

Sports Information

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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Judy Yancy, Director, Office of Public Information

FROM: Randy Stacy, Director, Sports Information

DATE: January 4, 1988

RE: Photographic Services for Marshall Basketball Game

Because we expect a good crowd and because we will be having television coverage, we would like for Ray Bradley to snoot both black and white and color slides at this Saturday's (Jan. 9) Marshall basketball game.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

RS/bck

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For Immediate Release

EAGLES PLAY HOST TO MARSHALL

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Morehead State University's Basketball Eagles open the 1988 portion of their schedule on Saturday (Jan. 9) when Marshall's Thundering Herd visits Johnson Arena. Tipoff time is 7:00 p.m. EST, a change from the original 7:30 p.m. tipoff time. The change was made to accommodate a live television broadcast by WSAZ-TV, Huntington.

MSU will take a 4-5 record into the contest. The Eagles have lost back-to-back games on the road to nationally ranked teams. MSU lost 81-73 at Vanderbilt on Dec. 21 and 110-69 at Syracuse on Dec. 28.

Marshall will bring an 8-3 record to Johnson Arena. The Herd is coming off a two-game losing road trip to the West. Marshall lost 77-76 at Nevada-Reno and 99-90 at Pepperdine.

The two schools have met 82 times since 1939-40 and each has won 41 games. Marshall has won three games in a row in the series.

Eagle Coach Tommy Gaither gave mixed reviews on MSU's two-game excursion against national powers.

"I thought we made great strides in and leading up to the Vanderbilt game," Gaither said. "We looked like we were ready to be competitive in the OVC.

"Then we had travel mix-ups, curfew violations and poor play at Syracuse and took a step backward. However, I always believe the season is divided into two halves, and we're beginning the second half of our season with all starting positions wide open. Hopefully, we'll begin it with enthusiasm and mental toughness because we've got a tough schedule right off the bat."

Following the Marshall game, the Eagles begin a series of four consecutive road games against OVC opponents. The first of those will be at Eastern Kentucky on Monday (Jan. 11).

"This is a key time in our season," Gaither said. "We've got to be prepared and try to get off to a good start in the conference."

In Marshall, Gaither sees a team with athletes he calls "the calibre of Syracuse and Texas-El Paso."

"I believe this is the best Marshall team Coach Huckaby has had since he came there," Gaither said. "He starts four seniors and brings one off the bench. They are solid at every position and hard to key on.

"They have a power inside game and are excellent perimeter shooters. They do everything well, with great athletes."

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Morehead State Coach Tommy Gaither has announced that junior guard Tony Turner will not rejoin the squad for the second semester. Turner did not attend the MSU-Syracuse game and has indicated that he may transfer to another school.

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EAGLE PROBABLE STARTERS

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|---|---|-----------|----------|
| F | 30-Derrick Davis (6-4, Sr., Decatur, Ala.) | 13.7 ppg. | 6.9 rpg. |
| F | 32-Bo Rivers (6-4, Jr., Haines City, Fla.) | 15.9 ppg. | 8.0 rpg. |
| C | 52-Darrin Hale (6-10, Jr., London, Ky.) | 9.4 ppg. | 6.1 rpg. |
| G | 14-Michael Mason (6-2, Sr., Courtland, Ala.) | 12.8 ppg. | 4.8 rpg. |
| G | 24-Tony Curry (6-3, So., Louisville, Ky.) | 10.6 ppg. | 3.0 rpg. |

HERD PROBABLE STARTERS

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|---|--|-----------|----------|
| F | 00-Rodney Holden (6-7, Sr. Atlanta, Ga.) | 9.3 ppg. | 7.6 rpg. |
| F | 45-Maurice Bryson (6-6, Sr., Charleston, W. Va.) | 10.8 ppg. | 4.8 rpg. |
| C | 52-Tom Curry (6-1, Sr., Baton Rouge, La.) | 16.9 ppg. | 7.4 rpg. |
| G | 3-Skip Henderson (6-2, Sr., Cartersville, Ga.) | 23.4 ppg. | 3.8 rpg. |
| G | 13-Andy Paul Williamson (6-3, Fr., Harts, W. Va.) | 8.1 ppg. | 3.9 rpg. |

(Note: Marshall statistics prior to Pepperdine game)

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SPANIOL NAMED ASSISTANT BASEBALL COACH

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Former Eagle baseball player Frank Spaniol has been named assistant baseball coach at Morehead State.

Spaniol came to MSU in 1982 from Mesa Community College in San Diego. He played two seasons for the Eagles.

He has served as head baseball coach at Plantation High School in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Most recently, he has been working on a doctorate degree at Ole Miss and is nearing completion of that doctoral program. He earned bachelor's and master's degrees from MSU.

"Frank will be an outstanding addition to our staff," said Steve Hamilton, MSU's athletic director and baseball coach, "especially in light of my increased responsibilities in the athletic directors office. He is an extremely knowledgeable baseball coach and is a true student of the game. He also does an excellent job of coaching and directing young people."

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For Immediate Release

TWO ASSISTANT FOOTBALL COACHES ADDED TO EAGLE STAFF

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Two new assistant coaches have been added to the football staff at Morehead State University. The additions are Vic Clark, who will be the assistant head coach, work with the offensive line and serve as recruiting coordinator, and John Harbaugh, who will coach the defensive backs.

Clark comes to MSU from the University of Montana where he had spent three years as offensive line coach. During two of those years he also served as an offensive line guest coach for the Edmonton Eskimos of the Canadian Football League.

Prior to joining the staff at Montana, Clark was the assistant head coach and offensive line coach at Kentucky Wesleyan. He also served as head coach at Pekin (Ill.) High School, Campbellsville (Ky.) High School and Grayson Co. (Ky.) High School, and as a graduate assistant at the University of Louisville.

Clark earned a bachelor's degree from Indiana State University and a master's degree from Louisville.

"We believe that Vic Clark will be an outstanding addition to our staff for a number of reasons," said MSU Coach Bill Baldrige. "He is a mature individual who will assist me with many of the administrative duties. His offensive lines at Montana were very successful, especially in protecting the passer. And, of great importance is the fact that he is a coach with Kentucky ties. I think that he and I, between us, have lived in 11 different cities in the Commonwealth."

Harbaugh comes to Morehead from the position of graduate assistant at the University of Pittsburgh where he worked with the tight ends last season for the Panther team that participated in the Bluebonnet Bowl.

He was a standout defensive back at Miami (Ohio) where he played for current Eagle defensive coordinator Mike Monos. His father, Jack is now on the staff of MSU alumnus Mike Gottfried at Pitt, and began

ASSISTANT FOOTBALL COACHES

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his coaching career at MSU in the 1960's. His brother, Jimmy, is a quarterback on the roster of the Chicago Bears.

Prior to going to Pitt, Harbaugh served on the staff at Western Michigan. He earned a bachelor's degree from Miami (Ohio).

"We're happy to add John to our staff," Baldrige said. "He brings youth and enthusiasm to our program. Also, he is already familiar with our defense. He comes from an outstanding football family."

Clark and Harbaugh assume positions held last year by Matt Ballard and Fred Mariani, both of who resigned recently.

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PROBABLE LINEUPS

Morehead State at Austin Peay, 8:30 p.m. EST, Jan. 16, Dunn Center, Clarksville, Tenn.

Morehead State at Murray State, 8:30 p.m. EST, Jan. 18, Racer Arena, Murray, Ky.

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|---|--|-----------|----------|
| F | 32-Bo Rivers (6-4, Jr., Haines City, Fla.) | 14.8 ppg. | 7.2 rpg. |
| F | 30-Derrick Davis (6-4, Sr., Decatur, Ala.) | 14.4 ppg. | 6.8 rpg. |
| C | 52-Darrin Hale (6-10, Jr., London, Ky.) | 11.3 ppg. | 5.6 rpg. |
| G | 14-Michael Mason (6-2, Sr. Courtland, Ala.) | 13.9 ppg. | 4.5 rpg. |
| G | 24-Tony Curry (6-3, So., Louisville, Ky.) | 9.4 ppg. | 2.9 rpg. |

Head Coach: Tommy Gaither

AUSTIN PEAY

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| F | 25-Andre Harris (6-3, Sr., Oak Park, Mich.) | 11.8 ppg. | 5.8 rpg. |
| F | 32-Tony Raye (6-5, Sr., Gallatin, Tenn.) | 15.5 ppg. | 7.3 rpg. |
| C | 11-Barry Sumpter (6-11, Sr., Lovejoy, Ill.) | 13.6 ppg. | 9.9 rpg. |
| G | 20-Keith Rawls (6-2, Jr., Chattanooga, Tenn.) | 9.7 ppg. | 2.6 rpg. |
| G | 4-Vincent Brooks (6-1, Jr., Clarksville, Tenn.) | 10.4 ppg. | 2.7 rpg or |
| | 10-Darrin Smith (5-8, Fr., Winchester, Ky.) | 1.4 ppg. | 0.4 rpg. |

Head Coach: Lake Kelly

MURRAY STATE

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|---|---|-----------|----------|
| F | 15-Jeff Martin (6-6, Jr., Cherry Valley, Ark.) | 27.9 ppg. | 6.8 rpg. |
| F | 40-Chris Ogden (6-7, So., St. Louis, Mo.) | 7.9 ppg. | 7.3 rpg. |
| C | 50-Carl Sias (6-8, Sr., Alexandria, La.) | 9.1 ppg. | 5.8 rpg. |
| G | 23-Don Mann (5-8, Jr., Dyersburg, Tenn.) | 15.0 ppg. | 2.4 rpg. |
| G | 30-Paul King (6-4, Fr., St. Louis, Mo.) | 6.5 ppg. | 2.8 rpg. |

Head Coach: Steve Newton

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LADY EAGLES LOOK FOR OVC WINS ON THE ROAD

After a heartbreaking loss to the Eastern Kentucky University Lady Colonels, Lady Eagle head coach Loretta Marlow hopes that MSU can collect a couple of Ohio Valley Conference wins during the upcoming three-game road trip.

MSU suffered its first conference loss on Monday, Jan. 11 when freshman guard Kelly Cowan connected on an eight foot rebound basket with seven seconds remaining in the game to put EKU ahead 79-78. The loss gave the Lady Eagles a 6-3 record overall and 0-1 in the OVC.

"We didn't come out ready to play. We weren't aggressive enough on defense," said Marlow. "We got to within six points at the half, but then came out in the second half and did the same thing."

MSU's first opponent will be the Lady Governors of Austin Peay State University on Saturday, Jan. 16. APSU brought their record to the .500 mark when they beat the Lady Tigers of Tennessee State University, 82-77. Shandra Maxwell led the way for the Lady Govs with 22 points and 11 rebounds. She is currently ranked second in the nation in scoring average with 27.2 points per game. Maxwell also leads APSU in rebounding with 11 boards a contest.

After battling the Lady Govs, the Lady Eagles will travel to the Racer Center in Murray, Ky. to take on a 12-2 Murray State team on Monday, Jan. 18. The Lady Racers also defeated Tennessee State, 88-53 to collect their first conference win. The Lady Racers are being led in scoring by junior guard Sheila Smith who's averaging 23.1 points a game. Freshman center Michelle Wenning is currently the leading Lady Racer rebounder with 8.4 rebounds a game.

MSU will end its six games on the road with a stop at Gentry Center on Tuesday against OVC newcomer Tennessee State. TSU is currently 0-4 in the conference.

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The Lady Tigers are paced by senior forward Katrina Pearson, who averages nearly 20 points and 10 rebounds a game for TSU.

"We have not played the full 40 minutes of any game as hard as we could," said Marlow. "To beat some of these conference teams on the road, we are going to have to."

Tip off for all three games is set for 6:00 p.m. EST.

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PROBABLE LINE-UPS

Morehead State University Lady Eagles vs Austin Peay State University Lady Govs, Saturday, Jan. 16, Dunn Center, Clarksville, Tenn., 6:00 p.m. EST

Morehead State University Lady Eagles vs Murray State University Lady Racers, Monday, Jan. 18, Racer Arena, Murray, Ky., 6:00 p.m. EST

| <u>MOREHEAD STATE</u> | | <u>POS.</u> | <u>HT.</u> | <u>CL.</u> | <u>HOMETOWN</u> | <u>PPG</u> | <u>RPG</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------|------------|------------|-------------------|------------|------------|
| 20 | Kelly Stamper | F | 5-10 | Jr. | Mallie, Ky. | 10.5 | 5.6 |
| 22 | Angie Linneman | F | 5-11 | Sr. | Greenwood, Ind. | 10.0 | 4.3 |
| 42 | Druecilla Connors | C | 6-2 | Jr. | Flemingsburg, Ky. | 11.4 | 7.3 |
| 30 | Kelly Downs | G | 5-7 | So. | Londonderry, Ohio | 14.1 | 3.1 |
| 34 | Sophia Renfro | G | 5-4 | Sr. | Mt. Sterling, Ky. | 11.3 | 3.3 |

Head Coach: Loretta Marlow

| <u>AUSTIN PEAY</u> | | <u>POS.</u> | <u>HT.</u> | <u>CL.</u> | <u>HOMETOWN</u> | <u>PPG</u> | <u>RPG</u> |
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| 31 | Kim Markus | F | 5-10 | Fr. | Dickson, Tenn. | 6.7 | 3.2 |
| 43 | Tracie Mason | F | 5-8 | Fr. | Russellville, Ky. | 15.2 | 7.2 |
| 44 | Shandra Maxwell | C | 6-0 | So. | Moscow, Tenn. | 27.2 | 11.0 |
| 24 | Rachel Hyatt | G | 5-8 | Jr. | Brevard, N.C. | 10.8 | 5.7 |
| 40 | Melissa Heatherly | G | 5-4 | Sr. | Cedar Hill, Tenn. | 10.3 | 2.0 |

Head Coach: Marvin Williams

| <u>MURRAY STATE</u> | | <u>POS.</u> | <u>HT.</u> | <u>CL.</u> | <u>HOMETOWN</u> | <u>PPG</u> | <u>RPG</u> |
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| 23 | Karen Johnson | F | 6-0 | So. | Memphis, Tenn. | 10.2 | 6.6 |
| 34 | Michelle Wenning | F | 6-2 | Fr. | New Washington, Ind. | 13.4 | 8.4 |
| 40 | Jeannie Pollmann | C | 6-3 | So. | Bartelso, Ill. | 8.5 | 7.0 |
| 22 | Rona Poe | G | 5-7 | Jr. | Benton, Ky. | 5.7 | 2.3 |
| 24 | Sheila Smith | G | 5-10 | Jr. | Memphis, Tenn. | 23.1 | 5.6 |

Head Coach: Bud Childers

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EAGLES CONTINUE OVC ROAD TRIP

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Morehead State University's Basketball Eagles, now 4-7 overall and 0-1 in the Ohio Valley Conference, continue their conference road trip with games at Austin Peay (Saturday, Jan. 16), Murray State (Monday, Jan. 18) and Tennessee State (Wednesday, Jan. 20).

In Austin Peay, MSU will meet one of the preseason conference favorites. The Governors have played one of the top schedules in the nation and are 5-7 overall and 1-0 in the OVC. Among APSU's losses are games at Illinois, Michigan, Wichita State, Providence and Oklahoma. The Governors defeated Tennessee State 73-70 in its only conference game.

Murray State is 6-6 overall and 1-0 in the OVC. The Racers feature one of the top scorers in the nation in junior forward Jeff Martin, who is averaging 27.9 points per game. Murray's OVC win also came at the expense of Tennessee State.

Tennessee State is in its first season in the OVC and also boasts one of the nation's top scorers in senior forward Anthony Mason. Mason was averaging better than 25 points a game going into last week's action.

Of MSU's seven losses, five have come by eight or fewer points. Only losses to nationally ranked Texas-El Paso and Syracuse have been by wider margins. The Eagles' 81-78 loss to Eastern Kentucky marked the opening of the conference season.

