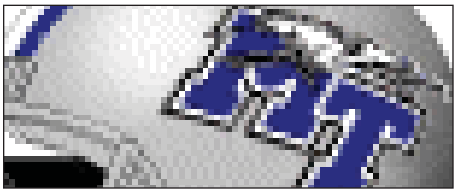
BLUE RAIDERS

2007 Middle Tennessee Football Postseason Notes



2007 BLUE RAIDER REVIEW

The 2007 football season saw the emergence of several impact freshmen, a key non-conference win, and a couple of near misses against national powers.

Despite playing 13 true freshmen and a total of 34 freshmen and sophomores, Rick Stockstill's program took another step forward in year two. The Blue Raiders finished with a 5-7 overall record and a 4-3 conference mark but had a stretch where they won five of six games before injuries starting taking their toll.

The highlight of the 2007 campaign came on the road when Middle Tennessee upset bowl bound Memphis, 21-7. In dominating the Tigers, freshman quarterback Dwight Dasher rushed for 180 yards and accounted for 410 of the team's 490 yards of total offense.

The Blue Raiders also had impressive showings at No. 8 Louisville on national television and against ACC leader (at the time of the game) Virginia.

In an offensive shootout, the Blue Raiders were matching the highly-touted Cardinals touchdown for touchdown and trailed just 38-35 at halftime before an ESPN2 audience. After pulling to within nine points in the fourth quarter, the Blue Raiders gave up a score and then missed a couple of scoring opportunities to fall, 58-42. Quarterback Joe Craddock threw for 290 yards and Phillip Tanner added 144 yards rushing and three touchdowns.

Following a conference win against FIU, the Blue Raiders welcomed Virginia to Floyd Stadium and the Cavaliers came in with a 4-1 record and a four-game winning streak. Middle Tennessee battled tough all game and took a 21-20 lead late in the fourth quarter on a 1-yard touchdown run by DeMarco McNair. The seniors score was setup by a Bradley Robinson interception.

The Blue Raiders forced a UVA punt and received the ball with 3:58 to play. In trying to run out the clock, MT picked up one first down then just missed by inches on a second which would have won the game. A questionable spot forced the Blue Raiders to punt with 1:34 remaining. The opportunistic Wahoos went 63 yards in eight plays and kicked a 34-yard field goal with :08 left to get the win.

Middle Tennessee jumped back into conference play and won three in a row to vault into second place in the league. The final conference win at ULM was in dramatic fashion as Bradley Robinson took his first career kickoff return 89 yards for a touchdown with just :45 seconds to play to give MT a 43-40 win.

The Blue Raiders were decimated with injuries all season as 26 players missed games due to injury while five more were lost for the year during preseason camp.

2007 BLUE RAIDER COACHING STAFF

Rick Stockstill ..... Head Coach
G.A. Mangus ..... Offensive Coordinator/QBs
Jimmy Ray Stephens ..... Offensive Line
Justin Watts ..... Wide Receivers
Brent Brock (PB) ..... Tight Ends
Willie Simmons (PB) ..... Running Backs
Manny Diaz ..... Defensive Coordinator/Safeties
Les Herrin ..... Associate Head Coach/Defensive Line
Art Kaufman (PB) ..... Linebackers
Antonio Goss ..... Cornerbacks/Special Teams

PB: Located in press box on gameday

The injuries took their toll toward the end of the campaign as the Blue Raiders dropped a home game against ULL and a road contest at Troy to close out the season.

Individually, the Blue Raiders had two quarterbacks throw for over 1,000 yards for just the second time in the I-A era, defensive end Tavares Jones enjoyed a career year and was nominated for SBC Defensive Player of the Year honors, and Bradley Robinson tied the SBC mark with 14 career interceptions.

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2007 BLUE RAIDER SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Date	Opponent (Coaches Rank)	TV	Time/Result	Series Standing
Sept. 1	at Florida Atlantic	None	L, 27-14	FAU leads 3-2
Sept. 6	at Louisville (#8)	ESPN2	L, 58-42	UL, 2-0
Sept. 15	at LSU (#2)	PPV	L, 44-0	LSU, 2-0
Sept. 20	Western Kentucky	ESPN Regional	L, 20-17	MT, 29-28-1
Sept. 29	Florida International	None	W, 47-6	MT, 2-1
Oct. 6	Virginia (ARV)	CSS	L, 23-21	UVA, 1-0
Oct. 13	at Memphis	None	W, 21-7	MT, 13-7-1
Oct. 20	Arkansas State	None	W, 24-7	MT, 8-1
Oct. 27	at North Texas	None	W, 48-28	UNT, 5-2
Nov. 3	at Louisiana-Monroe	None	W, 43-30	MT, 6-2
Nov. 10	Louisiana-Lafayette	None	L, 34-24	UL, 5-4
Nov. 20	at Troy	ESPN2	L, 45-7	MT, 11-4

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MEDIA SCHEDULE

AVAILABILITY OVERVIEW

Head Coach Rick Stockstill

- Monday, 11:02-11:07 AM
- Tuesday, 12:30 PM - 1:15 PM
- Following each day's practice
- Postgame on Saturdays

Blue Raider Assistant Coaches

- Following each day's practice
- Postgame on Saturdays

Blue Raider Players

- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday following each practice
- No contact on Thursday & Friday of Saturday games and no contact on Tuesday after press conference and Wednesday on Thursday games
- Postgame

FOLLOWING EACH GAME

- Upon the conclusion of each Blue Raider football game, cumulative season stats, that particular game's boxscore, notes and quotes will be available on GoBlueRaiders.com.

MONDAYS

- Updated MT game notes and stats are available by 10 AM. To be included on the e-mail list (PDF version), please e-mail Mark Owens at the above address.
- Coach Rick Stockstill will be available on the weekly Sun Belt Conference call from 11:02 AM to 11:07 AM. Call 800-479-9001 to participate.

TUESDAYS

- A weekly press conference is scheduled for 12:30 PM at the Kennon Sports Hall of Fame building on campus. Two to three players and Coach Stockstill will be made available with Stockstill opening with general comments.

SBC SATELLITE FEED

Highlights, Interviews each week

- Wednesday's 2:30 - 2:45 PM CST
- Satellite: Galaxy 26 (C-Band analog)
- Transponder: C-14
- Downlink: 3980 mhz horizontal
- Audio: 6.2 - 6.8

Trouble #: 225-336-2268/2269

THE NATIONAL STAGE

■ Middle Tennessee played two nationally televised games on ESPN2 in 2007 against Louisville and Troy. Under Rick Stockstill, the Blue Raiders have appeared on national television five times and prior to his arrival in 2006, the Blue Raiders had made only two other national appearances.

SBC ROAD SUCCESS

■ Since the arrival of Rick Stockstill in 2006, the Blue Raiders have been an excellent road team against league competition. Under Stockstill, the Blue Raiders own a 6-2 conference mark on the road with both setbacks coming in 2007 against FAU to start the season and versus Troy to end the campaign.

BLUE RAIDERS IN SBC

■ Middle Tennessee has an overall mark of 28-20 in Sun Belt action all-time, including a 16-8 mark at home and a 12-12 record on the road. The 28 league wins rank as the second most in league history behind North Texas' 30.

TURNOVER BATTLE - ALL BLUE

■ One area where the Blue Raiders excelled in 2007 was in the turnover department. Middle Tennessee finished the year +11 in turnover margin and were +13 over the last five games of the year to finish 12th nationally. In two years under Rick Stockstill the Blue Raiders are +18 in turnover margin.

DEFENSE SETS SACK RECORD

■ The Middle Tennessee defense established a new school record for quarterback sacks with nine in the win over Arkansas State. The Blue Raiders broke the previous mark of eight set against UConn in 2001. The nine sacks also equaled the conference record of nine set by ULL in 2005 against Middle Tennessee and Troy against UNT in 2007.

TWO OVER 1,000

■ For just the second time in the FBS-I-A era, Middle Tennessee had two quarterbacks with over 1,000 yards passing. Junior Joe Craddock threw for 1,259 yards while freshman Dwight Dasher accounted for 1,148 yards through the air. The last time MT had two signal callers over 1,000 yards was 2000 when Wes Counts and Jason Johnson topped four digits.

ROBINSON LEAVES MARK

■ Senior corner Bradley Robinson led the Blue Raiders with five interceptions in 2007 to end his career tied for second on the all-time list at Middle Tennessee. The Duncan, S.C., native also owns a share of the all-time record in Sun Belt history with ULM's Chris Harris and ASU's Johnathan Burke. Robinson is one of only four Blue Raiders all-time to tally over 200 yards in interception returns.

JONES MOVED UP SACK LIST

■ Senior Tavares Jones collected a personal-best seven sacks in 2007 to share the Sun Belt Conference lead in that category. His seven sacks in 2007 moved him into third on the all-time list with 12.5 and all of his sacks came in his last 22 games.

National Team of the Week

Middle Tennessee was named the National Team of the Week by CollegeSportsReport.com following its 21-7 win at Memphis.

DEFATTA BEST IN THE BELT

■ One of the most pleasant surprises for the Blue Raiders in 2007 was the play of punter David DeFatta. The sophomore transfer averaged 40.9 yards a punt which went down as the 10th best single-season total in school history but it was not his yardage that set him a part. The Franklin, Tenn., native put 28 of his 73 punts inside the opponent's 20-yard line (38 percent) to lead the Sun Belt Conference. His 28 inside the 20 ranks as the most in a season since the stat started being kept in 1999.

MORE ON DEFATTA

■ David DeFatta enjoyed one of the best punting days in school history against the Ragin' Cajuns. DeFatta boomed seven punts for a career-best 53.0 yard average which was the third-best single-game total in school history. DeFatta nailed two punts for over 60 yards including a 68 yarder. In the final game of the season against Troy, DeFatta set his personal-best with a 70-yarder which went down as the fifth longest in school history.

MR. ALL-PURPOSE

■ Sophomore Desmond Gee is the true definition of all-purpose player. Gee, an all-conference player two years in a row, played wide receiver, running back, kick returner, and punt returner in 2007 for the Blue Raiders and led the team with 1,323 all-purpose yards. Gee tallied 100 or more all-purpose yards seven times and topped the 200 mark on one occasion. In two years, Gee has 2,135 all-purpose yards and is on pace to rank third on the all-time list when his career is over.

SACK MASTER

■ Senior Erik Walden ended his Blue Raider career as the all-time sack leader in school history and finished second all-time in Sun Belt Conference history. The Dublin, Ga., native ended his career with 22.5 sacks after setting a school record with 11.5 in 2006.

CRADDOCK SETS RECORD

■ Pressed into starting duty in place of injured quarterback Dwight Dasher, Joe Craddock not only enjoyed a career game against ULM but he put together one of the best games in school history for a quarterback in engineering his first win as a starter. Craddock had a school-record 471 yards total offense and five touchdowns in the win. He completed 22-of-29 passes for 401 yards and four touchdowns and he rushed for a career-best 70 yards on 11 carries and a touchdown. The 401 yards passing were the third most in school history and the four touchdown

MT CAPTAINS

FAU..... D. McNair, Tavares Jones, Damon Nickson
UL ...Desmond Gee, Erik Walden, Michael Cannon
LSU.....F. Dunbar, E. Walden, B. Robinson
WKU..... B. Nix, L. Clemons, A. Suber
FIU ..... T. Henry, T. Jones, I. Hickmon
UVA.....D. Carmichael, S. Chicola, M. King
UM .....T. Jones, D. McNair, D. DeFatta
ASU .....T. Jenkins, M. Thompson, A. Suber
UNT.....P. Tanner, W. Hofacker, D. McNair
ULM ..... B. Nix, T. Jones, E. Walden
ULL..... Seniors
Troy ... T. Jones, E. Walden, B. Robinson, D. McNair

PRO-NUN-SEE-AAY-SHUN GUIDE

PLAYERS

Marquise Branton .....mar-Keys
SaCoby Carter.....Suh-CoeBee
Stephen Chicola .....Chuh-Cola
Gene Delle Donne ..... dell-uh-DON
Desmond Gee.....G
Taron Henry.....Tuh-Ron
Wes Hofacker ..... Hoe-Facker
Tavares Jones ..... Tuh-VAR-Us
Roy Polite..... Puh-Light
Salin Simpson ..... say-lin
Alex Suber.....SUE-burr

MT STRENGTH & SPEED LEADERS

Bench Press	Jamal Lewis	450
225-lb. Reps	Brandon Perry	38
Squat	Franklin Dunbar	635
Power Clean	Erik Walden	360
Broad Jump	Patrick Honeycutt	10-8
	Phillip Tanner	10-8
40-yd. Dash	DeMarco McNair	*4.35
Vertical Jump	Bradley Robinson	37.5

*electronic times

CAREER TOP 10 WATCH LIST

Kick Return Yards

1.	1178	Brigham Lyons (53-1178)	1992-95
2.	1068	Walter Dunson (43-1068)	1990-92
3.	1067	Robert Alford (42-1067)	1984-87
4.	1042	Orlando Crenshaw (53-1042)	1988-91
5.	**846**	**Damon Nickson (35-846)**	**2004-Present**
6.	814	Demetric Mostiller (32-814)	1993-96
7.	**787**	**Desmond Gee (39-787)**	**2006-**
8.	715	Reuben Justice (26-715)	1969-71
9.	689	Jamison Palmer (34-689)	1999-01
10.	645	Taylor Edwards (29-645)	1967-70

Quarterback Sacks

1.	**22.5**	**Erik Walden (22.5-136)**	**2004-2007**
2.	15.0	Anthony McCord (15.0-81)	1993-96
3.	**12.5**	**Tavares Jones (12.5-94)**	**2004-2007**
4.	12.0	Devarick Scandrett (12.0-68)	2002-05
5.	11.0	Bryan Faulkner (11.0-67)	1988-91
	11.0	Anthony Hicks (11.0-78)	1992-96
7.	10.0	Thomas Johnson (10.0-60)	2001-04
8.	8.0	Scotty Brown (8.0-45)	1998-01
	8.0	Demetrios Walker (8.0-33)	2001-03
10.	7.0	Sean Mosely (7-36)	2004-2006
	7.0	Wes Stephens (7.0-43)	1998-01
	7.0	Tanaka Scott (7.0-41)	2000-01
	7.0	Chris Burns (7.0-52)	1989-91

Yards from Sacks

1.	**136**	**Erik Walden (22.5-136)**	**2004-2007**
2.	**94**	**Tavares Jones (12.5-94)**	**2004-2007**
3.	81	Anthony McCord	1993-96
4.	78	Anthony Hicks	1992-96
5.	68	Devarick Scandrett	2002-05

Tackles for Loss

1.	46	Dennis Mix (46-244)	1979-82
2.	**40**	**Erik Walden (40-177)**	**2004-2007**
3.	36	Anthony Hicks (36-136)	1992-96
4.	33	Anthony McCord (33-148)	1993-96
5.	28	Reggie Ball (28-156)	1976-77, 79
6.	27.5	J.K. Sabb (27.5-118)	2005-06
7.	26	Emanuel Toles (26-110)	1979-82
8.	25	Kenny McDaniel (25-96)	1983-85
	25	Jack Pittman (25-83)	1985-88
10.	24	M. McCullough (24-144)	1980-82

Tackles for Loss Yards

1.	244	Dennis Mix (46-244)	1979-82
2.	**177**	**Erik Walden (40-177)**	**2004-2007**
3.	156	Reggie Bell (28-156)	1976-77, 79
4.	148	Anthony McCord (33-148)	1993-96
5.	144	M. McCullough (24-144)	1980-82
6.	136	Anthony Hicks (36-136)	1992-96
7.	118	J.K. Sabb (27.5-118)	2005-2006
8.	110	Emanuel Toles (26-110)	1979-82
9.	110	Charlie Gregory (16-110)	1979, 81-82
10.	108	William Thomas (19-108)	1979-83

Interceptions

1.	17	James Griffin (17-286)	1979-82
2.	**14**	**Bradley Robinson (14-217)**	**2004-2007**
	14	Cedric Stegall (14-214)	1995-98
4.	13	Ray Oldham (13-246)	1969-72
	13	Don Griffin (13-119)	1982-85
6.	11	Jimbo Pearson (11-109)	1960-61, 63-64
7.	10	Ronnie Cecil (10-138)	1974-77
	10	Dejuan Buford (10-85)	1984-86, 88
	10	Sonny Anderson (10-82)	1972-75
	10	Mike Matheny (10-81)	1965-67
	10	Chuck Swafford (10-58)	1986-89

Interception Return Yards

1.	286	James Griffin (17-286)	1979-82
2.	246	Ray Oldham (13-246)	1969-72
3.	**217**	**Bradley Robinson (14-217)**	**2004-2007**
4.	214	Cedric Stegall (14-214)	1995-98
5.	144	Jimmy Sanders (6-144)	1976-78
6.	141	Markee Tate (9-141)	1991-94
7.	140	Delvin Pikes (5-140)	1998-00
8.	138	Ronnie Cecil (10-138)	1974-77
9.	132	Don Thomas (9-132)	1985-88
10.	132	Kareem Bland (2-132)	1999-00

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212 DEGREES

A motto the Blue Raider football team is following in 2007 is "212 Degrees: The Extra Degree" based off the motivational movie. Coach Stockstill read the book and showed the video to the team on its report day.

Workout sessions end with a chant of '212' and the team wears a t-shirt with 212 displayed on the back.

"We talk about what it stands for everyday," said Stockstill. "It means giving a little bit more every day to be great. The difference between good and great is one more ounce of effort, one more inch, one more yard. What's it worth to you to stay out there 10 extra minutes? Do you want to be good or do you want to be great?"

At 211 degrees, water is hot.
At 212 degrees, it boils.
And with boiling water, comes steam.
And steam can power a train.
One extra degree makes all the difference.
One extra degree of effort seperates good from great.

passes tied for third most in a game. The 471 yards marked a new school record for total offense, besting the previous mark of 461 yards. He threw touchdown passes of 42, 11, 66, and 94 yards. The 94 yard touchdown pass went down as the third longest in school history, the longest scoring pass in ULM's Malone Stadium history, and the sixth longest pass completion in the NCAA this season.

ROBINSON COMES UP BIG

■ After ULM scored to go ahead 40-33 with :57 seconds left to play, senior Bradley Robinson went to Head Coach Rick Stockstill and asked to line up deep and return the ensuing kickoff. Robinson had never returned a kickoff but that did not keep Stockstill from granting Robinson's wish. The senior promptly took his first career return 89 yards for the game-winning touchdown. It was the third kickoff return for a TD under Stockstill and Robinson joined teammate Damon Nickson as Blue Raiders who have taken their first career return for a score.

TWO OVER 100

■ For the first time under Rick Stockstill and the first overall since 2004, Middle Tennessee had two 100-yard receivers in the same game in the win at ULM. Desmond Gee hauled in four passes for a career-best 139 yards and two touchdowns, while teammate Jonathan Grigsby added two receptions for a personal-best 109 yards. The duo became the first to accomplish the feat since Kerry Wright and Chris Henry did it against Arkansas State on Oct. 9, 2004.

STEADY SUBER

■ The steadiest player in the secondary for the Blue Raiders this season was junior Alex Suber. The former running back enjoyed one of his better games with a career-best 11 tackles (10 solos) against ULM to go along with his first career interception and two tackles for loss. For the year, the Tampa, Fla., product has set personal highs in tackles (50), tackles for loss (7.5), interceptions (1) and forced fumbles (3).

DWIGHT A GROUND THREAT

■ True freshman quarterback Dwight Dasher ended his first collegiate season as the Blue Raiders' leading rusher with 530 yards. Dasher's yardage total is the most by a quarterback in the I-A era, breaking the previous mark of 486 yards set by Andrico Hines in 2002. The most rushing yards by a signal caller in school history is 594 by Marvin Collier in 1985. The Folkston, Ga., native picked up the bulk of his yardage in just five games as he played sparingly in the seasons first three weeks and then battled injuries the final four games.

Middle Tennessee's Blocked Kicks In I-A Era

Totals: 23 in 104 games (8 punts, 8 FGs, 7 PATs)

2000 (1 punt, 0 PAT, 0 FG)
Louisiana Tech – punt (Michael Woods) hW

2001 (1 punt, 1 PAT, 1 FG)
Louisiana-Monroe – PAT (Kareem Bland) aW
Arkansas State – punt (Chris Johnson) hW
Connecticut – FG (Kareem Bland) hW

2002 (2 punt, 2 PAT, 1 FG)
Tennessee – FG (Jerry Vanderpool) aL
Louisiana-Monroe – punt (Joey Montalbano) hW
North Texas – punt (Thomas Johnson) hL
North Texas – PAT (Kareem Bland) hL
North Texas – PAT (Kareem Bland) hL

2003 (0 punt, 3 PAT, 0 FG)
Clemson – PAT (Pierre Ingram) aL
Missouri – PAT (Pierre Ingram) aL
Troy State – PAT (Thomas Johnson) hW

2004 (0 punt, 1 PAT, 3 FG)
Akron – FG (Jerry Vanderpool) aW
Florida Atlantic – FG (Sean Mosley) hL
Louisiana-Lafayette – FG (Pierre Ingram) aL
Troy – PAT (Roy Polite) aL

2005 (2 punt, 0 PAT, 2 FG)
North Texas – FG (Jeff Littlejohn) hL
Vanderbilt – FG (Jeremiah Weaver) aW
Arkansas State – Punt (Sean Mosley) hW
Troy – Punt (Sean Mosley) aW

2006 (0 punt, 0 PAT, 1 FG)
Troy – FG (Justin Rainey)

2007 (2 punt, 0 PAT, 0 FG)
FAU – Punt (Jeremy Kellem)
North Texas – Punt (Michael Cannon)

2007 FINAL SUN BELT LEAGUE STANDINGS

Team	SBC	Overall
Florida Atlantic	6-1	8-5
Troy	6-1	8-4
Middle Tennessee	**4-3**	**5-7**
Louisiana-Monroe	4-3	6-6
Arkansas State	3-4	5-7
Louisiana-Lafayette	3-4	3-9
Florida International	1-6	1-11
North Texas	1-6	2-10

This Week
Season Complete

2008 ALL-SBC TEAM

Offense
Rusty Smith (FAU, So, QB)
Tyrell Fenroy (ULL, Jr., RB)
Calvin Dawson (ULM, Sr., RB)
Cortez Gent (FAU, So., WR)
Casey Fitzgerald (UNT, Jr., WR)
Jason Harmon (FAU, Jr., TE)
Matt Mandich (ASU, Jr., OL)
Jesse Newman (ULL, Sr., OL)
Franklin Dunbar (MT, Jr., OL)
Kyle Cunningham (ULM, Sr., OL)
Dion Small (Troy, Jr., OL)

Defense
Rodney Hardeway (ULL, Sr., DL)
Tavares Jones (MT, Sr., DL)
Erik Walden (MT, Sr., DL)
Jeremiah Chapman (UNT, Sr., DL)
Frantz Joseph (FAU, Jr., LB)
Cergile Sincere (FAU, Sr., LB)
Boris Lee (Troy, So., LB)
Khayyam Burns (ASU, Sr., DB)
Tyrell Johnson (ASU, Sr., DB)
Tavious Polo (FAU, Fr., DB)
Elbert Mack (Troy, Sr., DB)

Special Teams
Greg Whibbs (Troy, Sr., PK)
Scott Love (ULM, So., P)
Leodis McKelvin (Troy, Sr., KR)
Desmond Gee (MT, So., All Purpose)

Player of Year
Rusty Smith (Florida Atlantic, So., QB)

Offensive Player of Year
Omar Haugabook (Troy, Sr., QB)

Defensive Player of the Year
Tyrell Johnson (Arkansas State, Sr., DB)

Newcomer of the Year
Chris Bradwell (Troy, Sr., DL)

Freshman of the Year
Giovanni Vizza (North Texas, Fr., QB)

Coach of the Year
Howard Schnellenberger, FAU

MT BY THE NUMBERS

Category	2007	Under Stock
Record	5-7	12-13
Sun Belt	4-3	10-4
Non-Conference	1-4	2-9
vs ACC	0-1	0-2
vs Big Ten	0-0	0-0
vs Big East	0-1	0-2
vs Big 12	0-0	0-1
vs MAC	0-0	0-1
vs Pac 10	0-0	0-0
vs SEC	0-1	0-2
vs CUSA	1-0	1-0
vs NCAA I-AA	0-0	1-0
vs Independents	0-1	0-1
Home	2-3	5-5
Away	3-4	7-7
Neutral	0-0	0-1
Day Games	1-2	4-4
Night Games	4-5	8-9
vs Top 25 Teams	0-2	0-4
TV Games	0-5	4-11
CSS TV	0-1	1-2
MT TV	0-0	0-0
Fox Sports Net Florida	0-0	0-0
Fox Sports Northwest	0-0	0-0
Jefferson-Pilot	0-0	0-0
ESPN Regional	0-1	2-1
ESPNU	0-0	1-0
ESPN	0-0	0-1
ESPN2	0-2	0-3
Pay-Per-View	0-1	0-3
CW 58/Fox Local	0-0	0-0
Tape Delay	0-0	0-1
When Scoring First	4-3	9-5
When Opp. Scores First	1-4	3-8
When Leading at Half	3-1	9-2
When Trailing at Half	1-4	2-9
When Tied at Half	1-2	1-2
When Leading after 3rd Q	4-2	10-3
When Trailing after 3rd Q	1-4	1-9
When Tied after 3rd Q	0-1	1-1
In Overtime Games	0-0	0-0
Scoring less than 20	0-4	1-9
Scoring 20+	5-3	11-4
Scoring 30+	3-1	9-1
Rushing for <100 yds	1-3	2-8
Rushing for 100+ yds	3-4	10-4
Rushing for 200+ yds	2-1	6-1
Passing for 200+ yds	4-1	6-3
Passing for 250+ yds	2-1	2-2
Passing for 300+ yds	1-0	1-0
Totaling <300 yds off.	0-5	1-9
Gaining over 300 yds off.	5-2	11-4
Allowing <100 yds rushing	4-0	7-1
Allowing 100+ yds rushing	1-7	5-12
Allowing 200+ yds passing	2-4	3-8
Allowing 250+ yds passing	2-3	3-6
Allowing 300+ yds passing	0-2	0-4
Allowing <300 yds offense	3-0	7-1
Allowing 300+ yds offense	2-7	5-12
Having a 100-yd rusher	1-1	3-1
Opp. has 100-yd rusher	1-3	2-4
Having no turnovers	2-2	4-4
Having 3 or more turnovers	1-2	2-4
Having no takeaways	0-0	1-1
Having 3 or more takeaways	4-0	8-0

RICK STOCKSTILL

2nd Year at Middle Tennessee

■ **BORN:** December 23, 1957

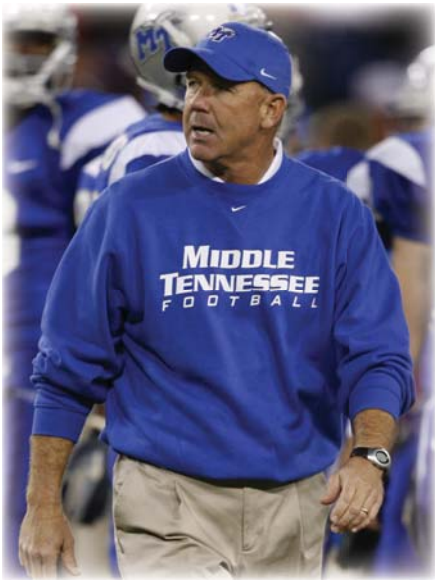
■ **HIGH SCHOOL:** Fernandina Beach High School, 1977 (Hometown: Georgetown, KY)

■ **COLLEGE:** Florida State, 1982 (Bachelor of Science in Physical Education); Minor in driver education.

