

Students will stage 'Die-Ins' on April 6

Morehead State University students, faculty and staff will commemorate the 12th anniversary of the genocide which occurred in Rwanda, Africa, on Thursday, April 6, with several educational events.

MSU students will stage "Die-Ins," which is a variation of the sit-in protests of the 1960s and '70s. Participating students will lie on the ground wearing signs denoting Rwandan, Bosnian, Jew, Native American, Sudanese and Armenian ethnicity, all of whom were or are the targets of genocidal campaigns. This will occur at the Little Bell Tower at 12:45 p.m.

At 1:05 p.m., students will meet at the Bell Tower for a moment of silence, brief remarks and a call to action. In case of rain, the event will occur inside the Adron Doran University Center.

At 7 p.m. Thursday in room 111 of the Claypool-Young Art Building will be the screening of the award winning film "Hotel Rwanda," which depicts the 100 days of genocide in the country of Rwanda.

The day is part of the "Power to Protect Campaign" National Week of Action, a weeklong series of events to raise awareness and inspire action to cease genocide and crimes against humanity.

"We are sponsoring this 'Day of Action' to remind our community that genocide happens - present tense. It is not something that 'happened' only in Europe in the 1940s," said Noelle N'Diaye, assistant professor of government.

"There are too many examples of violations of human dignity in our global history, and the only way to end this legacy is for individuals to get involved. The Die-In, the screening of Hotel Rwanda and the sharing of information are the first steps in creating a campus and community of individuals who are sensitive to their roles as global citizens, and who act collectively to benefit humanity."

Additional information is available by contacting N'Diaye at (606) 783-2708.

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Advance registration is scheduled for April 10-14

Morehead State University is offering some new classes, additional programs and options to suit the needs of students in its course offerings for Summer I, Summer II and the 2006 Fall Semester.

Students are encouraged to register early when there is the best variety of classes available. Advance registration for the summer sessions and fall term will be held Monday through Thursday, April 10-13, at Morehead State University and its five regional campuses.

Classes are taught online, with the virtual university or in a typical classroom setting.

From MSU's Web site, current students may register for classes, pay fees and holds, order textbooks; and view transcripts, grades, official academic checksheets, transfer course equivalencies and academic policies via Eagle Express. A list of courses also is available in the class schedule listing.

Current students may register from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day at MSU. Graduate students, and current seniors and juniors will register on Monday, April 10. All classifications may register Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 11-13.

Transfer students may register on Friday, April 14, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., at all locations.

MSU offers online bachelor's degree "completer" programs designed primarily for graduates of the Kentucky Community & Technical College System (KCTCS). These programs are designed to allow KCTCS graduates to

earn bachelor's degrees while continuing to meet work and family obligations and without traveling long distances. Courses are offered via the Internet, providing busy adults the opportunity to complete class work at a time and place convenient to them.

Current students may register via MSU's Web site (www.moreheadstate.edu), beginning at 8 a.m. on Monday. Those who do not have a Personal Identification Number (PIN) will be given the option to choose one when they log onto the student user page.

Textbooks for the classes are available from the University Bookstore, located in the Adron Doran University Center. Orders may be placed by calling (888) STORE-05 or via the Internet at www.bookstore.moreheadstate.edu . Purchases will be shipped to the address specified by the student. Details on the registration process are available on the Registrar's Web site or by calling the Office of the Registrar at (606) 783-2008.

Advance registration will be held at the five regional campuses during the same period. Additional information is available by calling:

Sandy Cargill, **MSU at Ashland** director, locally at (606) 327-1777 or toll free at (800) 648-5370;

Dr. Will Kayatin, director of **MSU at Jackson** , locally at (606) 666-2800 or toll free at (800) 729-5225. Students who will take classes at Hazard and Hindman also may pre-register at MSU Jackson during this period.

Dr. Janet Kenney, director of **MSU at Mt. Sterling** , locally at (859) 499-0780 or toll free at (866) 870-0809;

Lula Bowling, director at **MSU at Prestonsburg** , locally at (606) 886-2505 or toll free at (800) 648-5372;

Dr. Jonell Tobin, director, and Sherry Fannin, extended campus assistant, at **MSU at West Liberty** , locally at (606) 743-1500 or toll free at (800) 648-5371.

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Teachers may get assistance for AP program

Scholarship assistance is now available for teachers who plan to participate in Morehead State University's Advanced Placement Summer Institute training program which will be held July 10-14 on the campus.

A limited number of scholarships, funded by the Kentucky Advanced Placement Incentive Program (KAPIP), will be available on a first come, first serve basis to Kentucky residents. The award covers tuition costs and fees. Applications will be sent to high school APSI coordinators on Monday, April 17.

APSI participants at MSU will gain valuable curriculum structure, content of specific courses with attention to the development of curriculum, teaching strategies and the relationship of the course to the AP Examination.

MSU's APSI will host 20 of College Boards 30 plus subjects. Subjects offered include: art history, biology, calculus AB, chemistry, economics-macro/micro combined, English language, English literature, environmental science, European history, French language, German Language, human geography, music theory, physics, psychology, Spanish language, statistics, U.S. government and politics, U.S. history and world history.

Each participant may enroll in one course. The fee is \$400, plus an additional \$25 lab fee for biology, chemistry, environmental science and physics. Registrations for MSU's APSI are available online at www.moreheadstate.edu/oce.

Scholarship information is available through the Kentucky Department of Education, AP consultant Jim Beward at (502) 564-4772, ext. 4537; or jim.beward@education.ky.gov .
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Regional students attend H.O.T. conference

Hundreds of high school students in Northeast Kentucky want to protect themselves and their peers from the dangers of using tobacco. Many of them, including several from Bath, Menifee, Morgan and Rowan counties, brought that message to Morehead State University.

Meeting at the Helping Overcome Tobacco (HOT) Conference in March, the students attended informational sessions, designed and recorded video messages for policymakers and rallied to heighten awareness of tobacco-related issues in their schools and personal lives. It was part of the youth tobacco movement in Kentucky dedicated to reducing tobacco use and its negative consequences.

The conference, coordinated by ALERT Regional Prevention Center in Ashland, was one of nine held statewide this spring, was designed to build capacity for tobacco prevention advocacy, activities and strategies.

As a visual reminder of the tobacco-related deaths, the students set out 147 pairs of men's women's and children's shoes in front of Button Auditorium, representing what the organization says is the number of tobacco-related deaths that occur in the state each week.

"Our goal is to start a movement with these youth and we think there's enough interest and passion to start it," said Amy Jeffers, ALERT prevention specialist.

Among other incentive items, H.O.T. conference participants were given a notebook filled with fact sheets on tobacco use and health statistics, tips for contacting elected officials (along with the legislators' addresses and phone numbers), interviewing techniques suggestions and sample forms to assist them set up public awareness

campaigns.

"Our motto here at this conference is 'You Have a Choice, You Have a Voice,'" Jeffers said.

At the conclusion of the conference, many of the student participants gathered on the steps of MSU's Button Auditorium for the event's press conference.

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Annual PKP banquet and induction is Saturday night

Dr. Larry T. McGehee, retired vice president and professor emeritus of religious studies at Wofford College, will be the keynote speaker at the Morehead State University chapter of the National Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi's annual spring banquet.

The event is scheduled for Saturday, April 8, at 6 p.m. in the Crager Room of the Adron Doran University Center.

Dr. McGehee earned his B. A. degree in English in 1958 from Transylvania University, completed a Danforth Fellowship to Yale in 1960, and received B.D., M.A., and Ph.D. degrees in religious studies in the 1960s.

Prior to Wofford College, he was chancellor of University of Tennessee at Martin for eight years and then special assistant to the president for the UT system for three years.

Dr. McGehee also was executive vice president and academic vice president during his time at the University of Alabama where he also taught American Studies.

During his 23 years at Wofford College, he expanded the circulation of his weekly newspaper column, Southern Seen, to 100 newspapers in eight southern states with a combined circulation of one million subscribers.

Selected columns have been published as Southern Seen: Meditations on Past and Present (University of Tennessee Press, 2005 paperback). Dr. McGehee enjoyed an "Andy Warhol 15 minutes of fame" in 1972 when his 250-word commencement address at the University of Alabama was printed internationally by TIME magazine and numerous other magazines and newspapers.

He now teaches a senior honors seminar in American religious history. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi, and ODK honor societies. He has served on both the Tennessee and the South Carolina state humanities councils and on the boards of both the University of Alabama and University of Tennessee university presses, and he served a year as president of the Tennessee College Association.

Following dinner, Phi Kappa Phi will honor freshmen who achieved a perfect 4.0 grade point average last semester, award scholarships to outstanding sophomores, and induct new members.

Additional information may be obtained from Jo Jennings by calling (606) 783-2807.

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2006 Spring Gala 'Riverboat' to be held April 29

It's time to roll on the river when Morehead State University presents its 2006 Spring Gala, "Riverboat!," on Saturday, April 29.

Board the Queen of the Mountains for a starlight cruise. Mingle with the guests, try your luck in the casino, dine on fine cuisine and make your souvenir purchases at the live and silent auctions.

"It will be all that and great music," said Al Baldwin, one of the event's organizers. "This promises to be an exciting evening with time to visit with the Captain and First-mate, President and Mrs. Wayne D. Andrews," he said.

The evening will begin at the harbor, (Adron Doran University Center) with gala goers arriving at 6 p.m. for a reception. Dinner will be served at 6:45 p.m. in the Crager Room.

After dinner, one may choose to check out the silent, online or live auctions, or participate in the riverboat-style casino on ADUC's first and second floor lobby areas. The entertainment will be continuous casino-style, featuring some of MSU's most talented musicians.

New this year at the gala will be an opportunity to win a 2006 Harley Davidson Heritage Softail Classic Motorcycle. Only 500 tickets will be sold at \$100 each. Tickets can be purchased at the front desk in ADUC, the University Store, or in Palmer Development House.