MSU holds a 28-21 advantage in the series with Austin Peay. Last Season, the Eagles defeated the Governors 64-63 in Morehead, then lost both the regular season game (100-91) and the OVC Tournament game (78-76) played in Clarksville.

Murray State and MSU have been playing basketball against one another since 1933-34 and the Racers hold a 62-44 advantage. The Eagles won both meetings last season 75-57 in Morehead and 84-72 in overtime in Murray.

Tennessee State and MSU have met only eight times with the Eagles winning on five occasions. MSU defeated TSU 71-58 in Morehead last season.

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EAGLE MASON AND LADY EAGLE LINNEMAN NAMED ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MVP'S

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Michael Mason, a 6-2 senior guard from Fourtland, Ala., and Angie Linneman, a 5-11 senior forward from Greenwood, Ind., have been named the Morehead State University Alumni Association's Most Valuable Players for the games of Jan. 4-11.

Pictures of Mason and Linneman, along with a copy of this news release, are being displayed in MSU's Adron Doran University Center and \$100 will be donated in their names to a scholarship fund sponsored by the Alumni Association. The Association sponsored a most valuable player during football season and will continue its basketball sponsorship during the Ohio Valley Conference portions of the Eagle and Lady Eagle schedules. The fund was begun on Feb. 21, 1987, when \$500 was given in the name of Phil Simms, MSU Alumnus and quarterback of the 1987 World Champion New York Giants.

In two games, Mason hit 15 of 23 from the field (.652) including five of five three-point shots, had four assists, blocked two shots, made three steals, grabbed seven rebounds and scored 38 points.

In two games, Linneman hit 18 of 24 shots from the field (.750), grabbed 14 rebounds and scored 36 points.

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For Immediate Release

EAGLE RIVERS AND LADY EAGLE RENFRO NAMED ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MVP'S

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Bo Rivers, a 6-4 junior guard from Haines City, Fla., and Sophia Renfro, a 5-4 senior guard from Mt. Sterling, Ky., have been named the Morehead State University Alumni Association's Most Valuable Players for the games of Jan. 12-19.

Pictures of Rivers and Renfro, along with a copy of this news release, are being displayed in MSU's Adron Doran University Center and \$100 will be donated in their names to a scholarship fund sponsored by the Alumni Association. The Association sponsored a most valuable player during football season and will continue its basketball sponsorship during the Ohio Valley Conference portion of the Eagle and Lady Eagle schedules. The fund was begun on Feb. 21, 1987, when \$500 was given in the name of Phil Simms, MSU Alumnus and quarterback of the 1987 World Champion New York Giants.

In two games, Rives scored 29 points and grabbed 12 rebounds.

In two games, Renfro scored a total of 44 points.

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Special to the Morehead News and WMOR

SPECIAL PROMOTIONS HIGHLIGHT HOMESTAND

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Hardee's and Martin's Department Store are sponsoring special promotions when the Morehead State Eagles and Lady Eagles play host to Ohio Valley Conference opponents this Saturday (Jan. 23) and Monday (Jan. 25).

On Saturday, when Youngstown State visits Johnson Arena, it will be Hardee's Family Night. The first 1,000 fans arriving at the game will receive a special premium from Hardee's. Also, a limited number of complimentary tickets are available at Hardee's on Main Street in Morehead.

On Monday, Tennessee State visits and it will be Martin's Ticket To Win Night. Fans will receive a special coupon as they enter the arena. The coupon is immediately worth a five percent discount at Martin's on Main Street in Morehead. However, if the Eagles are ahead at halftime, the coupon will be worth a 10 percent discount. And, if the Eagles win, the coupon will be worth a 20 percent discount. You must take your "Ticket To Win" coupon to Martin's by Saturday, (Jan. 30), in order to take advantage of the discounts.

On both nights, the Lady Eagles' game begins at 5 p.m. EST and the Eagles' game begins at 7:30 p.m. EST.

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EAGLE HALE AND LADY EAGLE STAMPER NAMED ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MVP'S

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Darrin Hale, a 6-10 junior center from London, Ky., and Kelly Stamper, a 5-10 junior forward from Mallie, Ky., have been named the Morehead State University Alumni Association's Most Valuable Players for the games of Jan. 19-26.

Pictures of Hale and Stamper, along with a copy of this news release, are being displayed in MSU's Adron Doran University Center and \$100 will be donated in their names to a scholarship fund sponsored by the Alumni Association. The Association sponsored a most valuable player during football season and will continue its basketball sponsorship during the Ohio Valley Conference portion of the Eagle and Lady Eagle schedules. The fund was begun on Feb. 21, 1987, when \$500 was given in the name of Phil Simms, MSU Alumnus and quarterback of the 1987 World Champion New York Giants.

In three games, Hale scored 49 points and grabbed 20 rebounds.

In three games, Stamper scored 53 points and grabbed 39 rebounds. On Jan. 25 against Tennessee State, she had a triple-double with 11 points, 16 rebounds and 12 assists.

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EAGLES PLAY HOST TO MIDDLE TENNESSEE AND TENNESSEE TECH

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Morehead State University's Basketball Eagles, in the midst of a nine-game losing streak, will try to get back on track when they play host to Middle Tennessee on Saturday (Jan. 30) and Tennessee Tech on Monday (Feb. 1).

The Eagles are 4-12 overall and 0-6 in the Ohio Valley Conference. MSU last won on Dec. 19, a 98-95 win over Ohio Wesleyan. Of the nine losses: six have been on the road; six have been by 11 or fewer points; two were against nationally-ranked teams; and four were the first four games of the OVC schedule, all on the road.

"We hope our players don't get down on themselves," said MSU Coach Tommy Gaither. "We're playing a little shorthanded right now.

"Up until the last two games, we've played just about as hard as we can play. Hopefully, we'll get strong efforts and be competitive for the remaining portion of our schedule.

Middle Tennessee will bring a 12-6 overall record and a 3-1 OVC mark into Johnson Arena. The Series between the two schools dates to 1952-53, and Middle Tennessee leads 40-30.

Tennessee Tech will take a 7-9 overall record and a 1-3 conference mark into a Saturday night game at Eastern Kentucky. The series between the Eagles and the Golden Eagles dates to 1950-51, and MSU leads 50-32.

Both the Eagles and Lady Eagles are in action each night. The women's game tips off at 5 p.m. EST and the men's game tips off at 7:30 p.m. EST.

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| F | 30-Derrick Davis (6-4, Sr., Decatur, Ala.) | 14.1 ppg. | 6.9 rpg. |
| F | 32-Bo Rivers (6-4, Jr., Haines City, Fla.) | 14.7 ppg. | 7.4 rpg. |
| C | 52-Darrin Hale (6-10, Jr., London, Ky.) | 12.5 ppg. | 5.5 rpg. |
| G | 14-Michael Mason (6-2, Sr., Courtland, Ala.) | 13.5 ppg. | 4.3 rpg. |
| G | 24-Tony Curry (6-3, So., Louisville, Ky.) | 8.0 ppg. | 2.9 rpg. |
| Head Coach: Tommy Gaither | | | |

MIDDLE TENNESSEE PROBABLE STARTERS

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| F | 00-Tyrus Byanham (6-7, Sr., Nashville, Tenn.) | 12.2 ppg. | 4.2 rpg. |
| F | 50-Randy Henry (6-9, Jr., East Point, Ga.) | 13.8 ppg. | 8.4 rpg. |
| C | 25-Dwayne Rainey (6-7, Sr., Columbus, Ga.) | 11.7 ppg. | 9.6 rpg. |
| G | 11-Chris Rainey | 17.1 ppg. | 3.8 rpg. |

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THREE TO BE ADDED TO MSU ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Three former Morehead State University athletic standouts will be inducted into the University's Athletic Hall of Fame in ceremonies on Feb. 6.

The new inductees are former Lady Eagle basketball and volleyball great Debra Ames, who will be inducted posthumously; former track and field athlete Marshall Banks, who is already a member of the University's Alumni Association Hall of Fame; and W.D. "Cap" Scroggin, who played both football and baseball and coached both football and basketball at MSU.

Ames earned four letters each in volleyball and basketball from 1974 through 1978. She was the first athlete to be awarded a scholarship in women's volleyball. Twice she was named the most valuable player on the Lady Eagle basketball team. In basketball, she scored 1,030 career points as a four-year starter at center. She holds the Lady Eagle records for season scoring average, season field goal percentage and rebounds in one game. Ames was named to the Kentucky Women's Intercollegiate Conference All-State Team in basketball. A native of Xenia, Ohio, Ames died in 1985.

Banks, who was the first black athlete to compete in the Ohio Valley Conference, has had his MSU track and field jersey retired. He established numerous school records while an Eagle and is regarded as one of the top track and field athletes in OVC history. After earning a bachelor's degree from MSU in 1962, Banks earned master's and doctorate degrees from the University of Illinois. He is currently the Chairman of the Department of Physical Education and Recreation at Howard University in Washington, D.C. He was inducted into the Alumni Association Hall of Fame in 1981.

Scroggin came to Morehead in 1925. He was a starting tackle on the Eagle football teams in 1925 and 1926 and pitched for the baseball team in 1926. After coaching at Olive Hill High School from 1928 through 1933, he returned to Morehead in 1933 and became the college's first freshman team coach in football and basketball. Among his greatest contributions was his ability to recruit outstanding athletes for the very successful Eagle football teams of the 1930's. He was a member of the first "M" Club at Morehead State. Scroggin now resides in Youngstown, Fla.

The induction ceremony dinner will be held at 5 p.m. EST on Feb. 6 in the Red Room of the Adron Doran University Center. Tickets are \$10 each and may be reserved by calling the MSU athletic director's office at 606-783-2088. A special ceremony will also be held at halftime of the MSU-Eastern Kentucky basketball game which tips off at 7:30 p.m. EST.

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Men's Basketball Quick Facts

LOCATION: Morehead, Ky. 40351
FOUNDED: 1922
ENROLLMENT: 7,000
NICKNAME: Eagles
COLORS: Blue and Gold
CONFERENCE: Ohio Valley
ARENA: Ellis T. Johnson (6,500)
LETTERMEN RETURNING/LOST: 6/4
STARTERS RETURNING/LOST: 2/3
1987-88 RECORD: 5-22
OVC RECORD: 1-13 (8th)
HEAD COACH: Tommy Gaither (Clemson '69)
 Collegiate Record: 75-68 (5 years)
 Record at MSU: 5-22 (1 year)
 Office Phone: 606-783-2400
 Best Time to Reach: 10 a.m.-12 noon
ASSISTANT COACHES: Jeff Burkhamer (Alderson-Broadus '84)
 Bill Muse (Mississippi '79)
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TRAINER: Keith Webster
ASSISTANT TRAINER: Carole Banda
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For Morehead State University Lady Eagle tennis player Kelly Scutari, being named an Ohio Valley Conference scholar athlete was like a dream come true.

Scutari was a freshman at MSU when her roommate and teammate Sally Ann Birch was selected as a scholar athlete.

"Sally Ann was almost perfect. She graduated with a 4.0 gpa. I just never thought it could happen to me. I was very shocked," said Scutari.

Scutari, a business administration major, will graduate magna cum laude in May with a cumulative grade point average of 3.78 on a 4.0 scale.

Not only has Scutari found success in the classroom, but on the tennis court as well. During the 1987 season, Scutari was 11-7 as the no. two singles player. She and teammate Kate McKay went 13-4 as the Lady Eagle's no. one doubles team.

"Being honored for scholastic achievement makes you feel better about working hard," Scutari said.

"Athletics brought me to Morehead State, but I'm not going to school just to play tennis. My degree will take me farther than athletics ever will."

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NOTES FROM MOREHEAD STATE

Steve Hamilton, MSU's Acting Athletic Director and Head Baseball Coach, and his new assistant coach, Frank Spaniol, are busy with the baseball Eagles these days. Spaniol, a former Eagle infielder, returned to MSU from Ole Miss where he is nearing completion of a doctorate degree. He will finish the degree this semester.

Vic Clark, John Harbaugh and Dan Gooch have joined the MSU football staff. Clark is the assistant head coach and works with the offensive line. He came to MSU from the University of Montana. Harbaugh will work with the defense. He has been on the staff at Pitt. His father, John, also coaches at Pitt, and his brother, Jim, is a quarterback with the Chicago Bears. Gooch will also work on the defensive side of the football. He is a former Eagle standout. These three replace Matt Ballard, Fred Mariani and Mike Monos, all of whom resigned after last season.

Morehead State was scheduled to induct three more individuals into its Athletic Hall of Fame on Feb. 6. The new inductees are the late Debra Ames Coppin, Marshall Banks and W.D. "Cap" Scroggin. ~~Amesxxxxx~~ Coppin was a standout in both basketball and volleyball. She died in 1985. Banks, already a member of MSU's Alumni Association Hall of Fame, was a standout track athlete and was the first black athlete to compete in the OVC. He is presently Chairman of the Department of Physical Education and Recreation at Howard University. Scroggin was a member of the first "M" Club at MSU and recruited many of the outstanding football players at MSU during the 1930's.

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GAME NOTES

Morehead State vs. Tennessee Tech
Feb. 1, 1988, Johnson Arena, Morehead, Ky.

TIME SCHEDULE

7:00 - 30-minute clock begins winding down to play introductions

7:22 - With 8:00 on the clock, the National Anthem is played

7:30 - Player introductions

There will be three media timeouts guaranteed each half. They will be taken at the first deadball situations under the 15, 10 and 5-minute marks. Any team timeout will cancel a media timeout. Each team will have four timeouts available.

MOREHEAD STATE (4-13, 0-7 in the OVC)

The Eagles have lost 10 games in a row. MSU last won on Dec. 19, 1987, 98-95 over Ohio Wesleyan...44 days ago. The Eagles have lost 14 of their last 15 games against OVC teams dating back to last season... nine of those on the road. The next three games are here in Johnson Arena, and two of them are against OVC competition. The Eagles lost 11 games in a row in 1985-86 and a school record 12 in a row in 1970-71. MSU plays host to Eastern Kentucky on Saturday night.

TENNESSEE TECH (7-10, 1-4 in the OVC)

The Golden Eagles lost to Eastern Kentucky 88-53 in Richmond on Saturday. Their only conference win came at Youngstown State. They play host to Coastal Carolina on Feb. 6.

THE SERIES

Morehead State leads 50-32 in the series which dates to 1950-51. MSU won both meetings last season.

MOREHEAD STATE PROBABLE STARTERS

| | | | |
|---|---|-----------|----------|
| F | 30-Derrick Davis (6-4, Sr., Decatur, Ala.) | 13.9 ppg. | 6.8 rpg. |
| F | 32-Bo Rivers (6-4, Jr., Haines City, Fla.) | 14.3 ppg. | 7.5 rpg. |
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Head Coach: Tommy Gaither

TENNESSEE TECH PROBABLE STARTERS

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|---|--|-----------|----------|
| F | 21-Jerome Rogers (6-6, Fr., Lithonia, Ga.) | 8.1 ppg. | 5.2 rpg. |
| F | 32-Earl Wise (6-6, So., Macon, Ga.) | 19.3 ppg. | 8.4 rpg. |
| C | 42-Darryl Perry (6-7, So., Columbus, Ga.) | 3.1 ppg. | 2.7 rpg. |
| G | 14-Anthony Avery (6-0, Jr., Covington, Ga.) | 16.4 ppg. | 3.4 rpg. |
| G | 34-Rod Manuel (6-5, Fr., Macon, Ga.) | 5.1 ppg. | 2.5 rpg. |

Head Coach: Tommy Deaton

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EAGLE RIVERS AND LADY EAGLE STAMPER NAMED ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MVP'S

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Bo Rivers, a 6-4 junior forward from Haines City, Fla., and Kelly Stamper, a 5-10 junior forward from Mallie, Ky., have been named the Morehead State University Alumni Association's Most Valuable Players for the games of Jan. 27-Feb. 2.