■ **FAMILY:** Wife, Sara. Son, Brent and daughter, Emily.

■ **PARENTS:** Father: Joel Stockstill; Mother: Kris Stockstill

■ **COACHING EXPERIENCE:** 1983-84: Bethune-Cookman (offensive coordinator) ... 1985: Central Florida (wide receivers) ... 1986-88: Central Florida (Asst. Head Coach/Wide Receivers) ... 1989-92: Clemson (quarterbacks) ... 1993: Clemson (quarterbacks/passing game coordinator) ... 1994-95: Clemson (co-offensive coordinator/wide receivers) ... 1996-98: Clemson (wide receivers) ... 1999-2002: Clemson (recruiting coordinator/wide receivers) ... 2003: East Carolina (offensive coordinator/quarterbacks) ... 2004: South Carolina (recruiting coordinator/wide receivers) ... 2005: South Carolina (recruiting coordinator/tight ends) ... 2006-Present: Middle Tennessee (Head Coach).



■ **HONORS:** 2006 SBC Coach of the Year ... 2006 TSWA Coach of the Year ... Rivals.com ranked him as one of the Top 25 recruiters in the nation in 2005.

■ **PLAYING CAREER:** Collegiately at Florida State from 1977-82 (honorable mention all-American, played in three bowl games and the East-West Shrine Bowl and the Japan Bowl).

■ **RECORD At MT:** 12-13 (2nd year)

■ **NOTEWORTHY:** Has coached or played under the likes of Bobby Bowden, Tommy Bowden, Lou Holtz, and Steve Spurrier ... Rick Stockstill became only the eighth head coach in school history to win his opening game as the Blue Raiders defeated FIU in the 2006 opener, 7-6. It marked the first time since 1970 that a Blue Raider first-year coach was successful in his opening game ... The 7 wins in his first year is the most by a first-year MT coach since 1947.

Stockstill is one of 63 coaches who vote on the USA Today/ESPN Coaches Top 25 Poll

Accomplishments under Stockstill

- 2006 Sun Belt Conference Coach of the Year (first conference COY at MT since 1989)
- 2006 Sun Belt Conference Coach of the Year by ESPN.com
- 2006 TSWA Coach of the Year
- 2006 Rutherford County Reader Gridiron Glacier Award
- 2006 Ebony Achievement Award from Middle Tennessee
- 2006 Sun Belt Conference Championship
- Led school to first-ever bowl game in the I-A era in 2006
- Improved team's APR dramatically to 960
- A school-record 6 SBC wins in 2006
- 11 First Team All-Conference selections in two years
- One of just 10 teams in the country to win four road conference games in 2006
- New single-season attendance record in 2006
- New single-game home attendance record
- A record-tying 11 SBC Player of the Week winners in 2006
- A Walter Camp and Bronco Nagurski National Player of the Week winner
- A school-record 3 national television broadcasts in 2006 (five in two years)
- New single-season records in quarterback sacks and tackles for loss in 2006
- Seven wins in 2006 were most by a first-year coach at MT since 1947
- Had the 2006 ESPN.com SBC Defensive Player of the Year

FLOYD STADIUM

The home of Middle Tennessee football since 1933, Floyd Stadium has grown its original capacity from a facility with just a few portable bleachers to the present-day 30,788.

Floyd Stadium has undergone numerous renovations to make it one of the top facilities in the Sun Belt Conference and the region. New synthetic turf was installed during the summer of 2006 and the most recent addition was a state-of-the-art video board that was erected in 2007 to go along with new outdoor suites in the north endzone.

The Blue Raiders own an overall record of 253-101-13 at Floyd stadium and have won 13 of their last 19 in the facility.

Floyd Stadium's Top Crowds

1.	27,568	Tennessee State	9/5/98	W	28-27
2.	27,519	Southeast Missouri	9/28/02	L	24-14
3.	23,261	Florida Atlantic	8/28/03	L	20-19
4.	23,227	Virginia	10/6/07	L	21-23
5.	23,106	Idaho	10/6/01	W	70-58
6.	22,086	Western Kentucky	9/20/07	L	20-17
7.	21,723	Troy State	9/8/01	W	54-17
8.	20,806	Tennessee Tech	9/14/06	W	44-0
9.	20,113	Arkansas State	11/3/01	W	54-6
10.	20,058	Florida International	8/31/06	W	7-6

DASHER SOLID AS STARTER

■ In seven games as a starter, Dwight Dasher completed 87 of 152 passes for 1,126 yards and nine touchdowns while adding 483 yards and three scores on the ground. As a team during those seven games, Middle Tennessee put up 2,466 total yards of offense and Dasher tallied 1,609 of those yards (65.2 %).

ENDS WREAK HAVOC AT UNT

■ Middle Tennessee's all-conference defensive ends, Tavares Jones and Erik Walden, were quite the disruptive force in the win over North Texas. The tandem became the first pair of MT defensive ends to both record an interception in the same game when they did it on back-to-back possessions in the third quarter. The duo also added 3.5 tackles for loss, a sack, a pass breakup, and numerous quarterback hurries in the victory. The two also were responsible for the Blue Raiders' two safeties on back-to-back possessions allowing MT to tie a Sun Belt Conference record and fall one shy of the NCAA mark set by four teams.

CANNON GETS BLOCK

■ Junior wide receiver Michael Cannon registered the first blocked punt of his career when he got a rejection against North Texas in the first quarter. Cannon also recovered the punt for his second punt block recovery of the year. It was the fifth blocked kick all-time against UNT for the Blue Raiders and went down as the second of the season (vs FAU) and the third blocked kick under Rick Stockstill. Overall, the block was the 22nd of the I-A-FBS era with eight being punts, eight field goals and six PATs.

DAVID WAS A GOLIATH

■ David DeFatta was a one-man special teams wrecking crew for the Blue Raiders against North Texas. DeFatta punted eight times for a 47.2-yard average (tied for eighth all-time) and three went for 51 yards or more including a 58 yarder. Four of his eight punts were downed inside the 15-yard line with THREE landing at the 1-yard line and setting up both Middle Tennessee safeties. DeFatta also nailed a 39-yard field goal to open the Blue Raiders scoring in the first quarter.

CAREER YEAR FOR GLOVER

■ Junior safety Anthony Glover enjoyed a career year on defense for the Blue Raiders. The Decatur, Ga., native has set or tied his career mark in tackles three times in the last seven games and had a personal-best 10-tackle game at ULM. Glover came into the 2007 campaign with 13 career tackles and finished the season with 46 stops and 3.5 tackles for loss.

KELLEM A PLAYMAKER

■ True freshman Jeremy Kellem proved in his first year that he is a player that can be counted on to be around the football. For the season, Kellem had a fumble recovery, a blocked punt, five pass breakups, two forced fumbles, two sacks, and three interceptions. Kellem finished eighth on the team with 42 tackles.

Receiving Breakdown

Receivers	Tight Ends	Running Backs	Fullbacks
132	23	29	3

MEDIA INFORMATION

ON THE AIR

■ In 2007, the Blue Raider Network once again had WNFN's 106.7 FM - The Fan as its flagship station in Nashville, Tenn., while local stations WGNS 1450 AM and 89.5 FM were the Blue Raiders' hometown carriers. The combination of the three stations provided coverage that blanketed the midstate area. 106.7 FM - The Fan and WGNS will carry all Blue Raider football and men's basketball games, along with the Rick Stockstill LIVE and Kermit Davis radio shows. Charlie McAlexander completed his second season as the Blue Raiders' play-by-play announcer, while MT graduate Chip Walters handled color analysis for the fifth year in a row.

ON THE NET

■ All Blue Raider football games can be heard over the internet by clicking on GoBlueRaiders.com. A link will be made available on the front page over on the righthand side.

RICK STOCKSTILL LIVE

■ Coach Rick Stockstill's weekly call-in show, Rick Stockstill LIVE, aired each Wednesday night from 7 to 8 PM from Bluesboro in Murfreesboro. The show aired on 106.7 FM - The Fan and WGNS 1450 AM, locally with Charlie McAlexander serving as host. The call-in number was 1-866-RAIDERS.

STOCKSTILL TV SHOW

■ The Rick Stockstill television show was seen each Monday at 6:30 AM on CSS (local) and later that day at 7:30 PM) on CSN 49. The show was also shown each Wednesday at 3 PM on CSS (regional). The show was hosted by radio play-by-play personality Charlie McAlexander. McAlexander completed his second year doing the show.

2007 SBC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

(will be listed as players are honored)

Oct. 29: DE Erik Walden, P David DeFatta
Nov. 5: QB Joe Craddock, DB Alex Suber, KR Bradley Robinson
Nov. 12: P David DeFatta

COMEBACKS UNDER STOCKSTILL

Last win after trailing after 1st Quarter
8/31/06 vs Florida International.....trailed 0-6..... Won, 7-6
Last win after trailing after 1st Half
11/3/07 at Louisiana-Monroe.....trailed 26-24..... Won, 43-40
Last win after trailing after 3rd Quarter
11/3/07 at Louisiana-Monroe.....trailed 33-30..... Won, 43-40
Biggest Comeback Win
7 Points .....Louisiana-Monroe (2006) .....trailed 21-14 after 2nd Q.....Won, 35-14

Most Points in a Quarter: 26 vs Florida International in 2007 (2nd Q)
Most Points in 1st Half: 47 vs Florida International in 2007
Most Points in 2nd Half: 41 vs Tennessee Tech in 2006
Most Points in Game: 48 vs North Texas, 2007

NICKSON STRIKES

■ Senior Damon Nickson recorded the second multiple interception game of his career against North Texas. Nickson came up with his first two interceptions of the season and ran his career total to eight. Nickson recorded a school and conference record four interceptions in 2006 on the road against Louisiana-Lafayette.

THE FUTURE IS NOW

■ Head Coach Rick Stockstill did not shy away from playing true freshmen in 2007. Some of it was out of necessity due to the Blue Raiders' lack of numbers, but most of it was the talent of the 2007 class. The Blue Raiders played 13 true freshmen, but the youth movement did not stop there as a total of 22 true and redshirt freshmen played in 2007. Overall, 34 freshmen and sophomores played in 2007.

STOCK TIES HURT

■ With the win over ULM, Middle Tennessee Head Coach Rick Stockstill tied Ben Hurt for ninth place on the all-time coaching victory list. Stockstill now has 12 wins and needs five more victories to tie E.W. Midgett for eighth.

GOING OVERTIME

■ Middle Tennessee will enter the 2008 season having competed in four overtime games as a member of I-A (FBS) and is 2-2 in those contests. The Blue Raiders had one overtime contest in 2000 and played three in 2003. In 2003, the Blue Raiders lost in one overtime at No. 23 Missouri, then bounced back to take an overtime win at Idaho before losing a four overtime game at home against UL-Lafayette. The four overtime loss to ULL was the longest game in the history of MT football and was the longest in the history of the SBC at the time.

MT GRADS

■ Since his arrival, Rick Stockstill has put a huge emphasis on academics and it is showing. The Blue Raiders have seen their APR score jump to 960, they received the SBC Team Academic Award in 2006, and have a number of players competing this year with degrees and many more on pace to pick up their diploma in December. TE Clinton Corder, S Dana Stewart, LB Chance Dunleavy, and QB Patrick Jackson are playing the 2007 season with degrees in hand, while DB Bradley Robinson, LB Derek Shropshire, WR Taron Henry, RB DeMarco McNair, DE Erik Walden, DT Derek Mason, and WR Jonathan Grigsby will all graduate in December.

CLEAN SWEEP

■ For the third time under Rick Stockstill and the fourth overall, Middle Tennessee made a clean sweep of the weekly Sun Belt Conference Player of the Week awards when they accomplished the feat on Nov. 5. Quarterback Joe Craddock, defensive back Alex Suber, and defensive back Bradley Robinson earned the three honors. Craddock earned the offensive award, while Suber brought home the defensive honor and Robinson took the special team's award.

QUICK HITTERS

■ The 48 points scored against North Texas this year went down as the most in the Rick Stockstill era.

■ The Blue Raiders' safety against FIU earlier this year was the first in the FBS era for MT.

■ Middle Tennessee's crowd of 23,227 against UVA ranked as the fourth largest in Floyd Stadium history.

■ The Blue Raiders have won 505 football games all-time and have an overall record is 505-365-28.

■ Head Coach Rick Stockstill directed two shutouts in 2006 to become the first rookie coach at MT to accomplish that feat since Charles Murphy in 1947.

■ As a I-A member (104 games), the Blue Raiders have scored 50 or more points nine times.

■ The Blue Raiders are 37-7 in the I-A era when leading at the half and are 40-7 when leading a game entering the 4th quarter during that time.

■ When trailing at the half, the Blue Raiders are just 7-47 in the I-A era.

■ The Blue Raiders have scored in 130 of their last 134 games and broke a string of scoring in 69 straight when they were shutout at Oklahoma in 2006.

UNDER STOCKSTILL

BIG PLAYS

Yards	Type	Player	Opponent
*94	P	Craddock to Grigsby	ULM (2007)
*94	KR	Damon Nickson	FAU (2006)
*89	KR	Bradley Robinson	ULM (2007)
*88	KR	Damon Nickson	UL (2006)
*79	R	Phillip Tanner	L'ville (2007)
*78	P	Craddock to McNair	L'ville (2007)
76	R	Eugene Gross	FAU (2006)
*73	P	Marks to Gee	USC (2006)
*71	P	Dasher to McNair	FIU (2007)
*66	P	Craddock to Gee	ULM (2007)
*61	R	Dwight Dasher	UM (2007)
61	KR	Phillip Tanner	TTU (2006)
*56	R	Eugene Gross	FAU (2006)
*55	P	Dasher to McNair	UM (2007)
55	P	Marks to B. Williams	TTU (2006)
*54	P	Marks to Gee	ULM (2006)
53	P	Marks to Grigsby	UNT (2006)
52	INT	Bradley Robinson	FAU (2006)
*52	P	Craddock to Henry	ASU (2007)
*51	P	Dasher to Henry	UNT (2007)
*50	FR	Justin Rainey	FAU (2006)

DEFENSIVE TDS UNDER STOCKSTILL

Yards	Type	Player	Opponent
50	FR	Justin Rainey	FAU (2006)
42	FR	Rod Issac	ASU (2007)
40	FR	Lonnie Clemons	TTU (2006)
28	INT	Damon Nickson	ULL (2006)

200-YD PASSING GAMES

Yards	ACI	Player	Opponent
401	29-22-0	Joe Craddock	ULM
290	26-14-2	Joe Craddock	Louisville
251	37-25-2	Clint Marks	C. Michigan
240	10-17-0	Dwight Dasher	FIU
244	26-19-1	Clint Marks	ULL
234	24-19-1	Clint Marks	ULM
230	16-26-1	Dwight Dasher	Memphis
216	41-22-1	Clint Marks	Maryland

100-YD RUSHING GAMES

Yards	Att.	Player	Opponent
208	21	Eugene Gross	Florida Atlantic
180	19	Dwight Dasher	Memphis
144	9	Phillip Tanner	Louisville
100	21	Eugene Gross	ULM

100-YD RECEIVING GAMES

Yards	Rec.	Player	Opponent
139	4	Desmond Gee	ULM (2007)
109	6	Desmond Gee	ULM (2006)
109	2	Jonathan Grigsby	ULM (2007)
103	6	Taron Henry	UNT (2007)

SPECIAL TEAMS TD

Yards	Type	Player	Opponent
94	KR	Damon Nickson	FAU (2006)
89	KR	Bradley Robinson	ULM (2007)
88	KR	Damon Nickson	UL (2006)
32	PBR	Michael Cannon	FAU (2007)

MIDDLE TENNESSEE

2007 FINAL DEPTH CHART

Offense

QB	12	Joe Craddock (5-11, 200, r-Jr.) **OR**
	9	Dwight Dasher (5-10, 198, Fr.)
TB	22	DeMarco McNair (5-11, 204, r-Sr.)
	2	Desmond Gee (5-8, 168, So.)
FB	42	Jacob Longoria (6-2, 235, Fr.)
	34	Marquise Branton (5-11, 217, Fr.)
X	13	Michael Cannon (5-10, 180, Jr.)
	81	Wes Caldwell (6-2, 170, Fr.)
Z	17	Patrick Honeycutt (5-9, 173, r-So.)
	83	Jonathan Grigsby (5-9, 186, r-Sr.)
B	4	Taron Henry (6-1, 189, r-Sr.)
	1	Bobby Williams (6-3, 204, Jr.)
LT	54	Franklin Dunbar (6-5, 320, r-Jr.)
	69	J.C. Moore (6-6, 312, r-Fr.)
LG	76	Jamal Lewis (6-4, 295, r-Fr.)
	63	Chris Ritter (6-2, 300, r-Jr.)
C	72	Mark Thompson (6-4, 300, r-So.)
	75	Chris Hawkins (6-3, 285, r-Fr.)
RG	79	Brandon Nix (6-4, 287, Sr.)
	62	Evon Lettsome (6-4, 287, r-Fr.)
RT	74	Mark Fisher (6-4, 265, Fr.)
	77	David Price (6-4, 312, r-Sr.)
TE	80	Clinton Corder (6-3, 245, r-Sr.)
	82	Alvin Ingle (6-2, 240, r-Fr.)
	85	Stephen Chicola (6-4, 262, Sr.)

Defense

LE	19	Tavares Jones (6-2, 242, Sr.)
	98	Chris McCoy (6-4, 263, r-So.)
T	97	Trevor Jenkins (6-1, 285, Jr.)
	47	Dwight Smith (6-1 280, Fr.)
T	56	Wes Hofacker (6-2, 268, r-Jr.)
	96	Derek Mason (6-4, 271, r-Fr.)
RE	43	Erik Walden (6-2, 246, r-Sr.)
	91	Emmanuel Perez (6-2, 220, Fr.)
SAM	46	Derek Shropshire (6-3, 236, Sr.)
	55	Andrew Harrington (6-2, 220, Jr.)
MIKE	44	Danny Carmichael (6-0, 240, So.)
	11	Chance Dunleavy (6-2, 238, r-Sr.)
WILL	29	Lonnie Clemons (6-1, 230, r-Jr.)
	27	Ivon Hickmon (6-1, 215, Jr.)
LC	24	Bradley Robinson (5-10, 175, r-Sr.)
	25	Ted Riley (6-1, 190, Jr.)
SS	8	Anthony Glover (6-2, 218, r-Jr.)
	32	Dana Stewart (6-0, 198, r-Sr.)
FS	5	Damon Nickson (6-0, 187, Sr.)
	20	Jeremy Kellem (5-10, 175, Fr.)
RC	7	Alex Suber (5-9, 163, Jr.)
	26	Roy Polite (6-0, 188, Sr.)
	6	Rod Issac (5-11, 168, Fr.)

Specialists

PK	37	David DeFatta (5-9, 195, So.)
	35	Matt King (5-10, 190, r-Jr.)
P	37	David DeFatta (5-9, 195, So.)
	35	Matt King (5-10, 190, r-Jr.)
PR	2	Desmond Gee (5-8, 168, So.)
	24	Bradley Robinson (5-10, 175, r-Sr.)
DS	48	Adam Wade (5-10, 210, r-Fr.)
	53	Shane Adams (6-0, 206, r-Fr.)
KR	2	Desmond Gee (5-8, 168, So.)
	24	Bradley Robinson (5-10, 175, r-Sr.)
KO	35	Matt King (5-10, 190, r-Jr.)
H	10	Patrick Jackson (6-0, 192, r-Sr.)
	37	David DeFatta (5-9, 195, So.)

2007 NUMERICAL ROSTER

NO	NAME	POS	HT	WT	CL	B'DAY	LETTERS	HOMETOWN/HS/JC
1	Bobby Williams	WR	6-3	204	Jr.	11/26/85	2	Jacksonville, FL/Raines HS
2	Desmond Gee	RB/WR	5-8	168	So.	11/8/87	1	Greenville, FL/Madison Co. HS
3	Salin Simpson	QB	6-3	210	r-Fr.	5/12/87	0	Lexington, KY/Henry Clay HS
4	Taron Henry	WR	6-1	189	r-Sr.	4/18/84	3	Murfreesboro, TN/Riverdale HS
5	Damon Nickson	S	6-0	187	Sr.	9/9/84	3	Milton, FL/Milton HS
6	Rod Issac	CB	5-11	168	Fr.	2/20/89	0	Miami, FL/Miami-Dade Central HS
7	Alex Suber	CB	5-9	163	Jr.	12/1/86	2	Tampa, FL/Thomas Jefferson HS
8	Anthony Glover	S	6-2	218	r-Jr.	12/2/85	2	Decatur, GA/McNair
9	Dwight Dasher	QB	5-10	198	Fr.	8/5/88	0	Folkston, GA/Charlton County HS
10	Patrick Jackson	QB	6-0	192	r-Sr.	9/19/84	0	Macon, GA/First Presbyterian Day Sch.
11	Chance Dunleavy	LB	6-2	238	r-Sr.	1/27/85	1	West Covina, CA/South Hills HS
12	Joe Craddock	QB	5-11	200	r-Jr.	9/7/85	0	Birmingham, AL/Briarwood Christian
13	Michael Cannon	WR	5-10	180	Jr.	12/1/86	0	Memphis, TN/Whitehaven HS
15	D.D. Kyles	WR	6-1	190	Fr.	6/26/88	0	Tampa, FL/Armwood HS
16	Gene Delle Donne	TE	6-5	240	r-So.	1/14/87	0	Wilmington, DE/Salesianum HS
17	Patrick Honeycutt	WR	5-9	173	r-So.	12/30/86	0	Pelham, AL/Spain Park HS
18	Andrew Banks	QB	5-9	148	Fr.	12/15/88	0	Clinton, MD/Gwynn Park HS
19	Tavares Jones	DE	6-2	242	Sr.	3/30/86	3	Swainsboro, GA/Swainsboro HS
20	Jeremy Kellem	CB	5-10	175	Fr.	6/6/89	0	N. Lauderdale, FL/Deerfield Beach HS
21	Phillip Tanner	RB	6-0	212	So.	8/8/88	1	Dallas, TX/Kimball HS
22	DeMarco McNair	RB	5-11	204	r-Sr.	3/21/85	2	Thomson, GA/Thomson HS
23	Ben Graves	WR	6-3	208	r-Fr.	4/25/88	0	Columbus, OH/Grandview Heights HS
24	Bradley Robinson	CB	5-10	175	r-Sr.	1/24/85	3	Duncan, SC/James F. Byrnes HS
25	Ted Riley	CB	6-1	190	Jr.	12/28/84	0	Boynton Beach, FL/Eastern Arizona CC
26	Roy Polite	CB	6-0	188	Sr.	11/30/85	3	Jacksonville, FL/Fletcher Sr. HS
27	Ivon Hickmon	LB	6-1	215	Jr.	7/1/86	0	Lake, MS/East Central Mississippi JC
28	Josh Gregory	S	5-9	200	So.	11/18/86	0	Huntsville, AL/Lincoln Co. HS
29	Lonnie Clemons	LB	6-1	230	r-Jr.	9/12/85	2	Milledgeville, GA/Baldwin HS
30	Cam Robinson	LB	6-1	217	So.	3/21/88	1	Stevenson, AL/North Jackson HS
31	David Raymond	CB	5-10	174	r-Jr.	5/24/85	0	Atlanta, GA/Dalton HS
32	Dana Stewart	S	6-0	198	r-Sr.	6/18/84	3	Springfield, TN/Springfield HS
33	Kevin Brown	S	6-1	191	Fr.	7/26/89	0	Tampa, FL/Jefferson HS
34	Marquise Branton	FB	5-11	217	Fr.	7/21/89	0	Seffner, FL/Armwood HS
35	Matt King	PK	5-10	190	r-Jr.	1/29/86	1	Valdosta, GA/Valdosta HS
36	Richard Billings	K/P	6-2	197	So.	8/24/86	0	Memphis, TN/Cordova HS
37	David DeFatta	PK	5-9	195	So.	2/8/87	0	Franklin, TN/Franklin HS
39	Jeremy Perry	LB	6-2	200	Fr.	5/7/89	0	Memphis, TN/Wooddale HS
40	Wesley Hale	FB	6-1	232	Fr.	12/28/88	0	Morristown, TN/Morristown West HS
41	John Marc Stephens	FB	6-4	256	r-Jr.	11/15/85	1	Murfreesboro, TN/Blackman HS
42	Jacob Longoria	FB	6-2	235	Fr.	6/21/87	0	Alpharetta, GA/St. Pius X HS
43	Erik Walden	DE	6-2	246	r-Sr.	8/21/85	3	Dublin, GA/Dublin HS
44	Danny Carmichael	LB	6-0	240	So.	5/24/88	1	Woodstock, GA/Woodstock HS
46	Derek Shropshire	LB	6-3	236	Sr.	3/20/84	1	Oak Ridge, TN/Oak Ridge HS
47	Dwight Smith	DT	6-1	280	Fr.	9/5/88	0	Swainsboro, GA/Swainsboro HS
48	Adam Wade	DS	5-10	210	r-Fr.	1/21/88	0	Florence, SC/South Florence HS
49	Andre Wicker	DL	6-1	265	r-Fr.	11/5/87	0	Atlanta, GA/Booker T. Washington HS
50	Colin Boss	OL	6-4	340	Fr.	7/17/89	0	Tampa, FL/Berkeley Prep
51	SaCoby Carter	DE	6-2	235	Fr.	9/24/88	0	Hawkinsville, GA/Hawkinsville HS
52	Antwan Davis	LB	6-1	215	Fr.	7/2/89	0	Ft. Lauderdale, FL/St. Thomas Aquinas HS
53	Shane Adams	LB	6-0	206	r-Fr.	5/13/87	0	Murfreesboro, TN/Blackman HS
54	Franklin Dunbar	OL	6-5	320	r-Jr.	3/12/85	2	Waycross, GA/Ware Co. HS
55	Andrew Harrington	LB	6-2	220	Jr.	11/16/85	0	Dekalb, MS/East Central Mississippi JC
56	Wes Hofacker	DL	6-2	268	r-Jr.	1/21/86	1	Allen, TX/Allen HS
60	Jason Gulley	DE	5-11	225	r-Jr.	6/23/81	0	Hendersonville, TN/Hunters Lane HS
62	Evon Lettsome	OL	6-4	287	r-Fr.	8/21/88	0	Apopka, FL/Apopka HS
63	Chris Ritter	OL	6-2	300	r-Jr.	2/5/86	0	Shalimar, FL/Choctawhatchee HS
69	J.C. Moore	OL	6-6	312	r-Fr.	7/6/88	0	Forest, MS/Forest HS
72	Mark Thompson	OL	6-4	300	r-So.	12/29/86	1	Old Hickory, TN/DCA
74	Mark Fisher	OL	6-4	265	Fr.	1/13/89	0	Nashville, TN/Goodpasture HS
75	Chris Hawkins	OL	6-3	285	r-Fr.	10/26/87	0	Lexington, KY/Henry Clay HS
76	Jamal Lewis	OL	6-4	295	r-Fr.	9/2/88	0	Huntsville, AL/Butler HS
77	David Price	OL	6-4	312	r-Sr.	12/18/84	1	Jacksonville, FL/Mandarin HS
78	Mike Williams	OL	6-3	260	Fr.	12/29/88	0	Tampa, FL/Jefferson HS
79	Brandon Nix	OL	6-4	287	Sr.	1/17/86	3	Talladega, AL/Coosa Valley Academy
80	Clinton Corder	TE	6-3	245	r-Sr.	7/24/84	3	Brentwood, TN/CPA
81	Wes Caldwell	WR	6-2	170	Fr.	2/20/89	0	Lexington, KY/Catholic HS
82	Alvin Ingle	TE	6-2	240	r-Fr.	4/26/88	0	Madison, TN/Pope John Paul II
83	Jonathan Grigsby	WR	5-9	186	r-Sr.	10/23/84	2	Franklin, TN/Fred J. Page HS
84	Dale Galvin	WR	6-1	210	r-So.	2/4/87	0	Bunnell, FL (Flagler Palm Coast)
85	Stephen Chicola	TE	6-4	262	Sr.	10/1/85	3	Jacksonville, FL/The Bolles School
86	Byron McLeod	TE	6-2	215	Fr.	11/28/88	0	Tampa, FL/Jefferson HS
87	Walter Dozier	WR	6-0	195	Fr.	12/14/88	0	Chattanooga, TN/McCallie HS
91	Emmanuel Perez	DE	6-2	220	Fr.	11/29/88	0	Miramar, FL/Everglades HS
92	Brandon Perry	DL	6-1	310	Jr.	4/29/86	1	Hawkinsville, GA/Hawkinsville HS
94	Gary Tucker	DL	6-2	252	r-Fr.	3/14/88	0	Maryville, TN/Maryville HS
95	Jonathan Presley	DL	6-4	258	Jr.	10/4/85	2	Jacksonville, FL/Forrest HS
96	Derek Mason	DL	6-4	271	r-Sr.	11/27/84	1	Starkville, MS/East Mississippi JC
97	Trevor Jenkins	DL	6-1	285	Jr.	3/19/86	2	Macon, GA/Stratford HS
98	Chris McCoy	DT	6-4	263	r-So.	11/25/86	1	Villa Rica, GA/Villa Rica HS
99	Antonio Hill	DL	6-0	240	Fr.	10/31/88	0	Chesapeake, VA/Oscar Smith HS