The Harley is on display in the University Store. The drawing will be held on Saturday evening during the gala. Winner need not be present to win.

Tickets are \$1,600 for corporate sponsors, which includes a reserved table for eight and listing in the program. The cost is \$125 for individual sponsors. Both packages include a contribution to the MSU Foundation Inc.

Proceeds from the gala will benefit the University's academic programs. This year's goal is to raise \$150,000.

Reservations should be made by April 14. Additional information on "Riverboat!" is available by calling the Office of the President at (606) 783-2022 or on the Web at www.moreheadstate.edu/gala/ .
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MSU's Regional Foreign Language Festival set for April 13

Approximately 1,000 students are expected to participate in Morehead State University's Regional Foreign Language Festival on Thursday, April 13.

The students will represent 13 senior high schools and two middle schools throughout Eastern Kentucky, according to Dr. John Secor, MSU associate professor of French and festival coordinator.

High schools participating include: Madison Central High, Fleming County High, Paul G. Blazer Independent, Rowan County Senior High, Johnson Central High, East Carter High, Raceland Worthington Senior High, Powell County High, Russell Independent High, Menifee County High, Elliott County High, Saint Patrick's, and Lawrence County High. Also participating are Frankfort Christian Academy Middle and Raceland Worthington Middle schools.

The event includes academic competition in listening, speaking and writing proficiency; literary recitation; extemporaneous prose reading; drama; and construction models in French, German, Latin, Russian, and Spanish. Non-academic events include frameable art, realia, costumes, dance, and chorus in the same languages. These events will be held in the Adron Doran University Center, Button Drill Room and Breckinridge Hall. The projects in the Button Drill Room are open to the public from approximately 1 to 2 p.m. The drama, dance, and choral events held in the Crager Room, ADUC, are open to the public and they take place from 9 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

Faculty members from MSU's Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy, graduates, and area residents will serve as festival judges.

Assisting Dr. Secor will be Vandy Trent, departmental secretary; MSU students Nakisha Pergram of Winchester and Amber Hillerman of Pikeville, as the student directors; and MSU foreign language students as judges' assistants.

Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-2746 or 783-2582.

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Alcohol screening offered to students

Morehead State University will give its students a chance to learn information about alcohol and how it can affect their lives.

MSU's Counseling Center and Life Enhancement Office will sponsor an "Alcohol Screening Day" on Tuesday, April 11, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. on the second floor of the Adron Doran University Center (ADUC).

April is Alcohol Awareness Month and the program addresses a range of drinking behaviors from risky drinking to alcohol dependence. "Alcohol Screening Day" is designed to raise public awareness about the consequences of at-risk drinking and alcohol's effect on general health.

As part of the program, participants will complete a brief written screening and have the opportunity to talk privately with a health professional. The program is free and confidential.

The dissemination of information is based on facts that students need to know about alcohol:

- About 25 percent of college students report academic consequences of their drinking including missing class, falling behind, doing poorly on exams or papers, and receiving lower grades overall.
- More than 150,000 students develop an alcohol-related health problem and between 1.2 and 1.5 percent of students indicate that they tried to commit suicide within the past year due to drinking or drug use.
- 1,400 college students between the ages of 18 and 24 die each year from alcohol-related unintentional injuries, including motor vehicle crashes.
- More than 600,000 students between the ages of 18 and 24 are assaulted each year by another student who has been drinking.

An online assessment is available at www.moreheadstate.edu/leo.

Participants will receive a free T-shirt while supplies last. Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-5248.

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Film by MSU professor will be viewed overseas

A film by Jeffrey Hill, a Morehead State University faculty member, will be premiered overseas later this month.

The film, "The Assembler," about Lexington folk artist Bob Morgan, has aired on Kentucky Educational Television and has been accepted to numerous North American festivals.

It will be seen April 20-25 in Denmark at the Aarhus Festival of Independent Arts. It also will be screened June 1-15 at the Filmstock in the United Kingdom.

"It is so gratifying to see my work recognized by the filmmaking community as meritorious," said Hill, assistant professor of mass communication in MSU's [Department of Communication and Theatre](#). Additional information is available by calling Hill at (606) 783-9383.

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Chef Haynes wins awards for culinary skills

As a chef, Aramark's Michael Haynes always looks to prepare a better meal than the last. With more than 15 years of culinary experience, Chef Haynes enjoys a challenge of his talents.

Morehead State University's executive chef finished second overall and captured the top spot in three categories during the 5th annual Culinary Showcase held in late February at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tenn.

"It was my first organized competition, I was mainly concerned with putting up a few good dishes inside the time window and being able to feed the 500 or so guests," said Haynes. "It is always intimidating to be in an unfamiliar kitchen with a new student helper."

Haynes, a graduate of the French Culinary Institute in New York, won the plate presentation, apprentice coordination and chef's award in the two-day event.

The competition opened Friday and after a reception, the chefs had to design what they would make from "the mystery basket" of items they had drawn earlier. After completing the menu for the showcase, each chef had to submit a written copy of all items that would be used.

On Saturday, preparations began at 8 a.m. and judging started at 1 p.m.

Chef Haynes' menu included four different selections for judging:

- A fricassee of fried artichokes, black beans, zucchini, and red pots.
- Tuna Etouffee with Kielbasa, shrimp, and bacon.
- Shrimp toast, served with ginger, garlic sesame oil on toast points with pineapple ponzu dipping sauce.
- Fennel seared tuna, served with cucumber and tomato salad, basil aioli, chive oil and kalamata olive tapenade.

"I was pleasantly surprised with the ingredients I drew to work with and was lucky enough to get a great student worker," he said. "We did two more dishes than required and were the first one to complete all of our presentation dishes."

He was assisted by Shayne Guess, a worker for Sewanee Dining since 2005 and currently is a Vegan Cook.

Haynes, a native of Danville, worked in restaurants in the Lexington area through his high school and college days. At 22, he left for New York and culinary school. Along with NYC, he has spent time in North Carolina and Boston.

He returned to the Commonwealth in 2002, the year his daughter, Addison Charlotte Haynes, was born. Haynes has worked for Aramark for the past 11 months.

Additional information about Chef Haynes is available by calling (606) 783-2797.

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Information on graduate degree offered at MSU at Jackson, April 26

To allow those in the region to become more marketable, Morehead State University will offer its Master of Arts in Adult and Higher Education degree in East Kentucky.

Beginning with the fall semester, students may pursue the master's degree option at the Morehead State University at Jackson center. One class will be offered face-to-face each term. Students will be able to register for additional courses offered through the Internet each term. To answer questions and provide information, MSU will host an informational meeting on Wednesday, April 26, at the MSU Jackson center, located at the Breathitt County Life Skills Center, 1127 Main Street in Jackson. Faculty from the University's Department of Counseling, Leadership, Adult and Higher Education will join Dr. Will Kayatin, director of MSU Jackson, and representatives of the regional campus programs, beginning at 6 p.m.

MSU's adult and higher education graduate program is designed to develop the capacity of individuals to plan, organize and carry through a variety of education and service programs to meet adult learners' needs in postsecondary and adult continuing education institutions. The program is flexible in that students may plan their programs for preparation in teaching, administration, student personnel or developmental studies.

The option is geared to those individuals who need credentialing in their work, said Dr. James B. Canipe, assistant professor of education. "This will be a good alternative for those who do program planning, work in adult learning centers and institutions of higher learning," he said.

"The greatest asset is that the program is blendable-it will fit with a variety of others-and students can enroll on a full or part-time basis depending on their area of specialization. It will be compatible with an adult-learning venue.

"Completion of the offering could lead to the Specialist in Education degree," Dr. Canipe added.

Additional information is available by calling the MSU at Jackson regional campus at (606) 666-2800 or toll free at (800) 729-5225.

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Football team honored with a resolution from MSU Board of Regents

For winning its fourth consecutive Pioneer Football League South Division, the Morehead State football squad was honored with a resolution during MSU's Board of Regents meeting.

Head coach Matt Ballard and several players were recognized at the event. Ballard, the winningest coach in MSU history, was honored for his 72-57 record.

Nick Feldman, Little Suamico, Wis., sophomore, who was the NCAA's Division I-AA nationally statistical champion in punt returns, and Kwesi Williams, Louisville senior, were named First Team Division I-AA Mid-Major All-Americans by The Sports Network.

Feldman, Williams, and offensive lineman Grant Jennings, Lakeside Park junior, were named First Team

Division I-AA Mid-Major by the Don Hansen's Football Gazette.

The team lost to San Diego in the PFL title game.

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MSU announces SOAR dates

MSU is recognized as one of the top public universities in the South in the 2006 edition of "America's Best Colleges" by U.S. News & World Report." The University is ranked in the top 25 public institutions that grant bachelor's and master's degrees in 12 states, including Kentucky, West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia, Arkansas and Louisiana.

Morehead State University will hold its first pair of Student Orientation, Advising and Registration (SOAR) days on Friday and Saturday, April 21 and 22, to assist new students in getting acquainted with the University and its programs and register for the 2006 fall semester.

A student must be accepted to MSU before they can participate, and **parents are encouraged to attend**. New this year will be a welcome reception held the evening prior at the Adron Doran University Center (ADUC).

Other SOAR sessions, which will follow the same format, will be held June 10, June 15, June 20, July 14 as well as July 25, for incoming freshmen, transfer students and their parents.

"SOAR is an important part of the college experience," said Lora Pace, director of first-year programs and retention. "It provides students with the foundation necessary to begin their university career at Morehead State."

The activities will start with check-in at 8:30 a.m. on the first floor of ADUC. Following SOAR registration, students will have their photographs taken for the University's identification card, the EagleCard. Students will then visit with academic representatives about a selected major and have a chance to discuss their banking needs with US Bank representatives.

