2002 Blue Raider Baseball

Blue Raiders (21-15) vs. Belmont (15-19)

2002 Schedule/Results

F17	**Austin Peay**	**W, 6-5**
F22	at Troy State	L, 6-16
F23	at Troy State	W, 8-4
F24	at Troy State	L, 7-10
F28	**Eastern Michigan**	**W, 3-2**
F28	**Eastern Michigan**	**W, 8-2**
M1	Illinois State	W, 6-5
M2	Eastern Michigan	W, 12-9
M5	at Lipscomb	W, 18-7
M6	**Lipscomb**	**L, 15-18**
M10	**Tennessee Tech**	**W, 8-7**
M11	at Tennessee Tech	L, 6-11
M12	at Memphis #	W, 8-4
M13	at Memphis #	W, 10-6
M15	**Southwest Missouri**	**L, 11-14**
M16	**Southwest Missouri#**	**W, 13-3**
M19	**East Tennessee**	**W, 10-8**
M20	**East Tennessee**	**W, 10-4**
M22	**Austin Peay#**	**W, 4-0**
M23	**Austin Peay#**	**W, 5-4**
M24	at Austin Peay	L, 0-19
M26	**Troy State**	**W, 7-2**
M27	**Troy State**	**W, 4-3**
M29	at New Orleans*#	W, 7-5
M30	at New Orleans*#	L, 2-7
M31	at New Orleans*#	L, 9-3
A2	**Memphis#**	**L, 5-8**
A3	**Memphis#**	**L, 0-2**
A5	at New Mexico State*#	L, 4-9
A6	at New Mexico State*#	W, 14-13
A7	at New Mexico State*#	L, 11-13
A9	at East Tennessee	L, 3-16
A10	at East Tennessee	W, 12-3
A12	**Western Kentucky*#**	**L, 3-5**
A13	**Western Kentucky*#**	**L, 4-10**
A14	**Western Kentucky*#**	**W, 6-4**
A16	**Belmont**	**7 PM**
A19	at South Alabama*#	6 PM
A20	at South Alabama*#	1 PM
A21	at South Alabama*#	1 PM
A23	at Vanderbilt#	7 PM
A24	at Belmont	6 PM
A26	**UL-Lafayette*#**	**7 PM**
A27	**UL-Lafayette*#**	**2 PM**
A28	**UL-Lafayette*#**	**1 PM**
M3	**Arkansas State*#**	**7 PM**
M4	**Arkansas State*#**	**2 PM**
M5	**Arkansas State*#**	**1 PM**
M10	**Arkansas-Little Rock*#**	**7 PM**
M11	**Arkansas-Little Rock*#**	**2 PM**
M12	**Arkansas-Little Rock*#**	**1 PM**
M14	**Vanderbilt#**	**7 PM**
M17	at Florida International*#	6 PM
M18	at Florida International*#	Noon
M19	at Florida International*#	Noon
M22-25	Sun Belt Tournament; Mobile, AL#	TBA

Gameday Information

When: April 16, 2002 (7 PM)
Site: Reese Smith Field (2,500); Murfreesboro, TN
TV: None
Radio: None
Notes: The Blue Raiders complete a four-game home stand with tonight's contest ... the Blue Raiders hit the road for a three-game series against South Alabama this weekend ... Middle Tennessee is 5-1 against Belmont in the last six meetings between the teams ... MT visits Belmont on April 24.

Nisbett Rings 'Em Up

Marshall Nisbett earned his second save against Western Kentucky on Sunday afternoon, striking out **seven** Hilltoppers in 2-1/3 innings. Nisbett has now punched out **28** batters in 15-1/3 innings, giving him an average of 16.4 strikeouts per nine innings pitched. Nisbett has now earned saves in consecutive weekends.

Welcome Back, Justin

After missing Friday's game completely and being limited to DH duty on Saturday, junior **Justin Sims** returned to active duty in left field on Sunday and responded by **driving in four of the Blue Raiders' six runs** in the game. In his first at-bat, Sims delivered a sac fly for an RBI and then crushed a two-run homer in his third trip. In his last at-bat, Sims grounded into a fielder's choice that plated another run. Sims now has **11 multi-RBI games** this year and has driven in four or more four times.

Kines Gets Fourth Win

Junior **Steven Kines** continued to impress on Sunday, getting the win over Western Kentucky and pushing his record to **4-0** this year. Kines went 5-1/3 innings, allowing only five hits and a run while striking out four in the game. Kines, who has battled injuries throughout his MT career, has now posted career bests in every pitching category this year. He is also the only pitcher on the staff with 15 or more innings that has not suffered a loss.

Archer at First Base

Freshman **Josh Archer** has entrenched himself as the everyday first baseman after his performance over the last five games. The Paris, TN, native got his first start at first base on Tuesday against ETSU and has been in the lineup ever since. Since becoming a regular in the defensive lineup, Archer is hitting **.353** (6-of-17) with two doubles and a homer. He has also posted the highest on-base percentage among any Blue Raider regular during this span with a **.450** clip. Archer is now hitting **.336** on the year with seven homers and 22 RBIs.

Optimist Day Set

The annual **Optimist Little League Day** at Reese Smith Field has been set for **Sunday, April 28** when the Blue Raiders take on UL-Lafayette. Members of the league are selling tickets with the proceeds going to benefit the Optimist Little League. The league's players in uniform will be guests of the Blue Raiders on that afternoon and all foul balls will become souvenirs. All Little Leaguers will be invited onto the field prior to the game and will stand with their favorite Blue Raiders during the Star Spangled Banner.

Two Going to the Cape Cod League

The Blue Raiders are sending two players to the famous **Cape Cod Baseball League** this summer. **Chuck Akers** and **John Williams** will head to the Cape to play for the Harwich Mariners for the summer. The duo follows in the footsteps of former Blue Raider **Dewon Brazelton**, who became the first Middle Tennessee player in the league during the summer of 1999. Brazelton also played at Harwich.

Attendance Reaches 10K Mark

The first Sun Belt series of the year at Reese Smith Field put the Blue Raiders over the 10,000 mark for home attendance in 2002. The weekend saw **2,767** fans come through the gates, giving the Blue Raiders a total home attendance figure of **10,179**. The Blue Raiders are now averaging **565** per game at home and have posted three crowds of 1,000 or more. The Blue Raiders set a home attendance record a year ago with 26,218. The 2002 squad set an opening day record at Reese Smith Field with 2,317 on hand to watch MT defeat Austin Peay, marking the third-largest crowd in history.

PROBABLE STARTING PITCHERS

Tuesday: Travis Horschel
4-1, 5.63 ERA, 31 K

PROBABLE POSITION STARTERS

Catcher: Troy Harp
.318 BA, 4 HR, 12 RBI

First Base: Josh Archer
.336 BA, 7 HR, 22 RBI

Second Base: Nate Jaggers
.364 BA, 7 HR, 30 RBI

Third Base: Brett Carroll
.281 BA, 6 HR, 26 RBI

Shortstop: Jason Howarth
.277 BA, 0 HR, 9 RBI

Left Field: Justin Sims
.422 BA, 10 HR, 39 RBI

Center Field: Chuck Akers
.353 BA, 0 HR, 20 RBI

Right Field: Marshall Nisbett
.355 BA, 6 HR, 35 RBI

How to say it

Mark Corrado ..... Cor-AH-do
Travis Horschel ..... HOR-shel
Jason Howarth ..... HOW-arth
Jason Kuhn ..... COON
Chris Kurtz ..... Curts
Doug Kunicki ..... CUHN-icky
Chris Leguenec ..... Le-GWEN-ic
Kevin Suba ..... SOOBA

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2002 Blue Raider Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	B/T	Hometown (Previous School)
1	Marshall Nisbett	OF/P	5-10	160	Sr.	L/R	Tullahoma, TN (NW Shoals CC)
3	Justin Sims	OF	5-10	175	Jr.	L/R	Knoxville, TN (Karns)
4	Nathan Jaggers	IF	5-11	170	Fr.	R/R	Louisville, KY (Pleasure Ridge Park)
5	Chad Cooper	IF	6-0	175	Jr.	R/R	Picture Rocks, PA (Garrett CC)
6	Jason Howarth	IF	6-0	175	Sr.	R/R	Germantown, TN (Germantown)
7	Chuck Akers	IF/OF	5-11	175	So.	R/R	Murfreesboro, TN (Oakland)
8	Seth Yarbrough	OF	5-11	180	Sr.	R/R	Montgomery, AL (Enterprise St. CC)
9	Brett Carroll	IF	5-11	170	Fr.	R/R	Knoxville, TN (Bearden)
10	Josh Archer	C/1B	6-3	215	Fr.	R/R	Paris, TN (Henry Co.)
11	Kyle Sparkman	P	6-2	200	Sr.	R/R	Nashville, TN (Overton)
12	Troy Harp	C	6-1	185	So.	R/R	Louisville, KY (Pleasure Ridge Park)
14	Joe Capone	IF	6-1	185	So.	R/R	Churchville, PA (U. of New Haven)
15	Doug Kunicki	IF	6-1	195	Jr.	L/R	Knoxville, TN (Bearden)
16	Chase Swing	P	6-3	180	Fr.	R/R	Shelbyville, TN (Shelbyville)
19	Steven Kines	P	6-2	210	Jr.	R/R	Germantown, TN (Germantown)
21	Mark Corrado	IF	6-4	195	Fr.	R/R	Dayton, OH (Oakwood)
23	John Williams	P	6-3	180	So.	L/L	Murfreesboro, TN (Oakland)
24	Jason Kuhn	P	6-2	170	Sr.	R/R	Hendersonville, TN (Tennessee Tech)
27	Kevin Suba	1B/C	6-3	220	Fr.	L/R	Griffith, IN (Griffith)
28	Chris Mobley	P	6-0	165	Fr.	R/R	Kingsport, TN (Dobyns-Bennett)
29	Danny Borne	P	6-3	180	Fr.	L/L	Lewisburg, TN (Marshall Co.)
30	Travis Horschel	P	6-3	200	Fr.	R/R	Smyrna, TN (Tennessee Tech)
31	Derek Phillips	C	6-1	190	So.	L/R	Knoxville, TN (Halls)
32	Kris Smith	OF	6-2	185	Sr.	R/R	Nashville, TN (Alabama A&M)
33	Adam Larson	P	6-2	240	Sr.	R/R	Germantown, TN (Mississippi State)
34	Jeremy Armstrong	P	6-1	225	Sr.	R/R	Murfreesboro, TN (Columbia State CC)
35	Jeff Marcus	P	6-2	185	So.	R/R	Gaithersburg, MD (Gaithersburg)
36	Chris Kurtz	P	6-2	175	Fr.	R/R	Richboro, PA (Archbishop Wood)
37	Chris Leguenec	C	6-0	170	Fr.	R/R	Jackson, TN (Jackson-Central Merry)
38	Tim Crunk	C	5-10	200	So.	R/R	Murfreesboro, TN (Roane State CC)

This and That

Justin Sims equaled his career high in homers when he belted his tenth of the year against Western Kentucky ... **Marshall Nisbett** got a save and drove in two runs against Western Kentucky on Sunday ... **John Williams**' loss on Friday against WKU gave him consecutive losses for the first time in his Blue Raider career ... the Blue Raiders inked **Chase Eakes** of Goodpasture HS as their first spring signee on Wednesday.