INDIVIDUAL SINGLE-GAME HIGHS IN THE FBS (I-A) ERA

Category	MT Individual Single-Game Highs		OPPONENT Individual Single-Game Highs	
SCORING				
Points	36	Dwone Hicks vs La. Tech, 10/7/00	18	by several players
Touchdowns	6	Dwone Hicks vs La. Tech, 10/7/00	3	by several players
Field Goals	3	Brian Kelly (twice), Colby Smith (twice)	3	by three players (all in 2003)
Extra Points	10	Brian Kelly vs Idaho, 10/6/01	8	Garrett Hartley, Oklahoma, 9/23/06
RUSHING				
Attempts	37	Dwone Hicks vs Vanderbilt, 8/30/01	34	Kevin Galbreath, UNT, 10/13/01
Net Yards	311	Dwone Hicks vs La. Tech, 10/7/00	221	Blair Lewis, Idaho, 10/26/02
Touchdowns	6	Dwone Hicks vs La. Tech, 10/7/00	3	by six different players
PASSING				
Completions	35	Clint Marks vs ULL, 9/25/04	49	Brian Lindgren, Idaho, 10/6/01
Attempts	47	Wes Counts vs UCF, 11/13/99	71	Brian Lindgren, Idaho, 10/6/01
Yards	459	Wes Counts vs Idaho, 10/6/01	637	Brian Lindgren, Idaho, 10/6/01
Touchdowns	6	Wes Counts vs Idaho, 10/6/01	5	Brian Lindgren, Idaho, 10/6/01
Interceptions	3	by Clint Marks vs Troy, 2004; UNT 2005	4	E. Jacobs, ASU, 11/20/03; J. Babb, ULL, 10/28/06
TOTAL OFFENSE				
Yards	471	Joe Craddock vs ULM, 11/3/07	657	Brian Lindgren, Idaho, 10/6/01
RECEIVING				
Receptions	12	Kendall Newson, Tyrone Calico	15	Chris Lacy, Idaho, 10/6/01
Yards	187	Kerry Wright vs NMSU, 10/11/03	221	Chris Lacy, Idaho, 10/6/01
Touchdowns	3	Kerry Wright (twice), Tyrone Calico (twice)	3	F. Stamps, ULL, 11/15/03; M. Kelly, OK, 9/23/06
DEFENSE				
Tackles	18	Mario Kelso vs Arizona, 9/11/99	16	Jesse Busta, USU, 11/30/02
Sacks	2	by several players	3	Aubrey Dorisme, NMSU, 10/11/03
Interceptions	4	Damon Nickson vs ULL, 10/28/06	2	by two players

LONG PLAYS IN THE I-A ERA

Category	MIDDLE TENNESSEE Long Plays		OPPONENT Long Plays	
RUSH	*79	D. Hicks vs La. Tech, 10/7/00; P. Tanner vs UL, 9/6/07	*88	Bobby Wallace, South Carolina, 11/18/06
PASS	*94	Joe Craddock vs ULM, 11/3/07	*81	Brian Brohm, UL, 9/6/07
RECEPTION	*94	Jonathan Grigsby vs ULM, 11/3/07	*81	Gary Barnidge, UL, 9/6/07
KICKOFF RETURN	*94	Damon Nickson vs FAU, 11/4/06	*95	Cedric Cobbs, Arkansas, 10/9/99
PUNT RETURN	*75	Kerry Wright vs Akron, 9/11/04	*80	Dennis Northcutt, Arizona, 11/11/99
INTERCEPTION RETURN	*89	Michael Woods vs NMSU, 10/11/03	99	Maurice Holman, UNT, 9/10/05
PUNT	79	Colby Smith vs FIU, 8/31/06	79	Jason Ball, North Texas, 10/13/01
FIELD GOAL	48	Colby Smith vs Troy, 11/25/06	51	Scott Westerfield, MSU, 9/4/99

**Touchdown Plays*

2007 TEAM GAME-BY-GAME

Game	Score	1st Downs	T.O.P.	Rushing (No.-Yds-TD)	Passing (Cmp-Att-Yds-TD)	Total Offense (TP-Yds-TD)	3rd Down Conversions	Turnovers (Int.-Fum-Tot)
Middle Tennessee	14	15	29:51	32-18-0	20-32-199-1	64-217-2	6-15	2-2-4
at FAU	27	20	30:09	42-216-1	12-27-195-2	69-411-3	2-12	0-1-1
Middle Tennessee	42	20	21:02	29-265-4	14-26-290-2	55-555-6	3-9	2-2-4
at Louisville	58	35	38:58	53-328-2	25-39-401-5	92-729-7	9-15	0-1-1
Middle Tennessee	0	9	31:03	37-9-0	8-15-90-0	52-90-0	4-14	0-1-1
at LSU	44	26	28:57	40-198-2	21-28-307-3	68-505-5	8-12	1-1-2
Middle Tennessee	17	17	28:45	37-119-2	14-24-169-0	61-288-2	2-12	0-0-0
vs Western Kentucky	20	16	31:15	49-234-1	9-15-112-1	64-346-2	9-15	1-2-3
Middle Tennessee	47	16	33:49	45-147-3	12-25-258-3	70-405-6	5-15	0-2-2
vs FIU	6	8	26:11	28-72-0	13-35-73-0	63-145-1	1-15	2-2-4
Middle Tennessee	21	16	31:02	39-127-1	17-34-181-2	73-308-3	6-17	0-0-0
vs Virginia	23	23	28:58	37-151-2	22-38-223-1	75-374-3	7-16	1-0-1
Middle Tennessee	21	21	32:32	47-260-2	16-27-230-2	74-490-3	8-15	2-2-4
at Memphis	7	13	27:28	28-91-0	14-36-157-1	64-248-1	5-17	0-1-1
Middle Tennessee	24	22	35:35	49-205-0	11-24-179-2	73-384-3	6-17	1-0-1
vs Arkansas State	7	8	24:25	33-22-0	9-19-116-1	52-138-1	3-13	3-1-4
Middle Tennessee	48	21	37:00	42-132-3	22-38-203-3	80-335-6	5-16	0-0-0
at North Texas	28	21	23:00	22-87-2	25-45-296-2	67-383-4	5-12	4-1-5
Middle Tennessee	43	23	28:59	35-98-1	22-29-401-4	64-499-6	4-11	0-0-0
at Louisiana-Monroe	40	30	31:01	47-360-3	24-38-264-2	85-624-5	7-14	2-2-4
Middle Tennessee	24	16	28:14	40-138-1	13-22-118-2	62-256-3	4-12	1-0-1
vs Louisiana-Lafayette	34	25	31:46	58-376-3	13-20-152-2	78-528-5	7-13	2-0-2
Middle Tennessee	7	12	25:44	28-93-0	18-28-116-1	56-209-1	3-13	1-1-2
at Troy	45	37	34:16	56-263-4	24-39-288-2	95-551-6	8-14	2-0-2

INSIDE THE RED ZONE

Game	Middle Tennessee	❑	Opponent
Florida Atlantic	0-1 (0 TD, 0 FG)	❑	4-5 (2 TD, 2 FG)
Louisville	1-2 (1 TD, 0 FG)	❑	7-7 (4 TD, 3 FG)
LSU	0-0 (0 TD, 0 FG)	❑	7-7 (4 TD, 3 FG)
Western Kentucky	3-4 (2 TD, 1 FG)	❑	4-4 (2 TD, 2 FG)
Florida International	3-3 (3 TD, 0 FG)	❑	0-0 (0 TD, 0 FG)
Virginia	2-3 (2 TD, 0 FG)	❑	3-3 (2 TD, 1 FG)
Memphis	1-2 (1 TD, 0 FG)	❑	1-1 (1 TD, 0 FG)
Arkansas State	1-4 (1 TD, 0 FG)	❑	1-2 (1 TD, 0 FG)
North Texas	6-6 (5 TD, 0 FG)	❑	3-3 (3 TD, 0 FG)
Louisiana-Monroe	2-2 (2 TD, 0 FG)	❑	5-6 (4 TD, 1 FG)
Louisiana-Lafayette	4-4 (3 TD, 1 FG)	❑	3-4 (3 TD, 0 FG)
Troy	1-1 (1 TD, 0 FG)	❑	7-7 (6 TD, 1 FG)
Total	**24-32 (22 TD, 2 FG)**	❑	**45-49 (32 TD, 13 FG)**

TAKEAWAY/GIVEAWAY

	Middle Tennessee			Opponents			
Game	FUM	INT	TOT	FUM	INT	TOT	DIF
FAU	2	2	4	1	0	1	-3
UL	2	2	4	1	0	1	-3
LSU	1	0	1	1	1	2	+1
WKU	0	0	0	2	1	3	+3
FIU	2	0	2	2	2	4	+2
UVA	0	0	0	0	1	1	+1
UM	2	2	4	1	0	1	-3
ASU	0	1	1	1	3	4	+3
UNT	0	0	0	1	4	5	+5
ULM	0	0	0	2	2	4	+4
ULL	0	1	1	0	2	2	+1
Troy	1	1	2	0	2	2	0
Total	**10**	**9**	**19**	**12**	**18**	**30**	**+11**

BLUE RAIDERS ON OPENING DRIVES

Game	1st Half	2nd Half
Florida Atlantic	Punt	Punt
Louisville	TD	Punt
LSU	Punt	Punt
Western Kentucky	MFG	Punt
Florida International	TD	Punt
Virginia	Punt	Punt
Memphis	TD	INT
Arkansas State	INT	MFG
North Texas	Punt	Punt
Louisiana-Monroe	FG	TD
Louisiana-Lafayette	Punt	FG
Troy	Punt	Punt

KICKOFFS

MATT KING

Touchbacks: 6
Opponent Returns: 40
Fair Catches: 0
Out of Bounds: 1
Average Depth: 6.0 (292) (onside kick not included)
Average Drive Start: 23.3 (1,107) (onside kick not included)

4TH DOWN CONVERSIONS

4th and:	1-3	4-6	7-10	11+	Total
Middle Tennessee	7-9	2-5	1-3	0-0	10-17
Percentage	.778	.400	.333	.000	.588

2007 INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME STATS

RUSHING	No-Yds/TD	FAU	UL	LSU	WKU	FIU	UVA	UM	ASU	UNT	ULM	ULL	Troy
Dasher, Dwight	121-530/3	2-15/0	DNP	12-30/0	16-53/0	9-58/2	17-63/0	19-180/1	20-96/0	10-24/0	DNP	9-9/0	7-2/0
McNair, DeMarco	149-505/9	11-16/0	7-72/1	8-8/0	11-23/2	5-9/1	17-49/1	17-50/1	19-75/0	11-62/2	16-35/0	17-63/1	10-43/0
Tanner, Phillip	64-299/4	4-15/0	9-144/3	6-2/0	5-2/0	12-59/0	4-11/0	9-20/0	6-12/0	9-34/1	DNP	DNP	DNP
Gee, Desmond	39-162/0	5--2/0	1--2/0	2--1/0	4-35/0	-	DNP	1-9/0	3-29/0	4-22/0	8--7/0	8-71/0	3-8/0
Craddock, Joe	55-122/1	8--3/0	12-51/0	7--30/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	4-6/0	11-70/1	5--12/0	8-40/0
Longoria, Jacob	4-27/0	-	-	-	-	3-23/0	1-4/0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cannon, M.	2-13/0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-6/0	-	1-7/0	-
Hickmon, Ivon	1-6/0	-	-	-	1-6/0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Simpson, Salin	4-4/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	4-4/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Branton, M.	12-3/0	DNP	DNP	2-0/0	DNP	10-3/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	DNP
Jackson, P.	1-1/0	-	-	DNP	-	-	-	1-1/0	-	-	-	-	-
TEAM	7--55/0	2--23/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	1--3/0	DNP	DNP	1--7/0	3--22/0	DNP	DNP	-

RECEIVING	No-Yds/TD	FAU	UL	LSU	WKU	FIU	UVA	UM	ASU	UNT	ULM	ULL	Troy
Henry, Taron	31-427/5	4-22/0	2-20/0	-	6-81/0	1-11/0	2-36/1	1-13/0	3-71/2	6-103/1	1-9/0	3-52/1	2-9/0
Gee, Desmond	29-382/4	2-55/1	2-21/0	-	2-9/0	2-42/1	DNP	4-41/0	3-19/0	5-15/0	4-139/2	-	5-41/0
Honeycutt, P.	28-328/1	6-41/0	2-87/0	2-21/0	3-42/0	-	1-24/0	1-1/0	2-13/0	2-11/1	3-46/0	4-22/0	2-20/0
McNair, DeMarco	22-321/4	2-9/0	3-92/1	2-25/0	-	1-71/1	3-18/0	1-55/1	-	2-14/1	2-12/0	3-11/0	3-14/0
Grigsby, J.	9-187/2	1-16/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	3-39/0	-	-	1-3/0	2-109/1	1-11/1	1-9/0
Williams, Bobby	18-183/3	-	3-39/1	1-3/0	1-10/0	1-14/1	2-27/1	1-18/0	-	4-36/0	4-32/0	-	1-4/0
Chicola, S.	14-166/1	1-14/0	2-31/0	-	1-22/0	2-29/0	2-15/0	3-32/0	-	-	2-18/0	-	1-5/1
Cannon, M.	15-157/0	3-34/0	-	1-5/0	1-5/0	2-33/0	2-10/0	-	1-49/0	1-7/0	1-3/0	1-7/0	2-4/0
Tanner, Phillip	6-119/0	-	-	1-8/0	-	1-40/0	1-9/0	1-26/0	1-22/0	1-14/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Ingle, Alvin	7-77/1	DNP	DNP	-	DNP	1-8/0	-	2-32/0	1-5/0	-	2-17/1	1-15/0	-
Corder, Clinton	2-24/0	1-8/0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-16/0	-	-
Caldwell, Wes	1-19/0	DNP	DNP	1-19/0	DNP	-	DNP	-	DNP	-	DNP	-	-
Longoria, Jacob	3-15/0	-	-	-	-	-	1-3/0	2-12/0	-	-	-	-	-
Branton, M.	1-10/0	DNP	DNP	-	DNP	1-10/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	DNP

PASSING

#12 Craddock, Joe	Att	Comp	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sack	Yds	Effic
Florida Atlantic	32	20	2	62.5	199	1	28	4	23	112.6
Louisville	26	14	2	53.8	290	2	78	1	2	157.5
LSU	11	6	0	54.5	59	0	14	4	36	99.6
Arkansas State	4	2	0	50.0	61	1	52	0	0	260.6
North Texas	17	6	0	35.3	44	1	13	0	0	76.4
ULM	29	22	0	75.9	401	4	94	0	0	237.5
UL	11	8	0	72.7	89	2	32	2	17	200.7
TROY	25	18	1	72.0	116	1	16	2	12	116.2
TOTALS	**155**	**96**	**5**	**61.9**	**1259**	**12**	**94**	**13**	**90**	**149.3**

#9 Dasher, Dwight	Att	Comp	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sack	Yds	Effic
LSU	4	2	0	50.0	22	0	19	2	22	96.2
WKU	24	14	0	58.3	169	0	32	3	25	117.5
FIU	17	10	0	58.8	240	3	71	1	4	235.6
Virginia	33	17	0	51.5	181	2	24	2	13	117.6
MEMPHIS	26	16	1	61.5	230	1	55	0	0	140.8
Arkansas State	20	9	1	45.0	118	1	49	1	10	101.1
North Texas	21	16	0	76.2	159	2	51	1	1	171.2
UL	11	5	1	45.5	29	0	8	2	17	49.4
TOTALS	**156**	**89**	**3**	**57.1**	**1148**	**9**	**71**	**12**	**92**	**134.1**

PUNTING

No-Avg-In20	37 DeFatta
Florida Atlantic	8-36.0-2 (long 48)
Louisville	2-39.0-1 (long 39)
LSU	8-37.4-1 (long 52)
WKU	4-38.5-1 (long 48)
Florida International	7-39.3-2 (long 56)
Virginia	8-40.0-5 (long 54)
Memphis	4-37.2-2 (long 40)
Arkansas State	4-38.0-3 (long 47)
North Texas	8-47.2-4 (long 58)
Louisiana-Monroe	4-41.5-1 (long 57)
Louisiana-Lafayette	7-53.0-3 (long 68)
Troy	9-39.7-3 (long 70)

FIELD GOALS

Made Missed	35 King	37 DeFatta
Florida Atlantic	None	None
Louisville	46	None
LSU	None	None
WKU	39, **19**, 34	None
Florida International	**39**	None
Virginia	33	None
Memphis	None	45
Arkansas State	38	**38**, 32
North Texas	None	**39**
Louisiana-Monroe	None	**47**
Louisiana-Lafayette	None	**20**
Troy	None	None

2007 GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS/TACKLES

OFFENSE

OPPONENT	QB	TB	WR	WR	WR	TE	LT	LG	C	RG	RT
FAU	Craddock	McNair	Henry	Williams	Gee	Chicola	Dunbar	Price	Nix	Bortner	Thompson
Louisville	Craddock	McNair	Henry	Corder (te)	Gee	Chicola	Dunbar	Lewis	Thompson	Nix	Fisher
LSU	Craddock	McNair	Henry	Honeycutt	Gee	Corder (fb)	Dunbar	Lewis	Thompson	Nix	Fisher
WKU	Dasher	McNair	Honeycutt	Longoria (fb)	Gee	Corder	Dunbar	Lewis	Thompson	Nix	Fisher
FIU	Dasher	Tanner	Honeycutt	Corder (fb)	Henry	Chicola	Dunbar	Lewis	Thompson	Nix	Fisher
Virginia	Dasher	McNair	Honeycutt	Longoria (fb)	Henry	Chicola	Dunbar	Lewis	Thompson	Nix	Fisher
Memphis	Dasher	McNair	Honeycutt	Longoria (fb)	Henry	Gee (wr)	Dunbar	Nix	Thompson	Price	Fisher
ASU	Dasher	McNair	Honeycutt	Henry	Gee	Longoria (fb)	Dunbar	Lewis	Thompson	Nix	Fisher
UNT	Dasher	McNair	Honeycutt	Henry	Gee	Corder	Dunbar	Lewis	Thompson	Nix	Fisher
ULM	Craddock	McNair	Honeycutt	Henry	Longoria (fb)	Corder	Dunbar	Lewis	Thompson	Nix	Price
ULL	Craddock	McNair	Honeycutt	Henry	Chicola (te)	Corder	Dunbar	Lewis	Thompson	Nix	Fisher
Troy	Craddock	Dasher	Honeycutt	Henry	Longoria (fb)	Corder	Dunbar	Lewis	Thompson	Nix	Fisher

DEFENSE

OPPONENT	LE	T	T	RE	SAM	MIKE	WILL	LC	SS	FS	RC
FAU	Jones	Jenkins	Hofacker	Walden	Shropshire	Clemons	Carmichael	Robinson	Polite	Nickson	Suber
Louisville	Jones	Jenkins	Hofacker	Walden	Shropshire	Clemons	Carmichael	Robinson	Polite	Nickson	Suber
LSU	Jones	Jenkins	Mason	Walden	Issac (db)	Clemons	Carmichael	Robinson	Polite	Kellem	Suber
WKU	Jones	Jenkins	Hofacker	Walden	Issac (db)	Clemons	Nickson (db)	Robinson	Polite	Kellem	Suber
FIU	Jones	Jenkins	Hofacker	McCoy	Shropshire	Harrington	Carmichael	Robinson	Glover	Kellem	Suber
Virginia	Jones	Jenkins	Hofacker	McCoy	Shropshire	Harrington	Carmichael	Robinson	Nickson	Kellem	Suber
Memphis	Jones	Jenkins	Hofacker	McCoy	Polite (db)	Clemons	Carmichael	Robinson	Nickson	Kellem	Suber
ASU	Jones	Jenkins	Hofacker	Walden	Shropshire	Carmichael	Clemons	Polite	Glover	Nickson	Suber
UNT	Jones	Jenkins	Hofacker	Walden	Issac (db)	Carmichael	Polite (db)	Robinson	Glover	Nickson	Suber
ULM	Jones	Jenkins	Hofacker	Walden	Issac (db)	Carmichael	Clemons	Robinson	Glover	Polite	Suber
ULL	Jones	Jenkins	Hofacker	Walden	Shropshire	Dunleavy	Clemons	Robinson	Polite	Nickson	Mason (dl)
Troy	Jones	Jenkins	Polite (db)	Walden	Issac (db)	Clemons	Carmichael	Robinson	Glover	Nickson	Suber

2007 GAME-BY-GAME TACKLES

TOTAL TACKLES	UA-A	TOT	FAU	UL	LSU	WKU	FIU	UVA	UM	ASU	UNT	ULM	ULL	TU
19 Tavares Jones	45-16	61	4-0-4	6-1-7	2-2-4	6-1-7	1-1-2	1-3-4	4-3-7	6-0-6	3-1-4	2-1-3	4-3-7	6-0-6
7 Alex Suber	45-14	59	2-2-4	2-1-3	4-1-5	3-0-3	3-1-4	4-2-6	3-3-6	1-1-2	3-1-4	10-1-11	2-0-2	8-1-9
44 Danny Carmichael	41-14	55	2-0-2	4-2-6	2-3-5	2-0-2	4-1-5	3-0-3	5-2-7	4-1-5	0-2-2	5-1-6	5-0-5	5-2-7
26 Roy Polite	37-12	49	3-1-4	3-1-4	4-1-5	9-0-9	2-1-3	0-2-2	4-1-5	1-1-2	1-0-1	2-3-5	3-1-4	5-0-5
4 8 Anthony Glover	32-14	46	-	-	1-1-2	1-0-1	3-0-3	5-2-7	3-1-4	3-0-3	3-4-7	10-0-10	2-2-4	4-1-5
3 Erik Walden	37-8	45	2-2-4	2-0-2	1-1-2	6-0-6	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	1-0-1	4-0-4	9-3-12	11-0-11	1-2-3
29 Lonnie Clemons	33-12	45	2-2-4	5-4-9	4-1-5	1-0-1	0-0-0	1-0-1	3-1-4	3-0-3	2-1-3	3-0-3	6-0-6	3-3-6
20 Jeremy Kellem	28-15	43	2-2-4	1-3-4	4-2-6	5-2-7	3-1-4	4-0-4	3-2-5	1-1-2	2-0-2	0-1-1	0-0-0	3-0-3
24 Bradley Robinson	33-6	39	4-1-5	4-1-5	5-0-5	3-0-3	2-1-3	1-2-3	3-0-3	0-0-0	1-0-1	3-0-3	6-0-6	1-1-2
5 Damon Nickson	36-3	39	5-0-5	4-0-4	2-0-2	2-0-2	0-0-0	5-1-6	1-0-1	4-0-4	2-0-2	DNP	5-1-6	6-1-7
97 Trevor Jenkins	22-11	33	0-1-1	2-2-4	0-3-3	1-1-2	4-0-4	3-0-3	1-0-1	4-0-4	3-1-4	0-1-1	2-2-4	2-0-2
55 Andrew Harrington	24-7	31	2-1-3	4-1-5	6-2-8	4-1-5	2-1-3	1-0-1	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	4-1-5	1-0-1
6 Rod Issac	19-12	31	0-1-1	3-3-6	2-0-2	3-0-3	DNP	2-0-2	0-1-1	4-2-6	0-0-0	1-2-3	2-1-3	2-2-4
46 Derek Shropshire	15-9	24	2-4-6	1-0-1	DNP	DNP	1-0-1	1-1-2	0-0-0	4-0-4	2-2-4	2-0-2	1-2-3	1-0-1
56 Wes Hofacker	15-7	22	1-2-3	2-0-2	DNP	0-0-0	1-1-2	3-0-3	2-2-4	2-0-2	0-1-1	3-0-3	1-1-2	0-0-0
32 D. Stewart	16-5	21	0-0-0	2-1-3	0-0-0	2-0-2	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-1-3	3-1-4	3-1-4	3-1-4
27 Ivon Hickmon	12-9	21	2-1-3	3-0-3	2-2-4	0-0-0	0-1-1	2-1-3	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-2-3	1-1-2	0-1-1	1-0-1
25 Ted Riley	16-4	20	0-1-1	3-0-3	3-1-4	1-0-1	2-1-3	2-0-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-1-3	3-0-3	0-0-0	0-0-0
98 Chris McCoy	12-5	17	1-0-1	2-1-3	2-1-3	2-0-2	2-0-2	0-2-2	0-1-1	DNP	DNP	1-0-1	2-0-2	0-0-0
28 Josh Gregory	15-2	17	1-0-1	1-0-1	1-0-1	1-0-1	3-0-3	1-1-2	0-0-0	1-0-1	2-1-3	2-0-2	2-0-2	0-0-0
47 Dwight Smith	14-3	17	-	-	3-0-3	0-0-0	2-1-3	1-1-2	1-0-1	1-0-1	2-1-3	1-0-1	0-0-0	1-0-1
11 Chance Dunleavy	11-4	15	1-0-1	2-0-2	3-1-4	DNP	1-0-1	DNP	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	1-1-2	0-2-2	2-0-2
96 D. Mason	4-6	10	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-1-1	0-1-1	0-1-1	1-0-1	1-0-1	DNP	DNP	0-1-1	0-1-1	1-1-2
94 Gary Tucker	4-5	9	0-1-1	0-0-0	1-1-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-1-2	1-0-1	0-1-1	DNP	0-0-0	1-1-2
33 K. Brown	5-3	8	0-0-0	2-2-4	1-0-1	0-0-0	1-0-1	1-1-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0
89 Rod Taylor	5-0	5	1-0-1	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-0-2	0-0-0	1-0-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
92 Brandon Perry	2-2	4	2-2-4	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
48 A. Wade	2-2	4	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-1-2
95 J. Presley	0-2	2	-	-	0-2-2	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
39 J. Perry	1-1	2	-	-	0-1-1	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
31 David Raymond	2-0	2	-	-	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0