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In two games, Rivers scored 34 points and grabbed 25 rebounds. Against Tennessee Tech, he scored 26 points and grabbed 15 rebounds.

In three games, Stamper scored 35 points, grabbed 24 rebounds and handed out 16 assists.

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GAME NOTES

Morehead State vs. Missouri-Kansas City
Feb. 8, Johnson Arena, Morehead, Ky.

TIME SCHEDULE

7:00 - 30-minute clock begins winding down to play introductions
7:20 - With 8:00 on the clock, the National Anthem is played
7:30 - Player introductions

There will be three media timeouts guaranteed each half. They will be taken at the first deadball situations under the 15, 10 and 5-minute marks. Any team timeout will cancel a media timeout. Each team will have four timeouts available.

MOREHEAD STATE (4-15, 0-9 in the OVC)

The Eagles have lost 12 games in a row tying the school record. MSU last won on Dec. 19, 1987, 98-95 over Ohio Wesleyan...51 days ago. The Eagles have lost 16 of their last 17 games against OVC teams dating back to last season. The Eagles lost 12 in a row in 1970-71. MSU travels to Tennessee Tech on Saturday night.

MISSOURI-KANSAS CITY (4-15)

The Kangroos are 4-15 overall. They have won two games in a row following a 12-game losing streak. They defeated Florida International 84-74 at home on Saturday.

THE SERIES

MSU and UMKC have never met.

MOREHEAD STATE PROBABLE STARTERS

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|---|---|-----------|----------|
| F | 30-Derrick Davis (6-4, Sr., Decatur, Ala.) | 13.3 ppg. | 6.5 rpg. |
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MISSOURI-KANSAS CITY PROBABLE STARTES

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| F | 22-Baxter Russell (6-5, Jr., Asutin, Tex.) | 9.3 ppg. | 4.2 rpg. |
| F | 44-Mark Oliver (6-6, Jr., Chicago, Ill.) | 13.6 ppg. | 5.6 rpg. |
| C | 52-Ron Davis (6-9, Jr., Queens, N.Y.) | 9.0 ppg. | 7.1 rpg. |
| G | 24-Devon Francis (6-3, Jr., Houston, Tex.) | 8.3 ppg. | 3.8 rpg. |
| G | 25-Frank Molak (6-0, Jr., Carroll, Ia.) | 6.6 ppg. | 2.2 rpg. |

Head Coach: Lee Hunt

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EAGLE CHANEY AND LADY EAGLE RENFRO NAMED ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MVP'S

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Mike Chaney, 1 6-9 junior forward from Jackson, Ky., and Sophia Renfro, a 5-4 senior guard from Mt. Sterling, Ky., have been named the Morehead State University Alumni Association's Most Valuable Players for the games of Feb. 9-15.

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In two games, Chaney scored 35 points and grabbed 10 rebounds. He hit 14 of 23 (.609) from the field and seven of eight (.875) from the free throw line.

In three games, Renfro scored 71 points. She hit 20 of 35 (.571) three point goals.

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KIZER INKS LADY EAGLE VOLLEYBALL LETTER-OF-INTENT

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Lori Kizer, a 5-11 middle blocker/hitter from Wayne High School and Huber Heights, Ohio, has signed a national velleyball letter-of-intent with Morehead State University.

Kizer was her school's most valuable player, was all district and earned honorable mention all-state honors.

"Lori is an outstanding athlete with good jumping ability," said MSU Coach Jim McClellan. "Her size will be an asset to our ability to block and attack more effectively."

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EAGLE NOTES (2-11-88)

Bo Rivers - Has scored 737 career points for an average of 9.8 ppg...Has grabbed 452 career rebounds for an average of 6.0 rpg...Scored career high 27 points against Wagner in Iona Classic last season...Grabbed career high 16 rebounds last season against Western Illinois...Ranks 12th in OVC averaging 13.8 ppg...Ranks sixth in the OVC averaging 7.7 rpg...Ranks 10th in the OVC hitting .723 from the free throw line.

Michael Mason - Has scored 477 career points for an average of 9.9 ppg...Scored career high 25 points this season against Marshall...Ranks 13th in the OVC averaging 13.6 ppg...Ranks sixth in the OVC hitting .750 from the free throw line...Ranks fourth in the OVC averaging 1.6 steals per game.

Derrick Davis - Has scored 516 career points for an average of 11.2 ppg...Has grabbed 248 rebounds for an average of 5.4 rpg...Scored career high 27 points against Austin Peay last season...Grabbed career high 15 rebounds against Tennessee Wesleyan this season...Ranks 15th in the OVC averaging 13.4 ppg.

Darrin Hale - Has scored 351 points for an average of 7.3 ppg...Has grabbed 159 career rebounds for an average of 3.3 rpg...Scored career high 25 points against Eastern Kentucky this season...Grabbed career high 16 rebounds against Florida International this season...Ranks ninth in the OVC hitting .493 from the field...Played only 22 minutes all last season but has rebounded this season to average 23.5 minutes per game...He has scored in double figures in 13 of his 14 starts this season.

Tony Curry - Has scored 432 career points for an average of 9.0 ppg...Scored career high 28 points against Ohio this season...Handed out career high eight assists against Cincinnati this season...Ranks fifth in the OVC averaging 4.6 assists per game.

Mike Chaney - Has scored 154 career points for an average of 3.7 ppg...Has grabbed 95 career rebounds for an average of 2.3 rpg...Scored career high 18 points against Eastern Kentucky this season...Played only 22 minutes last season but has rebounded to average 15.6 minutes per game this season and earn nine starting assignments.

Talbert Turner - Has scored 591 points for an average of 6.8 ppg...Scored a career high 25 points against Akron in 1985-86.

Miscellaneous

Despite 16 losses, MSU is being outscored only an average of 7.8 ppg...Youngstown State on the other hand, with 13 losses, is being outscored 12.9 ppg.

The Eagles rank third in the OVC averaging 78.2 ppg.

Shooting has been a major problem for the Eagles...they are hitting .433 to their opponents .493...MSU has 308 offensive rebounds to its opponent's 282.

Eight of MSU's 13 consecutive losses have been by 11 or fewer points...the losing streak started with back-to-back road losses to nationally ranked Vanderbilt and Syracuse.

MSU has two OVC scholar athletes...cross country standout Jeff Collier and women's tennis standout Kelly Scutari.

MSU football Coach Bill Baldrige has lost 55 pounds and is doing well following a second angioplasty to relieve a blockage around his heart...Baldrige and his staff inked 24 high school standouts to letters-of-intent on Wednesday.

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FORMER EAGLE CANDIDATE FOR OLYMPIC TEAM

Brian Shimer was a state champion wrestler and outstanding football player at Naples (Florida) High School. He roamed the sunny beaches of Florida's west coast and enjoyed all the warm-weather social and athletic activities.

He earned a football scholarship to Morehead State University and played both wide receiver and runningback during an injury-riddled career. Shimer earned a degree in industrial technology and made plans to obtain a teaching certificate.

Up to his point, you have your basic run-of-the-mill story about an athlete from sunny Florida who comes north to play football and earn a degree. The next part of the story should have Shimer returning to Florida, teaching shop and coaching and enjoying the warmth and sunshine associated with our fastest growing state.

That's not quite the case, however.

When interviewed recently, Shimer, the Floridian turned Kentuckian, was temporarily an Austrian and was getting ready to go flying down a 1,500-foot zig-zagging strip of ice at 85 miles per hour.

You see, Shimer has somehow found his way from all that warmth and sunshine and from the football fields of the Ohio Valley Conference to possibly winning a spot on the United States Winter Olympics Team as a member of the USA I or USA II four-man bobsled team that will compete in Calgary this February.

The candidates for the bobsled team are in Igls, Austria, a small community on a mountain above Innsbruck that was the site of the 1976 Olympic Games' bobsled course. The Americans are practicing and having raceoffs to determine who will compete in the Olympics.

How did Shimer make this unusual transition?

It began with a decision by the United States Bobsled and Skeleton Federation to up-grade its program of determining who makes up our bobsled teams that compete internationally. The Federation decided to recruit outstanding athletes from around the nation without prejudice to bobsledding experience.

The football coaching staff at Morehead State received profile sheets from the Federation and Shimer was one of the Eagles chosen to fill out the form. It was returned to Federation headquarters in Lake Placid, N.Y., and a short time later, Shimer was notified that he fit the Federation's athletic profile.

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"At first, I thought it was a joke," Shimer said. "But, with every step in the Federation's search process, I could see that they were serious in wanting to find the best athletes possible.

"Before they began the nationwide search, they just used whoever lived around Lake Placid or heard about it from a friend."

Following notification that he fit the written profile, Shimer was sent a series of physical tests to determine his speed, strength and agility. An MSU assistant football coach supervised the tests. Shimer graded out as one of the top 20 individuals tested nationwide and was invited to Lake Placid, where the tests were repeated.

The tests included an underhand toss of a 16-pound shotput, five consecutive hops for distance, vertical jumping, weightlifting power clear and sprints of 30, 60, 100 and 300-meters.

"I was the only one who scored better at Lake Placid than on the submitted scores," Shimer said. "By that time, I knew they were serious. I was psyched up. Two weeks later, I was in Europe."

At first, he was on the USA II sled. Then, he was selected by Matt Roy to be a member of the USA I crew. Last year, they won the World Cup four-man bobsled title. While USA I didn't win any of the races, they consistently finished high and won the overall points championship.

Roy's crew finished second in the Olympic trials, but won the first of three raceoffs in Austria to determine which of the three teams will occupy the USA's two spots in the Olympics. The third team will be the alternate. The other two raceoffs were scheduled between early January and Feb. 1.

"We feel very good about our chances of earning the ride in USA I," Shimer said. "Maybe finishing second in the trials woke us up a little and showed us that we could be beaten by an American sled. By winning the first raceoff, we're in pretty good shape."

By earning a spot in the Olympics on Roy's sled, Shimer will have a shot at earning the USA's first bobsled medal since 1956.

"We have the best shot at winning a medal in a long time," Shimer said. "We've always had good drivers, but we've had problems at the start. Now, we're more competitive at the start.

"We're still behind the Swiss, East Germans and Russians in sled technology. But, we're catching up. We're trying new sleds, and the USA is now doing some research itself."

Roy is a native of New York City and lives in Lake Placid. He is in the real estate business when he's not competing. Roy is also a sled designer and is commonly regarded as the USA's best in both four-man and two-man bobsledding.

James Herberich is the brakeman on the team. He is a native of Winchester, Mass., and attended Harvard. Scott Pladel, a native of Boston, is a pusher along with Shimer. He finished second to Shimer in last year's fitness tests.

Shimer rides second in the sled, immediately behind Roy and right in front of Pladel. In the 1987 bobsled fitness tests, he scored the highest point total in the three-year history of the tests.

"It still hasn't hit me yet," Shimer said. "I'm sure that once the two teams are announced, and if we're one of them, I'll be very excited. Right now, we're concentrating hard on earning the spot and on earning a medal.

"Going through the opening ceremonies at the Olympics would be one of my greatest thrills ever. It's hard to imagine how I'll feel standing at the top of the run with a chance for a medal. It's certainly not something I ever dreamed would happen while playing football at MSU."

The opening ceremonies in Calgary will be on Feb. 13. The four-man bobsledding competition will not be held until Feb. 27-28, the last two days of Olympic competition.

Naples and Morehead are not stops one would normally make in route to making the Winter Olympic team. But, Shimer has proved that the improbable happens in athletic competition. On Feb. 13, the former Eagle will probably complete the long and colorful journey from the swimsuits of Florida and the blue and gold of a Morehead State football jersey to the red, white and blue of the United States Winter Olympics Team.

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EAGLE HALE AND LADY EAGLE DOWNS NAMED ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MPV'S

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Darrin Hale, a 6-10 junior forward from London, Ky., and Kelly Downs, a 5-7 sophomore guard from Londonderry, Ohio, have been named the Morehead State University Alumni Association's Most Valuable Players for the games of Feb. 9-15.

Pictures of Hale and Downs, along with a copy of this news release, are being displayed in MSU's Adron Doran University Center and \$100 will be inducted in their names to a scholarship fund sponsored by the Alumni Association. The Association sponsored a most valuable player during football season and will continue its basketball sponsorship during the Ohio Valley Conference portion of the Eagle and Lady Eagle schedules. The fund was begun on Feb. 21, 1987, when \$500 was given in the name of Phil Simms, MSU Alumnus and quarterback of the 1987 World Champion New York Giants.

In two games, Hale scored 32 points and grabbed 24 rebounds. He grabbed a career high 17 rebounds against Tennessee Tech.

In two games, Downs scored 33 points and handed out eight assists.

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AOI AND MSU ATHLETIC HONOR AREA STUDENTS

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Ashland Oil, Inc. and the Morehead State University athletics department will continue their support of educational excellence when they jointly sponsor "Pat on the Back Night" on Feb. 22, 1988, when the Morehead State Eagles take on Austin Peay at Ellis T. Johnson Arena in Morehead.

Deserving students in the MSU service region who have attained straight "A's" in their schoolwork will receive a "Pat on the Back" from Ashland Oil and MSU. The students, who will be recommended by their teachers, will receive free admission for both them and their immediate family to the college basketball doubleheader. Also, the students will receive a special memento of the evening. Both the MSU men and women teams will be in action.

Area schools have been provided with details about this special night for students and are cooperating with Ashland Oil and MSU on the project.

This is not the first quality education project in which Ashland Oil and MSU athletics have cooperated.

For the second year, Ashland Oil is sponsoring the MSU Junior Eagle Booster Club. The Junior Eagle Booster Club is open to area students in grades one through five. Membership entitles the student to attend MSU football and basketball games and to special Pepsi discounts at the games.

Information about "Pat on the Back Night" and on the Junior Eagle Booster Club can be obtained by calling MSU Assistant Athletic Director Dave Brunk at (606) 783-2088.

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DBA SUBS AND SALADS EAGLE CONTAINER NIGHT SATURDAY AT MSU

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- It will be DBA Subs and Salads Eagle Container Night Saturday (Feb. 20) when Morehead State's Eagles and Lady Eagles play host to Murray State. The Lady Eagle game will tip off at 5 p.m. EST and the Eagle game will tip off at 7:30 p.m. EST.

The first 1,000 fans to enter Johnson Arena will receive a colorful, multi-purpose Eagle container courtesy of DBA Subs and Salads. The container is made of plastic, has a handle and is perfect for school supplies and snacks.

Also, a limited number of complimentary tickets are available at DBA Subs and Salads on Main Street in Morehead.

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EAGLE MASON AND LADY EAGLE DOWNS NAMED ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MVP'S

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Michael Mason, a 6-2 senior guard from Courtland, Ala., and Kelly Downs, a 5-7 sophomore guard from Londonderry, Ohio, have been named the Morehead State University Alumni Association's Most Valuable Players for the games of Feb. 16-22.

Pictures of Mason and Downs, along with a copy of this news release, are being displayed in MSU's Adron Doran University Center and \$100 will be inducted in their names to a scholarship fund sponsored by the Alumni Association. The Association sponsored a most valuable player during football season and will continue its basketball sponsorship during the Ohio Valley Conference portion of the Eagle and Lady Eagle schedules. The fund was begun on Feb. 21, 1987, when \$500 was given in the name of Phil Simms, MSU Alumnus and quarterback of the 1987 World Champion New York Giants.

In two games, Mason scored 52 points and grabbed 17 rebounds. He scored a career high 37 points and career high 13 rebounds against Austin Peay.

In three games, Downs scored 62 points and handed out 12 assists.

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LADY EAGLE VOLLEYBALL SQUAD WINS OFF-SEASON TOURNEY AT EASTERN KENTUCKY

The Morehead State University Lady Eagles defeated the Eastern Kentucky University Lady Colonels, 9-15, 16-14 and 15-10 to win their first ever off-season volleyball tournament.

