For more information, contact university Compliance Officer Tara Prairie at 615-494-8918 or [compliance@mtsu.edu](mailto:compliance@mtsu.edu).

#### BONJOUR! BIENVENIDOS! JOIN STUDY ABROAD FAIR

The MTSU International Education and Exchange Office has set its annual Study Abroad Fair for Wednesday, Nov. 1, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. on the second floor of the Keathley University Center. The event will showcase the multitude of study-abroad opportunities available to students in various countries and disciplines in semester, yearlong and summer programs. For more information, call 615-898-5179 or visit [www.mtsu.edu/~mtabroad](http://www.mtsu.edu/~mtabroad).

#### CAMPUS WELCOMES PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS FOR FALL VISIT DAYS

Fall Visit Days 2006 will continue Saturday, Nov. 11, for current high school seniors and juniors and transfer students who are considering attending MTSU. The tour, which is now closed to registration, will begin at the Cope Administration Building at 10 a.m. Registered attendees with questions may call 1-800-331-6878 or 615-898-5670 for more information.

#### SUBMIT NOMINATIONS BY NOV. 22 FOR 2007 JOHN PLEAS AWARD

Have you or another minority colleague demonstrated excellence in teaching, research and service at MTSU? Nominations are being sought now for the annual John Pleas Faculty Award, established in 1997 to honor MTSU psychology professor Dr. John Pleas. An electronic copy of the candidate's curriculum vitae/resume and justification for nomination should be submitted to [owens@mtsu.edu](mailto:owens@mtsu.edu) no later than Wednesday, Nov. 22.

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## FOR THE RECORD EYH enjoys decade of guiding girls into math, science

by Dr. Judith Iriarte-Gross

More than 30 years ago, a group of women in northern California asked themselves why so few women were studying mathematics. As a result of these conversations, the Math/Science Network was born.

The Math/Science Network developed several strategies to encourage women to enroll in extra math and science classes in middle and high school in preparation for studies in these fields in college. Since 1974, the Expanding Your Horizons in Science and Mathematics Conference has had the strongest impact on encouraging girls to pursue math and science careers.

A primary goal of EYH is to encourage young women in grades five to eight to consider math, engineering and science careers. Other EYH goals include:

- increasing the interest of young women in math and science through positive hands-on experiences;
- fostering awareness of career opportunities in math- and science-related areas;
- providing young women with opportunities to meet and interact with positive role models who are active in math- and science-related careers; and
- involving young women with limited opportunities for success in math and science.

Today, the Math/Science Network is called the Expanding Your Horizons Network in recognition of this now-international program.

I have had the joy of volunteering with EYH conferences since 1991. With the help of many MTSU colleagues, the Girl Scout Council of Cumberland Valley (Nashville region), the College of Basic and Applied Sciences and the Murfreesboro branch of the American Association of University Women, the first EYH was held at MTSU in October 1997 with more than 300 girls from all across Tennessee attending.

To date, we have served more than 3,000 girls, and we are expecting about 350 girls when we celebrate our 10th EYH on Oct. 28. We are the only EYH conference in Tennessee and one of three in the southeastern United States. We want to thank the MTSU campus community and volunteers who have made the MTSU EYH so successful.

Although Marie Curie earned Nobel Prizes in both chemistry and physics, she was denied admission to the French Academy of Sciences. With so many bright, talented, young girls and women in Tennessee, we don't need them to be denied an opportunity to pursue science, technology, engineering or math fields.

*Dr. Judith Iriarte-Gross, associate professor of chemistry, serves as MTSU's EYH director. Visit [www.mtsu.edu/~eyh](http://www.mtsu.edu/~eyh).*



Iriarte-Gross

# Ellington, Hawkins earn aviation honors

from Staff Reports

MTSU alumnus John E. Ellington and aerospace professor Joe Hawkins will join three others who have made extraordinary contributions to aviation or aerospace at the Fifth Annual Tennessee Aviation Hall of Fame Gala and Induction Ceremony Nov. 11 at the Tennessee Museum of Aviation in Sevierville.

Ellington, a Murfreesboro resident, graduated from MTSU in 1956 and joined the U.S. Army as an aviation maintenance specialist. In 1959 he joined Capitol Airways of Nashville and flew DC-3s, the C-46, DC-4 and the Lockheed Constellation. He was employed by Delta Airlines in 1962 and became Delta's chief pilot in 1988.

After 32 years at Delta, Ellington retired in 1994 and returned to Rutherford County as director of operations at Corporate Flight Management. After working with America Trans Air of Indianapolis, the Smyrna/Rutherford County Airport Authority and World Airways of Herndon, Va., he retired again in 2003.

Still an active pilot with more than 22,100 hours of flight time, Ellington is past president of the MTSU Foundation and past president of the MTSU National Alumni Association. He continues to serve on the



Ellington



Hawkins

Advisory Council to the College of Basic and Applied Sciences, which includes the Aerospace Department.

Ellington and his wife, Barbara, are sponsors of the John & Barbara Ellington Aerospace Endowed Scholarship at MTSU. Barbara Ellington is retired after 30 years as a flight attendant with Delta Airlines.

The Tennessee Aviation Hall of Fame also will present a Special Citation to Hawkins, associate professor of aerospace, during the event to recognize him as the recipient of the prestigious Federal Aviation Administration Award as the 2006 National Aviation Maintenance Technician of the Year.

Hawkins made aviation history for himself and for the state as the first Tennessean to ever receive the honor, formally awarded to him in July at Oshkosh, Wisc.

Others selected for enshrinement at the Nov. 11 ceremony are:

- James W. "Pete" Campbell of Union City, a World War II bomber pilot and nationally recognized expert on flight training and safety;
- Dr. Charlie R. Smith of Nashville, a Korean War veteran and former American Airlines pilot who serves as one of Middle Tennessee's FAA Medical Examiners; and
- Robert A. "Bob" Wilson of Memphis, an Air Force Command Pilot and founder and president of Wilson Air, Inc.

## Sun Belt leaders lend hand in NOLA

from SunBeltSports.org

NEW ORLEANS—Gone are the sounds of city life in the Bywater neighborhood of New Orleans: the sounds of music, the sounds of conversations in the street, the sounds of loud cars.

Hurricane Katrina took all of that away when the Industrial Canal levees broke following the storm's landfall on Aug. 29, 2005.

The most common sounds heard in Bywater now? Hammers and power saws—the sounds of an ongoing rebuilding effort in the city.

More than 30 athletic administrators from Sun Belt Conference member institutions, including MTSU President Sidney A. McPhee, Associate Athletic Director Diane Turnham and Faculty Athletics Representative Dr. Terry Whiteside, did their part Oct. 11 to help with that recovery effort.

The group gathered early in Bywater and worked on the neighborhood's "Musicians' Village," a collection of homes conceived through

plans made by local musicians Harry Connick Jr. and Branford Marsalis.

