

# A Chronological History of Morehead State University and Preceding Institutions



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## Chapter I: 1887-1897

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### 1887

- The Martin-Tolliver Feud came to a bloody conclusion on June 22, after three years of violence. Daniel Boone Logan with ninety to one hundred men confronted members of the Tolliver faction in town. A gunfight ensued and ended the feud. The feud led to the deaths of over twenty people and many more wounded, or fleeing from Rowan County.<sup>1</sup>
- On August 8-11, the Disciples of Christ's state convention approved the establishment of a Normal School in Morehead. William Temple Withers, a former Confederate General, Lawyer, and Entrepreneur donated \$1,500 to the Morehead Normal School over three years. In honor of his donation a hall on campus was named after him in 1906.<sup>2</sup>
- Frank C. Button and his mother Phebe moved to Morehead to establish a normal school while Frank also served as the Christian Church's minister.<sup>3</sup>
- Morehead Normal School opened its doors on October 3. Two students attended that day, the first student to attend was Anna B. Page of Morehead. The second was Ethel Bertie Ham, she left the school in February 1888.<sup>4</sup>
- The first year finished with an enrollment of twenty-two students.<sup>5</sup>
- Frank Button became the Secretary of the Temperance Movement Organization in Morehead. The organization began on Christmas day after Reverend L. L. Abbott held a revival in town.<sup>6</sup>

### 1888

- Average enrollment was around thirty-two students for the year.<sup>7</sup>
- Enrollment reached forty-five students as of January 21, 1888.<sup>8</sup>
- A provision prohibiting selling intoxicating liquors in Rowan County passes the General Assembly.<sup>9</sup>
- Company "D" of the State Guard was dispatched from Lexington to Morehead to keep the piece during court proceedings in the wake of the Rowan County War. Company D was sent without uniforms according to accounts of the incident.<sup>10</sup>

### 1889

- Morehead Normal School had an average of thirty-two pupils for the year.<sup>11</sup>

## 1890

- Thomas F. Hargis a former Confederate Officer, and judge gave four acres of land and \$500 to build and maintain a classroom.<sup>12</sup>

## 1892

- Frank Button resigned as Principal of Morehead Normal School due to his mother Phebe's illness.<sup>13</sup>
- Epaphroditus "Paph" Julian became the principal of the Normal School and minister to the Christian Church.<sup>14</sup>
- Phebe Button died on September 17, in Oquawka, Illinois.<sup>15</sup>
- 191 students attended Morehead Normal School for the 1892-1893 school year.<sup>16</sup>

## 1893

- A \$1,500 donation from Robert Hodson, Frank Button's uncle, was made to the Christian Church.<sup>17</sup>

## 1894

- Enrollment expanded to 200 students, which led to the construction of a residence hall.<sup>18</sup>
- Hodson Hall finished construction. The Hall was built from Robert Hodson's donation and was named in his honor.<sup>19</sup>
- Housing and tuition combined were \$25 a semester (\$2 a week for housing and \$5 for tuition.)<sup>20</sup>

## 1895

- A case of smallpox was reported in Morehead.<sup>21</sup>
- J. W. Riley, a teacher at Morehead Normal School, had a warrant issued for his arrest on charges of seduction. Riley was accused of seducing Fannie Walsh under the guise of marriage. A warrant was issued, and Deputy Sheriff Terrill was dispatched to arrest Riley. After allowing Riley enough time to dress, the Deputy entered his room to find that Riley had escaped and was now on the run.<sup>22</sup>

## 1896

- Frank Button returned as Principal of Morehead Normal School.<sup>23</sup>

## 1897

- Wilson James Henry assisted in the administration of the Morehead Normal School.<sup>24</sup>
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## *Chapter II: 1898-1908*

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### **1898**

- Warren and Rachel Alderson sold fifty acres to the Kentucky Christian Missionary Board for \$225.<sup>1</sup>
- Morehead Normal School applied to the State Board of Education to be able to grant High School Diplomas.<sup>2</sup>

### **1899**

- Morehead Normal School was granted the authority to grant high school diplomas.<sup>3</sup>
- Frank Button leaves both of his positions in town to further his ministerial work.<sup>4</sup>
- John South Hawkins was elected to be Principal of Morehead Normal School after the resignation of Button.<sup>5</sup>

### **1900**

- The Women's Board of Missions took control of the Morehead Normal School from the Kentucky Christian Missionary Society.<sup>6</sup>
- 217 students enrolled at Morehead Normal School.<sup>7</sup>
- Students were paid five cents an hour for housework or cleaning school buildings to supplement their tuition.<sup>8</sup>
- Discussions took place to consolidate the Hazel Green Academy and the Morehead Normal School after the Hazel Green Academy was destroyed by fire.<sup>9</sup>
- Frank Button assumed the pastorship of the Little Rock Christian Church in Bourbon County.<sup>10</sup>
- Frank Button reassumed the Principalship of Morehead Normal School.<sup>11</sup>

### **1901**

- 284 students were enrolled at Morehead Normal School.<sup>12</sup>
- The Kentucky Christian Woman's Board of Missions approved a new stone and brick building to be built at Morehead Normal School.<sup>13</sup>
- A course in Psychology began to be offered at Morehead Normal School.<sup>14</sup>

- Principal Button promoted a local election on the issue of saloons operating in the county. Faculty and Students at Morehead Normal School lobbied for citizens to vote against saloons in Rowan County.<sup>15</sup>
- Construction began on what would become Burgess Hall.<sup>16</sup>
- 284 students attended Morehead Normal School.<sup>17</sup>

## 1902

- Burgess Hall was named after Nancy J. Burgess was completed. Burgess Hall cost \$10,000 to build and was dedicated on November 29. Governor William Beckham spoke at the dedication. Burgess was the former president of the Christian Women's Board of Ministries and died that year after a lengthy illness. Burgess Hall served as the administration building, auditorium, library, bookstore, and President's residence.<sup>18</sup>
- Seven students graduated from the Normal School with a diploma.<sup>19</sup>
- The Eastern Kentucky Christians' convention was held in Morehead.<sup>20</sup>
- 310 students attended Morehead Normal School.<sup>21</sup>
- Allie Young became a member of the advisory board to the Women's Board of Missions for Morehead Normal School.<sup>22</sup>

## 1903

- The Bracken Academy (not to be confused with the Bracken Academy of Augusta, Kentucky,) a Baptist school, opened in Morehead on January 5.<sup>23</sup>
- The only international student to attend Morehead Normal School was from Nova Scotia, Canada, and attended in this year.<sup>24</sup>
- 406 students attended Morehead Normal School for the 1903-04 school year.<sup>25</sup>
- No students graduated from Morehead Normal School this year.<sup>26</sup>
- Hargis and Hodson Halls were enlarged. Hargis Hall had three classrooms added and Hodson Hall had its residence capacity doubled.<sup>27</sup>

## 1904

- The 1904-05 school year saw 363 students attended Morehead Normal School.<sup>28</sup>
- Nine students graduate from Morehead Normal School.<sup>29</sup>
- A broom factory, farm, and printing plant were established to provide jobs for students who need to supplement their tuition, this was also done to raise additional money for the Morehead Normal School.<sup>30</sup>

- Morehead Normal School opened “academies” in Rodburn, and Brady near Morehead, as well as in Willard and Soldier in Carter County. The Soldier Academy was known as the Neal Academy. These schools were run by high school seniors from the normal school, a practice which was also common, with supervision, in the Morehead Normal School proper. None of the auxiliary schools were successful. Jessie Spencer as the principal of the Neal Academy.<sup>31</sup>
- Another local option election was held due to the efforts of Button. Students and faculty once again lobby for the closing of saloons.<sup>32</sup>
- A course in German was taught at the Morehead Normal School.<sup>33</sup>

## 1905

- Enrollment rose to 447 for the 1905-1906 year.<sup>34</sup>
  - Three students graduate from Morehead Normal School.<sup>35</sup>
  - The schools in Rodburn and Willard close. A new school was opened in Stark, a small community in Elliot County.<sup>36</sup>
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## *Chapter III: 1909-1919*

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### **1906**

- 1906-1907 school year saw 519 students attend Morehead Normal School.<sup>1</sup>
- Morehead Normal School conferred eleven diplomas.<sup>2</sup>
- A- men's dormitory was completed and dedicated in honor of William Temple Withers. Withers Hall was dedicated on October 25.<sup>3</sup>
- The Stark school closed, and one was opened in Leadingham, a small community near the Louisville Fire Brick Company in Fireclay, (later renamed Grahn) Carter County.<sup>4</sup>
- The men residing in Burgess and Button Halls formed a student senate.<sup>5</sup>

### **1907**

- Morehead Normal School had 584 students enrolled.<sup>6</sup>
- Seven students earned diplomas from the Morehead Normal School this year.<sup>7</sup>
- Tuition was one dollar a month for general education, seven dollars for bookkeeping majors, and seven dollars and fifty-eight cents for stenography. Housing was two dollars a week.<sup>8</sup>
- The Department of Domestic Science was established. The department offered courses on housekeeping free of charge.<sup>9</sup>
- Frank Button became the interim Principal of the Beckley Institute in Beckley, West Virginia. Cora Wilson Stewart served as Principal in his stead.<sup>10</sup>
- Morehead Normal School added a Department of Telegraphy headed by Carl Clayton.<sup>11</sup>

### **1908**

- 377 students were enrolled at Morehead Normal School for the school year.<sup>12</sup>
- Six students graduate from the Normal School.<sup>13</sup>
- Morehead Normal School eliminated its German language course.<sup>14</sup>
- The Leadingham School closed.<sup>15</sup>

## 1909

- 1909 Morehead Normal School had ten faculty.<sup>16</sup>
- Over five hundred students attended Morehead Normal School.<sup>17</sup>
- Five students were granted degrees.<sup>18</sup>
- The grounds and facilities of Morehead Normal School were valued at \$35,000.<sup>19</sup>
- Cora Wilson Stewart joined the advisory board of the Morehead Normal School.<sup>20</sup>

## 1910

- Rowan County opened two elementary schools and a high school. This led to a permanent downtrend in enrollment for the Morehead Normal School.<sup>21</sup>
- Sixteen students graduated from Morehead Normal School. This was the largest graduating class while under the Christian Woman's Board of Ministries.<sup>22</sup>
- Morehead Normal School had ten faculty members.<sup>23</sup>
- 455 students attended Morehead Normal School for the 1910-11 school year.<sup>24</sup>
- Goldie Cantrell was expelled from Morehead Normal School. Cantrell had for being disguised as a male while attending Morehead Normal School. Before being discovered she was at the top of her class while maintaining a job.<sup>25</sup>

## 1911

- Frank Button left the Morehead Normal School for the second time.<sup>26</sup>
- 179 students attended the Normal School for the 1911 school year.
- Seventy-two students graduated from the Morehead Normal School between 1887 and 1911. Morehead Normal School had the highest number of graduates out of the five schools run by the American Christian Missionary Society up to that point.<sup>27</sup>
- Eight students received teaching degrees from Morehead Normal School.<sup>28</sup>
- The broom factory, farm, and printer were sold.<sup>29</sup>
- The Manual Training Department was established offering a woodworking class. The class cost \$1 for students.<sup>30</sup>
- Cora Wilson Stewart began her war against illiteracy in Kentucky via the Moonlight Schools. Stewart was formerly a teacher at Morehead Normal School and many teachers, students, and alumni of Morehead Normal School participated in the program.<sup>31</sup>

## 1912

- Morehead Normal School granted ten students diplomas.<sup>32</sup>
- The Manual Training Department was discontinued.<sup>33</sup>

## 1913

- J. Wesley Hatcher was appointed Principal of Morehead Normal School.<sup>34</sup>
- Morehead Normal School had ten faculty.<sup>35</sup>
- There was an enrollment of three hundred students at Morehead Normal School.<sup>36</sup>
- Tuition and Board was \$90 for the year<sup>37</sup>
- Eight teachers graduated from the Morehead Normal School.<sup>38</sup>

## 1914

- Enrollment reaches 351.<sup>39</sup>
- The 1913-1914 school year tied the 1905-1906 school year for second most graduates.<sup>40</sup>
- The High School portion of Morehead Normal School became accredited to grant diplomas by the Kentucky Department of Education.<sup>41</sup>
- Kentucky creates an Illiteracy Commission to put Moonlight Schools in every county due to the success of Cora Wilson Stewart's program in Rowan County.<sup>42</sup>

## 1915

- There were ten members of the faculty at Morehead Normal School.<sup>43</sup>
- 351 students attended the Normal School that year.<sup>44</sup>
- Tuition and Board was \$90 for the year.<sup>45</sup>
- No students received teaching certificates this year.<sup>46</sup>
- Morehead Normal School achieves "Class A" accreditation due to having three-fourths or more of its teachers having a college degree.<sup>47</sup>

## 1916

- 252 students were enrolled during the school year.<sup>48</sup>
- Five students were conferred teaching certificates from Morehead Normal School.<sup>49</sup>



## 1917

- 270 students attended Morehead Normal School.<sup>50</sup>
- Morehead Normal School granted five students teaching degrees.<sup>51</sup>

## 1918

- Rumors of Principal J. Wesley Hatcher's pro-German stance on the war begin circulating. Causing a controversy in the area leading to Hatcher's resignation in 1919.<sup>52</sup>
- Morehead Normal School closed for three months due to the Spanish Flu.<sup>53</sup>
- Despite America's entrance into the First World War, Morehead Normal School graduated five students.<sup>54</sup>
- The Home Economics Department was abolished.<sup>55</sup>

## 1919

- J. Wesley Hatcher left Morehead Normal School and W. O. Lappin took over as Principal.<sup>56</sup>
  - Four students graduated from Morehead Normal School as teachers.<sup>57</sup>
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## *Chapter IV: 1920-1922*

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### **1920**

- Morehead Normal School graduated five teachers.<sup>1</sup>
- The Kentucky Educational Commission recommended two additional state Normal Schools be established to supplement the ones in Bowling Green and Richmond.<sup>2</sup>
- Deeding the grounds and facilities of Morehead Normal School to the state was discussed.<sup>3</sup>

### **1921**

- Enrollment for the 1921-1922 school year was 143.<sup>4</sup>
- Morehead Normal School stopped teaching first through sixth grades due to low enrollment.<sup>5</sup>
- No teacher graduated from Morehead Normal School during the 1920-1921 school year.<sup>6</sup>

### **1922**

- A petition was sent to the General Assembly to establish a state normal school in Morehead.<sup>7</sup>
- Morehead Normal School held its last commencement on May 19, and the final diplomas granted by the Christian School were granted to Christine Eleanor Gearhart, Mary Edward Riley, and Frances Hildreth Maggard.<sup>8</sup>
- County and State Certification Courses for teachers were no longer offered by the Normal School.<sup>9</sup>
- Morehead Normal School closed its doors.<sup>10</sup>
- On August 4, the State Normal School Commission visited the site of the former Morehead Normal School in Morehead.<sup>11</sup>
- On August 13, the old Normal School site was selected as the location of the eastern normal school. The commission decided on the name Morehead State Normal School to distinguish it from Eastern State Normal School and Teachers College.<sup>12</sup>
- On November 22, the state of Kentucky designated the town of Morehead as the site of the State Normal School for Eastern Kentucky, when W. S. Wallen changed his vote from Paintsville to Morehead after months of gridlock. In response to Morehead's selection as the location of a new state school prominent citizens of the Big Sandy Valley

protested the decision. The commission decided on the name Morehead to distinguish it from Eastern State Normal School and Teachers College.<sup>13</sup>

- Morehead State Normal School established football and baseball programs.<sup>14</sup>
  - \$30,000 was given to Morehead State Normal School by the State for maintenance.<sup>15</sup>
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## Chapter V: 1923-1926

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### 1923

- On September 1<sup>st</sup> Frank C. Button was appointed the first President of Morehead State Normal School by the Kentucky State Board of Education.<sup>1</sup>
- Charles Lewis became the first Academic Dean and Teacher of Education at Morehead State Normal School on September 2. Lewis hired Faith Humphrey as the head of the English Department, Dan M. Holbrook as the Department of Mathematics head, C. O. Peratt as the head of Science and Agriculture, Evelyn Royalty to lead the department of Expression, Emma Shader as the Director of Music, and Willie Mae Wilson as the Dean of Women.<sup>2</sup>
- Fall enrollment for college-level courses was twenty-three.<sup>3</sup>
- On August 13, the old Normal School site was accepted by the Normal School Commission for the location of the eastern Normal school. Levy and Levy, an architect firm valued the property between \$100,000 and \$150,000.
- On September 24, Morehead State Normal School officially opened its doors, with a faculty of nine and less than one hundred students for the fall semester.<sup>4</sup>
- Morehead State Normal School enrolled seventy-three students in its first semester.<sup>5</sup>
- Professor H. C. Haggan became head of the science department.<sup>6</sup>
- An estimated crowd of 3,000 attended Morehead State Normal School's opening ceremony.<sup>7</sup>
- A \$30,000 budget was given to Morehead State Normal School by the State for maintenance.<sup>8</sup>
- Enrollment for the 1923-1924 school year was 238 students between the college and normal school.<sup>9</sup>
- The Button Society and the James Lane Allen Society, both literary societies, were established.<sup>10</sup>

### 1924

- Morehead State Normal School was authorized by the Kentucky Legislature to grant "College Elementary," "Standard" and "College" certificates.<sup>11</sup>
- The Kentucky General Assembly transferred control of Morehead State Normal School from the State Board of Education to a four-member Board of Regents. The Board was composed of McHenry Rhoads, the Chairman and State Superintendent of Public



Instruction, Allie W. Young, State Senator, Dora Fields, the Governor's Wife, James B. Clark, and E. W. Pendleton. Young and Fields were appointed to four-year terms while the others were appointed for two years.<sup>12</sup>

- \$200,000 was appropriated by the state for Morehead State Normal School for buildings, grounds, and other purposes. \$75,000 was appropriated for central heating and a power plant and \$175,000 was appropriated to build and furnish a girl's dormitory.<sup>13</sup>
- A debate society was established.<sup>14</sup>
- The YMCA and YWCA were organized during the summer.<sup>15</sup>
- The school's colors were royal purple and gold.<sup>16</sup>
- Morehead State Normal School began collecting records for its baseball program.<sup>17</sup>
- College enrollment was 103<sup>18</sup>
- Warren C. Lappin joined Morehead State Normal School as a Baseball Coach.<sup>19</sup>
- On June 7, seventy-two students graduated at Morehead State Normal School's first commencement. One student, Jaine F. Caudill, graduated from Morehead State Normal School, graduating with the equivalent education of a junior college. Caudill died six years later at the Guerrant Clinic after being treated for appendicitis.<sup>20</sup>
- 162 Students enrolled in summer courses.<sup>21</sup>
- 493 students attended Morehead State Normal School for the 1924-25 school year.<sup>22</sup>
- Morehead State Normal School was authorized by the Kentucky Legislature to grant "College Elementary," "Standard" and "College" certificates.
- Through the efforts of Allie Young, Morehead State Normal School was appropriated \$400,000.00 throughout the year. \$132,927.00 was appropriated in December for maintenance.<sup>23</sup>
- The Drama Club was founded in October.<sup>24</sup>

## 1925

- Fall enrollment was 150<sup>25</sup>
- Kentucky gives the Morehead State Normal School \$364,967.73 for maintenance, buildings, grounds, and other expenses.<sup>26</sup>
- Four students graduated from Morehead State Normal School with two-year degrees.<sup>27</sup>
- The *Eastern Kentucky Educator*, predecessor to the *Trail Blazer* was published for the first time.<sup>28</sup>
- 771 students were enrolled between the normal school and the college.<sup>29</sup>
- Morehead State Normal School's property was valued at \$528,537.82.<sup>30</sup>

# 1926

- The General Assembly changed the name of Morehead State Normal School to the Morehead State Normal School and Teachers College, they also granted Morehead State Normal School and Teachers College the ability to grant four-year college degrees.<sup>31</sup>
  - Morehead State Normal School and Teachers College was granted \$340,866.12 by the state for operating costs.<sup>32</sup>
  - The administration building (later named Rader Hall) finished construction and originally housed the offices for administration and faculty, classrooms, the library, a post office, and the bookstore.<sup>33</sup> The cost of construction was \$150,000.<sup>34</sup>
  - Allie Young Hall was completed. Allie Young Hall was then used as a women's dormitory. The hall cost to build \$175,000.<sup>35</sup>
  - Morehead State Normal School published the school's news in the *Rowan County News* due to a lack of funds for a school newspaper.<sup>36</sup>
  - 293 students attended summer school.<sup>37</sup>
  - E. W. Senff was appointed to the Board of Regents by Governor William Fields.<sup>38</sup>
  - Eunice Ellis wins the naming competition for Morehead State Normal School and Teachers College's athletic teams with the name "Bald Eagles," that same night "Come On, You Old Bald Eagles" was selected as the school song.<sup>39</sup>
  - The Board of Regents passed a resolution requiring the department heads to have master's degrees or Doctorates and all faculty to have bachelor's degrees by the fall of 1930. Leave of absence would be granted if any faculty needed them to obtain a sufficient degree.<sup>40</sup>
  - Fall enrollment was 255<sup>41</sup>
  - 746 students attended Morehead State Normal School and Teachers College between the Normal School and Teachers College for the 1926-1927 school year.<sup>42</sup>
  - Thirteen students graduated with a two-year degree.<sup>43</sup>
  - Andrew Estreem became the first professor with a Doctorate to teach at Morehead State Normal School and Teacher's College.<sup>44</sup>
  - The Carter County Club was established.<sup>45</sup>
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## Chapter VI

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### 1927

- Students brought a petition to President Button and the Board of Regents. They claimed that Morehead State Normal School and Teacher's College were charging too much for upkeep and cafeteria prices were too high. But President Button's hands were "tied by an unknown force." Button instead asked for registration fees to be appropriated for student activities, scholastic rather than athletic scholarships, a more equal distribution of funds for girls and boys and a school doctor.<sup>1</sup>
- Morehead State Teacher's College graduated its first class to receive bachelor's degrees were granted to S. M. Hunt, C. D. Mayes, and Russell Williamson, respectively.<sup>2</sup>
- A rule against smoking on campus was instituted. Smoking was only allowed on University Boulevard or in a men's dormitory.<sup>3</sup>
- The Morehead State Normal School and Teacher's College began collecting records for its Football program.<sup>4</sup>
- Thompson Hall finished construction. Thompson Hall was named after James H. Thompson and served as a men's dorm.<sup>5</sup>
- Fields Hall, a women's dormitory, opened. Fields Hall was named in honor of Dora Fields, one of the original members of Morehead State Normal School's Board of Regents and the first female Regent.<sup>6</sup>
- The school's first student lead newspaper, the *More-Head Light*, was established. The first issue was without a title as one had not been determined yet. The staff held a naming contest with a prize of five dollars for the winner, with Mrs. Picket M. Snedegar winning.<sup>7</sup>
- The first college yearbook was published.<sup>8</sup>
- Fall enrollment was 112 for the college.<sup>9</sup>
- \$381,940.75 was given to Morehead State Normal School and Teachers College by the state.<sup>10</sup>
- Fourteen students received two-year degrees.<sup>11</sup>
- Eighteen students received provisional elementary certificates.<sup>12</sup>
- 513 students attended summer school.<sup>13</sup>
- Enrollment at Morehead State Normal School and Teachers College had 863 students enrolled for the 1927-28 school year.<sup>14</sup>
- Fields Hall finished construction. It was to serve as housing for 165 women.<sup>15</sup>

- On May 30, a severe flood struck Morehead and the surrounding communities. At least eight houses were either destroyed or damaged and six businesses flooded. The flood reached Main Street and severed Railroad-Road Street, Fairbanks Street, Mill Street, and Carey Avenue. Flooding destroyed many crops and killed a large amount of the livestock held by Morehead's citizens.<sup>16</sup>

## 1928

- Morehead State Normal School and Teacher's College was made a member of the Kentucky College Association. Dean Jay Chambers was appointed as a director of the Kentucky College Association.<sup>17</sup>
- The Morehead College Debating Club was organized. Members of the college's varsity formed the "M" club teams. Membership was open to any varsity athlete. Two *Bible* discussion groups form on campus. The Carter County Club was newly organized.<sup>18</sup>
- On February 8, the college band performed its first concert.<sup>19</sup>
- Students from Magoffin County formed the Magoffin County Club on February 11.<sup>20</sup>
- Morehead State added a basketball program.<sup>21</sup>
- \$125,000 was granted to Morehead State Normal School and Teacher's College to construct and furnish either a training school or library. This amount was part of the \$250,000 that Allie Young helped secure for the school from the General Assembly. Governor Flem D. Sampson delivered an address at the Rowan County Courthouse.<sup>22</sup>
- The new men's dormitory, Thomson Hall finished construction. Thomson Hall was named after James H. Thompson, Speaker of the Kentucky House of Representatives. Thompson selected five of the members of the State Normal School Commission that chose Morehead for the site of the State Normal School. The five members selected by Thompson selected Murray and Morehead as sites for the State Normal Schools. Thomson Hall cost \$160,000 to build.<sup>23</sup>
- The new women's dormitory Fields Hall opened. Fields Hall was named in honor of Dora Fields, one of the original members of Morehead State Normal School's Board of Regents and the first female Regent, as well as Governor William Fields' wife. The construction of Fields Hall cost \$160,000.<sup>24</sup>
- Morehead State Normal School and Teacher's College added a basketball program.<sup>25</sup>
- Morehead State Normal School and Teacher's College became a member of the West Virginia Athletic Conference.<sup>26</sup>
- The President's Home and the Auditorium were built, at a combined cost of \$200,000.<sup>27</sup>
- Morehead State Normal School and Teacher's College held its first homecoming, sponsored by the "M" club.<sup>28</sup>
- Fall enrollment was 130<sup>29</sup>
- Morehead State Normal School and Teacher's College was given \$361,502 by the state for operation.<sup>30</sup>

- Twenty-four students graduated with a two-year degree and six graduated with four-year degrees.<sup>31</sup>
- 188 students received provisional elementary certificates.<sup>32</sup>
- Harvey Babb was employed to teach summer school during the summer school session.<sup>33</sup>
- Summer school had 574 students.<sup>34</sup>
- John Howard Payne, was offered and declined the position of Dean at the Morehead State Normal School and Teacher's College.<sup>35</sup>
- 788 students attended both the Teacher's College and State Normal School for the 1928-1929 school year.<sup>36</sup>

## 1929

- The McVey Report was issued due to Morehead State Normal School and Teacher's College's attempt to gain accreditation. The report resulted in the resignation of President Button and the dismissal of sixteen faculty members.<sup>37</sup> President Button resigned on July 24. His resignation took effect September 1. He continued to serve as the chaplain and assistant field representative until his death.<sup>38</sup>
- John Howard Payne was appointed President of Morehead State Normal School and Teacher's College by the Board of Regents. Payne had previously served as the Superintendent of Schools in Maysville, Kentucky.<sup>39</sup>
- More students enrolled in the college than the high school at Morehead State Normal School and Teacher's College for the first time.<sup>40</sup>
- 788 students enrolled at Morehead State Normal School and Teacher's College.<sup>41</sup>
- *The More-Head Light* was renamed to *The Trail Blazer*.<sup>42</sup>
- Burgess Hall was torn down to make room for the library.<sup>43</sup>
- Fall enrollment was 127<sup>44</sup>
- \$375,726 was given to Morehead State Normal School and Teacher's College by the state.<sup>45</sup>
- Eleven students graduated with two-year degrees and three received four-year degrees.<sup>46</sup>
- 141 students received provisional elementary certificates.<sup>47</sup>
- 671 students attended Morehead State Normal School and Teacher's College for summer school.<sup>48</sup>
- 846 students attended Morehead State Normal School and Teacher's College for the 1929-1930 school year. This was the first--year college enrollment surpassed enrollment in the normal school.<sup>49</sup>
- Students formed the Quill Club for those interested in writing on October 16.<sup>50</sup>