Playing without senior starters Lisa Laird (middle blocker) and Anne Bradley (outside hitter), MSU moved into the semi-finals of the Eastern Kentucky Colonel Invitational to face the Lady Raiders of Wright State University. The Lady Eagles had met WSU twice during the 1987 season, losing both contests. This time, MSU proved victorious and won the right to meet the Lady Colonels in a re-match of last fall's Ohio Valley Conference championship.

"Freshman Barbie Case and sophomore Melissa Papai played very well," said MSU head coach Jim McClellan. "Playing 17 games in one day was a physical test for us."

The Lady Eagles will participate in two more off-season tournaments. The first will be at Western Kentucky University on April 9, followed by another match at EKU on March 23.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

FORD NAMED KISC COACH OF THE YEAR

Morehead State University men's and women's swimming coach Mike Ford has been named the Kentucky Intercollegiate Conference Coach of the Year.

Ford, in his second year heading the MSU swimming program, led both his teams to 8-4 records and third place finishes in the KISC.

The conference is composed of six Kentucky collegiate teams. They are: Asbury College, Berea College, Centre College, Transylvania University, Union College and MSU.

A 1974 graduate of Louisville's Southern High School, Ford served as an assistant coach under former MSU swimming coach Leroy Overstreet before assuming the head coaching position.

"I feel quite flattered to be named Coach of the Year," said Ford. "It's an indication that the other schools are seeing that the program's beginning to turn around, but finishing third in the conference means we've got a long way to go."

An MSU undergraduate, Ford served in the U.S. Air Force for six years. He is married to the former Reva Allen of Louisa, Ky. They have two children, Alan and Andrea.

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For Immediate Release

WEST VIRGINIA HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT SIGNS WITH MOREHEAD STATE

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- David Kidd, a 6-5, 190-pound guard from Woodrow Wilson High School, Beckley, W. Va., has signed a national letter-of-intent to play basketball at Morehead State.

Kidd earned AAA All-State honors for Coach Dave Barksdale at Woodrow Wilson. Barksdale coached Eagle Assistant Coach Jeff Berkhamer at Alderson-Broadus College.

Kidd averaged 25 points, 12 rebounds and five assists per game last season. He hit 49 percent of his field goal attempts, including 44 percent from three-point range. He captained his all-conference team, was chosen to play in the West Virginia High School All-Star game and made the AAA all-state tournament team. Woodrow Wilson lost the state semifinals.

"David is an outstanding prospect with a brilliant future ahead of him," said MSU Head Coach Tommy Gaither. "He was very well-coached in high school and should make an immediate contribution to the Eagle basketball program."

Kidd joins six other standouts who have signed national letters with MSU. Carlos Alston, a 6-2 guard from Itawamba Junior College in Fulton, Miss., signed last November. Other signees during the spring signing period are: Tracy Armstrong, a 5-11, 170-pound guard from Lees McRae College, Banner Elk, N.C.; Ron Barns, a 6-6, 205-pound forward from Trinidad (Col.) State Junior College; Elbert Boyd, a 6-5, 200-pound forward from Connors State Junior College in Warner, Okla.; Patrick Mosley, a 6-6, 200-pound forward from Hiwassee Junior College in Madisonville, Tenn.; and Brett Roberts, a 6-7, 225-pound forward from South Webster (Ohio) High School.

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FOOTBALL EAGLES OPEN SPRING DRILLS

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Morehead State University Football Coach Bill Baldrige welcomed more than ninety candidates for the 1988 Eagle football squad when spring practice opened on Tuesday (April 5).

The Eagles will work five days without full pads and 15 days with full pads and contact. Spring practice will conclude with the annual spring game at 7 p.m. EDT on April 30 at Jayne Stadium/Jacobs Field. Additional scrimmages are tentatively scheduled for April 9, April 16 and April 23. Most practices will be at 3:30 p.m. on weekdays and 9:30 a.m. on Saturdays. The public is invited to attend any and all practices. Fans may confirm a practice time by calling the football office at 783-2020 or the sports information office at 783-2500.

In 1988, the Eagles will again be a young team. Only 13 seniors dot the spring practice depth chart.

Three individuals will miss spring practice because of the participation with the Eagle baseball team. Defensive backs Trent DeMoss and Kenny Meadows and kicker Brady Duff are spending their spring on the baseball diamond.

Following are the Eagles prospects by position:

COACHING STAFF: Head Coach Baldrige has three holdovers and three newcomers on his 1988 staff. On offense, Vic Clark will serve as assistant head coach and will coach the offensive line in his first season on the MSU campus. Jeff Morrow will again coach the quarterbacks and receivers, and this season, has the added responsibility of being the offensive coordinator. Terry Chinn is in his second season at MSU and will coach the runningbacks and serve as recruiting coordinator.

On defense, returnee Phil Zacharias will coach the linebackers and serve as defensive coordinator. Former Eagle standout Dan Gooch returns to MSU as an assistant coach with responsibility for the defensive line and will serve as equipment coordinator. First-year Coach John Harbaugh will handle the defensive backs and special teams.

OFFENSIVE BACKS: It's always nice to have a good quarterback, and it's doubly nice for MSU, because it has two good quarterbacks. Chris Swartz (6-3, 197, So.) passed for 1,726 yards, the most ever by a freshman at MSU, last season. Lance Jansen (6-1, 209, Sr.) passed for 526 yards.

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Runningbacks D.D. Harrison and Jonathan Cage are gone, and solidifying the tailback and fullback spots is one of the spring practice goals. Rodney Gordon (6-0, 223, Sr.) and Richard Cameron (6-0, 240, So.) divided time at the fullback position last season and are listed one-two on the depth chart this spring. Jerome Williams (5-9, 174, So.) showed flashes of speed as a freshman when he led MSU rushers with three rushing touchdowns.

RECEIVERS: With 1987's top two receivers, Monty Webster and Harrison, gone, this is another position that must be solidified in the spring. Dave Pingue (5-9, 166, So.) caught 31 passes as a freshman and has good speed. John Irwin (6-1, 200, Jr.), Ty Howard (6-4, 183, Jr.) and Mark Schlinger (6-1, 201, Sr.) all saw extensive action last season.

Three experienced tight ends, Kenny White (6-2, 218, Jr.), John Hayden (6-3, 220, So.) and Brent Huffman (6-3, 217, Sr.) return to make this a solid position.

OFFENSIVE LINE: A great deal of depth is prevalent on the offensive line, and this should be an area of great competitiveness in the spring. Randy Mills (6-4, 258, Sr.), Lou Willinger (6-3, 270, So.) and John Mayo (6-3, 266, So.), all veterans, are listed as left tackle. Mayo is making the move from defensive line to offensive line. Todd Kagarise (6-3, 251, Sr.) and Dennis Palochak (6-2, 261, So.) are one-two at right tackle.

At left guard, Garry McPeek (6-0, 259, Sr.) and Mark Dewberry (5-11, 254, So.) saw extensive action last season. Joe Gagliano (6-2, 263, Sr.) and Kevin Ferlita (6-0, 252, Fr.) are the top candidates at right guard.

Jeff Jacobs (6-0, 221, Sr.) returns at center. He will be backed up by Dan Ambrosini (6-1, 267, Jr.) and John McCurdy (6-2, 234, So.).

DEFENSIVE BACKS: The 1988 Eagle secondary could be one of MSU's strongest in recent years. Greg Mitchell (5-11, 174, So.) and Monty McIntyre (5-10, 187, Sr.) are the top two cornerbacks on the spring depth chart. They have experienced back-ups in Scott Kasinger (5-10, 167, So.) and Bob Koss (5-11, 183, So.).

Darrell Beavers (6-3, 201, So.) and Mike Turner (5-10, 176, So.) are the first-team safeties. Jerry Lucas (6-1, 208, Fr.) is making the transition from quarterback to safety. DeMoss (5-9, 180, Fr.) and Meadows (6-0, 185, Jr.) will contend for positions in the fall.

LINEBACKERS: This is another position with exciting possibilities. The three individuals listed as starters in the spring, Doug Bowell (6-1, 227, Jr.), Jim Jackson (6-2, 229, Jr.) and Jeff Hester (5-11, 198, Sr.) could all be all-conference candidates. Depth will be provided by Ken Moore (6-1, 220, So.), Brian James (5-11, 299, Fr.) and Gary Yowan (6-2, 194, Fr.).

DEFENSIVE LINE: Size, strength, experience and depth are all adjectives that can be used to describe the line prospects. Scott Carlson (6-5, 275, Jr.), a transfer

Kansas, and David Gifford (6-3, 224, Jr.) are listed as the starters at end. Their back-ups include Ahmed Fowler (6-2, 245, Jr.), Tony Love (6-2, 217, Jr.) and James Goode (6-4, 222, Fr.).

The first-team tackles listed are Dennis Guilluame (6-2, 245, So.) and Neil Wilson (5-10, 234, Sr.). They will be battling Jeff Burton (6-3, 262, So.) and Bobby Phillips (6-2, 245, So.) for the starting spots.

KICKERS: Steve Tow (5-10, 165, So.) has the inside track on the placekicking spot. Duff (5-10, 170, Fr.) will contend in the fall.

Meadows averaged 40.0 yards per punt in limited action last season. Paul Phelps (6-1. 177, Fr.) and Swartz will do most of the punting in the spring.

"We're excited about spring practice and the upcoming season," Baldrige said. "This is, without a doubt, the most depth and experience we have ever had going into spring practice. This fall, we should have our most experienced team ever, along with a good crop of newcomers."

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1988 MOREHEAD STATE UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL SIGNEES

Mike Alderman, a 6-0, 170-pound wide receiver from Morehead, Ky., Rowan Co. High School... outstanding kick and punt returner...coached by Ken Howard.

Pete Bifone, a 6-1, 187-pound linebacker from Louisville, Ky., Trinity High School...all-district...most valuable defensive back at Trinity...Coached by Dennis Lampley.

Matt Blair, a 6-2, 170-pound quarterback from Pikeville (Ky.) High School...all-area... all-county...honorable mention all-state...high school was 14-0 and won Class A state championship...coached by Hillard Howard.

Ken Carter, a 5-10, 165-pound runningback from Cincinnati, Ohio, Roger Bacon High School... second team Greater Cincinnati League...senior co-captain...averaged 5.6 yards per rush...coached by Roger Henke.

Billy Cloud, a 5-11, 175-pound defensive back from East Cleveland, Ohio, Shaw High School... all-league.

Tom Cohan, a 6-1, 205-pound linebacker from Pittsburgh, Pa., North Hills High School...all-league...All-North Pittsburgh...Pittsburgh Fabulous 22...member number one ranked high school team in USA.

David Conley, a 6-1, 250-pound defensive lineman from Cattlettsburg, Ky., Boyd Co. High School...all-area...all-conference...All-State...selected for Kentucky-Tennessee All-Star Game...coached by Ed Vanhoose.

Lance Derry, a 6-3, 205-pound defensive lineman from Villa Hills, Ky., Dixie Heights High School...all-conference...All-Northern Kentucky...coached by Bob Burnett.

Mike Dobbs, a 6-6, 245-pound offensive lineman from Louisville, Ky., Atherton High School... all-district...honorable mention all-state...coached by Len Kern.

Bryan Flynn, a 6-1, 175-pound punter from Cincinnati, Ohio, Colerain High School...all-city... averaged 42.3 yards per punt...coached by Don Colussi.

Joe Gies, a 6-1, 220-pound fullback-linebacker from Shelby (Ohio High School...all-conference, all-area and all-district for Coach Ron Stepsis.

Michael Joseph Gray, a 5-10, 165-pound wide receiver from Louisville Doss High School...all-district...honorable mention all-state...coached by former MSU assistant Jerry Mayes.

Darrin Harris, a 5-11, 192-pound runningback from Mt. Sterling, Ky., Montgomery Co. High School...honorable mention all-state...team MVP...Recreation Bowl MVP...coached by Chillie Ishmael.

Rodney Harris, a 6-2, 180-pound defensive back from Cincinnati, Ohio, Walnut Hills High School...All-Cross County...honorable mention all-city...coached by Tom Sharpe.

Ellie Johnson, a 6-2, 205-pound linebacker from Cincinnati, Ohio, Walnut Hills High School... Cross County Conference defensive player of the year...148 tackles...coached by Tom Sharpe.

Joe Paul Koynock, a 6-4, 185-pound tight end from Mentor, Ohio, Lake Catholic High School... all-league...Ohio AAA special mention...coached by John Gibbons.

MSU FOOTBALL SIGNEES

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Larry Maggard, a 6-6, 220-pound offensive lineman from Isom, Ky., Whitesburg High School... team MVP...all-conference...coached by James Gose.

Troy McGinnis, a 6-3, 190-pound quarterback from Harrodsburg, (Ky.) High School...all-district...honorable mention all-state...All-Central Kentucky Conference...coached by Alvis Johnson.

Bobby Meyer, a 6-2, 175-pound defensive back from Alexandria, Ky., Newport High School... all-league...Newport High School Athlete of the year...coached by Steve Cunningham.

John Graham Porter, a 6-2, 200-pound linebacker from Odessa, Fla, Gaither High School...all-county...All-West Conference...team captain...son of MSU great Charles "Izzy" Porter.

Wes Porter, a 6-1, 230-pound defensive lineman from Morehead, Ky., Rowan Co. High School... all-area...All-Eastern Kentucky Conference...honorable mention all-state...coached by Ken Howard.

Mike Price, a 6-4, 183-pound tight end from Morehead, Ky., Rowan Co. High School...All-Eastern Kentucky Conference...all-area...honorable mention all-state...coached by Ken Howard.

Vaughn Scott, a 5-10, 170-pound defensive back from Cincinnati, Ohio, Purcell Marian High School...all-city...named to Cincinnati East-West All-Stars...coaches MVP in high school...coached by Herb Woeste.

Willie Smith, a 5-8, 170-pound tailback from Cleveland Heights (Ohio) High School...team MVP...all-league for Coach Ken Hodakievic.

Joe Tonkovich, a 6-2, 215-pound defensive lineman from Pittsburgh, Pa., Brashear High School...two-year all-city...member of city league champion team three years...coached by Ron Wabby.

Terry Yeast, a 5-11, 145-pound wide receiver from Harrodsburg (Ky.) High School...all-district...honorable mention all-state...All-Central Kentucky Conference...coached by Alvis Johnson.

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MSU SIGNS THREE TO NATIONAL LETTERS-OF-INTENT

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Two junior college standouts and a high school star have signed national letters-of-intent with the Morehead State University Eagle basketball program. The newest Eagles are Ron Barnes, a 6-6, 205-pound forward from Trinidad State Junior College, Trinidad, Col.; Elbert Boyd, a 6-5, 200-pound forward from Connors State Junior College, Warner, Okla.; and Brett Roberts, a 6-7, 225-pound forward from South Webster (Ohio) High School.

Barnes averaged 12 points and nine rebounds last season at Trinidad State, where he played for Coach Jim Toupal. He led Trinidad to a 53-10 mark over the last two seasons. He played high school basketball for Collidge High School in Washington, D.C.

Boyd was the most valuable player in last Saturday's Oklahoma junior college all-star game. He averaged 15 points and 8 rebounds per game for Coach Ed Stepp at Connors State. He played high school basketball at Chadsey High School in Detroit, Mich.

Roberts was named the most valuable player in last Saturday's Ohio all-star game. He averaged 34 points and 15 rebounds per game for Coach Rick Carrington at South Webster High School. He was also named district player of the year.

The three signees join Carlos Alston, a 6-2 guard from Itawamba Junior College, Fulton, Miss., who signed during the November signing period, as the newest Eagles. Head Coach Tommy Gaither expects additional signees.