The group of administrators, which included university presidents, athletic directors, senior woman administrators and faculty athletics representatives, were in town for the Sun Belt's annual fall meetings. Members of the New Orleans-based league

office scheduled one day of the meetings to be set aside for this mission.

"I was really pleased to see the level of commitment showed by the Sun Belt Conference schools in helping out," said Sun Belt Commissioner Wright Waters. "The leadership at our schools understands how much assistance this area needs, and they have continually reached out to help those in need. I was pleased we were able to lend a helping hand."

"It is really humbling

to see the amount of damage this area received, and it was great to see how many representatives of the Sun Belt Conference volunteered their time to help out," added McPhee.

"This is an example of all that is good and right in America and how so many in this country rally around the less fortunate in their time of need. I had a really good conversation with one of the homeowners in the area [where] we were working, and the entire experience really

puts everything in perspective. I am so glad we did this."

The project was coordinated through Habitat for Humanity, a nonprofit organization that has been responsible for the construction of over 200,000 homes around the world.

In New Orleans alone, Habitat's Operation Home Delivery has begun constructing or completed nearly 400 homes with the help of more than 14,000 volunteers from across the United States and Canada.



FINISHING TOUCHES—Dr. Sidney A. McPhee pauses for a photo while helping to finish a new house in the Bywater neighborhood of New Orleans.

photo courtesy SunBeltSports.org

## Get ready for adventure in Costa Rica

from Staff Reports

You can hike a rain forest and raft the Pacuare River when you travel with Campus Recreation on a Costa Rican Adventure this spring break, March 2-10.

The adventure also promises a view of a live volcano and experienc-

ing La Fortuna waterfall and other rain forest beauty, as well as two days of sun, fun and relaxation on the Caribbean coast.

Cost for the trip is \$1,200 for students, \$1,250 for staff and \$1,300 for guests. The price includes all transportation, lodging and 15 meals during specified activities. A \$200 non-

refundable deposit is due by Nov. 16. A passport is required but no visa is necessary. Passports must be obtained by Jan. 31.

The first informational meeting will be held Thursday, Nov. 2, at 5:30 p.m. in the Recreation Center conference room. For more information, call Scott Pruett at 615-898-2104.

# Discovery Center opens new world with Asian exhibit

by Gina K. Logue

High above the children, an open-mouthed white carp with green and gold scales and a bright purple butterfly share the ceiling. A flaming red dragon with a flowing tail and sunburst mane seems to be crawling up the wall to join them.

These are only some of the creatures awaiting young visitors to the new Asian exhibit at the Discovery Center in Murfreesboro. With generous donations from Toshiba, Nissan, the Foreign Ministry of Japan and the Japan-U.S. Program of MTSU, curators have formed an environment that transports the imagination to Japan, China and Indonesia.

"We're trying to help kids understand the different parts of these cultures that they'll be experiencing," Steve Hoskins, Discovery Center exhibits director and Ph.D. candidate in public history at MTSU, says. "This is the kind of thing that we feel good about being able to do because it really does give the kids a chance to ... stop and realize just how big their world is."

Of course, a large dose of fun makes learning more appealing. The 20-inch LCD TV with DVD player donated by Toshiba America Consumer Products not only plays kabuki theatre and changes of seasons, it also introduces the American children to Astro Boy, whose jet-propelled feet and wide, engaging eyes make him one of Asian television's most popular animated superheroes.

The interactivity of the Foreign Ministry's Kids Web Japan site has been captured on DVD so that kids can access numerous Japanese folk tales complete with music and animation. These include "Nezumi No Yomeiri (The Mouse's Marriage)" and "Sannen Nataro (The Young Man Who Slept for Three Years)."

"Why don't we use tools of civilization, especially since Japan is famous for electronics?" Dr. Kiyoshi Kawahito, director of the Japan-U.S. Program, says.

If any of the kids fail to be mesmerized by the sights and sounds of technology, they can play dress-up by donning hand-made sarongs from Indonesia and kimonos from Japan. They can practice the ancient art of chanoyu and stage their own tea parties. A hand puppet theater with a complete Asian family and their animal friends is available for impromptu plays.

A pen-pal e-mail program will enable children to exchange photos and information about their lives with Japanese children. Dominating one wall of the exhibit is a nine-foot-tall, 10-foot-long map of the world so teachers and parents can show the youngsters where their pen pals live.



**KONICHIWA!**—Exhibit Director Steve Hoskins shows off some of the items on display at the new Asian exhibit at the Discovery Center at Murfreesboro in Murfreesboro. The exhibit, co-sponsored by the Japan-U.S. Program of MTSU, aims to help children understand and enjoy different cultures.

photo by Jack Ross

With brightly colored paper, markers, scissors, tape, plastic stirrers and helpful picture outlines, kids will be able to make their very own Asian kites. On a kid-sized table below the map of the world are papers and instructions for practicing origami, the art of folding paper into everything from butterflies to frogs.

Plastic Chinese tangram puzzles invite children to test their appreciation of spatial relationships. All seven puzzle pieces must be positioned so that they touch and lay flat, but none may overlap.

"You're given different scenarios on cards, different looks, different pictures, and you have to take the puzzle pieces out and arrange them in this one little setting," Hoskins says. "And it's actually pretty challenging stuff to get all those shapes in the right order."

A pagoda made of Keva planks, wooden pieces that resemble more elegant versions of Lincoln Logs, is on display to entice children to make their own Keva creations on the second floor. Hoskins says eventually the kids will use the thousands of planks available upstairs to build part of their very own "Great Wall of China."

And, as if all this was not spellbinding enough, a walk-through exhibit explaining the Chinese legend of "The Monkey King" is slated to arrive in February 2007. "The Monkey King" is based on a centuries-old legend about a powerful flying monkey who accompanies a monk to India to retrieve Buddhist scriptures.

"Most of (the Discovery Center's) school groups that come in are grades K-4," Hoskins says. "Our mission statement (specifies children) 12 and under, but most of our visitors are nine and under."

Hoskins says the center benefits from a 20-year relationship with the schools. The center welcomes an estimated 18,000 youngsters each year.

The Discovery Center is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$5 for anyone age 2 and up. Special rates are available for groups. For more information, contact the center at 615-890-2300.

# Follow trail of iron furnaces across state

by Lisa L. Rollins

The Tennessee Iron Furnace Trail, which includes resources from the historic 19th century iron industry in 12 counties along the Western Highland Rim, kicked off Oct. 14 as part of the Cumberland Furnace Historic Villages Fall Festival in Dickson County.

During the festival event, visitors interested in the history and location of places associated with the iron industry, from Stewart to Decatur counties, were invited to pick up a new guidebook and view a 15-minute video that introduces the history and some of the people and places along the state's Iron Furnace Trail.