# 1930

- The Morehead State Teachers College's buildings, grounds and equipment were valued at \$1,185,186.<sup>51</sup>
  - On April 21, the cornerstone for the Breckenridge Training School was laid on April 21.<sup>52</sup>
  - Morehead State Normal School and Teacher's College became Morehead State Teachers College by act of the General Assembly.<sup>53</sup>
  - President John Payne was inaugurated as Morehead State Teachers College's second President. Robert Maynard Hutchins, the President of the University of Chicago and noted educational theorist was the keynote speaker of the inauguration ceremonies.<sup>54</sup>
  - Button was named President Emeritus of Morehead State Teachers College.<sup>55</sup>
  - The State gives the college \$281,351 for operating costs.<sup>56</sup>
  - Morehead State Teachers College receives accreditation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools in December.<sup>57</sup>
  - Fall enrollment was 215<sup>58</sup>
  - Thirty-nine students received two-year degrees and eleven students received four-year degrees. Three received four-year degrees in the spring and eight received them in the summer.<sup>59</sup>
  - 226 students received provisional elementary certificates.<sup>60</sup>
  - 752 students attended summer school.<sup>61</sup>
  - 976 students attended Morehead State Teachers College for the 1930-1931 school year.<sup>62</sup>
  - The Johnson Camden Library (Now Camden-Carroll Library) finished construction costing \$175,000. The library was named after U. S. Senator Johnson Camden.<sup>63</sup>
  - The Kentucky Legislature gives \$406,350.79 to Morehead State Teachers College.<sup>64</sup>
  - Jayne Memorial Stadium was constructed at a cost of \$35,000.<sup>65</sup>
  - Morehead State Teachers College offered a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree without a teaching certificate.<sup>66</sup>
  - Judge Earl W. Senff left the Board of Regents.<sup>67</sup>
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## Chapter VII

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### 1931

- On January 7, the Drama Club reorganizes and was renamed the Revelers.<sup>1</sup>
- The Board of Regents named the new stadium “Jayne Memorial Stadium” after Professor W. L. Jayne, a faculty member at Morehead State Teachers College until his death in 1930 on January 22.
- The Johnson Camden Library opened.<sup>2</sup>
- Thompson Hall formed a student Council.<sup>3</sup>
- On October 22 the Board of Regents approved buying almost four acres directly east of the Breckinridge Training School.<sup>4</sup>
- Morehead State Teachers College completed the construction of the Breckinridge Training School. Its construction cost \$225,000. The Breckinridge Training School was named after the Sixth State Superintendent of Kentucky Robert J. Breckinridge.<sup>5</sup>
- The American Association of Teachers Colleges admitted Morehead State Teachers College.<sup>6</sup>
- The Board of Regents required students to buy a minimum of seven meal tickets for each nine-week period due to expenses associated with the Great Depression. Meal tickets cost five dollars each.<sup>7</sup>
- Fall enrollment was 307<sup>8</sup>
- Fifty-one students graduated with two-year degrees and sixteen receive four-year degrees. Nine received four-year degrees that spring and seven did that summer.<sup>9</sup>
- 848 students attended summer school.<sup>10</sup>
- \$365,378.71 was given to Morehead State Teachers College by the state to cover operating costs.<sup>11</sup>

### 1932

- In June, the Board of Regents cut the pay of all faculty making over \$100 a month by 10% because of the Great Depression.<sup>12</sup>
- Fall enrollment was 417<sup>13</sup>
- On November 22, The Welsh Imperial Singers performed at Morehead State Teachers College.<sup>14</sup>

- The Board of Regents sold used chairs, water heaters, and gas engines to obtain funds to continue operating Morehead State Teachers College.<sup>15</sup>
- Friday nights in November became formal nights. A theater was installed in the auditorium, allowing students to watch films with sound.<sup>16</sup>
- A bill was introduced to the Kentucky General Assembly to close Morehead State Teachers College re-establish it as a mental hospital.<sup>17</sup>
- The Board of Regents required all bad checks to be collected by the administration and for the administration to no longer accept checks.<sup>18</sup>
- The Normal School portion of the Teachers College was closed.<sup>19</sup>
- The Kentucky General Assembly granted \$196,059.99 to Morehead State Teachers College to continue operations.<sup>20</sup>
- The Senff Natatorium was constructed, at a cost of \$55,000. It was named after former Regent Earl Senff.<sup>21</sup>
- The Board of Regents passed a motion to not hold summer school in 1933.<sup>22</sup>
- Morehead State Teachers College awarded twenty-nine four-year degrees. 14 received four-year degrees that spring and fifteen did that summer.<sup>23</sup>
- Unsigned articles began appearing on bulletin boards in the administration building. The articles express student grievances about the school. In the March 24 issue of the *Trailblazer* an article was published with the grievances. The grievances focused on the school's cafeteria, including complaints about prices and sanitation.<sup>24</sup>
- Judge Senff rejoins the Board of Regents.<sup>25</sup>

## 1933

- In January faculty, moved by student financial problems resulting from the Depression, go on the record and ask that public education in the state be free or that Kentucky residents be exempt from tuition.<sup>26</sup>
- The Board repeals the 1932 resolution to not hold summer school for summer of 1933 in March.<sup>27</sup>
- Faculty of Morehead State go on record in January advocating for free public education in Kentucky. This was motivated in large part by the financial woes of the student body caused by the Depression.<sup>28</sup>
- In November, the Morehead-Flemingsburg Road was completed and named after Allie Young.<sup>29</sup>
- On December 9 President Payne was granted a four-year extension on his contract. Under Payne enrollment increased by more than double, and the number of Doctorate holding faculty doubled.<sup>30</sup>
- Morehead State Teachers College was admitted to the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association on December 11.<sup>31</sup>

- Construction for the heating plant located between the south fork of Triplet Creek and the Chesapeake & Ohio Rail-Road began.<sup>32</sup>
- Kentucky granted Morehead State Teachers College \$175,360 for operating costs.<sup>33</sup>
- Founder and first President of Morehead State Teachers College Frank C. Button died. He was buried in Lee Cemetery.<sup>34</sup>
- Fall enrollment was 437<sup>35</sup>
- \$175,360 was granted to the college by the legislature.<sup>36</sup>
- Morehead State Teachers College awarded forty-one four-year degrees. Twenty-two received four-year degrees that spring and twenty-one did that summer.<sup>37</sup>
- 2,000 trees were planted on the hilly portion of Morehead State Teachers College's campus under the direction of Professor Henry C. Haggan with labor provided by students of the agricultural department and volunteers.<sup>38</sup>
- A motion picture was made of the students and grounds of Morehead State Teachers College by the Universal Film Company.<sup>39</sup>
- The Senff Natatorium is completed and named after Regent Earl Senff.<sup>40</sup>

## 1934

- Residents of Fields Hall residents formed a student council in January.<sup>41</sup>
- In January, the Campus Club was formed.<sup>42</sup>
- Morehead State Teachers College began planning for a track team.<sup>43</sup>
- The Public Works Administration approved \$460,000 for the construction of a science building and a dormitory for men.<sup>44</sup>
- The Morehead Foundation was established to provide loans for students.<sup>45</sup>
- Frances Harper kidnapped Henry Haggan and his eight-year-old daughter Mary, releasing them later without harm. Harper was an escaped prisoner from Joliet, Illinois and wanted in Nebraska on a Federal warrant for bank robbery. Frances Harper, an escaped prisoner from Joliet, Illinois kidnapped and carjacked Professor Henry Clay Haggan and his -- daughter Mary Haggan. Haggan and his daughter were forced into their car by Harper at gunpoint; Harper then had Haggan drive him approximately six miles to Bluestone, Kentucky. He then kicked the Haggan's out of the car at a gas station after paying for Haggan's gas. Harper then headed in the direction of Flemingsburg to go to Maysville and attempt to cross the Ohio River. He was later apprehended in Flemingsburg after he was pulled over by the police, he was then sent to jail in Lexington.<sup>46</sup>
- Professor of History Arthur Lloyd was accused of leading a campaign to get students to vote illegally in Morehead for the opponent of Judge Daniel Boone Caudill for Circuit Judge.<sup>47</sup>
- Fall enrollment was 625.<sup>48</sup>



- The General Assembly gives \$194,000 to Morehead State Teachers College for operation.<sup>49</sup>
- Morehead State Teachers College awarded sixty-four four-year degrees. Twenty-eight received four-year degrees that spring and thirty-six did that summer.<sup>50</sup>

## 1935

- President Payne was dismissed by the Board of Regents on September 30. Later in the year he was admitted to Eastern State Mental Hospital after being judged insane.<sup>51</sup>
- 840 students enrolled in the Teachers College.<sup>52</sup>
- An instrumental force in the establishment of Morehead State Teachers College, Judge Allie Young, died on February 18. Young laid in state in the Morehead State Teachers College auditorium and his funeral was held there.<sup>53</sup>
- Fall enrollment was 519.<sup>54</sup>
- Harvey A. Babb was appointed as the third president of Morehead State Teachers College on October 7. Dean William Vaughn served as the acting president in between Payne's resignation and Babb's appointment.<sup>55</sup>
- The Board of Regents increased the enrollment fee from \$15 to \$25.
- \$194,000 was given to Morehead State Teachers College for operation.<sup>56</sup>
- Morehead State Teachers College awarded sixty-eight four-year degrees. Thirty receive four-year degrees that spring and thirty-eight receive degrees that summer.<sup>57</sup>

## 1936

- The football team sets the record for most ties in a single season at 2.<sup>58</sup>
- Tim Wyant set records that still stand eighty-six years later for longest punt return and longest punt return for Touch Down at 99 yards during the Morehead State Teachers College vs the Eastern Kentucky State Teachers College game.<sup>59</sup>
- Harvey Babb was inaugurated as Morehead State Teachers College's third President on May 5.<sup>60</sup>
- Fall enrollment was 471.<sup>61</sup>
- The Campus Club buys the "Hawg Rifle" to present to the winner of annual football game with Eastern Kentucky State Teachers College.<sup>62</sup>
- Morehead State Teachers College receives \$180,000 for operations from the state legislature.<sup>63</sup>
- Morehead State Teachers College awarded seventy-one four-year degrees. Thirty receive four-year degrees that spring and forty-one receive degrees that summer.<sup>64</sup>

- President Babb was the first president to live in the President's House on campus. The Presidents of the University would live there for almost eighty years.<sup>65</sup>

## 1937

- The football team sets the record for the longest winning streak during the 1936-1937 season at eleven.<sup>66</sup>
- The heating plant finished construction.<sup>67</sup>
- The Science Building (Later named Lappin Hall) finished construction. The Science Building cost \$260,000 to build.<sup>68</sup>
- Fall enrollment was 490.<sup>69</sup>
- Morehead State Teachers College received \$180,000 for operations from the State Legislature.<sup>70</sup>
- Morehead State Teachers College awarded seventy-eight four-year degrees. Twenty-eight received four-year degrees that spring and fifty degrees are awarded that summer.<sup>71</sup>
- A men's dorm (later named May's Hall) was built.<sup>72</sup>
- The methyl alcohol tragedy occurred. Three died and three were injured after they mistakenly drank methyl alcohol thinking it was grain alcohol. One man was blinded.<sup>73</sup>

## 1938

- The football team sets the eighty -four-year-old record of fewest points allowed in a season at 14.<sup>74</sup>
- Jug Varney captured the record for most Touch Downs scored in a single game. Scoring five during the Morehead State Teachers College vs Holbrook game.<sup>75</sup>
- The East Men's Hall, which began construction in 1934 was completed at a cost of \$200,000.<sup>76</sup>
- A road was paved from the Breckinridge Training School to US 60.<sup>77</sup>
- After an investigation of the Babb administration headed by the Attorney General Hubert Meredith. The Board of Regents gave Babb a vote of confidence stating the charges were unfounded and politically motivated. The Board transferred Babb's right to appoint faculty to department heads due to negative publicity generated.<sup>78</sup>
- Fall enrollment was 611<sup>79</sup>
- Kentucky granted \$194,000 to the college for operation costs.<sup>80</sup>
- Eighty-seven four-year degrees were awarded by Morehead State Teachers College. Thirty-five received four-year degrees that spring and fifty-two degrees were awarded in the summer.<sup>81</sup>

## 1939

- \$193,000 was given to the college by the state to cover operating costs.<sup>82</sup>
- A flash flood killed twenty-six people in Morehead.<sup>83</sup>
- A student protest is conducted when students marched to the president's residence. The students were protesting the dismissal of popular faculty and staff by marching to the president's home. The protest was disbanded when President Babb promised to meet with the students the following morning. The next morning President Babb dismissed the students before hearing any of their complaints. One of the students, James Stuart informed the President and Students that he and five others were heading to Frankfort to meet with Governor A. B “Happy” Chandler the next day. Before the end of the meeting Dean Clarence Nickell and President Babb got into a heated exchange. The next day, three hundred of Morehead’s students, faculty and staff traveled to Frankfort. Governor Chandler agreed to meet with the Board of Regents and the State Superintendent of Education to discuss President Babb, which led to his removal.<sup>84</sup>
- Fall enrollment was 589<sup>85</sup>
- 111 four-year degrees were awarded by Morehead State Teachers College. Forty-six four-year degrees were awarded that spring and sixty-five degrees were awarded that summer.<sup>86</sup>

## 1940

- William H. Vaughn was named Morehead State Teachers College’s fourth president.<sup>87</sup>
- Commerce was added as a course at Morehead State Teachers College.<sup>88</sup>
- An amateur radio station was constructed at Morehead State Teachers College.<sup>89</sup>
- Fall enrollment was 588.<sup>90</sup>

## 1941

- Governor Keen Johnson spoke at Morehead State Teachers College for “American Day.”<sup>91</sup>
  - The Morehead State Eagles won against Rio Grande in Football 104-0.<sup>92</sup>
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## Chapter VIII

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### 1942

- Enrollment declined in the second semester due to World War II but remained constant when compared to before the war.<sup>1</sup>
- A defense-stamp drive was held at Morehead State Teachers College.<sup>2</sup>
- No-Yong Park, noted lecturer on eastern studies, spoke at Morehead State Teachers College.<sup>3</sup> Park was a Korean born refugee who fled after 1919 due to his political activities against Japanese occupation after the invasion of Korea.<sup>4</sup>
- Morehead State Teachers College offered a prep course for men and women for civilian work in the armed services.<sup>5</sup>
- The Navy Electrical Academy at Morehead State officially opened on August 21. Captain E. A. Lofquist, Chief of Staff of Ninth Naval Training District gave the address, and Lieutenant Commander George Walker administrated the school. Despite training of naval school students already having begun in June.<sup>6</sup>
- The Student Grill was established in the basement of Allie Young Hall to support the Navy school.<sup>7</sup>
- A canteen was also established in the Men's Hall and the basement of Thompson Hall. A barbershop established there as well.<sup>8</sup>
- The first full-sized class of 135 sailors graduated from the Navy Electrical Training Academy on October 31, 1942. A smaller group of had graduated in September.<sup>9</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 298.<sup>10</sup>

### 1943

- Second Lieutenant Miller Ashcraft, a former student, became Morehead State Teacher's College first known casualty of the war. Ashcraft died in a plane crash during a routine exercise.<sup>11</sup>
- Morehead State Teachers College graduate Chester Barnes Pierce was killed in action during the North African Campaign. Barnes received a Purple Heart posthumously.<sup>12</sup>
- Enrollment for new spring quarter increased to almost 300.<sup>13</sup>
- Breckenridge Training School offered Wartime Courses during the summer.<sup>14</sup>
- First Lieutenant Ralph Mussman, a Morehead State graduate, was awarded the Silver Star and the Air Medal for service in the Pacific Theater.<sup>15</sup>

- A significant drought occurs in Morehead, threatening the college's water supply.<sup>16</sup>
- P. G. Krishnayya speaks at Morehead State Teachers College on India and the War.<sup>17</sup>
- First Lieutenant Clyde W. Wooten, a former student, was killed in action in the Pacific theater. First Lieutenant Edmond Farrell, a Morehead State graduate, was killed in a plane crash in the South Pacific around the same time.<sup>18</sup>
- To help alleviate the water shortage one hundred volunteers were gathered to dig a ditch to a streambed near the school from an abandoned mine near Morehead.<sup>19</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 245.<sup>20</sup>

## 1944

- Kenneth J. Volgares, a former student, was killed in a plane crash while serving with the Navy over the Atlantic.<sup>21</sup>
- A Chinese student, Edwin Seh-ung Kwoh appealed to the student body for donations to the World Student Service Organization, an organization sponsoring food aid and assistance in China.<sup>22</sup>
- First Lieutenant William L. Linkous, a former student, was wounded in action in an air raid over Italy and was awarded the Silver Star by the War Department.<sup>23</sup>
- Ivan E. Ball, a junior became the first veteran in the state of Kentucky to be eligible for "G.I." bill benefits, after a medical discharge in November 1943. He had originally attended from February 1939 to July 17, 1941, he had returned to Morehead State Teachers College on June 7.<sup>24</sup>
- The Navy Training School was discontinued at Morehead State Teachers College. Over 4,000 men were trained from June 1942 to the program's conclusion on October 2, 1944. The graduating classes averaged 130 with ~600 students on campus at any given time.<sup>25</sup>
- Rowan County went dry by a 977-vote majority out of 1927 votes in April 1944.<sup>26</sup>
- After the conclusion of the Navy Training School program many married sailors sought temporary quarters on campus.<sup>27</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 326.<sup>28</sup>

## 1945

- A new one-year course in electrical education was offered in the spring at Morehead State Teachers College. An outgrowth of the naval academy.<sup>29</sup>
- The college pool was opened to the public, with a season (75 day) ticket costing \$1.00. A certificate attesting to good health from a doctor was required to enter the pool.<sup>30</sup>
- A former student and a former faculty member worked on the Manhattan Project. Former head of the Chemistry Department of Wayne H. Keller, and former Mathematics major Robert F. Smith worked on the Manhattan Project.<sup>31</sup>

- On February 1st of 1945 it was reported that Rowan County was suffering from severe shortages of coal and natural gas. Conservation of electricity was required.<sup>32</sup>
- The college undertook a project to tabulate the number of homes and cottages for rent in Morehead around early February.<sup>33</sup>
- State patrollers arrived in Morehead on March 8, at the behest of Mayor Watt Prichard. They arrived to help stem the recent crime wave, which had resulted in many break-ins, and several murders.<sup>34</sup>
- Discussions were held in Morehead between the college and the city council on expansion of the city's water supply. As there was only a potential 60-day supply during a drought.<sup>35</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 629.<sup>36</sup>
- Over the course of World War II fourteen former Morehead State Students were Killed in Action. Barnes Pierce, Clyde Wooten, David O. Johnson, David Yaus, D. Stanley Follon, Ed Farrell, George McCullough, Harry M. Jones, Hurston Cordle, Isaac D. Rogers, Kenneth Volgaves, Miller Ashcraft, R. Lee Crowe and Walter Becraft.<sup>37</sup>

## 1946

- The college received housing units for married veterans in March. The application pool was limited due to the college receiving half of the requested units. These units would come to be known as Veteran's Village.<sup>38</sup>
- President Vaughn's contract was allowed to expire. Dean Warren C. Lappin became acting president.<sup>39</sup>
- The largest enrollment in six years was reported for the summer term, at 553 students.<sup>40</sup>
- Students honored Vaughn by singing "oh he's a jolly good fellow" as he left.<sup>41</sup>
- William Jesse Baird was elected president of Morehead State on August 6, 1946. The former president of Berry Schools and College, of Rome, Georgia, and was appointed for a four-year term.<sup>42</sup>
- The first homecoming in five years was held at Morehead State Teachers College in October, and a record crowd was attended.<sup>43</sup>
- Morehead State Teachers College underwent major changes in faculty, with new department heads named in Physics, Chemistry, English, and Business.<sup>44</sup>
- Morehead State Teachers College struggled with finding accreditation for its degrees.<sup>45</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 575.<sup>46</sup>

## 1947

- The Football Team set the record for least rushing yardage allowed at 0 during the Morehead State Teachers College vs Otterbein game.<sup>47</sup>

- The American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education dropped Morehead State Teacher's College on September 1.<sup>48</sup>
- Enrollment for the winter term increased over seventy-six percent compared to the previous four years, with over seventy veterans using GI bill benefits.<sup>49</sup>
- The Morehead State Teachers College Theatre Guild was formally organized in February.<sup>50</sup>
- Fisher, a Morehead State graduate met with Queen Elizabeth of England. The wife of King George VI and mother of the future Queen Elizabeth II<sup>51</sup>
- "The Rock" was donated by one of the graduating classes of Morehead State Teachers College in the early 20th Century. It was used as a gathering spot for outside classes and had to be moved upon the construction of Allie Young Hall.<sup>52</sup>
- With the help of staff from the University an X-Ray clinic was held in Morehead.<sup>53</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 525.<sup>54</sup>
- William H. Keffer, member of the Board of Regents and vice president and director of Ashland Oil and Refining Company, expired from his term early in November.<sup>55</sup>
- The *Trail Blazer*, experienced a paper shortage in December.<sup>56</sup>
- The Newman Club was started.<sup>57</sup>
- A fire destroyed the old powerhouse and many supplies. The fire caused approximately \$30,000 worth of damage to equipment and College property.<sup>58</sup>

## 1948

- Fall Enrollment was 510.<sup>59</sup>
- P.G. Krishnayya, spoke again in February, on Indian relations.<sup>60</sup>
- A class in the Breckinridge Training School on sewing and making clothing helped combat the shortage of available clothing for veterans on campus.<sup>61</sup>
- Mrs. Naomi Claypool was chosen as the Rowan County Art Director.<sup>62</sup>
- Governor Earle C. Clements gave Morehead a new Board of Regents in June of 1948.<sup>63</sup>
- Morehead State Teachers College was renamed Morehead State College.<sup>64</sup>
- Harry S. Truman made a train stop speech to 5,000 in Morehead on October 1, during his campaign for re-election.<sup>65</sup>
- The first campus wide student council was formed in November.<sup>66</sup>
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## Chapter IX

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### 1949

- Fall Enrollment was 603.<sup>1</sup>
- February's convocation featured Jesse Stuart.<sup>2</sup>
- In late February an outbreak of Scalp Ringworm and Scarlet fever closed the Breckenridge Training school for a week.<sup>3</sup>

### 1950

- The Football Team set the record for most fumble recoveries with eight in the Morehead State College vs Marshall Game.<sup>4</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 621.<sup>5</sup>
- Governor Earle Clemens recommended a budget of \$720,000 for Morehead State College. An increase of \$45,000 over previous budgets.<sup>6</sup>
- Fifty Acres of National Park was granted to Morehead College by the Cumberland National Forest Service in January, for the purposes of improvement of the area. This area also encompassed Lochege Rock.<sup>7</sup>
- A test scoring machine was added to the College.<sup>8</sup>
- In May construction began on an impoundage dam. The dam blocked Evan's Branch creating a water reservoir near Morehead State College. The project cost \$400,000, resulting in the creation of a forty-five-foot-high earthen dam which would hold an estimated 215,000 gallons of water. The project was undertaken to avoid previous issues with drought in the area. This dam created what is now known as Eagle Lake.<sup>9</sup>
- In September Baird falls ill with a heart ailment.<sup>10</sup>

### 1951

- The fewest rushes in Morehead State football history happened with nine rushes during the Morehead State University vs Tennessee game.<sup>11</sup>
- In January Baird took a leave of absence, and Warren C. Lappin was named acting president.<sup>12</sup>
- Morehead State College President William Jesse Baird died after a prolonged illness on Monday, February 16.<sup>13</sup>

- A new student lounge was constructed next to the College Grill in Allie Young Hall's basement which hosted the first television on campus as well as a Juke Box in November.<sup>14</sup>
- Charles R. Spain was inaugurated as Morehead State's Sixth President.<sup>15</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 590.<sup>16</sup>

## 1952

- The College Lake finished construction early in the year.<sup>17</sup>
- Athletic aid was reduced to de-emphasize on inter-collegiate sports. The football program losing \$25,000 a year was the primary reason for reduction in athletic aid. A campus fire crew was organized in February under the direction of W. H. Rice.<sup>18</sup>
- A commemorative cornerstone from the Morehead Normal School's establishment was discovered in the yard of J.B. Calvert on Fifth Avenue in Morehead.<sup>19</sup>
- The ground breaking for the new fine arts building was held in March.<sup>20</sup>
- The first student handbook was created and distributed by the student council.<sup>21</sup>
- In the spring an experimental arboretum was constructed north of Vet's Village (Where Alumni Tower now stands), featuring 50-100 non-indigenous plants.<sup>22</sup>
- A new steam tunnel system was constructed in April, providing steam heat to campus buildings.<sup>23</sup>
- Six South Korean students attended Morehead State College in the fall.<sup>24</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 698.<sup>25</sup>
- Morehead State College added a nursing department in September, in collaboration with King's Daughters Hospital in Ashland.<sup>26</sup>

## 1953

- The Football Team began the longest losing streak in its history.<sup>27</sup>
- The Auditorium-Gymnasium Center was renamed Button Auditorium.<sup>28</sup>
- Intramural Sports were balanced between men and women.<sup>29</sup>
- The first television was installed at Morehead State College in the student lounge.<sup>30</sup>
- In July Spain created a Bureau of Public Relations and School Services bureau of public relations and school services.<sup>31</sup>
- Robert Laughlin was appointed director of athletics.<sup>32</sup>
- The fine arts building was finished in September.<sup>33</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 753.<sup>34</sup>

- Mary F. Young, longtime member of the Board of Regents and the wife of Allie W. Young, died over winter break on December 24.<sup>35</sup>

## 1954

- Morehead State College was promised the funds for a new gymnasium in February<sup>36</sup>
- Paul Ousley set the record for most kicks blocked at 2 during the Morehead State University vs Middle Tennessee game. Ousley also set the record for most kicks blocked over a season at 5.<sup>37</sup>
- In March Charles S. Spain unexpectedly resigned from his position at Morehead State College for a dean position at the University of New Mexico.<sup>38</sup>
- The old fire ravaged steam plant/storage shed, was torn down<sup>39</sup>
- Adron Doran was named as the successor to Spain in April, and his presidency began in June.<sup>40</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 910.<sup>41</sup>
- Adron Doran was inaugurated the seventh president of Morehead State College in a ceremony on October 22.<sup>42</sup>
- The fine arts building was dedicated in honor of the late William Jesse Baird on October 22 at 7:30.<sup>43</sup>

## 1955

- The Football Team ends its losing streak that began after losing twenty-seven games in a row.<sup>44</sup>
- The Football Team sets the record for the most fumbles lost in a game with eight lost during the Morehead State College vs Louisville game and the season record for the most fumbles lost.<sup>45</sup>
- In January, a live armadillo was found five miles outside of Morehead, and was then presented to the science department, where it was stuffed and displayed.<sup>46</sup>
- A need for new buildings was emphasized in the spring budget message in March.<sup>47</sup>
- A theatre was constructed in Thompson Hall for the Division of Drama and Speech.<sup>48</sup> Fall Enrollment was 1,060.<sup>49</sup>

## 1956

- Dick Walter set the record for most fumble recoveries at three during the Morehead State College vs Western Kentucky game. Walter also set the record for fumble recoveries in a season at seven.<sup>50</sup>

- Segregation officially ended at Morehead State in September. During a board meeting the Board of Regents accepted Doran's decision to admit two Black students over the summer. This decision made Morehead State College the first public university in the south to admit students regardless of race, creed, or color.<sup>51</sup>
- Due to increased enrollment Morehead State needed additional housing for students. Three men were assigned per room to Thompson Hall in the spring, and the situation was similar in other halls in the fall.<sup>52</sup>
- Enrollment was 1,278.<sup>53</sup>

## 1957

- The Harlem Globetrotters appeared at Morehead State College in February.<sup>54</sup>
- Morehead students organized a fundraiser for aid to assist after massive flooding in Eastern Kentucky.<sup>55</sup>
- The President's Club was formed in April comprising all club presidents and class presidents, to address student life issues on campus under the direct supervision of the president of the university and ensure coordination and cooperation of the various campus clubs.<sup>56</sup>
- The nursing program at Morehead State College was eliminated in the spring due to low enrollment and performance. The nursing program would restart in the fall in partnership with the Miners Memorial Hospitals Association. Hospitals would be located through southeastern KY but primarily in Hazard.<sup>57</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 1,393.<sup>58</sup>
- The Doran Student House was completed offering housing and other amenities for students. The cafeteria was opened on the ground floor and the College Grill was merged with it. The student lounge was also relocated to the new Student house. A new game room, as well as a post office and bookstore were opened in the basement. The Doran Student House cost \$750,000 to build.<sup>59</sup>
- Veterans Village was renamed Riceville in honor of grounds keeping manager W. H. Rice.<sup>60</sup>