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FOUR SIGN NATIONAL LETTER-OF-INTENT WITH LADY EAGLES

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Four high school basketball standouts have signed national letters-of-intent to play basketball for the Morehead State University Lady Eagles. The newest Lady Eagles are Melinda Barrett, a 5-6 guard from Knoxville (Tenn.) Bearden High School; Janet Gaunce, a 6-1 forward from Woodford Co. High School, Versailles, Ky.; Shannon Litton, a 5-3 guard from Mason Co. High School, Maysville, Ky.; and Beverly Smith, a 6-1, forward-center from Silver Grove (Ky.) High School.

Barrett earned all-district and all-regional honors from Coach Richard Cowan at Bearden High School. She averaged eight points, seven assists and five steals per game. She earned All-Knoxville honorable mention honors and was named the best defensive player on her team.

Gaunce earned all-district and All-Central Kentucky Conference for Coach Bill Hill at Woodford Co. She also received honorable mention all-state honors. Gaunce averaged 18.4 points and nine rebounds per game.

Litton averaged 16 points, eight assists and three steals per game for Coach Bob Hutchison at Mason Co. She earned her team's 110 percent award, free throw award and assist award.

Smith was the Kentucky Post Northern Kentucky Player of the Year. She was also player of the year in the Northern Kentucky Athletic Conference. Smith also earned all-district, all-region and second team all-state honors. She averaged 23.7 points and 11 rebounds per game for Coach Jim Elam at Silver Grove.

The four latest Lady Eagle signees join all-stater Julie Magrane, who signed during the November signing period, as the newest additions to Coach Loretta Marlow's team.

"We're very please with our recruiting this season," Marlow said. "It got off to a great start with Julie Magrane in the fall and is continuing with Melinda, Janet, Shannon and Beverly this spring.

"We believe we have helped our team both inside and outside. And, we expect additional signees in the near future."

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For Immediate Release

MOREHEAD STATE LADY EAGLES SIGN FIFTH HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Morehead State University Lady Eagle Basketball Coach Loretta Marlow has signed her sixth high school standout to a national letter-of-intent. The newest Eagle is Sandy Vincent, a 5-9 guard from Shelby Co. High School, Shelbyville, Ky.

Vincent averaged 16 points, six rebounds and 2.5 assists for Coach Charlotte Chowning. She earned all-district, all-region and all-state honorable mention honors.

"We continue to be pleased with the way our recruiting is going," Marlow said. "We have signed players that will help us inside, and, in Sandy, we have signed another player who can help us in the backcourt."

Vincent joins five others who have signed with the Lady Eagles. All-stater Julie Magrane (6-1, C-F) of Rowan Co. High signed during the November signing period. Melinda Barrett (5-6, G) of Knoxville (Tenn.) Bearden High, Janet Gaunce (6-1, F) of Woodford Co High, Shannon Litton (5-3, G) of Mason Co. High and Beverly Smith (6-1, F-C) of Silver Grove High have inked national letters during the April signing period.

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For Immediate Release

RON BARNES SIGNS NATIONAL LETTER-OF-INTENT WITH MOREHEAD STATE

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Ron Barnes, a 6-6, 205-pound forward from Trinidad State Junior College (Trinidad, Co.) and Washington, D.C., Coolidge High School, is among three individuals who have signed national letters-of-intent with Morehead State University this spring.

Barnes averaged 12 points and nine rebounds last season at Trinidad State, where he played for Coach Jim Toupal. Trinidad posted a 53-10 record during the two seasons in which Barnes was a member of the team.

"We're excited about the addition of Ron to our team," said MSU Head Coach Tommy Gaither. "He is an outstanding athlete, and we believe he can make an immediate contribution to the Eagle program."

Carlos Alston, a 6-2 guard from Itawamba Junior College in Fulton, Miss., signed with MSU during the November signing period. Elbert Boyd, a 6-5, 200-pound forward from South Webster High School, South Webster, Ohio, join Barnes as MSU's signees to this point during the April signing period.

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ELBERT BOYD SIGNS NATIONAL LETTER-OF-INTENT WITH MOREHEAD STATE

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Elbert Boyd, a 6-5, 200-pound forward from Connors State Junior College in Warner, Okla., and Detroit Chadsey High School, is among three individuals who have signed national letters-of-intent with Morehead State University this spring.

Boyd was named the most valuable player in the recent Oklahoma junior college all-star game. He averaged 15 points and eight rebounds for Coach Ed Stepp at Connors State.

"Elbert is an outstanding athlete who we expect to make an immediate contribution to our team," said MSU Head Coach Tommy Gaither. "He proved that he is an outstanding prospect by winning the all-star game most valuable player award against quality competition. We look forward to him having a great career at Morehead State."

Carlos Alston, a 6-2 guard from Itawamba Junior College in Fulton, Miss., signed with MSU in November. Those signing during the April signing period to this point include, Boyd, Brett Roberts, a 6-7, 225-pound forward from South Webster (Ohio) High School and Ron Barnes, a 6-6, 205-pound forward from Trinidad (Col.) State Junior College.

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JUNIOR COLLEGE STANDOUT MOSLEY SIGNS NATIONAL LETTER WITH MSU

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Patrick Mosley, a 6-6, 200-pound forward from Hiwassee Junior College, Madisonville, Tenn., and Baldwin High School, Milledgeville, Ga., has signed a national letter-of-intent to attend Morehead State University.

Mosley was one of the most recruited players in Georgia following his senior season for Coach James Lunsford at Baldwin High School. He earned All-America, all-state, all-county and all-city honors. He was the most valuable player in the Georgia All-Star Game and was ranked among the top 50 high school players nationally. He enrolled at Providence College, initially, then transferred to Hiwassee.

At Hiwassee, he averaged 15 points and eight rebounds per game for Coach Hugh Watson and was on the all-region team.

Mosley is interested in majoring in communications at Morehead State.

"Patrick is truly an outstanding basketball player who was highly recruited by many major colleges following both his high school career and junior college career," said MSU Head Coach Tommy Gaither. "His signing is a real highlight of our recruiting effort this season.

"We believe he can make an immediate contribution to our program and could well be a future star in the Ohio Valley Conference. We continue to be pleased with our recruiting effort this season, and we hope to continue signing outstanding prospects to fill our needs."

Mosley is MSU's fourth signee during the April signing period. The Eagles have also signed Ron Barnes, a 6-6, 205-pound forward from Trinidad (Col.) State Junior College; Elbert Boyd, a 6-5, 200-pound forward from Connors (Okla.) State Junior College; and Brett Roberts, a 6-7, 225-pound forward from South Webster (Ohio) High School.

Carlos Alston, a 6-2 guard from Itawamba (Miss.) Junior College, signed during the November signing period.

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STAMPER NAMED MVP AT LADY EAGLE BASKETBALL BANQUET

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Junior Kelly Stamper of Mallie, Ky., was named Morehead State University Lady Eagle basketball most valuable player for the second consecutive year at the WMOR-Radio sponsored Lady Eagle Basketball Banquet held April 21 at the Carl Perkins Center in Morehead.

Stamper also picked up awards for most steals (tie), most rebounds (tie), most assists and most blocked shots. Sophomore Kelly Downs won awards for leading scorer, top free throw percentage and top three-point field goal percentage.

Junior Druecilla Connors shared the rebounding award with Stamper and was named the outstanding newcomer. Senior Angie Linneman was the team's top field goal percentage shooter. Senior Sophia Renfro shared the steals award with Stamper.

Seniors Anna Campbell, Linneman, Lynn Miner and Renfro received senior appreciation awards.

Lady Eagle Coach Loretta Marlow presented a special award to Mike Campbell, father of Anna Campbell, in honor of his outstanding support of the Lady Eagle basketball program over the years.

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MASON NAMED MVP AT EAGLE BASKETBALL BANQUET

MOREHEAD, Ky. - Senior Michael Mason earned the top award at the Morehad State University Eagle Basketball Banquet, sponsored by the MSU Quarterback Club and held April 25 in the Adron Doran University Center on the MSU campus.

Mason, who led the 1987-88 Eagles in scoring, steals, and free throw percentage, was named the team's most valuable player. The native of Courtland, Ala., also received the award for being the best defensive player.

Darrin Hale, who played only 22 minutes all of 1986-87 and rebounded to average 25.2 minutes and 13.0 points per game, was named most improved player. Bo Rivers averaged 7.2 rebounds per game and won the rebounding award.

Talbert Turner, a senior from Peach Grove, Ky., received the Coaches' Award, a award presented by the MSU coaching staff to the individual who best exemplifies the team effort and displays outstanding character both on and off the court.

Seniors, Mason, Turner, Derrick Davis and student manager Shawn Thacker received senior awards.

Coaches Tommy Gaither, Jeff Burkhamer and Bill Muse were presented Kentucky Colonel Commissions by fellow coach Jeff Riley.

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All MSU sports except football and men's and women's basketball, which have separate banquets, will be honored.

Tickets are \$10 for one or \$18 for a couple. They will be available at the door. For reservations or more information, individuals may call the athletics office at 606-783-2088.

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LADY EAGLES SIGN SIX HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUTS

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Five high school basketball standouts have signed national letters-of-intent with the Morehead State University Lady Eagle basketball program this spring, joining Kentucky All-Stater Julie Magrane who signed with MSU during the November signing period.

The Lady Eagle signees are:

Melinda Barrett, a 5-6 guard from Bearden High School, Knoxville, Tenn.

Barrett earned all-district and all-regional honors at Bearden. She averaged eight points, seven assists and five steals per game.

Janet Guance, a 6-1 forward-center from Woodford Co. High School, Versailles, Ky. Guance earned all-district and All-Central Kentucky Conference honors. She averaged 18.4 points and nine rebounds per game for Woodford Co.

Shannon Litton, a 5-3 guard from Mason Co. High School, Maysville, Ky. Litton averaged 16 points, eight assists and three steals per game for Mason Co.

Julie Magrane, a 6-1 center-forward from Rowan Co. High School, Morehead, Ky. Magrane earned All-State honors this season for Rowan Co. High School, along with all-district, all-region and all-area honors. She is the brother of St. Louis Cardinal pitcher Joe Magrane.

Beverly Smith, a 6-1 forward-center from Silver Grove High School, Silver Grove, Ky. Smith was the Kentucky Post Northern Kentucky Player of the Year. She averaged 23.7 points and 11 rebounds per game at Silver Grove.

Sandy Vincent, a 5-9 guard from Shelby Co. High School, Shelbyville, Ky. Vincent averaged 16 points, six rebounds and 2.5 assists at Shelby Co. She earned all-district and all-region honors.

These six individuals make up Coach Loretta Marlow's 1987-88 recruiting class.

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For Immediate Release

SECOND OKLAHOMA JUNIOR COLLEGE STANDOUT SIGNS WITH MOREHEAD STATE

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Keith Malone, a 6-3, 175-pound guard from Connors State Junior College, Warner, Okla., has signed a national letter-of-intent to play basketball at Morehead State.

Malone is the second member of the Connors State team to sign with MSU. Elbert Boyd a 6-5, 200-pound forward signed earlier this spring.

Malone averaged 12 points and six rebounds for Coach Ed Stepp at Connors State last season. He was selected to play in the Oklahoma Junior College All-Star game.

A former Los Angeles 5A Player of the Year, Malone originally signed with Oklahoma State before transferring to Connors State. He averaged 27 points per game as a high school senior at Serra High School for Coach George McDaniel. Other high school honors include All-State, South Bay Player of the Year, USA Today Honorable Mention All-America, All-Southern California, all-league and league player of the year.

"Keith's credentials, both as a junior college player and as a high school player, are truly outstanding," said MSU Head Coach Tommy Gaither. "We expect immediate help from Keith, and we believe he could be a true standout in the Ohio Valley Conference."

Malone joins seven other standouts who have signed national letters with MSU. Carlos Alston, a 6-2 guard from Itawamba Junior College in Fulton, Miss., signed last November. Other signees during the spring signing period are: Tracy Armstrong, a 5-11, 170-pound guard from Lees McRae College, Banner Elk, N.C.; Ron Barnes, a 6-6, 205-pound forward from Trinidad (Col.) State Junior College; Boyd; David Kidd, a 6-5, 190-pound guard from Woodrow Wilson High School, Beckley, W. Va.; Patrick Mosley, a 6-6, 200-pound forward from Hiwassee Junior College in Madisonville, Tenn.; and Brett Roberts, a 6-7, 225-pound forward from South Webster (Ohio) High School.

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OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE 40TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET TICKETS AVAILABLE AT MSU

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Tickets for the Ohio Valley Conference's 40th Anniversary Reception and Banquet, to be held at 6:30 p.m. CDT on Friday, June 3 at the Stouffer Nashville Hotel, are available at the athletic director's office in the Academic-Athletic Center on the Morehead State University campus.

The reception and banquet are the highlight of the conference's "40th Anniversary Week." NCAA Executive Director Dick Schultz will be the featured speaker.

"The week of May 31-June 4 has been dedicated to the memory and efforts of many thousands of student-athletes, coaches and administrators who have built the foundation for intercollegiate athletics in the Ohio Valley Conference over the past four decades," said Conference Commissioner Jim Delany. "The 40th Anniversary Week will allow presidents, coaches, student-athletes, officials and fans to focus not only on past achievements but, more importantly, on future challenges such as sportsmanship, rules compliance, officiating and other OVC and NCAA matters which will confront us as we move into the 1990's and beyond."

Individuals may reserve tickets or receive more information about the "40th Anniversary Week" by calling the MSU athletic offices at 606-783-2088.

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Attention: Sports Editors

Coach Bill

MOREHEAD, Ky.--Morehead State University will formally dedicate the ~~William J.~~ Mack Diving Well in a public ceremony at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 17, at the Academic-Athletic Center.

At its last meeting, MSU's Board of Regents approved naming this area of the Russell McClure Pool to honor the former swimming coach who retired in 1979 with 22 years of service on the Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation faculty.

The ceremony and the reception which follows are open to the public.

In addition to coaching swimming for nearly 20 years, Mack also served on the University's football and wrestling coaching staffs and had been director of the Doran Student House (University Center).

"It is really most appropriate that we honor Coach Mack in this special way--even more so since he played a major role in the design of this swimming facility which is one of the most functional in the Southeastern United States," said MSU President C. Nelson Grote.

"An example of sportsmanship for hundreds of students during his coaching years, he brought distinction to the University's sports program," Dr. Grote added.

Mack, who in his competitive years was an accomplished diver, is an alumnus of Morehead State and has maintained a strong interest in the athletics program since retirement.

Among those scheduled to present remarks prior to the unveiling of a ^{Sign}~~plaque~~ marking the site are Dr. Grote, Steve Hamilton, acting athletic director; Dr. Earl Bentley, Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation chair, and Mike Mincey, vice president for student development.

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RECOGNITION OF COACH BILL MACK

Background

The recognition of Coach Mack in this manner was recommended by the Committee on Athletics as a means of honoring him for his pioneering and dedicated career as the University's swimming coach for nearly 20 years. Before his retirement in 1979, Coach Mack also had served on the University's football and wrestling coaching staffs and had been director of the Doran Student House (University Center). He has maintained his strong support of athletics in retirement until recent health problems left him confined to his home. An alumnus of the University, Coach Mack served 22 years on the faculty of the Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation. An accomplished diver in his competitive years, Coach Mack was instrumental in the design of the new swimming facility which is among the most functional in the Southeastern United States. Coach Mack and his wife make their home in Morehead. Mrs. Mack is a native of Morehead.

Recommendation

That the diving area of the Russell McClure Pool in the Academic-Athletic Center be named the "William J. Mack Diving Well" in honor of former Swimming Coach Bill Mack.

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For Immediate Release

OHIO HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT SIGNS WITH MOREHEAD STATE

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Doug Bentz, a 6-7, 185-pound forward from Marietta (Ohio) High School, has signed a national letter-of-intent with Morehead State University.

Bentz excelled both in the classroom and on the hardwoods at Marietta, compiling a 3.4 grade point average (on a 4.0 scale) and averaging 23.1 points and 15.6 rebounds for Coach Jack Greathouse.