"These (furnaces) include iron-master Montgomery Bell's 1818 tunnel at Narrows of Harpeth State Park, the 1873 Bear Spring Furnace in Stewart County and Cedar Grove Furnace in Perry County," said Caneta Hankins, assistant director of the Center for Historic Preservation.

Other sites listed in the guide include the Brownsport Furnace in Decatur County, Sugar Creek (or Lee & Gould) Furnace in Hickman County, the Pinkney Area of Iron City in Lawrence County, Buffalo/Steele Ironworks and Napier Mines along the Natchez Trace Parkway in Lewis County, the remains of Louisa and Tennessee Furnaces in Montgomery County, the site of the Wayne Furnace in Wayne County, and Williamson Furnace in Williamson County, as well as the limestone kilns in Houston County.

"Cumberland Furnace, located in Dickson County and listed on the National Register of Historic Places, is the only existing iron village remaining in Tennessee," Hankins observed. "Its history parallels that of the entire iron industry in the state from the late 1700s until the mid-20th century.

"Here the visitor can begin to visualize the layout of the large iron plantations that covered acres of land and were integrated villages that operated round the clock. On these plantations, men, women, children, free and enslaved blacks, as well as Irish, Scots, German and other races worked at various jobs."

Hankins said that each of the counties participating in the Tennessee Iron Furnace Trail will receive copies of the guidebook and DVD, which will be placed in public and school libraries and available for distribution to interested individuals.

A newly created Web site for the Iron Furnace Trail also is available at <http://histpres.mtsu.edu/histpres>.

To request a copy of the guidebook, please contact the CHP at 615-898-2947 or via e-mail at [histpres@mtsu.edu](mailto:histpres@mtsu.edu).

# Theatre tonight? 'It Goes Without Saying'

from Staff Reports

Professional actor and mime Bill Bowers will visit the MTSU campus Monday, Oct. 23, to perform his critically acclaimed off-Broadway play, "It Goes Without Saying," beginning at 7:30 p.m. in Tucker Theatre.

Described as "zestful and endearing" by *The New York Times* and "surprisingly engaging" and "winning" by the *New York Post*, "It Goes Without Saying" is a 75-minute joyride in which Bowers "shares funny, heartbreaking and unbelievable true stories from both his career and his lifelong exploration of the role silence plays in all our lives,"

observes Jeff Gibson, assistant professor, speech and theatre.

The one-night-only performance by Bowers—who also will teach a master class about the art of mime and discuss career planning with MTSU students enrolled in Theatre Senior Seminar—is free of charge and open to the public.

As an actor and a mime, Bowers has performed throughout the U.S., Canada and Europe. He appeared

on Broadway as Zazu in Disney's "The Lion King" and as Leggett in "The Scarlet Pimpernel." His original mime shows, "Night Sweetheart, 'Night Buttercup" and "Under A Montana Moon," have been produced off-Broadway and received critical raves.



Actor Bill Bowers will visit MTSU Oct. 23.

photo courtesy [www.bill-bowers.com](http://www.bill-bowers.com)

Having studied with the legendary Marcel Marceau, Bowers has performed on some of the most prestigious stages in America, including Radio City

Music Hall, Madison Square Garden, The Kennedy Center and regional theaters nationwide. His television credits include "Law and Order," "One Life to Live," "All My Children," "Remember W.E.N.N." and Disney's "Out of the Box." He also was featured in "Two Weeks Notice," a film with Sandra Bullock and Hugh Grant.

The recipient of a master of fine arts from Rutgers University and an honorary Ph.D. from Rocky Mountain College, Bowers' MTSU stopover and performance are funded in part by the Distinguished Lecture Series.

# Calendar

Oct. 23-Nov. 5

## TV Schedule

**"Middle Tennessee Record"**

**Cable Channel 9**

Monday-Sunday-5 p.m.

**NewsChannel 5+**

Saturdays-1 p.m.

## Every Monday night

**MTSU Guys & Dolls**

**Swing Dance Club**

Free dance lessons 6-7 p.m.,

open dancing 7-9 p.m.

Murphy Center Dance Studio A

For information, e-mail:

[lindyfiend@gmail.com](mailto:lindyfiend@gmail.com).

## Through Nov. 2

**General Election Early Voting**

For information, visit

[www.rutherfordcounty.org/election/](http://www.rutherfordcounty.org/election/).

## Oct. 23

**Oct. 23-25**

**Domestic Violence**

**Awareness Month:**

**"Silent Witness" Exhibit**

11 a.m.-2 p.m., KUC 2nd floor

For information, contact:

615-898-2193.

**Monday, Oct. 23**

**Eid ul-Fitr (end of Ramadan)**

**Honors Lecture Series**

Dr. Terry Whiteside, "How Do We Decide Who Is to 'Blame' for Tragedies and Disasters?"

3-3:50 p.m., HONR 106

For information, contact:

615-898-7611.

**Guest Bassoon Recital:**

**Jennifer Rhodes**

5:30 p.m., Hinton Music Hall

No admission charge

For information, contact:

615-898-2493.

**Stones River Chamber Players faculty chamber ensemble**

7:30 p.m., Hinton Music Hall

No admission charge

For information, contact:

615-898-2493.

## Oct. 24

**Tuesday, Oct. 24**

**Promotion & Tenure Reception**

3-4:30 p.m., JUB Tenn. Room

For information, contact:

615-898-2880.

**Tuesday, Oct. 24**

**Annual Grand Slam Fish Fry**

benefiting Blue Raider Baseball

6 p.m., Tenn. Livestock Center

Tickets: \$15 in advance,

\$20 at the door; children 6

and younger admitted free

For information, contact:

615-898-2984 or 615-898-2450.

**Distinguished Lecture Series:**

**Author David McCullough,**

**"Qualities of Leadership"**

7 p.m., Tucker Theatre

Free admission; seating limited

For more information, contact

615-494-7628.

## Oct. 25

**Wednesday, Oct. 25**

**Information Technology**

**Division and LT&ITC**

**ShareFair**

10 a.m.-4 p.m., Peck Hall 106

For information, contact:

615-494-7671.

**Domestic Violence**

**Awareness Month:**

**"It's Love, Isn't It?"**

4-5:30 p.m., KUC Theatre

No admission charge

For information, contact:

615-898-2193.

**MTSU Brass Ensemble**

8 p.m., Hinton Music Hall

No admission charge

For information, contact:

615-898-2493.

## Oct. 26

**Oct. 26-28**

**Society of Composers Inc.**

**Regional Conference**

McLean School of Music

For information, visit

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

or contact: 615-898-2493.

**Thursday, Oct. 26**

**Blue Raider Basketball**

**Fan Jam**

6:30 p.m., Alumni Memorial Gym

For information, visit

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

or contact: 615-898-2103.