## 1958

- Woody Herman brought his 16-piece band to Morehead State College, charging one dollar for admission.<sup>61</sup>
- Mignon Doran was asked to play organ at the NCAA basketball finals in Louisville in March.<sup>62</sup>
- Joe Creason, writer for the Louisville Courier-Journal, came to campus and did a feature story on Margaret Heaslip.<sup>63</sup> Heaslip's study into the effect of radiation on plant life was

the only study of its kind at that time, and was sponsored by the Atomic Energy Commission.<sup>64</sup>

- The dorm project is downsized to a 201-room dorm. At the beginning of construction, the project was expected to cost about \$909,000. This project later became Waterfield Hall. Despite this low contract bid the bonds issued remained set at \$1,150,000. The total cost of the project would later increase to \$1,500,000.<sup>65</sup>
- A new fieldhouse was constructed with 4,500-person seating.<sup>66</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 1,824.<sup>67</sup>
- The college began building a 100-unit complex offering studio apartments for married couples, at a cost of \$800,000.<sup>68</sup> This hall became Lakewood Terrace.<sup>69</sup>
- The dedication of Lappin Hall occurred in October.<sup>70</sup>

## 1959

- Buford Crager set records for the longest kickoff return (one hundred yards) and longest Kickoff return for a touchdown (one hundred yards) in the Morehead State College vs East Tennessee game.<sup>71</sup>
- A second televised course was offered through Morehead State starting in January, and broadcast out of WSAZ-TV, Huntington, the course was in physics and was presented by Dr. Harvey E. White of California, with Paul Overstreet, head of the Morehead State Physics department, would lead the discussion and examination periods.
- In May the entire student body marched to the library and stayed there for a short time with the stated goal of promoting scholarship but proved the growing need for more library space as well.<sup>72</sup>
- Mignon Doran was critically injured in a 3-way traffic accident in June, but made a full recovery.<sup>73</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 2091<sup>74</sup>
- Morehead State student Marshall Banks became the first Black person to participate in a sport from a school in the Ohio Valley Conference when he joined the school's track and field team. Banks went on to set several records for Morehead State and the Ohio Valley Conference.<sup>75</sup>
- Doran was given the Lincoln key by the KEA in recognition of his outstanding service towards the furtherance of Black students in Kentucky.<sup>76</sup>
- The land for a maintenance-industrial arts building was purchased.<sup>77</sup>
- The main street of the university was widened in this year by a local construction company free of charge.<sup>78</sup>

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## Chapter X: 1960-1966

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### 1960

- A new language laboratory was added at Morehead State College in January, designed jointly to teach Spanish and French from booths which allowed the listener to learn a new language comfortably.<sup>1</sup>
- President Doran was named ‘Kentuckian of the Year’ by the Kentucky Press Association.<sup>2</sup>
- Mercury lights were installed on the campus boulevard for the first time in February.<sup>3</sup>
- The library hosted a showcase of various Native American relics from both Kentucky and Chihuahua Mexico.<sup>4</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 2,459.<sup>5</sup>
- Morehead State student Howard Murphy became the first African-American student to play football in the OVC. Murphy was also the first African-American student to play football at Morehead.<sup>6</sup>
- Bobby Laughlin became the Ohio Valley Conference coach of the year<sup>7</sup>
- The groundbreaking for a 106 room men’s dorm, which would cost \$600,000, was done in November of 1960.<sup>8</sup> This dorm dedicated Butler Hall.<sup>9</sup>
- The Combs Classroom building began construction at a cost of \$1,400,000.<sup>10, 11</sup>
- Breckenridge Training school became the first and only elementary school to be accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools in December.<sup>12</sup>
- Doran told a group that Morehead “couldn’t afford to not build a hospital and initiated a funding drive to gather \$600,000 for a 50-Bed Hospital in Morehead. After the project proposed by Doran was examined by the Northeast Kentucky Hospital Foundation, the Morehead hospital began construction in 1961 at the intersection of 2nd and Fleming County Road, at a cost of \$800,000. It was to be operated by the sisters of Notre Dame.<sup>13</sup>

### 1961

- In February, the author James Still contributed mementos and manuscripts for a dedicated resolute “James Still” room in the Johnson Camden Library.<sup>14</sup>
- The Morehead State Board of Regents approved a “color-blind” hiring policy, but would not hire a Black faculty member until Marshall Banks.<sup>15</sup>

- The Morehead State Eagle ((later known as Beaker) debuted at the homecoming parade in October.<sup>16</sup>
- The first blind student to attend Morehead State, Elwood Miracle, graduated from Morehead State College, after being personally accepted by Doran to Morehead State after learning that he had previously been turned down by several other colleges.<sup>17</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 2,854.<sup>18</sup>
- Morehead State College established an extension education center in Prestonsburg.<sup>19</sup>
- A small radio station began out of the North Men's Hall, WMSC, and started broadcasting in the fall.<sup>20</sup>
- The Morehead State Eagle (later known as Beaker) performed at their debut pep rally on November 10.<sup>21</sup>
- The Combs Classroom Building and Butler Hall were both completed in this year.<sup>22</sup>

## 1962

- The Football Team set the record for least rushing yardage allowed in a season at 591 yards.<sup>23</sup>
- A new administration building began construction across from Allie Young Hall.<sup>24</sup>
- Mignon, Wilson, and Butler Halls were named in March, with Mignon and Wilson Halls still under construction during that time, Mignon Hall was named so due to a petition from the Student Council and Alumni association.<sup>25</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 2,969.<sup>26</sup>
- The oral polio vaccine was administered in the Doran Student House in November.<sup>27</sup>
- Wilson Hall opened on December 3.<sup>28</sup>

## 1963

- Mignon Hall opened on February 24.<sup>29</sup>
- The amount of student housing at Morehead State College doubled between 1960 and 1963.<sup>30</sup>
- Construction began on West Mignon Hall in April.<sup>31</sup>
- Carter Hall was dedicated in June, honoring the secretary who had served all Morehead State presidents, including Doran.<sup>32</sup>
- The new administration building was occupied for the first time.<sup>33</sup>
- The John M. Palmer House was also purchased in July to serve as the new Home Management House.<sup>34</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 3,239.<sup>35</sup>

- Freshmen and sophomore were banned from driving cars on campus during the fall semester in accordance with a ruling from the Kentucky Council on Public Higher Education.<sup>36</sup>
- Founder's Day was interrupted by the news of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.<sup>37</sup>
- Count Basie and his Orchestra performed at Morehead State College in December.<sup>38</sup>

## 1964

- Regent's Hall opened in January with a capacity of two hundred students and was built as Morehead State College's first Honors' Dorm.<sup>39</sup>
- The first chapter of the Appalachian Volunteers at Morehead State began on April 15.<sup>40</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 3,806.<sup>41</sup>
- Construction on a new addition to the library began in April.<sup>42</sup>
- The Board of Regents approved a budget of over \$5,000,000 for 1964-1965, the largest budget ever approved up to that point, with a little over half (\$2,600,000) coming from the state<sup>43</sup>
- West Mignon was also opened during the summer semester.<sup>44</sup>
- During the summer, a student wrote to the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges alleging that his letters had been opened, phone tapped, and that he had been kept under surveillance. The association did not investigate the allegation.<sup>45</sup>
- Wilhelm Exelbert became the first to receive the distinguished faculty award.<sup>46</sup>
- The Breathitt Sports Center was dedicated in July.<sup>47</sup>
- Harry James performed at Morehead State College in September.<sup>48</sup>
- Education via closed circuit television was performed for the first time during the first semester of the 1964-1965 school year.<sup>49</sup>

## 1965

- The Football Team set the record for most fumble recoveries in a season at 23.<sup>50</sup>
- Scotty Reddick set the record for best kickoff return average in a season at 40.6 yards.<sup>51</sup>
- The most interceptions thrown in a game was during the Morehead State College vs Western Kentucky with throws seven throws.<sup>52</sup>
- Mike Gottfried threw the most interceptions in a game with seven throws.<sup>53</sup>
- Cooper Hall, a 202-student dorm began construction in January.<sup>54</sup>
- Louis Armstrong was also played in concert on February 22.<sup>55</sup>

- The old Administration Building was dedicated Rader Hall in Honor of Clifford R. Rader, the former head of the division of social sciences.<sup>56</sup>
- The last Morehead Normal School building remaining in Morehead, Hodson Hall, was torn down in January.<sup>57</sup>
- 2,000 books were pledged by the Morehead State College Appalachian Volunteers, with donations being solicited from the college, towards the one-million book drive supplying books to one-room schoolhouses in Appalachia.<sup>58</sup>
- A new addition to the Breckenridge Training school was under construction in April.<sup>59</sup>
- In January Adron Doran spoke on behalf of the National Education Association (N.E.A) before a congressional house sub-committee on education about the benefits of the new Appalachian Aid bill.<sup>60</sup>
- In January, a vote to form a student judicial body failed.<sup>61</sup>
- Two pilot projects were established by the Appalachian Volunteers for the Morehead Area, the first being a medical pilot program, which would function as a diagnostic center, the second being a disaster relief operation plan.<sup>62</sup>
- Cooper and Perkins Hall were dedicated.<sup>63</sup>
- A Student Council voted on a proposed judiciary amendment to the Student Council constitution on March 18. This judiciary, would act to adjudicate student affairs which would otherwise be subject to a referral to the Dean of Students.<sup>64</sup>
- The Council vote on a “Judiciary” amendment in March was successful, the second vote on the matter overall, passed 613-270.<sup>65</sup>
- Former OVC track star, Marshall Banks, returned to Morehead State College to teach Physical Education.<sup>66</sup>
- Morehead State College banned the use of firearms on campus or surrounding the college lake, following incidents involving use of firearms within a dangerous distance from campus.<sup>67</sup>
- A training program to teach students how to educate people with special needs began during the summer term at Morehead State College.<sup>68</sup>
- The Johnson Camden Library Addition and the Rice Maintenance and Services building both completed construction during this year.<sup>69</sup>
- Doran was invited for a ceremony at the White House by President Lyndon Johnson to received honors regarding his help in the passage of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.<sup>70</sup>
- Mignon Tower began construction in the spring, and would be the last addition to the Mignons complex of dormitories<sup>71</sup>
- “Alumni Towers” a new four-hundred-person men’ dorm, a 40-room-one-bedroom apartment complex, as well as a new physical education facility were under construction.<sup>72</sup>



- Plans for a new 102,000 square foot, twin tower men's dormitory were put into action in the fall, it was also planned to feature a cafeteria for 500 persons, guest rooms, a post office station, and recreation facilities, and this plan would later result in the much more greatly reduced in scale Cartmell Hall.<sup>73</sup>
- The new radio tower for the college radio station was erected on April 30.<sup>74</sup>
- Additions to multiple classroom buildings and multiple dormitory projects began in the fall, as a part of a new \$10,000,000 construction program.<sup>75</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 4,668.<sup>76</sup>
- The first television set dorm was installed in September, after students had risen the money for it, in Fields Hall.<sup>77</sup>
- Land was given to the university by the highway department in October for use as Married Housing, and it was planned to be more quickly put into action as such a site by way of its use as Mobile Home Parking<sup>78</sup>
- A blood drive in support of the Vietnam War was hosted on November 10, 157 pints were donated.<sup>79</sup>
- The Dick Clark 'Caravan of Stars' appeared at the Morehead State College Fieldhouse on November 22, featuring "Paul Revere and The Raiders", "The Byrds", "We Five", and "Bo Diddley".<sup>80</sup>
- Duke Ellington and his 14-piece orchestra performed a Christmas concert.<sup>81</sup>
- WMKY-FM opened on 91.2 FM with ten watts of power producing 3 hours of programming a day.<sup>82</sup>
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## 1966

- Morehead State College was renamed to Morehead State University.<sup>84</sup>
- The college lake began to be depleted to dangerous levels.<sup>85</sup>
- A group of university students explored local caves to look for Indigenous artifacts, and indeed located some at a site in nearby Carter Caves.<sup>86</sup>
- The *Kingston Trio* performed at Morehead State University on April 26.<sup>87</sup>
- W. O. Lappin, Principal of the Morehead Normal School from 1919 - 1922 died at 88.<sup>88</sup>
- The Scuba Club at Morehead State University was considered Kentucky's oldest scuba club<sup>89</sup>
- Morehead State University hosted its first annual horse show on May 8, attracting over 1,500 attendees.<sup>90</sup>

- The *Louisville Orchestra* appeared in concert on May 15.<sup>91</sup>
  - Fall Enrollment was 5,484.<sup>92</sup>
  - A thirteen-story graduate student building began to be worked on at an expense of \$1,500,000 located between Rader and Allie Young Halls, it would later become Ginger Hall.<sup>93</sup>
  - An addition to the Doran student house was planned, which added 43,000 square feet at a cost of \$950,000<sup>94</sup>
  - The water shortage continued in great severity in fall, the principle reason being lack of facilities to purify and pump the water rather than an issue of raw water available as had been the case in the 40s.<sup>95</sup>
  - A new Educational TV transmitter was built at Morehead as a part of the new ETV system, funded by a grant from the ARC.<sup>96</sup>
  - The *Trail Blazer* ran an article including the first-year beanie week, even the beanie week stockades, where those first-year students found not wearing the beanie were put as punishment<sup>97</sup>
  - An advertisement for the Timothy Leary LSD experiment album appears in the *Trail Blazer*. The ad's inclusion in the *Trail Blazer* as a mistake and was discussed in the following issue.<sup>98</sup>
  - The previous advertisement was included
  - A social work program began at Morehead State University in the fall, offering courses in orientation to social work.<sup>99</sup>
  - The McClure Circle Complex, located on North Wilson Avenue about a quarter of a mile from Button Auditorium, was built to serve as rental homes for faculty.<sup>100</sup>
  - Bids for a new art building was also in the first phase of development, with much thought being put behind the naming of this structure after Naomi Claypool, a faculty member of 40 years in the art department.<sup>101</sup>
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## Chapter XI: 1967-1977

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### 1967

- Tommie Gray set the record for best punt return average for a season at 23.5 yards.<sup>1</sup>
- John Jaob Niles performed on January 5, at Button Auditorium.<sup>2</sup>
- Breckenridge students participated in an experimental computerized education program, which used a teletype machine linked to a Stanford computer in Palo Alto, California to give students math problems, and check them for correctness in real-time.<sup>3</sup>
- A mobile radioisotope laboratory was present on campus from March 27- April 7, intended to give schools without the proper facilities the ability to train students in the handling of radioisotopes.<sup>4</sup>
- The finds of a 1966 excavation were revealed to be several adults and two infant natives.<sup>5</sup>
- The *Kingsmen* appeared at Morehead State University on April 5.<sup>6</sup>
- Morehead State University purchased nearby Sunnybrook Golf Course for \$84,000 in April, this purchase included the adjoining shop and parking lot, as well as all equipment owned by the course.<sup>7</sup>
- Morehead State University began developing an on-campus nursing curriculum, aiming to be able to offer an associate degree in nursing studies.<sup>8</sup>
- In May the hours for women's dorms were extended, but weekday sign in of 10:00 PM for first-year student and 10:30 PM for upper class students remained the same, with only weekend hours being extended to 12:30 AM on Fridays and 1:00 AM on Saturday, Sunday remained at 11:00 PM.<sup>9</sup>
- A plan to telephonically enhance the dorm rooms at Morehead State University was introduced in July, with the coming Centrex improvement to the local system it would be possible to install a telephone in every dorm on the campus, this would be complete by late 1968<sup>10</sup>
- The decision over whether to bring a Reserve Officers Training Corps program to Morehead State University laid with congress in July. The first program being considered in the fall.<sup>11</sup>
- Alumni Tower opened for residents in September, housing four hundred men and featuring a cafeteria which could feed five hundred.<sup>12</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 6,184<sup>13</sup>
- Senator Edward "Ted" Kennedy spoke at Morehead State University in convocation to kick off homecoming weekend. 5,000 students attended the speech on Oct 6 at the Morehead State University Fieldhouse.<sup>14</sup>

- The new athletics dormitory was completed, later dedicated as Downing Hall after Morehead State's first athletic director, George D. Downing.<sup>15</sup>
- Bids for construction on both Cartmell and Nunn Halls began to be advertised, with both being unnamed as of the time of writing in the paper, with Cartmell remaining as a 512 bed complex men's hall which would feature twin towers, and Nunn being a proposed four hundred bed women's dorm<sup>16</sup>
- Morehead State was told to trim its budget by \$370,000 by June 30th, 1968, due to a cutback across all state agencies after an unexpected fall in revenues state-wide by 24.1 million dollars<sup>17</sup>
- The Mignon Doran Complex was also dedicated in November.<sup>18</sup>
- The Reserve Officers Training Corps measure passed and the first program at Morehead State University was set to begin in the Fall.<sup>19</sup>
- WMKY-FM hosted a new weekly program called the Music Factory, beginning January 8, 1968, hosted by Doug Wilson, featuring contemporary music such as the Animals and The Blues Project.<sup>20</sup>
- The Student Volunteers for Community Action organization was formed in September, an organization which would serve as a conservative counter to more radical groups like the Student Mobilization Committee.<sup>21</sup>
- The Journalism Program was established.<sup>22</sup>
- The first Master of Arts was awarded by Morehead State University.<sup>23</sup>

## 1968

- The Football Team rushes 634 times during the 1968 season.<sup>24</sup>
- Louis Rogan rushed forty times in the Morehead State University vs Western Kentucky University football game and a total of 278 times over the season (an average of twenty-eight attempts per game).<sup>25</sup>
- A 'donkey' basketball game was played on January 9th in the Button Gym, with the Girl's Social Clubs, playing Basketball on Donkeys.<sup>26</sup>
- An hour-long program on WMKY on January 16 presented the most controversial and commonly censored music of the day, the program aired at 10:00 pm.<sup>27</sup>
- In February, the Board of Regents approved a plan for a community college to serve Rowan County and the surrounding areas and is presently the Morehead Community Technical College.<sup>28</sup>
- The University opened its own theater nearby to the campus, allowing students to watch movies on the cheap with a shorter walk than the previous trail theater.<sup>29</sup>
- The University of Kentucky student newspaper, the Kentucky Kernel, sparked controversy after publishing an article describing Morehead State as anti-free speech. This article also highlighted an "underground" anti-ROTC petition as being proof of this.<sup>30</sup>

- According to the Kentucky Kernel at the University of Kentucky on February 19th, a free speech movement was “brewing” at Morehead State University, citing claims by Kenneth Vance, communications instructor, and a student by the name of Bruce Bostic, who was being publicly ridiculed at the time, the article also claimed that an anti-Reserve Officers Training Corps petition was being circulated under cover at Morehead, and that at a recent open forum, Roscoe Playforth, dean of the school of the social sciences, warned the group of students that they were “playing with a dangerous thing.”<sup>31</sup>
- The Student Council was reported to have had closed meetings regarding petitioning the president to end compulsory Reserve Officers Training Corps enrollment at Morehead State University, but press and observers were not allowed into these closed meetings.<sup>32</sup>
- A backlash also formed to the anti-ROTC petition, with a pro-ROTC petition gaining far more signatures in shorter time.<sup>33</sup>
- Major general John C. F. Tilson III, Deputy Commander of the 1st Army of the United States, Ft. Meade, MD, visited Morehead State University’s campus during the last full week of February of this year, inspecting the facilities intended to house the Reserve Officers Training Corps program.<sup>34</sup>
- The Morehead State University Board of Regents passed a resolution in support of free speech on Morehead State University’s campus.<sup>35</sup>
- Charges made by three professors at Morehead State University triggered an American Association of University Professors investigation into academic freedom on Morehead State University’s campus. The persons making these allegations were as follows, Robert Arends, associate professor of English, history instructor Richard Norman, and communications instructor Kenneth Vance, all claiming that their contracts were either not renewed or they had been asked to resign, the move to file these complaints was initiated by Arends on February 29th at an American Association of University Professors meeting.<sup>36</sup>
- A series of radio interviews were also conducted dealing with campus unrest in March, beginning at 10:30 pm on March 12th 1968, with the first interview being given with Dean Roger Wilson, director of student affairs, and Art Dayton, president of the student council, both radio and *Trail Blazer* reporters would be conducting such interviews, and urged any students not yet contacted that felt they had something substantive to say to contact either WMKY or the *Trail Blazer* staff.<sup>37</sup>
- The off-campus newspaper *The Student Poll* began in the end of February, mostly featuring editorials and poems, the paper was produced off campus to avoid regulations preventing the circulation of unapproved publications on campus.<sup>38</sup>
- Arends chose to appear on the program on unrest on campus hosted by WMKY on March 27th.<sup>39</sup>
- Morehead State University received a ‘Subcritical’ nuclear reactor from the Atomic Energy Commission, consisting of four Uranium Fuel Elements to be used in the construction of a subcritical reactor on the campus.<sup>40</sup>
- The Kentucky State Legislature approved a measure to place a student representative on the Board of Regents.<sup>41</sup>

- Between eighty and one-hundred students gathered for a eulogy of the late civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr.<sup>42</sup>
- Trail Blazer and Morehead State Radio (WMKY) staff concluded the unrest at Morehead to be mostly fallacy after the conclusion of their panels.<sup>43</sup>
- The American Association of University Professors investigation was dropped after the national AAUP “recommended that an investigation not be done” and after several original members of the committee resigned, citing other members signing a document of unquestioning support to President Doran.<sup>44</sup>
- Despite the first investigation, charges were filed again in May to the national AAUP on behalf of the aggrieved parties.<sup>45</sup>
- A first-year student from Ohio, drowned May 1, the first known drowning in the college lake, the diving Eagles assisted in the search and rescue missions conducted afterwards, and the body would remain in the lake until a successful recovery of the body was made that Friday.<sup>46</sup>
- A grant was awarded to Morehead State University to provide basic education to adults, the project was to be administered through the Appalachian Adult Basic Education Demonstration Center (AABEDC) in Morehead.<sup>47</sup>
- The new Claypool-Young art building was fully operational by summer, and was the only known building of its kind in the United States at the time, as it was devoted solely to the instruction of teachers in the techniques of modern art.<sup>48</sup>
- The Board of Regents approved both a \$2 head tax for students to provide entertainment, and the colonization of national fraternities and sororities on campus, allowing local “social clubs” to join with their national counterparts.<sup>49</sup>
- A painting by Salvador Dali was on display in the Claypool-Young Art building, titled: “Illustration, Histaminic Reaction.”<sup>50</sup>
- The AAUP committee which met during the summer found the charges of Vance and Arends to be unfounded.<sup>51</sup>
- Men’s Hall was renamed Mays Hall after Jesse T. May’s passing in March, with a portrait dedicated to him in November.<sup>52</sup>
- ETV and Closed-Circuit Television was expanded into the dormitories and married student housing.<sup>53</sup>
- In December the Army agreed to only require ROTC for first-year students at Morehead State.<sup>54</sup>

## 1969

- A motion to ban paddling as a part of the pledge process was defeated at the Inter Fraternity Council’s meeting in early January.<sup>55</sup>
- An underground student paper *The Liberator* began early in the year.<sup>56</sup>

- A new course in ‘Negro American History’ was offered at Morehead State University in the fall. Taught by Jackson Broadus, former chairman of the department of history at Maryland State University, who joined the faculty in February.<sup>57</sup>
- The community and student volunteers hosted an aid drive for soldiers in Vietnam and Korea.<sup>58</sup>
- New student and transfer student orientation programs were added to the curriculum of Morehead State University in late January.<sup>59</sup>
- The *Trail Blazer* went weekly on a trial basis starting with their April 22 issue.<sup>60</sup>
- Pierre Salinger, press secretary for Presidents Kennedy and Johnson, was scheduled to speak at Morehead State University on March 11, Frank Mankowitz spoke in his place after Salinger fell ill.<sup>61</sup>
- The plan for the tower halls expanded, with four towers being planned instead of two, intended to house 1,900 men. This plan fell through as enrollment stabilized.<sup>62</sup>
- The \$2.8 million renovation of the Doran Student House was scheduled for completion in September.<sup>63</sup>
- Construction began on a planned eagle monument to be placed in front of the library, a plan in the works since 1966 by the Student Council, and was scheduled for completion in May.<sup>64</sup>
- Mignon Doran founded the ‘Personal Development Institute.’<sup>65</sup>
- People climbing the recently erected television towers was an issue.<sup>66</sup>
- The Morehead State University faculty approved a “University Senate” plan which included students as voting members, and formed by twelve administrators, twenty-five faculty, and twelve students.<sup>67</sup>
- The Eagle Monument directly in front of the library arrived at Morehead State in July.<sup>68</sup>
- The new women’s dorm, upon its completion, was named Beula Nunn Hall, with dedication ceremonies scheduled for the fall.<sup>69</sup>
- Due to the completion of the new men’s dorm, housing vacancies increased significantly. Due to this problem living off-campus was restricted for the fall semester, with all freshmen, sophomore, and junior students were required to live on campus, and all seniors being denied off campus living until housing was filled sufficiently. This was done to make possible the servicing of the debts incurred by the building of these dorms.<sup>70</sup>
- Downing Hall was dedicated during homecoming and named after George D. Downing.<sup>71</sup>
- Dedication ceremonies for Nunn Hall were held on November 8.<sup>72</sup>
- The Centrex phone system finished being installed on Morehead State’s campus. This allowed individual dorm rooms and offices to have telephone systems without the need for separate lines.<sup>73</sup>

# 1970

- The Football Team set the record for most interceptions, at five, in the Morehead State University vs Murray State game.<sup>74</sup>
- Louis Rogan finished his football career at Morehead State University with 639 rushes from 1967-1970.<sup>75</sup>
- A bill to give a vote to the faculty and student members of the Board of Regents was considered in January<sup>76</sup>
- The Adron Doran University Center re-opened the first day of the spring semester.<sup>77</sup>
- For the first time first-year women were allowed into the Mignon complex, due to many vacant rooms, and overcrowding in Allie Young, Fields, and Thompson Halls.<sup>78</sup>
- Construction was underway on a new Baptist Student Union building, which cost \$327,000.<sup>79</sup>
- The Board of Regents commissioned Gene Gray to paint the Bald Eagle as the university's official symbol.<sup>80</sup>
- An appeals committee was established by faculty on March 17. This committee dealt with appeals on academic suspensions and expulsions.<sup>81</sup>
- B. J. Thomas appeared at Morehead State University in concert on March 27.<sup>82</sup>
- Dora Fields, namesake of Fields Hall, died at 95 in a care home in Russell on April 1.<sup>83</sup>
- Morehead State University students were made eligible for the city census.<sup>84</sup>
- WMKY-FM had its callsign shortened to WMKY on April 13.<sup>85</sup>
- Morehead State University celebrated Earth Day for the first time.<sup>86</sup>
- The local professional ambulance service in Morehead disbanded.<sup>87</sup>
- A campus ambulance service was established.<sup>88</sup>
- A representative from *The Student Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam* (SMC) called for a boycott of classes Thursday May 7 out of respect for the people killed at Kent State. Due to this proposal a suspended rules meeting of the student council was held, where a counter proposal for a convocation was made. The convocation was hosted at 10:20 AM on Thursday May 7 to discuss the shootings. It was also mandated that the shootings be discussed in classes on that day.<sup>89</sup>
- While the convocation occurred on May 7, a group representing the Black student body presented a list of twenty-one demands, enumerating the various issues faced by Black students on campus. The most egregious of these being harassment by campus administration and security, as well as the display of flags of the Confederate States on America and the use of racial slurs. The editorial featuring these demands felt that the demands including the ending of the use of slurs and display of flags would violate "free speech" and were overblown.<sup>90</sup>