He led his team in scoring, rebounding, assists and steals. He earned All-State second team honors in Ohio's Division I, making him one of the top ten ranked players in that state's top division.

Bentz was named the Ohio Coaches' District 12 Division I Player of the Year, Southeast Ohio Athletic League Player of the Year and the Associated Press' Southeast District Player of the Year in Ohio.

"We're excited about adding a player of Doug's scholastic and athletic ability to our program," said MSU Coach Tommy Gaither. "He ranks 32nd of 336 in his senior class and is ranked among the top players in Ohio's Division I."

Bentz, who captained the Marietta team this season, has a 42-point, 19-rebound effort against number 10 ranked Logan and a 39-point, 25-rebound effort against Cambridge last season.

Bentz joins eight other individuals who have signed national letters with MSU. Carlos Alston, a 6-2 guard from Itawamba Junior College, Fulton, Miss., signed last November. Other signees during the spring signing period are: Tracy Armstrong, a 5-11, 170-pound guard from Lees McRae College, Banner Elk, N.C.; Ron Barnes, a 6-6, 205-pound forward from Trinidad (Col.) State Junior College; Elbert Boyd, a 6-5, 200-pound forward from Connors State Junior College, Warner, Okla.; David Kidd, a 6-5, 190-pound guard from Woodrow Wilson High School, Beckley, W. Va.; Keith Malone, a 6-3, 175-pound guard from Connors State Junior College, Warner, Okla.; Patrick Mosley, a 6-6, 200-pound forward from Hiwassee Junior College, Madisonville, Tenn.; and Brett Roberts, a 6-7, 225-pound forward from South Webster (Ohio) High School.

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MSU'S McCLELLAN NAMED TO NCAA VOLLEYBALL COMMITTEE

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Morehead State University Lady Eagle Volleyball Coach Jim McClellan has been named to the NCAA's South Region Advisory Committee for Women's Volleyball.

The seven-member committee will formulate a weekly ranking of the top 10 collegiate women's volleyball teams from the South Region. Their work will then be used in formulating the weekly NCAA national rankings during the season.

Other committee members are Karen Chisum of Southwest Texas State, Sid Feldman of Georgia, Bonnie Kanny of South Carolina, Debbie Richardson of South Florida, Mick Haley of Texas and Beth Miller of North Carolina.

McClellan also served on the South Advisory Committee in 1986.

The MSU Lady Eagles won the 1987 Ohio Valley Conference championship and McClallan was named conference Coach of the Year.

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THREE HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUTS SIGN SOFTBALL LETTERS WITH MSU LADY EAGLES

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Three outstanding high school softball players have signed national letters-of-intent with the Morehead State University Lady Eagles.

The newest members of the Lady Eagle softball team are Angie Davis, a righthanded pitcher from Grove City High School, Orient, Ohio; Wendy Epperson, a righthanded pitcher from Carlisle High School, Carlisle, Ohio; and Cathi Watson, a first baseman from Barboursville High School, Barboursville, W. Va.

Davis was a first team all-stater, the most valuable player in the Ohio Capital Conference and Central Ohio Player of the Year. She was 11-4 last season with a 0.55 earned run average. She struck out 148 batters in only 115 1/3 innings pitched.

Epperson first team all-league, was named to the Southwest Region all-star team and to the 18-years-old and under Ohio travelling all-star team. She was 17-3 last season, pitched eight shutouts and one no-hitter.

Watson hit .613 with nine home runs and 51 RBI's for the Barboursville team that finished 25-6 on the season. She also stole 29 bases.

"We're extremely pleased to add these three outstanding athletes to our squad," said Dave Brunk, MSU's Assistant Athletic Director who also serves as co-coach of the Lady Eagle softball team along with Jim McClellan. "Also, all three young ladies are outstanding students and ranked high in their graduating classes.

"They are the type of student-athletes that we are recruiting with the hopes of making the MSU softball program competitive regionally and nationally."

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SIMMS SPENDS WEEK AT MSU -- Former MSU football great Phil Simms, now the quarterback of the New York Giants, recently spent a week in Morehead while serving as guest of honor at the Annual MSU Quarterback Club Golf Outing and the Phil Simms Football Camp. More than 100 youngsters participate in the football camp. Nearly 100 individuals were on hand for the golf outing and a full field of 72 participated in an 18-hole scramble tournament on June 18. A host of former Eagle football players were on hand for the golf outing and many are pictured here with Simms. Keeling from the left are Ken Rideout, Larry Campassi, Charlie Hull, Alan Moore and Geary Clutter. Standing from the left are MSU Head Coach Bill Baldrige, Keith Mescher, Karl Schmitt, Simms, Tom Day, Norman Letcher, John Moses and Dan Gooch.

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EAGLE ATHLETIC FUND TO SPONSOR FOUR GOLF OUTINGS

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Morehead State University's Eagle Athletic Fund will sponsor four golf outings this summer, and alumni and friends of the University are invited to attend.

The outings will be July 13 at Kings Island, Ohio, July 18 in Paintsville, Ky. July 25 in Ashland, Ky., and July 27 in Maysville, Ky.

On July 13, the challenging Grizzly Course at the Jack Nicklaus Sports Center at Kings Island will be the site. Tee times will begin at noon EDT and a cookout will follow in the Golden Bear Pavilion. Cost for the entire day is \$65 and includes green fees, golf cart, prizes and refreshments.

On July 18, the unique Paintsville Country Club will provide the challenge. There will be a shotgun start at 1 p.m. EDT and the \$45 donation includes green fees, golf cart, prizes and refreshments.

On July 25, the EAF will make its first trip to Bellefonte Country Club in Ashland for a golf outing. There will be a shotgun start at noon EDT and the \$45 donation includes green fees, golf cart, prizes and refreshments. The annual Ashland Oil Fund-raiser for MSU athletics will be held at 7 p.m. EDT at the AOI headquarters just down the street from the country club. Tickets for the fundraiser are \$15.

The final outing will be on July 27 at the Kenton Station Golf Course in Maysville. There will be a shotgun start at 1 p.m. EDT and the \$35 donation includes green fees, golf cart, prizes and refreshments.

Individuals interested in playing in any or all of the outings are urged to contact the EAF office as soon as possible. For reservations or for more information, the telephone number is 606-783-2388.

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Hamilton was a three-sport standout during his undergraduate days at MSU, playing on championship teams in basketball, baseball and track.

During his basketball career, Hamilton established school records for rebounds in a game (38), rebounds in a season (543), rebounds in a four-year career (1,675), best rebounding average in a season (20.1), and best rebounding average in a career (16.4). He is currently fourth on MSU's all-time scoring list with 1,829 points. He was on OVC championship teams in 1956 and 1957 and earned All-American honors in 1957.

Hamilton was also a standout on the Eagle baseball diamond, hurling MSU to a conference championship in 1957. The lanky lefthander was named the Player of the Year in Kentucky that season.

In the spring, Hamilton found enough time away from baseball to compete as a pole vaulter and high jumper on the Eagle track team and was a member of MSU's championship team in 1955.

The 53-year old Hamilton was born in Columbia, Ky., and went to high school in Charleston, Ind. He earned a bachelor's degree from MSU in 1958 and a master's degree from MSU in 1963.

He is married to the former Shirley Potter of Raceland, Ky. They have four children, daughters Stephanie (Turner) and Elizabeth (Copeland), and sons Robert and Daniel.

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1988-89 MOREHEAD STATE UNIVERSITY BASKETBALL OUTLOOK

Morehead State University Basketball Coach Tommy Gaither enters year two at the helm of the Eagle program with optimism after having a full year to recruit and to become established at MSU and in the Ohio Valley Conference.

"We learned a lot last season," Gaither said. "We played hard, but had the misfortune to lose a lot of close games. After reviewing the season we saw that with a little more firepower at a couple of positions, we could have won several more games. We did about as good as we could under the circumstances.

"Having gotten on board late in the 1987 recruiting season, we weren't able to recruit to our needs. This season, we went after rebounders, athletes who could run the floor and people who could score."

Six lettermen, including two full-time starters, return from last season's 5-22 team. Fourteen newcomers, including five walk-ons, are also on the preseason roster.

Heading the list of returnees are Darrin Hale (6-10, F-C, Sr.), Mike Chaney (6-9, C-F, Sr.) and Tony Curry (6-3, G, Jr.). Hale ranked second on the team in both scoring (13.0 ppg.) and rebounding (6.1 rpg.) and started 21 games. Chaney made 16 starts and averaged 8.1 ppg. and 3.6 rpg. Curry started 22 games as the Eagle point guard, averaging 6.6 ppg. and handing out a team-high 109 assists.

Also back are Roddy Peters (6-6, G-F, Sr.) Bryant Carrington (6-8, F, Sr.) and Donnie Matthews (6-7, F, So.). Peters missed the first half of the season with a stress fracture and should contend for a starting job this season. Carrington played in 20 games, starting four. Matthews played in 25 games.

Brian Miller (6-4, G-F, So.), a transfer from Baptist College, sat out last season but was able to practice with the team.

Five junior college transfer and three freshmen make up the 1988 recruiting class. The juco transfers are Tracy Armstrong (5-11, G, Jr.), Ron Barnes (6-6, F., Jr.), Elbert Boyd (6-5, F, Jr.), Keith Malone (6-3, G, Jr.) and Patrick Mosely (6-6, F, Jr.). Incoming freshmen are Doug Bentz (6-8, F), David Kidd (6-5, G) and Brett Roberts (6-7, F).

Five walk-ons are also included on the preseason roster. They are Greg Adkins (6-4, F, Fr.), Matt Burns (5-10, G, Fr.), P.J. Nichols (6-6, G, Fr.), Melvin Perry (5-10, G, Jr.) and Mike Smith (6-3, G, Jr.).

"I don't know what the wins and losses will be," said Gaither, "but I do feel that we will be a better team this season. We're still going to be very young with over half of the team being new to our system.

"All starting positions are wide open, and we expect the competition for those positions to make us a better team."

Again this season, the Eagles will play an outstanding schedule. MSU must travel to Cincinnati, Ohio University, Utah and Texas-Arlington. Also, the Eagles will take on LSU, Nebraska and Chaminade in the Chaminade New Year's Tournament in Honolulu, Hawaii.

The Ohio Valley Conference is expected to be extremely strong. Murray State, coming off its outstanding NCAA performance, and Middle Tennessee, coming off an impressive NIT performance, figure to be preseason favorites.

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EAGLE ATHLETIC FUND/TRI-STATE ALUMNI CHAPTER TO HOST OUTING AND RECEPTION

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Morehead State University's Eagle Athletic Fund and its Tri-State Alumni Chapter will host a golf outing and fundraiser for alumni and friends on July 25, 1988.

Bellefonte Country Club will be the site of a golf outing at noon. A contribution of \$45 will entitle an individual to participate in a scramble format golf tournament, complete with green fees, golf cart, refreshments and prizes.

At 7 p.m., the annual Eagle Athletic Fund/Ashland Oil Fundraiser will be held at the Ashland Petroleum Headquarters in Russell. Admission is \$15 per person with all proceeds going to MSU Athletics. Special guest speaker for the fundraiser will be Roger Tank, one of the top coaches in France who has been visiting Morehead for basketball camps. Refreshments will be provided. Many MSU coaches, faculty and staff will be on hand.

Reservations for the golf outing may be made by calling the EAF office at 606-783-2388. Tickets for the fundraiser may also be obtained from the EAF office, or in the Ashland area, at Bob Meenach State Farm Insurance, 627 Bellefonte Road, Flatwoods, Ky., 606-836-8182, and MSU/Ashland Center, 1636 Winchester Avenue, Ashland, Ky., 606-327-1777.

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July 19, 1988

Mr. Ron Caudill
General Manager
The Morehead News
722 West First Street
Morehead, KY 40351

Dear Ron:

As per our recent conversations, I have the following understanding of the game program situation for Morehead State University football and basketball games during 1988-89.

In football, we will change the cover and the four center pages each game. MSU printing will be in charge of the covers, and I will provide the information for the change pages as early as possible, but no later than the Monday morning before the game. The copy for non-change pages will be available by Aug. 10.

Our football press run will be 3,300 (Marshall on Sept. 3-800, Western Kentucky on Sept. 10-500, Samford on Oct. 1-400, Murray State on Oct. 8-800, Tennessee State on Oct. 22-400, and Austin Peay on Oct. 29-400).

In basketball, we will change the cover and the insert page each game, MSU printing will be in charge of the covers, and I will provide the information for the change pages as early as possible, but no later than four working days before the game. The copy for non-change pages will be available by Nov. 8.

Our basketball press run will be 5,000 (Campbellsville On Nov. 30-400, Texas-Arlington on Dec. 5-300, Centre on Dec. 10-300, Liberty on Dec. 19-300, Eastern Kentucky on Jan. 9-500, Murray State on Jan. 14-500, Austin Peay on Jan. 16-500, Shawnee State on Jan. 28-300, Radford on Feb. 1-300, Akron on Feb. 6-300, Tennessee Tech on Feb. 11-400, Middle Tennessee on Feb. 18-500, and Tennessee State on Feb. 20-400).

If you have any questions or if there needs to be any revisions, please give me a call.

Thanks always for your help and support.

Sincerely,

Randy Stacy
Sports Information Director

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xc: Martin Huffman

MSU TO REESTABLISH MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK PROGRAMS

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- After an absence of several years, Morehead State University will again sponsor men's and women's intercollegiate track teams in 1988-89.

By reestablishing men's and women's track, MSU will make it possible for more student-athletes in MSU's service region to participate on the collegiate level. More than 75 percent of high schools throughout the state sponsor track programs for both girls and boys. Also, intercollegiate competition can be found in relative close proximity. The Ohio Valley Conference sponsors championships in both men's and women's track.

Eagle cross country Coach Dan Lindsey will also coach the track teams.

"We're happy to be able to offer increased intercollegiate athletic opportunities for student-athletes in our service region," MSU President C. Nelson Grote said. "Coach Dan Lindsey is excited about the prospects for track at MSU, and he believes there are great numbers of area students who are interested in participating in track while completing their educations."

MSU will be able to revive its track programs without necessitating a budget increase by transferring funds previously allotted to women's soccer. In recent seasons, it has become increasingly difficult to recruit athletes and fill a schedule in women's soccer. Less than 25 percent of the high schools in Kentucky, and even fewer in MSU's service region sponsor soccer for girls, making it difficult to fill a roster. Few colleges in the immediate area sponsor intercollegiate women's soccer, making it difficult to fill a roster. Few colleges in the immediate area sponsor intercollegiate women's soccer, making it difficult to fill a schedule without an alarmingly high travel budget. As a result, MSU will suspend its women's soccer program.

MSU will now sponsor men's intercollegiate competition in baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, soccer, swimming, tennis and track. MSU will sponsor women's intercollegiate competition in basketball, cross country, softball, swimming, tennis, track and volleyball.

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8-8-88

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LADY EAGLE KELLY DOWNS TRAVELS TO KOREA WITH ATHLETES IN ACTION

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Kelly Downs, a junior guard for the Morehead State University Lady Eagles, is currently in South Korea as a member of the Athletes in Action women's basketball team.

Athletes in Action is a part of the athletic movement of Campus Crusade for Christ International. The team will participate in 18 games against college level teams. Some of the team's other activities include Bible studies, missionary work and conducting basketball clinics.

The AIA team is scheduled to be abroad through Aug. 22.

"Kelly's experience with Athletes in Action will strengthen her athletically, academically, socially and spiritually," said MSU Head Coach Loretta Marlow. "She was extremely excited about this opportunity. She is very deserving of this honor."

Downs is one of three returning starters for the 1988-89 Lady Eagles. She led last year's team with a 15.3 ppg. average.