Peterson Gets 600th Win

Head coach Steve Peterson picked up his 600th career head coaching victory in the Thursday doubleheader sweep of Eastern Michigan. The second game win gave the 15th-year Blue Raider skipper his 600th win. He has accumulated **447** of those as the head man at Middle Tennessee. Peterson's remaining **153** wins came while he was at the helm of the Roane State program. Peterson's first win last season (No. 403) made him the winningest coach in Middle Tennessee history.

Opening Day Record

The Blue Raiders have been a part of several records over the past year or so, but one more came the team's way on February 17. The largest crowd to ever see an opening day game was on hand at Reese Smith Field. The announced attendance of **2,317** is the third-largest crowd to ever gather at the Blue Raiders' home park.

Sun Belt Tournament

This year's Sun Belt Conference baseball tournament will be held in Mobile, Ala., at South Alabama's Stanky Field. The event is slated for May 22-25 and will determine the league's automatic qualifier into the NCAA Tournament. Tickets may be purchased by calling the South Alabama Ticket Office.

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BLUE RAIDER HITTING BY THE NUMBERS

	Avg	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	Slg	BB	HBP	K	SF	SH	SB-A	Fld %
Overall	.313	1297	259	406	85	7	45	234	640	.493	116	41	249	13	11	46-61	.948
Bench	.250	72	15	18	2	2	1	17	27	.375	10	2	21	1	1	3-4	.897
Sun Belt	.303	327	54	99	23	0	13	47	161	.492	21	8	82	3	2	7-8	.942
Home	.313	617	122	193	46	5	17	113	300	.486	61	22	112	9	8	25-35	.954
Away	.311	605	119	188	33	1	25	108	298	.493	49	14	124	3	3	17-21	.943
Neutral	.333	75	18	25	6	1	3	13	42	.560	6	5	13	1	0	405	.921

BLUE RAIDER PITCHING BY THE NUMBERS

	ERA	W-L	G	CG	SHO	S	IP	H	R-ER	BB	K	2B	3B	HR
Overall	5.93	21-15	36	4	1	7	314.0	394	267-207	149	299	77	8	46
Sun Belt	7.83	3-6	9	1	0	3	77.0	114	75-67	39	82	22	3	12
Starters	4.95	14-9	36	4	1	0	214.1	260	146-118	85	187	41	5	27
Relievers	8.04	7-6	36	0	1	7	99.2	134	121-89	64	112	36	3	19
Home	4.25	12-6	18	3	1	3	161.0	166	101-76	53	163	31	5	18
Away	8.20	7-9	16	1	0	3	135.0	208	152-123	86	121	43	2	25
Neutral	4.00	2-0	2	0	0	1	18.0	20	14-8	10	15	3	1	3

HOME RUNS (45)

Solo (20): Nisbett (3), Archer (3), Sims (3), Carroll (3), Jaggers (3), Archer (2), Cooper (1), Kunicki (1), Harp (1)
2-Run (15): Sims (5), Nisbett (2), Harp (2), Jaggers (2), Archer (2), Cooper (1), Carroll (1)
3-Run (7): Carroll (2), Nisbett (1), Yarbrough (1), Jaggers (1), Sims (1), Phillips (1)
Grand Slams (3): Sims (1), Harp (1), Jaggers (1)
Back-to-Back (2): Kunicki-Archer (1), Archer-Sims (1)
2-HR Games (1): Nisbett (1)
3-HR Games (1): Sims (1)
Leadoff HR (3): Kunicki (1), Carroll (1), Jaggers (1)
Pinch Hit HR (1): Yarbrough (1)

RUNS BY INNING

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	EI	Tot	Avg
Blue Raiders	36	25	30	29	41	19	28	25	13	0	246	7.5
Opponents	22	20	21	28	34	36	27	40	17	3	248	7.5

STARTERS BY POSITION

C - Harp (15), Phillips (14), Archer (7)
1B - Kunicki (20), Suba (9), Archer (5), Capone (2)
2B - Jaggers (26), Cooper (10)
3B - Carroll (29), Jaggers (7)
SS - Howarth (34), Cooper (2)
LF - Sims (26), Yarbrough (5), Smith (5)
CF - Akers (36)
RF - Nisbett (35), Smith (1)
DH - Archer (20), Sims (6), Suba (3), Cooper (2), Yarbrough (2), Smith (1), Nisbett (1), Phillips (1)

STARTERS BY BATTING ORDER

1. Akers (34), Cooper (2)
2. Jaggers (29), Nisbett (7)
3. Sims (28), Nisbett (8)
4. Archer (18), Nisbett (16), Kunicki (1), Sims (1)
5. Carroll (11), Archer (9), Nisbett (5), Kunicki (4), Suba (3), Sims (3), Phillips (1)
6. Carroll (7), Archer (5), Suba (5), Kunicki (4), Cooper (4), Howarth (4), Akers (2), Phillips (2), Jaggers (1), Yarbrough (1), Smith (1)
7. Howarth (11), Kunicki (5), Suba (4), Cooper (4), Carroll (4), Phillips (3), Smith (3), Yarbrough (2)
8. Phillips (6), Carroll (6), Howarth (6), Kunicki (5), Harp (4), Smith (3), Cooper (3), Yarbrough (2), Jaggers (1),
9. Howarth (13), Harp (11), Phillips (3), Jaggers (2), Capone (2), Yarbrough (2), Kunicki (1), Carroll (1), Cooper (1)

SUN BELT STANDINGS

as of 4/8

	SBC	Pct	All	Pct
South Alabama	6-1	.857	20-11	.645
Western Kentucky	6-2	.750	22-8	.733
UL-Lafayette	4-2	.667	21-11	.656
New Mexico State	3-3	.500	26-10	.722
New Orleans	4-5	.444	18-14	.563
Arkansas State	3-5	.375	12-18	.400
Florida International	3-6	.333	26-10	.722
Middle Tennessee	2-4	.333	19-12	.613
Arkansas-Little Rock	2-5	.286	15-19	.613

2002 COMPOSITE SCHEDULE

Friday, April 19
*UALR at FIU 6 p.m.
*Middle Tennessee at South Alabama 6 p.m.
*Arkansas State at New Orleans 6:30 p.m.
*New Mexico State at UL-Lafayette 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 20
*UALR at FIU (DH) Noon
*Arkansas State at New Orleans 1 p.m.
*Middle Tennessee at South Alabama 1 p.m.
*New Mexico State at UL-Lafayette 2 p.m.

Sunday, April 21
*Arkansas State at New Orleans 1 p.m.
*Middle Tennessee at South Alabama 1 p.m.
*New Mexico State at UL-Lafayette 1 p.m.

Tuesday, April 23
Western Kentucky at Lipscomb 2 p.m.
Troy State at South Alabama 6 p.m.
UL-Lafayette at Southern 6:30 p.m.
Tulane at New Orleans (Zephyr Field) 6:30 p.m.
Arkansas State at Memphis 7 p.m.
Middle Tennessee at Vanderbilt 7 p.m.

Wednesday, April 24
Bethune Cookman at FIU 6 p.m.
Middle Tennessee at Belmont 6 p.m.

Friday, April 26
*FIU at South Alabama 6 p.m.
*New Mexico State at Arkansas State 6 p.m.
*New Orleans at Western Kentucky 6 p.m.
*UL-Lafayette at Middle Tennessee 7 p.m.

Saturday, April 27
*FIU at South Alabama 1 p.m.
*UL-Lafayette at Middle Tennessee 2 p.m.
*New Mexico State at Arkansas State 2 p.m.
*New Orleans at Western Kentucky 2 p.m.
UALR at Murray State (DH) TBA

Sunday, April 28
*FIU at South Alabama 1 p.m.
*UL-Lafayette at Middle Tennessee 1 p.m.
*New Mexico State at Arkansas State 1 p.m.
*New Orleans at Western Kentucky 1 p.m.
UALR at Murray State TBA

Steve Peterson

Head Coach ◆ Jacksonville State '73 ◆ 15th Season ◆ 463-359-2 (.562)

Steve Peterson is the personification of Middle Tennessee baseball.

After 14 years as the team's skipper, Peter-son has become the program's winningest coach with a record ot **463-359-2**.

In fact, Peterson has produced eight seasons with 30 or more wins, including a school record 42 victories during the 1990 slate.

Long known for his keen managerial mind, Peterson teaches a hard-nosed and aggressive style of baseball. His personable demeanor has made him a big hit among fans, boosters, players, and recruits alike.

Peterson also adheres to the philosophy that defense and pitching wins championships. He has long been known for outstanding defensive teams, and the Blue Raiders have featured some of the area's most feared hurlers throughout the years.

Peterson has seen three of his pitchers earn All-America honors, including the only First Team All-American in school history, Dewon Brazelton. Under his watch, the Blue Raiders have seen eight single season and eight career pitching records established.

The offensive output of the team has not been ignored under Peterson. Most of the offensive records held at Middle Tennessee were established by Peterson's recruits. Peterson has developed three players that have hit .400 or better in a season along with the school's season and career home run records. His 1997 squad established the all-time record for batting average with a .323 clip.

However, aside from wins and losses, Peterson has been instrumental in leaving the Blue Raiders' mark on college baseball in other ways. He brought home seven consecutive conference championships (either regular season or tournament) during one stretch and has guided his team to the NCAA Regional on six different occasions. During his tenure, Peterson has captured one Sun Belt crown, eight OVC titles, and seven OVC tournament titles. For his efforts, Peterson has twice been named OVC Coach of the Year.

He brought national attention to the program in the 2001 season as his team found itself in the national rankings for the first time since 1982.

His efforts were clearly in evidence during the magical 2001 season. The Blue Raiders established the single game attendance record at Reese Smith Field with a crowd of 2,733 on hand to witness the Blue Raiders' Friday night tilt against South Alabama. The team went on to set the season attendance mark as well with 26,218 coming through the gate at Reese Smith Field. Peterson's squad saw 10 crowds of 1,000 or more during the season.

If the team accolades and accomplishments aren't enough, consider that Peterson has coached a Sun Belt Player of the Year and six OVC Players of the Year, a Sun Belt Pitcher of the Year and an OVC Pitcher of the Year, a first team All-American, four third-team All-Americans, two freshman All-Americans, and 31 first team All-Conference players.

In terms of sending players to the next level, Peterson is second to none. Professional baseball has seen 40 former Peterson proteges pass through the ranks with four players logging time in the Major Leagues.

Aside from playing baseball for a living, numerous former players have entered the coaching profession. Currently 25 former Blue Raiders are coaching at the high school, college, or professional level.

He has also been responsible for the tremendous growth of Blue Raider baseball camps. Since taking over the camp program in 1984, Peterson has developed one of the area's premier camps with most sessions becoming sold out.

Peterson took two separate tours with the Blue Raiders as an assistant coach under Stanford prior to becoming the team's skipper. During his runs between 1976-78 and 1984-87, the Blue Raiders won two OVC titles and four southern division crowns.

During the interim, Peterson served as the head coach at Roane State Community College in Harriman, Tenn. During his tenure of 1978-1984, Peterson took his team to a Tennessee Junior College title in 1981 and was twice named TJCAA Coach of the Year (1981 and 1984).

While at Roane State, Peterson put together a sparkling record of 153-96, a .614 winning percentage.