- A leaflet called for a boycott of local stores due to discriminatory practices against students.<sup>91</sup>
- WMKY received approval from the FCC to boost signal output to 50,000 watts from 10,000, and to change its frequency from 91.2 FM to 90.3 FM megahertz, both improvements would increase the possible listener base from 11,000 to 127,000.<sup>92</sup>
- A new schedule was adopted for semesters at Morehead State University, with the fall term beginning about 3 weeks earlier than previously, with the start date set in August, and finals during the week before winter break.<sup>93</sup>
- A decline in federal education funding led to a spike in food stamp reliance among the Morehead State student body. This jump was caused mainly by a loss of student worker positions and the delay of G.I. Bill benefit distribution, which meant that most students were eligible for food stamps.<sup>94</sup>
- An “Appalachian Technical Institute” costing \$3,000,000 was planned for in September, this building would house High School, Associate, Bachelor, and Graduate facilities, and be partly funded by a grant from the ARC. This project was not completed as envisioned.<sup>95</sup>
- Ray Charles performed at Morehead State University in the Fall.<sup>96</sup>
- The date to drop a class without penalty was moved to the first week after midterms, this gave students an opportunity to view their midterm grade and withdraw without a failing mark. The previous drop date had been three to four weeks after registration.<sup>97</sup>
- Five Morehead State University Students were arrested in a drug raid for possession of Marijuana and other dangerous drugs in October.<sup>98</sup>
- Construction on a new transmitter tower for WMKY began.<sup>99</sup>
- The Morehead Student Mobilization Committee held a twenty-four-hour peace vigil for the war dead in Vietnam, there were no counter-protestors present as had been in previous demonstrations.<sup>100</sup>
- A proposal from Jack Simms to the Board of Regents which led to the re-evaluation of the Morehead State University Reserve Officers Training Corps program was submitted in October.<sup>101</sup>
- Major General Edwin H. Burba was killed en-route to Morehead State University when his plane crashed attempting to land at Huntington Airport. The entire Marshall Football team were killed in a similar fashion less than two weeks later.<sup>102</sup>
- The first violent protest in Morehead State University history occurred during a demonstration against women’s curfew hours, sponsored by the Student Mobilization Committee. The trouble began when a large group of men gathered outside the dorms at 11:00 pm, about an hour before the 12:00 am time scheduled for the initial walk-out, and things escalated from there when the crowd of men reached over five hundred. The girls refused to leave any earlier than the set time, rocks and bottles were thrown, but thankfully no one was injured. Only about thirty women ended up leaving the dorms that night.<sup>103</sup>



## 1971

- Mo Hollingsworth set records for the most kicks returned for Touch Down in a season and career with three during the 1971 season and six over his 1968-1971 career.<sup>104</sup>
- The University Senate approved a plan to allow pass-fail grading for a limited number of courses outside of a student's major or minor.<sup>105</sup>
- A nursing degree was approved for the fall at Morehead State University by the Kentucky Board of Nursing Education and Nurse Registration.<sup>106</sup>
- The Student Mobilization Committee demonstrated during the ROTC military ball. SMC members jeered at ROTC students as they entered the ballroom and afterward carried a flag draped coffin around the Adron Doran Student Center during the banquet.<sup>107</sup>
- A women's hours change was approved allowing any upper-class woman to set her own hours conditionally. These conditions were that the woman was not on academic probation, and had received approval from her parents.<sup>108</sup>
- University students in Kentucky were given the ability to register and vote in local elections where they currently reside as students.<sup>109</sup>
- Nelson Grote left Morehead State University to become President of Schoolcraft College in Michigan after eleven years at Morehead.<sup>110</sup>
- The Board of Regents approved a plan loosening restrictions on Women's hours and decided to abolish the one year of mandatory Reserve Officers Training Corps.<sup>111</sup>
- Adron Doran received the Horatio Alger award on May 12.<sup>112</sup>
- The University Senate discussed a student bill of rights, which had several controversial propositions regarding freedom of expression and privacy.<sup>113</sup>
- The new student constitution was passed, and a student government was formed to replace the student council, with the "Student Government Association" holding its first elections in the fall semester.<sup>114</sup>
- Concerts by *Blood Rock*, the *Bee Gees*, Bill Cosby, and *The Fifth Dimension* happened during the fall term. Cosby appeared during Homecoming weekend on October 8.<sup>115</sup>
- The school of Business and Economics at Morehead State was established.<sup>116</sup>
- Morehead State University added an associate degree in Nursing.<sup>117</sup>

## 1972

- George Carlin appeared for a concert of comedy at Morehead State University in January.<sup>118</sup>
- A new school television station was developed, as well as its regular broadcasting schedule it would broadcast all Breckinridge University Basketball Home Games, this worked through a cable system, rather than a broadcast.<sup>119</sup>

- The “*Nitty, Gritty, Dirt ‘Band’*” performed at Morehead State in early February.<sup>120</sup>
- The Morehead State University Golden (fiftieth) Anniversary was organized for, with a committee being established for the event.<sup>121</sup>
- The “Zero Population Growth” organization, a national group, was in the process of forming a chapter on Morehead State University in Mid-February.<sup>122</sup>
- A student bill of rights was still considered, now by the University Senate.<sup>123</sup>
- The second annual black arts festival was held from March 1st to March 5<sup>th</sup>.<sup>124</sup>
- A Bill Dodson of Minford Ohio designed the Morehead State University golden anniversary emblem. Coincidentally the student’s mother designed the University’s twenty-fifth anniversary emblem.<sup>125</sup>
- The Golden Anniversary Ball, the first event for Morehead State University’s Golden Anniversary celebration, was held in April.<sup>126</sup>
- Rare Earth appeared in concert on Thursday April 13.<sup>127</sup>
- Linda Ronstadt, and the Earl Scruggs Revue appeared in concert in April at Morehead State University.<sup>128</sup>
- Journalism was approved as a major at Morehead State University for the fall.<sup>129</sup>
- WMKY became a stereo station in July.<sup>130</sup>
- A minor in military science was offered at Morehead State University.<sup>131</sup>
- Stevie Wonder played in concert in October, with the Blue Oyster Cult as the opening act.<sup>132</sup>
- Senator Thomas F. Eagleton spoke during homecoming, as well as Governor Wendell Ford on October 20.<sup>133</sup>
- Victor Borge performed on October 20, after the Candlelight Dinner.<sup>134</sup>
- Morris the campus sex symbol, and local favorite cat, was featured in the October 3, edition of the *Trail Blazer*.<sup>135</sup>

## 1973

- The Morehead & North Fork Railroad closed.<sup>136</sup>
- The Student Government Association withdrew from the Kentucky Student Association, citing lack of tangible benefits from participation.<sup>137</sup>
- The Student Government Association investigated the feasibility of a daycare program for the Morehead State University campus. With the goal of assisting students with children attending classes.<sup>138</sup>
- Benjamin Spock was a featured speaker at a convocation on Morehead State University’s campus in February.<sup>139</sup>
- *Guess-Who* performed at Morehead State University on February 22.<sup>140</sup>

- An editorial exploring the legalization of heroin appeared in the March 6th edition of the *Trail Blazer*.<sup>141</sup>
- On April 4, Daniel Schorr, famed CBS news correspondent and member of the Watergate “Enemies” list, spoke at Morehead State University for the media conference which occurred on this day, the other speakers include Governor Edward Breathitt and Bos Johnson, the director of WSAZ-TV, Huntington, West Virginia.<sup>142</sup>
- Morehead State University was struck with several flashing incidents, the second school in Kentucky to experience the phenomenon.<sup>143</sup>
- The Bee Gee’s performed at Morehead State University on March 19.<sup>144</sup>
- B. B. King performed in Concert on March 20.<sup>145</sup>
- The Student Government Association began considering making a dorm for both men and women in April.<sup>146</sup>
- Former Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall advocated for mass transit at a convocation at Morehead State University in April.<sup>147</sup>
- 910 Nunn Hall was set on fire when a student’s lamp fell over and started the bed on fire.<sup>148</sup>
- The state of Kentucky sued the construction firm responsible for the first renovation of the Adron Doran University Center over faulty construction and poor work.<sup>149</sup>
- The Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) programs began accepting female applicants for the fall in July.<sup>150</sup>
- A new program on WMKY began in July, titled, “Jazz Scene” and featured a variety of jazz programming from throughout the ages, and was hosted by Langston Smith.<sup>151</sup>
- In the fall Morehead State University began offering a course in animal science with an emphasis on horsemanship, with a 30-box stall on the University Farm providing for fifteen student horses, who were to be assessed a boarding fee, and fifteen university horses.<sup>152</sup>
- Joan Rivers and Ray Stevens performed at the homecoming ceremonies in the fall.<sup>153</sup>
- Morehead State University hosted the Eastern Kentucky Education Association for the first time, after 50 years of annual meetings in Ashland.<sup>154</sup>
- B. F. Reed Hall was dedicated.<sup>155</sup>
- Irish American author J.P. Dunleavy appeared at Morehead State University for a lecture in October.<sup>156</sup>
- Unlimited intervisitation between women who lived in halls with unregulated hours was passed by the Student Government Association.<sup>157</sup>

## 1974

- A plan to break the world record for the longest telephone call began in spring, with Mignon and Adron Doran initiating the planned 30-day-long call.<sup>158</sup> The world record for

longest telephone call was broken when the call ended in February, with a 724-hour duration<sup>159</sup>

- Spoon theft again became an issue for Morehead State University, with theft of flatware resulting in \$1,800 being spent just on replacing the stolen goods from the cafeteria.<sup>160</sup>
- The Frontier Steakhouse burnt down on main street in April, no injuries were reported.<sup>161</sup>
- John P. Newport, Professor of Religious Philosophy, spoke in late April about demonology on the modern college campus.<sup>162</sup>
- The Browning Manufacturing division of the Emerson Electric co broke ground on a new industrial encampment just near Morehead.<sup>163</sup>
- Harry Almond, Senior Attorney for the Secretary of Defense, spoke at Morehead State on the maximizing of human dignity abroad.<sup>164</sup>
- “Sha na na” performed at Morehead State University in concert in November.<sup>165</sup>

## 1975

- Rardin created the record for most punts in a game, with eleven punts in the Morehead State University vs Western Kentucky University game. Rardin set the record for the longest punt at 78 yards during the game as well.<sup>166</sup>
- A Student Government Association vote to dissolve the entertainment committee and transfer its functions to the executive committee was met with angry debate and a walkout.<sup>167</sup>
- A petition calling for a wet/dry election on April 1 garnered 1,000 signatures.<sup>168</sup>
- The Student Government Association entertainment committee was restored in February, a week after the session which disbanded it.<sup>169</sup>
- The Student Government Association appropriated \$650 to playground equipment, and \$1,000 towards a new eagle costume.<sup>170</sup>
- A canoe rental program for the university lake was instituted.<sup>171</sup>
- A Special Olympics event was hosted at Morehead State’s Jayne Stadium.<sup>172</sup>
- The University Farm was named in honor of Charles Derrickson, who had been the main force in developing it since its purchase.<sup>173</sup>
- Dean Warren C. Lappin died on August 6, after fifty years of devoted service to Morehead State, in all its various forms that it had so far taken.<sup>174</sup>
- A new parking lot was acquired by the university on Henry Ward Place.<sup>175</sup>
- The library suffered an intense fire in the fall, with the second and third floors of the old building damaged and over 300,000 books damaged.<sup>176</sup>
- WMKY celebrated its first decade in service to the university, reaching 180,000 listeners.<sup>177</sup>

- W. H. Rice, retired superintendent of buildings, died on Christmas day from a heart attack.<sup>178</sup>

## 1976

- The Morehead State Yearbook, the *Raconteur* was discontinued due to lack of funding.<sup>179</sup>
- Bids opened for a proposed renovation of Allie Young into an Administrative and Academic building; the estimated cost was around \$1.6 million.<sup>180</sup>
- Mignon Doran's Personal Development Institute program was taped in color for statewide broadcast on Kentucky Educational Television.<sup>181</sup>
- A Student Government Association proposal to keep men's dorms open past midnight was accepted by the student life director.<sup>182</sup>
- A planetarium opened on the second floor of the Lappin science building, featuring a twenty-foot-wide dome.<sup>183</sup>
- A tobacco barn and five other structures were leveled by high winds at the Derrickson Agricultural Complex, no animals or persons were injured.<sup>184</sup>
- Groundbreaking ceremonies for an addition to the Johnson Camden library and the renovation of Allie Young Hall were held on April 6.<sup>185</sup>
- *Parnassus* was picked as the name of the successor magazine to the *Raconteur*.<sup>186</sup>
- Adron Doran announced his retirement as president of Morehead State University, effective January 1st, 1977.<sup>187</sup>
- Doran was granted leave until his official retirement date, and Morris L. Norfleet, vice president for research and development, was named acting president in his absence.<sup>188</sup>
- The University adopted a policy in accordance with FERPA providing access to student records, with the option to refuse release given to students.<sup>189</sup>
- Gene W. Scholes, Dean of Academic Programs at Morehead State University, left to assume the presidency of Northern Kentucky University.<sup>190</sup>
- The Dorans were named the honorary first family of Morehead state in July.<sup>191</sup>
- The *Trail Blazer* discontinued its summer edition.<sup>192</sup>
- In its second year of existence the Morehead Park received substantial improvements, and even featured a lifeguarded pool at that time.<sup>193</sup>
- A new sewer treatment plant was planned for Morehead, with the University contributing to this move.<sup>194</sup>
- Morris Norfleet was elected eighth president of Morehead State, assuming office January 1.<sup>195</sup>
- Dean Roger L Wilson, namesake of Wilson Hall, died of a heart attack on October 10.<sup>196</sup>
- Buford Crager was named successor to Roger Wilson as Student Affairs Vice President.<sup>197</sup>

- Dr. John Kleber lost a bet that Gerald R. Ford would win in the 1976 Presidential Elections.<sup>198</sup>
- The Maxey Flats Nuclear disposal site became a significant issue, gaining traction in the eyes of the public due to the potential end of the company previously maintaining it.<sup>199</sup>
- The state approved a 214-acre expansion to the university farm, and \$55,000 for pollution control at the University power plant, at the same regents meeting Doran rejected a consultation position at Morehead State University, offered by the board.<sup>200</sup>

## 1977

- Phil Simms was the Ohio Valley Conference Football Player of the Year.<sup>201</sup>
- Morehead State University re-arranged its summer calendar, allowing for two summer sessions and a removal of the post-session, intercession remained.<sup>202</sup>
- Morehead State University's vet-tech program was on the fast-track for accreditation in February.<sup>203</sup>
- Morehead State was selected for educational television broadcasts by satellite.<sup>204</sup>
- After its successful renovation Allie Young Hall reopened for business offices.<sup>205</sup>
- The Student Government Association received its first direct budget allotment after updated Council on Higher Education (CHE) rules disallowed the \$10 a head tax that had previously assessed. This first budget was \$40,000, whereas the head tax had brought in over \$100,000.<sup>206</sup>
- The university lake level was lowered by twenty-five feet to improve the spillway and raise the earthen dam by five feet, this project had an estimated cost of \$90,000.<sup>207</sup>
- The Dean's List grade average requirement was increased in May as well, jumping from 3.0 to 3.4 on a 4.0 grade scale.<sup>208</sup>
- Construction on the Julian Carroll Library Tower was delayed and expected completion was pushed back to the spring of 1978.<sup>209</sup>
- The campus ambulance service, which began shortly after the end of the Morehead Ambulance service, was discontinued due to new state regulations on ambulances, and the return of an ambulance service to Morehead.<sup>210</sup>
- A plan to directly deliver mail to campus dorms was implemented. Though already occurring in most dorms, this expansion was a welcome change.<sup>211</sup>
- A fire on September 21 at Morehead State University's Derrickson Agricultural Complex destroyed eighty percent of a barn and killed twenty-seven horses owned by the university, the loss was valued at \$350,000.<sup>212</sup>
- By 1977 the University Store director John Collis had donated seventy-two pints of blood (nine gallons), and was the largest contributor in the Rowan County area<sup>213</sup>
- Morris Norfleet was officially inaugurated in October, in Morehead State University's first inauguration ceremony in twenty-three years.<sup>214</sup>

- Jayne stadium and Downing Hall were both connected to the campus steam heating network.<sup>215</sup>
  - Black students voiced their experiences of discrimination on Morehead State's campus, from slanted views of students and professors to the trouble of interracial roommates and housing discrimination.<sup>216</sup>
  - Morehead State University's Vet Tech program was accredited.<sup>217</sup>
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## *Chapter XII: 1978-1988*

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### **1978**

- Phil Simms finished his career on the Morehead State University Football team with 45 interceptions thrown in.<sup>1</sup>
- Finals week was dropped in favor of a regular class week at the end of the semester.<sup>2</sup>
- Founders Day was revived after a 14-year gap, planned for March 7th, and featured the rededication of Allie Young Hall and the groundbreaking for the Academic Athletic Center. The last Founder's Day before this was conducted in 1963<sup>3</sup>
- Former FBI director Clarence Kelley was the lead speaker for Founder's Day, March 7th, shortly after his retirement.<sup>4</sup>
- In the Spring semester of '78 the energy crisis and national coal strike affected Morehead State University, as coal shortages required forced energy conservation, with a 30% reduction in energy being necessary to prevent brownouts.<sup>5</sup>
- A faculty evaluation proposal that would have allowed for student evaluations of faculty was struck down.<sup>6</sup>
- An anti-shah faction at Morehead State University sparked violence in February. They tore down posters from a pro-shah faction and threatened the speakers set to present their pro-shah views with extreme violence.<sup>7</sup>
- An activity fee of \$10 was reintroduced after the Council on Higher Education ruled that no fee can be assessed greater than \$20, allowing the return of the activity fee. This fee was directly controlled by the University administration, rather than the student government association.<sup>8</sup>
- A barn to replace the previous horse barn on the university farm was approved in March, the estimated cost of the new barn was \$125,000.<sup>9</sup>
- The University Post Office began offering full postal service on March 23rd, after spring break, allowing for the purchase of postage stamps and shipping.<sup>10</sup>
- Morehead State University was accused of supporting the Shah of Iran after the expulsion of a student who was an anti-shah advocate. The University also refused to recognize the Iranian Student Association.<sup>11</sup>
- In the Spring of 1979, a long-term loan of 36 art pieces began, with plans having been formalized in March of 78.<sup>12</sup>
- Construction on the new \$7 million Academic-Athletic Center was expected to begin in April.<sup>13</sup>

- The school magazine for 1977 excluded four Black Greek organizations from its edition and was subsequently charged with ignoring the minority student body.<sup>14</sup>
- President Norfleet confined himself to a wheelchair as part of the Handicapped Awareness Day program on April 25<sup>th</sup>.<sup>15</sup>
- In a 12-1 referendum students voted in favor of a yearbook. The Parnassus was still the most practical option at the time, however, as the yearbook would cost an estimated \$60,000 to produce.<sup>16</sup>
- The Board of Regents approved a record budget of \$26.4 million for fiscal year 1978-1979 in April.<sup>17</sup>
- An “Eagle Federal Credit Union” was approved by the Board, and was established by the federal government in cooperation with the university, this union was created to benefit full-time employees of the university.<sup>18</sup>
- “Morehead State University a nightmare for handicapped.”<sup>19</sup>
- The cockroach problem at Morehead State University had become quite severe. Regents Hall carried the nickname “roach palace,” but the selection of a new exterminator was set to assist in this problem’s resolution.<sup>20</sup>
- The Full-Service Post Office opened in July.<sup>21</sup>
- Battson Drugs, famous for its service to the campus community, closed after 58 years of service.<sup>22</sup>
- The last copy of Parnassus was published in late July, in anticipation of a new yearbook in ‘79 or ‘80.<sup>23</sup>
- The Morehead State University Social Work Program was accredited on June 30.<sup>24</sup>
- Remedial courses for deficient students were considered, and the Council on Higher Education passed several funding proposals to assist with such programs.<sup>25</sup>
- The library added an electronic gate that responds to sensitized materials. This was part of an ongoing effort to reduce book theft.<sup>26</sup>
- The Yearbook was reinstated officially in September after three years.<sup>27</sup>
- New shelving was still being installed in the Julian Carroll Library Tower in September, making it far behind schedule compared to its March 15<sup>th</sup> proposed opening date.<sup>28</sup>
- The Eagle Athletic Foundation was founded in September and raised \$7,000 in its first week of operation.<sup>29</sup>
- The dedication of the Julian Carroll Library tower was set for October 21st, 7 months behind schedule.<sup>30</sup>
- A faculty parking fee of \$10 was assessed for the first time<sup>31</sup>
- Exile was scheduled to perform at the homecoming concert on October 26th, some alternatives were floated but none were confirmed.<sup>32</sup>
- Universal pre-registration was instituted in the Fall, with registration for the spring semester of 79 occurring from November 13-16.<sup>33</sup>

- One-hundred people protested at the dedication of the Julian Carroll library tower.<sup>34</sup>
- I.D. cards were switched from semi-annual issuance to annual issuance.<sup>35</sup>
- The Morehead State University horsemanship program had recovered by the fall of 1978. It boarded fifty-seven horses that semester.<sup>36</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 7,758.<sup>37</sup>

## 1979

- Tommy Warren set the record for most defensive plays at 412 over his 1976-1979 career.<sup>38</sup>
- Maximum class hours allowed at registration were increased to 18.<sup>39</sup>
- The new final exam week experiment failed, ultimately making finals much more difficult for everyone involved.<sup>40</sup>
- Morehead State University received a \$50,000 endowment granted from the Ashland Oil company, intended to create a coal lab.<sup>41</sup>
- A film program entitled “How to say NO to a rapist... ..and survive” ran at Morehead State University, featuring a lecture from Fred Storaska, a famed expert on rape.<sup>42</sup>
- Five police vehicles had their tires slashed while the state troopers attended a class in Laughlin Health Building.<sup>43</sup>
- The scuba club had an attempted revival in February, after 5 years of inactivity<sup>44</sup>
- A concourse in front of the Adron Doran University Center was set to be completed in the fall, costing \$40,000.<sup>45</sup>
- Spring enrollment for the ‘78-’79 school year dropped much more sharply than expected from 7758 to 6838, a decline of 11%.<sup>46</sup>
- President Norfleet approved a policy reversing to a finals week. This came after students voted 20-1 and faculty voted 10-1 against the regular class finals week.<sup>47</sup>
- Repairs to the Button Auditorium roof were delayed, which resulted in damage to the roof “The mortar was gone from around the parapet wall”, and “I don’t see how it was staying up”- President Norfleet.<sup>48</sup>
- The new horse barn was scheduled for completion in August.<sup>49</sup>
- Open house hours were extended to 18-10 instead of 6-0 for upperclassmen and freshmen respectively.<sup>50</sup>
- Frederic Storaska appeared on Thursday, September 13th for a lecture on rape.<sup>51</sup>
- A Vietnamese boat person refugee attended Morehead State University. His name was Huang Cong Duong, and he described his experience with the *Trail Blazer*.<sup>52</sup>
- A minority committee was formed in the Student Government Association.<sup>53</sup>

- Riceville Trailer Park behind Wilson Hall was torn down over the summer and replaced with a new freshman parking lot. This came after the destruction of zone F parking with the construction of a new Chevrolet dealership in downtown Morehead.<sup>54</sup>
- The replacement horse barn was completed one year and a day after the tragic horse barn fire of the previous September.<sup>55</sup>
- Former Eagle Phil Simms made his NFL debut with the Giants.<sup>56</sup>
- The band America played in concert at Morehead State University on homecoming weekend.<sup>57</sup>
- The Student Government Association passed a bill that allowed for married student IDs. This allowed non-student spouses to obtain an identification card with similar privileges.<sup>58</sup>
- Iranian students were checked for immigration status to ensure compliance with foreign student regulations.<sup>59</sup>
- The Married ID proposal was rejected by the student life committee.<sup>60</sup>
- James Gifford writes *Our Mountain Heritage*.<sup>61</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 7,217.<sup>62</sup>

## 1980

- Dan Gooch set the record for most defensive plays in one season at 172 and most tackles at the same number.<sup>63</sup>
- A mission to Moscow that was planned late in 1979 was threatened after the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. Tensions had reached their highest point since the mid-1950s, jeopardizing the trip.<sup>64</sup>
- A formal excuse policy for Morehead State University was implemented on January 6. It was the first official excuse policy implemented by the university.<sup>65</sup>
- Jerry Howell shared his comic book collection with the public. Started in 1969, and by January 1980 he owned over 8,000 comics.<sup>66</sup>
- Students protested in support of two art teachers. The university had failed to renew the teacher's contracts, and students believed this was due to political reasons.<sup>67</sup>
- The Academic-Athletic Center was set for completion in July.<sup>68</sup>
- The Coal Research Laboratory was set for completion in September.<sup>69</sup>
- Norfleet approved a plan to renovate the University Grill in the Adron Doran University Center.<sup>70</sup>
- President Norfleet left for Israel for a 10-day trip. The trip was financed by the Israeli government.<sup>71</sup>
- A domestic abuse and violence shelter opened in Morehead, officially the Gateway-Buffalo Trace Family Violence Center (GBTFVC).<sup>72</sup>

- Bettina Gregory, white house correspondent for ABC, spoke on Founder's Day at Morehead State University about the beginning of a new conservative movement in the 80s.<sup>73</sup>
- There was a small controversy in Fields Hall after students were ordered out of bed at 3:30 am.<sup>74</sup>
- Norfleet enjoyed his trip to Israel. He later spoke thoroughly about the various educational opportunities possible when collaborating with Israel.<sup>75</sup>
- The University of Kentucky and Morehead State University formed a joint master's degree program in nursing.<sup>76</sup>
- Mignon Hall's brickwork was repaired again.<sup>77</sup>
- A coordinated effort to remove the term dormitory from the vocabulary was made in April. The University administration sought to replace it with the friendlier 'residence hall' term.<sup>78</sup>
- Some Ohio county residents were considered for a tuition break, with a requirement that they live on campus. Adams, Brown, Clermont, Gallia, Lawrence, and Scioto were the counties considered, and the out-of-state tuition waiver would last for three years.<sup>79</sup>
- A dead baby was found in the second-floor garbage room of West Mignon Hall on April 21st, fully developed. They had died only an hour and a half after their birth.<sup>80</sup>
- Edward Prichard, of FDR's famous "brain trust" spoke at Morehead State University.<sup>81</sup>
- The Committee on Student Life passed a bill to change the closing times of campus buildings from 12:00 am to 2:00 am. If approved by the president, it would have been a notable change from the traditional midnight closing time.<sup>82</sup>
- A meal ticket plan with 3 meal ticket options passed through the Board of Regents after years of opposition.<sup>83</sup>
- University presidents from eight Kentucky universities were removed from the Council on Higher Education.<sup>84</sup>
- Morehead State University suffered a \$1.4 million cut to its proposed budget of \$29 million.<sup>85</sup>
- President Morris Norfleet and John Graham addressed an allegation of misuse of state funds.<sup>86</sup>
- The new meal plan system had 400 participants.<sup>87</sup>
- Work delays postponed the completion of the Academic-Athletic Complex.<sup>88</sup>
- The Morehead State University Energy Research Lab was dedicated, and Ashland Oil pledged \$20,000 annually to the Morehead State University general fund This led to a major change to the mining technology curriculum and the initiation of the "Fearless Fosdick" Club.<sup>89</sup>
- President Norfleet and Graham were forced to reimburse Morehead State University for \$800 in painting and carpeting services.<sup>90</sup>



- A Morehead State University was reported to have been raped in October. This marked the beginning of reporting on the matter.<sup>91</sup>
- Maxey Flats was used as a student lab site in cooperation with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.<sup>92</sup>
- Larry Stephenson, Dean of Students at Morehead State University, was arrested for misdemeanor theft of sawblades. President Norfleet failed to notify the Board of Regents of this for over ten days.<sup>93</sup>
- An explosion of electricity in switchgear house A on December 21<sup>st</sup> caused \$95,000 worth of damage. It also resulted in the extension of the Christmas break to allow for repairs to be made.<sup>94</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 7,220.<sup>95</sup>

## 1981

- The destruction of switchgear house A meant that electricity rationing had to be implemented on campus. The campus television system ceased its broadcasting, and the School of Applied Science and Technology classes were split between night and day to reduce simultaneous load.<sup>96</sup>
- Lady Eagles coach Mickey Wells punched referee Joe Pike during the Morehead State University vs University of Kentucky New Year's Day matchup. The university did not make a statement on the matter until January 15<sup>th</sup>.<sup>97</sup>
- The completion date for the Academic Athletic Center was indeterminate by January. This far exceeded its April 1980 expected completion date.<sup>98</sup>
- Larry Stephenson was demoted from Dean of Student Affairs to staff assistant within the Bureau of Student Affairs.<sup>99</sup>
- William A. Bradford was asked to resign after federal and state investigations found that the former dean of admissions had requested amounts ranging from \$1,000 to \$4,500 from foreign students.<sup>100</sup>
- Clyde James, director of student activities and organizations, was robbed and assaulted at his apartment in town, the men took two-fifths of liquor and \$9.<sup>101</sup>
- Vincent Price hosted a lecture in late February.<sup>102</sup>
- Diane Sawyer was set to speak on March 19th for Morehead State University's Founder's Day celebration in 1981.<sup>103</sup>
- The Button Auditorium renovation was halted due to the Kentucky General Assembly's freeze on state construction. This came after a request to the state for \$40,000 to complete the renovation was put on hold as well.<sup>104</sup>
- Showtime was added as an available channel in the Adron Doran University Center lounge area.<sup>105</sup>

- A severe Alumni Tower elevator outage caused serious problems for both students and maintenance crews.<sup>106</sup>
- Morehead State University ended its track and field program in favor of women's golf, and the reimplementation of soccer and swimming programs.<sup>107</sup>
- The University of Breckenridge was considered for closure due to budget cuts. Around \$500,000 was left to fund the school after "tuition payments" of about \$80 per student. This compounded with low enrollments of about 400 for all grades combined.<sup>108</sup>
- The Academic Athletic Center opened fall of 1981. It featured various student amenities and classrooms.<sup>109</sup>
- Morehead State University continued to have problems providing enough housing with only about 200 available rooms being listed for men over the semester changeover to the 1981-1982 academic year.<sup>110</sup>
- The Rowan County School District and the University of Breckenridge merged successfully. The University of Breckenridge closed due to the completion of the Rowan County Senior High School.<sup>111</sup>
- The McShuttle<sup>®</sup>, a McDonald's sponsored bus which serviced Morehead State University began running from 11:00 am to 1:30 pm and from 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm. It transported students to the nearest McDonald's.<sup>112</sup>
- Incidents in Lappin Hall resulted in both damage and injury to the janitor involved, with a broken window and a missing finger being found after these events.<sup>113</sup>
- The Student Government Association ordered two widescreen televisions for the Adron Doran University Center and Alumni Tower Grills.<sup>114</sup>
- David Letterman, and Livingston Taylor, brother to James, performed at Morehead State University for parent's weekend.<sup>115</sup>
- The Deputy State Fire Marshall discovered a chained exit door at Alumni Tower. This was considered a serious violation of fire safety protocol.<sup>116</sup>
- 10,000 hens perished in a fire that caused \$100,000 worth of damage at the University Farm.<sup>117</sup>
- Student cadets were employed by the university security force to help ticket parking offenders.<sup>118</sup>
- Fire drills were conducted in all Morehead State University dorms for the first recorded time in October.<sup>119</sup>
- The University Administration considered locking all windows in larger buildings to prevent objects from being thrown out onto unsuspecting passersby.<sup>120</sup>
- Jefferson Starship was set to perform at Morehead State University early in November.<sup>121</sup>
- A "Riot" which began as a panty raid broke out in front of Alumni, this led to the arrest of six students.<sup>122</sup>
- The Council on Student Life passed an open house policy allowing for 32 hours of open house biweekly rather than the 18 previously provided in upper-class residence halls.