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1988 EAGLE FOOTBALL TEAM REPORTS FOR PRACTICE

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- More than 100 candidates for the Morehead State University football team were expected to report this week when fall practice began for the 1988 Eagles.

Freshmen and newcomers were scheduled to report on Tuesday (Aug. 9) for physical examinations and conditioning tests. The remainder of the squad was due in on Wednesday (Aug. 10), also for physicals and tests.

The mandatory three days of non-contact drills will be Thursday, Friday and Saturday (Aug. 11-13). Following a day off on Sunday (Aug. 14), the Eagles will begin contact drills on Monday (Aug. 15).

MSU is tentatively scheduled to have three major scrimmages prior to the Sept. 3 opener at home against Marshall. On Aug. 22, the Eagles will meet the news media in MSU's annual Football Media Day.

The Eagles were picked sixth in the annual Ohio Valley Conference Preseason Coaches' Poll released at the recent OVC Media Day in Nashville, Tenn. Center Jeff Jacobs and tight end Brent Huffman were included on the preseason all-conference team.

"As always this time of year, we're excited and ready to get going," said MSU Head Coach Bill Baldrige. "The staff has worked extremely hard to get ready for practice, and by all indications, our team members have worked hard on their own and are also ready to go.

"We're excited about our depth. We have more quality football players than at any time since we've been here. We've got three weeks of hard work ahead of us before the season opener against Marshall."

The 1988 MSU captains are quarterback Chris Swartz, center Jacobs, linebacker Jeff Hester and defensive back Monty McIntyre.

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Dear Media Representative:

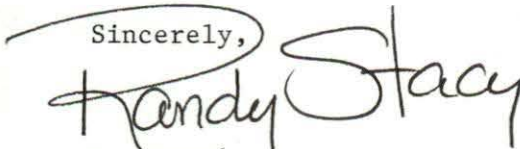
You are cordially invited to attend Football Media Day on the Morehead State University campus on August 22. Activities will get underway at noon EDT with a luncheon in the Academic-Athletic Center. Head Coach Bill Baldrige will address the group at that time, and MSU President C. Nelson Grote and MSU Athletic Director Steve Hamilton will also be on hand.

At approximately 1:15 p.m. EDT, we will move across the street to Jayne Stadium/Jacobs Field for individual interviews and pictures with the Eagle squad.

So that we will have sufficient food and material prepared, we would appreciate it if you would give our office a call and let us know if you can be with us on Media Day. Our office number is 606-783-2500. Also, if you have any special needs or requests please relay them to us when you call.

We look forward to seeing you on Aug. 22 and at any and all athletic events on the MSU campus.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Randy Stacy". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the word "Sincerely,".

Randy Stacy
Sports Information Director

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EAGLES OPEN 1988 FOOTBALL SEASON

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- For the fourth time in as many years, Morehead State University's Eagles will open their football season against interstate rival Marshall. Kickoff time Saturday (Sept. 3) will be 7 p.m. EDT at MSU's Jayne Stadium/Jacobs Field.

The Eagles and the Herd first met in 1928 with Marshall winning 36-0. Including that initial contest, Marshall holds a 25-11-3 advantage in the series. Marshall has won seven of the last eight meetings, including a 29-0 victory last season in Huntington. MSU last won 19-10 in 1986, also in Huntington, and went on to post a school-record seven wins.

In last season's Marshall win, the Herd led only 6-0 at the half but scored 23 second-half points. MSU ran four more plays than did MU, but couldn't get the ball in the endzone. The Eagles also intercepted four Tony Peterson passes but couldn't take advantage of the turnovers. The two teams were penalized a combined total of 27 times for 236 yards.

Marshall is coming off a 10-5 season and was only one point shy of winning the NCAA Division I-AA national championship. The Herd lost 43-42 to Northeast Louisiana in the national championship game to finish as national runners-up.

Offensively, MU's top returnees are tight end Sean Doctor, split end Mike Barber and tailback Ron Darby. On defense, the Herd features nose guard Bill Mendoza and linebackers John Spellacy and Rondell Wannamaker. Coach George Chaump is in his third season at Marshall after spending four seasons as head coach at Indiana University (Pa.).

Morehead State is coming off a 2-8 campaign, but no one in the MSU football program expects this season to be anything but successful. There are many returnees on both sides of the football led by captains Chris Swartz (QB), Jeff Jacobs (C), Monty McIntyre (DB) and Jeff Hester (LB).

Swartz comes off a freshman season in which he threw for 1,726 yards. He has experience receivers in Ty Howard, Dave Pingue, Brent Huffman and Kenny White. He will be handing off to sophomore Jerome Williams, who led MSU rushers with three touchdowns last season, and Rodney Gordon.

Not only does MSU have top returnees on defense, it also has lineman Scott Carlson (6-5, 275, Jr.) eligible for competition. The transfer from Kansas figures to make an immediate impact for the Eagles.

Newcomer Steve Tow will be the Eagle placekicker and Kenny Meadows, who played safety last season, will be the Eagle punter.

"We're excited and ready to get started," said MSU Head Coach Bill Baldrige. "There always comes that time when the players get tired of practicing and are ready to go to war. Our guys are eager to show that they have worked hard and are improved.

"Marshall has a very fine football team. They have many people back from last year's team that improved throughout the season. They could easily have been the national champions."

Following this weekend's game, Marshall returns home on Sept. 10 take on Ohio University. MSU will play host to Western Kentucky on Sept. 10 at 7 p.m. EST.

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MOREHEAD STATE vs. MARSHALL

Sept. 3, 1988

Game Notes

Marshall leads 25-11-3 in a series that dates to 1928.

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Last season's meeting between the Eagles and the Herd started slowly and a shower of yellow flags slowed play throughout. Marshall opened a 6-0 halftime lead on two John Mitchell field goals, then added 23 second-half points to post a 29-0 victory. MSU was penalized 12 times for 120 yards and MU was penalized 15 times for 116 yards.

MSU's Tony Peterson hit 15 of 28 passes for 335 yards and two touchdowns. Returnees Sean Doctor and Mike Barber caught six and five passes, respectively.

MSU's Jeff Hester, also a returnee this season, was credited with 12 unassisted tackles, two tackles for losses totalling three yards, one quarterback sack for a nine-yard loss and a pass interception.

The game marked the first collegiate appearance of MSU quarterback Chris Swartz. He hit nine of 19 passes for 113 yards.

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MSU won the 1986 game between the two schools 19-10. It was also played in Huntington. MSU jumped out to a 13-3 lead and held on. The game sparked MSU to a school-record seven victories that season.

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Eagle Coach Bill Baldrige is 60 pounds lighter this season than when the Eagles and the Herd met last season. After undergoing two balloon angioplasties to relieve blockages around his heart, he is watching his diet and following his doctor's instructions. He says he is "feeling as well as I have in a long time."

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The tale of the tape and scales show the following comparisons:

MSU's offensive front five averages 6-1, 252-pounds

MU's defensive front three averages 6-3, 252-pounds

MSU's defensive front four averages 6-3, 241-pounds

MU's offensive front five averages 6-3, 266-pounds

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The National Football League season gets underway this weekend. MSU alumnus Phil Simms will lead the New York Giants against the World Champion Washington Redskins in the first Monday night game of the season.

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At this writing (Friday), it was not clear to what, if any, extent MSU's new scoreboard will be used today. The state-of-the-art scoreboard and message center was made possible by major advertisers WLW-Radio of Cincinnati, Ashland Oil, Inc. of Ashland, and Peoples First Bank of Morehead. The scoreboard should be 100 percent operative by next week's game against Western Kentucky.

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MSU's game next Saturday (7 p.m. EDT) against Western Kentucky is a part of MSU's Parents Weekend. Among the other activities scheduled is an alumni baseball game on Saturday at noon at Allen Field. Former major leaguers Denny Doyle and Steve Hamilton are among those scheduled to participate.

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MSU's Lady Eagle Volleyball team is participating in the University of Kentucky Invitational. MSU was scheduled to play Louisville at 5:30 p.m. EDT today. Kentucky is scheduled to play host to Eastern Kentucky at 7:30 p.m. EDT. The consolation game will be at 12:30 p.m. EDT tomorrow with the championship game slated for 3 p.m. EDT.

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MSU's Winter Olympian Brian Shimer has plans to be in attendance at tonight's game. Shimer was a member of the United State Bobsled Team.

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MSU defensive tackle Neil Wilson has probably ended his career. A recurring shoulder problem will probably make it impossible for him to return this season.

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SELECTED STATE FARM INSURANCE AGENTS TO BE EAGLE TICKET OUTLETS

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- In keeping with their "good neighbor" policy, selected agents of State Farm Insurance in the Great Eastern Kentucky District will again serve as ticket outlets for Morehead State University football and basketball tickets.

"We're really appreciative of what these State Farm agents do for Eagle athletics," said MSU Assistant Athletic Director Dave Brunk, who also serves as Eagle ticket manager. "This is another step in taking both Morehead State and its athletic program to the people of our service area. This should make it much easier and more attractive for fans to buy tickets and attend Eagle athletic events. We were pleased with the success of this program last year and are excited about this year's prospects.

Following is a list of participating State Farm agents:

PAINTSVILLE

John Chandler
Tower Road
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606-789-4087

SOUTH SHORE

Randy Couch
4721 James Hannah
South Shore, KY
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PRESTONSBURG

Sam Doyle
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Prestonsburg, KY
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LOUISA

Don Hillman
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PIKEVILLE

Gary Lowe
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ASHLAND

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HOWARD NAMED ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MVP FOR MARSHALL GAME

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Ty Howard, a 6-4, 185-pound junior wide receiver from Morehead, Ky., and Rowan Co. High School has been named the Morehead State University Alumni Association's Most Valuable Player for his play in the Eagles' 30-17 loss to Marshall.

A picture of Howard and a copy of this news release are being displayed in MSU's Adron Doran University Center and \$100 will be donated in his name to a scholarship fund sponsored by the Alumni Association. The fund was begun on Feb. 21, 1987 when \$500 was given in the name of Phil Simms, MSU Alumnus and quarterback of the World Champion New York Giants.

Howard caught 10 passes for 134 yards.

He was also named the Ohio Valley Conference's Offensive Player of the Week.

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EAGLES PLAY HOST TO FORMER CONFERENCE FOE WESTERN KENTUCKY

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The Eagles and the Hilltoppers first met in 1939, and WKU holds a 35-7-2 advantage. The Hilltoppers are 16-5-1 in Morehead. WKU won the last contest, 26-13 in Bowling Green in 1985. MSU last won in 1982 17-13 in Morehead.

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The Eagle offense was led by quarterback Chris Swartz and wide receiver Ty Howard. Swartz hit on 22 of 40 passes for 236 yards and two touchdowns. Howard, who was named the Ohio Valley Conference's Offensive Player of the Week, caught 10 passes for 134 yards.

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Coach Dave Roberts is in his fifth season on the Bowling Green campus. He has some big holes to fill on offense as his team prepares to open the season. Quarterback David Armstrong must replace WKU's all-time leading passer Jeff Cesarone. Armstrong stood on the sidelines the past three seasons while Cesarone passed for 8,566 career yards, more than twice as many as the number two man on WKU's all-time list. Also, lineman Steve Walsh has gone from the Hilltopper squad to the active roster of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Both runningbacks from last season, tailback Joe Arnold and fullback Pedro Bacon.

Defensively, the Hilltoppers are led by linemen Chad Kraml and Allan Reitcheck and cornerback Ron Burroughs. They also return their placekicker, Dan Maher, and punter, Todd Davis.

In preparing for the Hilltoppers, MSU is without the services of starting tailback Jerome Williams, who was injured in the Marshall game. Williams injured a knee and his immediate status is questionable.

"We gave a very courageous effort against one of the top ranked teams in the country," said Bill Baldrige following the Marshall game. "Our defense was much improved over last season, and our offense moved the ball. We're still a relatively young team, and we should continue to improve."

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MSU ALUMNI BASEBALL GAME SLATED FOR SATURDAY

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- The Morehead State University baseball team will play host to former Eagle players in MSU's First Alumni Baseball Game Saturday (Sept. 10) at Allen Field.

Former Eagles will begin reporting to Allen Field at 10 a.m. for the issuing of uniforms. The old-timers will take batting practice at 11 a.m., and the game will get underway at 1 p.m. The former players will also be in attendance at MSU's football game Saturday night against Western Kentucky.

Many former Eagles will be in attendance, including former major leaguers Denny Doyle, Steve Hamilton and Joe Campbell. Current Eagle big-leaguers Walt Terrel, Ed Olwine and Drew Hall will not be able to attend this season, but MSU officials hope to schedule the game later in the year next time out.

Fans and friends of the University and its athletic programs are urged to attend.

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LADY EAGLE VOLLEYBALL TEAM TRAVELS TO COCA-COLA CLASSIC

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Morehead State's Lady Eagle volleyball team, 1-1 on the season after a second place finish in last weekend's Kentucky Invitational, will travel to Bowling Green, Ky., this weekend to compete in the Western Kentucky Coca-Cola Classic.

The Lady Eagles will play four matches in the classic. They will open play on Friday (Sept. 9) at 6 p.m. CDT when they take on East Tennessee State. On Saturday (Sept. 10), they will take on Louisville at 11 a.m. CDT, host Western Kentucky at 2 p.m. CDT and UT-Chattanooga at 4 p.m. CDT.

Coach Jim McClellan's squad will open their home season on Monday (Sept. 12) at 7 p.m. EDT in Wetherby Gymnasium when Marshall visits.

The Lady Eagles defeated Louisville (12-15, 15-9, 16-14, 15-6) in the first round of the Kentucky Invitational, then lost to nationally-ranked Kentucky (5-15, 2-15, 2-15) in the championship match.

MSU finished 21-10 last season and won the Ohio Valley Conference championship. McClellan earned OVC Northern Division Coach of the Year honors.

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MOREHEAD STATE vs. WESTERN KENTUCKY

Sept. 10, 1988

Jayne Stadium/Jacobs Field

Game Notes

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The Banner is presented to the conference institution with the best overall academic record involving student-athletes who participated in conference sponsored sports and invitational meets.

(Note: MSU President C. Nelson Grote and/or Athletic Director Steve Hamilton would be happy to answer questions or provide comments relating to MSU's winning the Academic Achievement Banner.)

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For Immediate Release

EAGLES FACE THOROBREDS IN FIRST ROAD CONTEST

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Morehead State University's Football Eagles, 0-2 on the season, will try to get on the winning track when they take to the road for the first time this season, Saturday (Sept. 17) evening in Frankfort against Kentucky State.

The Eagles opened the season with a 30-17 loss to Marshall, then lost 34-0 last Saturday to Western Kentucky. Both games were held at Jayne Stadium/Jacobs Field. Kentucky State is also 0-2, having lost 20-14 at Austin Peay and 21-12 at Livingstone College.

In the MSU-Western Kentucky game, the Eagles were only outgained by 81 yards and won the time of possession battle 30:50 to 29:02, but still couldn't dent the endzone. Quarterback Chris Swartz, defensive back Mike Turner and defensive tackle Jeff Burton all left the game early with injuries, but all are expected to be ready for Kentucky State. Tailback Jerome Williams, injured in the Marshall game, could be ready this week, but more likely will be ready in time for the Sept. 24 Liberty University game.

Swartz and Jansen continue to make MSU a formidable passing team, between them averaging 239.0 yards per game. However, the Eagles have had trouble on the ground, averaging only 46.5 rushing yards per game.

Kentucky State has been led by junior split end/placekicker Jon Brown. Brown scored all 14 points in the loss to Austin Peay and six of the 12 points in the loss to Livingstone. He has caught three touchdown passes and kicked two extra points.

"Both teams desperately need to get a win Saturday," said MSU Head Coach Bill Baldrige. "We need something positive to happen after having to play two of the top teams in the nation the first two weeks of the season.

"We knew before the season that we could play two good football games and still be 0-2. Hopefully, our young team has learned a great deal and will now turn it around."