At 9:30 a.m., the group will be welcomed in the Crager Room of ADUC.

From 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., informational programs designed for students and parents will be presented on the building's third floor. Representatives from the Office of Financial Aid, student housing, academics, police, student organizations, food services, EagleCard and University Bookstore will be available to answer questions.

At 12:30 p.m., the campus visitors will be divided into groups of their chosen educational discipline for advising and course registration. Prospective students may visit residence halls along with other points of interest via campus tours, beginning at 12:45 p.m.

Pre-registration for the SOAR program is necessary due to limited space. There are two ways to register: visit the Web page www.moreheadstate.edu/soar and click on the date that you would prefer to attend and complete the registration form; or call the Office of First Year Programs at (606) 783-5018.

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Battlefields theme of conference, April 13-15

Morehead State University, in association with the Kentucky Heritage Council, the Kentucky Historical Society, the Kentucky Military History Museum, the Perryville Battlefield Preservation Association and the Battlefield Restoration and Archaeological Volunteer Organization, will sponsor the 2nd International Conference on Identities through Battlefields.

The event will be held April 13 - 15 in Morehead.

Dr. Adrian Mandzy, assistant professor of history, and Dr. Robert Frank, associate dean of international education, will serve as conference organizers.

The 2004 conference brought together scholars from Great Britain, Australia and the United States to present papers on aspects of past wars. This year's convention will expand the study of the construction of identities based on past battles and wars.

Doug Scott, best known for his study of the Little Bighorn Battlefield, will be the banquet speaker.

On Thursday, April 13, the conference participants will tour two of the most important Civil War sites in Kentucky - Camp Nelson and the Perryville Battlefield. On Friday, scholars will discuss questions that relate to battlefields throughout the world. On Saturday, the conference will conclude with a series of discussions about preserving and managing battlefields.

The cost for the entire three-day conference is \$45, which includes registration for the conference, cost of the battlefield tour and the banquet. For those wishing to participate in only the battlefield tour or the conference proceedings, the cost is \$25.

Registration for the conference is available by calling Dr. Mandzy at (606) 783-2898.

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Get your ticket to ride

New this year as part of Morehead State University's Spring Gala is the opportunity to win a 2006 Harley Davidson Heritage Softail Classic Motorcycle.

Only 500 tickets will be sold at \$100 each. Tickets may be purchased at the front desk in the Adron Doran University Center, the University Store, or in the Palmer Development House. The Harley is on display in the University Store.

The drawing will be held on April 29 during the gala. The winner need not be present to win.

Proceeds from the gala will benefit the University's academic programs.

Additional information and ticket purchases by phone are available by calling the MSU's Office of Development at (606) 783-2033 or (877) 690-GIVE (4483).

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Economic development is subject of talk at KFAC

The next installment of the series "Appalachia: Yesterday and Today" at Morehead State University will feature a joint presentation by a noted historian and an economic development leader.

Dr. Ronald D. Eller and Justin Maxson will present "Appalachian Economic Development: Historical Models and Contemporary Visions" at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 12, at the Kentucky Folk Art Center.

Dr. Eller is an associate professor of history and director of the Appalachian Center at the University of Kentucky and one of the leading historians on the industrial transformation of the Appalachian Mountains in the 19th and 20th centuries. He coordinates research and service programs on policy issues including education, economic development and leadership, but is perhaps best known as the author of the book "Miners, Millhands and Mountaineers: The Modernization of the Appalachian South, 1880-1930."

Maxson is president of the Mountain Association for Community Economic Development (MACED) in Berea. MACED works to sustain economic development, promote responsible stewardship of natural resources and to provide opportunities for low-income persons.

"Economic development in the Appalachian region has been sometimes fraught with challenges, but even today there are clear examples of success," said Dr. John Hennen, associate professor of history and director of MSU's Appalachian Heritage Program. "Today the economy of our region is at a historical crossroads. We wonder what economic forces will shape our future, and how our local and regional economies will adjust in these ever changing times. Professor Eller and Mr. Maxson will offer a fascinating discussion on these and other issues."

The event, which is free and open to the public, is presented by KFAC and the Appalachian Heritage Program.

The Kentucky Folk Art Center is a cultural, educational and economic development service of Morehead State University. The Center is open Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, 1-5 p.m. seasonally. Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-2204.

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'Mountaintop Removal Mining' will be discussed at forum

Morehead State University will be the site for a panel discussion on "Mountaintop Removal Mining" on Wednesday, April 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the Button Drill Room.

Mountaintop removal is a method of surface coal mining where the land is not returned to its original contour to achieve a specific land use following mining (equal to or better than the pre-mining land use).

Bill Caylor, president of the Kentucky Coal Association, will present a 10-minute overview of the reclamation process, developmental potential and photos of earthworms found on a reclaimed site.

Ken Ward, Charleston Gazette journalist, will offer a counterpoint. He will talk on the safety issues as a result of mountaintop removal.

Dr. John Hennen, associate professor of history, will serve as the moderator and timekeeper.

Other panelists include:

Steve Gardner, coal mining engineer; State Rep. Jim Gooch; Kim Nelson, coal industry lobbyist; Patrick McGinley, attorney; Amanda Moore, former attorney for the Appalachian Citizen Law Center; and Tony Oppgard, former mine safety regulator.

After an hour, the forum will be opened up for questions from the crowd.

The event is co-sponsored by MSU's Appalachian Studies Program and the University's Student Government Association.

Additional information is available from Dr. Hennen, at (606) 783-2767

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Education leaders will hold conference at MSU, April 10 and 11

Morehead State University's College of Education and the Appalachian Regional P-16 Council are sponsoring a two-day conference, "Reaching Proficiency: Together We Can."

The event will be held Monday and Tuesday, April 10-11, at the Adron Doran University Center and feature Dr. Willard Daggett, president of the International Center for Leadership in Education .

The proficiency challenge of 2014, and the federal requirements of No Child Left Behind, demand that educators at all levels work together to improve student achievement. Perhaps a greater challenge is to prepare students to compete on an international scale for jobs, promotion, and economic success.

This two-day conference is designed to forge new partnerships and to strengthen existing ones. Dr. Daggett will provide challenge and guidance to district teams who desire bold, yet proven strategies designed to bring about improved student learning. He is recognized worldwide for his proven ability to move education systems towards more rigorous and relevant skills and knowledge for all students and has assisted a number of

states and hundreds of school districts with their school improvement initiatives, many in response to No Child Left Behind.

Dr. Daggett has collaborated with education ministries in several countries and with the Council of Chief State School Officers, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the National Governors Association, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, Apple Computer and many other national organizations.

Additionally, university educators will be active participants with district personnel, seeking opportunities to work with P-12 partners on a continuing basis as together we embrace the challenges of the future.

Also serving as speakers are: Secretary of Education Virginia Fox; Dr. Linda France, deputy commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Education; Barbara Kennedy, director of the division of school improvement; and Dr. Dale Duvall, MSU associate dean of the P-16 program.

Morehead State President Wayne D. Andrews will welcome the educators and introduce Fox to get the event started on April 10 at 9 a.m.

Additional information is available from Jill Ratliff, director of educational service unit, at (606) 783-2065 or Dr. Duvall at (606) 783-9379.

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Contemporary Music Festival to be held April 17-21

The Theta Pi chapter of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia at Morehead State University will host the First Contemporary Music Festival, April 17 - 21, on the campus. This year's event will feature Dr. David Gillingham as composer-in-residence.

The festival was designed to provide MSU students, faculty and guests with an opportunity to interact and work with a contemporary composer.

Dr. Gillingham will spend time with students in class lectures, ensemble rehearsals and concert performances. The festival provides students with critical exposure to music making, history and composition.

The schedule of events will be:

Tuesday, April 18, at 8 p.m., MSU Concert Band, Dr. Susan Creasap, director; Wednesday, April 19, at 8 p.m., Chamber Works Concert; and Thursday, April 20, 3 p.m., Dr. Gillingham lecture; 8 p.m., MSU Symphony Band, Dr. Richard Miles, director.

All events will be held in Duncan Recital Hall, within Baird Music Hall.

A world renowned composer, Dr. Gillingham is considered to be one of the leading composers in the world today and has an international reputation for the works he has written for wind band and percussion ensemble. Many of his works are considered standards in the repertoire.

Dr. Gillingham's commissioning schedule dates well into the first decade of the 21st century. His numerous awards include the 1981 DeMoulin Award for Concerto for Bass Trombone and Wind Ensemble and the 1990 International Barlow Competition (Brigham Young University) for Heroes, Lost and Fallen. His works have been recorded by Klavier, Sony, and Summit and Centaur and are regularly performed by nationally recognized ensembles including the Prague Radio Orchestra, Cincinnati Conservatory of Music, Michigan State University, Florida State University, University of Miami (Fla.), University of Illinois, Illinois State, University of Minnesota, Indiana University and University of Wisconsin.

Also, nationally known artists, Fred Mills (Canadian Brass), Randall Hawes (Detroit Symphony) and Charles Vernon (Chicago Symphony Orchestra) have performed works by Dr. Gillingham.

More than 60 of his works for band, choir, percussion, chamber ensembles, and solo instruments have been published.

Dr. Gillingham is a professor of music at Central Michigan University and the recipient of an Excellence in Teaching Award (1990), a Summer Fellowship, and recently, the President's Research Investment Fund grant for his co-authorship of a proposal to establish an International Center for New Music at Central Michigan University.

He is a member of the Society of Composers International and ASCAP and the recipient of the ASCAP Standard Award for Composers of Concert Music in from 1996-2002.

The campus visit is made possible through the support of the Buckner and Sally S. Hinkle Endowment for the Arts and Humanities, MSU Arts and Humanities Council, Phi Mu Alpha Theta Pi Chapter, MSU Bands and the University's Department of Music.