This program had a catch, however, as it would bar anyone without a valid Morehead State University ID from entering during open house hours, essentially counteracting a significant purpose of open house hours.<sup>123</sup>

- Rodent races were held in the Button Drill Room on December 3 betting was required to be able to win the \$50 Parsons Gift Certificate.<sup>124</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 6,788.<sup>125</sup>

## 1982

- The Football Team set the record for the most penalty yardage in a season at 736 yards.<sup>126</sup>
- Dan Gooch set the record for most defensive plays at 30 in the Morehead State University vs Akron game. He also set the record for most tackles over a career at 398.<sup>127</sup>
- John Christopher captured the record for most yardage punted in a single game with 518 yards in the Morehead State University vs game. During the same game, Christopher tied his and Don Cardin's records for most punts in a game with 11. Christopher punted 4,084 yards in the 1982 season and 12,633 over his career. During the 1982 season, Christopher also set the record for most punts with 93, setting a career record of 298 punts. At the end of the season in 19982 Christopher also set a punting average record with 42.2 yards per punt.<sup>128</sup>
- In January, a petition to allow Morehead merchants to sell alcohol had gathered 400 of the 478 signatures needed to file for a special election on the issue, which would be scheduled for April 13<sup>th</sup>.<sup>129</sup>
- A shooting occurred in Alumni Tower, where a bullet fired near Eagle Lake impacted in the fifth-floor hallway. This injured only caused \$160 in damages.<sup>130</sup>
- A compromise to the Council on Higher Education's proposed budget was approved by the Board of Regents. This bill gave Morehead State University \$300,000 more and was negotiated to prevent the contesting of the former bill in the general assembly.<sup>131</sup>
- The wet/dry election date was changed from April 13th to the 24th, because the 24th was a Saturday, and that the 13<sup>th</sup> fell during Rowan County Schools Spring Break.<sup>132</sup>
- The Board of Regents approved an increase in open house hours submitted by the Student Life Committee.<sup>133</sup>
- Brent Jeffer climbed to the 16<sup>th</sup> floor of Cartmell Hall.<sup>134</sup>
- A gift of Chinese artwork from the National Palace Museum in Taiwan was received by Morehead State University in April.<sup>135</sup>
- The pro-alcohol sides won the local option election by 67 votes, but this was overturned because of a technical challenge.<sup>136</sup>
- A new wet/dry election was set for September 28 after the previous result was rejected in the court of appeals.<sup>137</sup>

- The “sugar shack” opened in the Adron Doran University Center, open Monday thru Sunday, it offered many weekly specials.<sup>138</sup>
- Sexual harassment was added to the Eagle Handbook as being against the “ethos” of Morehead State University, this was done to ensure compliance with government regulations on the matter.<sup>139</sup>
- In the September 28<sup>th</sup> election the people of the city of Morehead voted in favor of alcohol sales by a wide margin, with over 500 more votes in favor of alcohol sales rather than prohibition.<sup>140</sup>
- The University’s power plant was raised to Environmental Protection Agency standards through one \$50,000 project and another \$600,000 project.<sup>141</sup>
- The McShuttle<sup>®</sup>, had its name changed to the Eagle Express, and in October owner George Healy was considering dropping the service entirely or changing its route.<sup>142</sup>
- A proposal to change open house hours was made at the Student Association, this change would allow non-Morehead State University students to participate in an open house given they met certain requirements.<sup>143</sup>
- Various improvements to Morehead State University’s campus were made to aid the blind, including the addition of Braille plates to elevators and the roughening of sidewalks.<sup>144</sup>
- In November the Board of Regents voted to eliminate the increasingly unpopular summer commencement.<sup>145</sup>
- The University Senate conducted audits to determine the extent of problems with absenteeism on campus, especially concerning “Friday cuts.”<sup>146</sup>
- The Committee on Student Life postponed action on the open house decision passed by the Student Association. They did so to receive further input from hall directors.<sup>147</sup>
- The Committee on Student Life approved a plan that would allow non-student visitors on Morehead State University’s campus, but with significant restrictions.<sup>148</sup>
- Breckenridge Hall had a laboratory school added.<sup>149</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 6,370.<sup>150</sup>

## 1983

- Adrian Breen finished the 1983 Morehead State University vs APSU game with 79 offensive plays. Breen earned the most offensive plays in Morehead State University history.<sup>151</sup>
- The Morehead State University Black Coalition began organizing for a holiday in recognition of Martin Luther King Jr’s birthday, they formed petitions and marches in furtherance of this goal.<sup>152</sup>
- In January, a plan was enacted to distribute sewing machines to all Freshman Female residence halls.<sup>153</sup>

- Financial aid was set to halt for non-registered, to the draft, males born after December 1959 on July 1st, 1983.<sup>154</sup>
- The Student Association considered a maximum on the activity fee in February. The limit would be set at \$35.<sup>155</sup>
- The University Administration considered removing weekend food service to save funds.<sup>156</sup>
- Kenny Loggins performed in concert at Morehead State University in March.<sup>157</sup>
- A plan to sell the land under Eagle Lake was proposed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.<sup>158</sup>
- An American Association of University Professors (AAUP) investigation criticized Morehead State University over a lack of transparency on the part of the faculty and administration, with only a few being willing to speak. This came after an alleged incident over an art exhibit.<sup>159</sup>
- The AAUP did censure Morehead State University over its actions surrounding probationary faculty.<sup>160</sup>
- An Egyptian dignitary, Ahmad Difrawy, came to Morehead State University and discussed agricultural programs that the University participates in to help train Egyptian farmers.<sup>161</sup>
- A Minnesota Federal Court provided a preliminary injunction against the requirement of draft registration for government aid in April. The injunction was based on constitutional grounds against self-incrimination and bills of attainder.<sup>162</sup>
- The homecoming parade was canceled in the Fall, citing a lack of student interest, however, this was not the first time. The parade had been dropped previously due to similar issues but was revived.<sup>163</sup>
- Provisions were made in the 1984-1986 budget for Morehead State University to provide for more adequate desegregation of Morehead State University, both in terms of student enrollment, and faculty and staff employment.<sup>164</sup>
- A fire broke out in a trash can on the third floor of Thompson Hall. This fire resulted in some damage.<sup>165</sup>
- A twenty-three-page report published by A. D. Albright called for major administrative and faculty improvements at Morehead State University, as well as the consolidation of six schools into two colleges, and changes to academic programs and policies.<sup>166</sup>
- Out of 1,023 workers at Morehead State University five were black, leading to the school adopting certain policies aimed at desegregation.<sup>167</sup>
- The Center for Instructional Development opened in November, providing a place for faculty to refine and hone their abilities and communications with students.<sup>168</sup>
- After months of speculation President Norfleet resigned, but intended to remain at Morehead State University in a new capacity as chancellor of corporate relations after his resignation took effect.<sup>169</sup>

- The Eagle Handbook and The Traffic Manual were approved by the Board of Regents in November.<sup>170</sup>
- Campus crime was up 20% over 1982 but still down 30% from the highest waves in 1980 and 1981.<sup>171</sup>
- Naomi Claypool, founder of the Morehead State University art department died at 88 on December 18<sup>th</sup>.<sup>172</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 6,505.<sup>173</sup>

## 1984

- William Bradford was convicted on charges of embezzlement on January 25.<sup>174</sup>
- The Sugar Shack added a new health food selection to the menu. This consisted of trail mixes, which included yogurt mix and California mix at \$3.95 a pound, and student mix at \$2.95 a pound.<sup>175</sup>
- John Kleber adopted a cabbage patch doll; he was named Cullen Emory.<sup>176</sup>
- An ATM was installed in the Adron Doran University Center.<sup>177</sup>
- A fire in the Alumni Tower in late January destroyed a student's clothes and mattress. The cause was undetermined, and neither students occupying the room were present.<sup>178</sup>
- The Alumni Tower cafeteria expanded its selection to include pizza to-go and soft-serve ice cream.<sup>179</sup>
- The Button Auditorium stage was closed, and it was estimated that it could cost \$100,000 to repair.<sup>180</sup>
- The speech and radio-tv program centers moved into Brackenridge Hall after the closure of the University of Breckenridge school.<sup>181</sup>
- The Industrial Education and Technology Department proposed a degree in Industrial Technology with an emphasis on robotics.<sup>182</sup>
- Billy Idol performed at Morehead State University on February 15<sup>th</sup>.<sup>183</sup>
- The Board of Regents' search for a new president continued in February, but the Board promised that it would end soon.<sup>184</sup>
- Hank Williams Jr. performed at Morehead State University on March 28.<sup>185</sup>
- The Committee on Student Life unanimously passed a bill in favor of a coed dorm.<sup>186</sup>
- Michael Fox, presidential candidate for the Student Association, fell from Lochegee Rock and was severely injured, but survived.<sup>187</sup>
- Michael Fox was elected president of the Student Association.<sup>188</sup>
- The Morehead State University ROTC program was the subject of a film produced by Fort Knox Television at the request of the Army.<sup>189</sup>

- \$3,000,000 in renovations were expected to begin in the Spring of 1984. Fields Hall was the main subject of this program, with the renovation of Fields Hall alone estimated to cost \$2,477,100.<sup>190</sup>
- A SCUBA class was offered in the fall of 1985 as a 9-week course.<sup>191</sup>
- Herb F. Reinhard Jr. and William F. Dorril came to Morehead State University's campus to meet and greet with the student body as final presidential candidates.<sup>192</sup>
- Twelve computer terminals were damaged and removed from the Alumni Grill after serious user abuse. This was significant because the terminals cost over \$10,000, and the terminals were then moved to Reed Hall.<sup>193</sup>
- Herb Reinhard was selected as the next president of Morehead State University, succeeding Morris Norfleet after he began his sabbatical on July 1<sup>st</sup>.<sup>194</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 6,204.<sup>195</sup>
- Controversy arose over the terms of the contract with former President Norfleet after the end of his tenure, the issues included his pay, flexible hours, and other university-provided services.<sup>196</sup>
- A major shift in administration occurred with Reinhard shifting many "tenured" administrators into full-time teaching positions to save money.<sup>197</sup>
- The Adron Doran University Center Cafeteria was slated to close on all non-event weekends after the continued loss of interest led to a net deficit for the program.<sup>198</sup>
- Students were allowed to paint their rooms in the fall, given they met certain requirements and used paint provided by the university.<sup>199</sup>
- The renovation of Fields Hall was postponed due to a lack of funds from the 1984-1986 budget, even though the renovation was authorized.<sup>200</sup>
- President Reinhard was "arrested" to raise money for the American Cancer Society which raised over \$12,000.<sup>201</sup>
- The twenty-foot-wide Mignon Tower sign was taken down and replaced with a 22-foot-wide "eagle".<sup>202</sup>
- A lounge was to be constructed in place of the old fountain in the Adron Doran University Center.<sup>203</sup>
- The Board of Regents ratified a university constitution that allowed for a binding Faculty Senate to be formed.<sup>204</sup>
- Yoyo, the robotics department's robot was resurrected after a severe bit of damage rendered him inoperable.<sup>205</sup>
- Waylon Jennings performed on October 18<sup>th</sup>.<sup>206</sup>
- Room inspections were discontinued after a "negative reaction" to them was observed.<sup>207</sup>
- A coed hall was guaranteed for the Fall semester of 1985.<sup>208</sup>
- The Morehead State University clinic discontinued the sale of contraceptives but kept counseling and prescription services to aid in birth control.<sup>209</sup>

- The Board of Regents approved new standards that incorporated ACT scores into admissions, rather than sending a full acceptance letter to every student that sent Morehead State University their ACT scores.<sup>210</sup>

## 1985

- The Board of Regents purchased land next to the university power plant, totaling 4.2 acres. This land was to be used for intramural sports and the construction of a settling lagoon for the power plant.<sup>211</sup>
- It was decided that Cartmell and Mignon Tower be the first coed dorms on campus.<sup>212</sup>
- The University's streets were milled in preparation for paving over spring break.<sup>213</sup>
- Ralph Nader and Adron Doran spoke at the 1985 Founder's Day event on March 28<sup>th</sup>.<sup>214</sup>
- After three cases of measles at Morehead State the university urged students to update their measles vaccine.<sup>215</sup>
- The university store began to sell computers, with a 20% discount to university affiliates.<sup>216</sup>
- The Adron Doran University Center lounge was completed.<sup>217</sup>
- Reinhard was inaugurated as Morehead State University's ninth president on April 11th, 1985.<sup>218</sup>
- WMKY celebrated its 20th anniversary.<sup>219</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 5,695<sup>220</sup>
- The Board of Regents refused to vote on the contract extension for President Reinhard, this was met with extreme dissatisfaction from the student, faculty, and community audience members. The student regent was also jeered by the crowd for their silence on the matter. This event led to mass student protests and the moving of the meeting to an undisclosed location.<sup>221</sup>
- An ownership disagreement over the "blue zoo" Morehead State University trailer park brought serious legal trouble for the university over the planned sale of the trailer park.<sup>222</sup>
- Plans were set in motion to renovate the Adron Doran University Center Grill area into a food mall area at a considerable cost. The Student Association provided the bulk of the funds through a \$20,000 investment.<sup>223</sup>
- Weird Al Yankovic and Doctor Demento appeared in concert at Morehead State University on September 24th, 1985.<sup>224</sup>
- The new and improved second-floor grill 'food mall' opened, with only unimportant things, like the tables and chairs, missing.<sup>225</sup>
- Less than 600 tickets were sold for the concert featuring Weird Al and Dr. Demento.<sup>226</sup>
- A serial platform pumper truck was purchased by Morehead State University in October to help fight fires on Morehead State University's campus. It was the tallest firefighting



vehicle in Kentucky at the time. The used truck cost Morehead State University \$350,000, a savings of \$75,000 over a new vehicle of the sort.<sup>227</sup>

- The interior renovation of Button Auditorium began after the building was declared unsafe in the spring, the renovation began actual construction in October and was set to cost \$120,000.<sup>228</sup>
- President Reinhard had his remaining term as President purchased by the Board of Regents using private funds, an interim president was to be appointed by January 7, 1986.<sup>229</sup>

## 1986

- Bill Baldrige was selected as the Football Coach of the Year.<sup>230</sup>
- Charlie Step set the record for the longest field goal with 54 yards at the Morehead State University vs Wichita State.<sup>231</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 5,894.<sup>232</sup>
- Morehead State University added a Bachelor of Science in Nursing.<sup>233</sup>
- Thompson Hall closed.<sup>234</sup>
- Two former governors were appointed to Morehead State University's Board of Regents, Edward T. Breathitt, and Louie B. Nunn.<sup>235</sup>
- A group of students, faculty, and staff, numbering 400 in total, participated in a Frankfort rally in support of higher education.<sup>236</sup>
- George Mays spoke to the Trail Blazer in March. During this discussion, Mays, an English instructor, described how racism still thrived on Morehead State's campus in the 80s.<sup>237</sup>
- Downing, Waterfield, and Thompson halls closed to save money in the Fall of 1986, this represented a \$120,000 savings for the university, which was revised down to \$86,000.<sup>238</sup>
- Reinhard was appointed as president of Frostburg State University in Western Maryland.<sup>239</sup>
- Martin Luther King Jr's daughter Yolanda King spoke at Morehead State University in April.<sup>240</sup>
- A.D. Albright was selected as the interim president for Morehead State University, and the pool of candidates for President was reduced to six.<sup>241</sup>
- Jayne Stadium had its turf replaced with an artificial "Omni-Turf" for \$600,000, with the funds being provided by Terry Jacobs, a Cincinnati businessperson.<sup>242</sup>
- A new steakhouse opened in the Adron Doran University Center.<sup>243</sup>
- Waterfield Hall was temporarily re-opened as an overflow hall for students who enrolled late without housing arrangements.<sup>244</sup>

- Interim President Albright went forward with his proposed \$500,000 budget cut. Student affairs took the single largest cut.<sup>245</sup>
- The Cora Wilson Stewart Moonlight School was renovated in October after 13 years on campus.<sup>246</sup>
- A series of tire slashings struck Morehead State University over the first weekend of November.<sup>247</sup>
- Two potential presidential candidates visited Morehead State University in mid-November, C. Nelson Grote, and James A. Adams.<sup>248</sup>
- Nelson Grote was selected as the 11<sup>th</sup> president of Morehead State University however, Albright remained as acting president until July first.<sup>249</sup>
- State cuts to Morehead State University exceeded \$300,000.<sup>250</sup>

## 1987

- The Morehead State University football team matched their record for most interceptions at the Morehead State University vs game.<sup>251</sup>
- The Football team attempted 67 passes during the Morehead State University vs Tennessee Tech game.<sup>252</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 6,490.<sup>253</sup>
- The Beach Boys performed at Morehead State University in February on their 25<sup>th</sup>-anniversary tour, alongside .38 Special, this drew large crowds.<sup>254</sup>
- Phil Simms visited Morehead State University on February 21 for 'Phil Simms Day.'<sup>255</sup>
- The Department of Student Housing re-opened Butler, Waterfield, and Thompson Halls for co-ed housing due to an increase in enrollment.<sup>256</sup>
- Alfonse Heck, a former member of the Hitler Youth, and Helen Waterford, a Holocaust survivor, spoke at Morehead State University in the University of Breckenridge Auditorium. Both women spoke about the importance of remembering the Holocaust and working to prevent similar events in the future.<sup>257</sup>
- Morehead State University was removed from the censured university list for the fall of 1987 due to changes made regarding faculty and dismissal.<sup>258</sup>
- The Morehead State University Trailer Park was closed, and the trailers were auctioned off.<sup>259</sup>
- C Nelson Grote assumed the presidency of Morehead State University on July 1<sup>st</sup>.<sup>260</sup>

## 1988

- Fall Enrollment was 7,397.<sup>261</sup>

- The University approved the distribution of condoms from the Caudill Health Clinic again, but at full price whereas they had provided them at 1/3<sup>rd</sup> the cost before.<sup>262</sup>
  - A Wendy's and Rax open in Morehead, with Rax being a local fast-food restaurant that has since scaled down operations to five locations<sup>263</sup>
  - The state decided to fund the renovation of Morehead State University's tunnel system but placed the onus onto the School for the renovation of Thompson and Fields Halls.<sup>264</sup>
  - Roger L. Holbrook, Campus safety officer, and acting director of public safety was charged by his wife of kicking, choking, and punching her. Later, in 2010, Holbrook pled guilty to multiple weapons and drug charges, resulting in a ten-year sentence in Federal Prison.<sup>265</sup>
  - Senff Natatorium was permanently closed due to damaged pipes.<sup>266</sup>
  - Thompson Hall reopened as a coed dorm.<sup>267</sup>
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## Chapter XIII

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### 1989

- In the Morehead State University vs Eastern Kentucky University game Jerome Williams catches a record eighteen passes.<sup>1</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 7,149<sup>2</sup>
- The 1989 softball team sets the fewest runs allowed record. Allowing 72 during the season. They also set the lowest earned runs allowed record. Allowing 42 over the season. Setting the fewest hits allowed record the softball team allowed 144 hits.<sup>3</sup>
- The percussion section of the Morehead State University band comes in second place at the National Marching Forum and Percussive Arts Society International Convention in Nashville.<sup>4</sup>
- Morehead State University began to repair and expand the existing service tunnels and laying new steam and telephone pipes.<sup>5</sup>
- Morehead State University receives a \$67,000 grant to help slow the dropout rate of regional high schools<sup>6</sup>

### 1990

- Dayle Hamontree sets the Volleyball Service Ace record after having 301 service aces between 1987 and 1990.<sup>7</sup>
- Ashli White set the record for earned run average in one season at .17.<sup>8</sup>
- Julie Mariga hits six triples in a season. Something Jennifer Moffitt matches in 1997. Mariga also steals thirty-three bases in the 1990 season, netting her the record for most bases stolen in one season. Beth Owens set the season record for on base percentage at .489.<sup>9</sup>
- Beth Owens set the softball season record for on base percentage at .489.<sup>10</sup>
- The 1990 softball team had 162 batters walked over the season. Stealing 90 bases over the season the softball team sets a season record. The earned run average was record setting low, with the seasons being 1.15. With a winning percentage of .756 the 1990 team set the record for the highest winning percentage. Part of this winning percentage was the longest winning streak, which ran from April 12 to April 27 with 10 games played.<sup>11</sup>
- Cole Proctor was voted as Ohio Valley Conference Football Coach of the Year.<sup>12</sup>

- Chris Swartz made the most touchdown passes in Morehead State University Football history at the Morehead State University vs Murray State game with a of seven passes.<sup>13</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 5,943<sup>14</sup>
- International Business Machine Corporation (IBM) Morehead State University a \$150,000 grant for training new and practicing teachers in the use of technology in the classroom.<sup>15</sup>
- On March 19 Morehead Police received a call for assistance from the Morehead State University Police Department. This was in response to an apparent murder-suicide of Larry Jones, Dean of Professional Studies at Morehead State University and his wife Ellen B. Barker, Assistant Professor of Psychology at Bloomsburg University in Pennsylvania. It was determined later that the three bullets retrieved from the scene matched the gun in Larry Jones' hand confirming his culpability in the murder-suicide. Ellen Barker was on sabbatical from Bloomsburg University at the time.<sup>16</sup>
- Brigadier General Charles R. Hansell, First Lieutenant Andy Anthony (General Hansell's aid-de-camp) and Command Sergeant Major Cecil Young of the Second Region Headquarters visit Morehead State University's campus for a briefing on the Reserve Officers Training Corps unit on campus. They arrived via helicopter on March 26.<sup>17</sup>
- During the Kentucky Intercollegiate Newspaper Association Conference, the *Trail Blazer* wins seven awards. The conference was held from April 6-7.<sup>18</sup>
- The Cosmopolitan Club holds an International Night on April 7.<sup>19</sup>
- After renovations to the interior, Field's Hall was reopened as an honors co-ed dorm on August 17.<sup>20</sup>
- Renovations began on Thompson Hall.<sup>21</sup>
- The Board of Regents unanimously voted to extend President Grote's contract to June 30, 1992, and increase his salary by \$95,000. Right after the vote passed Grote announced his retirement effective upon the end of his contract.<sup>22</sup>
- For the Spring Semester a new program was set up at Morehead State University allowing payment instalments over 10 months to pay tuition. To enroll in the plain a student needed to pay \$50 and once all payments were made if they were on time the student got a \$50 credit at the bookstore.<sup>23</sup>
- A fire broke out in Mignon Tower on August 24<sup>th</sup>. The fire began in the seventh-floor trash room and was extinguished by students Chris Hart and Chris Simmons. The fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh floors received water damage due to the sprinkler systems activation.<sup>24</sup>
- On September 7<sup>th</sup> there was a bomb threat called on the Combs Building. The alleged bomb was set to detonate at 9:15 am. Once the call had been received there was a bomb in the building the Combs Building was evacuated and swept for a bomb. When none was found, people were allowed to reenter the building.<sup>25</sup>
- *America's Most Wanted* filmed in Morehead using Morehead State University students as extras. Filmed was a 1988 crime committed by Thomas Mitchell when he attacked Jayne and Hodges and left them for dead. The local account had that Hodges' five-year-old son

broke out of the room his sister and he were locked in, left his sister with his unconscious mother, and began walking towards town along U.S. 60. A passing motorist saw the child covered in his mother's blood, picked them up and called the police.<sup>26</sup>

- Morehead State University holds Octubafest on October 25.<sup>27</sup>
- The Council of Presidents was reformed after a long hiatus. When reinstated the Council of Presidents had over one hundred Presidents of various Student Organizations as members.<sup>28</sup>
- WMKY won first place in documentary production in the Associated Press Awards for News competition.<sup>29</sup>
- The Science Department received a donation of specialized equipment from Robert L. Coleman a Morehead State University alumni and President of NOVA Biomedical. The equipment donated was a hematology analyzer and electrolyte chemistry analyzer worth a joint total of \$28,500. The equipment was to be used in an animal psychology course.<sup>30</sup>
- President Grote was appointed to the Kentucky Advisory Council of the U.S. Small Business Administration's Region IV.<sup>31</sup>
- On November 7, Taylor Dayne performed in the Academic -Athletic Complex Center. Her performance cost \$12,000.<sup>32</sup>
- Jeff Dunham a noted ventriloquist and comedian performed in Button Auditorium on November 13.<sup>33</sup>

