

Fall 2002

Homecoming 2002: Come Together brought together MSU alumni and friends of the university through various events.



From left, MSUAA Board of Governors members Chris McNeill, '88, '89 Paducah, Ky.; Doug Goodman, '76 Hickman, Ky.; Elaine Spalding, '80 Paducah, Ky.; and MSU President F. King Alexander, chat in the patio area behind the Alumni Center following Friday's board meeting. In the background are from left, Sharon McDonald Green, '80 and Darvin Towery, '82, '91 of Mayfield, Ky.; Jim Carter, '79, '86 Murray; and Alan Stout, '78, Marion, Ky.



Melanie Walker McNeill, '89, Chris McNeill, '88, '89 and future Racer Walker McNeill visit with Dr. Laurel Little Van Horn, '95 and Brian Van Horn, '92, '94, of Benton, at the Walk of Fame Dedication ceremony.



Dr. Vish Talwalkar, '89 and son, Adam, of Lexington, Ky., and Dr. Ed McFarland, '78, Baltimore, Md., were among the 2000-plus alumni who visited Tent City prior to attending the annual football game.



Alumni Dr. Frank Miller, '58, Lexington, Ky.; Dr. HW Ford, '58, Benton, Ky.; and Bob Waller, '56, Lexington, look at plans for future construction at Murray State University while attending the Homecoming Reception.

Dr. Charles Smith, a retired MSU biology professor and pre-med adviser who taught from 1969 to 1991, was honored at a banquet sponsored by the department of biological sciences. A physiology laboratory bearing his name will be located in the new Science Building Complex, now under construction and projected to be completed in 2004.



Dr. Smith chats with Dr. Vish Talwalkar, '89, Lexington, Ky.; Dr. Shawn Parker, '89 Cape Girardeau, Mo.; and Dr. Paul Austin, '97, St. Louis.

MidSouth Living visits Tent City



Pictured under MidSouth Living's tent are: actor, W. Earl Brown, '86 and Renaud, Sen. Bob Jackson, '85, and Perry.

During this year's Tent City activities, Kristi Phillips Rowan, '87 and publisher of *MidSouth Living* visited her alma mater to showcase MSU's Tent City activities in the fall 2003 issue of *MidSouth Living*. A featured tailgating segment will showcase the culinary talents of Bob Perry, general manager/chef of My Old Kentucky Dinner Train in Bardstown, Ky., and Mark Renaud, executive chef for the Murray Country Club and founder and chief cook for the Allegro Gourmet Cooking Team. This 2001 top ten "Memphis In May" championship barbecue team will be mentioned in the fall 2003 issue of *MidSouth Living*. Renaud and Perry prepared four tasty dishes during the Tent City festivities.

Racer Basketball

During Murray State University's Racer Basketball season, a County Night Program will showcase Christian/Trigg, McCracken, Marshall, Hopkins, Henderson/Davies/Union, Graves, Calloway and Henry counties. Murray State alumni and friends are asked to present their drivers license at any gate for \$3 upper level general admission tickets, or lower level endzone general admission tickets at \$7 each. For additional info, call the MSU ticket office at 270-762-4895. Implemented by Racer Athletics, the program will coincide with the basketball's home schedule. The following is the Racer's schedule, with each county being honored listed next to the opponent.

Dec. 3	@ SIU-Carbondale	7 p.m.
Dec. 7	WKU (Christian/Trigg Co. Night)	7 p.m.
Dec. 14	@ Auburn University	7 p.m.
Dec. 16	@ MTSU	7 p.m.
Dec. 19	Indiana State	7:05 p.m.
Dec. 21	@ University of Evansville	7:05 p.m.
Dec. 30	University of Memphis	7 p.m.
Jan. 1	MTSU	4 p.m.
Jan. 4	@ Univ. of Southern Mississippi	2 p.m.
Jan. 9	Tennessee Tech (McCracken Co. Night)	7 p.m.
Jan. 11	Austin Peay (ESPN) (Marshall Co. Night)	5 p.m.
Jan. 16	@ Eastern Illinois University	7:10 p.m.
Jan. 18	@ SEMO	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 23	Morehead	7 p.m.
Jan. 25	EKU (Hopkins Co. Night)	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 27	@ Tennessee State University	7 p.m.
Feb. 1	UT Martin (Henderson/Davies/Union Co. Night)	7 p.m.
Feb. 6	@ Tennessee Tech (Fox Sports NET South)	7 p.m.
Feb. 8	@ Austin Peay State University (Fox Sports Net South)	1 p.m.
Feb. 13	Eastern Illinois University (Graves Co. Night)	7 p.m.
Feb. 15	SEMO (Calloway Co.)	7 p.m.
Feb. 20	@ EKU	6:30 p.m.
Feb. 22	@ Morehead	6:30 p.m.
Feb. 24	Tennessee State (Henry Co.)	7 p.m.
March 1	@ UT-Martin	6 p.m.
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March 4	First Round OVC Tournament	
March 7	OVC Tournament Semifinals	
March 8	OVC Tournament Championship (ESPN2)	3 p.m.



Rex Geveden Visits Alma Mater

Rex Geveden, deputy director of NASA-Marshall Space Flight Center Science Directorate in Huntsville, Ala., recently attended MSU to lecture on "Gravity Probe-B: Testing Einstein with Gyroscopes." A native of Graves County, Geveden began his NASA career at Marshall Space Flight Center in 1990, after completing his B.S. degree in engineering physics and M.S. degree in physics at Murray. Since Geveden's tenure with NASA, he has been increasingly involved in responsible positions. As the previous chief engineer for the Waves in Space Plasmas Experiment; and as project manager for the Optical Transient Detector and Lightning Imaging Sensor experiment that led to building the world's first global map of lightning, Geveden is currently the systems manager of Gravity Probe B, which will test two key areas of Einstein's General Theory of Relativity. Geveden said a spring launch date is tentatively planned in San Francisco at Vandenberg Air Force Base to test these two key areas. Geveden is serving on the MSU Industrial/Alumni Advisory Board. Geveden is married to the former Gail Reddick of Bardwell, Ky., and they live in Madison, Ala.



Have your name on the "Walk of Fame"

Several Murray State alumni and friends attended the dedication ceremony for the MSU Alumni Association's Walk of Fame on Saturday morning. Funds used from the sale of 493 bricks helped finance construction of the new Alumni Center. This was the first opportunity for many alumni to visit the 5,000 square-foot Alumni Center, located near Roy Stewart Stadium. The upper level houses administrative offices, a boardroom, reception area and a balcony overlooking a patio area and the Walk of Fame.

Bricks are currently being sold to help complete construction of the lower level, which will include a dining area, library, parlor and additional administrative offices. There are three sizes of bricks available. The size of brick may be determined by the message you wish to have inscribed. Please call the MSU Alumni Center for further information at 800-758-8510, or visit the alumni page at www.murraystate.edu.

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