2007 PARTICIPATION CHART

No.	Name	GP/GS	FAU	UL	LSU	WKU	FIU	UVA	UM	ASU	UNT	ULM	ULL	TU
36	Billings, R.	1/-	...	...	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
70	Bortner, R.	1/1	START	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
34	Branton, M.	5/-	...	...	XXX	...	XXX	...	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
33	Brown, Kevin	9/-	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	XXX
81	Caldwell, Wes	6/-	...	...	XXX	...	XXX	...	XXX	...	XXX	...	XXX	XXX
13	Cannon, M.	12/-	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
44	Carmichael, D.	12/10	START	START	START	XXX	START	START	START	START	START	START	XXX	START
85	Chicola, S.	12/5	START	START	XXX	XXX	START	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	XXX
29	Clemons, Lonnie	11/9	START	START	START	START	...	XXX	START	START	XXX	START	START	START
80	Corder, Clinton	12/8	XXX	START	START	START	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	START	START	START
12	Craddock, Joe	8/6	START	START	START	...	...	...	...	XXX	XXX	START	START	START
9	Dasher, Dwight	10/7	XXX	...	XXX	START	START	START	START	START	START	...	XXX	START
52	Davis, Antwan	11/-	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
37	DeFatta, David	12/-	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
16	Delle Donne, G.	7/-	...	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
54	Dunbar, F.	12/12	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
11	Dunleavy, C.	10/1	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	XXX
74	Fisher, Mark	12/10	XXX	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	XXX	START	START
2	Gee, Desmond	11/7	START	START	START	START	XXX	...	START	START	START	XXX	XXX	XXX
8	Glover, Anthony	12/5	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	XXX	XXX	START	START	START	XXX	START
23	Graves, Ben	2/-	...	...	XXX	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
28	Gregory, Josh	12/-	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
83	Grigsby, J.	9/-	XXX	...	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
55	Harrington, A.	10/2	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	START	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
75	Hawkins, Chris	3/-	...	...	...	...	XXX	...	...	XXX	XXX	...	...	...
4	Henry, Taron	12/11	START	START	START	XXX	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
27	Hickmon, Ivon	12/-	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
56	Hofacker, Wes	11/10	START	START	...	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	XXX
17	Honeycutt, P.	12/10	XXX	XXX	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
82	Ingle, Alvin	9/-	...	...	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
6	Issac, Rod	11/5	XXX	XXX	START	START	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	START	XXX	START
10	Jackson, P.	11/-	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
97	Jenkins, Trevor	12/12	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
19	Jones, Tavares	12/12	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
20	Kellem, Jeremy	12/5	XXX	XXX	START	START	START	START	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
35	King, Matt	11/-	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
62	Lettsome, Evon	2/-	...	...	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	XXX	...	...	...
76	Lewis, Jamal	12/10	XXX	START	START	START	START	START	XXX	START	START	START	START	START
42	Longoria, Jacob	12/6	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	XXX	START	START	START	XXX	START	XXX	START
96	Mason, Derek	10/2	XXX	XXX	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	XXX	START	XXX
98	McCoy, Chris	10/3	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	START	START	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX
86	McLeod, Byron	3/-	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
22	McNair, DeMarco	12/10	START	START	START	START	XXX	START	START	START	START	START	START	XXX
69	Moore, J.C.	1/-	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	XXX	...	...	...
5	Nickson, Damon	11/9	START	START	XXX	START	XXX	START	START	START	START	...	START	START
79	Nix, Brandon	12/12	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
91	Perez, Emmanuel	11/-	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
92	Perry, Brandon	2/-	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
39	Perry, Jeremy	10/-	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
26	Polite, Roy	12/10	START	START	START	START	XXX	XXX	START	START	START	START	START	START
95	Presley, J.	2/-	...	...	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
77	Price, David	6/3	START	...	...	...	XXX	...	START	...	XXX	START	...	XXX
31	Raymond, David	6/-	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	...	...	...	XXX
25	Riley, Ted	12/-	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
63	Ritter, Chris	3/-	XXX	...	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	XXX	...	...	...
24	Robinson, B.	12/11	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	XXX	START	START	START	START
30	Robinson, Cam	7/-	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	XXX
46	Shropshire, D.	11/6	START	START	XXX	...	START	START	XXX	START	XXX	XXX	START	XXX
3	Simpson, Salin	1/-	...	...	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
47	Smith, Dwight	10/-	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
41	Stephens, John	1/-	...	...	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
32	Stewart, Dana	12/-	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
7	Suber, Alex	12/11	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	XXX	START
21	Tanner, Phillip	9/1	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...
89	Taylor, Rod	7/-	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	...
72	Thompson, Mark	12/12	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
94	Tucker, Gary	11/-	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	XXX
48	Wade, Adam	12/-	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
43	Walden, Erik	10/9	START	START	START	START	...	...	XXX	START	START	START	START	START
49	Wicker, Andre	4/-	...	...	XXX	...	XXX	...	...	XXX	XXX	...	...	...
1	Williams, Bobby	12/1	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX

Career Games Played/Started

No.	Name	Career GP-GS	2006 GP-S	2005 GP-S	2004 GP-S
1	B. Williams	36-21	13-10	11-10	-
2	D. Gee	25-10	13-3	-	-
3	S. Simpson	0-0	-	-	-
4	T. Henry	45-29	13-12	11-4	9-2
5	D. Nickson	46-30	13-13	11-3	11-6
6	R. Issac	11-6	-	-	-
7	A. Suber	26-15	11-4	3-0	-
8	A. Glover	34-5	0-0	11-0	11-0
9	D. Dasher	10-7	-	-	-
10	P. Jackson	13-0	2-0	-	-
11	C. Dunleavy	22-6	1-1	11-4	-
12	J. Craddock	18-6	10-0	0-0	-
13	M. Cannon	21-1	7-0	2-1	-
16	G. Delle Donne	7-0	-	-	-
17	P. Honeycutt	12-9	-	-	-
19	T. Jones	47-26	13-13	11-1	11-0
20	J. Kellem	12-5	-	-	-
21	P. Tanner	22-1	13-0	-	-
22	D. McNair	36-11	13-1	0-0	11-0
23	Ben Graves	2-0	-	-	-
24	B. Robinson	45-41	11-9	11-11	11-10
25	T. Riley	12-0	-	-	-
26	Polite	47-21	13-10	11-0	11-1
27	I. Hickmon	12-0	-	-	-
28	J. Gregory	12-0	-	-	-
29	L. Clemons	34-14	12-5	11-0	-
30	C. Robinson	19-0	12-0	-	-
31	D. Raymond	10-0	4-0	-	-
32	Stewart	43-1	13-1	8-0	10-0
33	K. Brown	9-0	-	-	-
34	M. Branton	5-0	-	-	-
35	M. King	22-0	11-0	-	-
36	R. Billings	1-0	-	-	-
37	D. DeFatta	12-0	-	-	-
39	J. Perry	10-0	-	-	-
41	Stephens	19-0	11-0	7-0	-
42	J. Longoria	11-6	-	-	-
43	E. Walden	44-21	13-0	11-8	10-4
44	D. Carmichael	23-10	11-0	-	-
46	D. Shropshire	23-6	13-0	-	-
48	A. Wade	11-0	-	-	-
49	A. Wicker	4-0	-	-	-
50	C. Boss	0-0	-	-	-
52	A. Davis	11-0	-	-	-
53	S. Adams	0-0	-	-	-
54	F. Dunbar	36-30	13-13	11-5	-
55	A. Harrington	10-2	-	-	-
56	W. Hofacker	24-21	13-11	-	-
62	E. Lettsome	2-0	-	-	-
63	C. Ritter	5-0	2-0	0-0	-
69	J.C. Moore	1-0	-	-	-
70	R. Bortner	24-7	12-0	11-6	-
72	M. Thompson	25-19	13-7	0-0	-
74	Mark Fisher	12-10	-	-	-
75	C. Hawkins	3-0	-	-	-
76	J. Lewis	12-10	-	-	-
77	D. Price	16-6	10-3	-	-
78	M. Williams	0-0	-	-	-
79	B. Nix	44-27	13-9	11-6	8-0
80	C. Corder	48-20	13-9	11-0	12-3*
81	W. Caldwell	6-0	-	-	-
82	A. Ingle	11-0	2-0	-	-
83	J. Grigsby	27-4	13-4	5-0	-
84	D. Galvin	0-0	0-0	0-0	-
85	S. Chicola	47-24	13-7	11-8	11-4
89	R. Taylor	20-0	13-0	-	-
91	E. Perez	11-0	-	-	-
92	B. Perry	18-0	8-0	8-0	-
94	G. Tucker	11-0	-	-	
95	J. Presley	20-1	13-1	5-0	-
96	D. Mason	21-2	11-0	0-0	-
97	T. Jenkins	35-25	13-13	10-0	-
98	C. McCoy	20-3	11-0	-	-

2007 MT SCORING DRIVES

Q	P-YD	TOP	SCORE
FLORIDA ATLANTIC			
4	8-61	2:04	Gee 27 pass from Craddock (King kick)
4			Cannon 32 punt block return (King kick)

Q	P-YD	TOP	SCORE
LOUISVILLE			
1	3-72	1:07	McNair 78 pass from Craddock (King kick)
1	6-76	:43	Tanner 23 run (King kick)
1	7-64	3:25	Williams 24 pass from Craddock (King kick)
2	2-59	:48	McNair 39 run (King kick)
2	7-73	2:34	Tanner 1 run (King kick)
3	2-80	:42	Tanner 79 run (King kick)

Q	P-YD	TOP	SCORE
LSU			
None			

Q	P-YD	TOP	SCORE
WKU			
1	6-16	2:57	King 19 FG
2	7-32	2:48	McNair 1 run (King kick)
3	6-71	3:01	McNair 4 run (King kick)

Q	P-YD	TOP	SCORE
FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL			
1	12-61	4:43	Williams 14 pass from Dasher (King kick)
1	3-40	1:24	Dasher 22 run (King kick)
1	4-54	1:15	Gee 27 pass from Dasher (King kick)
2	2-70	:57	McNair 71 pass from Dasher (King kick)
2	6-49	2:46	Dasher 1 run (King kick)
2	5-22	3:34	McNair 1 run (King kick)
2	4-8	2:15	King 39 FG

Q	P-YD	TOP	SCORE
VIRGINIA			
1	11-67	5:37	Henry 24 pass from Dasher (King kick)
2	7-60	2:40	Williams 7 pass from Dasher (King kick)
4	1-1	:04	McNair 1 run (King kick)

Q	P-YD	TOP	SCORE
MEMPHIS			
1	7-80	3:26	McNair 55 pass from Dasher (King kick)
3	4-14	:45	McNair 1 run (King kick)
4	1-61	:09	Dasher 61 run (King kick)

Q	P-YD	TOP	SCORE
ARKANSAS STATE			
1			Issac 42 fumble return (King kick)
1	11-80	3:59	Henry 17 pass from Dasher (King kick)
2	7-46	1:56	DeFatta 38 FG
2	8-81	3:16	Henry 52 pass from Craddock (King kick)

Q	P-YD	TOP	SCORE
NORTH TEXAS			
1	13-56	5:49	DeFatta 39 FG
1	4-10	1:34	McNair 1 run (King kick)
2	7-32	2:38	Honeycutt 17 pass from Dasher (Kick failed)
2	1-51	:08	Henry 51 pass from Dasher (King kick)
2	12-83	6:06	McNair 4 pass from Craddock (King kick)
3	1-5	:05	Tanner 5 run (King kick)
4			Team Safety
4			Walden Safety
4	5-53	2:48	McNair 18 run (King kick)

Q	P-YD	TOP	SCORE
LOUISIANA-MONROE			
1	11-50	4:55	DeFatta 47 FG
1	5-61	2:57	Gee 42 pass from Craddock (King kick)
2	7-58	3:06	Ingle 11 pass from Craddock (King kick)
2	4-91	1:39	Gee 66 pass from Craddock (King kick)
3	1-99	:33	Grigsby 94 pass from Craddock (kick blocked)
4	10-81	4:38	Craddock 1 run (King kick)
4			Robinson 89 kickoff return (King kick failed)

Q	P-YD	TOP	SCORE
LOUISIANA-LAFAYETTE			
1	9-55	3:12	Grigsby 11 pass from Craddock (DeFatta kick)
2	7-73	3:40	Henry 32 pass from Craddock (DeFatta kick)
2	5-54	2:09	McNair 1 run (DeFatta kick)
3	11-54	4:19	DeFatta 20 FG

Q	P-YD	TOP	SCORE
TROY			
1	5-65	1:26	Chicola 5 pass from Craddock (DeFatta kick)

PENALTIES BREAKDOWN (78-671) (number in parenthesis is quarter penalty occurred)

Florida Atlantic (10-81): Pass Interference (1), Illegal Chop Block (1), Illegal Substitution (2), False Start (2), False Start (2), Personal Foul (2), Illegal Block (3),Unsportsmanlike Conduct (3), False Start (4), False Start (4)
Louisville (5-69): Offensive Pass Interference (1), Holding (3), Personal Foul (3), Pass Interference (3), Clipping (4)
LSU (3-20): Delay of Game (2), Illegal Substitution (2), Holding (3)
WKU (7-48): Holding (1), False Start (1), False Start (1), Offsides (2), Unsportsmanlike (2), Holding (3), Holding (4)
Florida International (7-56): Illegal block in back (1), Holding (1), Delay of Game (1), Illegal block in back (1), False Start (1), False Start (3), False Start (3)
Virginia (5-40): Holding (1), Roughing passer (1), False Start (1), Defense Offsides (2), Defense Offsides (3),
Memphis (5-50): Roughing passer (2), Holding (2), Pass Interference (3), Running into punter (3), Pass Interference (3)
Arkansas State (6-50): Holding (1), Holding (2), Ineligible Down Field (2), Defensive Holding (2), Holding (3), False Start (3)
North Texas (9-86): Roughing Passer (2), Defense Offsides (2), Personal Foul (2), False Start (2), Face Mask (3), Personal Foul (3), Block in Back (3), False Start (3), Block in Back (3)
Louisiana-Monroe (9-63): False Start (1), Defense Offsides (1), False Start (1), Personal Foul (2), Personal Foul (3), Face Mask (3), Defensive Offsides (3), Holding (3), False Start (4)
Louisiana-Lafayette (7-64): Illegal Substitution (1), Defensive Holding (3), Holding (3), Illegal Substitution (3), False Start (4), Roughing Passer (4), Unsportsmanlike (4)
Troy (5-44): Pass Interference (1), Illegal Procedure (2), Pass Interference (3), Personal Foul (3), Pass Interference (3)

2007 OFFENSIVE/DEFENSIVE DRIVES

OFFENSE

Game 1 — Florida Atlantic

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
3-5	1:38	Punt	0-7
4-1	2:38	Punt	0-7
6-5	3:42	Punt	0-7
3-(-7)	1:02	Punt	0-7
8-6	4:26	Punt	0-7
2-6	:28	INT	0-7
1-1	:18	Clock	0-10
8-6	4:38	Punt	0-10
9-35	4:33	Punt	0-10
3-(-7)	1:56	Punt	0-17
8-61	1:58	TD	7-24
9-58	2:11	INT	14-27

Game 2 — Louisville

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
3-72	1:13	TD	7-7
6-76	:43	TD	14-21
7-64	3:25	TD	21-28
2-59	:48	TD	28-31
7-73	2:34	TD	35-38
2-7	1:06	INT	35-38
3-4	1:15	Punt	35-38
3-3	2:41	Punt	35-38
8-51	3:28	MFG	35-41
2-3	:56	Fumble	35-48
2-80	:42	TD	42-51
11-69	4:12	INT	42-58

Game 3 — LSU

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
9-24	5:27	Punt	0-3
3-5	2:26	Punt	0-10
4-7	1:48	Downs	0-10
3-(-6)	1:41	Punt	0-17
3-(-14)	1:41	Punt	0-20
3-5	1:09	Punt	0-23
3-9	1:46	Punt	0-23
2-3	:51	Fumble	0-30
3-4	1:41	Punt	0-37
9-59	1:48	Punt	0-44
11-34	5:58	Downs	0-44

Game 4 — WKU

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
17-56	9:59	MFG	0-0
6-16	2:57	FG	3-0
5-2	3:45	Punt	3-10
7-32	2:48	TD	10-10
3-2	1:58	Punt	10-10
6-71	3:01	TD	17-13
4-21	1:04	Punt	17-20
3-9	1:09	Punt	17-20
7-16	1:18	Downs	17-20
6-49	0:46	MFG	17-20

Game 5 — Florida International

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
12-61	4:43	TD	7-0
3-12	1:26	Punt	7-0
3-40	1:24	TD	14-0
4-54	1:15	TD	21-0
2-70	:57	TD	28-0
6-49	2:46	TD	37-0
5-22	2:33	TD	44-0
4-8	2:15	FG	47-0
5-24	2:07	Punt	47-0
3-2	1:01	Punt	47-0
3-4	1:34	Punt	47-0
3-5	2:03	Punt	47-0
1-0	:07	Fumble	47-0
4-(-6)	1:39	Fumble	47-6
2-18	1:05	Fumble	47-6
3-2	1:46	Punt	47-6
4-17	2:01	Punt	47-6
3-(-5)	2:24	Punt	47-6
1-(-3)	:43	Clock	47-6

Game 6 — Virginia

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
3-7	1:06	Punt	0-0
11-67	5:37	TD	7-0
10-56	3:45	Blocked FG	7-7
7-60	2:26	TD	14-7
4-18	1:21	Punt	14-7
11-48	3:53	Downs	14-14
3-(-3)	1:41	Punt	14-14
3-4	3:11	Punt	14-14
5-22	2:48	Punt	14-14
6-20	2:51	Punt	14-20
3-4	1:04	Punt	14-20
1-1	:04	TD	21-20
6-19	2:32	Punt	21-20
1-0	:08	Clock	21-23

Game 7 — Memphis

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
7-80	3:26	TD	7-0
5-33	2:51	Punt	7-0
3-19	1:01	INT	7-7
8-49	3:58	Punt	7-7
3-4	:53	Punt	7-7
2-4	1:06	Clock	7-7
9-61	4:42	INT	7-7
4-14	:45	TD	14-7
9-59	3:25	MFG	14-7
5-28	1:26	Fumble	14-7
13-62	6:21	Downs	14-7
1-61	:09	TD	21-7
6-21	2:24	Punt	21-7

Game 8 — Arkansas State

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
3-(-3)	1:29	INT	7-0
11-80	3:59	TD	14-0
7-46	1:56	FG	17-0
8-81	3:16	TD	24-7
3-8	2:14	Punt	24-7
3-8	2:02	Punt	24-7
10-53	4:09	MFG	24-7
11-44	5:25	MFG	24-7
3-3	1:05	Punt	24-7
3-3	1:03	Punt	24-7
14-56	8:57	Clock	24-7

Game 9 — North Texas

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
5-21	1:52	Punt	0-0
4-9	1:42	Downs	0-0
13-56	5:49	FG	3-7
4-10	1:34	TD	10-7
7-32	2:37	TD	16-7
1-51	:08	TD	23-7
3-0	1:15	Punt	23-14
12-83	6:06	TD	30-21
3-0	:32	Punt	30-21
7-34	2:44	Punt	30-28
3-(-1)	1:01	Punt	30-28
1-5	:05	TD	37-28
3-(-3)	1:33	Punt	37-28
5-12	3:02	Punt	39-28
5-53	2:48	TD	48-28
3-4	2:37	Punt	48-28
2-(-4)	:52	Clock	48-28

Game 10 — Louisiana-Monroe

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
11-50	4:35	FG	3-0
3-6	1:33	Punt	3-7
5-61	2:57	TD	10-7
7-58	3:06	TD	17-14
4-91	1:39	TD	24-17
3-(-10)	:19	Safety	24-19
4-25	:40	Clock	24-26
1-99	:33	TD	30-26
5-25	3:28	Punt	30-33
7-30	2:34	Punt	30-33
5-19	2:45	Punt	30-33
10-81	4:38	TD	37-33
0-0	:12	TD (KR)	43-40

Game 11 — Louisiana-Lafayette

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
5-10	1:41	Punt	0-0
9-55	3:12	TD	7-0
3-(-13)	1:41	Punt	7-0
7-73	3:43	TD	14-0
3-5	1:09	Punt	14-7
3-7	2:21	Punt	14-14
5-54	2:09	TD	21-14
11-54	4:19	FG	24-21
9-35	4:18	Punt	24-21
3-(-11)	1:31	Punt	24-28
3-(-10)	1:35	Punt	24-34
2-6	:35	INT	24-34

Game 12 — Troy

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
8-29	4:18	Punt	0-0
3-2	1:59	Punt	0-0
5-65	1:26	TD	7-7
4-25	1:37	Punt	7-10
5-11	1:26	Punt Block	7-10
3-(-2)	2:14	Punt	7-17
10-37	4:09	Punt	7-24
3-7	1:05	Punt	7-24
5-21	3:06	Punt	7-31
6-21	1:53	Punt	7-38
1-0	:09	INT	7-45
3-(-12)	2:22	Punt	7-45

DEFENSE

Game 1 — Florida Atlantic

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
4-17	1:41	Punt	0-0
9-35	4:31	TD	7-0
5-2	3:02	MFG	7-0
4-24	2:08	Punt	7-0
3-6	1:15	Punt	7-0
1-(-2)	:12	Fumble	7-0
5-11	3:15	Punt	7-0
5-41	:51	Punt	7-0
4-8	:26	FG	10-0
3-0	2:08	Punt	10-0
4-80	1:05	TD	17-0
3-54	1:21	TD	24-0
5-19	2:25	Punt Block	24-7
11-69	4:31	FG	27-14
6-43	2:44	Clock	27-14

Game 2 — Louisville

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
1-81	:18	TD	7-0
2-75	:59	TD	14-7
4-16	1:10	TD	21-7
13-69	4:49	TD	28-14
13-56	5:24	FG	31-21
15-82	7:02	TD	38-28
3-0	:36	Punt	38-35
3-1	:28	Clock	38-35
2-24	1:01	Fumble	38-35
11-73	3:44	FG	41-35
4-71		TD	48-35
4-6	1:27	FG	51-35
8-79	3:26	TD	58-42
12-67	7:08	Clock	58-42

Game 3 — LSU

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
12-64	4:24	FG	3-0
12-80	5:02	TD	10-0
3-16	:41	INT	10-0
1-62	:12	TD	17-0
1-6	:10	Fumble	17-0
8-38	3:07	FG	20-0
8-50	1:48	FG	23-0
9-65	4:01	TD	30-0
1-15	:07	TD	37-0
8-68	4:52	TD	44-0
5-20	2:58	Punt	44-0
3-(-7)	1:29	Clock	44-0

Game 4 — WKU

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
2-(-4)	:41	Fumble	0-0
12-56	5:16	FG	3-3
7-60	3:24	TD	10-3
1-(-5)	:08	Fumble	10-3
3-22	1:02	INT	10-10
3-0	1:47	Punt	10-10
9-55	5:01	FG	13-10
10-75	3:21	TD	20-17
14-60	6:39	MFG	20-17
3-9	2:21	Punt	20-17
3-(-13)	1:35	Punt	20-17

Game 5 — Florida International

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
3-4	2:20	Punt	0-7
3-4	2:10	Punt	0-7
3-(-7)	1:39	Punt	0-14
5-14	2:12	Punt	0-21
4-(-9)	2:13	Fumble	0-30
2-11	:48	INT	0-37
1-15	:18	Fumble	0-44
3-2	1:01	Clock	0-47
9-38	3:26	Downs	0-47
4-22	1:24	Fumble	0-47
3-8	1:06	Punt	0-47
3-1	1:04	Punt	0-47
3-(-1)	:51	Punt	0-47
4-0	1:07	Downs	6-47
3-1	1:38	Punt	6-47
4-21	1:32	Punt	6-47
2-11	:23	INT	6-47

Game 6 — Virginia

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
3-7	2:01	Punt	0-0
3-9	1:40	Punt	0-7
8-80	2:51	TD	7-7
3-4	:57	Punt	7-7
3-1	1:37	Punt	7-14
10-85	2:42	TD	14-14
1-(-2)	:04	Clock	14-14
5-28	2:11	Punt	14-14
3-3	1:25	Punt	14-14
15-85	6:11	TD	20-14
3-7	1:36	Punt	20-14
2-2	:54	INT	20-14
9-23	3:31	Punt	20-21
8-63	1:18	FG	23-21

Game 7 — Memphis

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
10-40	4:03	MFG	0-7
8-80	3:36	TD	7-7
8-34	4:31	Punt	7-7
5-26	2:31	Punt	7-7
3-2	1:00	Punt	7-7
3-1	:53	Punt	7-7
3-9	:59	Punt	7-7
1-(-6)	:14	Fumble	7-7
4-28	2:31	Punt	7-14
8-42	3:10	Downs	7-14
3-7	1:18	Punt	7-14
3-6	1:09	Punt	7-14
3-0	:24	Punt	7-21
3-4	:52	Clock	7-21

Game 8 — Arkansas State

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
3-10	1:28	Fumble	0-7
3-2	2:05	Punt	0-7
6-2	3:27	INT	0-7
3-2	:58	Punt	0-14
6-71	2:16	TD	7-17
5-13	2:25	INT	7-24
4-1	2:15	Downs	7-24
1-4	:10	Clock	7-24
3-4	1:42	Punt	7-24
5-18	2:28	INT	7-24
10-4	3:39	Punt	24-7
3-2	1:32	Punt	24-7

Game 9 — North Texas

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
2-1	:42	INT	0-0
2-77	:16	TD	7-0
3-(-1)	:55	Blocked Punt	7-3
1-1	:07	Fumble	7-10
3-(-1)	1:08	Punt	7-16
7-79	1:36	TD	14-23
7-80	2:50	TD	21-23
1-2	:33	Clock	21-30
4-14	1:44	INT	21-30
8-76	2:31	TD	28-30
4-26	1:35	Punt	28-30
3-12	:59	INT	28-30
7-8	2:17	INT	28-37
2-(-1)	:22	Safety	28-39
1-(-1)	:05	Safety	28-41
5-20	1:23	Punt	28-48
7-(-10)	3:21	Punt	28-48

Game 10 — Louisiana-Monroe

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
8-90	3:39	TD	7-3
3-5	1:48	Punt	7-3
9-80	2:50	TD	14-10
13-57	5:39	FG	17-17
6-40	:41	INT	17-24
3-27	:34	TD	26-24
4-21	2:34	Punt	26-24
4-75	1:20	TD	33-30
9-71	4:56	Fumble	33-30
3-24	1:06	INT	33-30
6-26	3:30	Punt	33-30
12-65	1:51	TD	40-37
6-42	:45	Clock	40-43

Game 11 — Louisiana-Lafayette

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
3-(-2)	1:49	Punt	0-0
6-22	3:04	Punt	0-7
3-17	:51	INT	0-7
11-62	3:13	TD	7-14
5-80	1:58	TD	14-14
3-9	1:34	Punt	14-14
3-10	1:35	Clock	14-21
9-70	4:01	TD	21-21
9-51	3:16	INT	21-24
8-97	3:09	TD	28-24
4-48	:59	TD	34-24
3-4	1:42	Punt	34-24
11-40	4:35	Clock	34-24