## 1991

- Fred Johnson set the record for forced fumbles in a single season at 6.<sup>34</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 6,032<sup>35</sup>
- Morehead State University began offering a minor in Interdisciplinary Women's Studies.<sup>36</sup>
- Thompson Hall's renovations conclude, and Thompson Hall was made a dorm for female graduate students, honor students and first-year students who received room and board scholarships from Morehead State University.<sup>37</sup>
- Four rapes and sixty-four burglaries were committed in 1991.<sup>38</sup>
- Morehead State University was reaccredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.<sup>39</sup>
- A peace vigil was held on the lawn of the Camden-Carol Library on January 31.<sup>40</sup>
- Twenty-Three Morehead State University Alumni were stationed in Saudi Arabia as part of Operation Desert Storm.<sup>41</sup>
- On February 28<sup>th</sup> the Board of Regents passes a resolution increasing fees for those attending Morehead State University.<sup>42</sup>
- Tangier, Extreme and Winger performed a concert on March 5, in the Academic -Athletic Center.<sup>43</sup>

- Ashland Oil Inc. gives Morehead State University a \$750,000 grant to be dispersed over five years. The grant would give \$75,000 a year if Morehead State University matches the investment.<sup>44</sup>
- During the run up to the gubernatorial election four candidates spoke at Morehead State University in April. These candidates who spoke were Floyd Poore, Gatewood Galbraith, Scotty Baesler, and Larry Forgy.<sup>45</sup>
- Comedian Rondell Sheridan performed a show on April 17<sup>th</sup> in Button Auditorium.<sup>46</sup>
- Renovations began on Button Auditorium in July. Giving it a new drainage system and improvements to the façade.<sup>47</sup>
- In August Mike Mincy the Vice President of Student Life directed dorm directors to lock all side and ground doors twenty-four hours a day to improve dorm security. This was to force people wishing to enter the dorm to walk through the main doors.<sup>48</sup>
- A fire broke out on August 9<sup>th</sup> in the Delta Tau Delta House. The fire was presumed to be set by an arsonist according to the Fire Department.<sup>49</sup>
- On August 17 during renovations near Button Auditorium a gas line was struck and ruptured. Causing the evacuation of Fields Hall, Adron Doran University Center, Button Auditorium and Combs Hall.<sup>50</sup>
- Lakewood Terrace had a fire in Lewis Hall on August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Tupperware in the broiler of a stove caused the fire.<sup>51</sup>
- There was a fire in Waterfield Hall on September 13 during a fire drill. Because of the fire drill no one evacuated due to signs being posted telling students not to evacuate and being warned about the drill. There were no injuries, and the fire was determined to have been caused by a faulty electrical fan.<sup>52</sup>
- Mays Hall underwent renovations beginning in October.<sup>53</sup>
- The repair and expansion of the existing service tunnels and laying new steam and telephone pipes that began in 1989 was set to end<sup>54</sup>
- WMKY was fined \$840 by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration for violating the Kentucky Occupational Safety Act of 1973 on two counts. The first count was that “WMKY did not clearly and specifically outline the scope, purpose, authorization, rules and techniques to be used for the control of hazardous energy.” and the second was that “WMKY had not provided training to ensure the purpose and function of the Energy Control Program was understood by employees.”<sup>55</sup>
- President Grote announced a hiring freeze because of the Council of Higher Education asking universities and community colleges across the Commonwealth and in the face of looming budget cuts.<sup>56</sup>
- The Council of Higher Education cuts \$1.4 million to Morehead State University’s budget in a meeting on November 4<sup>th</sup>. The Council also approved an increase in tuition for all public four-year institutions.<sup>57</sup>
- From November 10-15 Morehead State University held an AIDS Awareness Week to combat the spread of AIDS.<sup>58</sup>

- A small fire breaks out in the basement of Baird Music Hall on the night of November 22<sup>nd</sup>. Approximately 120 high school students were occupying the building when the fire broke out for the All-District Band Competition.<sup>59</sup>
- As part of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Attack on Pearl Harbor Associate Professor Michael Biel presented audio tapes of the House of Representatives debate on whether to declare war on the Empire of Japan via C-SPAN.<sup>60</sup>

## 1992

- Cathi Watson set the softball record for runs scored in a game at 5 during the Morehead State University vs Lincoln Memorial game.<sup>61</sup>
- Beth Owens set the seasonal record for runs scored at 45 this season as well.<sup>62</sup>
- Judy Braley and Amy Timble set the record for hits in a single game. At the Morehead State University vs Kentucky State University game, they made five hits apiece. This feat was matched twenty years later by Adrena Anderson. Timble also set records for runs batted in in a game and over a season. She hit 8 Runs Batted In at the Morehead State University vs Lincoln Memorial game and forty-four over the season. Jeanne Noble set the record for most doubles over a season at 20.<sup>63</sup>
- Jeanne Noble sets the record for most doubles over a season at 20.<sup>64</sup>
- Amy Timble hits 44 runs batted in in 1992 granting her the record for runs batted in.<sup>65</sup>
- The 1992 Softball Team sets the batting average record at .349. With the high batting average came the record for runs scored at 297 during 1992. Of those 297 runs 31 were scored at the Morehead State University vs Lincoln Memorial game. Also contributing to the batting average was the 460 hits during the season. 29 alone were hit during the Morehead State University vs Kentucky State University game. Allowing the team to score at least some of the 297 runs were the 82 doubles hit in 1992. With 7 alone hit at the Morehead State University vs Alabama A&M game. They also hit 5 triples at the Morehead State University vs Lincoln Memorial game. Stealing a collective 10 bases in the Morehead State vs Kentucky State game the softball team sets the record for stolen bases in a game.<sup>66</sup>
- Fred Johnson set the record for most tackles for loss in one season at 27 and set the single season record for sacks at 12.<sup>67</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 7,128<sup>68</sup>
- Despite sub-freezing temperatures, the Diamond Rio and Alan Jackson concert held on January 16 sold out. Marty Roe the lead singer of Diamond Rio was a Grayson native, with three generations of family members that graduated from Morehead State University.<sup>69</sup>
- Two Morehead State University Professors were indicted on felony theft charges on January 17<sup>th</sup>. Milford Kuhn an associate professor was charged with seventeen counts of theft by deception, with eleven counts being felonies for being over \$100. Kuhn allegedly knowingly issuing bad checks worth \$3,535.66 from October 24<sup>th</sup> to December 30<sup>th</sup>,

1991. Kuhn later one charge was dismissed and eight were amended to misdemeanors. Subsequently to the reduction of charges Kuhn plead guilty. Assistant Professor of Speech Thomas E. Scott was indicted for allegedly stealing a wallet with a combined \$450 in cash and travelers checks as well as allegedly trying to use stolen credit cards in a Lexington clothing store. The wallet belonged to Alice Terry a student at Morehead State University. Scott faced five years in prison and was scheduled to be tried in Rowan County Court on June 29<sup>th</sup>.<sup>70</sup>

- Cadet Stephanie M. Francis became the first female Cadet Sergeant Major. The Cadet Sergeant Major was the highest ranking third year cadet.<sup>71</sup>
- Vice President of Student Life Mike Mincey decided to evict the students of Butler Hall so renovations could begin on the building on February 4. Students were given seven to ten days to move after pushback to the announcement.<sup>72</sup>
- Vice President of Student Life Mike Mincey decided to evict the students of Butler Hall so renovations could begin on the building on either February 4<sup>th</sup>. This was after a meeting with President Grote and Vice President of Administrative and Fiscal Services Porter Dailey. Students were given until February 11<sup>th</sup> to receive a 50% refund and if they moved out on February 12<sup>th</sup> or later students would receive a 25% refund. Immediately after the announcement that students would have to move before spring break there was a great outcry by students. Encompassing the oddity of the situation and students who were being forced to moves situation was the words of Mike Fultz the Vice President of Butler Hall “Refunds were generally intended for students who move out by choice, not those who have been forced out.” In one week, 104 residents of Butler Hall signed a petition to continue living in Butler Hall for the duration of the semester, as they were originally told. According to Mincey the renovations were moved up because it was shown by the contractors that the school would save money if renovations began sooner. Morehead State University would also save money as the utilities for Butler Hall would be paid by the contractors during renovations. Students were given seven to ten days to move after the announcement. When a student asked in a meeting why the University waited to announce the renovations until the last day students could withdraw and received a refund Mincey said “Well, we didn’t know it was to last day to withdraw for a refund.” During the meeting various students voiced displeasure over the decision, most after Mincey’s statement. Resident Advisors also find out in this meeting that they will no longer be employed as RA’s but in some other role as student workers. In a February 12<sup>th</sup> Residents Hall Association meeting Mincey explained that while the contracting company was ahead of schedule on Mays Hall allowing them to begin construction on Butler would save money. He also said the Director of Student Housing Kenneth White would allow residents of Butler to move to any hall with space, priority on a room and be priority for moving into Butler Hall in the fall semester. Students would also be supplied a van to help move their things two days a week. The Residents Hall Association asked Mincey if residents would be assigned higher fees for moving into other dorms, to which Mincey answered they would not. He also said that residents now did not have to move until spring break and will have ten days to move into their new room.<sup>73</sup>
- On March 4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Morehead State University holds the 25<sup>th</sup> Miss Morehead State University Scholarship Pageant. Sophomore Natalie Shepherd beats fourteen other contestants to win the competition. Shepherd continued to the Miss Kentucky Pageant

held in June. For coming in first place Shepherd received a \$1,000 (approximately \$2,083.36 in 2022) scholarship.<sup>74</sup>

- On March 15, the telephone system used by Morehead State University was changed for the first time since its installation in 1969. This was due to the system used being so out of date it was becoming increasingly difficult to update and fix.<sup>75</sup>
- In a unanimous vote by the Board of Regents Ronald G. Eaglin was offered a four-year contract as the successor of C Nelson Grote as President of Morehead State University.<sup>76</sup>
- Morehead State University's Paralegal Studies Program receives accreditation from the American Bar Association. Morehead State University became one of around one hundred and eighteen schools with an American Bar Association accredited program.<sup>77</sup>
- Over four thousand gathered in the Academic -Athletic Center to watch a concert by Tesla and Firehouse on March 25. According to Student Government Association the attendance was enough to recuperate the \$35,000 spent on booking both bands.<sup>78</sup>
- Former Associate Professor Milford Kuhn resigned due to his criminal activities on March 31<sup>st</sup>.<sup>79</sup>
- Founders Day Convocation and Awards Ceremony was held April 3<sup>rd</sup>. John Kleber waste featured speaker and Mary Powell; Professor Emeritus received an award.<sup>80</sup>
- An international banquet was held on April 11<sup>th</sup> by the Cosmopolitan Club.<sup>81</sup>
- The Board of Regents approves tuition and fee increases on April 17<sup>th</sup> due to a \$5.8 million budget cut. Tuition increases by \$60 for the fall semester, parking, computer fees and student activity fees also increased to \$45. The English Department's budget was cut by eleven to fifteen percent due to budget cuts. According to Eugene Young, the department chair. Ronald G. Eaglin's contract to replace C. Nelson Grote as President was ratified by the Board of Regents. Dr. Eaglin received a \$115,000 salary for one year and assumed the presidency July 1<sup>st</sup>.<sup>82</sup>
- On April 17<sup>th</sup> Morehead State University held a Regional Language Festival with students coming from over seventeen schools from Eastern Kentucky. Languages involved in the festival were Latin, German, French, Russian and Spanish.<sup>83</sup>
- Vince Gill, Brooks & Dun and Marty Brown country music artists performed at Morehead State University on April 23 in the Academic -Athletic Center.<sup>84</sup>
- President C. Nelson Grote retires as President of Morehead State University on June 30. Ronald Eaglin assumed the Presidency the next day.<sup>85</sup>
- In the fall MCI, a telecommunications company and Morehead State University installed a new phone system for students.<sup>86</sup>
- Morehead State University held Parent's Weekend September 11-13.<sup>87</sup>
- The Penny Loafers performed a concert in Breckinridge Hall on September 16.<sup>88</sup>
- Morehead State University displays an art exhibit by alum Barry Motes on September 25<sup>th</sup> in the Claypool-Young Art Building.<sup>89</sup>
- The Music Department hosts the Blue and Gold Festival of Marching Bands on September 26<sup>th</sup>.<sup>90</sup>



- Lappin Hall began renovations in the fall.<sup>91</sup>
- The Ashland Area Extended Campus Center, an extension of Morehead State University, opened. The service area for the Ashland Center was Boyd, Carter, and Greenup counties.<sup>92</sup>
- The Folk Arts Center opened.<sup>93</sup>
- Morehead raises its entrance requirement from a twelve on the ACT to a fourteen.<sup>94</sup>
- Travis Tritt and Marty Stuart performed a concert in the Academic -Athletic Center on October 13.<sup>95</sup>
- Bad Company performed a concert on November 18.<sup>96</sup>

## 1993

- Jodi McCracken set the record for most at bats at 7 during the Morehead State University vs Eastern Kentucky University game. This would be matched in 2002 by Jill Sloan and in 2017 by Robyn Leighton.<sup>97</sup>
- Keri Maddidx set the record for strikeouts in a single game after striking out four times at the Morehead State University vs Austin Peay game.<sup>98</sup>
- The 1993 team sets the at bat record during the Morehead State University vs Eastern Kentucky University game at 53. The team hits 21 triples during the season.<sup>99</sup>
- Ashli White set the record for a seasonal batting average at .443.<sup>100</sup>
- Jeanne Noble set the record for a career batting average at .365.<sup>101</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 6,947<sup>102</sup>
- Morehead State University closed twenty-one associate programs and thirteen bachelor's programs<sup>103</sup>
- The Board of Regents approved a proposal for all undergraduates twenty and under without sixty credits to live on campus. Students who were married, single parents, commuters, and students over twenty-one during the semester were exempt from the mandate.<sup>104</sup>
- John E. Kleber, a history professor and Tom Sternal, the chair of the Art Department, received awards from Governor Brereton Jones. Kleber received the Governor's Outstanding Kentuckian Award and Sternal received the Governor's Award in the Arts.<sup>105</sup>
- Morehead State University banned smoking in all campus buildings except residence halls.<sup>106</sup>
- The fourth annual Bluegrass Festival was held by Morehead State University on February 5th.<sup>107</sup>
- Retired Morehead State University Professor Alex Conyers shot his wife then himself in their Morehead Home on March 5th. Morehead Police assume the Murder-Suicide was premeditated.<sup>108</sup>

- Virginia G. Fox the executive director of Kentucky Education Television, Harry A. Walker formerly a Federal Bureau of Investigations Special Agent who headed Des Plaines Office as well as a WWII veteran, and Nan K. Ward, who held various positions at Morehead State University and Murray State were inducted into the Morehead State University Alumni Hall of Fame on April 2nd.<sup>109</sup>
- On March 11th Professor John Kleber's Old South class held a mock slave auction. Kleber said the auction was to show how demeaning slavery was as an institution.<sup>110</sup>
- The 1993 Founder's Day speaker was General Billy G. Wellman who served as the State Secretary of Justice and commissioner of the Kentucky Police.<sup>111</sup>
- Milford Kuhn former Associate Professor at Morehead State University files a \$1.5 million civil rights lawsuit against Morehead State University and Rowan County officials. In the suit Kuhn alleges he was forced to resign and leave the Commonwealth as a condition of his release from jail.<sup>112</sup>
- Carrot Top performed a comedy routine on April 5.<sup>113</sup>
- Naughty by Nature, Run DMC and SWV performed in a concert on April 12.<sup>114</sup>
- WMKY upgraded their antenna for the first time over April 18 to 24.<sup>115</sup>
- On April 22nd President Ronald Eaglin waived the \$10 graduation fee for spring 1993 graduates.<sup>116</sup>
- Morehead State University holds a diversity conference titled "Diversity Spoken Here" on April 29. The conference was for teachers, counselors and public educators who were planning in-service programs for the 1993-1994 school year.<sup>117</sup>
- On August 26 Morehead State University hosted the first conference on the Kentucky Education Reform Act.<sup>118</sup>
- Rob McNurlin performs a concert on September 19.<sup>119</sup>
- Returning students complain of a myriad of issues including, Cartmell Hall's elevators not working, the Mignon Complex showers not working properly, disintegrating curtains, and no hot water in Nunn Hall.<sup>120</sup>
- Over the last decade the president's salary grew from \$72,000 to \$115,000. While faculty salaries were \$36,527 for the 1992-1993 academic year, being the second least paid faculty in the state. Only better than Kentucky State University.<sup>121</sup>
- On September 24, Governor Brereton Jones visits Morehead State University. Governor Jones announced a \$542,000 granted to buy and renovate the former Union Grocery Store into the Folk Art Center.<sup>122</sup>
- Sawyer Brown performs a concert on October 25.<sup>123</sup>
- On November 4 - 6, 1993 Wilma E. Grote Symposium for the Advancement of Women at Morehead State University had Shirley Gish, Morehead State University associate professor of speech, Patricia Hill Collins, a member of the University of Cincinnati's faculty and feminist author, and Ann E. Kleine-Kracht, a humor educator and nursing faculty member at Bellarmine College.<sup>124</sup>

- On November 4th students across Kentucky's eight regional universities protested and signed petitions against the proposed five-point three percent tuition increase to regional universities. The increase passed when The Council on Higher Education voted on the increase on November 8th.<sup>125</sup>
- Over \$48,000 in late fees was owed to the Camden-Carroll Library. Over 300 people owed \$50+ for a year or more. Only non-Morehead State University students can owe over \$50 for a prolonged amount of time as owing \$50 or more makes a student ineligible for registration. Library officials mailed letters to the last known address of those who owed fees. If there was no response to the letter, then the fee was passed to a collection agency.<sup>126</sup>
- At Morehead State University's seventh annual Appalachian Christmas Arts and Crafts Market the Reindeer pulling Santa's Sleigh were replaced with Llamas. The Llamas were there to help raise money for the Rowan County Special Equestrian Program.<sup>127</sup>

## 1994

- The softball team has the lowest fielding percentage on record at .922.<sup>128</sup>
- The Morehead State University Football Team set the record for most losses in a season at 11.<sup>129</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 6,670<sup>130</sup>
- Roger Clinton, brother of President William "Bill" Clinton was the featured speaker at Founders Day on April 8.<sup>131</sup>
- Confederate Railroad, Highway 101 and John Berry performed in the Academic-Athletic Center on April 25.<sup>132</sup>
- Amendments for Student Government Association members to support a 2.5 GPA and for Members of the Student Government Association Executive committee to be able to be impeached pass.<sup>133</sup>
- Almost 200,000 gallons of water were spilled when a bulldozer severed a water line behind the Camden-Carroll library. Some water got into Allie Young's Basement and the library's Mechanical room.<sup>134</sup>
- Over a six-week span there were four reports of a "Peeping Tom" in Cartmell Hall. It was unknown as to what happened to the "Peeping Tom" due to the trailblazer not mentioning them again.<sup>135</sup>
- The African and African American Professional Coalition was formed at Morehead State University. The AAAPC was formed to support professional development through opening added academic and career opportunities and creating ethnic awareness.<sup>136</sup>
- A Russian group the "Blagovestie" performed a free concert at Morehead State University on November 3rd.<sup>137</sup>
- On November 10 – 12 the Wilma E. Grote Symposium for the Advancement of Women at Morehead State University hosted Mary Field Belenky, a co-author of "Women's Ways

of Knowing: The Development of Self, Voice and Mind,” George Ella Lyon, and Lorie Kleiner Eckert were guest speakers.<sup>138</sup>

- On November 2 Holly Stone, the Vice President of Publicity for Student Government Association, had impeachment proceedings started after a 32 - 11 vote. Her impeachment trial was set for November 16. At Student Government Association’s meeting on November 9 Brian Hutchison Student Government Association Vice-President of Programming asks the impeachment to be reconsidered. After a secret vote the impeachment proceedings were dropped.<sup>139</sup>
- Morehead State University was added to the National Register of Historic Places. Buildings added to the register were Allie Young Hall, Breckenridge Hall, Button Auditorium, the Camden-Carroll Library, Field’s Hall, the President’s Home, Raider Hall, Senff Natatorium and Thompson Hall.<sup>140</sup>
- The policy of undergraduates needing to live on campus unless exempt took effect.<sup>141</sup>
- The Resident Hall Association sells old refrigerators from the dorms for a total of \$14,500.<sup>142</sup>
- The Board of Regents approved the sale \$7.8 million in bonds to fund the second phase of renovating Lappin Hall.<sup>143</sup>

## 1995

- Setting the record for Volleyball games/sets played over a career Heather Willis finishes her career with 528 sets/games played. The 1995 season had a great contribution to this with Willis playing 150 games/sets.<sup>144</sup>
- Shannon O’Toole set the records for homeruns during a single game. Hitting two in the Morehead State University vs Dayton game. This record had been matched by eleven other players from 2000 to 2019. O’Toole set the slugging percentage record for a season as well. With an average of .566<sup>145</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 6,493<sup>146</sup>
- 275 criminal offenses were committed on campus during the year. 143 were thefts.<sup>147</sup>
- Waterfield Hall reopens with two floors of private rooms as well as two floors for “special housing” during inclement weather and breaks and office space.<sup>148</sup>
- Freshman Jason Banbel sculpts a bust of Rev. Elisha Green to be displayed at the Mason County Underground Museum and African American center in Maysville.<sup>149</sup>
- The roof of Cooper Hall was replaced over a three-month span.<sup>150</sup>
- A series of robberies occur on campus across multiple buildings as well as at least one car break-in in January.<sup>151</sup>
- First-year students in the fall semester had to take “Morehead State University 101: Discovering University Life,” which covered subjects such as personal and academic skills as well as career exploration.<sup>152</sup>

- The 12th Annual Foreign Language Festival was held on April 14th. Around 1,000 students from seventeen counties.<sup>153</sup>
- Two faculty members filed a racial discrimination suit against Morehead State on March 3. The suit alleged that a professor of education had their fundamental civil rights violated due to his race.<sup>154</sup>
- On September 8, David Lee Murphy performed a concert in Button Auditorium with the Second Helpin' Band as the opening act.<sup>155</sup>
- To increase community-oriented policing on campus the campus police began foot patrols on September 11. A "Public Safety and Advisory Committee" was formed and met the next week.<sup>156</sup>
- The Commonwealth of Kentucky's appropriations for higher education fall below the national average.<sup>157</sup>
- A storm caused severe damage to Morehead State's campus. The storm caused \$100,693 in damages, damaged 150 trees, and felled several.<sup>158</sup>
- Morehead State University was ranked 19th safest college town in the South for schools with enrollment over five thousand. Only Murray State ranked higher.<sup>159</sup>
- Four Morehead State University students attended the Million Man March in Washington D.C. on October 16th.<sup>160</sup>
- Gubernatorial candidates Larry Forgy and Paul Patton took part in a debate on October 18 on Morehead State University's campus. Paul Patton would go on to win<sup>161</sup>

## 1996

- Cheri Venturino sets the record for losses in a Softball Season, after pitching in 21 losing games. Twenty-three years later Lakyn Largent matches this record. Susan Pope sets the record for walks at the Morehead State University vs Eastern Kentucky University game when she walks 7 batters. This record has been matched five times over the last twenty-six years.<sup>162</sup>
- The Football Team rushed seventy-seven times in the Morehead State University vs Valparaiso game.<sup>163</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 6,451<sup>164</sup>
- Eagle Excitement, a program to increase enrollment was introduced on January 24th. Eagle Excitement was broken down into two programs Morehead State University Stars, a program matching Morehead State University students with prospective students to answer questions about all aspects of college life. The other program, the Red-Carpet Society gives prospective students a personalized look at life on campus.<sup>165</sup>
- Morehead State University announced a \$500 cash prize for a contest to design the logo for the seventy-fifth anniversary.<sup>166</sup>
- On February 22nd the first Faculty Follies was held. Faculty Follies was where faculty and staff perform musical and comedy routines. The program raised ~ \$800.<sup>167</sup>

- On March 1, the Board of Regents voted to sell three tracts of land the university owned. One tract was the McClure Circle Complex, valued at \$30,000 - \$31,500 per unit. The other two tracts were the Morehead State University Trailer Park and 307 Fifth Street. A resolution was also passed to expand the Licking Valley Extended Campus Center in West Liberty and award an honorary doctoral degree to former Governor Brereton Jones.<sup>168</sup>
- On March 1st and second, the *Trail Blazer* won eleven awards at the Kentucky Intercollegiate Press Association Convention.<sup>169</sup>
- Beginning at Laughlin and continuing to the library. Around 125 students, faculty and administrators took part in a "Took Back the Night" march to protest violence on campus on April 3rd. Patti Swartz organized the protest a professor after a student was assaulted by three men while being harassed for being a lesbian.<sup>170</sup>
- On April 12th, a mock brick laying event was held at the construction site of the Wellness Center as part of Founder's Day festivities.<sup>171</sup>
- The Seattle band Candle Box plays a concert in the Academic-Athletic Center on April 25.<sup>172</sup>
- Anthony Scott Kuzak became the first student to obtain a Certified Professional Nanny certification from Morehead State.<sup>173</sup>
- Freshman Roger Hicks, age 44 of West Liberty carries the Olympic Torch one kilometer in the Louisville Area.<sup>174</sup>
- Construction began on the Little Bell Tower.<sup>175</sup>
- Duane B. Murphy, a student at Morehead State University, was arrested and charged with felony theft and receiving stolen property over \$300 after a routine traffic stop. The car Murphy was driving in was stolen from Fayette County.<sup>176</sup>
- The Morehead State University football team had its first shutout since 1990 with a final score of 24-0 against Valparaiso.<sup>177</sup>
- Thirty-three percent of faculty that responded to a survey said that they would not recommend Morehead State University to others seeking employment. Over 50% who responded to the poll had positive job satisfaction.<sup>178</sup>
- A one-hundred-unit computer lab opened in the library basement.<sup>179</sup>
- The University Wellness Center opened, in conjunction with the opening of the wellness center the university launches a program tailoring exercise programs to participating students, staff, faculty, retirees and spouses.<sup>180</sup>
- On the 13th the Board of Regents approved a policy that expanded the ban on students owning and using deadly weapons and destructive devices on university property to faculty, staff, and visitors. This was a reaction to Kentucky House Bill 40 giving residents the right to carry concealed weapons.<sup>181</sup>
- The "Question Spot" opened in Allie Young Hall. The Question Spot provides information on drugs and alcohol, sexually transmitted infections, contraceptives, dating, communication, nutrition, stress, and many other topics.<sup>182</sup>

- The Biology Program built a lab for molecular biology after the National Science Foundation awarded a grant of \$41,000 that was matched by the University.<sup>183</sup>
- A series of tire slashing incidents occurred on October 3. Eleven vehicles had their tires slashed over the course of the day.<sup>184</sup>
- Also on October 3 Tracy Byrd, Tracy Lawrence and Mila Mason performed in concert sponsored by Student Government Association.<sup>185</sup>
- On October 14 Morehead City Council voted to cede Third Street to the University in exchange for university property at the city park.<sup>186</sup>
- Students vote on the name for the “Nameless Eagle” Mascot on October 15. On October 26, the name Beaker was unveiled as part of the seventy-fifth anniversary celebration.<sup>187</sup>
- According to an evaluation of the university Morehead State University spends \$49.50 per student on the library. Falling behind every other state school except for Northern Kentucky University.<sup>188</sup>
- The Music Department hosts the 37th annual Choral Festival for High School Singers on November 18th and 19th.<sup>189</sup>
- Helen Price Stacy and Susie Halbleib were awarded Honorary Doctorates on December 14th, Stacy was awarded an honorary Doctor of Humanities while Halbleib was awarded an honorary Doctor of Science.<sup>190</sup>

## 1997

- Angie Booker, Stephanie Graham, Tiffany King, and Angie Roush set the record for most softball games played in a season at 56.<sup>191</sup>
- Jennifer Moffitt set the record for most hits in a season at 73. Moffitt also matches Julie Mariga’s 1990 record for triples after she hits six during the season. At the end of the season Moffitt captured the record for most triples over a career, after hitting fourteen between 1994 and 1997. Leading in stolen bases in a single game Moffitt steal five during the Morehead State University vs Tennessee State game.<sup>192</sup>
- The softball team pitches in 49 games during the 1997 season. They also set the record for most double plays turned over a season numbering 24. The 1997 team set another record with 56 games played during the season.<sup>193</sup>
- Doug Turner makes 3 2-point conversions at the Morehead State University vs Western Kentucky University game.<sup>194</sup>
- Doug Turner makes the most touchdown passes in a season with twenty-nine passes thrown and matches Bill Masterson’s twenty-nine-year-old record for 2-point conversions with four.<sup>195</sup>
- In the Morehead State University vs Valparaiso game Morehead State University’s Offensive Line gains a record breaking 727 yards through the game.<sup>196</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 6,358<sup>197</sup>