His expertise also ranges away from on-the-field coaching. He is known as one of the top recruiters in the region and has a knack for keeping local talent close to home.

Peterson's reputation extends into fundraising as well. Events such as the annual Chuck Taylor Golf Tournament have become mainstays on the calendars of baseball supporters across middle Tennessee and have served to raise thousands of dollars for the improvement of Blue Raider baseball.

He spearheaded the effort to pay for the construction of the Stephen B. Smith Clubhouse and Indoor Training Facility, which opened its doors in 1998. One look around inside the facility shows the amount of time and effort spent toward this endeavor. It has become known as one of the finest collegiate clubhouses and training facilities in the entire country.

Reese Smith Field has also benefited from Peterson's fundraising abilities. He has helped transform the park into a fan-friendly area by expanding the seating area, putting up a new information center just inside the gate, and expanding the restroom and concessions facilities.

Peterson guided efforts during the summer of 2001 to expand the dugouts at Reese Smith Field. He is also currently spearheading an effort that would totally renovate the current stadium. The plans would call for a significant remodeling of the concession stand, improved and expanded restroom facilities, and a modern press box that would accomodate radio and television along with print media.

Peterson, a native of Huntsville, Ala., spent his playing days at Jacksonville State under the legendary Rudy Abbott where he stood out as a catcher. He earned his bachelor's degree from Jacksonville State in 1973 and later earned a master's degree from Middle Tennessee in 1977.

Peterson is married to the former Rita Albert and the couple has three children, Jill, Jenny, and John. Away from the diamond, he enjoys fishing for smallmouth bass.

MIDDLE TENNESSEE MILESTONES

Win	*Date*	*Opponent (Score)*
1	2/20/88	Memphis State (5-4)
50	4/19/89	Tennessee (13-0)
100	5/14/90	Eastern Kentucky (7-1)
150	4/15/92	Kentucky (8-3)
200	3/20/94	Northeastern Illinois (13-3)
250	5/7/95	Austin Peay (14-7)
300	3/28/97	Eastern Illinois (7-4)
350	4/21/99	Tennessee (6-3)
400	5/20/00	Southeast Missouri (11-4)
403	2/17/01	UNC Asheville (6-2)

PITCHERS GAME-BY-GAME

ARMSTRONG, Jeremy - 13 appearances

Date	Opponent	S/R	IP	H	R-ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	WP	BK	HBP	W-L-S
2/22/02	Troy State	R	2.0	6	7-6	2	2	1	0	2	0	0	2	ND
2/24/02	Troy State	R	0.2	2	3-3	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	ND
2/28/02	E. Michigan	R	3.0	1	0-0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	W
3/6/02	Lipscomb	R	2.2	3	2-2	1	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	ND
3/19/02	East Tenn.	R	2.1	3	2-1	0	4	1	0	0	0	1	0	S
3/24/02	Austin Peay	S	3.0	4	2-2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	L
3/29/02	New Orleans	R	2.0	2	0-0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	S
3/31/02	New Orleans	R	0.1	3	4-4	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	ND
4/2/02	Memphis	R	1.0	1	1-1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	ND
4/5/02	N. Mex. St.	R	1.1	2	2-1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	ND
4/7/02	N. Mex. St.	R	1.0	0	1-1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	ND
4/9/02	East Tenn.	R	3.0	6	5-1	0	4	2	0	0	2	0	1	L
4/13/02	Western KY	R	1.2	5	3-3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	ND
Totals		**--**	**24.0**	**38**	**32-25**	**9**	**21**	**7**	**1**	**6**	**2**	**2**	**4**	**1-2-2**

BORNE, Danny - 15 appearances

Date	Opponent	S/R	IP	H	R-ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	WP	BK	HBP	W-L-S
2/22/02	Troy State	R	3.0	2	0-0	3	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	ND
2/24/02	Troy State	R	0.1	4	3-3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	L
2/28/02	E. Michigan	R	1.0	0	0-0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	ND
3/2/02	E. Michigan	R	1.1	1	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	S
3/6/02	Lipscomb	R	0.2	3	5-3	0	2	1	1	0	1	0	1	L
3/11/02	Tenn. Tech	R	0.0+	2	2-2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	ND
3/13/02	Memphis	R	4.2	4	2-2	4	2	1	0	2	0	1	1	W
3/16/02	SW Missouri	R	0.1	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	ND
3/20/02	East Tenn.	R	0.1	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	ND
3/24/02	Austin Peay	R	0.2	2	3-0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	ND
3/31/02	New Orleans	R	1.0	1	1-1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	ND
4/2/02	Memphis	R	0.2	1	1-1	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	ND
4/5/02	N. Mex. St.	R	1.0	2	2-2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	ND
4/7/02	N. Mex. St.	R	0.1	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	ND
4/9/02	East Tenn.	R	0.2	1	0-0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	ND
Totals		--	16.0	23	19	14	9	13	9	1	2	7	1	1-2-1

HORSCHEL, Travis - 10 appearances

Date	Opponent	S/R	IP	H	R-ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	WP	BK	HBP	W-L-S
2/22/02	Troy State	S	2.0	5	6-6	1	1	3	0	2	0	0	1	L
2/28/02	E. Michigan	S	5.1	6	2-2	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	W
3/6/02	Lipscomb	S	4.0	6	6-5	2	4	2	0	2	0	0	0	ND
3/13/02	Memphis	S	4.1	6	4-3	4	5	0	0	0	2	1	0	ND
3/20/02	East Tenn.	S	6.0	4	3-0	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	3	W
3/27/02	Troy State	S	6.1	7	3-3	1	6	1	0	1	0	0	1	ND
4/2/02	Memphis	S	6.2	8	4-4	2	4	1	0	1	0	0	1	ND
4/6/02	N. Mex. St.	R	3.1	6	5-3	2	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	W
4/10/02	East Tenn.	S	8.0	9	3-3	2	3	2	0	0	0	0	1	W
4/14/02	Western KY	R	0.1	1	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	ND
Totals		**8**	**46.1**	**58**	**36-29**	**16**	**31**	**11**	**2**	**6**	**3**	**1**	**8**	**4-1-0**

KINES, Steven - 9 appearances

Date	Opponent	S/R	IP	H	R-ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	WP	BK	HBP	W-L-S
2/22/02	Troy State	R	1.0	3	3-2	2	1	2	0	0	1	0	1	ND
2/28/02	E. Michigan	S	4.0	5	2-2	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	ND
3/5/02	Lipscomb	S	6.0	8	3-3	0	2	3	0	0	1	0	1	W
3/12/02	Memphis	S	6.2	8	3-3	1	4	2	0	1	0	0	2	W
3/19/02	East Tenn.	S	4.2	7	5-5	1	3	2	0	0	1	0	3	ND
3/26/02	Troy State	S	9.0	4	2-2	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	1	W
3/31/02	New Orleans	S	5.2	3	2-2	3	3	0	0	1	0	1	1	ND
4/7/02	N. Mex. St.	S	4.1	8	7-7	3	5	0	0	4	0	0	0	ND
4/14/02	Western KY	S	5.1	5	1-1	1	4	1	0	1	0	0	0	W
Totals		**--**	**46.2**	**51**	**28-27**	**12**	**31**	**11**	**0**	**8**	**3**	**1**	**10**	**4-0**

KUHN, Jason - 2 appearances

Date	Opponent	S/R	IP	H	R-ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	WP	BK	HBP	W-L-S
3/5/02	Lipscomb	R	0.1	0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	ND
4/9/02	East Tenn.	R	0.2	1	6-6	5	1	0	0	0	6	0	1	ND
Totals		--	1.0	1	6-6	6	1	0	0	0	7	0	1	0-0-0

MULTIPLE HIT GAMES

Player	2	3	4	5+	Tot
Nisbett	11	6	1	-	18
Sims	8	7	2	-	17
Akers	11	4	1	-	16
Jaggers	6	7	1	-	14
Archer	8	3	-	-	11
Carroll	7	1	2	-	10
Howarth	5	3	-	-	8
Suba	3	-	-	-	3
Cooper	1	1	-	-	2
Kunicki	2	-	-	-	2
Phillips	2	-	-	-	2
Harp	1	1	-	-	2
Smith	1	-	-	-	1
TEAM	***66***	***33***	***7***	***0***	***106***

MULTIPLE RBI GAMES

Player	2	3	4	5+	Tot
Sims	6	1	2	1	10
Carroll	4	4	1	-	9
Nisbett	4	3	1	1	9
Jaggers	3	-	3	-	6
Akers	5	1	-	-	6
Archer	5	-	-	-	5
Harp	2	-	1	-	3
Howarth	2	-	-	-	2
Yarbrough	1	1	-	-	2
Cooper	1	1	-	-	2
Leguenec	-	1	-	-	1
Phillips	-	1	-	-	1
Suba	1	-	-	-	1
Kunicki	1	-	-	-	1
TEAM	***35***	***13***	***8***	***2***	***58***

HITTING STREAKS

Player	Longest	Current
Sims	13	-
Nisbett	13	1
Akers	11	5
Jaggers	10	8
Carroll	9	1
Howarth	8	4
Archer	7	5
Kunicki	6	1

W-L SUMMARY

	W	L	T	Pct.
Total	20	13	0	.606
Conference	2	4	0	.333
Non-Conf	18	9	0	.667
Home	11	4	0	.733
Away	7	9	0	.438
Neutral	2	0	0	1.000
Day	15	9	0	.625
Nite	5	4	0	.556
vs Left	5	5	0	.500
vs Right	15	8	0	.652
1-Run games	7	0	0	1.000
2-Run games	2	2	0	.500
5+Run games	6	7	0	.462
Extra inns	0	1	0	.000
Shutouts	1	2	0	.333

PITCHERS GAME-BY-GAME, Cont.