Game 12 — Troy

PL-YDS	Time	Result	Score
4-12	1:03	Punt	0-0
6-54	1:20	TD	7-0
9-34	2:50	FG	10-7
6-39	2:00	Punt	10-7
3-4	1:12	TD	17-7
3-8	1:05	Punt	17-7
6-26	1:19	TD	24-7
3-40	:57	INT	24-7
16-91	7:00	TD	31-7
11-79	3:22	TD	38-7
11-80	4:10	TD	45-7
9-38	3:18	INT	45-7
9-55	4:40	Clock	45-7

2007 SNAPS PLAYED

QUARTERBACKS	FAU	UL	LSU	WK	FIU	UVA	UM	ASU	NT	ULM	ULL	TROY	TOTAL SNAPS
CRADDOCK, JOE	62	61	33	0	0	0	0	15	39	67	28	45	350
DASHER, DWIGHT	2	0	21	66	45	83	76	73	49	0	38	16	469
JACKSON, PATRICK	2	6	0	5	20	5	5	6	9	7	4	1	70
SIMPSON, SALIN	0	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13

RUNNING BACKS	FAU	UL	LSU	WK	FIU	UVA	UM	ASU	NT	ULM	ULL	TROY	TOTAL SNAPS
BRANTON, MARQUISE	0	0	11	0	19	0	0	0	5	12	4	0	51
LONGORIA, JACOB	2	5	2	29	33	23	24	28	37	46	42	16	287
McNAIR, DEMARCO	25	31	20	36	14	53	46	58	48	52	39	36	458
STEPHENS, JM	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
TANNER, PHILLIP	28	37	30	31	40	43	34	33	45	0	0	0	321

WIDE RECEIVERS	FAU	UL	LSU	WK	FIU	UVA	UM	ASU	NT	ULM	ULL	TROY	TOTAL SNAPS
CALDWELL, WES	0	0	22	0	28	0	2	0	4	26	4	3	89
CANNON, MIKE	22	23	30	32	21	28	23	15	23	0	23	16	256
GEE, DESMOND	36	32	34	40	25	0	47	54	60	38	12	42	420
GRAVES, BEN	0	0	5	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18
GRIGSBY, JONATHAN	16	0	0	0	26	36	33	28	24	16	30	19	228
HENRY, TARON	47	52	24	47	28	41	45	45	50	45	35	50	509
HONEYCUTT, PATRICK	46	47	31	49	26	65	35	49	56	55	43	45	547
TAYLOR, ROD	18	19	28	9	35	16	11	0	0	0	0	0	136
WILLIAMS, BOBBY	53	43	23	25	17	41	30	37	37	27	33	38	404

TIGHT ENDS	FAU	UL	LSU	WK	FIU	UVA	UM	ASU	NT	ULM	ULL	TROY	TOTAL SNAPS
CHICOLA, STEPHEN	47	43	25	48	46	65	33	29	35	20	35	43	469
CORDER, CLINT	43	40	17	24	25	28	32	26	35	47	52	33	402
DELLE DONNE	0	0	0	1	13	3	0	2	33	4	2	1	59
INGLE, ALVIN	0	0	12	0	24	1	31	30	11	40	15	8	172
McLEOD, BYRON	0	1	9	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22

OFFENSIVE LINEMEN	FAU	UL	LSU	WK	FIU	UVA	UM	ASU	NT	ULM	ULL	TROY	TOTAL SNAPS
BORTNER, RICHARD	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24
BOSS, COLIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DUNBAR, FRANKLIN	66	65	54	69	51	79	80	85	88	76	69	58	840
FISHER, MARK	2	65	54	69	67	79	80	85	84	49	69	58	761
HAWKINS, CHRIS	0	0	0	0	32	0	0	3	8	0	0	0	43
LETTSOME, EVON	0	0	0	0	24	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	27
LEWIS, JAMAL	50	59	54	64	36	74	49	79	81	69	65	53	733
MOORE, JC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	3
NIX, BRANDON	66	65	54	69	51	79	80	85	83	76	69	58	835
PRICE, DAVID	40	0	0	0	32	0	31	0	7	27	0	4	141
RITTER, CHRIS	20	0	0	0	24	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	47
THOMPSON, MARK	66	65	54	69	51	79	75	82	88	76	69	58	832
WILLIAMS, MIKE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

DEFENSIVE LINEMEN	FAU	UL	LSU	WK	FIU	UVA	UM	ASU	NT	ULM	ULL	TROY	TOTAL SNAPS
HOFACKER, WES	45	61	0	46	35	50	40	34	53	64	66	41	535
JENKINS, TREVOR	42	50	41	48	34	50	41	34	55	67	59	61	582
JONES, TAVARES	64	78	48	69	44	60	54	41	62	100	67	59	746
MASON, DEREK	28	57	34	56	36	44	41	0	0	34	62	39	431
McCOY, CHRIS	29	35	30	19	42	55	25	0	0	11	25	4	275
PEREZ, EMMANUEL	0	4	12	8	35	52	12	20	22	2	9	20	196
PERRY, BRANDON	28	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	71
PRESLEY, JONATHAN	0	0	37	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38
SMITH, DWIGHT	0	0	32	4	30	37	37	19	28	31	26	44	288
TUCKER, GARY	15	27	31	7	30	25	21	19	30	0	16	17	238

2007 SNAPS PLAYED

WALDEN, ERIK	59	68	58	65	0	0	48	41	46	86	75	57	603
WICKER, ANDRE	0	0	3	0	6	0	0	12	10	0	0	0	31

LINEBACKERS	**FAU**	**UL**	**LSU**	**WK**	**FIU**	**UVA**	**UM**	**ASU**	**NT**	**ULM**	**ULL**	**TROY**	**TOTAL SNAPS**
CARMICHAEL, DANNY	40	63	34	23	54	64	81	38	53	97	56	84	687
CLEMONS, LONNIE	59	80	44	52	0	32	39	42	31	91	54	78	602
DAVIS, ANTWAN	0	12	11	14	26	16	8	11	24	16	15	14	167
DUNLEAVY, CHANCE	18	20	33	0	19	0	9	20	13	14	40	42	228
HARRINGTON, ADREW	53	58	48	44	46	18	0	0	8	5	30	52	362
HICKMON, IVON	39	30	25	3	22	54	5	7	23	34	37	47	326
PERRY, JEREMY	0	0	7	4	19	7	4	9	15	18	18	27	128
ROBINSON, CAM	9	18	14	5	18	13	0	0	0	0	0	14	91
SHROPSHIRE, DEREK	58	39	0	0	28	50	4	32	16	39	48	8	322

CORNER BACKS	**FAU**	**UL**	**LSU**	**WK**	**FIU**	**UVA**	**UM**	**ASU**	**NT**	**ULM**	**ULL**	**TROY**	**TOTAL SNAPS**
ISSAC, ROD	20	44	21	39	0	38	60	43	68	61	18	65	477
POLITE, ROY	62	57	54	69	40	48	75	33	66	92	58	74	728
RAYMOND, DAVID	0	0	6	3	7	3	0	2	0	0	0	5	26
RILEY, TED	26	53	39	37	38	9	22	11	35	35	35	25	365
ROBINSON, BRADLEY	54	70	55	72	43	64	54	24	72	97	82	74	761
SUBER, ALEX	63	83	58	79	57	73	79	49	78	89	82	86	876

SAFETIES	**FAU**	**UL**	**LSU**	**WK**	**FIU**	**UVA**	**UM**	**ASU**	**NT**	**ULM**	**ULL**	**TROY**	**TOTAL SNAPS**
BROWN, KEVIN	19	15	19	17	41	23	14	1	0	0	4	21	174
GLOVER, ANTHONY	6	18	16	4	37	40	28	39	77	88	39	79	471
GREGORY, JOSH	10	7	6	4	20	4	7	8	14	9	8	13	110
KELLEM, JEREMY	24	70	51	61	50	65	69	38	50	21	3	26	528
NICKSON, DAMON	65	60	37	48	37	82	73	50	32	0	41	92	617
STEWART, DANA	15	36	21	9	15	8	17	30	38	31	32	12	264

SPECIALIST	**FAU**	**UL**	**LSU**	**WK**	**FIU**	**UVA**	**UM**	**ASU**	**NT**	**ULM**	**ULL**	**TROY**	**TOTAL SNAPS**
BILLINGS, RICHARD	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
DEFATTA, DAVID	9	2	9	5	8	8	5	6	9	12	15	13	101
KING, MATT	5	13	1	9	15	9	8	9	14	6	1	0	90
WADE, ADAM	11	8	9	10	17	13	9	10	15	12	11	11	136

2007 SUPERLATIVES

INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

Rushes	20	Dasher, Dwight vs Arkansas State (Oct 20, 2007)
Yards Rushing	180	Dasher, Dwight at MEMPHIS (Oct 13, 2007)
TD Rushes	3	Tanner, Phillip at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
Long Rush	79	Tanner, Phillip at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
Pass attempts	33	Dasher, Dwight vs Virginia (Oct 6, 2007)
Pass completions	22	Craddock, Joe at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
Yards Passing	401	Craddock, Joe at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
TD Passes	4	Craddock, Joe at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
Long Pass	94	Craddock, Joe at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
Receptions	6	Honeycutt, P. at Florida Atlantic (Sep 1, 2007)
		Henry, Taron vs WKU (Sep 20, 2007)
		Henry, Taron at North Texas (Oct 27, 2007)
Yards Receiving	139	Gee, Desmond at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
TD Receptions	2	Henry, Taron vs Arkansas State (Oct 20, 2007)
		Gee, Desmond at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
Long Reception	94	Grigsby, J. at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
Field Goals	1	King, Matt vs WKU (Sep 20, 2007)
		King, Matt vs FIU (Sep 29, 2007)
		DeFatta, David vs Arkansas State (Oct 20, 2007)
		DeFatta, David at North Texas (Oct 27, 2007)
		DeFatta, David at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
		DeFatta, David vs UL (Nov 10, 2007)
Long Field Goal	47	DeFatta, David at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
Punts	9	DeFatta, David at TROY (Nov 19, 2007)
Punting Avg	53.0	DeFatta, David vs UL (Nov 10, 2007)
Long Punt	70	DeFatta, David at TROY (Nov 19, 2007)
Long Punt Return	32	Cannon, M. at Florida Atlantic (Sep 1, 2007)
Long Kickoff Return	89	Robinson, B. at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
Tackles	13	Walden, Erik at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
Sacks	2.0	Jones, Tavares vs Arkansas State (Oct 20, 2007)
		Clemons, Lonnie vs Arkansas State (Oct 20, 2007)
Tackles For Loss	3.0	Jones, Tavares vs Arkansas State (Oct 20, 2007)
		Walden, Erik at North Texas (Oct 27, 2007)
Interceptions	2	Kellem, Jeremy vs Arkansas State (Oct 20, 2007)
		Nickson, Damon at North Texas (Oct 27, 2007)

TEAM GAME HIGHS

Rushes	49	vs Arkansas State (Oct 20, 2007)
Yards Rushing	265	at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
Yards Per Rush	9.1	at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
TD Rushes	4	at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
Pass attempts	38	at North Texas (Oct 27, 2007)
Pass completions	22	at North Texas (Oct 27, 2007)
		at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
Yards Passing	401	at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
Yards Per Pass	13.8	at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
TD Passes	4	at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
Total Plays	80	at North Texas (Oct 27, 2007)
Total Offense	555	at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
Yards Per Play	10.1	at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
Points	48	at North Texas (Oct 27, 2007)
Sacks By	9	vs Arkansas State (Oct 20, 2007)
First Downs	23	at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
Penalties	10	at Florida Atlantic (Sep 1, 2007)
Penalty Yards	86	at North Texas (Oct 27, 2007)
Turnovers	4	at Florida Atlantic (Sep 1, 2007)
		at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
		at MEMPHIS (Oct 13, 2007)
Interceptions By	4	at North Texas (Oct 27, 2007)

OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

Rushes	35	ALLEN, Anthony, at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
Yards Rushing	275	ALLEN, Anthony, at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
TD Rushes	3	Dawson, Calvin, at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
Long Rush	86	Desormeaux, Mic, vs UL (Nov 10, 2007)
Pass attempts	45	Vizza, Giovanni, at North Texas (Oct 27, 2007)
Pass completions	25	BROHM, Brian, at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
		Vizza, Giovanni, at North Texas (Oct 27, 2007)
Yards Passing	401	BROHM, Brian, at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
TD Passes	5	BROHM, Brian, at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
Long Pass	81	BROHM, Brian, at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
Receptions	9	McNeal, Darrell, at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
Yards Receiving	142	URRUTIA, Mario, at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
TD Receptions	2	URRUTIA, Mario, at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
		BARNIDGE, Gary, at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
Long Reception	81	BARNIDGE, Gary, at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
Field Goals	3	CARMODY, Art, at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
		Colt David, at LSU (Sep 15, 2007)
Long Field Goal	41	James, Chris, vs WKU (Sep 20, 2007)
		Whibbs,Greg, at TROY (Nov 19, 2007)
Punts	9	SUTHERLAND, B., at MEMPHIS (Oct 13, 2007)
Punting Avg	53.0	GOETTSCHE, Cory, at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
Long Punt	73	Spencer, Truman, at North Texas (Oct 27, 2007)
Long Punt Return	18	McKelvin,Leodis, at TROY (Nov 19, 2007)
Long Kickoff Return	54	Dawson, Calvin, at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
Tackles	12	McKinnon, Koby, vs Arkansas State (Oct 20, 2007)
Sacks	4.0	Hardeway, Rodne, vs UL (Nov 10, 2007)
Tackles For Loss	4.0	Hardeway, Rodne, vs UL (Nov 10, 2007)
Interceptions	1	Polo, T., at Florida Atlantic (Sep 1, 2007)
		Small, C., at Florida Atlantic (Sep 1, 2007)
		JACKSON, Malik, at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
		COUNCIL, Rod, at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
		PATTERSON, B., at MEMPHIS (Oct 13, 2007)
		BELL, Tony, at MEMPHIS (Oct 13, 2007)
		Johnson, Tyrell, vs Arkansas State (Oct 20, 2007)
		Blount, Gerren, vs UL (Nov 10, 2007)
		Mack,Elbert, at TROY (Nov 19, 2007)

OPPONENT TEAM GAME HIGHS

Rushes	58	vs UL (Nov 10, 2007)
Yards Rushing	376	vs UL (Nov 10, 2007)
Yards Per Rush	7.7	at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
TD Rushes	4	at TROY (Nov 19, 2007)
Pass attempts	45	at North Texas (Oct 27, 2007)
Pass completions	25	at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
		at North Texas (Oct 27, 2007)
Yards Passing	401	at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
Yards Per Pass	11.0	at LSU (Sep 15, 2007)
TD Passes	5	at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
Total Plays	95	at TROY (Nov 19, 2007)
Total Offense	729	at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
Yards Per Play	7.9	at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
Points	58	at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
Sacks By	6	at LSU (Sep 15, 2007)
First Downs	37	at TROY (Nov 19, 2007)
Penalties	15	at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
Penalty Yards	131	at ULM (Nov 03, 2007)
Turnovers	5	at North Texas (Oct 27, 2007)
Interceptions By	2	at Florida Atlantic (Sep 1, 2007)
		at Louisville (Sep 6, 2007)
		at MEMPHIS (Oct 13, 2007)

2007 LONG PLAYS

20-YARD PLUS PLAYS

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Opponent
*94	Pass	Grigsby, J. from Craddock, Joe	ULM
*89	KR	Robinson, B.	ULM
*79	Rush	Tanner, Phillip	Louisville
*78	Pass	McNair, DeMarco from Craddock, Joe	Louisville
*71	Pass	McNair, DeMarco from Dasher, Dwight	FIU
*66	Pass	Gee, Desmond from Craddock, Joe	ULM
*61	Rush	Dasher, Dwight	MEMPHIS
*55	Pass	McNair, DeMarco from Dasher, Dwight	MEMPHIS
*52	Pass	Henry, Taron from Craddock, Joe	Arkansas State
52	Pass	Honeycutt, P. from Craddock, Joe	Louisville
*51	Pass	Henry, Taron from Dasher, Dwight	North Texas
49	Pass	Cannon, M. from Dasher, Dwight	Arkansas State
46	INT	Jones, Tavares	North Texas
*42	Pass	Gee, Desmond from Craddock, Joe	ULM
*42	FR	Issac, Rod	Arkansas State
40	Pass	Tanner, Phillip from Dasher, Dwight	FIU
39	Rush	Gee, Desmond	UL
*39	Rush	McNair, DeMarco	Louisville
35	Pass	Honeycutt, P. from Craddock, Joe	Louisville
34	KR	Gee, Desmond	FIU
34	Rush	Craddock, Joe	TROY
33	KR	Gee, Desmond	Louisville
*32	Pass	Henry, Taron from Craddock, Joe	UL
32	KR	Gee, Desmond	Louisville
32	Pass	Henry, Taron from Dasher, Dwight	WKU
31	KR	Gee, Desmond	TROY
31	KR	Nickson, Damon	Virginia
31	KR	Gee, Desmond	FIU
30	KR	Gee, Desmond	TROY
29	KR	Gee, Desmond	ULM
28	INT	Robinson, B.	FIU
28	Pass	Gee, Desmond from Craddock, Joe	Florida Atlantic
28	KR	Tanner, Phillip	WKU
28	Rush	Tanner, Phillip	Louisville
*27	Pass	Gee, Desmond from Dasher, Dwight	FIU
*27	Pass	Gee, Desmond from Craddock, Joe	Florida Atlantic
27	Rush	McNair, DeMarco	North Texas
27	KR	Robinson, B.	UL
26	Pass	Ingle, Alvin from Dasher, Dwight	MEMPHIS
26	KR	Nickson, Damon	Virginia
26	Pass	Tanner, Phillip from Dasher, Dwight	MEMPHIS
26	KR	Nickson, Damon	Virginia
25	Rush	Dasher, Dwight	MEMPHIS
25	KR	Gee, Desmond	Louisville
25	KR	Gee, Desmond	North Texas
25	Pass	Gee, Desmond from Craddock, Joe	ULM
24	KR	Gee, Desmond	Florida Atlantic
24	KR	Branton, M.	North Texas
24	KR	Robinson, B.	TROY
24	Pass	Honeycutt, P. from Dasher, Dwight	Virginia
24	INT	Issac, Rod	UL
24	Pass	Honeycutt, P. from Craddock, Joe	Florida Atlantic
*24	Pass	Williams, Bobby from Craddock, Joe	Louisville
*24	Pass	Henry, Taron from Dasher, Dwight	Virginia
24	Rush	Dasher, Dwight	Arkansas State
23	KR	Henry, Taron	ULM
23	KR	Nickson, Damon	Florida Atlantic
23	Rush	Craddock, Joe	Louisville
23	KR	Gee, Desmond	North Texas
23	KR	Gee, Desmond	Arkansas State
23	KR	Henry, Taron	TROY
*23	Rush	Tanner, Phillip	Louisville
23	KR	Gee, Desmond	TROY
22	Rush	McNair, DeMarco	UL
22	Pass	Grigsby, J. from Dasher, Dwight	Virginia
*22	Rush	Dasher, Dwight	FIU
22	Pass	Tanner, Phillip from Dasher, Dwight	Arkansas State
22	Pass	Chicola, S. from Dasher, Dwight	WKU
22	Rush	Dasher, Dwight	MEMPHIS
22	Pass	Honeycutt, P. from Craddock, Joe	ULM
22	KR	Gee, Desmond	Louisville
21	INT	Kellem, Jeremy	WKU
21	KR	Gee, Desmond	LSU
21	Rush	Dasher, Dwight	WKU
21	KR	Gee, Desmond	North Texas

* touchdown scored on play

LONG PLAYS BY THE NUMBERS

Long Plays By Yards	No.	TD
Rushing	16	5
Passing	33	13
Punt returns	0	0
Kick returns	30	1
Interceptions	5	0
Fumble returns	1	1
Other	0	0
TOTAL	**85**	**20**

20-YARD PLUS BY PLAYER

Player	No.	TD	R	P	KR	PR	IR	FR
Gee, Desmond	26	4	1	7	18	0	0	0
Henry, Taron	7	4	0	5	2	0	0	0
Tanner, Phillip	7	2	3	3	1	0	0	0
Dasher, Dwight	7	2	7	0	0	0	0	0
McNair, DeMarco	6	4	3	3	0	0	0	0
Honeycutt, P.	6	0	0	6	0	0	0	0
Robinson, B.	5	1	0	0	3	0	2	0
Nickson, Damon	5	0	0	0	5	0	0	0
Grigsby, J.	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
Issac, Rod	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
Williams, Bobby	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
Cannon, M.	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Craddock, Joe	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Chicola, S.	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Kellem, Jeremy	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Branton, M.	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Ingle, Alvin	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Jones, Tavares	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
TOTAL	**85**	**20**	**16**	**33**	**30**	**0**	**5**	**1**

LONGEST PLAYS OF THE YEAR

Rushing
79 Tanner, Phillip vs Louisville (9/6/2007)

Rushing Touchdown
79 Tanner, Phillip vs Louisville (9/6/2007)

Passing
94 Grigsby, Jonathan from Craddock, Joe vs ULM (11/3/2007)

Passing Touchdown
94 Grigsby, Jonathan from Craddock, Joe vs ULM (11/3/2007)

Punt Return
14 Gee, Desmond vs Louisville (9/6/2007); Robinson, Bradley vs Virginia (10/6/07)

Kick Return
89 Robinson, Bradley vs ULM (11/3/2007)

Interception Return
46 Jones, Tavares (10/27/2007)

Fumble Return
42 Issac, Rod vs ASU (10/20/07)

Punt
70 DeFatta, David vs Troy (11/20/2007)

Field Goal
47 DeFatta, David vs ULM (11/3/2007)

THE LAST TIME ...

Middle Tennessee

SHUT OUT AN OPPONENT: September 30, 2006, at North Texas. Score: 35-0
RUSHED FOR MORE THAN 300 YARDS: November 30, 2002, vs Utah State (316 yards)
RUSHED FOR MORE THAN 400 YARDS: November 7, 1998, vs Tennessee-Martin (469 yards)
PASSED FOR MORE THAN 300 YARDS: November 3, 2007 vs ULM (401 yards)
HAD MORE THAN 500 YARDS TOTAL OFFENSE: September 6, 2007, vs Louisville (555 yards)
HAD MORE THAN 600 YARDS TOTAL OFFENSE: October 6, 2001, vs Idaho (685 yards)
SCORED MORE THAN 50 POINTS: November 15, 2003, vs Louisiana-Lafayette (51 points)
SCORED ON ITS FIRST PLAY FROM SCRIMMAGE: November 18, 2006 vs South Carolina (Clint Marks to Desmond Gee for 73 yards)
FAILED TO HAVE AT LEAST 150 YARDS OF TOTAL OFFENSE: September 15, 2007 vs LSU (90 yards)
FAILED TO RUSH FOR MORE THAN 100 YARDS: November 20, 2007 vs Troy (28 carries, 93 yards)
FAILED TO PASS FOR MORE THAN 100 YARDS: September 15, 2007 vs LSU (81 yards)
HELD AN OPPONENT TO LESS THAN 100 YARDS RUSHING: October 27, 2007, vs North Texas (87 yards)
HELD AN OPPONENT TO LESS THAN 100 YARDS PASSING: September 30, 2006, at North Texas (63 yards)
HELD AN OPPONENT TO LESS THAN 200 YARDS TOTAL OFFENSE: October 20, 2007, vs Arkansas State (138 yards)
HELD AN OPPONENT TO LESS THAN 300 YARDS TOTAL OFFENSE: October 20, 2007, vs Arkansas State(138 yards)
RETURNED A KICKOFF FOR A TOUCHDOWN: November 3, 2007 vs ULM (Bradley Robinson - 89 yards)
RETURNED OPENING KICKOFF FOR A TOUCHDOWN: October 6, 2006 vs Louisville (Damon Nickson - 88 yards)
RETURNED A PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN: September 11, 2004 vs Akron (Kerry Wright - 75 yards)
RETURNED A BLOCKED PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN: September 1, 2007 vs FAU (Michael Cannon - 32 yards)
BLOCKED AN OPPONENT PUNT: October 27, 2007 vs North Texas (Michael Cannon)
BLOCKED A FIELD GOAL: November 25, 2006 vs Troy (Justin Rainey)
RETURNED A PASS INTERCEPTION FOR A TOUCHDOWN: November 11, 2006 vs Arkansas State (Bradley Robinson - 88 yards)
RETURNED A FUMBLE FOR A TOUCHDOWN: October 20, 2007 vs Arkansas State (Rod Issac - 42 yards)
SCORED A SAFETY: October 27, 2007, vs North Texas (twice)
SCORED ON OFFENSE, DEFENSE & SPECIAL TEAMS: November 4, 2006 vs Florida Atlantic
PLAYER RUSHED FOR MORE THAN 100 YARDS: October 13, 2007, vs Memphis (Dwight Dasher - 180 yards)
TWO PLAYERS RUSHED FOR MORE THAN 100 YARDS: Nov. 2, 2002, vs New Mexico St. (Dwone Hicks 120 yds & ReShard Lee 116 yds)
PLAYER RUSHED FOR MORE THAN 200 YARDS: November 4, 2006, vs Florida Atlantic (Eugene Gross - 208 yards)
PLAYER HAD 100 OR MORE YARDS RECEIVING: November 3, 2007, vs ULM (Desmond Gee (139) & Jonathan Grigsby (109))
TWO PLAYERS HAD 100 OR MORE RECEIVING YARDS: November 3, 2007, vs ULM (Desmond Gee (139) & Jonathan Grigsby (109))
PLAYED AN OVERTIME GAME: November 15, 2003 vs Louisiana-Lafayette (ULL 57, MT 51)

Opponent

MIDDLE TENNESSEE WAS SHUT OUT: September 15, 2007 vs LSU. Score: 44-0
RUSHED FOR MORE THAN 250 YARDS: November 20, 2007, by Troy (263 yards)
RUSHED FOR MORE THAN 400 YARDS: September 12, 1992, by Nebraska (490 yards)
PASSED FOR MORE THAN 300 YARDS: September 15, 2007 vs LSU (307 yards)
PASSED FOR MORE THAN 400 YARDS: September 6, 2007 by Louisville (401 yards)
HAD MORE THAN 500 YARDS TOTAL OFFENSE: November 20, 2007 vs Troy (551 yards)
HAD MORE THAN 600 YARDS TOTAL OFFENSE: November 3, 2007 vs ULM (624 yards)
HELD MT TO LESS THAN 100 YARDS OF TOTAL OFFENSE: September 15, 2007 vs LSU (90 yards)
HELD MT TO LESS THAN 50 TOTAL RUSHING YARDS: September 15, 2007 vs LSU (9 yards)
HELD MT TO LESS THAN 100 TOTAL PASSING YARDS: September 15, 2007 vs LSU (812 yards)
SCORED 50 POINTS: September 6, 2007 by Louisville: Score: 58-42
RETURNED A KICKOFF FOR A TOUCHDOWN: October 9, 1999, by Arkansas (Cedric Cobbs - 95 yards)
RETURNED A PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN: September 23, 2006, by Oklahoma (Reggie Smith - 61 yards)
RETURNED A BLOCKED PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN: August 28, 2003 vs Florida Atlantic (S. Earls)
BLOCKED A PUNT: November 20, 2007, vs Troy (R.J. Roberts)
BLOCKED A FIELD GOAL: October 6, 2007, by Virginia (Chris Long)
RETURNED A PASS INTERCEPTION FOR A TOUCHDOWN: December 26, 2006, by Central Michigan (Doug Kress - 56 yards)
SCORED A SAFETY: September 3, 2005 by Alabama
PLAYER RUSHED FOR 100 YARDS: November 10, 2007, ULL (Michael Desmormeaux - 175 yards; Tyrell Fenroy - 100 yards)

GAME 1 REVIEW

Turnovers, Penalties cost Blue Raiders in opener

Florida International 27, Middle Tennessee 14

Sept. 1, 2007 ❑ Lockhart Stadium ❑ Ft. Lauderdale, FL

by Adam Sparks, Daily News Journal

FT. LAUDERDALE, Fla. - Middle Tennessee seemed to start its season two hours later than its Week One opponent.