- *A Light to the Mountains* by Donald F. Flatt was published.
- The four full-time programmers began working on updating University systems in preparation for the year 2000 problem.<sup>198</sup>
- Veterinary Technology associate degree Program was created and accredited.<sup>199</sup>
- Morehead State University began offering a degree in Historic Preservation.<sup>200</sup>
- On September 1st for the second time in a year a rash of vandalism hit the campus. Windows in vehicles around Ginger, Mignon, and Thompson Halls. Unknown vandals used a BB gun or a slingshot to break the windows of three vehicles.<sup>201</sup>
- Morehead State University was fined \$10,000 after negotiating the initial \$80,000 fine down. The university was fined for not playing football in the Ohio Valley Conference.<sup>202</sup>
- A record-breaking Blood Drive held by the Central Kentucky Blood Center and Morehead State University's Young Democrats on September 3rd and fourth gathered one hundred and fifty-four pints of blood.<sup>203</sup>
- Faculty housing along Battson Avenue was torn down to make space for parking and to widen the street.<sup>204</sup>
- Daniel Cornett the Director of Admissions was suspended with pay from November 3rd to December 15th and without pay from December 16th until February 14th, 1998.<sup>205</sup>
- David Prowse better known as Darth Vader in Star Wars Episodes IV-VI signs autographs on campus on December 3.<sup>206</sup>

## 1998

- Lauren Mackey set the Volleyball Kills career record at 2293 kills. Mackey setting another record captures the record for total career attacks, with 5933 attacks. Aiding in her setting the career record Mackey makes 1637 attacks in 1998 surpassing her previous record from 1995 by almost 100 attacks.<sup>207</sup>
- Sascha Cox set the record for triples hit in one game at 2 at the Morehead State University vs Brown game. Cox would match this feat one year later in 1999. Susan Pape set the record for complete games by a pitcher over a career after playing ninety games between 1995 and 1998.<sup>208</sup>
- Susan Pape set the record for complete games by a pitcher over a career after playing 90 games between 1995 and 1998. Pape also sets the record for career losses, losing 18 games over her career. Securing the record for losses Pape pitched 71 between 1995 and 1998.<sup>209</sup>
- The Football Team set the record for most victories in a season at 9.<sup>210</sup>
- The Football Team gains 3,210 yards during the 1998 season through rushing.<sup>211</sup>
- David Dinkins holds an average of eight yards per rush. Capturing the top spot on the record board. Dinkins rushes an impressive eighty-nine yards in a scrimmage against Butler, also scoring a touchdown. Making this feat the longest touchdown run as well.<sup>212</sup>



- Finishing the 1998 football season the Morehead State University Offensive Line captures a total of 5,237 yards.<sup>213</sup>
- Women's soccer is added as a varsity sport.<sup>214</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 6,296<sup>215</sup>
- Graduate Students were no longer allowed to live in Lakeview Terrace and were sent to live in undergraduate residence halls as a result.<sup>216</sup>
- The Morehead State University Symphony Band performed in Button Hall on February 13.<sup>217</sup>
- Graffiti Tribe, a pop-rock acapella group performs in Adron Doran University Center on February 18.<sup>218</sup>
- On February 25th Student Government Association and Student Activities Council brought comedian Brad Lowery onto campus to perform a show.<sup>219</sup>
- On March 12th W. David Brown, former professor at Morehead State University and founder of the journalism program here, died.<sup>220</sup>
- Throughout March the Department of Geography, Government and History hosted events depicting history and changes in society.<sup>221</sup>
- On April 3, the Student Alumni Ambassadors buried a time capsule to be opened on Founders Day 2022.<sup>222</sup>
- The Cosmopolitan Club hosts an International Banquet on April 4th.<sup>223</sup>
- Charles H. Hicks, a former professor at Morehead State University, poses as a potential buyer for the house of Marcie Fitch in Bozeman, Montana on April 27th. Once inside Hicks used a concealed stun gun on Fitch but Fitch fought him off.<sup>224</sup>
- The emergency phones were installed on campus to supply emergency assistance in vulnerable areas.<sup>225</sup>
- Morehead State University holds a Regional Foreign Language Festival on April 10th.<sup>226</sup>
- Parking on campus was \$35.<sup>227</sup>
- Morehead State University shut down three undergraduate programs<sup>228</sup>
- Morehead State adopts the Eagle Card to replace the older ID cards.<sup>229</sup>
- Lamar Donaldson a Morehead State University student was arrested and accused of murdering Glenda Manning a Morehead resident with a kitchen pot on September 8th.<sup>230</sup>
- Comedian Buzz Sutherland performed a show on September 9 in Button Auditorium.<sup>231</sup>
- A fencing club was established.<sup>232</sup>
- Jamie R. Brown a first-year student was arrested and charged with the rape of another Morehead State University student on September 22nd.<sup>233</sup>
- Comedian Vic Henley performs in Button Auditorium on November 4.<sup>234</sup>
- On November 14 and 15 students from Alumni Tower had to move to Waterfield Hall due to a water main break.<sup>235</sup>

- “The Spirit of the Earth” an art show displayed in the Claypool-Young Art Building. The art show focused on Native American art and was inspired by Serpent Mound in Adams County, Ohio and the Hopewell Mounds in Chillicothe, Ohio.<sup>236</sup>

## 1999

- Jennifer VanSickle was voted the Ohio Valley Conference Coach of the Year.<sup>237</sup>
- Amy Wilkinson set the record for most doubles with three in the Morehead State University vs Austin Peay game.<sup>238</sup>
- The 1999 softball team sets the record for conference wins after winning 16 conference games. This record would be matched in 2008.<sup>239</sup>
- David Dinkins matches Jug Varney’s record of 5 Touch Down’s in a single game during the Morehead State University vs KY Wesleyan game.<sup>240</sup>
- Fall Enrollment was 6,162<sup>241</sup>
- Morehead State University implements a policy stating students found drinking, having alcohol, or being intoxicated will be put on fifteen hours of probation, did twenty hours of community service, and attended a seminar on alcohol. Upon the third violation the offending student can be expelled. If the student were a dependent their parents would be notified of the offenses.<sup>242</sup>
- Morehead State University gained the ability to draw \$2.63 million by 2000 from Kentucky’s Regional University Excellence Trust Fund for an Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy. They were granted this ability to help address economic as well as other issues affecting Eastern Kentucky.<sup>243</sup>
- Charles H. Hicks, a former professor at Morehead State University, was charged with aggravated kidnapping, aggravated burglary and felony assault in Bozeman, Montana.<sup>244</sup>
- The funeral services for Claire Louise Caudill, a woman known for her great compassion and medical services to generations in the community, was held in the Academic Athletic Center on the third. Five hundred people attended the funeral. Caudill was somewhat of a local celebrity with a biography *Country Doctor: The Story of Claire Louise Caudill* wrote about her life.<sup>245</sup>
- Morehead State University’s Industrial Technology program was accredited by the National Association of Industrial Technology. This allows Morehead State University to award B.S.’s in Industrial Technology for construction/mining technology, Electrical/Electronic technology, graphic communication technology and manufacturing/robotics technology.<sup>246</sup>
- The Goo Goo Dolls performed at the Academic Athletic Center on April 6. Tickets cost fifteen dollars for the public and ten dollars for Morehead State University Students.<sup>247</sup>
- On May 1 Dwight Whitley performed a concert at Morehead State University with the proceeds going to benefit Morehead firefighters that died fighting a brushfire. Tickets were on sale for ten dollars for students and twelve dollars for adults. Tickets were fifteen at the door. A small part of the proceeds also went to Pi Gamma Mu.<sup>248</sup>

- The Head Start on campus that provided childcare for the campus and community closed its doors due to Morehead State University failing to submit paperwork to keep the program.<sup>249</sup>
  - The Office of Public Safety sold an extra one hundred and fifteen parking passes than available parking spots on campus.<sup>250</sup>
  - An electrical fire broke out in Ginger Hall. The fire destroyed part of the third floor TV studio and equipment in the fourth floor Distance Learning Facility.<sup>251</sup>
  - There was a peeping tom on campus. A construction worker was caught peeping on a RA while “installing” a fire alarm in Cartmell hall.<sup>252</sup>
  - Student Government Association hosted a concert which featured Blessed Union of Souls.<sup>253</sup>
  - Morehead State University host’s Adron Doran’s 90th birthday celebration as part of homecoming after postponing it due to Dorian having surgery earlier in the year.<sup>254</sup>
  - Scenes of *Manson: Behind the Mind* were shot near Eagle Lake and Fields Hall on October 22 and 25.<sup>255</sup>
  - Kevin Ryan Donehue, a former Morehead State University student faces the death penalty after the Commonwealth decides to push for capital punishment. Donehue was sentenced to life in prison. Abbey Miath had an outstanding warrant for her arrest for the murder of Daniel Boyd Appleton after concealing evidence.<sup>256</sup>
  - The Moonlight School was moved from its place near Breckenridge Hall to near US 60. The school was moved due to the ongoing renovation of Breckenridge Hall.<sup>257</sup>
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## Chapter XIV

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### 2000

- David Dinkins beats the previous record for most yardage in a single game with 551 yards during the Morehead State University vs Butler game and the most points in a single game during the Morehead State University vs KY Wesleyan game. Scoring thirty-two points that game. Also, during the KY Wesleyan game Dinkins ties, him, and Jug Varney's Touch Down record for a single game. Finishing the season Dinkins rushed 1,405 yards (156.1 per game) and scored 128 points. Those 128 points were scored over 21 Touch Down's through the season. The 1,405 yards that Dinkins gained this season allowed him to capture 3,765 yards over his career. While his 128-point season allowed him to capture the career record by scoring 384 points from 1997-2000 with 63 Touch Down's over his career. Dinkins rushing prowess captured him the number one spot in rushing average with a career 6.8 yards from 1997-2000.<sup>1</sup>
- The football team gains 478 yards in the Austin Peay game, setting a record.<sup>2</sup>
- Ryan Ison gained two records in the Morehead State University vs Austin Peay game. Capturing the records for most extra point attempts and most consecutive extra points with ten attempts successfully made.<sup>3</sup>
- Amber Riddle set the record for the most Runs Batted In over a career. Hitting 148 from 2010-2013.<sup>4</sup>
- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 6,359<sup>5</sup>
- Morehead was one of twelve Universities in the nation to receive a grant to aid in its fight against alcohol abuse on campus. In the Commonwealth, Morehead State University was joined by Campbellsville University, Eastern Kentucky University, Kentucky State, Murray, St. Catharine College, Western Kentucky University and University of Kentucky in combating student alcohol abuse.<sup>6</sup>
- Several Student Organizations held "The 'Broken Wing' Cancer Benefit Concert" for Tony Baker a junior at the university and the man behind "Beaker" after he was diagnosed with Lymphoma. Tickets were seven dollars in advance and ten dollars at the door. Baker died July 24.<sup>7</sup>
- Mary Frances Berry, former Civil Rights Commission Chairwoman gave a speech as part of Morehead State University's Women's Symposium.<sup>8</sup>
- Morehead State University's Symphonic Band and Percussion Ensemble perform in the Beijing Concert Hall over spring break.<sup>9</sup>
- A fire gutted the theater on campus and destroyed hundreds of costumes and a professor's office. The fire was started when electrical wiring ignited clothing. There were no injuries.<sup>10</sup>

- Morehead State University holds its annual Celebration of Appalachian Women.<sup>11</sup>
- The Appalachian Regional Commission awarded a fifty thousand dollar grant to Morehead State University for the creation of a center dedicated to increasing college attendance in the area.<sup>12</sup>
- Morehead State in conjunction with Pikeville College and Prestonsburg Community College conduct a \$4.7 million initiative to reverse high college dropout and low enrollment. The targeted areas were Pike, Floyd, Johnson, and Martin Counties. Participants in those counties gained access to mentors, tutors, after-school programs, and teachers with specialized training emphasizing math and science.<sup>13</sup>
- One year's tuition at Morehead State University was \$2,440.<sup>14</sup>
- Morehead State University bans Napster to avoid potentially violating copyright laws and to increase bandwidth at the university.<sup>15</sup>
- Four Morehead State University students were indicted for fraudulent use of a credit card that belonged to Morehead State University Coach Laura Litter.<sup>16</sup>
- A 50 lbs safe containing ~\$385 in cash and paychecks was stolen from Adron Doran University Center after a chef left the building and left the doors unlocked.<sup>17</sup>
- Susan Bordo gave the lecture *Our Bodies, Ourselves in the Empire of Images* in Adron Doran University Center for Women's History Month on the 22nd.<sup>18</sup>
- On March 28th and 29th a blood drive and Marrow Donor Registration Dive was held in Button Auditorium.<sup>19</sup>
- Morehead State University launches the Kentucky Center for Traditional Music. The Kentucky Center for Traditional Music was created to honor and preserve Appalachia's musical heritage and train the next generation of musicians.<sup>20</sup>
- The Director of Morehead State University's English Language Center was fired on September 20th after international students' money disappeared between a Taiwanese Firm and Morehead State University. The Book Store allows textbooks to be ordered online for pickup in the bookstore for the first time.<sup>21</sup>
- In cooperation with the Rowan County Domestic Violence Council Morehead State University held "Take a Stand Against Domestic Violence Day" on October 3rd.<sup>22</sup>
- At a Student Government Association sponsored event the bands Stroke 9 and Nine Days play a concert at the Academic-Athletic Center on October 12. Tickets were ten dollars for students and fifteen dollars for the public.<sup>23</sup>
- The Moonlight School reopens to the public at its new position by US 60.<sup>24</sup>
- On October 26, the Morehead State University Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble held "Rocktubafest".<sup>25</sup>
- Morehead State University stopped supplying phones to students after switching to a new switchboard system.<sup>26</sup>
- The Camden-Carroll Library restricts use by those under thirteen years old. Children ten to thirteen could use library services with a permission form filled out by a parent or

guardian. For children nine and younger they must be accompanied by someone sixteen or older.<sup>27</sup>

## 2001

- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 6,869.<sup>28</sup>
- Morehead State University was set to receive a satellite tracking station, through a partnership with NASA, as well as new base stations for the GPS, as well as weather station for collecting meteorological data.<sup>29</sup>
- The university switches from their old telephone provider, Intecom, due to the system's discontinuation by the company and the difficulty of procuring new parts for required maintenance, the new analog system was not without its fair share of problems however.<sup>30</sup>
- Campus parking zones were under consideration for alteration in February, with subdivisions beyond just student parking being considered again after the elimination of such things in '97.<sup>31</sup>
- Changes to faculty and staff healthcare were met with concerns, with the general healthcare provider being changed to CHA network and a third-party admin known as "Commonwealth Administrators."<sup>32</sup>
- There was a date-rape drug scare on Morehead State University's campus in mid-February, when a mass-email purporting that a commonly used drug for such purposes was stolen from the veterinary clinic on the Morehead State University Farm, these rumors were unfounded, as the shipment (Ketamine) had been stolen en-route to Morehead State University.<sup>33</sup>
- A female student files a complaint against a male RA after he allegedly entered her dorm room after hours without her permission, with the administration making a concerted effort to prevent the *Trail Blazer* from investigating the case further.<sup>34</sup>
- In March Student Government Association instituted an online voting system.<sup>35</sup>
- There was controversy over the reasons for dismissal of Yushin Yoo, former director of Morehead State University's English Language Center, with the university claiming that he left on his own accord due to poor management abilities, and several Taiwanese students claiming that Yoo had been perpetrating a fraud scheme against international students due to the fact that funds sent to Yoo didn't reach the university, and after his leaving the students had been asked to pay tuition, the first time they had been alerted to the matter.<sup>36</sup>
- The university began developing a parking lot on US-60 in early spring.<sup>37</sup>
- An associate professor at Morehead spearheads a move to prevent the construction of a new separate connector to I-64 with US-60 to alleviate traffic issues on KY-32, this was done due to the controversial nature of the path the connector was to take<sup>38</sup>
- Two new degree programs were placed on hold after Morehead's failure to be able to meet CPE (Council on Postsecondary Education's) Committee on Equal Opportunities

objectives in terms of African American students and employees, a request for a waiver on the part of these objectives was also denied, which resulted in the halts.<sup>39</sup>

- Late in the Morehead State University spring semester half of students indicate in a survey that they did not believe that Morehead State University cares about their problems or their academic success.<sup>40</sup>
- The Student Government Association proposal to divide parking zones based off student classification, acting to designate a first-year student only parking zone, was denied by the university, citing development of the sixty lot as making such a move unnecessary.<sup>41</sup>
- Spring break of 2002 was moved to the end of March to coincide with the Rowan County School System's spring break.<sup>42</sup>
- James Still died at 94 on April 28.<sup>43</sup>
- Construction on renovations to Breckenridge Hall were moving along, but running behind schedule. Re-landscaping of the university lawn behind the bell tower and in front of the library was also well underway.<sup>44</sup>
- The on-campus convenience store found at Alumni Hall, Tony's Convenience Store, now the Provisions on Demand store (POD), opened for 24 hours a day on weekdays on a trial basis.
- The introduction of a new pay-for-print system was introduced.<sup>45</sup>
- Plans to expand Adron Doran University Center were underway, with the state approving \$10,000,000 for the first phase of the planned expansion and renovation project. This project was set to begin in 2002.<sup>46</sup>
- Adron Doran University Center was evacuated on September 11 shortly after the towers were struck due to the finding of a small yellow metal box full of wires, later confirmed to be harmless and from the art department.<sup>47</sup>
- Edward Thomas Earhart, a former Morehead State University student became one of the first casualties in the Global War on Terror when Flight 77 strikes the Pentagon killing him on September 11.<sup>48</sup> Aerographer's Mate First Class Edward Earhart specialized in weather mapping and computer website management.<sup>49</sup> Approximately 1,200 people attended Aerographer's Mate 1st Class Earhart's funeral.<sup>50</sup>
- Hundreds of people gathered at Morehead State University to mourn and remember the dead on 9/11 at a non-denominational memorial service on September 12.<sup>51</sup>
- A broken water main floods a road leading from the parking lot behind Ginger Hall on the hill<sup>52</sup>
- President Ronald Eaglin announced an 8% increase to tuition for fall of the next academic year. from \$1,335 per semester to \$1,443<sup>53</sup>
- A plan to install security cameras on campus parking was underway.<sup>54</sup>
- A powdery substance was found in Tony's Convenience Store, prompting an anthrax scare, it was later found to be shaved powder from a dry deodorant stick.<sup>55</sup>
- Morehead State experiences a significant increase in vehicle vandalism, and thefts from those cars at times.<sup>56</sup>

- Morehead State implements new policies at the campus post office, including a mandatory training in these new policies, in response to 9/11 and the recent concern over anthrax<sup>57</sup>
- MTV's "Real World" program had cast members on campus, signing autographs and entertaining students.<sup>58</sup>
- Adron Doran died at age 92 of heart disease.<sup>59</sup>
- An open forum was held on campus to help the administration address faculty and student concerns on campus.<sup>60</sup>
- Morehead State University at Prestonsburg celebrated its tenth anniversary<sup>61</sup>
- Waterfield Hall residents were forced to relocate with only two weeks' notice near the end of the semester<sup>62</sup>

## 2002

- Jill Sloan matches Jodi McMackin's at bat record at the Morehead State University vs Easter Illinois game. Stephanie Swanger captures the record for stolen bases over a career. Stealing fifty-six bases between 1999 and 2002. Stealing 56 bases between 1999 and 2002.<sup>63</sup>
- The softball season with the fewest walks with 52 batters walked.<sup>64</sup>
- The record set in 1998 for most victories in a football season was matched.<sup>65</sup>
- The Morehead State University Football Team matches its record of most interceptions for a second time at the Morehead State University vs Butler game. After five interceptions are thrown during the game.<sup>66</sup>
- Mathew Loy set the record for most punt returned in a season at 38.<sup>67</sup>
- Ralph Del Sardo gained 230 yards via receiving during the Morehead State University vs St. Jones game.<sup>68</sup>
- Joey Herbst set the Field Goal Record making four at the Morehead State University vs Davidson game.<sup>69</sup>
- David Caudill finished the football season with a record breaking 3,512 offensive yards.<sup>70</sup>
- The longest touchdown pass in Morehead State University history was thrown from David Caudill to Ralph Del Sardid at the Morehead State University vs Saint Joseph's game.<sup>71</sup>
- The Morehead State University pay-for-print system was adjusted, with prices for all prints lowering to the present rates<sup>72</sup>
- The planning for the relocation of the offices housed in ADUC began in early 2002, as a part of phase one of the plan to almost completely remodel ADUC<sup>73</sup>
- The ADUC grill extends its hours in response to the closure of Burger King in order to accommodate increased demand<sup>74</sup>



- A “Took Back the Night March was set for February 13<sup>th</sup>, a march in support of ending violence against women and girls<sup>75</sup>
- In February, Eagle Lake Apartments was scheduled to open as a family housing residence hall in fall, with completion expected in May.<sup>76</sup>
- Poetry began to appear on the concrete pillars around Baird Hall.<sup>77</sup>
- Morehead State began cracking down on plagiarism. The university purchased anti-plagiarism software, gave the Dean of Students the names of students who plagiarized, and educated students on what plagiarism is and how to avoid it.<sup>78</sup>
- *The Trail Blazer* celebrated its seventy-fifth anniversary.<sup>79</sup>
- A discussion titled “Pride, Prejudice and Homosexuality: What do we know? What is Known? What’s my Part?” was held Dr. Richard Purvis, a Psychologist from Louisville.<sup>80</sup>
- Professors Greg Detweiler and Eugene Norden received awards from the Kentucky Music Educators Association. Dr. Detweiler received the 2002 College Music Teacher of the Year Award, while Norden was given the Distinguished Service Award.<sup>81</sup>
- Morehead State holds the first Battle of the Bands in the university’s history on February 27.<sup>82</sup>
- In March, the Board of Regents asked Governor Paul Patton to intervene in a budget dispute with the General Assembly. The General Assembly passed a bill requiring all of the universities funding increase to go to pay raises for faculty and staff who make under \$50,000 a year, and special training programs.<sup>83</sup>
- The Board of Regents approved moving the campus bookstore to Main Street while the Adron Doran University Center underwent renovations.<sup>84</sup>
- On March 15, Fiddlin’ Fun time raised an estimated \$6,700 for hospice. Fiddlin’ Fun time was held in the Academic-Athletic Center.<sup>85</sup>
- Enrollment increased eleven percent in the spring. The largest increase in over a decade.<sup>86</sup>
- Morehead State suffered damage from flash flooding on March 20. A computer lab in Raider Hall required the computers to be removed for cleanup, Baird and Nunn Halls as well as the Claypool-Young Art Building and Kentucky Folk Art Center all had their basements flooded as well. The Wetherby Gym received the worst damage, almost needing to replace the gymnasium floor. There was also a mudslide behind Ginger Hall.<sup>87</sup>
- Breckinridge Hall reopened during Founders Day after renovations concluded.<sup>88</sup>
- The flags in front of the Howell-McDowell Administration Building were dedicated on Founders Day. The flags and flag poles were dedicated to former Morehead State student Aerographer’s Mate 1<sup>st</sup> Class Edward Earhart.<sup>89</sup>
- Morehead State University began offering an undergraduate degree in Sports Management. The Sports Management Major replaced the Recreation Major.<sup>90</sup>
- Representative Hal Rogers visited Morehead State after Morehead was added to his district because of congressional maps being redrawn.<sup>91</sup>

- WMKY began broadcasting *American Crossroads Live* internationally when a radio station in British Columbia began airing the spinoff series to *American Crossroads*. Stations in Alaska and Oklahoma also picked up the series.<sup>92</sup>
- Kyle Crager speaks about his experiences working in the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001. Crager is a Morehead State alumnus and spoke at the Baptist Student Union Event on September 10.<sup>93</sup>
- Morehead State's Housing Office banned the use of hotplates and any other electronics which use a heating element after the State Fire Marshall sent a directive to the Housing Office.<sup>94</sup>
- Wendell Ford former Kentucky Governor (1971–1974) and US Senator (1974 – 1999) spoke in Breckinridge Hall about public policy on October 2.<sup>95</sup>
- Mary Lucille Caudill Little died October 8. Little was a former Professor at Morehead State and long-time benefactor who gave over \$2.4 million to the University.<sup>96</sup>
- Shawna McCown became the first Morehead State varsity athlete to compete in an athletic event with a prosthetic leg after competing in a Cross-Country meet.<sup>97</sup>
- A Habitat for Humanity chapter began at Morehead State.<sup>98</sup>
- Morehead State offered one free 100 or 200 level class to high school seniors with a 3.0 GPA or higher.<sup>99</sup>
- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 7,225<sup>100</sup>

## ○ 2003

- Five Morehead State students attended a protest against potential military action in Iraq over the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday weekend.<sup>101</sup>
- WMKY's antenna was temporarily disabled after an ice storm in February.<sup>102</sup>
- Morehead State was given \$450,000 for the construction of the Space Science center after Representative Hal Rogers secured a provision for funds in the federal budget.<sup>103</sup>
- Setting the record for athletes on the Dean's List. Morehead State athletics had sixty-seven players on the fall 2002 Dean's List.<sup>104</sup>
- Dr. Howard Zinn, the author of *A People's History of the United States* presented a discussion titled "Terrorism and War" in Button Auditorium on April 14. The lecture was moved to Button from Baird Hall on account of the large crowd size.<sup>105</sup>
- Dick Fick died April 28.<sup>106</sup>
- Morehead State began offering a Master of Arts in Teaching in special education in fall of 2003.<sup>107</sup>
- The Bluegrass band Nickle Creek performed on campus on September 25.<sup>108</sup>
- Former Governor and Regent Edward T. Breathitt dies October 21.<sup>109</sup>
- Morehead State University Alumni Virginia Fox was named Kentucky Secretary of Education after a career at Kentucky Education Television (KET). Fox served as the CEO

from 1991 to 2002 and was one of the original members of KET in 1968. She also served on the Morehead State board of Regents.<sup>110</sup>

- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 7,222<sup>111</sup>

## 2004

- Casie Garland set the record for career assists in Volleyball. Between 2001 and 2004 she had 5265 assists.<sup>112</sup>
- The Morehead Reserve Officers Training Corps is ranked twenty-first out of 271 Reserve Officers Training Corps programs nationwide.<sup>113</sup>
- The Board of Regents approved a fourteen percent tuition increase. This translated to an extra \$1,920 cost per semester for instate students.<sup>114</sup>
- Major Bonnie Noyes became the first female Professor of Military Science and first female Reserve Officer Training Corps Battalion Commander at Morehead State.<sup>115</sup>
- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 7,009<sup>116</sup>

## 2005

- Setting the record for strikeouts over a season the softball team strikes out a collective 319 times.<sup>117</sup>
- Nick Feldman set the record for most punt return yardage for a season at 512 yards and most punt returned for Touch Down in one season at two.<sup>118</sup>
- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 6,662<sup>119</sup>
- Wayne D. Andrews became the thirteenth President of Morehead State on November 18.<sup>120</sup>
- Eighteen Students were arrested during an anti-drug operation between the Kentucky State Police, Morehead Police and Morehead State Police.<sup>121</sup>
- Wilson Hall closed in the Spring Semester for renovations.<sup>122</sup>
- Dith Pran a survivor of the Cambodian Genocide and Sydney Schanberg a journalist who covered the Cambodian Civil War and Genocide spoke at Morehead State on October 11  
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in the Duncan Recital Hall.