'Power to Protect' a picture story

Morehead State University students, faculty and staff commemorated the 12th anniversary of the genocide which occurred in Rwanda, Africa, on Thursday, April 6, with several educational events.

MSU students staged "Die-Ins," a variation of the sit-in protests of the 1960s and '70s. Participating students laid on the ground wearing signs denoting Rwandan, Bosnian, Jew, Native American, Sudanese and

Armenian ethnicity.

Students met at the Little Bell Tower for a moment of silence, brief remarks and a call to action by MSU President Wayne D. Andrews.

The day is part of the "Power to Protect Campaign" National Week of Action, a weeklong series of events to raise awareness and inspire action to cease genocide and crimes against humanity.

Additional information is available from Noelle N'Diaye, assistant professor of government, by calling (606) 783-2708.

Posted: 4-11-06

Earth Day and Environmental Awareness Week to begin April 17

Morehead State University, in conjunction with PRIDE (Personal Responsibility In a Desirable Environment), will offer students, staff, faculty and community members several opportunities to join in 2006 Earth Day and

Environmental Awareness Week activities, April 17-21.

The PRIDE initiative was launched in 1997 by Congressman Hal Rogers and the late General James Bickford, former Secretary of the Kentucky Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet. Their vision was to restore the natural beauty of the region by encouraging citizens to take responsibility for protecting the environment and providing the education and resources they need to do so.

A kickoff lunch, scheduled for Monday, April 17, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Adron Doran University Center's commons area, will begin the events. The lunch will be sponsored by MSU's Student Government Association and Office of the President and Morehead City Council.

Clean up volunteers (if picking up along a roadside or adopting a building) may pick up supplies--garbage bags, gloves, and vest, which are being provided by East Kentucky PRIDE--during the lunch. Groups will be assigned an

area to collect litter, with volunteers needed for the area along and out of Triplett Creek. Campus Adopt-A-Building sign up sheets will be available at the kick-off lunch.

On Tuesday, April 18, an "Environmental Forum" will be held in the Button Drill Room at 6:30 p.m. Speakers will include Greg Howard, Appalachian Citizens Law Center; April Haight, Kentuckians for the Commonwealth; Paul Lovelace, Kentucky Heartwood; and others.

Morehead State University will be the site for a panel discussion on "Mountaintop Removal Mining" on Wednesday, April 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the Button Auditorium Drill Room.

Mountaintop removal is a method of surface coal mining where the land is not returned to its original contour to achieve a specific land use following mining (equal to or better than the pre-mining land use).

Bill Caylor, president of the Kentucky Coal Association, will present a 10-minute overview of the reclamation process, developmental potential and photos of earthworms found on a reclaimed site.

Ken Ward, Charleston Gazette journalist, will offer a counterpoint. Ward will talk on the safety issues as a result of mountaintop removal.

John Hennen, associate professor of history, will serve as the moderator and timekeeper.

Other panelists include: Steve Gardner, coal mining engineer; State Rep. Jim Gooch; Kim Nelson, coal industry lobbyist; Patrick McGinley, attorney; Amanda Moore, former attorney for the Appalachian Citizen Law Center; and Tony Oppgaard, former mine safety regulator.

On Thursday, April 20, there will be a viewing at 8:30 p.m. on the Laughlin lawn of Appalshop's documentary on the 2001 Martin County coal slurry spill. Special guests will be Jack Spadaro, former superintendent of the National Mine Health and Safety Academy in West Virginia; and Robert Salyer, film producer.

The MSU Campus and Community clean up and awards ceremony will be held at the Moonlight Stage located on First Street, on Friday, April 21. Clean up runs from 3 to 5 p.m. Clean up T-shirts will be given to all volunteers on this day. Groups must turn in sign up sheets by 5 p.m. with awards and prizes to be given out at 5:30 p.m.

Registration is available online for the community clean up at: <http://www.moreheadstate.edu/earthday>.

Additional information is available from Haight, energy conservation manager, at (606) 783-5268.

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Square dancing on April 14

The young and those young at heart will be swinging their partners at the upcoming Friday Night Frolic Square Dance. The fun begins at 7:30 p.m. in Morehead State University's Button Drill Room on Friday, April 14.

A live dance band, Clack Mountain String Band, will provide the music and Julie Shepherd from Letcher County will call the dances. Refreshments will be available.

There is no admission charge but donations will be accepted and appreciated.

The Friday night frolics are planned by the Morehead Old Time Music Association and MSU's Kentucky Center for Traditional Music. Organizers hope that square dancing will become a regular activity for the community to enjoy as they wind down from the work week.

"The square dance in March proved to be a fun evening for everyone, whether they were beginning or advanced dancers," said Brett Ratliff, **Van Lear** senior, who is the event coordinator. "We want to get the

word out so those in the community will know they are invited to join us. While dancers are encouraged to hit the dance floor, those who want to enjoy the music and watch are also welcome."

The Clack Mountain String Band plays regularly in the Rowan County area. Members of the band include Karley Higgins and J.T. Cure, Morehead graduate students; Jesse Wells, music archivist/instructor with KCTM, and Ratliff.

The Morehead Old Time Music Association is a nonprofit organization committed to cultivating community and culture through the preservation of traditional mountain music and the unique heritage of the southern Appalachians. Proceeds from the Friday night activity will be used to sponsor the Morehead Old Time Fiddler's Convention which will be held in Morehead, Oct. 6-7.

Additional information is available by calling Ratliff at (606) 356-3315.

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IWSP sponsors campus lectures

Before the end of the semester, two Morehead State University faculty members will give presentations on the campus, as part of the Interdisciplinary Women's Studies Program.

Dr. Ann Andaloro, assistant professor of mass communications, will present, "Coming Out in Appalachia," at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 18, in 2 Breckinridge Hall.

Dr. Eric Swank, associate professor of social work, will speak on "Comfort with Homosexuality Among Central Appalachian College Students," at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 2, also in 2 Breckinridge Hall.

The lectures are sponsored by various University offices and/or units: MSU Arts and Humanities Council, the Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy, Department of Sociology, Social Work and Corrections, Department of Communication and Theatre, Department of Art, College of Education, and the Cultural Studies Program in partnership with MSU's Interdisciplinary Women's Studies Program. All of the events are free and open to the public.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Sylvia Henneberg, associate professor of English and IWSP director, at (606) 783-5288.

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3rd annual Social Work Conference to be held April 28

Morehead State University at Prestonsburg will host the Third Annual Social Work Conference on Friday, April 28.

The day-long conference will be broken into two sessions. Participants can register for either the morning (9 a.m. - noon) or afternoon (1-4 p.m.) workshops or both.

Continuing Education Units (CEUs) will be offered in the following areas: Substance Abuse, Stress Management, Ethical Decision Making in Social Work and Family Violence.

The cost per session is \$25 or \$40 for the entire conference.

To access a brochure and registration form online, visit

<http://irapp.morehead-st.edu/forms/swKconferencebrochure2.pdf> .

MSU's Department of Sociology, Social Work and Criminology, Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy, and Caudill College of Humanities are sponsoring the event.

Additional information on the conference or the registration process is available from April Miller, director training resource center, at (606) 783-2566 or Elizabeth Bishop, coordinator social work program, at (606) 886-2405.

Posted: 4-12-06

'Islam, Cartoons and Free Speech' to be topic of panel discussion

A forum on religion-themed cartoons in newspapers will be held on the Morehead State University campus.

"Islam, Cartoons and Free Speech," a panel discussion, is set for Thursday, April 20, beginning at 7 p.m. in 2 Breckinridge Hall. The event will bring together scholars and other professionals who will talk about the issues revolving around the right to free speech versus the publication of potentially inflammatory content.

Panelists will include MSU faculty members: Dr. Jack Weir, professor of philosophy; Dr. Alana Scott, associate professor of history; and Dr. Ahmad Hassan, assistant professor of management. They will be joined by Mohammad Siddiqui, a local pharmacist.

The event is free and open to the public. Additional information is available by calling Dr. Scott A. Davison, associate professor of philosophy, at (606) 783-2273.

Posted: 4-12-06

Paintsville SBDC to offer free workshop, April 25

A free workshop for prospective small business owners, " Business Start-up Basics," will be offered by Morehead State University's East Kentucky Small Business Development Center (SBDC) in Paintsville.

The workshop will be presented by Neil Fisher, director of the Paintsville SBDC, on Tuesday, April 25. The two-hour session will begin at 6 p.m. at the Kentucky Highlands Entrepreneur Center, located at 120 Scott Perry Drive which is off of Teays Branch Road.

Topics to be covered at this workshop include: how to write a business plan, name registration, license and permit requirements, loan and lender requirements and legal forms of business structure.

The workshop is free for all participants, however, seating is limited and advance registration is recommended.

Training programs, sponsored or co-sponsored by SBDC, are available to all individuals without regard to race, color, sex, creed or national origin. Special arrangements will be made for those with disabilities if requested in advance.

Additional information and pre-registration are available by calling Sabrina Jude or Neil Fisher at the Paintsville Small Business Development Center at (606) 788-6008.

Posted: 4-12-06

Senior art majors exhibit works

The main gallery in the Claypool-Young Art Building on the Morehead State University campus will be the site of the "Accelerated Vision: 2006 MSU Senior Art Exhibition," April 24 - May 10.

All art students of senior rank are required to participate in the exhibition, allowing them an opportunity to exhibit their work in the professional realm.

An opening reception will be held Wednesday, April 26, from 6 - 8 p.m. There will be refreshments and live music by Dr. Deb Eastwood, instructor of music. The event is free and open to the public.