## Oct. 27

**Friday, Oct. 27**

**Women's Soccer (Senior Day)**

**vs. Western Kentucky**

7 p.m., Blue Raider Field

For information, contact:

615-898-2450.

## Oct. 28

**Saturday, Oct. 28**

**2006 Expanding Your Horizons in Math and Science**

conference for girls grades 5-8

8 a.m.-3 p.m., campuswide

For information and to register,

visit: [www.mtsu.edu/~eyh](http://www.mtsu.edu/~eyh).

**Contest of Champions**

10 a.m. preliminaries,

7 p.m. finals, Floyd Stadium

For tickets and information,

contact: 615-898-2103.

**Blue Raider Football at Louisiana-Lafayette**

4 p.m., Lafayette, La.

For information, visit

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

or contact: 615-898-2103.

## Oct. 29

**Sunday, Oct. 29**

**Daylight Savings Time Ends**

2 a.m.; turn clocks back 1 hour.

**"MTSU On the Record—Trip to Russia"**

Guest: Dr. Andrei Korobkov

7 a.m., WMOT 89.5-FM

Podcast at [www.mtsunews.com](http://www.mtsunews.com).

**Faculty Viola Recital:**

**Sarah Cote'**

3 p.m., Hinton Music Hall

No admission charge

For information, contact:

615-898-2493.

**MTSU Wind Ensemble and Vanderbilt Wind Ensemble**

7:30 p.m., Hinton Music Hall

No admission charge

For information, contact:

615-898-2493.

## Oct. 30

**Monday, Oct. 30**

**Honors Lecture Series**

Dr. Kevin Smith, "Catastrophes and Calamities ARE Ancient

History: Cultural Change,

Collapse and Transformation..."

3-3:50 p.m., HONR 106

For information, contact:

615-898-7611.

**Trick or Treat at the Grove**

5-7 p.m., Walnut Grove

Open to children of all ages;

costumes encouraged

For information, contact:

615-828-2433.

## Oct. 31

**Tuesday, Oct. 31**

**Halloween**

**MTSU Commercial Music Ensemble**

7:30 p.m., Hinton Music Hall

No admission charge

For information, contact:

615-898-2493.

## Nov. 1

**Wednesday, Nov. 1**

**Women's Basketball**

**vs. Henderson State**

7 p.m., Murphy Center

For information, visit

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

or contact: 615-898-2103.

## Nov. 2

**Thursday, Nov. 2**

**Men's Basketball**

**vs. York University**

7 p.m., Murphy Center

For information, visit

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

or contact: 615-898-2103.

**MTSU Jazz Artist Series**

7:30 p.m., Hinton Music Hall

Admission: \$15

For information, contact:

615-898-2493.

## Nov. 3

**Friday, Nov. 3**

**First Friday Star Party**

"The Big Bang," Dr. E. Klumpe

6:30-8:30 p.m., WPS Room 102

For information, contact:

615-898-5946.

## Nov. 4

**Saturday, Nov. 4**

**Blue Raider Football**

**Homecoming/Hall of Fame**

**vs. Florida Atlantic**

2:30 p.m., Floyd Stadium

For information, visit

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

or contact: 615-898-2103.

## Nov. 5

**Sunday, Nov. 5**

**"MTSU On the Record—**

**Trip to Venezuela"**

Guest: Dr. Sekou Franklin

7 a.m., WMOT 89.5-FM

Podcast at [www.mtsunews.com](http://www.mtsunews.com).

Doubletree Hotel will conclude the celebration.

"We have several new and exciting events to offer everybody this year," said Patience Long, MTSU Alumni Relations assistant director. We think there's something for everyone. We hope to see you on campus."

The new events will include the 9:30 a.m. Nov. 4 Mixer on Middle and Tennessee's Best Alumni Tailgate, where the Colleges of Basic and Applied Sciences, Jennings A. Jones College of Business, Liberal Arts, Mass Communication and Education and Behavioral Science will have a "tent city" atmosphere in Walnut Grove for alumni from these respective colleges.

"The Mixer on Middle is a new tradition," Long said, adding that alumni can receive a free continental breakfast, pay \$10 for a beverage wristband and watch the parade from the Alumni House lawn at 2259 Middle Tennessee Blvd.

"With the Tennessee's Best Alumni Tailgate," Long said, "we hope alumni reconnect with faculty and staff and reunite with former classmates. Individual colleges may use this opportunity to establish and cultivate relationships with alumni and friends of the university while supporting student and alumni interaction."

For Shane Fortner, homecoming director, and the Student Government

Association committee, "one of the main focuses was to include groups that haven't previously participated (in homecoming) and small organizations. We also want to have a good mix of competitive and noncompetitive events."

Small student organizations may want to enter the small float category with future hopes of advancing to the large float category, Fortner said.

One of the main midweek events for students will be a theme-party Decade Dance, which will be held starting at 8 p.m. in the JUB Tennessee Room. It will be headlined by The Wooten Brothers featuring Rock Williams.

"There will be free entry for a tool donation," said Fortner, who added that Habitat for Humanity will be the primary recipient for the tool donations.

Fortner said a new student event will be a horseshoe competition for two-man teams in the KUC Knoll area. Winners will receive a new iPod.

The Chili Cook-Off will be "an even bigger event this year," Fortner said. "We'll have a carnival-like atmosphere."

For children, there will be Trick or Treat at the Grove from 5 until 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 30, and kids and Baby Raiders can walk in the homecoming parade at 10 a.m. Nov. 4.

A schedule of homecoming event highlights is shown at right.

## 2006 Homecoming highlights

### SGA Schedule:

- **Friday, Oct. 27**—7 p.m., MTSU Idol, Tucker Theatre
- **Saturday, Oct. 28**—4 p.m., Fight Song competition, Murphy Center
- **Monday, Oct. 30**—T-Shirt Swap Day (all week); 5-7 p.m., Trick or Treat at the Grove; Paint the Town Blue (all week)
- **Tuesday, Oct. 31**—4 p.m., Make-Up Artist at KUC
- **Wednesday, Nov. 1**—8 p.m., Theme Party Decade Dance with live band The Wooten Brothers featuring Rock Williams; costume contest for student organizations
- **Thursday, Nov. 2**—9 a.m.-4 p.m., "Dirty Laundry Tour"; 4 p.m., horseshoe competition at KUC Knoll
- **Friday, Nov. 3**—Noon, floats due at KUC Knoll; 4:30 p.m., Chili Cook-Off, KUC Knoll; 5:30 p.m., Pep Rally/student vote, KUC Knoll; 7 p.m., National Pan-

Hellenic Council Step Show at Murphy Center

- **Saturday, Nov. 4**—10 a.m., Homecoming Parade; 12:15 p.m., Raider Walk, Walnut Grove.

For more information about SGA Homecoming events, contact: 615-828-2433.