## 2006

- The softball team set the record for most conference losses in a season after losing twenty-four games.<sup>124</sup>

- Morehead State was found to be non-compliant with Title IX of the Civil Rights act for varsity sports.<sup>125</sup>
- President Andrews announced a program where those who earned Associates Degrees through the Kentucky Community and Technical College System can earn Bachelor's Degrees online through Morehead State.<sup>126</sup>
- Morehead State raised tuition 12.7%. This translated to a \$550 annual increase for fulltime students.<sup>127</sup>
- In an antiwar protest toy soldiers were scattered across the library with messages saying, "Bring me home" and "Pass me on" around the Camden-Carrol Library in the week leading up to spring break.<sup>128</sup>
- On March 19, 117 faculty, students and community members traveled to Gulfport Mississippi to help rebuild homes. Aiding in the Hurricane Katrina cleanup and rebuilding efforts.<sup>129</sup>
- Nick Clooney, famed broadcaster, brother of Rosemary Clooney and father of George Clooney gives a lecture on the Darfur Genocide in the Duncan Recital Hall located in Baird Hall on October 25.<sup>130</sup>
- Dashboard Confessional and Brand-new perform a concert on November 2.<sup>131</sup>
- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 7,088<sup>132</sup>

## 2007

- Morehead State institutes a tuition increase of 8.3% for instate students or an extra \$202.10 and 3% for out of state students or \$195.<sup>133</sup>
- On March 17, fifty-nine students and faculty traveled back to Gulfport Mississippi to help rebuild homes. Aiding in the Hurricane Katrina cleanup and rebuilding efforts.<sup>134</sup>
- Mignon Doran died on July 10.<sup>135</sup>
- Morehead State raised entrance requirements for prospective students, requiring an eighteen on the ACT and a 2.7 high school GPA for unconditional acceptance.<sup>136</sup>
- Morehead State graduate Katie Whitmore gained a position in the "Ben-Gals," the Cincinnati Bengals Cheerleading Squad.<sup>137</sup>
- The first Blue and Gold Ball was held. This was the first official fall formal since the 1970s.<sup>138</sup>
- In conjunction with St. Claire Regional Medical Center and the University of Kentucky, Morehead State began a program to allow medical and pre-medical students to work at the Center for Health Education and Research nearby. The program was intended to address the shortage of physicians in the Commonwealth. The program targeted the eastern and western parts of Kentucky.<sup>139</sup>
- Student tuition overtook state payments as the primary source of funding for the University.<sup>140</sup>

- Almost fifty percent of full-time students had tuition funded by scholarships and/or grants.<sup>141</sup>
- Renovations began in Nunn Hall in May. Nunn Hall was closed until renovations were complete.<sup>142</sup>
- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 6,988<sup>143</sup>

## 2008

- Rebecca Butler set the record for based on balls in a game with four during the Morehead State University vs Jacksonville State.<sup>144</sup>
- Sarah Funston set the record for fewest walks per nine innings at .68. She also broke the previous strikeout to walk ratio record with a ratio of 8.83.<sup>145</sup>
- The softball team sets the record for most shutouts in a season. The record for saves was also set with there being seven over the season. Tying the record set in 1999 for conference wins the 2008 team won sixteen conference games.<sup>146</sup>
- Nick Feldman sets most punt returned over a career at 103 when he finished his football career that spanned from 2005-2008. Feldman also set the most punt return yardage over a career at 1,259 yards and most punt returned for TD over a career at 4.<sup>147</sup>
- David Hyland set records for the longest pass interception returned and the longest pass interception returned for Touch Down at one hundred yards during the Morehead State University vs Campbell game. Hyland set the record for most interceptions over a career at 17<sup>148</sup>On February 20, almost 150 Morehead State students protest proposed budget cuts to higher education in Frankfort.<sup>149</sup>
- Fall Break was instituted.<sup>150</sup>
- Students broke in afterhours and vandalized Baird Music Hall in early September.<sup>151</sup>
- Thompson Hall was renamed to Grote-Thompson Hall to honor former President C. Nelson Grote on October 18.<sup>152</sup>
- A lake on Devon Island, Canada was named after the University. This was due to the research done in the area by the Geology Department for the NASA Haughton-Mars Project.<sup>153</sup>
- Chef Michael Haynes, Executive Chef at Morehead State, spent ten weeks in Beijing running the western cuisine in one of the kitchens for the Olympic Games.<sup>154</sup>
- On November 4, a hot water pipe burst in Cartmell Hall which caused student evacuations, and water and electricity to the building to be shut off. A pipe burst under the Little Bell Tower later that day.<sup>155</sup>
- A memorial marker was dedicated to Colonel William Barber by the Veterans Memorial on Campus. Col Barber attended Morehead State from 1938 to 1940 when he dropped out to enlist in the Marine Corps. Barber participated in the battle of Iwo Jima during World War II where he was awarded the Silver Star and two Purple Heart Medals. He also fought in the Battle of Chosin Reservoir in the Korea where he was awarded the

Medal of Honor and one Purple Heart medal. He returned in the early 1960s and graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in 1964.<sup>156</sup>

- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 6,818<sup>157</sup>

## 2009

- Annie Gruenschlaeger begins her record-breaking Volleyball career by setting the record for block assists in one season, after performing 140.<sup>158</sup>
- Alex Gjevre starts thirty-four games as a pitcher in the 2009 softball season. During the 2009 season Gjevre pitched a record breaking 236.1 innings. Gjevre set the record for wins in a season after winning twenty-five games.<sup>159</sup>
- Alex Gjevre helped push the team to a record of 379 innings pitched over the season. The 2009 softball team set the record for the most wins in a season after winning thirty-five games.<sup>160</sup>
- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 6,804<sup>161</sup>
- Governor Steve Beshear cuts higher education by two percent as a result of a budget shortfall due to the Great Recession. This translated to Morehead State losing \$910,830 from the budget.<sup>162</sup>
- D. Albright Morehead State's 10<sup>th</sup> President died on April 10.<sup>163</sup>
- Morehead State closed the child development center on campus on June 30.<sup>164</sup>
- In late August Morehead State has its first reported case of H1N1 (also known as Swine Flu).<sup>165</sup>
- Nunn Hall reopened after the conclusion of renovations in the fall. Alumni Tower closed for renovations after Nunn reopened.<sup>166</sup>
- In September Morehead State quits testing for H1N1. Following the directions of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.<sup>167</sup>
- Morehead State received the first batch of vaccines for H1N1 on October 14.<sup>168</sup>

## 2010

- Kayla Brill matches Sascha Cox 1998 and 1999 records for triples hit in one game. Brill hit two triples at the Morehead State University vs Longwood game.<sup>169</sup>
- Alex Gjevre set the career record for appearances as a pitcher with 145 appearances between 2007 and 2010. Gjevre also set the career record for games started, with 114 games being begun as a pitcher. Setting the record for saves Alex Gjevre has four saves over the 2010 season. She also captured the record for career saves with seven. Building on her record season from 2009 Gjevre pitched 745.1 innings over her career, where she struck out 651 batters and, walked 241 batters. Gjevre pitched seventy wins during her

career netting her the record for career wins. After a record-breaking number of 110 decisions giving her another career record.<sup>170</sup>

- Morehead State gains its first doctoral program. The program included two tracts of study, one in Pre-Elementary to Secondary administration and one in Educational Leadership Technology.<sup>171</sup>
  - Professor Lisa Morse began a project to make crib sized quilts for Haitian children effected by the earthquake.<sup>172</sup>
  - The MyMoreheadState portal launched after collaboration between the communications and marketing department and the informational technology department.<sup>173</sup>
  - MSU 101 is replaced by First Year Seminar in the fall.<sup>174</sup>
  - Five students and two faculty traveled to Northern Ireland as part of Sister City International. They were sent to Northern Ireland to show how traditional Irish music changed into Bluegrass.<sup>175</sup>
  - MSU email changed from Horde Email to Microsoft EagleMail.<sup>176</sup>
  - Cooper Hall closes to save money on electricity and water costs.<sup>177</sup>
  - Alumni Tower opened after renovations concluded.<sup>178</sup>
  - A bus carrying members of the marching band and chaperones slid off the road on September 24.<sup>179</sup>
  - Cadet Wesley Tudor was ranked the top cadet in the Army Reserve Officers Training Corps in the nation.<sup>180</sup>
  - The green house by Reed Hall is torn down and a new one is built on the University Farm.<sup>181</sup>
  - Morehead State helped provide Menifee County High School and Botts Elementary School with iPads. This was to study how computers could be used in the classroom.<sup>182</sup>
  - The Kentucky Center for Traditional Music moves to the old Rowan County Public Library location on First Street. This expands the area the KCTM will have for storage, classes, and better acoustics.<sup>183</sup>
  - Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 6,642.<sup>184</sup>
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## Chapter XV

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### 2011

- Sam Woodall set the softball record for at bats during a season at 190. Woodall contributed to the record breaking 1,512 at bats for the team that year. She also set the record for singles in one year after hitting fifty-nine.<sup>1</sup>
- During the second game of a double header against Ohio University the softball team hits five home runs, which pushed the homeruns over the season to forty six by the end of the season. Also during the Morehead State University vs Ohio University game eleven batters were walked setting a team record for walks. The 2011 season holds the record for the most walks in a softball season.<sup>2</sup>
- Rebecca Butler set the record for most games played over a career at 211. Butler also set records for most runs in a career and most career hits. Butler hit the ball 218 times and scored 117 times between 2008 and 2011. Butler hit forty-six doubles over her career. In 2011 Butler set the record of total bases, after she captured 113 during that season. She then set the record for total bases for a career after capturing 356 bases over her career. Butler set the record for extra base hits after she hit seventy-seven.<sup>3</sup>
- Kayla Brill sets the record for being hit on one season after she was hit twenty-one times.<sup>4</sup>
- In the Morehead State vs Minnesota game the softball team set the record for the most double plays turned in one game at 3.<sup>5</sup>
- Rainer Duzan captured the record for most points scored (kicking) in the Morehead State University vs KCU game with nineteen points scored. Duzan made the record for points scored over a season (kicking) with eighty-five points.<sup>6</sup>
- Zach Lewis finished the 2011 football season with a record breaking 582 offensive plays, 3,585 yards gained through passing (an average of 325.9 per game) and 324 passes completed of an attempted 513. In the Morehead State University vs Campbell game Lewis completed forty-four passes after attempting sixty-eight.<sup>7</sup>
- The Morehead State University Football team attempted 560 passes and gained 3,940 yards through passing over the 2011 season and completed 350 passes that year. Forty-five passes were completed in one game, during the Morehead State University vs Butler game.<sup>8</sup>
- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 7,242.<sup>9</sup>
- Campus became tobacco free on July 1.<sup>10</sup>
- Laundry became free on campus for students.<sup>11</sup>
- The Odyssey Challenge Course (High Ropes Course) completed construction.<sup>12</sup>

- Due to repairs done on the main steam line all heat and hot water was shut off to all buildings on campus.<sup>13</sup>
- Scammers use Morehead State's name on fake checks to "Secret Shoppers" in four states.<sup>14</sup>

## 2012

- Annie Gruenschlaeger performs 403 block assists over her career which broke the previous record.<sup>15</sup>
- Adrena Anderson tied Judy Braley and Amy Timble's hits in one game record in the Morehead State, University vs Murray State game. Amber Riddle set the seasonal record for homeruns at twelve. Kayla Brill set the career record for being hit by pitches after she was hit forty-one times between 2009 and 2012.<sup>16</sup>
- Rainer Duzan finished his Football Career with 156 extra point attempts, 258 points scored by kicking and thirty-six field goals.<sup>17</sup>
- Donte Sawyer finished his collegiate career with twenty-four Touch Down passes caught.<sup>18</sup>
- In August the CubeSat created for the Cosmic X-Ray Background Nanosatellite NASA program is sent to space. The satellite and program were a joint endeavor by Morehead State and, students from Ohio, Italy, South Korea and Vietnam.
- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 7,537<sup>19</sup>
- The disposal of both Downing and Waterfield was approved in September<sup>20</sup>
- Coltan Ryan, a Morehead State University alum won a Tony award for his role in the musical "Once."<sup>21</sup>
- A water main broke near Raider Hall on February 12. Water to all facilities on campus was disrupted as a result of the break.<sup>22</sup>
- On April 17 the Board of Regents approved a resolution opposing the proposal for the University of Pikeville to become a State University.<sup>23</sup>
- Many Morehead State students spent spring break helping clean up towns effected by tornados that struck on March 2.<sup>24</sup>
- Morehead State Regional Campus at West Liberty cancelled classes for a week due to a tornado that struck on March 2.<sup>25</sup>
- There were five students to a room in four-person housing units due to high enrollment numbers.<sup>26</sup>
- Morehead State opened an American Center at Guangxi University in Nanning, China. The American Center provided programing related to American Culture through music, film and traditional lectures.<sup>27</sup>

## 2013

- Leslie Schellhaas made the Volleyball career record for digs at 2232.<sup>28</sup>
- Kayla Ashbrook set the at bat record for a career at 655. Ashbrook also matched Rebecca Butler's record for runs scored at 117 from 2010 through 2013. Amber Riddle set the career record for homeruns, she hit thirty-six between 2010 and 2013. Riddle set the career record for on base percentage at .435. Riddle was walked thirty-one times in 2013. This allowed her to set the career record of 109 walks. Katie Pfost made a record breaking forty-three appearances as a pitcher in one season.<sup>29</sup>
- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 7,741<sup>30</sup>
- Downing Hall caught fire during the winter break. The hall was used as office space but was empty at the time. Four firefighters were injured fighting the blaze.<sup>31</sup>
- On March 2 a fire broke out in Ginger Hall during an open house. The fire caused a power outage in Ginger Hall.<sup>32</sup>
- Jane Beshear, First Lady of Kentucky visited Morehead State to speak at the Bridges to Literacy Event.<sup>33</sup>
- Kentucky Secretary of State Alison Lundergan, State Senator Walter Blevins and State Representative Rocky Adkins participated in a civic health forum on campus.<sup>34</sup>
- In April Bert Combs, the Adron Doran University Center and some of Lappin Hall lost electricity after an electrical substation on Bert Combs failed.<sup>35</sup>
- The first meme appears in the *Trail Blazer* on April 25.<sup>36</sup>
- The Governor's Scholars Program returned to Morehead State after a five-year hiatus.<sup>37</sup>
- Morehead State began the Early Graduate School Program for an undergraduate with 90 or more credit hours.<sup>38</sup>

## 2014

- The Morehead State University Football team passed to gain 591 yards in the Morehead State University vs Butler game.<sup>39</sup>
- At the Morehead State University vs North Kentucky University game five batters were hit which set a team record for batters hit by a pitch in one game.<sup>40</sup>
- Tressa Watson set the record for total bases in one game after she captured ten in the Morehead State University vs Butler game.<sup>41</sup>
- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 7,678<sup>42</sup>
- Tressa Watson matched Amy Wilkinson's record for doubles in a single game at the Morehead State University vs Butler game.
- Kelcey McMurray set the career record in relief appearances after fifty-six reliefs between 2011 and 2014.<sup>43</sup>

- Actress Mayim Bialik speaks at Morehead State on January 30. Bialik spoke about her life and to encourage more women to pursue STEM careers. She spoke at the President's Performing Arts and Speakers Program.<sup>44</sup>
- US News and World Report ranked Morehead State the fifty-third best college in the South.<sup>45</sup>
- Sonny Ernst, an early college student studying at Morehead State found a pulsar while participating in research through the Pulsar Search Collaboratory.<sup>46</sup>

## 2015

- Dana Hutchins captured the record for sacrifice bunts after she hit a total of twenty-one over the season.<sup>47</sup>
- The softball team set the record for strikeouts in a game in the Morehead State University vs Southern Illinois University Edwardsville game.<sup>48</sup>
- Justin Grier set the record for most interceptions over a season at nine.<sup>49</sup>
- Shavi Bash gained the field goal record for one season with thirteen.<sup>50</sup>
- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 7,592<sup>51</sup>
- Through February and early March, the University sold bonds to fund the renovation of multiple dorms.<sup>52</sup>
- Students from Morehead State University travel to Northern Kentucky in support of marriage equality during a federal court hearing. The hearing was due to Rowan County Clerk Kim Davis' refusal to issue marriage licenses after the Obergefell v. Hodges Supreme Court Case.<sup>53</sup>
- The Craft Academy for Excellence in Science and Mathematics was founded.<sup>54</sup>

## 2016

- Ellen Barrett set the record for strikeouts for a season. Striking out fifty-one times during the season.<sup>55</sup>
- Mackenzie Grossman walked ninety-six batters setting a season record.<sup>56</sup>
- Dana Hutchins set the record for sacrifice hits over a career after she hit thirty-five between 2013 and 2016.<sup>57</sup>
- The Football Team set the record for most points allowed during a game at eighty during the Morehead State University vs James Madison game.<sup>58</sup>
- Matt Ward tied Joey Herbst's field goal record at the Morehead State University vs Butler game.<sup>59</sup>
- Jake Raymond finished his Football career at Morehead State University with 272 caught passes and 2,907 yards gained through passing.<sup>60</sup>

- Trevor Jones captures the top spot for rushing yardage gained at the Morehead State University vs Jacksonville game.<sup>61</sup>
- Austin Gahafer finished his collegiate football career with 12,239 total offensive yards, 2,086 offensive plays, 11,918 yards gained through passing, 1,096 completed passes of an attempted 1,844, an average of 264.8 passing yards per game and eighty-five touchdown passes thrown. In the Morehead State University vs Butler game Gahafer set another record. Most yardage gained, with 465 yards that game.<sup>62</sup>
- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 7,423<sup>63</sup>
- Morehead State University furloughs faculty and staff without pay over spring break to offset the budget deficit caused by a \$2.6 million tuition shortfall and a proposed \$1.95 million cut in funding from the state.<sup>64</sup>
- Governor Matt Bevin signs an executive order cutting the budgets of universities mid-year. State Attorney General Andy Beshear sues saying that Governor Matt Bevin had no constitutional authority to make said cuts.<sup>65</sup>
- President Andrews was censured by the faculty senate in a twenty-three to eleven vote. The vote was held due to the faculty's lack of input on major decisions affecting the university.<sup>66</sup>
- Morehead State University raises tuition to \$7,966 a year.<sup>67</sup>
- President Wayne D. Andrews retired on June 30.<sup>68</sup>

## 2017

- Robyn Leighton matched the bat record with seven in the Morehead State University vs Belmont game. Leighton also matched the seasonal homerun record hitting twelve that season. Allison Rager hit three doubles in the Morehead State University vs Belmont game. Rager also set the career record for slugging percentage, with an average of .683. Chelsea McManaway set the record for the most complete games for a pitcher after playing twenty-seven games in a season.<sup>69</sup>
- McManaway struck out sixteen batters at the Morehead State University vs Tennessee State.<sup>70</sup>
- Kayla McGuffey set the record for most singles over a career. Hitting 179 between 2014 and 2017.<sup>71</sup>
- Karly Thompson set the career record for sacrifice flies after she hit eight between 2014 and 2017.<sup>72</sup>
- The 2017 softball team matched the record set in 2014 for batters hit by a pitch. Five batters were hit during the Alderson Broaddus game. The softball team matched its 2008 record for shutouts, with thirteen pitched. The strikeout record for a single game was set when the team struck out sixteen batters at the Morehead State vs Tennessee State game.<sup>73</sup>
- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 7,375<sup>74</sup>

- Will Castor and Danielle Gibson, students at the Craft Academy, have a cell culture launched into space aboard an International Space Station resupply in February. The cell culture allowed them to examine the behavior of smooth muscle cells in microgravity.<sup>75</sup>
- To push students to gain degrees in “more high demand fields” Governor Matt Bevin, with the backing of University Presidents of all the public institutions in the state support Senate Bill 153. Despite some reservations by President Andrews. SB 153 linked 35% of university funding to how many students graduated with Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees, the number of students progressing in credits obtained, how many STEM degrees were awarded, and how many low income or underrepresented minority students there were. The other 35% would be awarded by the percent of credits that the university produces compared to all Kentucky universities. In voting in the Senate Appropriations and Revenue Committee the only nay vote was by Senator Robin Webb of Grayson. Senator Webb shared President Andrews' concerns on the impact of SB 153 on rural schools.<sup>76</sup>
- Morehead State University was added to NASA’s Deep Space Network.<sup>77</sup>

## 2018

- Ellen Barrett captured ten at bases in the Morehead State University vs Wright State game. At the end of the season Barrett holds the record for strikeouts over a career, striking out 116 times from 2016 to 2018.<sup>78</sup>
- Chelsea McManaway struck out 293 batters during the 2018 season. McManaway set the career record for complete game shutouts after she pitched eighteen between 2017 and 2018. McManaway earned the record for career run average after she had an average of 1.73. McManaway set the career record for strikeouts per seven innings at 10.31. She also only allowed 4.11 hits over seven innings, allowing her to claim another career record. Her record breaking walks and hits per inning pitched (WHIP in the record book) was .98. McManaway pitched twenty-seven complete games in 2018. With an average of .148 Chelsea McManaway set the record for lowest opponent’s batting average.<sup>79</sup>
- McManaway’s 293 strikeouts helped the team set the record for strikeouts in a season. With a total of 373 batters struck out in 2018. The team set the record for the highest fielding percentage record at .965.<sup>80</sup>
- The Morehead State University football team set the record for most points allowed in one season at 475.<sup>81</sup>
- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 7,216<sup>82</sup>
- Ivanka Trump, advisor to the White House and daughter of President Donald J. Trump toured the Space Science Center while on a tour of the region.<sup>83</sup>
- Governor of Kentucky Mat Bevin cut 6.25% (~\$72 million) from the state's higher education budget. Among the programs that make the 6.25% cut were \$2.5 million for Morehead State University’s operating budget, \$2.7 million from the state’s aid to pay pensions and \$200,000 to fund the Folk Art Center.<sup>84</sup>

- In the wake of Governor Matt Bevin's budget cuts to universities Morehead State University became the first university to cut its workforce. Morehead State University did this by having voluntary buyouts operating on a case-by-case basis letting employee's work part time or separate from the university. The stated goal by President Morgan was for twenty to twenty-five employees to move from full time to part time. Morehead State University also stops buying back six months of unused sick days upon retirement and moving to make employees pay for dental insurance rather than the university.<sup>85</sup>
- Morehead State University freezes tuition for the 2018-2019 school year to help keep college affordable for the service area.<sup>86</sup>
- Aaron Lackey became the first African American to graduate from Morehead State University with a degree in astrophysics.<sup>87</sup>

## 2019

- The Adron Doran University Center fully opened at the beginning of the spring semester after undergoing its latest round of renovations.<sup>88</sup>
- President Emeritus C. Nelson Grote passed away on Saturday January 19.<sup>89</sup>
- The W.H. Rice Family Scholarship Endowment was established.<sup>90</sup>
- Lakyn Largent pitched twenty-one losing games.<sup>91</sup>
- The softball team set the record for highest run average (1.15), most runs allowed (428), most earned runs allowed (359) and the most hits allowed (497). After losing forty-two games (twenty-eight of which made up the longest losing streak in team history) the softball team set the record for the most season losses. The softball team set the record for the lowest winning percentage at .067.<sup>92</sup>
- Andrew Foster set the record for most consecutive extra points in a football season with thirty-eight.<sup>93</sup>
- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 6,799<sup>94</sup>
- The town of Morehead celebrated its 150th anniversary.<sup>95</sup>

## 2020

- Morehead State student Bailey Richardson was featured on the show "Undercover Boss", where she oversaw training, unbeknownst to her, Dippin' Dots CEO Scott Fischer.<sup>96</sup>
- The softball team matched the 2011 record of eleven walks in a game during the North Carolina A&T game. They also set the team record for batters hit by pitch over a season at thirty-nine.<sup>97</sup>
- Full-Time Fall Enrollment was 6,611<sup>98</sup>

- In response to the emerging COVID-19 pandemic the University paused in person instruction during the spring semester and moved classes to virtual instruction. Classes would return for limited in person instruction during the fall.<sup>99</sup>
- Morehead State University froze tuition and waived standardized test requirements for admission for the 2020-2021 school year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.<sup>100</sup>
- The Morehead State Football Team did not play during the fall due to COVID-19.<sup>101</sup>
- Morehead State hosted a virtual ceremony to crown the homecoming king and queen.<sup>102</sup>
- NASA provided a new satellite antenna to the university in addition to the one already present on campus at that time.<sup>103</sup>

## 2021

- A team of engineers delivered the “Lunar IceCube” satellite to the Kennedy Space Center. In a partnership with NASA and launched from the Artemis 1 rocket the satellite was intended to orbit the moon and study the physics of the water ice on the lunar surface. The project was the culmination of the work of fifty students and many long-term faculty.<sup>104</sup>
- Vaughn Taylor Jr. set the record for most tackles for loss over a career at sixty tackles for loss from 2018-2021.<sup>105</sup>
- Vincent Winey set the record for most tackles at twenty-three in the Morehead State University vs Butler game.<sup>106</sup>
- BJ Byrd caught a record breaking ninety passes of which thirteen resulted in a Touch Down over the 2021 season and gained 1,313 yards because of the passes (gaining an average of 119.4 yards per game). During the season Byrd captured the record for most Touch Down passes caught in one game at four.<sup>107</sup>
- Shavi Bash set the record for most consecutive extra points over a career with forty-two scored between 2017 and 2021. Foster set the record for a season punting average with 45.7 yards per punt.<sup>108</sup>
- Morehead State University along with all other public colleges in the state continued to require masking indoors regardless of vaccination status to aid in stemming the COVID-19 pandemic. This was due to the emergence of the highly contagious Delta variant of COVID-19. President Jay Morgan along with nine other University Presidents signed a joint commitment to mask mandates.<sup>109</sup>
- The Kentucky Folk Art Center re-opened after shutting down due to the COVID-19 pandemic.<sup>110</sup>
- The “Star Theater” located in Smith-Booth Hall reopened on October 16, following substantial upgrades which were funded through a grant from the Appalachian Regional Commission.<sup>111</sup>



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## *Chapter XVI*

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### **2022**

- Peyton Rose was hit three times in the Morehead State University vs Belmont game.<sup>1</sup>
- The Morehead State University bookstore partnered with Barnes & Noble in January, to improve services.<sup>2</sup>
- The Kentucky Folk Art Center at Morehead State received a gift of \$470,000 from the estate of Hedda Von Goeben.<sup>3</sup>
- The Spring Gala fundraising event returned to its in-person format on Saturday April 30. The event had previously gathered nearly \$100,000 annually.<sup>4</sup>
- Morehead State University's "Little Bell Tower" received functioning bells in April. This was the first time in ten years that the tower would house bells.<sup>5</sup>
- An Esports lounge was opened in the Adron Doran University Center, featuring ten gaming stations.<sup>6</sup>
- Morehead State offered early move-in for students in flooding afflicted counties in the east. As well as hosting multiple donation drives for those affected by one of the worst floods in memory in the area.<sup>7</sup>

### **2023**

- Celebrating the 100th anniversary as a public institution.

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*Appendices Appendix I:*  
*Principals of Morehead Normal*

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1. Frank Christopher Button (1887-1892)
2. Epaphroditus “Paph” Julian (1892-1895)
3. Frank C. Button (1895-1897)
  - a. See earlier entry for F. C. Button.
4. Wilson James Henry (1897-1899)
5. John S. Hawkins (1899-1900)
6. Frank C. Button (1900-1911)
  - a. See earlier entry for F. C. Button.
7. J. A. Robinson (1911-1913)
8. J. Weasly Hatcher (1913-1919)
9. W. O. Lappin (1919-1922)

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## *Appendix II: Presidents of Morehead State*

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1. Frank C. Button (1923-1929)
  - a. See earlier entry for F. C. Button.
2. John Howard Payne (1929-1935)
3. Harvey A. Babb (1935-1940)
4. William A. Vaughan (1940-1946)
5. William James Baird (1946-1951)
6. Charles Spain (1951-1954)
7. Adron Doran (1954-1977)
8. Morris L. Norfleet (1977-1984)
9. Herb F. Reinhard Jr. (1984-1986)
10. A. D. Albright (1986-1987)
11. C. Nelson Grote (1987-1992)
12. Ronald G. Eaglin (1992-2004)
13. Wayne D. Andrews (2005-2017)
14. Joseph “Jay” A. Morgan (2017-Present)



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## *Appendix III: Names of Morehead State University*

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Morehead Normal School	1887 – 1922
Morehead State Normal School	1922 – 1926
Morehead State Normal School and Teachers College	1926 – 1930
Morehead State Teachers College	1930 – 1948
Morehead State College	1948 – 1966
Morehead State University	1966 - Present

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