KURTZ, Chris - 3 appearances

Date	Opponent	S/R	IP	H	R-ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	WP	BK	HBP	W-L-S
3/15/02	SW Missouri	R	1.0	3	3-3	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	ND
3/24/02	Austin Peay	R	0.1	2	2-0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	ND
4/9/02	East Tenn.	R	0.1	1	0-0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	ND
Totals		**--**	**1.2**	**6**	**5-3**	**0**	**2**	**1**	**0**	**3**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0-0-0**

LARSON, Adam - 9 appearances

Date	Opponent	S/R	IP	H	R-ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	WP	BK	HBP	W-L-S
2/17/02	Austin Peay	R	3.0	3	2-2	1	4	2	0	0	0	1	0	S
2/23/02	Troy State	S	7.0	10	3-3	0	10	2	0	1	0	0	0	W
3/1/02	Illinois State	S	6.0	7	5-2	6	5	2	0	1	2	1	0	ND
3/11/02	Tenn. Tech	S	7.0	15	8-5	2	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	L
3/19/02	East Tenn.	R	2.0	0	1-1	2	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	W
3/22/02	Austin Peay	S	9.0	6	0-0	3	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	W
3/30/02	New Orleans	S	8.0	10	7-7	3	9	4	1	0	0	0	1	L
4/3/02	Memphis	R	1.0	0	0-0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	ND
4/6/02	N. Mex. St.	S	4.2	11	8-8	5	4	1	0	2	0	0	0	ND
4/13/02	Western KY	S	5.0	9	7-5	3	7	3	0	0	0	1	0	L
Totals		**--**	**52.2**	**71**	**41-33**	**27**	**58**	**16**	**1**	**4**	**3**	**3**	**1**	**3-3-1**

MARCUS, Jeff - 2 appearances

Date	Opponent	S/R	IP	H	R-ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	WP	BK	HBP	W-L-S
3/5/02	Lipscomb	R	1.0	2	3-2	1	2	0	0	0	2	1	0	ND
3/24/02	Austin Peay	R	0.0	1	4-0	3	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	ND
Totals		**0**	**1.0**	**3**	**7-2**	**4**	**2**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**4**	**1**	**0**	**0-0-0**

MOBLEY, Chris - 14 appearances

Date	Opponent	S/R	IP	H	R-ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	WP	BK	HBP	W-L-S
2/23/02	Troy State	R	2.0	1	1-1	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	ND
2/28/02	E. Michigan	R	0.2	0	0-0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	ND
3/1/02	Illinois State	R	3.0	1	0-0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	W
3/6/02	Lipscomb	R	1.2	4	5-1	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	ND
3/10/02	Tenn. Tech	R	2.0	1	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	W
3/11/02	Tenn. Tech	R	0.0	0	1-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	ND
3/12/02	Memphis	R	2.1	2	1-1	1	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	S
3/20/02	ETSU	R	1.0	0	0-0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	ND
3/24/02	Austin Peay	R	2.0	4	5-4	3	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	ND
3/27/02	Troy State	R	2.2	0	0-0	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	W
3/31/02	New Orleans	R	0.0	2	1-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	L
4/9/02	East Tenn.	S	3.0	1	1-1	3	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	ND
4/12/02	Western KY	R	1.2	2	1-1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	ND
4/14/02	Western KY	R	1.0	3	3-3	0	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	ND
Totals		**--**	**23.0**	**21**	**19-14**	**17**	**23**	**5**	**1**	**3**	**3**	**0**	**2**	**3-1-1**

NISBETT, Marshall - 9 appearances

Date	Opponent	S/R	IP	H	R-ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	WP	BK	HBP	W-L-S
3/11/02	Tenn. Tech	R	1.0	0	0-0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	ND
3/15/02	SW Missouri	R	2.0	1	2-0	1	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	ND
3/20/02	East Tenn.	R	1.0	0	0-0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	ND
3/24/02	Austin Peay	R	2.0	2	1-1	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	ND
3/31/02	New Orleans	R	0.1	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	ND
4/2/02	Memphis	R	3.2	3	2-2	3	7	0	0	1	0	0	0	L
4/6/02	N. Mex. St.	R	1.0	0	0-0	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	S
4/7/02	N. Mex. St.	R	2.0	3	3-1	1	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	L
4/14/02	Western KY	R	2.1	1	0-0	1	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	S
Totals		**--**	**15.1**	**10**	**8-4**	**9**	**28**	**1**	**0**	**3**	**5**	**0**	**0**	**0-2-2**

SPARKMAN, Kyle - 6 appearances

Date	Opponent	S/R	IP	H	R-ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	WP	BK	HBP	W-L-S
3/5/02	Lipscomb	R	1.2	3	1-1	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	ND
3/15/02	SW Missouri	R	2.1	3	2-2	0	3	1	0	2	0	0	0	ND
3/20/02	East Tenn.	R	0.2	3	1-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	ND
3/24/02	Austin Peay	R	0.0	1	2-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	ND
3/31/02	New Orleans	R	0.2	2	1-1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	ND
4/3/02	Memphis	R	2.0	2	0-0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	ND
4/9/02	East Tenn.	R	0.1	2	4-4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	ND
Totals		**--**	**7.2**	**16**	**11-10**	**3**	**7**	**4**	**0**	**3**	**0**	**0**	**2**	**0-0-0**

BP SCHEDULE

1 p.m. First Pitch

11:00-11:40	Home BP
11:40-12:20	Visitor BP
12:20-12:30	Home Infield
12:30-12:40	Visitor Infield
12:40-12:55	Field Maintenance
12:55-1:00	Ground Rules

2 p.m. First Pitch

12:00-12:40	Home BP
12:40-1:20	Visitor BP
1:20-1:30	Home Infield
1:30-1:40	Visitor Infield
1:40-1:55	Field Maintenance
1:55-2:00	Ground Rules

3 p.m. First Pitch

1:00-1:40	Home BP
1:40-2:20	Visitor BP
2:20-2:30	Home Infield
2:30-2:40	Visitor Infield
2:40-2:55	Field Maintenance
2:55-3:00	Ground Rules

7 p.m. First Pitch

5:00-5:40	Home BP
5:40-6:20	Visitor BP
6:20-6:30	Home Infield
6:30-6:40	Visitor Infield
6:40-6:55	Field Maintenance
6:55-7:00	Ground Rules

Blue Raiders on Radio

■ Selected Blue Raider baseball games will be broadcast on radio this season on WMTS 88.3 FM, the student-run radio station at Middle Tennessee. This season, each conference game and games against Tennessee and Vanderbilt will be broadcast on WMTS. The pregame show begins 10 minutes prior to the first pitch of each game. Chip Walters and Ryan Simmons will handle the play-by-play duties during the 2002 campaign.

Interview Protocol

■ The Blue Raider clubhouse is open for interviews at the conclusion of each home contest. Media members wishing to contact Coach Peterson or any of the Blue Raider players should notify Baseball Media Relations Director Ryan Simmons to establish a mutually agreeable time for the interview. Interviews prior to games are prohibited and player home phone numbers will not be given to media members under any circumstances.

Media Services

■ Game notes, media guides, statistics, and lineup cards will be available prior to each game. A final box score will be provided immediately following the conclusion of the game. A fax machine and telephone will be available on request. Please contact a MRD staff member to use these services.

PITCHERS GAME-BY-GAME, Cont.

SWING, Chase - 7 appearances

Date	Opponent	S/R	IP	H	R-ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	WP	BK	HBP	W-L-S
2/24/02	Troy State	R	1.0	0	1-1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	ND
3/2/02	E. Michigan	R	0.2	3	3-3	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	ND
3/15/02	SW Missouri	S	3.2	8	7-7	1	5	1	0	3	1	0	0	L
4/3/02	Memphis	S	6.0	5	2-2	3	3	0	0	1	0	0	3	L
4/7/02	N. Mex. St.	R	0.1	3	2-2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	ND
4/10/02	East Tenn.	R	1.0	1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	ND
4/13/02	Western KY	R	2.1	1	0-0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	ND
Totals		**--**	**15.0**	**21**	**15-15**	**6**	**11**	**3**	**0**	**5**	**1**	**0**	**3**	**0-2-0**

WILLIAMS, John - 8 appearances

Date	Opponent	S/R	IP	H	R-ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	WP	BK	HBP	W-L-S
2/17/02	Austin Peay	S	6.0	5	3-2	0	5	1	0	0	0	1	0	W
2/24/02	Troy State	S	6.0	9	3-2	3	6	0	0	0	1	1	0	ND
3/2/02	E. Michigan	S	7.0	8	6-3	3	6	0	1	1	0	0	1	W
3/10/02	Tenn. Tech	S	7.0	11	7-2	6	3	2	0	0	1	0	0	ND
3/16/02	SW Missouri	S	8.2	8	3-0	7	10	2	0	0	1	0	0	W
3/23/02	Austin Peay	S	9.0	5	4-3	2	16	0	0	1	1	0	0	W
3/29/02	New Orleans	S	7.0	9	5-4	3	5	1	1	1	2	0	1	W
4/5/02	N. Mex. St.	S	5.2	11	5-5	6	13	2	0	0	1	0	0	L
4/12/02	Western KY	S	7.1	9	4-4	1	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	L
Totals		**--**	**63.2**	**75**	**40-25**	**31**	**71**	**8**	**2**	**3**	**8**	**2**	**2**	**5-2-0**

Pitching Leaders

Earned run avg
WILLIAMS, John 3.53
KINES, Steven 5.21
HORSCHEL, Travis 5.63
LARSON, Adam 5.64

Opposing bat avg
WILLIAMS, John .281
KINES, Steven .285
HORSCHEL, Travis .302
LARSON, Adam .323

Wins
WILLIAMS, John 5
KINES, Steven 4
HORSCHEL, Travis 4
MOBLEY, Chris 3
LARSON, Adam 3

Saves
ARMSTRONG, Jeremy 2
NISBETT, Marshall 2
LARSON, Adam 1
MOBLEY, Chris 1
BORNE, Danny 1

Innings pitched
WILLIAMS, John 63.2
LARSON, Adam 52.2
KINES, Steven 46.2
HORSCHEL, Travis 46.1

Batters struck out
WILLIAMS, John 71
LARSON, Adam 58
KINES, Steven 31
HORSCHEL, Travis 31
NISBETT, Marshall 28

Appearances
BORNE, Danny 15
MOBLEY, Chris 14
ARMSTRONG, Jeremy 13
HORSCHEL, Travis 10
LARSON, Adam 10

Games started
WILLIAMS, John 9
HORSCHEL, Travis 8
KINES, Steven 8
LARSON, Adam 7
SWING, Chase 2

Games in relief
BORNE, Danny 15
MOBLEY, Chris 13
ARMSTRONG, Jeremy 12
NISBETT, Marshall 9
SPARKMAN, Kyle 7

Chuck Akers 7

OF ◆ 5-11 ◆ 175 ◆ So.
Murfreesboro, TN
Oakland HS

General: Should find his way to the top of the order after an excellent freshman campaign ... Possesses great range in centerfield ... Is a threat to run any time he's on base.

2002: Had four hits, two doubles, two runs and two RBIs in two games at East Tennessee ... Batted .533 in weekend series at New Mexico State with three runs scored and four RBIs ... Scored five runs in two games against East Tennessee ... Had three hits, three runs and two RBIs in two games versus Troy State ... Hit .750 against Southwest Missouri ... Batted .625 with four steals against Memphis ... Was 2-for-4 at the plate with an RBI against Tennessee Tech ... Went 2-for-3 with two runs scored in second game versus Eastern Michigan ... Had three hits, scored twice and drove in two runs in Saturday win over EMU... Collected three hits with two RBIs in three-game series at Troy State, batting leadoff in final two contests ... Drove in pair of runs and scored once in 2-for-5 effort in final game at TSU ... Went 1-for-3 in season-opening win over Austin Peay.

2001: Played in all 58 games, starting 57 ... Stole 13 bases in 16 tries ... Drove in two runs in a 2-for-4 performance against Arkansas State in the Sun Belt Tournament ... Went 3-for-5 against Cumberland ... Was 2-for-3 against Belmont ... Went 5-for-10 in Florida International series with two RBIs ... Raised his batting average 110 points in a three game span ... Went 4-for-5 with a homer against Lipscomb.

High School: Played at Oakland High School for Coach Mack Hawks ... Team won back-to-back state titles ... Honorable mention *USA Today* All-American ... Named All-District, All-Region, All-Midstate, and All-State as a senior ... MVP of the 2000 USA Classic Tournament ... 1999 All-State Tournament Team ... 2000 *Daily News Journal* Rutherford County Position Player of the Year ... 2000 National High School Baseball Coaches Association All-District 3 team member, which recognizes the 15 best players in a seven state region ... Batted .431 with 48 RBIs as a senior ... Set a school record in 2000 for runs scored with 66 ... Stole 54 bases in 57 attempts during his prep career.