The Blue Raiders' fourth-quarter surge still left them behind Florida Atlantic in a 27-14 loss in both teams' season and conference opener.

"I can't point out one thing that did it for us because it was a lot of things that went wrong," MTSU senior safety Damon Nickson said. "We fought hard, but (FAU) just outplayed us.

"... Hopefully, our first is our worst."

The loss was the first follow-up performance to MTSU's Sun Belt co-championship in coach Rick Stockstill's debut season, yet it lacked the luster and precision of the 2006 squad.

MTSU's offense played poorly, its defense wilted late and special teams dug the team into a hole it could not climb out of.

MTSU (0-1, 0-1) gained about half as many yards as FAU (217 to 411) and committed four turnovers to the Owls' one. The Blue Raider offense only had three drives of more than 10 yards in the game, but even some of its limited prosperity was squandered.

Trailing 24-0, MTSU managed two late touchdowns under odd circumstances.

MTSU junior quarterback Joe Craddock, making his first career start, made a circus under-handed pass to sophomore Desmond Gee for a 27-yard touchdown early in the fourth quarter.

Craddock, pressured by FAU (1-0, 1-0) defenders all afternoon, stepped away from a pass rusher. With a hand around his foot, Craddock flipped the ball to Gee, who sprinted down the sideline for the late score.

On FAU's next possession, North Lauderdale native Jeremy Kellem blocked an Owls' punt. Junior Michael Cannon scooped it and scampered 32 yards to cut FAU's lead to 24-14.

But MTSU could not extend its momentum, as FAU added a late field goal, and Craddock tossed an interception in the end zone with 2:44 remaining in the game while trying to improvise a quarterback run into a pass on third-and-10.

"We were running out of time, and I thought the play was there," said Craddock, who was 20-of-32 passing for 199 yards, one TD and two interceptions. "It still felt like it was there. We thought maybe we could do what Troy did to us last year, where we score, kick an onside kick, and score again."

MTSU put itself behind seemingly just as the game began.

FAU was stopped on its opening possession, but the ensuing punt was short and struck MTSU freshman Kevin Brown on the leg and FAU recovered the ball. MTSU challenged the call, but it was upheld and the Owls responded with a nine-play, 35-yard touchdown drive.

FAU converted two third-down plays on the abbreviated drive, and Charles Pierre dove in for a 1-yard score.

Nickson, one of the nation's top kick returners last season, mishandled FAU's ensuing kickoff. The Owls recovered and missed a field goal soon after, but MTSU's offense remained stranded on the sideline.

"That was frustrating," MTSU junior offensive tackle Franklin Dunbar said. "We thought we were getting the ball, and then we don't get the ball. Then we're ready to get the ball again, and we still don't get it."

Ultimately, FAU had the ball twice, a total of 15 plays and more than six minutes, before MTSU's offense took a snap. And once the offense finally played, its appearance became instantly forgettable.

The Blue Raiders went three-and-out on their first two possessions, managed only 44 yards of total offense in the first half and didn't pick up its initial first down until early in the second quarter.

Stockstill recognized the compounded miscues.

"The first (turnover) was when the punt hit a freshman," Stockstill said. "Then Damon drops the kickoff, and there's no excuse for that. And there's no excuse for Joe throwing that last interception. I just don't understand it."

Even when the offense's tires weren't spinning in the first half, blunders squandered any hint of momentum. With MTSU trailing 7-0 in the second quarter, two passes gave the Blue Raiders their first back-to-back first downs of the day. But after driving to the FAU 29-yard line, the next three snaps were a one-yard loss, an illegal procedure penalty and a botched shotgun snap for a 22-yard loss.

Craddock's first interception came with 49 seconds remaining in the first half, and it set up an FAU field goal.

Then an MTSU drive early in the third quarter was halted by an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty on Dunbar. FAU answered with TD passes to Jason Harmon and Cortez Gent.

FAU quarterback Rusty Smith was 12-of-26 passing for 195 yards and two scores. Charles Pierre added 95 yards on 16 rushes.

Scoring Summary

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F
Middle Tennessee	0	0	0	14	14
Florida Atlantic	7	3	7	10	27

1st Quarter
8:55 FIU Pierre 1 run (Leroy kick)

2nd Quarter
:23 FAU Leroy 30 FG

3rd Quarter
2:36 FAU Harmon 42 pass from Smith (Leroy kick)

4th Quarter
14:05 FAU Gent 14 pass from Smith (Leroy kick)
12:01 MT Gee 27 pass from Craddock (King kick)
9:26 MT Cannon 32 blocked punt return (King kick)
4:55 FAU Leroy 27 FG

	MT	FAU
FIRST DOWNS	15	20
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	32-18	42-216
PASSING YDS (NET)	199	195
Passes Att-Comp-Int	32-20-2	27-12-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	64-217	69-411
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	2-48	3-7
Kickoff Returns-Yards	6-100	1-10
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	2-5
Punts (Number-Avg)	8-36.0	7-32.4
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	1-1
Penalties-Yards	10-81	5-30
Possession Time	29:51	30:09
Third-Down Conversions	6 of 15	2 of 12
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	0-1	4-5
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-16	4-23

RUSHING: Middle Tennessee-McNair, DeMarco 11-16; Tanner, Phillip 4-15; Dasher, Dwight 2-15; Gee, Desmond 5-minus 2; Craddock, Joe 8-minus 3; TEAM 2-minus 23. Florida Atlantic-Pierre, C. 16-95; Manley, B.J. 8-64; Rose, W. 8-53; Edgecomb, D. 3-14; Johnson, C. 1-5; Clayton, S. 2-4; TEAM 1-minus 1; Smith, R. 3-minus 18.

PASSING: Middle Tennessee-Craddock, Joe 20-32-2-199. Florida Atlantic-Smith, R. 12-26-0-195; Clayton, S. 0-1-0-0.

RECEIVING: Middle Tennessee-Honeycutt, P. 6-41; Henry, Taron 4-22; Cannon, M. 3-34; Gee, Desmond 2-55; McNair, DeMarco 2-9; Grigsby, J. 1-16; Chicola, S. 1-14; Corder, Clinton 1-8. Florida Atlantic-Rose, W. 3-14; Harmon, J. 2-57; Johnson, C. 2-35; Bonner, C. 2-32; Gent, C. 2-21; Edgecomb, D. 1-36.

INTERCEPTIONS: Mid Tennessee-None. Florida Atlantic-Small, C. 1-5; Polo, T. 1-0.

FUMBLES: Middle Tennessee-TEAM 2-1; Nickson, Damon 1-1. Florida Atlantic-Smith, R. 1-1.

Attendance: 11,398
Total elapsed time: 3:08
Weather: Partly Cloudy
Temperature: 88

GAME 2 REVIEW

Blue Raiders fall short at No. 8 Louisville

#8 Louisville 58, Middle Tennessee 42

Sept. 6, 2007 ❑ Papa John's Stadium ❑ Louisville, KY

by Adam Sparks, Daily News Journal

LOUISVILLE, Ky. - MTSU and No. 8 Louisville pushed the pedal to the floor before the Blue Raiders finally ran out of gas just shy of a monumental upset.

The teams combined to score 59 points in the first 19 minutes of the game, but Louisville pulled away for a 58-42 win.

The sellout crowd of 40,882 at Papa John's Cardinal Stadium and a national TV audience saw perhaps the most exciting start to a game of the young college football season.

"I told our team we went toe to toe with the eighth-ranked team in the country," MTSU coach Rick Stockstill said after the game. "And I couldn't be more proud of them. If we played a little bit smarter and not turned it over a couple of those times, we might have had a chance to win the ballgame."

Louisville scored touchdowns on its first, fourth and seventh plays of the game, as Heisman trophy hopeful quarterback Brian Brohm led the Cardinals on quick strikes. MTSU quarterback Joe Craddock led the Blue Raiders on five consecutive touchdown drives in the first half.

Brohm went 25-of-39 passing for a career-high 401 yards and five touchdowns without an interceptions. Likewise, Craddock, making his second career start, went 14-26 passing for a career-high 290 yards and three scoring passes.

"We put up big numbers and a lot of people played their best game," Craddock said. "It was nothing I did, but we can take positives from this. If a few more things go our way, we get a (win)."

Louisville's Anthony Allen (275 yards on 35 carries) and MTSU's Phillip Tanner (144 yards on nine carries) also crushed their career-high rushing marks.

Louisville's third score, a 5-yard run by Allen, followed MTSU senior Damon Nickson's fumble on a kick return. That stood as the only significant discrepancy between the two teams' scoring pace in the first half.

Despite Louisville lighting up MTSU for 409 yards in the first half, the Blue Raiders never flinched. MTSU answered the Cardinals' early scores with 21 first-quarter points in similar fashion to Louisville's explosive offense, and the Blue Raiders did not punt until the third quarter.

After Brohm hit tight end Gary Barnidge for an 81-yard touchdown pass on the game's opening snap, MTSU countered with a 78-yard catch-and-run touchdown grab from Craddock to DeMarco McNair.

MTSU sophomore Phillip Tanner scored his first career touchdown on a 23-yard run with 10:37 remaining in the first quarter.

Louisville came back with a 13-play march to the end zone, and then Craddock dropped a flawless fade-route pass into Bobby Williams' hands for a 24-yard pass to cut the Cardinals' lead to 28-21 with 2:22 still remaining in the first quarter.

Sparked by Bradley Robinson's vicious hit at the goal line, MTSU held Louisville to a field goal to start the second quarter, serving as the first failure of either team to reach the end zone.

McNair scampered for a 39-yard touchdown run 48 seconds later to draw boos from the Louisville home crowd, as MTSU trailed 31-28.

Shortly after, the Cardinals showed the wear from the Blue Raiders' rally, as wide receiver Patrick Honeycutt was left uncovered before the snap on MTSU's next possession. Craddock tossed the ball to the wide-open Honeycutt, who ran 51 yards to the Louisville 13-yard line. Tanner then dove over left guard for a touchdown, and MTSU trailed 38-35 at halftime.

Louisville scored 13 unanswered points in the third quarter, but Tanner answered with a 79-yard touchdown run, his third score of the night.

Brohm hit Douglas for a 10-yard score to put Louisville ahead 58-42 early in the fourth quarter, and Craddock tossed a late interception to seal the outcome.

Scoring Summary

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F
Middle Tennessee	21	14	0	7	42
Louisville	28	10	13	7	58

1st Quarter
14:42 UL Barnidge 81 pass from Brohm (Carmody kick)
13:29 MT McNair 78 pass from Craddock (King kick)
12:37 UL Urrutia 71 pass from Brohm (Carmody kick)
11:20 UL Allen 5 run (Carmody kick)
10:31 MT Tanner 23 run (King kick)
5:47 UL Barnidge fumble recovery endzone (Carmody kick)
2:22 MT Williams 24 pass from Craddock (King kick)

2nd Quarter
11:58 UL Carmody 31 FG
11:10 MT McNair 39 run (King kick)
4:08 UL Allen 1 run (Carmody kick)
1:34 MT Tanner 1 run (King kick)

3rd Quarter
6:19 UL Carmody 30 FG
2:51 UL Urrutia 22 pass from Brohm (Carmody kick)
:28 UL Carmody 30 FG

4th Quarter
14:46 MT Tanner 79 run (King kick)
11:20 UL Douglas 10 pass from Brohm (Carmody kick)

	MT	LOU
FIRST DOWNS	20	35
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	29-265	53-328
PASSING YDS (NET)	290	401
Passes Att-Comp-Int	26-14-2	39-25-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	55-555	92-729
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	1-14	1-4
Kickoff Returns-Yards	9-185	7-137
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	2-7
Punts (Number-Avg)	2-39.0	1-53.0
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	2-1
Penalties-Yards	5-69	9-98
Possession Time	21:02	38:58
Third-Down Conversions	3 of 9	9 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	1 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-2	7-7
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	1-2

RUSHING: Middle Tennessee-Tanner, Phillip 9-144; McNair, DeMarco 7-72; Craddock, Joe 12-51; Gee, Desmond 1-minus 2. Louisville-ALLEN, Anthony 35-275; STRPLING, G. 6-31; BROHM, Brian 6-25; SPENCER, Sergio 4-2; TEAM 1-minus 1; DOUGLAS, Harry 1-minus 4.

PASSING: Middle Tennessee-Craddock, Joe 14-26-2-290. Louisville-BROHM, Brian 25-39-0-401.

RECEIVING: Middle Tennessee-McNair, DeMarco 3-92; Williams, Bobby 3-39; Honeycutt, P. 2-87; Chicola, S. 2-31; Gee, Desmond 2-21; Henry, Taron 2-20. Louisville-DOUGLAS, Harry 8-100; URRUTIA, Mario 7-142; BARNIDGE, Gary 4-126; SPILLMAN, J. 3-24; ALLEN, Anthony 2-minus 3; KUHN, Scott 1-12.

INTERCEPTIONS: Middle Tennessee-None. Louisville-JACKSON, Malik 1-7; COUNCIL, Rod 1-0.

FUMBLES: Middle Tennessee-Nickson, Damon 1-1; Craddock, Joe 1-1.

Attendance: 40,882
Total elapsed time: 3:54
Weather: Cloudy
Temperature: 82

GAME 3 REVIEW

No. 2 LSU shuts out Blue Raiders

#2 LSU 44, Middle Tennessee 0

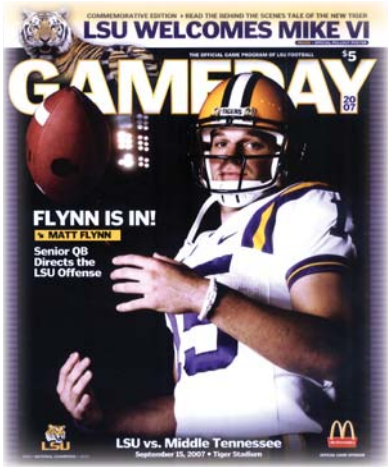
Sept. 15, 2007 ❑ Tiger Stadium ❑ Baton Rouge, LA

by Adam Sparks, Daily News Journal

BATON ROUGE, La. - Middle Tennessee got its breaks, but couldn't do anything with them in a 44-0 loss to No. 2 LSU.

The Blue Raiders (0-3) forced LSU's first turnovers of the season and contained the Tigers' (3-0) offense early on. However, they could not muster an attack against perhaps the nation's best defense and a fleeting opportunity passed MTSU by.

"You have to play perfect against a team like LSU, and we had some early chances to score," MTSU coach Rick Stockstill said. "But give their defense credit. They swamped us. They stuffed us. We just couldn't sustain drives."



MTSU marched to LSU's 33-yard line on its first offensive drive of the night, but quarterback Joe Craddock was sacked on third-and-9. The loss pushed the Blue Raiders out of field-goal range and capped their longest drive until late in the game.

MTSU did not gain another first down until the second play of the fourth quarter, a span of eight offensive possessions without moving the chains. The Blue Raiders only gained 90 total yards on 52 plays in the game. "Once we got those turnovers and got on their side of the field, (LSU) really turned up the heat on defense," said Craddock, who finished 6-of-11 passing for 59 yards.

MTSU didn't look too overmatched early on, but it did not take advantage of LSU's few miscues.

MTSU safety Dana Stewart made his first career interception, returning the pick to the LSU 44-yard line. MTSU then lost seven yards on the next two plays and ultimately failed on a fourth-and-3 conversion attempt.

LSU scored on its next play, a 62-yard pass from quarterback Ryan Perrilloux to Demetrius Byrd to go ahead 17-0.

LSU fumbled on its next offensive play nearly two minutes later when MTSU cornerback Alex Suber stripped the ball from tight end Keith Zinger.

MTSU took over at its own 49-yard line, but responded with a 1-yard run, an incomplete pass and a 15-yard loss when Craddock was sacked on third down.

"We got off the field and got turnovers, and of course, it was a frustration that we went back out there so quick," Suber said. "But that's our job on defense. We have to be able to go right back at them."

MTSU had 11 offensive possession. Eight ended on punts, two on downs and one on Phillip Tanner's fumble.

"Regardless of where we got the ball, it was hard to move the ball," MTSU offensive tackle Franklin Dunbar said. "Whether it was 50-in or in the minus yardage on our side of the field, it was hard to move the ball all night.

"This was a pretty good defense, probably the best in the country and the best we'll ever see."

As MTSU spun its tires, LSU (3-0) gradually revved its offensive engine to excite a crowd of 92,407 at Tiger Stadium.

The Tigers took advantage of prime field position and scored on an MTSU defense that showed improvement from its loss to Louisville the week before.

LSU racked up 505 total yards and 26 first downs. Perrilloux, replacing injured starter Matt Flynn (high ankle sprain), went 20-of-25 passing for 298 yards, three touchdowns and one interception.

MTSU's defense contained the Tigers early on, allowing LSU to only complete short passes underneath.

LSU ran 10 times in a 64-yard game-opening drive, but MTSU made a goal line stand capped by redshirt freshman Gary Tucker's sack on third-and-goal from the 4-yard line.

LSU settled for Colt David's 29-yard field goal to take a 3-0 lead.

MTSU's resistance began to wilt a bit beginning on LSU's second possession, as Perrilloux connected on five consecutive passes, including a 13-yard touchdown toss to running back Charles Scott.

Three Perrilloux completions converted third downs on the 12-play drive, including the scoring pass.

LSU's second touchdown didn't take nearly as long as the first. Perrilloux slung a 62-yard touchdown pass to Demetrius Byrd, who leaped over MTSU cornerback Bradley Robinson to make the grab. The score came only 12 seconds after MTSU was halted on a fourth-down play inside the LSU 40-yard line.

LSU soon sprinted away from MTSU with three third-quarter touchdowns.

Brandon LaFell ran an 18-yard reverse in for a TD, freshman Terrance Toliver snatched a 15-yard TD pass and Richard Murphy added an 8-yard scoring run.

Scoring Summary

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F
Middle Tennessee	0	0	0	0	0
LSU	10	13	21	0	44

1st Quarter
10:36 LSU David 29 FG
0:00 LSU Scott 13 pass from Perriloux (David kick)

2nd Quarter
9:47 LSU Byrd 63 pass from Perriloux (David kick)
3:04 LSU David 35 FG
0:00 LSU David 26 FG

3rd Quarter
9:07 LSU LaFell 18 run (David kick)
8:01 LSU Toliver 15 pass from Perrilloux (David kick)
1:28 LSU Murphy 8 run (David kick)

	MT	LSU
FIRST DOWNS	9	26
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	37-9	40-198
PASSING YDS (NET)	81	307
Passes Att-Comp-Int	15-8-0	28-21-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	52-90	68-505
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	2-10
Kickoff Returns-Yards	7-119	1-24
Interception Returns-Yards	1-18	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	8-37.4	1-41.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	2-1
Penalties-Yards	3-20	10-58
Possession Time	31:03	28:51
Third-Down Conversions	4 of 14	8 of 12
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 2	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	0-0	7-7
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-15	6-58

RUSHING: Middle Tennessee-Dasher, Dwight 12-30; McNair, DeMarco 8-8; Tanner, Phillip 6-2; Branton, M. 2-0; Gee, Desmond 2-minus 1; Craddock, Joe 7-minus 30. LSU-Jacob Hester 10-57; Ryan Perrilloux 8-37; K. Williams 5-30; Andrew Hatch 4-27; Brandon LaFell 1-18; Charles Scott 3-17; Richard Murphy 3-15; T. Holliday 3-4; TEAM 3-minus 7.

PASSING: Middle Tennessee-Craddock, Joe 6-11-0-59; Dasher, Dwight 2-4-0-22. LSU-Ryan Perrilloux 20-25-1-298; Andrew Hatch 1-2-0-9; TEAM 0-1-0-0.

RECEIVING: Middle Tennessee-McNair, DeMarco 2-25; Honeycutt, P. 2-21; Caldwell, Wes 1-19; Tanner, Phillip 1-8; Cannon, M. 1-5; Williams, Bobby 1-3. LSU-Jared Mitchell 6-82; Brandon LaFell 3-47; Charles Scott 3-22; Demetrius Byrd 2-86; Richard Dickson 2-20; T. Toliver 1-15; K. Williams 1-14; Ricky Dixon 1-9; Keith Zinger 1-6; Jacob Hester 1-6.

INTERCEPTIONS: Middle Tennessee-Stewart, Dana 1-18. LSU-None.

FUMBLES: Middle Tennessee-Tanner, Phillip 1-1. LSU-Keith Zinger 1-1; Jared Mitchell 1-0. Louisville-BARNIDGE, Gary 1-1; DOUGLAS, Harry 1-0.

Attendance: 92,407
Total elapsed time: 3:04
Weather: Cloudy
Temperature: 84

GAME 4 REVIEW

WKU upsets Blue Raiders

WKU 20, Middle Tennessee 17

Sept. 20, 2007 ❑ Floyd Stadium ❑ Murfreesboro, TN

by Adam Sparks, Daily News Journal

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. - MTSU recalled a series from the past, but was bitten by a Western Kentucky team eager to step into the future.

The Blue Raiders lost 20-17 at Floyd Stadium to Western Kentucky, which is still two years away from reaching the highest level of college football (Football Bowl Subdivision), in the schools' first football meeting since 1991.

The victory served as a statement game for WKU, which joins MTSU (0-4) in the Sun Belt Conference in football in 2009. It marked MTSU's seventh consecutive loss, tied for the fourth-longest losing skid in the nation.

"Being a home opener just adds to the frustration because we were real jazzed to play this game," MTSU defensive end Erik Walden said. "Give them credit, and we didn't underestimate them, but it was mind-boggling that we played so bad."

MTSU's offense was handicapped and its playbook trimmed down, as true freshman Dwight Dasher got his first career start in place of injured starter Joe Craddock.

Dasher was solid, but the Blue Raider offense was stale. MTSU gained only 288 total yards, as WKU loaded the tackle box and bottled up the Blue Raiders' ground game.

Dasher was 14-of-24 passing for 169 yards. He also led MTSU in rushing with 53 yards and guided his team on a potential game-tying drive in the final 39 seconds. Dasher had runs of 21 and 15 yards and completed two passes on the final drive, but Matt King missed a 34-yard field goal as time expired.

"I couldn't be more pleased with the way we played in the last 39 seconds," MTSU coach Rick Stockstill said. "We gave ourselves an opportunity to tie the game and go to overtime.

"We knew this would be a 60-minute game, and we played all 60 minutes. It went down to the last four seconds, but we just couldn't convert on the kick."

WKU (3-1) took a 20-17 lead on K.J. Black's 22-yard touchdown pass to Jake Gaebler on the first play of the fourth quarter. It capped a 10-play, 75-yard drive.

Black was 5-of-7 for 74 yards and one TD. He also ran for 56 yards after replacing former Smyrna High standout and WKU starter David Wolke in the second half.

"This is our new rival," Black said. "We had to make a statement. We looked at it as our Sun Belt statement game with our new rivals. We came out here with a lot of fire and we pulled this one out."

In a back-and-forth battle, MTSU went ahead 17-13 on DeMarco McNair's 4-yard touchdown run, his second score, in the third quarter. The TD was set up by Taron Henry's 32-yard catch-and-run.

But the Blue Raiders missed other touchdown opportunities, including their first possession of the night.

Dasher ran MTSU's offense at a steady tempo after the opening kickoff. The Blue Raiders' devoured nearly 10 minutes of game clock, ran 17 plays and converted two fourth-down tries, but came away with no points.

MTSU called nine consecutive running plays to start the game, including four carries by Dasher. But holding and illegal procedure penalties on back-to-back plays halted MTSU's march, and King missed a 39-yard field goal.

WKU's defense rested little, as the Blue Raiders regained possession after Erik Walden popped Wolke from behind, forcing a fumble that was recovered by Wes Hofacker at the 18-yard line.

King hit a 19-yard field goal six plays later after Dasher's 1-yard touchdown run had been negated by an illegal procedure penalty.

WKU took its first lead with a seven-play, 60-yard drive that stretched midway through the second quarter. Similar to MTSU's early offense, the Hilltoppers remained on the ground with quarterback draws, option plays and well-executed runs. A 29-yard pass from Wolke to Gaebler and an unsportsmanlike penalty on the Blue Raiders moved WKU to the MTSU 4-yard line. After a WKU penalty, Tyrell Hayden galloped in for a 9-yard TD run to put the Hilltoppers ahead 10-3.

MTSU's second score again followed a Wolke fumble, which was recovered by Blue Raider linebacker Andrew Harrington at the Hilltoppers' 32-yard line.

Dasher connected on three passes to set up an MTSU touchdown just before halftime, including a 13-yard completion to Patrick Honeycutt on fourth-and-5. McNair scored on a 1-yard run to tie the score at 10.

MTSU was outrushed 234 yards to 119. WKU's Hayden rushed for a career-high 144 yards and one touchdown.

Scoring Summary

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F
WKU	0	10	3	7	20
Middle Tennessee	3	7	7	0	17

1st Quarter
1:23 MT King 19 FG

2nd Quarter
11:07 WK James 41 FG
7:43 WK Hayden 9 run (James kick)
1:02 MT McNair 1 run (King kick)

3rd Quarter
6:14 WK James 34 FG
3:13 MT McNair 4 run (King kick)

4th Quarter
14:52 WK Gaebler 22 pass from Black (James kick)

	WKU	MT
FIRST DOWNS	16	17
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	49-234	37-119
PASSING YDS (NET)	112	169
Passes Att-Comp-Int	15-9-1	24-14-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	64-346	61-288
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	1-5	3-13
Kickoff Returns-Yards	3-54	4-77
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	1-21
Punts (Number-Avg)	3-36.3	4-38.5
Fumbles-Lost	6-2	0-0
Penalties-Yards	10-70	7-48
Possession Time	31:15	28:45
Third-Down Conversions	9 of 15	2 of 12
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	3 of 4
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-4	3-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-25	2-18

RUSHING: WKU-Hayden, Tyrell 23-144; Black, K.J. 11-56; Wolke, David 8-28; Willis, Stephen 5-18; Johnson, Jared 1-3; TEAM 1-minus 15. Middle Tennessee-Dasher, Dwight 16-53; Gee, Desmond 4-35; McNair, DeMarco 11-23; Hickmon, Ivon 1-6; Tanner, Phillip 5-2.

PASSING: WKU-Wolke, David 4-8-1-38; Black, K.J. 5-7-0-74. Middle Tennessee-Dasher, Dwight 14-24-0-169.

RECEIVING: WKU-Hamilton, C. 5-47; Gaebler, Jake 3-61; Willis, Stephen 1-4. Middle Tennessee-Henry, Taron 6-81; Honeycutt, P. 3-42; Gee, Desmond 2-9; Chicola, S. 1-22; Williams, Bobby 1-10; Cannon, M. 1-5.

INTERCEPTIONS: WKU-None. Middle Tennessee-Kellem, Jeremy 1-21.