### Alumni Schedule:

- **Friday, Nov. 3**—11 a.m., Homecoming Golf Tournament presented by Wilson Bank & Trust, Indian Hills Golf Course; 4:30 p.m., Golden Raiders; 6 p.m., Cooperative Education Awards Dinner, JUB Tennessee Room
- **Saturday, Nov. 4**—9:30 a.m., Mixer on Middle homecoming parade-watching party, Alumni House lawn, 2259 Middle Tennessee Blvd., with free continental breakfast and \$10 beverage bands; 10 a.m., Homecoming Parade, including Baby Raiders; all day, reunions for Band of Blue, past homecoming

queens and cheerleaders; noon, Tennessee's Best Alumni Tailgate, a "tent city" for alumni from all MTSU colleges, Walnut Grove; 12:15 p.m., Raider Walk, Walnut Grove; 2:30 p.m., MT vs. Florida Atlantic, Floyd Stadium; 9 p.m., Al Wilkerson Scholarship Dance sponsored by the African-American Alumni Council, \$20 per person, Doubletree Hotel.

Other events include Hall of Fame Celebration (6 p.m. Nov. 3, Kennon Sports Hall of Fame) and Hall of Fame induction (noon Nov. 4, outside Kennon Sports Hall of Fame), open house hosted by Darrell Freeman at his home in Brentwood (R.S.V.P. to 615-898-2718 or e-mail [vavent@mtsu.edu](mailto:vavent@mtsu.edu)), Horace Jones Field sign rededication ceremony, Varsity Club reception and more.

Visit [www.mtalumni.com](http://www.mtalumni.com) for details or call 1-800-533-MTSU.

## Healthy

participating in a university task force charged with the responsibility of putting together a contingency plan in the unlikely event of an outbreak of H5N1 Avian Flu.

While no human cases of avian flu have been reported in the United States, travelers coming from countries where the strain has emerged could be infected. MTSU and other universities across the nation have decided to be prepared, no matter how remote such a pandemic would seem.

On a more practical note, however, both Warner and Fresco think it's a good idea to remind the university population about common-sense health practices. Unfortunately, many children are no longer receiving that reinforcement in the elementary and secondary grades, they contend.

For example, Warner says, health education is now part of physical education class, which itself has been drastically cut back in many schools. "It's not nearly what it should be," he notes.

Health educators from the U.S. Department of Education used to visit schools and talk to students

about hygiene, including brushing teeth and washing hands, he recalls.

"Our priorities have shifted more toward the underprivileged adults and children," Warner says. "We're just not in the classroom like we were years ago. Education now must meet performance standards, and they don't have time to dwell on exercise, P.E. and health," he says.

Because children are not receiving the proper health education, both health professionals feel they also must reach the college population.

"The problem with students in transition is that they tend to want to do everything," Warner says. "Things that can harm their immune system include not getting enough rest, not eating properly, waiting until the last minute to do things such as cramming, which creates stress. The bottom line is they have to keep their immune systems up."

"Upbringing and background influence health habits," Fresco emphasizes.

"College freshmen have lived with their families all their lives, and now they come into contact

with people from various backgrounds, eat with them, use the same public facilities and so on. Respiratory etiquette is important—sneezing into your arm, washing your hands, even changing clothes after you've been in contact with illness."

Warner adds, "A dorm is like a military barracks, and studies have proved that close quarters increases the risk of passing illness."

He follows with what some would consider the obvious—that students shouldn't go to class when they have fever or are coughing incessantly.

"If you're running a fever, go to health services, because there are antivirals that can be administered," Warner urges. "If you catch the virus in the first 48 hours, you can nip it."

"We're also talking to faculty and staff when we advise that students should stay away from class if they are feverish," Fresco notes. "If a student is sick, he or she should talk to the professor and remedy the situation regarding homework or lectures or tests."

## Former MTSU economics professor receives Nobel Peace Prize

by Gina K. Logue and Tom Tozer

The Norwegian Nobel Committee announced Oct. 11 that the 2006 Nobel Peace Prize will go to a former MTSU professor, Dr. Muhammad Yunus, and his brainchild, Grameen Bank.

Yunus, who earned a Ph.D. from Vanderbilt University, was an assistant professor of economics at MTSU from 1969 to 1972. Dr. Hans Mueller, department chair from 1969-1973, hired him in 1969.

"I needed somebody around to ask questions on economic theory, and Yunus was always on the cutting edge," Mueller recalls.

A colleague of Yunus, economics and finance associate professor Dr. Kiyoshi Kawahito, says Yunus was "scholarly and a global thinker. He

also had a good sense of humor."

Yunus, a pioneer in the field of microcredit in his native Bangladesh, was lauded by the Nobel committee "for [his] efforts to create social and economic development from below," according to [www.nobelprize.org](http://www.nobelprize.org).

"Loans to poor people without any financial security had appeared to be an impossible idea. From modest beginnings three decades ago, Yunus has ... through Grameen Bank, developed micro-credit into an ever more important instrument in the struggle against poverty."

Yunus started by lending \$27 to a group of 42 people in 1976 to help



Yunus

them purchase weaving stools. By using the weaving stools to improve their economic status, the borrowers repaid Yunus in short order. From this humble start, Grameen Bank was created. According to [www.grameen-info.org](http://www.grameen-info.org), the institution offers credit to "the poorest of the poor" without demanding collateral.

Mueller notes that this was a revolutionary concept when it was introduced because the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund were bankrolling huge projects that never really seemed to do much for poverty-stricken areas of the world.

"This was the opposite approach, beginning with very small incentives," Mueller says. "These people really wanted to work. They just needed to get started."

Mueller, who regularly lunched with Yunus, remembers him as a

very warm person.

"He was very serious when he talked about serious things. He was well-read and could talk well about many different things," Mueller says.

As a teacher at MTSU, Yunus specialized in both macroeconomic theory and microeconomic theory, a combination that is rare in today's economics professors, Mueller says.

Dr. Billy Balch, professor emeritus, economics and finance from 1964 to 1998, says Yunus was "a very likable person" and "a very professional person, very intelligent."

"Although he wasn't the type of person who socialized very much with other faculty, he was very studious and a very hard worker. I'm not surprised that he has succeeded," Balch says of his former colleague.

# Kennesaw dance instructor begins residency this week

by Thad Mitchell

Ivan Pulinkala, director of dance at Kennesaw State University, was scheduled to begin a week's visit at MTSU on Oct. 22 to work with members of the MTSU Dance Theatre to produce a show at the end of his stay.

Also during his stay, Pulinkala will lecture and teach a modern dance class. All classes are open for participation, and rehearsals are open for observation.