Personal: Charles Richard Akers, Jr. was born 11/13/81 ... Son of Charlie and Susan Akers ... Is undecided on a major ... Enjoys hunting, fishing, and racquetball.

Jeremy Armstrong 34

RHP ◆ 6-1 ◆ 225 ◆ Sr.
Murfreesboro, TN
Columbia State CC

General: Could work his way into the weekend rotation this season ... Features an outstanding curve ... Makes life tough on right-handed hitters ... Will be a key to the Blue Raiders' success in any role.

2002: Earned save in conference win over New Orleans ... Grabbed first save of the season versus East Tennessee ... Got first career start at Austin Peay ... Picked up victory in relief in first game versus Eastern Michigan, throwing three shutout innings with four strikeouts.

2001: Earned a win in relief over WKU in the Sun Belt Tournament ... Named Second Team All-Sun Belt ... Picked up first win of the year against Cumberland ... Struck out six over three innings in earning a save against Louisiana Tech ... Hurled three scoreless innings to earn a save at UL-Lafayette ... Pitched 1-2/3 innings of hitless ball against Samford ... Struck out five in 3-1/3 against Tennessee Tech ... Earned first save of the season against Jacksonville State on 3/8/01.

2000: Went 1-1 in 20 appearances ... Was second on the relief staff in innings pitched with 43-1/3 ... Struck out 42 hitters while walking only 16 ... Picked up two saves on the year ... Struck out a season-high five batters in 2-2/3 innings of work against UAB ... Struck out three or more hitters seven times and struck out at least one hitter in 18 of 20 appearances ... Right-handers hit only .258 against Armstrong.

Junior College: Played for Jim Painter at Columbia State.

High School: Played baseball for Buddy Powers at Riverdale High School ... Named All-District as a senior ... Named to *Who's Who Among American High School Students*.

Personal: Jeremy Wayne Armstrong is the son of Deborah Graham ... Born March 25, 1979 ... Enjoys hiking, camping, and fishing.

Troy Harp 12

C ◆ 6-1 ◆ 185 ◆ So.
Louisville, KY
Pleasure Ridge Park HS

General: Was projected as the team's starting catcher, but a broken wrist prior to the beginning of the season will hamper his progress ... Is the team's best defensive catcher ... Also features a great arm from behind the plate.

2002: Batted team-leading .545 with a home run and four RBIs at New Mexico State ... Went 1-for-3 with a homer at New Orleans ... Drove in game winning run in bottom of the ninth against Troy State ... Blasted a homer against East Tennessee ... Got first start against Southwest Missouri, hitting a grand slam in his first at-bat of the season ... Returned to the lineup after missing 13 games against Memphis.

2001: Drove in seven runs in limited duty ... Blasted first career homer against Cumberland ... Doubled and drove in a run against Tennessee Tech.

High School: Played for Coach Bill Miller at Pleasure Ridge Park ... Hit .358 with seven homers and 30 RBIs as a senior ... Was a three-time All-State selection in Kentucky ... Also picked for All-Region team three times.

Personal: Gary Troy Harp was born 11/5/81 ... Son of Gary and Sharry Harp ... Enjoys fishing during his time away from the diamond.

Jason Howarth 6

IF ◆ 6-0 ◆ 175 ◆ Sr.
Germantown, TN
Germantown HS

General: Penciled in as the team's starting shortstop ... Had a breakout year in his first season as a full time starter ... Will be a leader in the clubhouse as well as on the field.

2002: Had two hits, including a double, and scored twice in finale at New Mexico State ... Went 7-for-12 in conference series against New Orleans ... Was 2-for-3 in first game against Southwest Missouri ... Went 2-for-3 with two RBIs in home loss to Lipscomb ... Had a hit in win over Illinois State and scored once in Saturday victory over EMU ... Laid down sacrifice bunt and had sacrifice fly in second contest against EMU ... Had two hits in DH opener versus Eastern Michigan ... Hit safely in all three game at Troy State, driving in pair of runs in the series ... Went 1-for-4 with two RBIs and a stolen base in 8-4 win over the Trojans.

2001: Hit a career best three homers ... Recorded 146 assists from the shortstop position ... Went 5-for-10 in Arkansas-Little Rock series ... Was 2-for-4 with 2 RBIs against Vanderbilt ... Went 3-for-3 against UL-Lafayette in hearbreaking 9-8 loss ... Broke out of a 0-for-26 slump with a 2-for-5 effort against Memphis ... Blasted first career homer against Lipscomb ... Returned against Tennessee Tech after missing five games.

2000: Played in 20 games, starting 11 ... Drove in one run and scored five ... Majority of playing time came at second base .

1999: Played in 48 games, starting 38 ... Spent a majority of time at second and third ... Struggled at the plate, hitting .195 with six doubles and 12 RBIs ... Had a .960 fielding percentage.

High School: Hit .394 with four homers, 42 RBI and 20 stolen bases as a senior for coach Phil Clark at Germantown ... Was District Player of the Year, All-State, and *USA Today* All-Southeast ... Also lettered in basketball.

Personal: Richard Jason Howarth is the son of Rick and Teresa Howarth ... Has not yet chosen a major ... Lists winning the national championship as a freshman as his biggest sports thrill ... Born March 13, 1980.

Steven Kines 19

RHP ◆ 6-2 ◆ 210 ◆ Jr.
Germantown, TN
Germantown HS

General: Turned in a good fall performance ... Should see considerable work this season ... Could see time as a starter or out of the bullpen.

2002: Got fourth win of the year against Western Kentucky ... Got no decision in 5-2/3 innings of three-hit ball against New Orleans ... Struck out career-high nine batters in complete game win over Troy State ... Picked up second win with 6-2/3 solid innings against Memphis ... Picked up his first win of the season at Lipscomb, allowing three runs on eight hits in six innings ... Drew first start of season in first game of twinbill versus Eastern Michigan, allowing two runs in four innings.

2001: Did not post a decision in six appearances ... Got first career start against Cumberland ... Saw first action in two years against Tennessee Tech.

2000: Took a medical redshirt year.

1999: Made seven appearances, all in relief ... Struck out six and walked seven in 12.2 innings of work ... Finished the year with a 9.24 ERA ... Longest outing was 2.2 innings against Southwest Missouri.

High School: Was 11-0 as a senior for coach Phil Clark at Germantown ... Senior season ERA was 1.52 with 72 strikeouts ... Also batted .321 with four homers ... Named All-District, All-Region, All-Metro, and All-State Tournament ... *USA Today* All-Southeast Team.

Jason Kuhn 24

RHP ◆ 6-2 ◆ 170 ◆ Sr.
Hendersonville, TN
Tennessee Tech

General: A sidearm pitcher ... Should continue his role as a reliever ... Has good control ... Features a good breaking pitch.

2001: Was second on the team in bullpen appearances ... Went 4-3 in relief ... Struck out 22 hitters in 30.1 innings ... Earned first save against New Orleans ... Only allowed one hit in 1-1/3 innings against Arkansas State ... First MT win came in relief against Lipscomb ... Pitched five innings allowing only one unearned run and one hit against Southeastern Louisiana.

Tennessee Tech: Was 2-0 with a 5.71 ERA in 15 appearances as a sophomore ... Was used solely as a reliever ... Struck out seven batters in 17-1/3 innings of work in 2000.

High School: Played for Coach Mike Hendrix at Hendersonville High School ... Went 9-3 on the mound as a senior ... also batted .325 ... named All-District and team MVP ... All-Tournament selection in USA Classic.

Personal: Jason Michael Kuhn was born Feb. 21, 1980 ... Son of Perry and Jennifer Kuhn ... Enjoys the outdoors ... Majoring in business.

Jeff Marcus 35

RHP ◆ 6-2 ◆ 185 ◆ r-Fr.
Gaithersburg, MD
Gaithersburg HS

General: Could see a few opportunities this season, mostly out of the bullpen ... Has battled arm problems since coming to campus three years ago.

2002: Saw first career action at Lipscomb, pitching final inning of the contest.

2001: Did not see action.
2000: Took a medical redshirt.

High School: Went 21-3 in his career at Gaithersburg ... Went 7-2 as a senior with a 1.82 ERA ... Played for coach Paul Kane ... Won Montgomery County Baseball Association Sportsmanship Award in 1996 and 1997.
Personal: Jeffrey Chapin Marcus was born August 5, 1981 ... Is the son of Ron Marcus and Karen Davis ... Hopes to become a baseball coach ... His grandfather was inducted into the the U.S. Military Academy's National Football Hall of Fame.

Doug Kunicki 15

IF ◆ 6-1 ◆ 200 ◆ r-Jr.
Knoxville, TN
Tennessee

General: Looks to be the starter at first ... Has good power from the left side ... Seems healthy after missing the 2001 season following back surgery.

2002: Went 2-for-4 with a double and three runs scored versus East Tennessee ... Scored three runs versus Lipscomb ... Had a hit, scored once and drove in a run in Saturday win over EMU ... Went 2-for-5 and scored twice in victory against Illinois State ... Drove in one run in second game of DH versus Eastern Michigan ... Had two hits and scored twice in series at Troy State, including a solo homer in first game of series ... Drove in pair of runs in season-opening victory over Austin Peay.

2001: Took a medical redshirt.

2000: Saw limited duty, mostly at first base ... Played in 15 games, starting seven ... Went 4-for-19 at the plate ... Scored two runs.

Tennessee: Played in 10 games getting one start ... Had one hit with an RBI in 12 at-bats.

High School: Played baseball at Bearden High School ... Hit .450 with five homers as a senior ... Was a three-year All-KIL member.

Personal: Douglas Stuart Kunicki is the son of Stuart and Cynthia Kunicki ... Born October 15, 1979 ... Enjoys hiking and camping.

Marshall Nisbett 1

OF ◆ 5-10 ◆ 160 ◆ Sr.
Tullahoma, TN
NW Shoals CC

General: Is an All-Star candidate ... Has great speed both on the bases and defensively ... Will hit in the top of the order ... Also possesses good power from the left side of the plate.

2002: Picked up second save while striking out seven batters in 2-1/3 against WKU ... Went 4-for-9 with three RBIs and three runs scored in first two games at New Mexico State ... Pickup up a loss and a save at NMSU ... Homered, scored twice and drove in a pair of runs in opening game at New Orleans ... Had pair of doubles in finale at UNO ... Batted .545 (6-for-11) in Austin Peay series ... Struck out two in one inning of relief against East Tennessee ... Hit .667 against Southwest Mis-

souri, including a three-run homer ... Was 3-for-6 with two RBIs against Lipscomb ... Went 4-for-6 with four runs scored and four RBIs in win at LIpscomb ... Homered and tripled, scored twice and had three RBIs in Saturday victory against EMU ... Went 1-for-4 with a run in win over Illinois State ... Went 1-for-3 in both ends of DH versus Eastern Michigan, scoring three runs in two contests ... Hit pair of solo homers in the contest ... Went 2-for-5 with a run and one RBI in series finale at TSU ... Went 3-for-5 with two runs scored on opening day against Austin Peay ... Again had three hits with two runs scored, and added three RBIs in opening contest at Troy State.