FUMBLES: WKU-Wolke, David 2-2; Johnson, Jared 1-0; Hayden, Tyrell 1-0; TEAM 1-0; Smith, Bo 1-0. Middle Tennessee-None.

Attendance: 22,086
Total elapsed time: 3:21
Weather: Fair
Temperature: 90

GAME 5 REVIEW

Blue Raiders ride freshman to rout of FIU

Middle Tennessee 47, Florida International 6

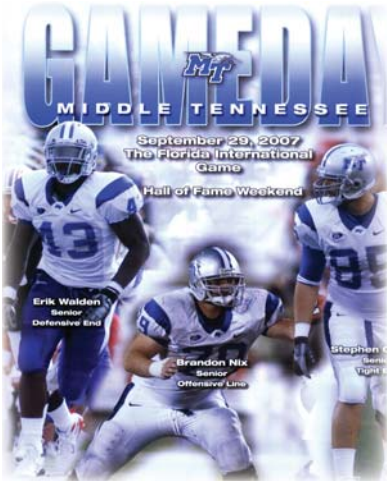
Sept. 29, 2007 ❑ Floyd Stadium ❑ Murfreesboro, TN

by Adam Sparks, Daily News Journal

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. - MTSU's slump-buster had a bit of hyperbole in the Blue Raiders' home conference opener.

The Blue Raiders broke a seven-game losing streak — their longest since 1980 — with a 47-6 rout of Florida International in front of 15,605 at Floyd Stadium.

FIU (0-5, 0-1 in Sun Belt Conference) extended the nation's longest losing streak to 17 games, last winning in the 2005 season finale against MTSU. The Blue Raiders (1-4) notched their first win since Nov. 11, 2006, and improved to 1-1 in Sun Belt play.



"It's a relief. It's a monkey off our back because we played like we know we can," MTSU wide receiver Bobby Williams said. "We've got goals we want to accomplish, and we're going to focus in on them from here on out."

MTSU started fast and furiously, posting 47 points in the first half behind multi-talented true freshman quarterback Dwight Dasher, who made his second career start in place of injured starter Joe Craddock.

Dasher accounted for five touchdowns just in the first half, including three passing and two rushing. Meanwhile, the Blue Raiders scored on seven of its first eight possessions before halftime.

"I don't know if how important it was to have a quick start, but I think it was important that something good happen to us," MTSU coach Rick Stockstill said. " ... With how our guys did this week, I sensed something special was going to happen. I was very impressed with how the team responded."

Dasher finished his night 10-of-17 passing for 240 yards, three touchdown passes and no interceptions. He also had nine rushes for 58 yards and two scores, leaving the game midway through the third quarter with MTSU leading 47-0.

His five touchdowns marked the most by an MTSU player since quarterback Josh Harris accounted for five scores on Nov. 15, 2003, in an overtime game versus Louisiana-Lafayette, and the most in regulation since 2001.

"I felt comfortable, not like a freshman," Dasher said. "I felt like I got the job done."

Dasher racked up 78 total yards on MTSU's game-opening 61-yard drive, which included two Blue Raider penalties to account for the statistical anomaly. He completed 5-of-7 passes on the first possession, the last going to Williams for a 14-yard touchdown pass.

On MTSU's third possession, Dasher escaped two tacklers in the backfield to break open a 22-yard touchdown run. It capped an abbreviated three-play drive where the Blue Raiders took advantage of prime field position, a trend throughout the first half.

Dasher ran three times and passed once on the Blue Raiders' third scoring march. He faked a quarterback draw, then stepped back to toss a 27-yard TD pass to Desmond Gee to put the Blue Raiders ahead 21-0 through one quarter.

MTSU's fourth score — a 71-yard TD toss from Dasher to DeMarco McNair — had more to do with McNair's legs than Dasher's arm. The senior tailback caught a screen pass near the line of scrimmage and sprinted past half of the FIU defense down the sideline to paydirt.

The Blue Raiders' first-half scoring spree ended with a pair of 1-yard TD runs by both Dasher and McNair and Matt King's 39-yard field goal.

MTSU also added a safety off a botched FIU punt following a high snap. FIU's Chance Attaway scored a touchdown early in the fourth quarter on a botched MTSU punt, but the Golden Panthers missed the extra-point kick.

MTSU outgained FIU 405 yards to 145, and the Golden Panthers had only 34 yards in the first half.

"They jumped out on us early and didn't stop," FIU coach Mario Cristobal said. "They outplayed us in every facet of the game. ... They coached better, they played better, and they executed better."

Scoring Summary

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F
Florida International	0	0	0	6	6
Middle Tennessee	21	26	0	0	47

1st Quarter

10:17 MT Williams 14 pass from Dasher (King kick)
2:57 MT Dasher 22 run (King kick)
:03 MT Gee 27 pass from Dasher (King kick)

2nd Quarter

11:54 MT McNair 71 pass from Dasher (King kick)
9:41 MT Team safety
6:55 MT Dasher 1 run (King kick)
3:34 MT McNair 1 run (King kick)
1:01 MT King 39 FG

4th Quarter

12:39 FIU Attaway 0 yd blocked punt return (Kick failed)

	FIU	MT
FIRST DOWNS	8	16
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	28-72	45-147
PASSING YDS (NET)	73	258
Passes Att-Comp-Int	35-13-2	25-12-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	63-145	70-405
Fumble Returns-Yards	1-4	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	3-22
Kickoff Returns-Yards	8-171	3-80
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	2-28
Punts (Number-Avg)	9-42.0	8-38.2
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	2-2
Penalties-Yards	7-71	7-56
Possession Time	26:11	33:49
Third-Down Conversions	1 of 15	5 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 4	0 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	0-0	3-3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-4	2-9

RUSHING: FIU-Ned, A'mod 13-33; Anderson, Colt 1-18; Berry, Kendall 2-14; Younger, Wayne 5-11; Reams, Julian 3-8; McCall, Paul 2-5; Jones, James 1-1; TEAM 1-minus 18. Middle Tennessee-Tanner, Phillip 12-59; Dasher, Dwight 9-58; Longoria, Jacob 3-23; McNair, DeMarco 5-9; Simpson, Salin 4-4; Branton, M. 10-3; TEAM 1-minus 3; Billings, R. 1-minus 6.

PASSING: FIU-Younger, Wayne 11-22-2-72; McCall, Paul 1-9-0-4; Anderson, Colt 1-4-0-minus 3. Middle Tennessee-Dasher, Dwight 10-17-0-240; Jackson, P. 2-7-0-18; Simpson, Salin 0-1-0-0.

RECEIVING: FIU-Berry, Kendall 5-30; Rucker, James 3-23; Hinton, Moses 1-11; Ellis, John 1-11; Whiddon, John 1-4; Turner, Trenard 1-minus 3; Frierson, Jason 1-minus 3. Middle Tennessee-Gee, Desmond 2-42; Cannon, M. 2-33; Chicola, S. 2-29; McNair, DeMarco 1-71; Tanner, Phillip 1-40; Williams, Bobby 1-14; Henry, Taron 1-11; Branton, M. 1-10; Ingle, Alvin 1-8.

INTERCEPTIONS: FIU-None. Middle Tennessee-Robinson, B. 1-28; Brown, Kevin 1-0.

FUMBLES: FIU-TEAM 1-0; Rucker, James 1-1; Younger, Wayne 1-1. Middle Tennessee-Branton, M. 2-2.

Attendance: 15,605
Total elapsed time: 3:08
Weather: Fair
Temperature: 87

GAME 6 REVIEW

FG with :08 left spoils Blue Raiders' upset bid

Virginia 23, Middle Tennessee 21

Oct. 6, 2007 ❑ Floyd Stadium ❑ Murfreesboro, TN

by Adam Sparks, Daily News Journal

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. - Virginia kicker Chris Gould's 34-yard game-winning field goal staved off a monumental upset by MTSU and saved the very goal posts through which he kicked.

MTSU fell 23-21 at Floyd Stadium, narrowly missing its most significant win in program history. Gould's kick came with eight seconds remaining, burying the Blue Raiders' celebration before a crowd of 23,227 in Floyd Stadium.

"Our guys hurt because they had a chance to do something very special (Saturday night)," MTSU coach Rick Stockstill said. "It was a phenomenal game, and our players displayed unbelievable effort.

"... Our want-to was bigger than their want-to, but they just got us in the end."

The Blue Raiders took a 21-20 lead midway through the fourth quarter when Bradley Robinson picked off a Virginia pass, and DeMarco McNair scored on a 1-yard run one play later.

MTSU milked the clock late in the fourth quarter, but left the Cavaliers too much time. Virginia quarterback Jameel Sewell completed five consecutive passes to lead the Cavaliers on a 63-yard drive in only one minute, 18 seconds, setting up Gould's game-winner.

"I made the play, and I thought that could be the play to make it for us," Robinson said. "We felt like we did what we had to do in order to get a big win, but we didn't make the plays when we had to on the last drive."

Robinson's interception was the only turnover by either team in the game, which was a back-and-forth struggle.

True freshman quarterback Dwight Dasher led MTSU in rushing and passing for a second time in his three career starts. He was 17-of-33 passing for 181 yards, two touchdowns and no interceptions. He also rushed 17 times for 63 yards.

"I felt like the way we played would be enough to win the game," Dasher said. "The end of the game changed all that."

Virginia broke a 14-14 tie on Andrew Pearman's 5-yard touchdown run on the third play of the fourth quarter, capping a 15-play, 85-yard drive.

However, Virginia was flagged for a false start on the ensuing extra-point kick. On a second try, Gould missed the PAT, and Virginia only led 20-14.

MTSU drew first blood, and Virginia chased the Blue Raiders early on.

MTSU scored on Dasher's 24-yard touchdown pass to Taron Henry near the front pylon at the goal line. Henry's grab, which came with a defender in his face, capped an 11-play, 67-yard drive on MTSU's second possession of the night.

It was also only the second pass on the drive, a steady march that included seven rushes between three and eight yards each.

The Blue Raiders held Virginia to four-plays-and-out on the ensuing possession, but gave the Cavaliers got new life on a holding penalty during the punt. MTSU's Alex Suber, who was defending Virginia's wideout on the punt, was called for holding before the kick, which gave the Cavaliers a first down.

"You'll have to ask those ACC officials about that," Stockstill said.

Virginia took advantage of its second chance, finishing the final 43 yards of the drive. Tight end John Phillips snagged a 20-yard touchdown pass from Sewell on third-and-4 to tie the score 7-7 early in the first quarter.

MTSU had two chances to make a field goal and retake the lead in the second quarter. Matt King's first field goal attempt, a 38-yarder, missed wide left but was negated by a Virginia penalty. His second try, a 33-yarder, was blocked.

"We might just have to start going for it on fourth down," Stockstill said.

About three minutes later, MTSU finished a scoring opportunity when Dasher hit Bobby Williams on a quick slant for a 7-yard touchdown pass and a 14-7 lead.

Virginia countered with a 10-play, 85-yard drive that took less than three minutes. Pearman scampered around right end and dove from the 3-yard line to paydirt to finish his 21-yard scoring run.

Sewell finished 22-of-37 passing 223 yards, one touchdown and one interception.

Anthony Glover led MTSU with seven tackles, and Trevor Jenkins had two tackles for loss.

Scoring Summary

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F
Virginia	7	7	0	9	23
Middle Tennessee	7	7	0	7	21

1st Quarter
4:36 MT Henry 24 pass from Dasher (King kick)
1:45 UVA Phillips 20 pass from Sewell (Gould kick)

2nd Quarter
9:37 MT Williams 7 pass from Dasher (King kick)
3:57 UVA Pearman 21 run (Gould kick)

4th Quarter
13:58 UVA Pearman 5 run (Gould kick failed)
7:29 MT McNair 1 run (King kick)
:08 UVA Gould 34 FG

	UVA	MT
FIRST DOWNS	23	16
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	37-151	39-127
PASSING YDS (NET)	223	181
Passes Att-Comp-Int	38-22-1	34-17-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	75-374	73-308
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	3-0	3-12
Kickoff Returns-Yards	3-42	4-96
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	1-21
Punts (Number-Avg)	8-40.9	8-40.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	5-49	5-40
Possession Time	28:58	31:02
Third-Down Conversions	7 of 16	6 of 17
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	1 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-3	2-3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-13	2-15

RUSHING: Virginia-Keith Payne 18-70; Andrew Pearman 5-45; Cedric Peerman 5-19; Jameel Sewell 6-8; Chris Gorham 1-8; Rashawn Jackson 1-3; TEAM 1-minus 2. Middle Tennessee-Dasher, Dwight 17-63; McNair, DeMarco 17-49; Tanner, Phillip 4-11; Longoria, Jacob 1-4.

PASSING: Virginia-Jameel Sewell 22-37-1-223; TEAM 0-1-0-0. Middle Tennessee-Dasher, Dwight 17-33-0-181; Honeycutt, P. 0-1-0-0.

RECEIVING: Virginia-Tom Santi 5-82; Andrew Pearman 5-56; Jonathan Stupar 3-27; John Phillips 3-25; Dontrelle Inman 2-8; Cary Koch 1-12; Josh Zidenberg 1-11; Chris Gorham 1-4; Cedric Peerman 1-minus 2. Middle Tennessee-Grigsby, J. 3-39; McNair, DeMarco 3-18; Henry, Taron 2-36; Williams, Bobby 2-27; Chicola, S. 2-15; Cannon, M. 2-10; Honeycutt, P. 1-24; Tanner, Phillip 1-9; Longoria, Jacob 1-3.

INTERCEPTIONS: Virginia-None. Middle Tennessee-Robinson, B. 1-21.

FUMBLES: Virginia-Keith Payne 1-0. Middle Tennessee-Tanner, Phillip 1-0.

Attendance: 23,227
Total elapsed time: 3:25
Weather: Partly Sunny
Temperature: 89

GAME 7 REVIEW

Dasher leads Blue Raiders to in-state victory

Middle Tennessee 21, Memphis 7

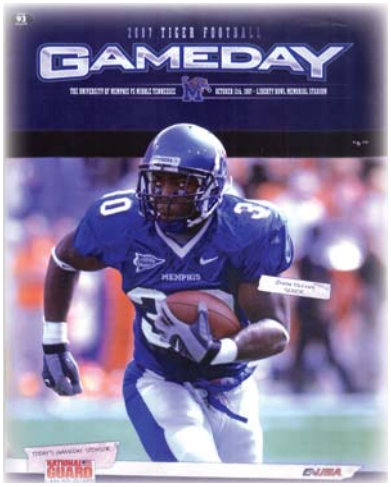
Oct. 13, 2007 ❑ Liberty Bowl Memorial Stadium ❑ Memphis, TN

by Adam Sparks, Daily News Journal

MEMPHIS, Tenn. - MTSU did more with less opportunities on the road.

The Blue Raiders beat Memphis 21-7 in front of a crowd of 30,101 at the Liberty Bowl, converting the Tigers' lone turnover into the go-ahead score in the first meeting between the schools since 1954.

"When we're talking a little bit (with Memphis) and things got going, it got to be a rivalry real quick," MTSU senior running back DeMarco McNair said. "We were due for a big win and getting it in-state against a good team feel pretty good."



MTSU took a 14-7 lead in the third quarter by turning around its own mistake.

After the Blue Raiders drove 61 yards to the Memphis 13-yard line, true freshman quarterback Dwight Dasher tossed an interception in the end zone while avoiding pressure. It was Dasher's first career thrown interception, but the MTSU defense atoned for the young quarterback's error one play later. Linebacker Danny Carmichael exploded through the Memphis offensive line and nailed the Tiger tailback, whose fumble was recovered by defensive end Tavares Jones at the 14-yard line.

The Blue Raiders took advantage of a second scoring chance. Desmond Gee ran for nine yards. McNair followed with three rushes, including a 1-yard score.

MTSU committed four turnovers in the game, but Memphis did not convert any for points on the Blue Raider mistakes.

"We won the game despite not playing our best game because we didn't protect the football," MTSU coach Rick Stockstill said. "We were fortunate to win the game, and our defense played really well."

Dasher had one interception and one fumble, but he remained the driving force behind MTSU's victory.

Dasher faked a handoff and scampered 61 yards for a nail-in-coffin touchdown with 3:46 remaining in the game. The freshman finished with 180 rushing yards, the most ever by a quarterback in MTSU history.

Dasher was also 16-of-26 passing for 230 yards, one touchdown and one interception.

"I made some mistakes, and I told myself that I wasn't going to make anymore," Dasher said. "I put them behind me and got a big play. That was a big relief when I got the touchdown."

MTSU's fastest man showed his wheels on the game's opening drive. McNair made a fingertip catch on a swing pass from Dasher and sprinted through a gauntlet of Memphis tacklers en route to a 55-yard touchdown.

Memphis answered with a 40-yard drive, but MTSU broke up back-to-back passes and Tigers kicker Matt Reagan missed a 47-yard field goal.

Memphis tied the score 7-7 late in the first quarter when Duke Calhoun snagged a 19-yard touchdown pass from Will Hudgens. The score was set up by 6-foot-8 Carlos Singleton's 41-yard leaping catch over 5-10 cornerback Bradley Robinson.

Dasher connected on back-to-back passes to start MTSU's ensuing possession, but wide receiver Patrick Honeycutt's tossed an interception on a trick play on the first play of the second quarter. Honeycutt caught a lateral from Dasher and threw a deep pass intended for Desmond Gee, but Memphis defensive back Tony Bell recovered to make the over-the-shoulder pick.

"This was a good win for our program, a good win over Conference USA and good win for our team because we've been in some close games this year that we haven't been able to pull out," Stockstill said. "I'm happy for our players and for our school."

Scoring Summary

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F
Middle Tennessee	7	0	7	7	21
Memphis	7	0	0	0	7

1st Quarter
11:34 MT McNair 55 pass from Dasher (King kick)
:58 UM Calhoun 19 pass from Hudgens (Reagan kick)

3rd Quarter
8:15 MT McNair 1 run (King kick)

4th Quarter
3:46 MT Dasher 61 run (King kick)

	MT	UM
FIRST DOWNS	21	13
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	47-260	28-91
PASSING YDS (NET)	230	157
Passes Att-Comp-Int	27-16-2	36-14-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	74-490	64-248
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	2-2
Punt Returns-Yards	2-4	1-5
Kickoff Returns-Yards	2-29	3-64
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	2-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-37.2	9-37.6
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	1-1
Penalties-Yards	5-50	7-49
Possession Time	32:32	27:28
Third-Down Conversions	8 of 15	5 of 17
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 1	0 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-2	1-1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-6	0-0

RUSHING: Middle Tennessee-Dasher, Dwight 19-180; McNair, DeMarco 17-50; Tanner, Phillip 9-20; Gee, Desmond 1-9; Jackson, P. 1-1. MEMPHIS-PITTS, T.J. 14-49; HUDGENS, Will 6-15; DOSS, Joseph 5-15; BARNES, Miguel 2-7; JONES, Maurice 1-5.

PASSING: Middle Tennessee-Dasher, Dwight 16-26-1-230; Honeycutt, P. 0-1-1-0. MEMPHIS-HUDGENS, Will 13-35-0-134; JONES, Maurice 1-1-0-23.

RECEIVING: Middle Tennessee-Gee, Desmond 4-41; Chicola, S. 3-32; Ingle, Alvin 2-32; Longoria, Jacob 2-12; McNair, DeMarco 1-55; Tanner, Phillip 1-26; Williams, Bobby 1-18; Henry, Taron 1-13; Honeycutt, P. 1-1. MEMPHIS-CALHOUN, Duke 4-51; SINGLETON, C. 2-45; WILLIAMS, E. 2-14; PITTS, T.J. 2-2; HUDGENS, Will 1-23; RUSSELL, Brett 1-10; BLACK, Steven 1-10; DOSS, Joseph 1-2.

INTERCEPTIONS: Middle Tennessee-None. MEMPHIS-BELL, Tony 1-0.

FUMBLES: Middle Tennessee-Robinson, B. 1-1; Dasher, Dwight 1-1. MEMPHIS-PITTS, T.J. 1-1.

Attendance: 30,101
Total elapsed time: 3:08
Weather: Partly Cloudy

GAME 8 REVIEW

Defense leads the way in convincing win over ASU

Middle Tennessee 24, Arkansas State 7

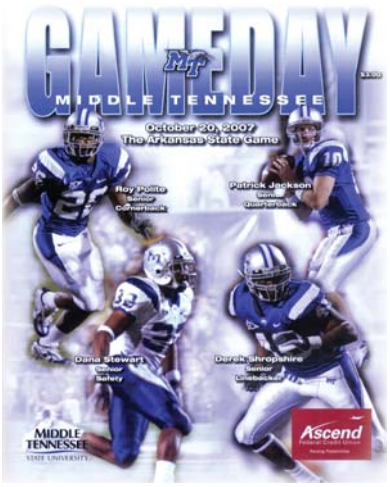
Oct. 20, 2007 ❑ Floyd Stadium ❑ Murfreesboro, TN

by Adam Sparks, Daily News Journal

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. - MTSU penned part five of a familiar tale.

MTSU beat Arkansas State 24-7 for its fifth consecutive win over the Indians. ASU has never beaten the Blue Raiders in Floyd Stadium in five trips to Murfreesboro.

"I don't know if it's something we're doing or something they're not doing, but we always play them well," MTSU fifth-year senior Taron Henry said. "They're always on a roll when they get to us and maybe they just underestimate us. Maybe they just think they can show up in Murfreesboro and win the game, but that's not the case."



MTSU scored 24 points in the first 21 minutes of the contest and handed the game's outcome to a seething defense, which responded with its stingiest performance of the year.

The Blue Raider defense notched a school record nine sacks and limited the Sun Belt's No. 1 offense to a mere 138 total yards and eight first downs. The Indians averaged 210 rushing yards per game, but managed only 22 yards on the ground against MTSU.

"Football is a game about passion, and our guys played with it," MTSU coach Rick Stockstill said. "That was the No. 1 offense in the conference, No. 1 defense in the conference and No. 1 scoring offense in the conference, but we hold them to seven points and 138 yards when they had (681) yards last week.

"... I thought we were dominating on defense. To me, this was about toughness. We were a much tougher team than they were (Saturday). I'm not trying to downgrade them or anything, but when you do what we did on defense, it's all about who was tougher."

MTSU forced four turnovers, including two that resulted in the game's first pair of touchdowns. Freshman defensive back Rod Issac scooped an ASU fumble on the game's third play and returned it 42 yards for a touchdown. Freshman Jeremy Kellem picked off two ASU passes, including one in the end zone.

MTSU followed Kellem's first interception with an 11-play, 80-yard drive, capped by true freshman quarterback Dwight Dasher's 17-yard touchdown pass to Henry.

Dasher temporarily left the game with an ankle injury, and former starter Joe Craddock returned after missing the last four games with a back injury. Both quarterbacks were also simultaneously featured in unique formations throughout the game.

With Dasher sidelined, Craddock tossed a 52-yard touchdown pass to Henry to put MTSU ahead 24-7 early in the second quarter.

"That felt great after being out so long," Craddock said. "I had a little success and I guess made the right read on the touchdown. That felt good."

Craddock, a junior, was 2-of-4 passing for 61 yards and one touchdown.

Dasher was 9-of-20 passing for 118 yards, one touchdown and one interception. Dasher also rushed for 96 yards, giving him 495 yards for the season, which is the most rushing yards by an MTSU quarterback in the Football Bowl Subdivision era (formerly Division I-A).

The game broke a tie for third place in the Sun Belt. MTSU (3-5) moved to 2-1 in conference play. ASU (3-4) fell to 1-2 in league play.

MTSU leads ASU in the all-time series 8-1. ASU coach Steve Roberts is now 1-5 against MTSU (including 0-3 in Murfreesboro) and 18-13 versus all other Sun Belt opponents.

"(MTSU) is no different than any other place we play," Roberts said. "We just didn't play well and they played great."

Scoring Summary

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F
Arkansas State	0	7	0	0	7
Middle Tennessee	14	10	0	0	24

1st Quarter

13:32 MT Issac 42 fumble return (King kick)
2:32 MT Henry 17 pass from Dasher (King kick)

2nd Quarter

14:38 MT DeFatta 38 FG
12:22 ASU McNeal 6 pass from Leonard (Arauco kick)
9:06 MT Henry 52 pass from Craddock (King kick)

	ASU	MT
FIRST DOWNS	8	22
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	33-22	49-205
PASSING YDS (NET)	116	179
Passes Att-Comp-Int	19-9-3	24-11-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	52-138	73-384
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	1-42
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	1-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	5-102	2-31
Interception Returns-Yards	1-7	3-16
Punts (Number-Avg)	5-43.2	4-38.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	2-0
Penalties-Yards	4-50	6-50
Possession Time	24:25	35:35
Third-Down Conversions	3 of 13	6 of 17
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 3	3 of 3
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-2	1-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-10	9-57

RUSHING: Arkansas State-Arnold, Reggie 14-39; Wilkerson, C. 1-2; Johnson, Tyrell 1-minus 1; Leonard, Corey 17-minus 18. Middle Tennessee-Dasher, Dwight 20-96; McNair, DeMarco 19-75; Gee, Desmond 3-29; Tanner, Phillip 6-12; TEAM 1-minus 7.

PASSING: Arkansas State-Leonard, Corey 9-19-3-116. Middle Tennessee-Dasher, Dwight 9-20-1-118; Craddock, Joe 2-4-0-61.

RECEIVING: Arkansas State-Thompkins, B. 3-69; Jones, Kevin 2-22; Miller, Chris 2-14; McNeal, Danny 1-6; Wilkerson, C. 1-5. Middle Tennessee-Henry, Taron 3-71; Gee, Desmond 3-19; Honeycutt, P. 2-13; Cannon, M. 1-49; Tanner, Phillip 1-22; Ingle, Alvin 1-5.

INTERCEPTIONS: Arkansas State-Johnson, Tyrell 1-7. Middle Tennessee-Kellem, Jeremy 2-0; Robinson, B. 1-16.

FUMBLES: Arkansas State-Jones, Kevin 1-1. Middle Tennessee-Dasher, Dwight 1-0; TEAM 1-0.

Attendance: 12,505
Total elapsed time: 2:57
Weather: Sunny
Temperature: 79

GAME 9 REVIEW

Walden, Jones wreak havoc in road win

Middle Tennessee 48, North Texas 28

Oct. 27, 2007 ❑ Fouts Field ❑ Denton, TX

by Adam Sparks, Daily News Journal

DENTON, Tex. - MTSU both inflicted and suffered pain Saturday night.

The Blue Raiders defeated North Texas 48-28 to gain ground in the Sun Belt title race, but lost its quarterback, at least for a time.

MTSU (4-5 overall) improved to 3-1 in Sun Belt play for a tie for second place with Florida Atlantic (3-1), which suffered its first Sun Belt loss Saturday. Only Troy (5-0) lies ahead of MTSU in the standings, while FAU has the head-to-head tiebreaker over the Blue Raiders, who have three conference games remaining.

"We're not going to lose focus of the present, and (Saturday night) we got a tough road win," MTSU coach Rick Stockstill said. "We had so many people hurt in this game, that it was a credit to our players to win on the road. That's hard, and this team did it."

MTSU suffered a rash of injuries, including freshman starting quarterback Dwight Dasher's ailment originally diagnosed as a left knee sprain suffered in the second quarter. Dasher did not return to the game, and he will undergo an MRI as soon as today.

Former starter Joe Craddock finished the game under center, but the Blue Raider defense determined the game's outcome.

MTSU had four interceptions and two safeties by early in the fourth quarter while the offense sputtered a bit.