Senior students who are scheduled to participate include:

Brandi Alice, **Worthington** ; Jason Barnett, **Burlington** ; Joshua Barton, **Raceland** ; Helen Beasley, **West Liberty** ; Heather Berry, **Grayson** ; Jason P. Brewer, **Louisville** ; James Bruner, **Morehead** ; Heather Cavins, **Rose Hill, Va .** ; Ni Huang Chin, **Taipei, Taiwan**; Shelley Clements, **Louisville** ; Stephen Creech, **Mt. Sterling** ; Brandi De Haven, **West Liberty** ;

Jeremy Dotson, **Steele** ; Leslie Doyle, **Maysville** ; Emily Florence, **Carlisle** ; Jonathon Hale, **Mallie** ; Jessica George, **Ashland** ; Jessica Gerrish, **Wallingford** ; Joseph Grubb, **Morehead** ; Casey King, **Winchester** ; Kristopher Lane, **Mt. Sterling** ; Miranda Lindsey, **Morehead** ; Brent Mack, **Winchester**;

Rhonda Miller, **Thornton** ; Ivy Oddis, **Morehead**; James Reynolds, **Lebanon, Ohio** ; Melinda Rivers, **Morehead** ; Xavier Scott, **Olive Hill** ; Erica Seagraves, **Grayson** ; Lori Votaw, **Danville** ; Emily Waltz, **Morehead** ; Heather Wilson, **Harrison, Ohio** ; Jason Withrow, **Dublin, Ohio** ; Robert Williamson, **Canada**; Diana Wilton, **Paris** ; and Nicholas Woods, **Manchester** .

The gallery is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. or by appointment. There is no charge for viewing. Parking is available on Elizabeth Avenue and Main Street, behind the Claypool-Young Art Building.

Additional information is available by calling Jennifer Reis, gallery director, at (606) 783-5446.

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Alumnus heads to faculty post at West Point

A Morehead State University alumnus and former ROTC cadet battalion commander at the University will join the U.S. Army's elite when she begins her new assignment as a permanent academy professor at the United States Military Academy (USMA) at West Point, N.Y.

Lt. Col. Donna K. (Cecil) Korycinski begins her job at West Point in June where she will teach in the Systems Engineering Department. USMA, founded in 1802, graduates more than 900 new officers annually, which represents approximately 25 percent of the new lieutenants required by the Army each year. There are about 4,000 cadet/students, of which approximately 15 percent are female.

A 1986 graduate of MSU, Dr. Korycinski earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics, and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Aviation branch. The Louisville native then completed flight school at

Fort Rucker, Ala., and was assigned to H. Company, 4th Aviation Regiment, 8th Infantry Division in Wiesbaden, Germany, where she served as platoon leader, company executive officer and company operations officer.

In 1991, she returned to Fort Rucker, serving as the airfield operations officer, and later, as an air traffic control company commander within the Aviation Training Brigade. Dr. Korycinski's next major assignment was serving as the battalion adjutant of the 2nd Battalion, 229th Attack Helicopter Regiment, 18th Airborne Corps - a unit perhaps better known as the "Flying Tigers." She flew UH-60 Black Hawk helicopters for about eight years.

She continued to pursue her education through the Army Advanced Civil Schooling program, earning both a master's degree and a Ph.D. degree in operations research/industrial engineering from the University of Texas at Austin. Dr. Korycinski currently serves as an operations research systems analyst and is chief of the accessions systems division in the Center for Accessions Research, U.S. Army Accessions Command, at Fort Knox.

She recently visited her baccalaureate alma mater, observing military science classes and chatting with students and faculty. Her extensive military experience began in Morehead, and she says her Army ROTC education at MSU was of great value to her.

"I would say that this program definitely gave me the building blocks to prepare for a successful career as a U.S. Army officer," she said. "MSU prepared me very well, not just with the ROTC, but also the math department prepared me very well to pursue my advanced degrees at the University of Texas at Austin."

Dr. Korycinski and her husband are a true military family. He is Chief Warrant Officer 4 Richard Korycinski of Detroit, and is an Apache Longbow helicopter instructor pilot/instrument flight examiner for the Army. They have two daughters, Sydney, age 9, and Jordan, age 7. A graduate of Western High School in Louisville, Dr. Korycinski is the daughter of Joseph and Phyllis Cecil of Shively.

She says her assignment at West Point is both a pinnacle of her career, and a fitting conclusion to her service.

"I have been given the opportunity to finish my military career there, as it will be a permanent assignment," she said. "I plan to be there for at least 10 years before I retire."

Additional information on MSU's Army ROTC is available by calling the Department of Military Science at (606) 783-2050.

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MSPR advisory board to meet May 7

The Community Advisory Board for Morehead State Public Radio will conduct its quarterly meeting on Sunday, May 7, at 3 p.m. in the studios in Breckinridge Hall on the Morehead State University campus.

MSPR's Community Advisory Board meetings are open to the public.

For additional information, visit MSPR's Web site at www.msuradio.com or contact Paul Hitchcock, MSPR's general manager, by e-mail at atwmky@moreheadstate.edu or by phone at (606) 783-2001.

Posted: 4-12-06

Sounds of Spring at MSU

The mild weather lured many Morehead State University students outdoors to enjoy spring. Sarah Wood of **Flatwoods** gave an impromptu concert, playing the banjo and singing "Mole in the Ground," while Paul Roberts of **Grayson** adjusted the strap on Wood's accordion. Wood is a sophomore Spanish major with a minor in traditional music, and Roberts is a sophomore philosophy student. Additional information on attending Morehead State is available by calling the Office of Enrollment Services at (606) 783-2000; or toll-free at (800) 585-6781.

Audit Committee meeting scheduled for April 14

EVENT: Meeting of the Audit Committee of MSU Board of Regents
DATE: Friday, April 14, 2006
TIME: 8 a.m.
SITE: President's Conference Room, 201 Howell-McDowell
via Conference Call

The Committee will be asked to approve an auditing firm to conduct the audit for the 2005-06 fiscal year and to approve the minimum scope of the annual audit. They also will hear a report on the status of internal audits.

Media representatives planning to attend the session should call the Office of University Communications at (606) 783-2030 before 4 p.m. on Thursday, April 13, so that sufficient support materials will be available.

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Morehead Women's Club presents scholarship check

The Morehead Women's Club recently presented the Morehead State University Foundation Inc. with a \$1,250 check earmarked for the club's endowed scholarship fund. This gift brings the scholarship fund's total to more than \$30,400.

Dr. Sue Luckey, president of the Women's Club, presents the check to Mindy Highley, MSU's director of development. The Morehead Women's Club Scholarship Endowment provides scholarships to MSU students in the amount of \$600 per academic year.

Additional information on the scholarship or for ways to give to MSU is available by calling MSU's Office of Development at (606) 783-2033 or by visiting the Web site at www.moreheadstate.edu .
Posted: 4-13-06

'Spring Break, Spring Back' recap

It wasn't the normal spring break for 117 faculty, staff and students from Morehead State University. The usual spring break setting has them resting and relaxing, but for the team from MSU that traveled to Gulfport, Miss., to assist in the hurricane clean up, this year could be something they remember for the rest of their lives.

"I am very proud to lead an institution that has the heart and character of ours. I was asked many times during the course of our travels, where was I from. When I replied Morehead State University and that we had a group of 117 people with us to assist with the relief effort in Gulfport, people were astounded," said MSU President Wayne D. Andrews.

"They wanted to know what we did to convince that many to give up their spring breaks to travel and help others. My reply was simple, all we did was ask. People signed up because they saw the opportunity to help others." The MSU group worked in general construction, rebuilding and clean up in the city of Gulfport and the surrounding area. The crew's main focus was service to those directly affected by the hurricane and learning the needs that have been created by these recent natural disasters .

"We tore off and put on roofs, gutted the interiors of several houses that had been completely submerged under water, cleaned up lots of debris," said Dr. Andrews.

"We learned about teamwork and the power of a positive attitude. We learned that while we are burdened with many of life's problems, our problems pale in comparison to those we were able to help.

"This trip was a strong affirmation that MSU's future is very bright. I believe we can accomplish anything we choose to do because of the people associated with our University."

Diana Zipp, **Jeffersonville, Ind** ., senior, agreed with Dr. Andrews that the trip was a great experience to be able to aid the people that still need it the most.

"Gulfport, Miss., has been one of the most wonderful experiences that I will take with me for the rest of my life. I have met so many wonderful people that have opened my eyes to a new way of life. This trip has shown me who I want to aspire to be and what wonderful things you can achieve with hard work and a little bit of faith."

Morehead State received numerous donations in preparations for the trip.

According to Al Baldwin, assistant to the provost, many faculty and staff members helped with gifts of support. He also said that the Spring Gala and Student

Government Association each have chipped in \$5,000 while Wal-Mart of Morehead gave \$1,000.

Harold White Millworks of Morehead donated wood products in the range of \$15,000 while Lowe's of Morehead gave hand tools; Trane of Lexington provided work gloves for everyone; Vallen Sheridan Safety Supply of Dayton,

Ohio, donated ear plugs; Trent Hamilton of Hamilton Beverage in Morehead, gave bottled water; and the Family Dollar Distribution Center in Morehead contributed a wide variety of supplies for the volunteers to use.

Megan Mraz, **Morehead** sophomore, expected to work hard during the break. However, she couldn't have expected what she would gain from the trip.

"I went to Gulfport expecting to lend what little help I could to assist in rebuilding the hurricane-torn community. I left with a refreshed perspective, some new skills, a little more wisdom, heart-wrenching memories, and new friendships," said Mraz.

"These are the true gifts the Gulfport people unknowingly gave to me. I wish I could even come close to repaying them.

"More importantly, though, we were fortunate enough to get to interact with those families who had lived in the houses we were rebuilding. Each resident had a unique, humbling story to share, and deep despair would surface often through trembling voices and tear-filled eyes. Yet, even though these people had lost practically every remnant of their lives before Hurricane Katrina - jobs, homes, clothing, photos and other cherished belongings - they were not bitter. In fact, each person seemed to give off an air of endless warmth, extreme gratitude and hope."