2001: Hit .346 in his first season with the Blue Raiders ... Drove in 46 runs ... Started in all 58 games ... Stole 11 bags in 14 attempts ... Had a team-high nine outfield assists ... Blasted a homer in the NCAA Regional against Wake Forest ... Went 2-for-5 with a homer and three RBIs against Western Kentucky in the SBC Tourney ... Turned in a 7-for-12 performance against USA with a homer ... Batted .556 with a double and a homer for the week of April 16 ... Went 3-for-6 against Belmont ... Was 2-for-4 with a triple against Belmont ... Went 3-for-5 with a triple and three RBIs against Vanderbilt ... Tripled and scored two runs in win over New Orleans ... Hit a triple and drove in two runs against Arkansas State ... Went 6-for-10 in Lipscomb series ... Put together three assists in two games against Tennessee Tech ... Went 2-for-4 with an RBI against Jacksonville State ... hit first career homer against SE Louisiana.

NW Shoals: Batted .405 with eight homers and 52 RBIs.

Wallace-Hanceville C.C.: Went 6-0 with a 2.58 ERA as a pitcher.

High School: Played for coach Jerry Mathis at Tullahoma High School ... Set the school batting average record with a .535 clip as a senior ... voted All-State in 1997 and 1998 ... An All-Region selection 1997-98

Personal: Marshall Nisbitt was born 12/5/79 ... Son of Denis and Lynn Nisbitt ... Is majoring in business management ... Hopes to become a master chef ... Enjoys golf and cooking in his spare time.

Derek Phillips 31

C ◆ 6-1 ◆ 190 ◆ So.
Knoxville, TN
Halls HS

General: Will see considerable action behind the plate ... Provides a good left-handed bat in the lineup ... Will also play first base and DH.

2002: Had three -run homer and single in win at East Tennessee ... Doubled versus Troy State and Memphis ... Went 1-for-2 with an RBI in victory against Illinois State ... Went 2-for-3 with two runs scored, one RBI and a double in second game of DH versus Eastern Michigan ... Went 1-for-4 with a run and one RBI in series opener at Troy State ... Collected a hit and scored twice in series finale at TSU.

2001: Drove in 10 runs in limited duty ... Played in 30 games, starting in 12 ...Picked up two hits in three tries off the bench for the week of May 7 ... Blasted first career homerun against Belmont ... Drove in a key run against UL-Lafayette ... Got first career start against Lipscomb.

High School: A four-year letterman at Halls High School for Coach Doug Polston ... A two-time All-Region and All-State selection ... Named All KIC and All-East Tennessee as a junior ... Hit 12 homers during his junior campaign ... Also starred in football, garnering All-Region honors.

Personal: Clifford Reginald Derek Phillips was born 10/6/81 ... Son of Eugene and Cindy Phillips ... Is undecided on a major ... Enjoys fishing.

Justin Sims 3

OF ◆ 5-10 ◆ 175 ◆ Jr.
Knoxville, TN
Karns HS

General: Was a tremendous force in the three hole last year ... Is a definite draft prospect ... Has good speed ... Hits for power and average ... Enters the year as an All-America candidate.

2002: Drove in four runs on Sunday vs. Western Kentucky ... Went 4-for-6 with four runs and five RBIs, including homers in three straight innings, in Saturday win at New Mexico State ... Swatted a homer in his first at-bat after missing three games due to injury in conference opener at New Orleans ... Went 5-for-7 with two homers and six RBIs in East Tennessee series ... Had four hits and three runs scored in two contests versus Southwest Missouri ... Went 7-for-10 with four runs and two RBIs in two games at Memphis ... Drove in two runs with a 2-for-5 performance against Tennessee Tech ... Had two hits, four RBIs and three runs scored, including grand slam, in win at Lipscomb ... Went 1-for-4 with a run in win against Illinois State ... Went 3-for-4 in both ends of DH versus Eastern Michigan, driving in pair of runs in first game and scoring twice in second contest ... Went 2-for-5 with two runs scored in win at Troy State ... Collected three hits and drove in three runs, including second homer of season, in finale at TSU ... Kicked off the 2002 campaign with a 3-for-4 outing, including two doubles and a homer in opening win over Austin Peay ...

2001: Was second on the team with a .377 average ... Led the team in RBI with 66 and homers with 10 ... Tallied a team-leading six triples ... First Team All-Sun Belt selection ... Knocked in seven runs in three games against South Alabama while hitting .385 ... Went 2-for-4 against Tennessee with and RBI ... Batted .500 against New Mexico State ... Hit .526 for week of April 16 with nine RBIs ... Went 4-for-5 with two RBIs against Belmont ... Was 2-for-5 with a homer against Cumberland ... Went 3-for-5 against Vanderbilt with two RBIs ... Batted .583 (7-for-12) in UL series with two doubles, two homers, and 6 RBIs ... Hit sixth homer of the year against New Orleans ... Drove in all three runs against UAB ... Batted .400 in the Arkansas State series ... Ripped homers in back-to-back games against Lipscomb and drove in nine runs in the series ... Blasted second homer against Tennessee Tech ... Hit first career homer against Memphis ... went 4-for-4 against SE Louisiana.

2000: Played in 30 games with six starts ... Was perfect in 16 defensive chances ... Two of his three hits were for extra bases ... Drove in four runs and scored six.

High School: Played for coach Danny Sharp at Karns ... Hit .469 with 27 homers during his career ... Four-time All-District, three-time All-Region, and two-time All-State player ... Twice named District Player of the Year ... Honorable mention All-American ... Drafted by the Chicago Cubs ... Also lettered in football and basketball.

Personal: Michael Justin Sims was born December 18, 1980 ... The son of Mike and Faye Sims ... Was a Wendy's High School Heisman nominee.

Kris Smith 32

OF ◆ 6-2 ◆ 182 ◆ Sr.
Nashville, TN
Antioch HS

General: Will help the team as an outfielder and on the bases ... Has great speed ... Is the team's top runner off the bench.

2002: Had two hits and scored twice in win at East Tennessee, his first start of season in rightfield ... Went 1-for-2 with a run in series finale at New Mexico State ... Drew first start of season at DH spot in first game of DH versus Eastern Michigan, going 1-for-3.

2001: Scored 13 runs in limited duty ... Saw action in 31 games, mainly as a pinch runner or defen-

sive replacement ... Got first start against Tennessee Tech ... Went 2-for-2 against Trevecca in his first career plate appearances.

High School: Played for Keith Dickey at Antioch ... Also attended Spring HS in Spring, Texas ... Named to the All-District Team in 1997.

Personal: Kristofer Anthony Smith was born 11/7/79 ... Majoring in business education/marketing ... Was involved in several community service organizations in high school, including S.U.R.E, Students United for Racial Equality, and Inroads of Nashville ... Son of William and Margaret Smith ... Father William is a member of the U.S. Masters Track and Field Hall of Fame ... Grandfather Jessie Williams played baseball for Jacksonville of the Negro League.

Kyle Sparkman 30

RHP ◆ 6-2 ◆ 175 ◆ Sr.
Nashville, TN
Overton HS

General: Will help shore up the bullpen ... Could find work as a starter during the mid-week ... Has the experience to be effective in nearly any situation.

2002: Worked two scoreless innings versus Memphis ... Saw first action of season at Lipscomb, allowing one run on three hits with two strikeouts in 1-2/3 innings.

2001: Did not earn a decision in 11 appearances ... Struck out two in 1.1 innings against Memphis ... Returned from an elbow injury to work a perfect inning against Tennessee.

2000: Put together a five-appearance streak without allowing an earned run ... Struck out three in two innings against Vanderbilt ... Struck out 18 hitters in 22-1/3 innings ... His longest outing of the year was three innings in the NCAA Regional against Clemson.

1999: Made 19 appearances with two starts ... Went 1-3 with three saves ... Struck out 34 in 26.2 innings ... Finished with an 8.44 ERA.

High School: Went 24-9 during his career at Overton High School under coach James Fuller ... Had 298 career strikeouts ... Went 6-3 with a 1.53 ERA as a senior including 92 K's ... Named All-District, All-Region, and All-Midstate.

Personal: Justin Kyle Sparkman has not yet declared a major ... Chose MT over Belmont, Union University, and Columbia State C.C. ... Born February 12, 1980 ... Son of Danny and Deborah Sparkman.

Kevin Suba 27

1B/C ◆ 6-3 ◆ 220 ◆ Fr.
Griffith, IN
Griffith HS

General: Should see majority of playing time at first base and DH ... learning to make adjustments at the plate is a key for Suba ... hitting will determine playing time.

2002: Went 2-for-4 with a run at New Mexico State ... Had pair of doubles and scored once versus Memphis ... Went 2-for-4 as the DH at Memphis ... Drew first start of season as DH in second contest of DH versus Eastern Michigan, driving home a run with a single.

High School: Played for Coach Brian Jennings at Griffith ... hit .483 with five homers and 42 RBIs as a senior ... committed only three fielding errors at first base ... two-time First Team All-Conference and Honorable Mention All-State ... named Honorable Mention All-Area as a senior.

Personal: Kevin Daniel Suba was born 8/3/81 ... son of Rick and Darlene Suba ... has not yet decided on a major ... enjoys deer hunting.

John Williams 23

LHP ◆ 6-3 ◆ 180 ◆ So.
Murfreesboro, TN
Oakland HS

General: A solid left-handed starter ... Improved as his freshman year went along ... Will be one of the team's top starters ... Coming off of a freshman All-American season.

2002: Suffered first loss of season at New Mexico State despite striking out 13 ... Won third straight start against New Orleans ... Earned second straight win while striking out a career-high 16 against Austin Peay ... Picked up third win while striking out 10 batters against Southwest Missouri ... Picked up second win with victory over Eastern Michigan, allowing three earned runs in seven innings with six strikeouts ... Got no decision in series finale at Troy State, tossing six innings and giving up three runs on nine hits with six strikeouts ... Earned first win of the year over Austin Peay in the season opener, throwing six innings and allowing three runs on five hits with five strikeouts.

2001: Named freshman All-American by Collegiate Baseball ... Went 7-1 with a 3.59 ERA ... Limited opponents to a .222 batting average ... was second on the staff in wins ... had fewest losses among regular starters ... Hurled the Blue Raiders to a share of the SBC title with his first nine inning complete game ... Pitched well in no-decision at Western Kentucky ... Hurled first complete game and shutout with 1-0 decision over Ark.-Litttle Rock ... Pitched six solid innings in a no-decision against UNO ... Picked up a win against Arkansas State ... Struck out seven against Trevecca ... Earned first collegiate start against UNC-Asheville, striking out six in five innings.

High School: Played for Coach Mack Hawks at Oakland High School ... A part of first back-to-back state champions in history ... Went 38-2 in his career at Oakland and didn't lose a game for the final two years of his career ... Four-time All-District pick ... Three-times named All-Region and two-time All-State winner ... *Daily News Journal* Pitcher of the Year twice ... MVP of the USA Classic as a freshman.

Personal: John Douglas Williams was born 12/19/81 ... Son of Larry and Debby Williams ... Hopes to play professional baseball ... Is undecided on a major ... Enjoys fishing ... Named to *Who's Who Among American High School Students*.

Seth Yarbrough 8

OF ◆ 5-11 ◆ 180 ◆ Jr.
Montgomery, AL
Enterprise State CC

General: Could find a spot as a DH as well as play in the outfield ... Ability to hit will determine playing time ... a solid defensive player.

2002: Turned in a pinch hit three-run homer against Southwest Missouri ... Saw first action of season as DH in win at Troy State, going 1-for-3 with a run scored and a two-run double.