According to his biography, available online at [www.kennesaw.edu/theatre/BIOs/Pulinkala.htm](http://www.kennesaw.edu/theatre/BIOs/Pulinkala.htm), Pulinkala is originally from New Delhi, India, and has worked professionally in the field of dance and musical theater both in India and the United States. He served as the choreographer-in-residence for Delhi Music Theatre and was named among the 25 Indian artists of the Millennium by *India Today Magazine* in its December 1999 issue.

"This is a great opportunity for our students and for the campus community," said Jeff Gibson, assistant professor of speech and theatre.

Pulinkala's residency schedule includes the following (all in Room 140 of the Fairview Building):

- Monday, Oct. 23—Modern Dance I (12:40-2:05 p.m.), rehearsal (6-9 p.m.);
- Tuesday, Oct. 24—Modern Dance III (8-9:25 a.m.), rehearsal (7:30-10 p.m.);
- Wednesday, Oct. 25—Ballet II as Modern Dance (4:10-5:35 p.m.), rehearsal (6-9 p.m.); and
- Thursday, Oct. 26—Modern Dance II (4:20-5:45 p.m.), rehearsal (7:30-10 p.m.).

On Friday, Oct. 27, Pulinkala will present a lecture in the University Honors College Amphitheatre on "The Sensuality of Indian Movement." The 9:10-10:15 a.m. lecture is free and open to the public.

On Saturday, Oct. 28, Pulinkala will conduct an MTSU Dance Theatre Class (9-10:15 a.m.) in Fairview 140, followed by a staging of the work at 10:15. For more information about Pulinkala's visit, call 615-904-8392.

# VSA arts Tennessee sets performance at Ryman

by Lisa L. Rollins

The historic Ryman Auditorium will resound with the spirit of the arts when prize-winning singer Ginny Owens and other artists from Vision, Strength and Artistic Expression, also known as VSA arts Tennessee, take the stage for VSA at the Ryman at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25.

The concert, which is open to the public, will feature the talents of Dove Award winner Owens, Laura Dodd, Carol Ponder and Chris O'Brien—four acclaimed musicians who have not let their disabilities get in the way of their success, said Lori Kissinger, executive director of VSA arts Tennessee and an instructor for MTSU's speech and theatre department.

The program also will feature performances by Daniel Janvrin, Wes Heydel, Seth Link and Angela Mosley, winners of the VSA arts Tennessee Young Soloists Award.

Additionally, Kissinger noted, the evening will honor Tennessee Commissioner of Education Lana Seivers, who has been a strong supporter of VSA arts Tennessee, which creates opportunities for people with disabilities to learn through, partici-

pate in and enjoy the arts.

Kissinger said that VSA arts Tennessee, which was founded in 2000 as an affiliate of the Washington, D.C.-based VSA arts International, will present Seivers, an MTSU alumna (B.S. '72), with the 2006 VSA arts



Seivers

Tennessee Award of Excellence for an arts supporter during the concert.

"Seivers has been instrumental in securing state and federal funding for VSA arts, including a Challenge America grant from the

National Endowment for the Arts," Kissinger noted. "(And) she also helped arrange a performance for children with disabilities that will take place earlier on Oct. 25 at the Ryman."

Among the initiatives VSA arts Tennessee has launched are a statewide Arts in Education program, Kissinger said, and a statewide career forum for artists in partnership with the Tennessee Arts Commission.

Tickets to the Oct. 25 event are \$20 and may be purchased online at [www.VsaArtsTennessee.org](http://www.VsaArtsTennessee.org) or by calling 615-826-5252.

## Rewarding excellence



**GREAT WORK!**—Christopher Crowell, left, chairman of MTSU's Employee Recognition Committee, presents Michelle Higdon, executive aide for the Department of Computer Science, with the university's Second Quarter 2006 Secretarial/Clerical Award as department chairman Dr. Richard Detmer looks on. The Employee Recognition Committee salutes staffers who make outstanding contributions and demonstrate excellence in their roles. To nominate an administrative, secretarial/clerical, classified or technical/service co-worker for the award program, download an Employee Recognition nomination form at [hrs.web.mtsu.edu/forms.html](http://hrs.web.mtsu.edu/forms.html) and submit it to Human Resource Services, CAB 217.

photo by J. Intintoli

# TEEA thanks Smith-Walters for 'distinguished service'

by Randy Weiler

Dr. Cindi Smith-Walters keeps the MTSU Center for Environmental Education's award-winning tradition alive.

On Sept. 23, Smith-Walters, center director and professor in the biology department, received the Tennessee Environmental Education Association Distinguished Service Award. It was presented during the organization's annual meeting, held this year at Montgomery Bell State Park in Burns.

Environmental education colleague Dr. Padgett Kelly earned the same distinction in 2005.

"I was very surprised, very honored and very flattered, because a lot of environmental education folks do a lot of things on their own time and with our own money and don't get a lot of recognition or appreciation," Smith-Walters said. "To be recognized by people I respect is the highest kind of honor."

TEEA officials wrote on the plaque she received that the award was being given "for years

of inspiring untold numbers of students and volunteers to learn more and share their knowledge about the natural world through hard work, excellent instruction, unparalleled leadership and by never being afraid to take the cat by the tail!"

Added center colleague Karen Hargrove, "Cindi is someone who has spent years doing environmental education to a broad audience of informal—adult organizations, Boys and Girls Clubs, Girl Scouts and nature center presentations—to formal, where it's in the classroom. She has done environmental education in the classroom for 20 years in Tennessee.

"Cindi taught me. She has taught people how to think about issues and the multiple sides of an (environmental) issue."

Smith-Walters has served on the Tennessee Environmental Education Association's board as secretary and conference chair and conference committee member.

Her many past awards include the MTSU Foundation Award for teaching and public service, TEEA Special Recognition Award for outstanding service and the Tennessee Forestry Association's Tennessee Forest Resource Award.



Smith-Walters

been impressed with the direction and significant achievements of MTSU, and I am convinced that even more remarkable achievements in athletics and academics lie ahead."

"Bob McLean's extremely generous gift that emphasizes both academics and athletics represents the totality of what a university should be," McPhee said. "We are grateful beyond measure to Bob for his commitment to Middle Tennessee State University. This will affect the lives of thousands of students and many faculty for generations to come."

McLean, principal of McLean & Company Investments and longtime friend and supporter of his alma mater, established MTSU's School of Music as part of the national and international landscape in 2002 when his \$1.5 million donation provided for the purchase of 54 Steinway pianos.

Earning the designation as an "All Steinway School," MTSU joined a select company that included The Juilliard School, Oberlin College Conservatory, Vassar College, the University of Melbourne Faculty of Music and Beijing's China Conservatory of Music.

A year later, McPhee announced the newly named MTSU Robert W. McLean School of Music. "We are delighted and honored to put Bob McLean's name on our School of Music," the president said at that time.