The Office of the President, Office of Student Activities, and Student Government Association sponsored the trip. Photos, blogs (online journals) from students, staff and Dr. Andrews from the trip may be viewed at <http://www.moreheadstate.edu/springbreak/> .

Posted: 4-13-06

Future Educators Day set for May 4

High school juniors and seniors who have the potential to be outstanding future teachers are invited to visit the Morehead State University campus on Thursday, May 4, for the fourth annual Future Educators Day.

Hosted by the University's Teacher Recruitment Program, the event is a result of the partnerships between MSU and several school districts to build a base of future educators.

Approximately 250 students are expected to participate in Future Educators Day, to learn more about a career in teaching, meet and interact with faculty and staff members, become familiar with campus, and obtain general information about campus life at MSU.

Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the lobby of Button Auditorium, followed by opening activities at 10 a.m. Afterward, students will visit various colleges of interest, eat lunch in the Adron Doran University Center, and participate in seminars based on information concerning college prep and teacher education.

Additional information about attending Future Educators Day is available by calling the Teacher Recruitment Office at (606) 783-9446, or by sending an electronic message to Joan Callaham, director of the Teacher Recruitment Program, at j.callaham@moreheadstate.edu .

Posted: 4-14-06

Christian bands to perform at MSU

The Glenn Kaiser Band will perform in Morehead State University's Button Auditorium on Wednesday, May 3, at 7 p.m.

The Chicago-based group is making a stop on campus on its way to the Cornerstone Festival in Florida. The trio is a contemporary Christian group that performs blues rock and appeals to a variety of audiences.

The opening act will be COG.

The concert is sponsored by MSU's Student Government Association, 342 and the Methodist Student Center. Admission is \$5 or \$3 and a can of food, and free to MSU students with a valid ID card

Additional information is available by calling MSC at (606) 784-7293.

Posted: 4-18-06

President's Concert will be 'swinging'

This year's President's Spring Concert will be a swinging good time.

"Swing! Swing! Swing!" promises an evening of big band music and an opportunity to get out and enjoy the spring weather. The event will be held on Thursday, April 27, on the commons area in front of the Adron Doran University Center. The rain location is Duncan Recital Hall.

An ice cream social will begin at 5:30 p.m. MSU's Jazz Ensembles I and II will perform beginning at 6 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

One-hundred lucky concertgoers will receive an event T-shirt. The University Bookstore also will hold prize drawings throughout the evening.

An annual event, the President's Spring Concert provides an opportunity to bring the arts outdoors at a time when students, faculty and staff could use a refreshing break.

"Last year's event drew a large crowd, so we know campus and community residents enjoy the chance to listen to talented musicians outdoors and we're pleased to be able to continue this tradition," said MSU President Wayne D. Andrews.

The event is sponsored by the Office of the President, Caudill College of Humanities, Department of Music, Arts and Humanities Council, Morehead State Public Radio, Student Activities Council, Residence Hall Association, MSU Concessions and Vending, University Bookstore and Aramark.

Additional information is available by calling the University's Office of Student Activities at (606) 783-2071.

Posted: 4-18-06

OperaWorks will present Mozart tribute on April 25

The 250th anniversary of the birth of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart will be observed with a celebratory musical tribute, "Amadé," presented by Morehead State University's [OperaWorks](#) and guest artists, on Tuesday, April 25, at 8 p.m. in Duncan Recital Hall in the Baird Music Building.

Amadé, the name preferred by the Austrian composer during his short lifetime, will feature two operatic excerpts, the Finale from "The Marriage of Figaro" and the Finale from Mozart's last opera, "The Magic Flute." Dr. Paul Taylor, associate professor of music, will be featured in the Piano Concerto in D Minor, K.

466. In true Mozart fashion, there will be surprises of both musical and non-musical nature. The concert is free and open to the public.

Featured in the Marriage of Figaro are Clark Walker, **Vinton, Ohio**, junior, as Figaro; Amy Trautwein, **Louisa** sophomore, as Susanna; Will Murphy, **Hawesville** freshman, as Count Almaviva; Kristen Brown, **Richmond** freshman, as the Countess Almaviva; Martina Wheeler, **Morehead** graduate student, as Barbarina; Kyle Bentley, **Pikeville** freshman, as Antonio.

Principals in The Magic Flute are Brandon Centers, **Mt. Sterling** senior, as Prince Tamino; Melody Walker, **Hazard** graduate student, as Pamina; Jeremy Howard, **Oak Hill, Ohio**, senior, as Papageno; Diana Knoll, **Morehead** junior, as Papagena. Dr. Mark Minor, of Morehead, is the High Priest, Sarastro, and the three Spirits are played by Grace Rhenals, **Colombia, South America**, sophomore; Melanie Everman, **Mt. Sterling** sophomore, and Alicia Zegelian, **Mt. Sterling** sophomore. Members of the ensemble include Aleshia Gifford, **Dry Ridge** freshman; Greg Purvis, **Mt. Sterling** freshman; Tiffany Smalls, **Peebles, Ohio**, freshman; and Dr. John Secor of Morehead.

OperaWorks was founded in 1993 by Dr. Roma Prindle, associate professor of music, to provide stage experience for students in the Department of Music. Since then, the ensemble has presented performances throughout Kentucky and the surrounding states. They also have undertaken international performance tours to Ireland, England and Wales. Members of OperaWorks study and perform with Dr. Prindle in Salzburg, Austria, the birthplace of Mozart, through the auspices of the Kentucky Institute for International Studies.

Dr. Prindle is director of OperaWorks. Chia-Ling Hsieh, instructor of music, is the pianist.

Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-2481.

Posted: 4-19-06

Book signing will be held today

Two Morehead State University professors will be participating in the book signing of "Clark's Kentucky Almanac and Book of Facts 2006" at CoffeeTree Books in Morehead today.

The signing will run from 5 - 7 p.m. It is free and open to the public.

The professors, who were involved in the publication, are:

Dr. Garry O'Dell was chapter editor of "Environment & Natural Resources, and Dr. Royal Berglee was author of the "Minerals" essay. Both are assistant professors of geography in the MSU's Department of Geography, Government and History.

Also at the book signing will be Dr. Jack D. Ellis, former director of MSU's Camden-Carroll Library, authored the "Rowan County" essay.

The book signing, sponsored by The Clark Group and CoffeeTree Books, is being held in conjunction with the Earth Day Celebration which promotes environmental citizenship and year-round action to respect and preserve the water, air and land.

"Clark's Kentucky Almanac and Book of Facts" was acclaimed as a best seller throughout Kentucky during the 2005 holiday season. The book begins with a Forward written by Dr. Thomas D. Clark, Kentucky's late historian laureate. The 784-page collection includes facts about the state's history, environment, notable personalities, vital statistics, government and politics, business and economy, the arts, travel, cultural attractions and recreation.

The volume is described as a collector's item and all-occasion gift for family and friends because of the information it contains. For example, "Rowan County was established on May 1, 1956, and named for distinguished jurist, attorney John Rowan, the owner of Federal Hill (My Old Kentucky Home) in Bardstown."

Additional information is available on the almanac is available on the Web at www.kyalmanac.com .
Posted: 4-19-06

Graduate degree will be offered in Jackson

Morehead State University will offer its Master of Arts in Adult and Higher Education degree at Morehead State University at Jackson, beginning with the fall semester.

To provide information and answer questions, MSU will host an informational meeting on Wednesday, April 26, at the MSU Jackson center, located at the Breathitt County Life Skills Center, 1127 Main Street in Jackson. On hand will be faculty from the University's Department of Counseling, Leadership, Adult and Higher Education and representatives of regional campus programs. The program begins at 6 p.m.

MSU's adult and higher education graduate program is designed to develop the capacity of individuals to plan, organize and carry through a variety of education and service programs to meet adult learners' needs in postsecondary and adult continuing education institutions. The program is flexible in that students may plan their programs for preparation in teaching, administration, student personnel or developmental studies.

The option is geared to those individuals who need credentialing in their work, said Dr. James B. Canipe, assistant professor of education. "This will be a good alternative for those who do program planning, work in adult learning centers and institutions of higher learning," he said.

"The greatest asset is that the program is blendable-it will fit with a variety of others-and students can enroll on a full or part-time basis depending on their area of specialization. It will be compatible with an adult-learning venue.

"Completion of the offering could lead to the Specialist in Education degree," Dr. Canipe added.

One class will be offered face-to-face each term. Students will be able to register for additional courses offered through the Internet each term.

Additional information is available by calling the MSU at Jackson regional campus at (606) 666-2800 or toll free at (800) 729-5225.

Posted: 4-19-06

22nd Academic Awards Convocation slated for April 30

Morehead State University will recognize scholarly achievements of its students, faculty and staff during the 22nd Academic Awards Convocation on Sunday, April 30, which begins at 2 p.m. in Button Auditorium.

The convocation will launch a weeklong tribute to academic excellence, May 1-5. Each academic department will present awards to its outstanding graduate and undergraduate students, and recipients of the University's most prestigious faculty and staff honors - Distinguished Teacher, Distinguished Creative Production and Distinguished Service awards - will be recognized.

Students with perfect grade point average, student authors and presenters, and graduating seniors from the Academic Honors Program will be honored. Entertainment will be provided by the recipient of the A. Frank and Bethel C. Gallaher Memorial Music Performance Competition.

The convocation speaker will be Laura Ann Ashley of **Taylorsville** and a graduating senior in the Academic Honors Program. A biology major, she has been accepted into the University of Kentucky's Integrated Biomedical Sciences Program.