With the Blue Raiders clinging to a 37-28 lead, defensive end Tavares Jones leaped high to make an interception on Giovanni Vizza's screen pass. Jones rumbled 44 yards to the UNT 5-yard line, and running back Phillip Tanner, a Dallas native, scored one play late in the third quarter.

"The linemen let me go free, and they never do that," Jones said. "So I stepped back and jumped up to get it. I thought I'd score, but I ran out of gas."

UNT desperately tried to jump-start its offense in the fourth quarter while MTSU defenders blitzed the Mean Green backfield.

Vizza threw an interception, his fourth of the game, to MTSU defensive end Erik Walden while under pressure.

MTSU punter David DeFatta then landed back-to-back boots on the UNT 1-yard line, and the Mean Green suffered two safeties. Vizza was flagged for intentional grounding in the end zone for the first safety, and running back Jamario Thomas was dropped for a loss for the second safety.

"We knew North Texas had problems with pressure, and we brought plenty of it," Walden said.

MTSU's defense recorded two sacks, eight tackles for loss and five turnovers.

MTSU running back DeMarco McNair added his third touchdown of the night in the fourth quarter to finish off UNT.

After a lackluster start, MTSU surged ahead with three unanswered touchdowns in about a four-minute span midway through the first half.

Junior Michael Cannon sparked the spurt with a punt block that rested on UNT's 10-yard line. Four plays later, McNair dove over left guard for a 1-yard touchdown to give MTSU its first lead at 10-7.

UNT fumbled on the first play on its ensuing possession, and MTSU freshman Gary Tucker recovered on the Mean Green 32-yard line.

Dasher and Craddock then completed a combined 5-of-6 passes, including Dasher's 10-yard pass to Taron Henry on fourth-and-9 to keep the drive alive. Dasher connected on a 7-yard score to wideout Patrick Honeycutt, his first career TD reception. Matt King missed the extra-point kick, and MTSU led 16-7.

UNT failed on a third consecutive series, going three-and-out, and MTSU took over at its own 49-yard line. On the first snap of the possession, Henry got UNT's cornerback to bite on an out-and-up route, and Dasher hit him in stride for a 51-yard catch-and-run touchdown to put the Blue Raiders ahead 23-7 with 12:49 remaining in the second quarter.

UNT rallied with back-to-back scoring drives of 79 and 80 yards.

The first march ended on Vizza's 20-yard TD pass to Sam Dibrell and the second finished with Vizza's 9-yard TD toss to Casey Fitzgerald.

The Blue Raiders regained the game's momentum but lost Dasher during a scoring drive just before halftime.

MTSU marched 83 yards in 12 plays, but Dasher was injured on the 11th snap of the possession. Dasher scrambled right for a pass, tried to cut left to evade three Mean Green defenders at the 4-yard line and rolled over in pain grabbing his left leg. He was helped off the field and did not return.

One play after Dasher's injury, Craddock tossed a 4-yard TD pass to McNair to put MTSU up 30-21 at halftime.

Scoring Summary

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F
Middle Tennessee	10	20	7	11	48
North Texas	7	14	7	0	28

1st Quarter

10:28 NT Thomas 77 run (Moreland kick)
4:33 MT DeFatta 39 FG
1:55 MT McNair 1 run (King kick)

2nd Quarter

14:04 MT Honeycutt 7 pass from Dasher (King kick failed)
12:49 MT Henry 51 pass from Dasher (King kick)
11:07 NT Dibrell 20 pass from Vizza (Moreland kick)
6:56 NT Fitzgerald 9 pass from Vizza (Moreland kick)
:40 MT McNair 4 pass from Craddock (King kick)

3rd Quarter

10:13 NT Vizza 2 run (Moreland kick)
3:43 MT Tanner 5 run (King kick)

4th Quarter

14:27 MT Team safety
11:13 MT Walden tackle Thomas for safety
8:17 MT McNair 18 run (King kick)

	MT	UNT
FIRST DOWNS	21	21
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	42-132	22-87
PASSING YDS (NET)	203	296
Passes Att-Comp-Int	38-22-0	45-25-4
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	80-335	67-383
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	2-15	3-19
Kickoff Returns-Yards	7-136	8-140
Interception Returns-Yards	4-46	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	8-47.2	5-39.8
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	2-1
Penalties-Yards	9-86	13-110
Possession Time	36:08	23:00
Third-Down Conversions	5 of 16	5 of 12
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 2	1 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	6-6	3-3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-11	1-1

RUSHING: Middle Tennessee-McNair, DeMarco 11-62; Tanner, Phillip 9-34; Dasher, Dwight 10-24; Gee, Desmond 4-22; Cannon, M. 1-6; Craddock, Joe 4-6; TEAM 3-minus 22. North Texas-Thomas, Jamario 10-89; Mosley, Micah 4-3; Vizza, Giovanni 8-minus 5.

PASSING: Middle Tennessee-Dasher, Dwight 16-21-0-159; Craddock, Joe 6-17-0-44. North Texas-Vizza, Giovanni 25-45-4-296.

RECEIVING: Middle Tennessee-Henry, Taron 6-103; Gee, Desmond 5-15; Williams, Bobby 4-36; McNair, DeMarco 2-14; Honeycutt, P. 2-11; Tanner, Phillip 1-14; Cannon, M. 1-7; Grigsby, J. 1-3. North Texas-Dibrell, Sam 8-121; Fitzgerald, Cas 8-100; Thomas, Jamario 4-16; Mosley, Micah 1-27; Stickler, Brock 1-16; Jackson, Brando 1-7; Washington, Kor 1-7; Venegas, Adam 1-2.

INTERCEPTIONS: Middle Tennessee-Nickson, Damon 2-0; Jones, Tavares 1-46; Walden, Erik 1-0. North Texas-None.

FUMBLES: Middle Tennessee-Craddock, Joe 1-0; TEAM

Attendance: 18,181
Total elapsed time: 3:39
Weather: Clear

GAME 10 REVIEW

Robinson's kickoff return gives MT dramatic win

Middle Tennessee 43, ULM 40

Nov. 3, 2007 ❑ Malone Stadium ❑ Monroe, LA

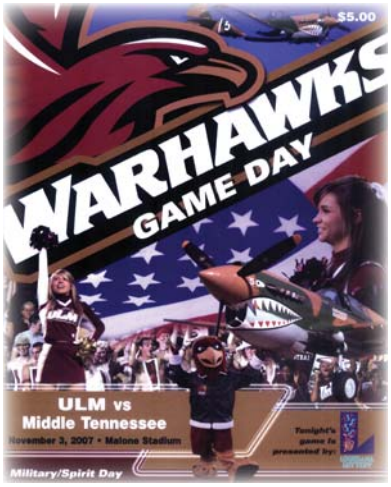
by Adam Sparks, Daily News Journal

MONROE, La. - MTSU coach Rick Stockstill cited divine intervention.

His players thought they had one big play left in them.

Perhaps both were correct in MTSU's wild 43-40 win over Louisiana-Monroe.

"The football gods were looking down on us (Saturday) night," Stockstill said. "We got a big play, and we believed we would. We had a belief on that sideline that the game was never over. As long as time was left, we could win it and we did."



MTSU senior Bradley Robinson broke an 89-yard kick return with 45 seconds remaining to put the Blue Raiders (5-5, 4-1) ahead 43-40.

ULM's hook-and-ladder play near midfield failed as time expired.

Robinson's touchdown was his first kick return attempt of his career, and it capped a topsy-turvy night where records fell and leads were whisked away in moments.

There were three lead changes on three touchdowns in the final 2:36.

MTSU quarterback Joe Craddock scored on a 1-yard touchdown dive on fourth-and-1 to put the Blue Raiders ahead 37-33 with 2:36 remaining. ULM answered with a quick-strike, 65-yard drive, capped by Zeek Zacharie's 6-yard TD catch with 57 seconds remaining to give the Warhawks a 40-37 lead.

After Robinson returned the game-winning score, Matt King missed the ensuing extra-point kick, but ULM could not reach field-goal range in the waning seconds for a chance to force overtime.

"That's about as wild as they get, and you've got to take your hat off to both teams for putting together a game like that," said MTSU defensive end Erik Walden, who had a career-high 12 tackles.

Craddock, the former starting quarterback replacing injured freshman Dwight Dasher in the lineup, had one of the program's all-time performances.

Craddock broke the school record with 471 yards of total offense. He also accounted for five touchdowns (four passing, one rushing). His 401 passing yards ranks third all-time.

"To be honest, we came in wanting to run the ball," said Craddock, who led MTSU with 70 rushing yards. "The credit for all those yards goes to the other 10 guys with me. I wasn't pressured one time, and our guys caught it and ran with it."

ULM had its own record-breaking performance.

Senior running back Calvin Dawson had a school-record 329 all-purpose yards while also breaking the Warhawks' career rushing record.

The win keeps MTSU in the Sun Belt title race. If the Blue Raiders win their two remaining games versus Louisiana-Lafayette and at Troy, they will share the conference championship for a second straight year.

"At times it looked good in this one, and at times it looked bad," Walden said. "But we kept fighting, and we'll keep fighting this season."

The game's back-and-forth tempo started long before the eventful ending.

Craddock hit Jonathan Grigsby for a 94-yard touchdown pass to put MTSU ahead 30-26 early in the third quarter, the longest play from scrimmage in ULM's Malone Stadium history.

ULM answered with Dawson's 62-yard touchdown run to put the Warhawks ahead 33-30 with 10:33 remaining in the third quarter.

ULM quarterback Kinsmon Lancaster fumbled and threw an interception on second-half drives, but MTSU did not score any points off either takeaway.

MTSU had to fight to regain the game's momentum, which it lost in a 34-second span just before halftime.

MTSU's Alex Suber intercepted Lancaster's pass to halt ULM's drive at the 10-yard line. Three plays later on third-and-12 from the 8, MTSU's Desmond Gee was dropped for a safety on a reverse that cut the Blue Raiders' lead to 24-19. On the ensuing free kick, ULM's Dawson broke a 54-yard return to MTSU's 27-yard line.

Lancaster hit LaGregory Sapp three plays later for a 4-yard TD pass, capping ULM's nine-point flurry in 34 seconds. ULM led 26-24 at halftime.

MTSU scored on four of its first five possessions.

Sophomore kicker David DeFatta capped the first drive with a 47-yard field goal, the longest of his career.

Craddock connected with Desmond Gee for touchdown passes of 42 and 66 yards in the first half and hit redshirt freshman Alvin Ingle for an 11-yard score.

Scoring Summary

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F
Middle Tennessee	10	14	6	13	43
ULM	7	19	7	7	40

1st Quarter
10:25 MT DeFatta 47 FG
6:46 ULM Dawson 17 run (Wilson kick)
:28 MT Gee 42 pass from Craddock (King kick)

2nd Quarter
12:38 ULM Dawson 7 run (Wilson kick)
9:32 MT Ingle 11 pass from Craddock (King kick)
3:53 ULM Wilson 20 FG
2:14 MT Gee 66 pass from Craddock (King kick)
1:14 ULM Coleman tackle Gee for safety
:40 ULM Sapp 4 pass from Lancaster (Wilson kick)

3rd Quarter
11:53 MT Grigsby 94 pass from Craddock (King kick blocked)
10:33 ULM Dawson 62 run (Wilson kick)

4th Quarter
2:36 MT Craddock 1 run (King kick)
:57 ULM Zacharie 6 pass from Lancaster (Wilson kick)
:45 MT Robinson 89 kickoff return (King kick failed)

	MT	ULM
FIRST DOWNS	23	30
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	35-98	47-360
PASSING YDS (NET)	401	264
Passes Att-Comp-Int	29-22-0	38-24-2
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	64-499	85-624
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	1-4
Kickoff Returns-Yards	7-201	8-171
Interception Returns-Yards	2-0	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-41.5	3-42.3
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	2-2
Penalties-Yards	9-63	15-131
Possession Time	28:59	31:01
Third-Down Conversions	4 of 11	7 of 14
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	3 of 3
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-2	5-6
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-8	0-0

RUSHING: Middle Tennessee-Craddock, Joe 11-70; McNair, DeMarco 16-35; Gee, Desmond 8-minus 7. ULM-Dawson, Calvin 17-180; Lancaster, K 16-138; Goodin, Frank 10-33; McNeal, Darrell 4-9.

PASSING: Middle Tennessee-Craddock, Joe 22-29-0-401. ULM-Lancaster, K 24-38-2-264.

RECEIVING: Middle Tennessee-Gee, Desmond 4-139; Williams, Bobby 4-32; Honeycutt, P. 3-46; Grigsby, J. 2-109; Chicola, S. 2-18; Ingle, Alvin 2-17; McNair, DeMarco 2-12; Corder, Clinton 1-16; Henry, Taron 1-9; Cannon, M. 1-3. ULM-McNeal, Darrell 9-57; Sapp, LaGregory 6-90; Zacharie, Zeek 4-32; Dawson, Calvin 3-67; Humphrey, Marty 2-18.

INTERCEPTIONS: Middle Tennessee-Robinson, B. 1-0; Suber, Alex 1-0. ULM-None.

FUMBLES: Middle Tennessee-Gee, Desmond 1-0. ULM-Dawson, Calvin 1-1; Lancaster, K

Attendance: 10,228
Total elapsed time: 4:00
Weather: Clear

GAME 11 REVIEW

ULL ruins Senior Day/Homecoming for Blue Raiders

Louisiana-Lafayette 34, Middle Tennessee 24

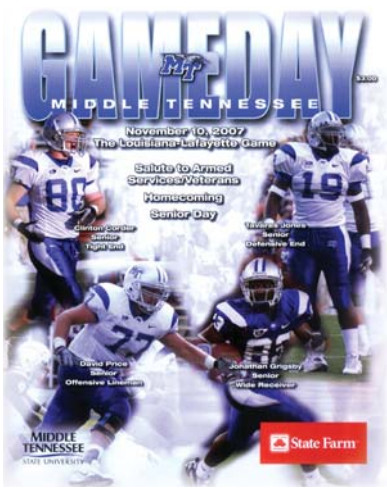
Nov. 10, 2007 ❑ Floyd Stadium ❑ Murfreesboro, TN

by Adam Sparks, Daily News Journal

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. - MTSU was more than one miracle shy of a win, as the Blue Raiders' Sun Belt title hopes entered the category of long shot with a 34-24 loss to Louisiana-Lafayette.

MTSU had a four-game winning streak broken in its home finale for the second straight year, and its scenario of sharing the conference title now relies on an extensive series of events.

"There was a lot on the line like the Sun Belt title and a bowl game," said MTSU senior receiver Taron Henry, a Murfreesboro native. "This was the last time that I'll step off the field that I've been playing on for 12 or 13 years. That hurt me a lot."



For MTSU (5-6, 4-2) to earn a share of the Sun Belt title, Florida Atlantic (4-1 in Sun Belt) must lose to Florida International, (0-4) and Troy (5-0) must lose its last two games to MTSU (Nov. 20) and Florida Atlantic (Dec. 1).

The Blue Raiders led Louisiana-Lafayette 14-0 early in the first quarter, but were outscored 34-10 from there.

ULL, the Sun Belt's No. 1 rushing offense, ran for 376 yards a week after MTSU allowed 360 rushing yards to Louisiana-Monroe. ULL junior Michael Desormeaux, the nation's top rushing quarterback, ran for 175 yards on 19 carries. Tailback Tyrell Fenroy added 100 yards on 24 rushes.

"It was kind of the similar to the ULM game," MTSU defensive back Rod Issac said. "We just came out with our jazz level not up enough, and they punched us square in the mouth for it."

ULL outgained MTSU 528 yards to 256, yet the Blue Raiders led 21-14 at halftime.

The Ragin' Cajuns (2-8, 2-3) scored on second-half drives of 70, 97 and 48 yards. Two of ULL's late scoring drives were prolonged by MTSU defensive penalties.

MTSU was called for defensive holding on ULL's failed third-and-15 pass play in the third quarter that yielded an automatic first down. Desormeaux followed with a 4-yard touchdown pass to Kevin Belton.

The dagger was delivered when MTSU's Erik Walden was called for roughing the passer after ULL failed to pick up a first down on third-and-9 midway through the fourth quarter. ULL's Jason Chery then took a reverse pitch around the left end for 31 yards to put MTSU away with 8:27 remaining.

MTSU closed the game with a three-and-out series and an interception thrown by freshman quarterback Dwight Dasher.

Dasher, who missed last week's game due to knee and ankle injuries, replaced starter Joe Craddock in the second quarter and showed rustiness.

Dasher finished 5-of-11 passing for 29 yards and one interception. Craddock was 8-of-11 passing for 89 yards, two touchdowns and no interceptions before being replaced in the second quarter with the score tied 14-14.

MTSU coach Rick Stockstill said he was displeased in Craddock's decision-making in taking two sacks and nearly throwing an interception, and added that he did not consider putting Craddock back in the game.

"I didn't think Joe was playing particularly well," Stockstill said. "... Dwight is not healthy, but with the way Joe was playing (Dasher) was a better option. But Dwight's time being out the last couple of weeks showed.

"I thought Dwight gave us the best chance of winning the game. Even him not being full speed, I still thought we had a better chance of winning the game with him."

MTSU took a 14-0 lead on Craddock touchdown passes to seniors Taron Henry and Jonathan Grigsby.

Grigsby's 11-yard TD catch in the corner of the end zone capped a nine-play, 55-yard drive that took only three minutes, 12 seconds.

For MTSU's second score, Craddock was sacked for a seven-yard loss and then nearly tossed an interception on the next play, the 32-yard touchdown pass to Henry. The pass went through ULL defensive back Torres Kingsby's hands and ricocheted into Henry's grasp, who ran untouched to the end zone. The score was set up by Issac's first career interception near the ULL goal line.

The Cajuns tied the game 14-14 with back-to-back second-quarter scoring drives, one with a steady running game and another with a breakaway run.

ULL ran 10 times and passed only once for its first score, a 1-yard run by Deon Wallace. The second score was sparked by Desormeaux's 86-yard scramble to the MTSU 2-yard line. Tyrell Fenroy scored on a run two plays later.

"There were a lot of missed tackles," senior defensive back Roy Polite said. "They ran hard through us, and then they got long runs off missed tackles, too."

MTSU lost its third straight home finale.

"It donned on me that this was my last game in this stadium, and for it to end this way is killing me inside," said Walden, who had a game-high 11 tackles. "I'm trying not to show it, but it really hurts."

Scoring Summary

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F
Louisiana-Lafayette	0	14	7	13	34
Middle Tennessee	7	14	3	0	24

1st Quarter
8:18 MT Grigsby 11 pass from Craddock (DeFatta kick)

2nd Quarter
13:59 MT Henry 32 pass from Craddock (DeFatta kick)
10:46 UL Wallace 1 run (Edmiston kick)
7:39 UL Fenroy 2 run (Edmiston kick)
1:35 MT McNair 1 run (DeFatta kick)

3rd Quarter
10:59 UL Belton 4 pass from Desormeaux (Edmiston kick)
6:40 MT DeFatta 20 FG

4th Quarter
10:57 UL Wallace 52 pass from Desormeaux (Edmiston kick)
8:27 UL Chery 31 run (Edmiston kick failed)

	ULL	MT
FIRST DOWNS	25	16
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	58-376	40-138
PASSING YDS (NET)	152	118
Passes Att-Comp-Int	20-13-2	22-13-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	78-528	62-256
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	3-12	1-10
Kickoff Returns-Yards	4-96	6-100
Interception Returns-Yards	1-7	2-24
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-40.2	7-53.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	11-99	7-64
Possession Time	31:46	28:14
Third-Down Conversions	7 of 13	4 of 12
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-4	4-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	4-34	0-0

RUSHING: UL-Desormeaux, Mic 19-175; Fenroy, Tyrell 24-100; Wallace, Deon 9-49; Chery, Jason 3-47; Levier, Abdule 2-6; TEAM 1-minus 1. Middle Tennessee-Gee, Desmond 8-71; McNair, DeMarco 17-63; Dasher, Dwight 9-9; Cannon, M. 1-7; Craddock, Joe 5-minus 12.

PASSING: UL-Desormeaux, Mic 13-20-2-152. Middle Tennessee-Craddock, Joe 8-11-0-89; Dasher, Dwight 5-11-1-29.

RECEIVING: UL-Fenroy, Tyrell 3-26; Chery, Jason 3-25; Falgout, Richie 2-31; Levier, Abdule 2-6; Wallace, Deon 1-52; Lee, Louis 1-8; Belton, Kevin 1-4. Middle Tennessee-Honeycutt, P. 4-22; Henry, Taron 3-52; McNair, DeMarco 3-11; Ingle, Alvin 1-15; Grigsby, J. 1-11; Cannon, M. 1-7.

INTERCEPTIONS: UL-Blount, Gerren 1-7. Middle Tennessee-Issac, Rod 1-24; Polite, Roy 1-0.

FUMBLES: UL-Fenroy, Tyrell 1-0. Middle Tennessee-Craddock, Joe 1-0.

Attendance: 19,227
Total elapsed time: 3:10
Weather: Partly Sunny

GAME 12 REVIEW

Blue Raiders drop regular season finale

Troy 45, Middle Tennessee 7

Nov. 20, 2007 ❑ Movie Gallery Stadium ❑ Troy, AL

by Adam Sparks, Daily News Journal

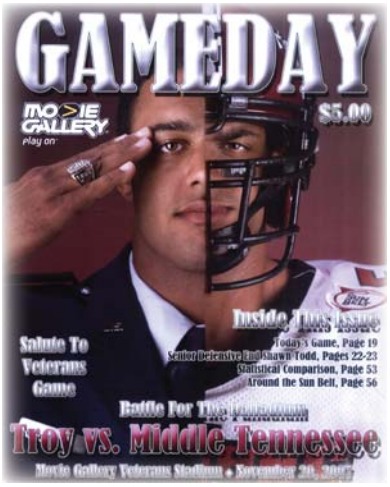
TROY, Ala. - There was no happy ending to MTSU's season.

No even 6-6 record. No closure with an upset of a conference rival. No lasting crest to an up-and-down year.

MTSU lost 45-7 to Troy, a team perhaps headed to a second straight Sun Belt Conference title and third bowl game in four years since joining the league in 2004.

"We had to play perfect, and we didn't play perfect," MTSU coach Rick Stockstill said. "We've played all (the Sun Belt teams) now, and I think they're the best.

"But I'm still proud of the way our guys fought. We were really beat up before this game and got nicked up even more in this game. We couldn't match up with them in the second half, and we ran out of bodies."



The Blue Raiders finished the year at 5-7 overall, 4-3 in Sun Belt play, and trailing two of the teams in the standings to which it lost (Troy, Florida Atlantic).

Troy (8-3, 6-0) will play host to Florida Atlantic (5-5, 4-1) on Dec. 1 for the Sun Belt championship.

MTSU held its own against the Sun Belt front-runner early on, but its end still came swiftly in some respects.

The Trojans' high-octane offense scored three first-half touchdowns on drives all using less than one-minute, 30 seconds of game clock time.

Troy capped a six-play, 54-yard drive in just one minute, 20 seconds with Omar Haugabook's 8-yard touchdown pass to Gary Banks.

The drive was aided by an MTSU pass interference penalty on a third-and-10 deep pass into the end zone. The flag gave the Trojans a new set of downs, and Troy took a 7-0 lead two plays later.

Troy added a field goal on a drive of nearly three minutes, a marathon march in comparison to the Trojans' early scores.

While MTSU failed to finish reasonable drives, Troy kept its foot on the accelerator, scoring touchdowns on offensive possessions of one minute, 12 seconds and one minute, 19 seconds. Both were aided by MTSU special teams miscues.

MTSU's punt was blocked deep in its own territory, and Haugabook scored on a 6-yard run soon after.

MTSU sophomore Desmond Gee then muffed a punt return on the Blue Raiders' 26-yard line after Troy's ensuing possession, and the Trojans reached paydirt again on Sean Dawkins' 1-yard TD run.

"We gave them two touchdowns (with special teams miscues), and you can't do that against an explosive offense," MTSU defensive end Erik Walden said. "Early on, we helped them out and they capitalized on it."

Troy slowed down the pace and cruised to two third-quarter touchdowns for a 38-7 lead to seal the outcome.

Haugabook, the reigning Sun Belt Player of the Year, was 16-of-29 passing for 194 yards, one touchdown and one interception.

Troy's offense racked up 551 total yards, while MTSU managed only 209 yards (65 from its lone scoring drive).

MTSU junior quarterback Joe Craddock was locked in early on. He completed his first 10 passes of the game and broke for a 34-yard run to set up the Blue Raiders' lone score.

Craddock tossed a play-action pass to tight end Stephen Chicola for a 5-yard touchdown that finished a 65-yard drive and tied the score 7-7 late in the first quarter.

Craddock finished 18-of-25 passing for 116 yards, one touchdown and one interception.

Scoring Summary

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F
Middle Tennessee	7	0	0	0	7
Troy	10	14	14	7	45

1st Quarter
6:20 T Banks 8 pass from Haugabook (Whibbs kick)
4:54 MT Chicola 5 pass from Craddock (DeFatta kick)
2:04 T Whibbs 41 FG

2nd Quarter
10:49 T Haugabook 6 run (Whibbs kick)
6:11 T Dawkins 1 run (Whibbs kick)

3rd Quarter
8:00 T Cattouse 1 run (Whibbs kick)
1:32 T Haugabook 1 run (Whibbs kick)

4th Quarter
10:29 T Williams 16 pass from Jones (Whibbs kick)

	MT	Troy
FIRST DOWNS	12	37
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	28-93	56-263
PASSING YDS (NET)	116	288
Passes Att-Comp-Int	28-18-1	39-24-2
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	56-209	95-551
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	1--1	4-57
Kickoff Returns-Yards	6-142	2-27
Interception Returns-Yards	2-0	1-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	10-35.7	3-44.7
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	5-44	6-55
Possession Time	25:44	34:16
Third-Down Conversions	3 of 13	8 of 14
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	0 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-1	7-7
Sacks By: Number-Yards	5-50	2-12

RUSHING: Middle Tennessee-McNair, DeMarco 10-43; Craddock, Joe 8-40; Gee, Desmond 3-8; Dasher, Dwight 7-2. TROY-Haugabook,Omar 16-64; Harris,DuJuan 11-57; Cattouse,Kenny 10-49; Moreland,Xavier 5-27; Dawkins,Sean 6-25; Jernigan,Jerrel 2-22; Jones,Tanner 2-10; Hampton,Jamie 4-9.

PASSING: Middle Tennessee-Craddock, Joe 18-25-1-116; Dasher, Dwight 0-3-0-0. TROY-Haugabook,Omar 16-29-1-194; Jones,Tanner 5-6-0-61; Hampton,Jamie 3-4-1-33.

RECEIVING: Middle Tennessee-Gee, Desmond 5-41; McNair, DeMarco 3-14; Honeycutt, P. 2-20; Henry, Taron 2-9; Cannon, M. 2-4; Dasher, Dwight 1-10; Grigsby, J. 1-9; Chicola, S. 1-5; Williams, Bobby 1-4. TROY-Jernigan,Jerrel 5-74; Banks,Gary 4-45; Williams,C. 3-31; Cattouse,Kenny 3-31; Allen,Josh 2-35; Burton,Kennard 1-14; Turner,Fred 1-13; Bray,Justin 1-11; Marcum,Zack 1-9; Moreland,Xavier 1-9; Terry,MyKeal 1-9; Davis,Andrew 1-7.

INTERCEPTIONS: Middle Tennessee-Robinson, B. 1-0; Stewart, Dana 1-0. TROY-Mack,Elbert 1-0.

Attendance: 18,242
Total elapsed time: 3:18
Weather: Fair