"I believe that MTSU is the single most important asset in this community," McLean responded. "If you look at all of the things it adds to this region—the economic impact, the cultural benefits, the access to education—you see the impact it makes on the quality of people's lives.

"I sincerely hope that others will follow my lead and support this great university that has contributed so much to so many," he added.

Chairman of the board of the McLean Family



Charitable Fund, McLean also is an avid supporter of the Blue Raider Athletic Association, the KA Memorial Scholarship, the Chuck Taylor Golf Tournament, the John T. Bragg Sr. Scholarship and the Presidential Scholarship program. The Robert W. McLean Distinguished Assistant Professor Award in the Jennings A. Jones College of Business is named for him, and he is a member of the Jones College Advisory Board.

In addition, McLean serves as an MTSU Foundation trustee and is a member of the Board of Officers of the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum. Recently, McLean produced the feature film "Our Very Own," a story about his hometown of Shelbyville, Tenn.

Emmett Kennon, Blue Raider baseball and football letterman (B.S. '38) and the \$1 million donor, along with his wife, Rose, for whom MTSU's Kennon Sports Hall of Fame is named, also was

**MUCH APPRECIATED**—Alumnus Bob McLean, standing center in the photo at left, poses with a \$1 million check earmarked for MTSU academics and athletics during a break in the MT-Louisville football game at LP Field in Nashville. With McLean are, from left, MTSU First Lady Liz McPhee, President Sidney A. McPhee and Director of Athletics Chris Massaro. In the photo below, alumnus Emmett Kennon, center left, is recognized during the same game for his \$500,000 donation to the new MTSU baseball stadium. Joining Kennon are, from left, Massaro, former Blue Raider pitcher Steve Smith (for whose father, Reese Smith Jr., the baseball field is named), the McPhees and baseball Head Coach Steve "Pete" Peterson.

photos by Jack Ross



recognized during the Oct. 6 game for his donation of \$500,000 to the capital campaign for the university's new \$5 million baseball stadium.

Construction of the 3,000-seat facility at Reese Smith Field is due to begin next spring with completion targeted for the first pitch of the 2008 baseball season.

## Equity rep slates seminar for students

from Staff Reports

Amy Dolan, a Broadway actress who also serves as an outreach coordinator for the Actors' Equity Association, will present an interactive session on "Equity's Student Outreach Seminar" at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 24, in the Cason-Kennedy Nursing Building's Room 123.

The AEA, commonly referred to as Equity, is the labor union that represents more than 45,000 actors and stage managers in the United States, and Dolan's free seminar is designed to help preprofessional actors and stage managers consider their career options with regard to Equity, said Jeff Gibson, assistant professor of speech and theatre.

The multimedia seminar "is designed to inform future members about the advantages of union membership, as well as to encourage them to carefully weigh the

decision of becoming a member," Gibson said.

In the past year, Dolan has visited universities from New York University to the University of California in San Diego. During her MTSU stopover, "students will experience a dynamic presentation and candid, honest descriptions of Amy's experiences in the entertainment industry," observed Gibson, who describes the Oct. 24 event as "a great opportunity for any student considering a career in the performing arts."

In addition to working as an administrator and educator for AEA, Dolan is a seasoned actor whose experience includes roles on Broadway and as part of national touring companies, including portraying Rizzo in "Grease," roles in Hal Prince's "Showboat" in London and the role of Anytime Annie in the Broadway revival of "42nd Street," among many other productions in the United States and Europe.

Dolan became an AEA member at age 7 and joined the association's staff in 2005. Her MTSU visit is sponsored in part by the university's Distinguished Lecture Fund.



## Midgett tradition continues at Danner tourney

by Randy Weiler

The Midgett name continues to stand tall at MTSU. Don Midgett, the son of noted former MTSU professor and administrator E.W. "Wink" Midgett, and brother of former Blue Raiders golfing standout Dan Midgett, showed Oct. 4 that he also knows what to do with a golf club in his hands.

Don Midgett helped his team to a first-place showing in the 13th annual Danner Invitational Golf Tournament at Nashville's Hermitage Golf Course. Midgett, Steve Cope, alumnus Jamey King (B.S. '79) and Frankie

Bowers recorded a 15-under-par 57 on the President's Reserve.

"We teamed well," Midgett said.

"The weather was perfect."

"The course was in great shape," King added.

The late "Wink" Midgett, for whom the Midgett Building and parking lot near Floyd Stadium are named, also has the University Honors College's E.W. "Wink" Midgett Room (106) named in his honor. He was a faculty member and Department of Business Education chairman in the then-School of Business and Industry.

The late Dan Midgett played for

MTSU Hall of Fame Coach E.K. Patty's 1965 NCAA College Division national championship team.

The Danner tournament raised about \$50,000 (before expenses) for the Neill-Sandler Scholars at MTSU program, which has awarded scholarships to 75 students since 1999.

"This is one of the great days we have at MTSU," said Joe Bales, vice president of development and university relations. "It's one of the most unique scholarships in the nation. It recognizes and rewards students who've overcome significant adversity."

## Giving from page 1

Dr. Sidney A. McPhee, MTSU president.

"To share our blessings in whatever way we can with our neighbors in need, neighbors who may indeed be striving for a new beginning, is an opportunity we can't pass up."

Faculty and staff can give by payroll deduction to any charitable organization included on a list of nine independent charities and three federated charitable organizations, Lea said, including Community Health Charities, Community Shares and local United Ways.

Pledge forms are being distributed now following the Oct. 19 campaign kickoff.



Lea

The pledge form and campaign brochure read the same as in previous years, but this year they're available online. The campaign Web site, [www.mtsu.edu/givemtsu](http://www.mtsu.edu/givemtsu), has additional information.

Pledge forms should be returned by Nov. 10.

"Fellow employees, this is one very important way we can exhibit our true-blue spirit to this community," Lea said.

"Please contribute to MTSU Building a Brighter Tomorrow for Murfreesboro, Rutherford County and beyond."

For more information, contact Lea at 615-898-2512.

# World-renowned artists' work on display

by Gina K. Logue

Masaaki and Chikako Tanaka, two distinguished Japanese artists, will display their work through Friday, Nov. 3, in the Todd Gallery at MTSU.

A reception for the Tanakas is slated for 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 28, in the gallery. The reception is free and open to the public.

In addition, the Tanakas will participate in interactive seminars and workshops with MTSU students and faculty during their stay in America.

Dr. Kiyoshi Kawahito, director of the Japan-U.S. Program at MTSU, introduced Masaaki Tanaka to Thurston Moore of Nashville several years ago.

"Thurston became Tanaka's U.S. agent almost instantaneously, as he was impressed by Tanaka arts," Kawahito recalls.

"(Masaaki Tanaka) is a master in the use of the paper stencil technique of screenprinting, the process by which colors and shapes are layered onto paper and coalesce, after many applications, into the finished image," Dr. Lon Nuell, professor of art, says.