Receiving Outstanding Graduate Student awards from their departments will be: Ronnie A. Gevedon, **Cannel City**, Art; Jason M. Marion, **Batavia, Ohio**, Biological and Environmental Sciences and Regional Analysis and Public Policy; Rebecca R. Garvin, **Ashland**, Business Administration; Deepa Oommen, **Kottayam, India**, Communication and Theatre; Ray Ginter, **Morehead**, Counseling, Leadership, Adult and High Education;

Timothy Conner II, **Mowrystown, Ohio**, Curriculum and Instruction; Kelly Harris, **Russell**, English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy; Luke Lockwood, **Morehead**, Health, Physical Education, and Sport Sciences; Roy L. Gentry Jr., **Winchester**, Industrial and Engineering Technology; David S. Fuller, **Morehead**, Music; Julie R. Combs, **Combs**, Physician Assistant Program; Leslie R. Proudfoot, **Morehead**, Psychology; and D. Aaron Bradley, **Flemingsburg**, Sociology, Social Work and Criminology.

Recognized as the Outstanding Undergraduate Student from their department will be:

Ryan G. Hill, **Morehead**, Accounting, Economics and Finance; Tamara L. Shannon, **Hillsboro, Ohio**, Agricultural and Human Sciences; Joseph N. Grubb, **Morehead**, Art;

Kelli D. Trent, **Morehead**, Biological and Environmental Sciences; Ashley Sorrell, **Mt. Sterling**, Communication and Theatre; Sheina Kegley, **Vanceburg**, Curriculum and Instruction; Barbara A. Soard, **Thelma**, English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy; Jennifer Z. Johnson, **Mt. Sterling**, and Mindy L. McElfresh, **Mayslick**, Geography, Government and History;

Lyndsey A. Jackson, **Morehead**, Health, Physical Education and Sport Sciences; Amy N. Owens, **Hazard**, Imaging Sciences; Ariana R. Garcia-Medrano, **Mexico City, Mexico**, Industrial and Engineering Technology; Rhiannon J. Sullivan, **Morehead**, Information Systems; Laura K. Kelly, **Orient, Ohio**, Management, Marketing and Real Estate; Nathan A. Gilbert, **Morehead**, Mathematics and Computer Science;

Tristen D. Nelson, **Lawton, Okla.**, Military Science; Mark McCafferty, **Alexandria**, Music; Emily S. Spencer, **Beattyville**, Nursing; James E. Griffith, **Raceland**, Physical Sciences; Jonathan D. Brown II, **Wurtland**, Psychology; Brian N. Gay, **Cincinnati**, Regional Analysis and Public Policy; and Travis L. Cole, **Wallingford**, Sociology, Social Work and Criminology.

Following the ceremony, MSU President and Mrs. Wayne D. Andrews will host a reception, which is free and open to the public, on the lawn of the President's Home. In case of rain, the reception will be moved to the Button Drill Room.

The weeklong celebration of academic excellence will continue with the Research and Creative Productions Luncheon, 11:30 a.m., Commonwealth Room of Adron Doran University Center, on Monday May 1; the Caudill College of Humanities Luncheon, 11:30 a.m., Crager Room of ADUC, on Tuesday, May 2; the College of Education Luncheon, 11:30 a.m., Crager Room of ADUC, on Wednesday, May 3; the College of Science and Technology Dinner, 6 p.m., Crager Room of ADUC, on Thursday, May 4; and the College of Business Honors/Scholarship Banquet, 6 p.m., Crager Room of ADUC, on Friday, May 5.

Additional information on the Academic Awards Week is available by calling the Honors Program at (606) 783-2807.

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Free workshop for business owners

"Financing Your Small Business" is a free workshop for both current and prospective business owners being offered by the Morehead State University's East Kentucky Small Business Development Center in Pikeville.

The workshop will be presented by Michael Morley, center director, on Tuesday, May 23, from 6 - 8:30 p.m. at the Big Sandy Community & Technical College, 120 S. Riverfill Drive.

Topics to be covered at this workshop include financing basics, guidance relative to the construction of loan proposals and the lending process. Information will be provided on the various types of lending programs available.

Additional information and pre-registration are available from Linda Casebolt or Morley at the East Kentucky Small Business Development Center by calling (606) 432-5848.

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Aida, an Ethiopian princess, is captured and forced into serving as a slave for the Egyptian pharaoh's daughter, Amneris. Both women are in love with the Egyptian captain, Ramades. Led by Aida's father, the Ethiopian army invades Egypt, and Aida is torn between supporting her father and her love for Ramades.

"Aida," a Giuseppe Verdi opera, is based on a story by Auguste Mariette. It has been adapted for cinema, television and stage.

Principal players include several students:

Danielle Wilson of **Lexington** will portray Aida. A junior vocal music education major, she is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority and the Black Gospel Ensemble. Wilson is the daughter of Clifford and Doris Wilson.

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The role of Amneris will be played by Leeann Tanner of **Paintsville**, a senior theatre major. She is a member of Theta Alpha Phi and a reporter at Morehead State Public Radio. She has a son, Wiley Tanner.

Angela Bell of **Louisville** is the stage manager for the production. A senior theatre major, she is a member of MSU's Aikido Club and Theta Alpha Phi.

Admission is \$8 for adults and \$4 for non-MSU students and senior citizens. Morehead State students will be admitted free with a valid EagleCard identification. Reservations are suggested and may be arranged by calling the Theatre Box Office at (606) 783-2170.

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CCL conducts biennial Customer Satisfaction Survey

Morehead State University's Camden-Carroll Library staff will conduct the library's biennial Customer Satisfaction Survey, April 22-25.

During that time, patrons will be asked to complete the survey as they leave the building, rating the library services they received during their visit. There will be drawings for door prizes, including University Bookstore gift certificates and library fine/fee waivers.

The last survey was completed in April 2004. The assessments are being done as part of the SACS (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools) accreditation, and to gauge the faculty, staff, and students' satisfaction with the library and its services.

The times of the survey will be: Saturday, April 22, 1-3 p.m.; Sunday, April 23, 4-6 p.m.; and Monday and Tuesday, April 24 and 25, 9 a.m. until 8 p.m.

Additional information is available by calling Julie Grannis, CCL reference services paraprofessional, at (606) 783-5113.

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Chernobyl disaster commemorated on 20th anniversary, April 26

The 20th anniversary of the world's worst nuclear power accident will be commemorated at a special presentation at Morehead State University on Wednesday, April 26.

On April 26, 1986, an unexpected power surge caused a Unit 4 nuclear reactor's fuel elements to rupture, causing the reactor to blow up at Chernobyl, which was then part of the former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR), but is now in Ukraine.

The force of the blast blew off the steel and concrete lid of the reactor. More than 30 people were killed in the explosion and/or from radiation exposure, and energy levels in the surrounding area forced the evacuation of tens of thousands of residents. Many people at the reactor site and involved with cleanup efforts suffered radiation poisoning.

Additionally, emissions were released into the atmosphere, and areas of Belarus, Russia, Ukraine and beyond were contaminated to some degree.

The disaster at Chernobyl will be remembered with a special lecture given by Dr. Royal Berglee, assistant professor of geography, at 7 p.m. in 112 Rader Hall. Following the lecture, students, faculty and staff will have the opportunity to voice their opinions on the accident, and on the development of nuclear energy.

The lecture is free and open to the public.

From 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. that day, Dr. Adrian Mandzy, assistant professor of history, will organize a fund drive for Children of Chernobyl Relief Fund, a non-profit organization dedicated to protecting and saving lives of Ukrainian children who are affected by the Chernobyl catastrophe and other environmental disasters. The relief fund provides state of the art medical aid to Ukrainian children with cancer, genetic birth defects, heart diseases and immune deficiencies.

Black wristbands will be given to those who make a donation during the fund drive, which will be set up at the Adron Doran University Center. Significant contributions are tax deductible. At ADUC, students from various colleges on campus will display posters on disasters.

Additional information is available from Dr. Mandzy at (606) 783-2898, or by sending an electronic message to him at a.mandzy@moreheadstate.edu.

Posted: 4-21-06

Nominations sought for IWSP Advisory Council

The Interdisciplinary Women's Studies Program at Morehead State University is accepting nominations and self-nominations through May 5 for membership on its free-standing Advisory Council.

Members are elected for two-year renewable terms beginning in August.

To receive consideration, send a note describing your interest and background in women's studies, along with a current curriculum vita, to Dr. Sylvia Henneberg, director of women's studies, at womensstudies@moreheadstate.edu, or call her at (606) 783-5288.

Posted: 4-21-06

Second annual MSU Film Challenge, April 24

Some of Morehead State University's most creative students will showcase their talents at the second annual MSU Film Challenge on Monday, April 24, in downtown Morehead.

The MSU Film Committee will present the challenge, which will begin at 10 p.m. at Chakeres' University Cinema on Main Street. Students will compete for prizes in the creation of short films.

All competitors are given set, plot, prop and character parameters with which they must work. The "red carpet" will be rolled out before the films are screened and the winners are announced.

The event is free and open to the public. Doors open at 9:30 p.m.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Bruce Engle, instructor of English, at (606) 783-2324.

Posted: 4-21-06

MSU bowlers have excelled

Former Morehead State University bowler Kelly Kulick had a dream. It was to earn a living as a professional women's bowler.

She made it to the Professional Women's Bowling Association Tour, earned the 2001 Rookie of the Year, and even won the 2003 U.S. Open, a major tournament on the professional level.

But as quickly as she won, that's how quickly it all ended.

Simply the PWBA ran out of funds before its fall swing in 2003. It marked the end of a 22-year run of women's professional bowling.

"For me it was devastating; it was heartbreaking when the PWBA fell apart," Kulick recently said in an interview.

"So much of my passion and love is about bowling. I waited so long in my life to get to that point and I finally win my first title, things are going my way, learned everything I could and it just broke my heart when it collapsed."