2001: Saw action in 13 games ... Was hampered by a broken foot in the fall season.

Enterprise State: Played for Coach Tim Hulsey ... Batted .385 with four homers as a freshman and .466 with 12 home runs as a sophomore ... named First Team All-American following sophomore season ... Also selected as All-Region and All-Southern Junior College.

High School: Played for Coach Vanvendor at Jefferson Davis High School ... Lettered in baseball for three years and football for one ... Named All-Metro and was an East-West All-Star selection.

Personal: William Seth Yarbrogh was born 6/7/78 ... Son of Ron Yarbrough and Suzanne Pugh ... Majoring in physical education ... Father Ron played linebacker at Auburn.

NEWCOMERS

Josh Archer 10

C/1B ◆ 6-3 ◆ 215 ◆ Fr.
Paris, TN
Henry Co. HS

General: Possesses great size and power … A catcher by trade but could see time at first base or DH … Will be a contributor at some point during the season.

2002: Blasted seventh homer of the year against Western Kentucky ... Went 3-for-6 with a home run, two RBIs and two runs in Saturday win at New Mexico State ... Had three hits and a homer versus Memphis ... Went 2-for-5 in series finale at New Orleans ... Blasted game-winning homer agianst Austin Peay on March 23 ... Went 2-for-3 with a triple in second game at Memphis ... Blasted a solo homer against Tennessee Tech ... Went 1-for-2 with a run and one RBI off the bench in second game of DH versus Eastern Michigan ... Went 2-for-5 with one run in victory over Illinois State ... Had a hit and scored twice in Saturday win against EMU ... Collected two hits, scored twice and hit a solo home run in series opener at Troy State ... Had two-run homer and scored twice in win at TSU ... Went 2-for-4 with a double in first collegiate game against Austin Peay.

High School: Batted .620 with 11 homers as a senior … Voted First Team All-State … A three-time selection to the All-Region and All-District team … Drafted in the 40th round by the San Diego Padres following his senior season … Also played four years of football.

Personal: Born 11/8/82 … Son of Wes Archer and Vicky Qualls … Undecided on a major.

Danny Borne 29

LHP ◆ 6-3 ◆ 180 ◆ Fr.
Lewisburg, TN
Marshall Co. HS

General: Showed great potential during fall workouts ... Will start the year in the bullpen, but could work into the rotation as the year moves along.

2002: Picked up first career win in relief against Memphis ... Got final four outs versus Eastern Michigan to earn save, allowing one hit with one strikeout ... Threw one scoreless inning in second game of DH versus Eastern Michigan, setting the side down in order ... Tossed three shutout innings in first appearance as a Blue Raider in series opener at Troy State, allowing two hits and striking out three ... Suffered loss in series finale at TSU.

High School: Posted 9-1 mark with 1.58 ERA and 104 strikeouts in 58 innings for coach Joe George … Named All-Midstate as a sophomore and district MVP as a junior … Four-time All-District selection and two-time All-Region honoree … Struck out 14 in one game … Recognized as *Who's Who Among American High School Students* … Also lettered in football and basketball.

Personal: Born 5/5/83 … Son of Jeff and Sharon Borne … Enjoys weightlifting.

Joe Capone 14

IF ◆ 6-0 ◆ 190 ◆ So.
Churchville, PA
U. of New Haven

General: Played freshman season at the University of New Haven in West Haven, CT … Should see some action at first base ... Shows power potential at the plate.

High School: Earned two letters in baseball … Did not commit an error as a senior … Member of *Courier Times* Gold Team.

Personal: Born 11/25/82 … Son of Felix and Patricia Capone … Has not decided on a major.

Brett Carroll 9

IF ◆ 5-11 ◆ 170 ◆ Fr.
Knoxville, TN
Bearden HS

General: A talented infielder … will contend for a starting spot, most likely at third … his performance at the plate will dictate playing time … could also DH.

2002: Had three-run homer in win at East Tennessee ... Went 6-for-10 with four runs and six RBIs in final two games at New Mexico State, including pair of homers and three doubles ... Had two hits and scored twice against East Tennessee ... Went 2-for-5 with three RBIs at Memphis ... Drove in the winning run in the bottom of the ninth with a sac fly against Tennessee Tech ... Was 2-for-4 against Lipscomb ... Had two hits, including three-run homer, and scored twice in win at Lipscomb ... Drove in game-winning run in DH opener versus Eastern Michigan ... Went 2-for-3 with two RBIs in second game against EMU ... Went 2-for-5 with three RBIs, including game-winning solo homer in top of the ninth versus Illinois State ... Went 4-for-5 with a homer and a double and scored three times in Saturday win over EMU ... Drew first start in series finale at Troy State, going 3-for-4 with two runs scored.

High School: An All-District selection at Bearden High School under coach Mitch Carter … led his team to a district title and an appearance in the regional championship game … also lettered in golf and basketball.

Personal: Born 10/3/82 … son of Mike Carroll and Laura Carroll-Kinzel … named to *Who's Who Among American High School Students* … undecided about a major … enjoys playing basketball and attending church.

Chad Cooper 5

IF ◆ 6-0 ◆ 175 ◆ Jr.
Picture Rocks, PA
Garrett CC

General: A solid defensive infielder … Can play second or shortstop … Can hit in the top of the order … Is projected as a starter ... Runs well on the bases.

2002: Got first start at shortstop against East Tennessee ... Blasted a homer against Memphis while going 3-for-5 ... Produced a two-run double in only at bat against Lipscomb ... Went 2-for-4 with a run and one RBI in win at Troy State ... Homered in Blue Raider debut, a solo shot in season-opening win over Austin Peay.

Garrett CC: An All-Region and All-Conference player … Hit .372 during his two-year career … Averaged 22 stolen bases during his career … Scored 89 runs and drove in 100 during his career … Hit career best .396 as a sophomore … Helped lead his team to the Region XX title game as a freshman.

High School: Earned four letters in baseball at Hughesville High School … Named American Legion East All-Star … Played in the Pennsylvania Keystone State Games … Also played basketball.

Personal: Born 1/31/81 … Son of Kelly and Jill Cooper … Enjoys the outdoors and paintball … Hoping to major in graphic design.

Mark Corrado 21

IF◆ 6-4 ◆ 195 ◆ Fr.
Dayton, OH
Oakwood HS

General: Could see some time at third base ... A hard-worker ... Continued development will help his future in the program.

High School: Led his Oakwood High School team to back-to-back district crowns in his junior and senior seasons … A First Team All-League selection as a junior and senior … A four-time letterman for coach Rick Grigsby … Also played two years of basketball.

Personal: Son of Bob and Ann Corrado … Born 9/15/82 … Undecided about a major … Brother Rob pitches at the University of Kentucky … Is considering a career in the concrete industry.

Tim Crunk 38

C ◆ 5-10 ◆ 200 ◆ So.
Murfreesboro, TN
Roane State CC

General: Primary duty will be handling pitchers in the bullpen ... Has good knowledge of the game ... Hopes to get into coaching one day.

High School: Earned *Daily News Journal* All-District and All-Area as a senior for coach Buddy Powers … Graduated with honors.

Personal: Born 5/14/81 … Son of Tim Crunk, Sr., and Beverly Morris … Majoring in mathematical science … Wants to coach or teach at the high school or college level … Enjoys golf.

Travis Horschel 30

RHP ◆ 6-3 ◆ 200 ◆ r-Fr.
Smyrna, TN
Tennessee Tech

General: Could be a factor this season … Was banged up in the fall, so his level of contribution will be determined by recovery … Will be utilized as both a starter and reliever.

2002: Got win at New Mexico State in relief, striking out three in 3-1/3 innings ... Pitched 6-1/3 strong innings in a no-decision against Troy State ... Picked up second win with six strong innings against East Tennessee ... Got win in second start of season, allowing two runs on six hits with two strikeouts in 5-1/3 innings in second game of DH versus Eastern Michigan.

Tennessee Tech: Took a redshirt.

High School: Posted a career 20-4 record with nine saves at Franklin Road Academy … Hurled a no-hitter in the district tourney … Tallied a career 2.41 ERA … A three-time All-District choice … Twice named All-Region … Named All-Midstate and All-State as a senior … Was an honorable mention pick for the *USA Today* Tennessee Player of the Year award.

Personal: Born 6/12/81 … Son of Larry and Debbie Horschel … Majoring in secondary education … Hopes to play pro ball … Aspires to become a high school baseball coach.

Nate Jaggers 4

IF ◆ 5-11 ◆ 170 ◆ Fr.
Louisville, KY
Pleasure Ridge Park HS

General: In the mix to start at third ... Solid defensive player ... Great bat control ... Has great knowledge of the game.

2002: Had five hits in nine at-bats at East Tennessee, homering, driving in two runs and scoring three times ... Batted. 467 in New Mexico State series ... Went 3-for-5 with a home run in conference opener at New Orleans ... Had four hits, four RBIs and a homer versus Troy State ... Went 6-for-10 with five RBIs and three runs versus East Tennessee ... Drove in four runs and homered versus Southwest Missouri ... Went 3-for-8 with five runs and three RBIs in series at Memphis ... Was 3-for-5 with two RBIs against Tennessee Tech ... Scored five times without a hit in win at Lipscomb ... Drove in a run in second game of DH versus Eastern Michigan ... Started second game at second base, going 3-for-3 with a run and two RBIs versus EMU ... Collected a hit in first two games at Troy State ... Had pair of doubles and a walk in collegiate debut against Austin Peay.

High School: Batted .404 with five home runs as a senior for coach Bill Miller … Named all-region and all-district three years and all-state as a junior and senior … Participated in Kentucky East-West All-Star game as a junior and senior … Earned all-tournament accolades at Sarasota Classic and Pensacola tournament … Batted .410 with four round-trippers as a junior and .379 as a sophomore.

Personal: Born 3/28/83 … Son of Earl and Tina Jaggers … Majoring in concrete industry management … Enjoys fishing.

Chris Kurtz 36

RHP ◆ 6-2 ◆ 175 ◆ Fr.
Richboro, PA
Archbishop Wood HS

General: An extremely hard worker ... Needs to work on physical development ... Will begin in the bullpen ... Mound time will depend on level of improvement throughout the year.

High School: Posted 1.23 ERA with 70 strikeouts in 40 innings and one no-hitter as a senior for coach Jim Diguisseppe … Four-time All-District honoree.

Personal: Born 10/1/83 … Son of Paul Kurtz and Colette Buccella … Has not decided on a major … Enjoys lifting weights, swimming and listening to music.

Adam Larson 33

RHP ◆ 6-2 ◆ 240 ◆ Sr.
Germantown, TN
Mississippi State

General: Primarily a reliever at Mississippi State, but will be given every opportunity to nail down a spot in the starting rotation this season.

2002: Threw eight innings at New Orleans, striking out nine and taking a loss ... Pitched first complete game shutout with 4-0 win over Austin Peay on March 22 ... Allowed just two earned runs on seven hits in six-plus innings versus Illinois State, striking out five ... Earned win at Troy State, going seven innings and striking out 10 while giving up three runs ... Hurled last three innings of season opener against Austin Peay to earn a save, allowing two runs on three hits with four strikeouts.