"Tanaka's imagery ranges from the great tradition of the Japanese celebratory festival to landscapes," Nuell observes. "His festival images are bold and full of energy—a result of his technical mastery of the paper

stencil process, his strong understanding of the power of composition and use of color."

By contrast, Chikako Tanaka's tempera paintings display a more delicate technique, Nuell says.

"Her work is fanciful, ethereal in some instances, suggesting the dream-like imagery of the surrealists," Nuell says. "Other images reflect the people and objects which she knows from everyday life in a way that reflects the quietness found more in the past than the present, but that is an essential part of life."

The exhibition is made possible by The Tennessee Players, Inc., which represents the Tanakas in the United States, the Japan Foundation of New York, the Japan-U.S. Program of MTSU and MTSU's College of Liberal Arts and Department of Art.

Masaaki Tanaka was born in Tokyo in 1947. He graduated from Musashino Art University in 1971, majoring in oil painting. He educated himself in silkscreen after learning wood-block printmaking and stone lithography while making repeated visits to Europe and the United States. His solo exhibition at the Maturi Festival in Tokyo in 1974 included 38 silkscreen artworks.

For 10 years, Tanaka presented a series of his work on the cover page of *Shukan Shincho*, one of the most famous weekly magazines in Japan. In the United States, Tanaka exhibited his prints in such venues as New York, Boston, Los Angeles, Chicago, San Francisco, Seattle, Dallas/Fort Worth, Nashville, Hawaii and Memphis.

Tanaka's work can be found in the collections of the Art Institute of Chicago, the Honolulu Museum of

Art, the Albrecht Fine Art Museum, the Japan Foundation of New York and others. His artwork covers the entire long wall of the Asakusa Station of the recently opened Tsukuba Express railway in Tokyo.

Masaaki Tanaka's Web sites are <http://tanaka-fineart.com> and [www.masaakit Tanaka.co.jp](http://www.masaakit Tanaka.co.jp).

Chikako Tanaka graduated from Musashino Art University, majoring in oil painting. She married Masaaki immediately upon graduating, working for the next 20 years as a mother and homemaker. In 1994, she presented her art at the Ichiyo Exhibition.

The Tanakas offered joint exhibitions at Ando Gallery in 2000 and in Nashville in 2002 and 2004. In 2003 and 2004, Chikako hosted a solo display at North Carolina Gallery. Her Web site is [www.chikakotanaka.jp](http://www.chikakotanaka.jp).

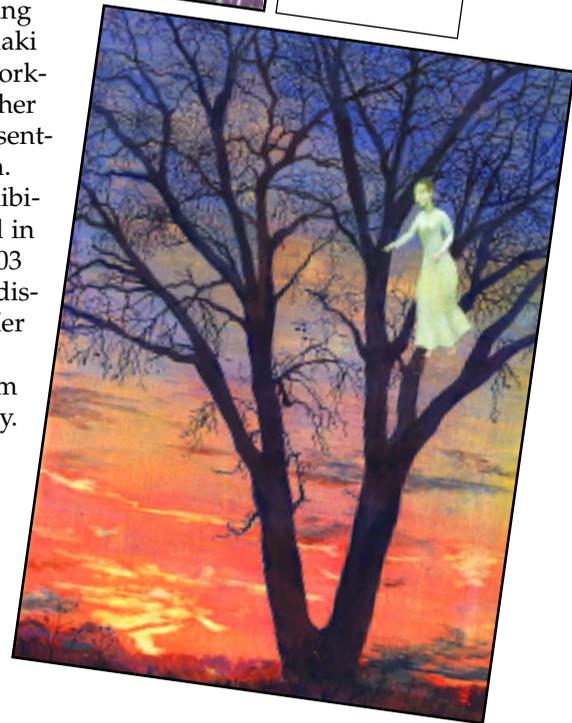
The Todd Gallery is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. Admission is free.

Guest parking permits are available at the MTSU Parking Services building just off East Main Street in Murfreesboro.

For more information, call Nuell at 615-898-5653 or 615-898-2505.



**'BOLD' AND 'FANCIFUL'**—Masaaki Tanaka's "Nebuta" (1974), shown at left, and Chikako Tanaka's "Sunset" (2003), below, are among the works on display through Nov. 3 in the Todd Gallery. **artwork submitted**



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### Exhibitions

Works by Erin Anfinson (art) are showcased in the ticket lobby of Nashville International Airport through Dec. 3 as part of the facility's "Arts at the Airport" autumn 2006 exhibit. To view her work, visit [www.flynashville.com/arts](http://www.flynashville.com/arts) and click on the "Current Art Exhibits" link.

### Presentations

Dr. Yang Soo Kim (speech and theatre) presented "Intercultural Leadership in the Globalized Business Environment" at the 2006 Tennessee Communication Association's annual meeting Sept. 29-30 at MTSU.

Dr. Kim Cleary Sadler (biology and Center for Environmental Education) and graduate biology student Karen Metius-House presented a poster, "Hands-on and Hypothesis-Based Learning in the Middle Tennessee Cedar Glades" Oct. 10 at the Fourth NAAEE (North American Association for Environmental Education) Research Symposium in St. Paul, Minn. Sadler serves as a member of the NAAEE Research

Commission. Sadler also co-presented a session with Dr. Jean DeSaix (UNC, Chapel Hill) on "Mentoring Laboratory Graduate Students in Inquiry-Based Methods" Oct. 12 at the National Association of Biology Teachers Conference in Albuquerque.

Drs. Gerry Scheffelmaier (business communication and entrepreneurship) and Victoria Dawn Shelar (recreation and leisure services) presented "Dreamweaver Tutorial: Making it Simple" at the Tennessee Business Education Conference Sept. 22-23. Scheffelmaier, Shelar and colleagues from Utah State University and the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire also presented "An Empirical Study of the 110 Largest E-Commerce Sites Comparing Website Features to Conversion Rates" at the International Association of Computer Information Systems Oct. 5 in Reno, Nev., and Scheffelmaier and colleagues from Utah State also presented "Why Visitors Leave Websites Without Buying: Toward a Unified Theory of Website Design" at IACIS in Reno.

Drs. Victoria Dawn Shelar and Tara Perry (recreation and leisure services) presented "Are You Considering a Career in Recreational

Therapy?" at the Health Science Symposium Oct. 4 in Nashville.

### Publications

Dr. Mark Anshel's (health and human performance) chapter, "Perfectionism and Competitive Sport," is included in Volume 2005 of the Stress and Anxiety Research Society's *Stress and Anxiety—Application to Health, Work Place, Community, and Education*, recently published by Cambridge Scholars Press. His article "What is Missing from Current Exercise Interventions and What to Do About It: The Important Role of Health Psychology" is included in the Fall 2006 issue of *The Health Psychologist*.

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