Kickoff time Saturday is 7:30 p.m. EDT in Alumni Stadium.

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JANSEN NAMED ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MVP FOR WESTERN KENTUCKY GAME

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Lance Jansen, a 6-1, 210-pound senior quarterback from Naperville, Ill., and Naperville North High School has been named the Morehead State University Alumni Associations's Most Valuable Player for his play in the Eagles' 34-0 loss to Western Kentucky.

A picture of Jansen and a copy of this news release are being displayed in MSU's Adron Doran University Center and \$100 will be donated in his name to a scholarship fund sponsored by the Alumni Association. The fund was begun on Feb. 21, 1987 when \$500 was given in the name of Phil Simms, MSU Alumnus and quarterback of the World Champion New York Giants.

Jansen hit 19 of 30 passes for 179 yards and rushed 11 times for 26 yards.

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MOREHEAD STATE vs. KENTUCKY STATE
September 17, 1988, 7:30 p.m. EDT
Alumni Stadium, Frankfort, KY

Game Notes

Morehead State holds a 9-1-1 advantage in the series which dates to 1967. MSU is 2-1 in Frankfort. The Eagles have won the last two meetings, 33-10 in 1986 and 37-0 in 1987. Kentucky State last won in 1983, 7-3 in Frankfort. The tie came in 1978, 7-7 in Morehead.

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Last season, MSU won 37-0 at Jayne Stadium/Jacobs Field, and several players in this year's contest played important roles. MSU quarterbacks Chris Swartz and Lance Jansen threw for 136 yards and 65 yards, respectively. Both threw a touchdown pass. KSU quarterback Ken Martin passed for 86 yards.

MSU's Rodney Gordon led all rushers with 68 yards and two touchdowns. Gordon scored a 49-yard touchdown, which turned out to be MSU's longest run from scrimmage all season. KSU receiver Jon Brown caught four passes for 66 yards.

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MSU intercepted five passes in last season's game against the Thorobreds to tie a school record.

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In last year's game, MSU converted nine of 19 third down conversions to KSU's one of 14.

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Comparing the offensive and defensive lines:

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FOWLER NAMED ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MVP FOR KENTUCKY STATE GAME

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Ahmed Fowler, a 6-2, 245-pound junior defensive tackle from Camden, N.J., and Camden High School has been named the Morehead State University Alumni Association's Most Valuable Player for his play in the Eagles' 29-12 win over Kentucky State.

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For Immediate Release

EAGLES GET FIRST 1988 WIN, TRAVEL TO LIBERTY UNIVERSITY

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Morehead State University's Football Eagles got their first win of the season, 29-12 last Saturday night at Kentucky State, and will take a 1-2 record to Lynchburg, Va., on Saturday (Sept. 24) for a meeting with the Liberty University Flames.

The win over the Thorobreds broke a four-game losing streak dating back to last season. But, in tribute to the strength of the MSU schedule, all four of those losses came to teams ranked in the NCAA Division I-AA Top 20 at the time of the game.

MSU led Kentucky State 9-6 at the half, then totally dominated the second half. Quarterback Chris Swartz hit 20 of 35 passes for 251 yards and three touchdowns. Wide receiver Dave Pingue caught 10 passes for 104 yards and a touchdown. On defense, tackle Ahmed Fowler was credited with four quarterback sacks of 31 yards in losses.

Eagle punter Kenny Meadows had his best game of the season, punting four times for a 45.5 yard average, and had two punts longer than 50 yards and two that were downed inside the 20-yard line. Freshman runningback Darrin Harris saw his first collegiate action and rushed for a team-high 34 yards on six carries.

Morehead State and Liberty have met four times, in seasons 1980-83, with each team winning two games. The Eagles won 34-10 in 1981 and 24-16 in 1983, both times in Morehead. The Flames won 23-20 in 1980 and 13-10 in 1982, both times in Lynchburg.

Liberty, coached by Morgan Hout, is 2-1 on the season. The Flames opened the season with a 17-7 win at Edinboro. LU then defeated Tennessee Tech 24-20 at home. The Flames lost 28-27 at Eastern Illinois last Saturday when the home team scored on a short touchdown pass with five seconds left in the game.

Flame quarterback Paul Johnson has hit on 40 of 66 pssses for 433 yards this season. He has been intercepted three times and has five touchdown passes. His favorite receiver has been flanker Pat Nelson who has caught 11 passes for 192 yards and three touchdowns. Defensively, LU is led by defensive end Mickey Paige who has been credited with eight unassisted tackles, 47 assisted tackles and five tackles for losses totalling 26 yards, including three quarterback sacks.

Kickoff time Saturday at the 10,200-seat Lynchburg City Stadium will be 1:40 p.m. EDT.

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For Immediate Release

EAGLE ATHLETIC FUND, MSU GOLF TEAM TO SPONSOR NIGHT GOLF TOURNAMENT

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- The Morehead State University Eagle Athletic Fund and the Eagle golf team will sponsor the Second Nitelite Golf Outing at 8:00 p.m. on Sept. 30, 1988, at the MSU Golf Course.

The format will be scramble and each team will include an MSU golfer. A \$25 donation entitles an individual to plenty of golfing fun, good food, nice prizes and a nitelite golf ball. Participants are urged to bring a flashlight.

For more information or to sign up for the event, individuals may contact the EAF office at 606-783-2388.

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For Immediate Release

LADY EAGLE VOLLEYBALL OFF TO FAST START, TRAVELS TO STETSON TOURNAMENT

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Morehead State University's Lady Eagle volleyball team, the defending Ohio Valley Conference champions, is off to a fast 11-3 start and is serving notice that it is ready to make a strong defense of that crown and to contend for a top-10 spot among southern colleges.

In its most recent match, MSU defeated conference rival Eastern Kentucky (15-9, 12-15, 15-6, 15-2) in Richmond. That came on the heels of a win over South Carolina (15-11, 15-7, 15-9) in the North Carolina State tournament.

MSU's only losses have come at nationally ranked Kentucky, at Western Kentucky and at North Carolina State.

"We've played an excellent schedule," said MSU Coach Jim McClellan. "We probably should have won the match at Western Kentucky, but losing at Kentucky and at North Carolina State is certainly no disgrace.

"We're getting outstanding play from veterans Melissa Papai, Dayle Hamontree, Missy Blanford and Diana Neises, and we expected that. The pleasant surprise has been the play of freshmen Cathy Jarvis and Jane Titzer."

Papai has a .353 attack percentage with 179 kills in 48 games. Hamontree has a .257 attack percentage with 161 kills in 48 games, along with 23 service aces and 125 digs.

The Lady Eagles will participate in the Stetson University Invitational in Deland, Fla., on Sept. 23-24. The Lady Eagles will take on Central Florida at 5 p.m. EDT and Jacksonville at 7 p.m. EDT on Sept. 23. They will play Bethune Cookman at 11:30 a.m. EDT, Nicholls State at 1:30 p.m. EDT and host Stetson at 5:30 p.m. EDT on Sept. 24.

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MOREHEAD STATE UNIVERSITY LADY EAGLE VOLLEYBALL RESULTS

(Through 9-22-88) Record: 11-3

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| Sept. 3-4 | <u>University of Kentucky Invitational</u> MSU def. Louisville 12-15, 15-9, 16-14, 15-6 Kentucky def. MSU 15-5, 15-2, 15-2 |
| Sept. 9-10 | <u>Western Kentucky Coca-Cola Classic</u> MSU Def. East Tennessee 15-2, 15-7, 15-7 MSU def. Louisville 12-15, 15-12, 15-11, 15-10 Western Kentucky def. MSU 5-15, 15-7, 2-15, 15-11, 15-9 (second place finish) |

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Sept. 13 MSU def. Southern Indiana (at Evansville) 15-8, 15-8, 8-15, 15-5
MSU def. Evansville (A) 13-15, 15-7, 15-3, 15-7
Sept. 16-17 North Carolina State Invitational
North Carolina State def. MSU 15-7, 15-6, 15-12
MSU def. UNC-Charlotte 15-12, 15-8, 15-7
MSU def. South Carolina 15-11, 15-7, 15-9
Sept. 20 MSU def. Eastern Kentucky (A) 15-9, 12-15, 15-6, 15-12

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9-26-88

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Morehead State University Football Coach Bill Baldrige remains in Lynchburg (Va.) General Hospital's Coronary Care Unit in serious, but stable condition. Baldrige was hospitalized Saturday (Sept. 24) following MSU's loss to Liberty University when he complained of chest pains.

Baldrige spent last night in a semi-private room, but was returned to the Coronary Care Unit this morning when the chest pains returned. He had hoped to be released from Lynchburg General today and to return to the Morehead area and consult with his regular physicians. Now, however, he will undergo more tests before being released.

The 44-year old Baldrige was originally hospitalized last year following an MSU football game in Clarksville, Tenn., and has since undergone two angioplasty procedures to relieve blockage of an artery near his heart.

During Baldrige's absence, assistant head coach Vic Clark will be in charge of the Eagle squad.

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HESTER NAMED ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MVP FOR LIBERTY GAME

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Jeff Hester, a 5-11, 200-pound senior linebacker from Lancaster, Ky., and Garrard Co. High School has been named the Morehead State University Alumni Association's Most Valuable Player for his play in the Eagles' 34-9 loss to Liberty.

A picture of Hester and a copy of this news release are being displayed in MSU's Adron Doran University Center and \$100 will be donated in his name to a scholarship fund sponsored by the Alumni Association. The fund was begun on Feb. 21, 1987 when \$500 was given in the name of Phil Simms, MSU Alumnus and quarterback of the New York Giants.

Hester returned a pass interception 65 yards for MSU's only touchdown.

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For Immediate Release

MOREHEAD STATE-SAMFORD MEET FOR THE FIRST TIME

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Morehead State and Samford will meet for the first time on the football field Saturday (Oct. 1) at Jayne Stadium/Jacobs Field in Morehead.

For the second time in as many seasons, MSU's Eagle Coach Bill Baldrige has been hospitalized following a football game. Baldrige complained of chest pains during and following last Saturday's game at Liberty and was admitted to Lynchburg (Va.) General Hospital shortly after the game ended. At this writing, he was in the Coronary Care Unit of Lynchburg and a variety of tests were being conducted. His status for the Samford game will not be determined until later in the week. In the interim, Assistant Head Coach Vic Clark will be in charge of the Eagle program.

MSU is 1-3 on the season following the 34-9 loss at Liberty. The Eagles opened the season with a 30-17 loss to Marshall at home. Western Kentucky took the measure of MSU 34-0, then MSU got the winning track with a 29-12 victory at Kentucky State.

Samford will bring a 2-2 mark to Morehead. The Bulldogs opened with losses to Jacksonville State (34-6) and Nicholls State (43-17). They have won two in a row, 19-9 over Tennessee Tech and 41-20 over Livingston.

Quarterback Chris Swartz continues to lead the Eagle offense. He has hit 67 of 126 yards for 662 yards and five touchdowns. Wide receivers Ty Howard and Dave Pingue have caught 21 and 18 passes, respectively. Linebacker Jim Jackson leads the Eagle defenders with 16 solo tackles and 35 defensive plays.

The Bulldogs pulled one of the comebacks of the year Saturday against Livingston. Samford trailed 20-7 entering the fourth quarter, but outscored its opponent 34-0 in the last 15 minutes to post the 41-20 victory. The Bulldogs recovered two fumbles and returned two interceptions for touchdowns in the final quarter.

Runningback Shorty Smith leads Samford runningbacks with 244 yards on 42 rushes. Quarterback Ted Darby has hit 47 of 114 passes for 647 yards and three touchdowns. Linebacker Craig Connor has made 62 defensive plays.

Kickoff time Saturday is 1:30 p.m. EDT.

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DOMINO'S SPONORS PENNANT DAY SATURDAY AT JAYNE STADIUM

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- The first 1,000 fans to enter the stadium for Saturday's Morehead State-Samford football game at MSU's Jayne Stadium/Jacobs Field will receive a Domino's Pizza/Eagle Football Pennant.

Domino's Pizza is one of several area merchants that sponsor special events at Eagle athletic events.

"We're very appreciative of Domino's support," said MSU Assistant Athletic Director Dave Brunk. "They have provided us with a very attractive Eagle Pennant, and we hope everyone gets to the game early and takes advantage of this special promotion."

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LADY EAGLE VOLLEYBALL TEAM RANKED IN SOUTH REGION TOP 10

MOREHEAD, Ky. -- The Morehead State University Lady Eagle Volleyball Team is now ranked among the top 10 teams in the NCAA South Region.

The NCAA South Region rankings are as follows: 1) Texas, 2) Kentucky, 3) Texas-Arlington, 4) LSU, 5) Houston, 6) Texas A&M, 7) Florida State, 8) William & Mary, 9) North Carolina State and 10) Morehead State and North Carolina.

"We're proud to be the first OVC team to earn a top 10 ranking in the South Region," said MSU Coach Jim McClellan. "Our players have worked extremely hard and are deserving of the recognition."

MSU, 16-3 on the season, won the Stetson Invitational last weekend in Deland, Fla. This week the Lady Eagles travel to Murray State and Austin Peay for an Ohio Valley Conference road trip. MSU takes on Murray State on Friday (Sept. 30) at 7 p.m. CDT, then takes on Austin Peay on Saturday (Oct. 1) at 11 a.m. CDT.

MSU's Dayle Hamontree is the OVC Player of the Week in volleyball. In six matches, she had 72 kills and a hitting percentage of .350. She also had 76 digs and nine aces serves and was named to the all-tournament team at the Stetson Invitational.

Statistically, the Lady Eagles have several individuals with excellent hitting percentages. Missy Blanford is hitting .561, Missy Papai is hitting .371, Patty Fulk is hitting .314, Debbie Bryant is hitting a .283 and Hamontree is hitting .269. Papai has 225 kills. Hamontree has 38 ace serves and 267 digs.

The Lady Eagles return to action in MSU's Wetherby Gymnasium on Oct. 4 when Wright State visits for a 7 p.m. EDT match.

MOREHEAD STATE UNIVERSITY LADY EAGLE VOLLEYBALL RESULTS

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MSU def. Bethune Cookeman 15-5, 15-5, 15-7
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MSU def. Stetson 15-6, 15-3, 15-6
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Pending test results, he could be released as early as today, or he may be required to remain for further tests in Lynchburg.

"I feel fine and would like to be released to return to Morehead to consult with the doctors in that area (Lexington) who have been treating me," Baldrige said this morning from his hospital room. "The people here in Lynchburg have been extremely nice to Janie (his wife) and me, and we want to thank them for their kindness."

Baldrige was originally hospitalized last year following an MSU football game in Clarksville, Tenn., and has since undergone two angioplasty procedures to relieve blockage of an artery near his heart.

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MOREHEAD, Ky. -- Morehead State University Football Coach Bill Baldrige underwent a cardiac catheterization today in Lynchburg, Va., and is scheduled to be flown to Lexington, Ky., and **admitted to** Central Baptist Hospital, tomorrow.

Baldrige was transferred across town, from Lynchburg General Hospital to Virginia Baptist Hospital, for the test to determine arterial blockage around the heart. Following the procedure, he was returned to Lynchburg General, and he remains in that hospital's Coronary Care Unit in serious, but stable condition. Complete results of the cardiac catheterization will not be available until later today, but initial reports indicate that Baldrige is probably suffering from the same type of blockage that has resulted in two previous angioplasty procedures. The method of treatment for the problem will be determined when Baldrige has consulted with doctors at Central Baptist.

The 44-year old Baldrige was admitted to Lynchburg General after suffering chest pains during and after MSU's game Saturday (Sept. 24) at Liberty University. His original problem with the blockage came to light when he was hospitalized in Clarksville, Tenn., following last season's MSU-Austin Peay game, also with chest pains.

During Baldrige's absence, assistant head coach Vic Clark will be in charge of the Eagle squad.

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