Mississippi State: Compiled an 8-8 career mark with 15 saves in 66 appearances over three seasons for the Bulldogs … Struck out 119 in 133.2 innings with 4.11 ERA … Compiled 3-0 record with three saves as a freshman, striking out 35 in 42.1 innings of work … Earned second win of season with six innings versus Southern Miss … Converted save opportunities against Ole Miss in last regular season series of year and again in SEC Tournament … Also picked up a win and a save in Columbus Regional, working four innings during the tourney … Ranked second in SEC with 12 saves as a sophomore, the third-most in a season in Bulldog history … Went 3-3 with 4.17 ERA in 29 appearances … Struck out career-high nine versus Arkansas-Little Rock … Preseason All-America candidate as a junior (NCBWA and Collegiate Baseball) … Compiled 2-5 mark in 17 appearances with seven starts, striking out 49 in 50.1 innings of work … Threw career-high 7.0 innings vs. UT Martin.

High School: Four-year letterman and standout pitcher for coach Phil Clark at Germantown HS … Earned 1998 Tennessee Baseball Coaches Association and Tennessee Sports Writers Association All-State honors after helping lead the Red Devils to a 40-4 mark, state runner-up honors and a No. 18 national ranking (*Baseball America*)

… Posted an 8-2 record with a 1.17 ERA … Recorded 77 strikeouts over 60 innings and tossed a pair of no-hitters … Also played first base and batted .439 with seven home runs, 26 RBI and a .732 slugging percentage … Tabbed for honorable mention All-America honors by High School Baseball USA and *Collegiate Baseball* … Finalist for *Commercial Appeal's* "Best of Preps" award … Compiled a 22-6 pitching record his final three seasons … Went 6-2 with a team-best 0.71 ERA as a junior and 8-0 with a 1.45 ERA as a sophomore … Played summer league AABC baseball with the Memphis Tigers, earning a berth on the AABC National Team … GHS Faculty Honor Roll student.

Personal: Born 12/6/79 … Son of Doug and Denise Larson … Majoring in liberal arts … Interests include golf, swimming, working out and billiards.

Chris LeGuenec 37

C ◆ 6-0 ◆ 170 ◆ Fr.
Jackson, TN
Central Merry HS

General: Has shown great improvement during the fall ... Will help out in the bullpen and is likely to see action behind the plate ... Has also worked at first ... His offensive production will help determine his level of contribution.

2002: Drilled first pitch he saw for three-run double in win at Lipscomb.

High School: Batted .519 with seven home runs as a senior for coach Kevin Kennedy … Earned All-District honors as a sophomore and senior … Batted .420 with pair of home runs as a sophomore.

Personal: Born 1/31/83 … Son of Paul and Tessie LeGuenec … Has not decided on a major … Attended Boys State.

Chris Mobley 28

RHP ◆ 6-0 ◆ 165 ◆ Fr.
Kingsport, TN
Dobyns-Bennett HS

General: Is vying for one of the five starting spots ... Great fastball and hard breaking ball ... Has to be more consistent ... Should see a majority of mound time as a starter ... Struck out a batter and walked one in 0.2 innings versus Eastern Michigan.

2002: Did not pitch at New Mexico State due to arm injury ... Earned third win in relief against Troy State ... Struck out the side in one inning of relief work against East Tennessee ... Got first career save against Memphis ... Picked up win in relief against Tennessee Tech ... Earned first victory against Illinois State, allowing just one hit in three innings with three strikeouts ... Saw first collegiate action in win at Troy State, going two innings, allowing a run on one hit with a strikeout.

High School: Tallied 130 strikeouts in 60 innings as a senior and set career strikeout record at school with 287 … Named First Team All-State and All-Region as a senior … Also named Region I and TBCA Player of the Year as a senior … Three-time All-District honoree for coach Mike Ritz … Earned all-district tournament twice and Super 22 three times … Member of golf team.

Personal: Born 8/16/83 … Son of Mike and Jan Mobley … Has not decided on a major … Recognized as *Who's Who Among American Athletes* … Enjoys golf in free time.

Chase Swing 23

RHP ◆ 6-3 ◆ 180 ◆ Fr.
Shelbyville, TN
Shelbyville HS

General: A solid right-hander … Will be a contributor this season … Will be utilized as a starter and out of the bullpen ... Unlimited potential.

2002: Worked scoreless ninth in win at East Tennessee ... Allowed two runs on five hits in six innings versus Memphis, picking up the loss ... Got first career start against Southwest Missouri.

High School: Turned in a 2.84 ERA as a senior at Shelbyville High School under coach Scott Hall … Struck out 107 batters while walking only 27 in 82.1 innings of work … Posted a 9-5 record with one save … Limited the opposition to a .210 batting average.

Personal: Born 1/2/83 … Son of Frankie and Sherri Swing … Undecided about a major … Attended Boys State and was a member of the National Honor Society … Enjoys hunting and fishing.

2002 Blue Raider Baseball

Overall Statistics for Middle Tennessee (as of Apr 15, 2002)

(All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 21-15 Home: 12-6 Away: 7-9 Neutral: 2-0 Sun Belt: 3-6

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-ATT	PO	A	E	FLD%
SIMS, Justin.....	.422	32-32	128	36	54	7	1	10	39	93	.727	12	6	14	5	.480	4	0	6-7	31	0	4	.886
JAGGERS, Nate.....	.364	35-33	140	33	51	9	1	7	30	83	.593	11	6	13	1	.430	1	0	1-2	60	76	7	.951
NISBETT, Marshall...	.355	36-36	155	33	55	12	1	6	35	87	.561	14	0	23	0	.404	2	1	7-11	63	3	4	.943
AKERS, Chuck.....	.353	36-36	150	35	53	13	1	0	20	68	.453	19	4	21	2	.439	0	2	14-19	70	2	5	.935
ARCHER, Josh.....	.336	35-32	125	23	42	6	1	7	22	71	.568	13	4	23	3	.415	0	0	2-3	103	8	3	.974
CARROLL, Brett.....	.281	31-29	114	20	32	9	1	6	26	61	.535	6	3	30	2	.331	1	0	3-3	24	55	11	.878
HOWARTH, Jason.....	.277	34-34	119	19	33	5	0	0	9	38	.319	8	7	22	2	.350	3	2	5-7	44	97	8	.946
KUNICKI, Doug.....	.197	27-20	76	16	15	5	0	1	6	23	.303	9	0	17	2	.282	0	2	1-2	169	9	4	.978

LEGUENEC, Chris.....	.500	6-0	4	0	2	1	0	0	3	3	.750	1	0	2	0	.600	0	0	0-0	2	0	0	1.000
HARP, Troy.....	.318	19-15	44	10	14	4	0	4	12	30	.682	6	4	15	0	.444	0	4	1-1	142	12	5	.969
SUBA, Kevin.....	.286	18-12	42	3	12	2	0	0	6	14	.333	8	0	15	1	.400	0	0	0-0	47	3	2	.962
SMITH, Kris.....	.265	26-7	34	6	9	1	0	0	1	10	.294	2	0	12	0	.306	0	0	3-3	11	0	0	1.000
COOPER, Chad.....	.227	26-14	66	11	15	3	1	2	9	26	.394	3	1	14	2	.271	0	0	3-3	22	33	2	.965
YARBROUGH, Seth.....	.226	15-7	31	4	7	3	0	1	7	13	.419	2	2	12	0	.314	0	0	0-0	8	2	1	.909
PHILLIPS, Derek.....	.196	23-15	56	8	11	4	0	1	9	18	.321	2	4	9	1	.266	2	0	0-0	87	10	6	.942
CAPONE, Joe.....	.083	23-2	12	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	.167	0	0	7	0	.083	0	0	0-0	40	3	4	.915
CORRADO, Mark.....	.000	2-0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
CRUNK, Tim.....	.000	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	2	0	0	1.000
Totals.....	.313	36-36	1297	259	406	85	7	45	234	640	.493	116	41	249	21	.384	13	11	46-61	942	361	72	.948
Opponents.....	.303	36-36	1302	267	394	77	8	46	230	625	.480	149	37	299	28	.387	11	15	57-66	934	360	57	.958

LOB - Team (285), Opp (307). DPs turned - Team (30), Opp (24). CI - Team (2), HARP 2. IBB - Team (5), KUNICKI 1, HOWARTH 1, SIMS 1, AKERS 1, NISBETT 1, Opp (8). Picked off - AKERS 2, JAGGERS 1, NISBETT 1, COOPER 1, SMITH 1, KUNICKI 1, ARCHER 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	AB	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
WILLIAMS, John.....	3.53	5-2	9	9	1	0/0	0	63.2	75	40	25	31	71	8	2	3	267	.281	8	2	2	2	5
KINES, Steven.....	5.21	4-0	9	8	1	0/0	0	46.2	51	28	27	12	31	11	0	8	179	.285	3	10	1	3	3
HORSCHEL, Travis....	5.63	4-1	10	8	0	0/0	0	46.1	58	36	29	16	31	11	2	6	192	.302	3	8	1	1	0
LARSON, Adam.....	5.64	3-3	10	7	2	1/0	1	52.2	71	41	33	27	58	16	1	4	220	.323	3	1	3	0	4

NISBETT, Marshall...	2.35	0-2	9	0	0	0/0	2	15.1	10	8	4	9	28	1	0	3	56	.179	5	0	0	1	0
MOBLEY, Chris.....	5.48	3-1	14	1	0	0/0	1	23.0	21	19	14	17	23	5	1	3	87	.241	3	2	0	2	0
BORNE, Danny.....	7.88	1-2	15	0	0	0/0	1	16.0	23	19	14	9	13	9	1	2	72	.319	7	4	1	0	1
SWING, Chase.....	9.00	0-2	7	2	0	0/0	0	15.0	21	15	15	6	11	3	0	5	62	.339	1	3	0	1	1
ARMSTRONG, Jeremy...	9.38	1-2	13	1	0	0/0	2	24.0	38	32	25	9	21	7	1	6	109	.349	2	4	2	1	1
SPARKMAN, Kyle.....	11.74	0-0	7	0	0	0/0	0	7.2	16	11	10	3	7	4	0	3	36	.444	0	2	0	0	0
KURTZ, Chris.....	16.20	0-0	3	0	0	0/0	0	1.2	6	5	3	0	2	1	0	3	11	.545	0	0	0	0	0
MARCUS, Jeff.....	18.00	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	1.0	3	7	2	4	2	1	0	0	7	.429	4	0	1	0	0
KUHN, Jason.....	54.00	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	1.0	1	6	6	6	1	0	0	0	4	.250	7	1	0	0	0
Totals.....	5.93	21-15	36	36	4	1/0	7	314.0	394	267	207	149	299	77	8	46	1302	.303	46	37	11	11	15
Opponents.....	6.16	15-21	36	36	4	2/2	3	311.1	406	259	213	116	249	85	7	45	1297	.313	33	41	9	13	11

PB - Team (12), PHILLIPS 4, ARCHER 4, HARP 4, Opp (12). Pickoffs - Team (5), PHILLIPS 2, WILLIAMS 1, KINES 1, LARSON 1, Opp (7). SBA/ATT - HARP (27-31), PHILLIPS (21-25), LARSON (12-14), WILLIAMS (12-13), HORSCHEL (9-10), ARCHER (9-9), KINES (7-8), SPARKMAN (5-7), MOBLEY (3-5), ARMSTRONG (4-4), NISBETT (2-2), SWING (1-1), BORNE (1-1), KURTZ (1-1).