Kulick, a three-time All-American, was the 1997 and 1998 Collegiate Bowler of the Year while at MSU. In 1998, she helped guide veteran coach Larry Wilson's squad to the National Championship.

A few women have been successful on the PBA Tour (the men's tour). Another former Lady Eagle, Liz Johnson of Cheektowaga, N.Y., made history by becoming the first woman to win a PBA regional and finished second in a PBA national event.

Eventually, the Professional Bowlers Association, which had only allowed membership by men since its inception in the 1950s, opened its doors to women. Kulick was one of a handful who took advantage of the opportunity.

"I wanted to come out and bowl no matter what, whether it was against men, women, internationally it doesn't matter," said Kulick, who has earned just \$14,360 in two years as a PBA member.

"When the PBA opened its doors it was an opportunity to bowl against the greatest bowlers in the world. I can learn more being out here. My basketball coach when I was younger told me to play against the guys because they would make me better and these guys are going to make me better because I have to be at my best every time. It has been challenging and difficult," Kulick added.

Now each year, the former PWBA bowlers have only one opportunity to compete for a major title during the United States Bowling Congress Queens.

With a field of nearly 300 and a prize fund of \$200,000, it is the largest, most prestigious event left in the country.

The event will be conducted June 17-21 at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, Nev.

Both the Morehead State women's and men's bowling teams advanced to the 2006 United States Bowling Congress Intercollegiate Team Championships, which is set for Thursday through Saturday, April 26-29, at **The Cherry Bowl** in **Rockford, Ill.**

Teams were selected to participate based on the top qualifiers at each of the four sectionals.

Both clubs have strong traditions. The MSU women took top honor in 1989, 1998, 2000 and 2002 and were runner-ups in 1993, while the men's squad was runner-up in its 2003 tournament and took third place in 2005.

Posted: 4-24-06

MSPR offers listeners a chance to win Mother's Day gifts

For this Mother's Day, Morehead State Public Radio is offering its listeners an opportunity to win a collection of wonderful gifts to celebrate the occasion.

Three packages, with a total value of more than \$400, will be available beginning May 1. Included in this give-away are:

Package 1: Dinner for two and one night's lodging at Carter Caves State Resort Park;

Package 2: The book "New Mercies," by Sandra Dallas from CoffeeTree Books; A Republic of Tea collection from The Fuzzy Duck Coffee Shop; A Rhapsody candle from A. Baldwin and Associates; Acrylic nails (or \$40 gift certificate) from Salon and Spa of Morehead; and collectible teddy bear and keepsake jewelry box from Samuels of Morehead.

Package 3: Crabtree & Evelyn hand crème from Stucky's Beauty Salon; Collectible vase and flower arrangement from All Seasons Flowers and Gifts; Garden kneeler, trowel and gloves from Lowe's of Morehead; and \$25 gift card from Lowe's of Morehead.

Listeners may register for one, two, or all three packages.

The drawing for the Mother's Day gift packages will take place during Classical Music on the morning of Friday, May 12.

All entries for this Mother's Day Give-Away must be received by noon on Thursday, May 11. Registration will be taken online at www.msradio.com.

Registrations by phone will not be accepted. You must be at least 18 years of age to enter. Employees and their families of Morehead State Public Radio are not eligible. This offer is limited to one registration per household. Winners will be notified by phone.

Additional information is available by calling Amanda Baldwin, MSPR marketing and development director, at (606) 783-2394.

Morehead State Public Radio broadcasts 24 hours a day from the campus of Morehead State University. WMKY (90.3FM) serves as the flagship station for the MSPR network, which includes WOCS in Booneville and a translator in Inez. MSPR serves more than 40 counties in Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia.

Posted: 4-24-06

Laura Ashley will be convocation speaker

For Laura Ann Ashley, graduating from Morehead State University is the end of one of life's journeys; however, it will mark the beginning of another.

The **Taylorville** senior is excited to be finishing her four-years at MSU, but knows there is still a lot of work to be done before she reaches her goal.

"It is bittersweet leaving Morehead, sad because of the great place and people I'm leaving, but at the same time exciting to face the world, armed with what my time at MSU has taught me," said Ashley, a biology major that has been accepted into the University of Kentucky's Integrated Biomedical Sciences Program.

Ashley, the daughter of Mark and Theresa Ashley, will be the convocation speaker at Morehead State where the scholarly achievements of its students, faculty and staff will be recognized during the 22nd Academic Awards Convocation on Sunday, April 30.

The event will begin at 2 p.m. in Button Auditorium.

A member of the Academic Honors Program, Ashley is active in 342 (formerly Baptist Student Union) as an executive council member and director of Thursday Night Bible Study, and a member of Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society.

"My college experience at MSU as been wonderful, I wouldn't trade it for anything in the world. This is a place where I have been stretched and challenged, a great place to grow up and become prepared for life."

Ashley, recipient of Presidential and Academic Honors scholarships, has been named to the Dean's List every semester she has been at Morehead State.

Students with perfect grade point average, student authors and presenters, and graduating seniors from the Academic Honors Program will be honored at the convocation, which will launch a week long tribute to academic excellence, May 1-5.

Each academic department will present awards to its outstanding graduate and undergraduate students, and recipients of the University's most prestigious faculty and staff honors - Distinguished Teacher and Distinguished Creative Production awards - will be recognized.

MSU is recognized as one of the top public universities in the South in the 2006 edition of "America's Best Colleges" by U.S. News & World Report." The University is ranked in the top 25 public institutions that

grant bachelor's and master's degrees in 12 states, including Kentucky, West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia, Arkansas and Louisiana.

Posted: 4-24-06

Professor's research featured in Chronicle article

A Morehead State University faculty member, Dr. Edward Reeves, was recently interviewed by The Chronicle of Higher Education about his research findings on the importance of high school quality in relation to the completion of a college degree. Dr. Reeves is professor of sociology and director of the Center for Educational Research and Leadership in MSU's Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy.

His research was presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association. A famous and controversial study by the late sociologist James S. Coleman had earlier concluded that individual school characteristics had very little impact upon educational outcomes and that most differences could be explained by their social class and family backgrounds.

However, Dr. Reeves' research, which utilized data compiled by the National Education Longitudinal Study, found that although family background variables do play a stronger role than high school quality in predicting whether a student will eventually complete a college degree, high school quality does indeed make a significant difference above and beyond family background. The article and Dr. Reeves' findings have already been generating interest among researchers, educators and those involved with educational policy decisions.

As director of the Center for Educational Research and Leadership, Dr. Reeves also has presented various research findings and papers at other conferences as well as venues such as the Researchers' Roundtable, a consortium of educators from around the state who meet at the capitol in Frankfort and share research findings, often sharing their insights and research with state legislators that are in attendance.

Additional information is available from Dr. Reeves by calling (606) 783-2546.

Posted: 4-25-06

New state budget mixed bag for MSU

The final version of the \$17.8 billion state budget for 2006-2008 is bittersweet for Morehead State University with nearly \$27 million in capital projects funded but almost \$30 million lost to a gubernatorial veto.

"We are appreciative of Governor Fletcher's support of two of the University's five capital construction projects in the Conference Committee budget," said MSU President Wayne D. Andrews. "Both are essential to our ongoing success in health and space sciences. At the same time, we are disappointed that our students will have to wait even longer to enjoy a recreation center that they are willing to finance. We believe the recreation center and the proposed housing improvements are vital to our enrollment strategies for recruitment and retention."

Cut from the budget by veto were \$17 million for the student recreation center, \$10 million in student housing improvements and \$2.5 million for a business continuance data center, a joint venture with Northern Kentucky University.

Dr. Andrews continued:

"We are deeply grateful to our friends in the General Assembly who worked so hard to get \$23 million in funding for the MSU-St. Claire Center for Health, Education and Research and \$3.4 million for Phase 2 of the Space Science Center. Those projects will have a lasting impact on our institution, this community and the region we serve. On the other hand, we remain hopeful that the debate over institutional debt versus state government debt can be resolved in Kentucky, as it has been in 46 other states. Our

students deserve a new recreation center and better housing, and we intend to vigorously pursue both projects."

Dr. Andrews also noted that postsecondary education lost \$312 million of the \$370 million in projects vetoed by the governor, including \$204 million in agency bond projects which are not financed from the state general fund.

MSU will receive about \$550,000 from the state equine trust fund toward the construction of a \$1 million equine health clinic.

In addition to capital projects affecting postsecondary education, the governor also vetoed nearly \$24 million in statewide matching funds that would have assisted institutions with major physical plant repairs and the upgrading of information technology equipment.

On the positive side, the governor left intact MSU's nearly \$4.8 million increase in operating funds over the two-year period, as well as \$800,000 in new monies for regional stewardship initiatives.

"We will move ahead with our new projects and with other initiatives to strengthen the University on several fronts," Dr. Andrews concluded.

Posted: 4-24-06

MSU SOAR dates on agenda

Morehead State University will hold a Student Orientation, Advising and Registration (SOAR) day on Tuesday, June 20, to assist new students in getting acquainted with the University and its programs and register for the 2006 fall semester.

A student must be accepted to MSU before they can participate, and parents are encouraged to attend. A welcome reception will be held the evening prior at the Adron Doran University Center (ADUC). Other SOAR sessions, which will follow the same format, will be held, July 14, and July 25, for incoming freshmen, transfer students and their parents.

"SOAR is an important part of the college experience," said Lora Pace, director of first-year programs and retention. "It provides students with the foundation necessary to begin their university career at Morehead State."

The activities will start with check-in at 8:30 a.m. on the first floor of ADUC. Following SOAR registration, students will have their photographs taken for the University's identification card, the EagleCard. Students will then visit with academic representatives about a selected major and have a chance to discuss their banking needs with US Bank representatives.

At 9:30 a.m., the group will be welcomed in the Crager Room of ADUC.

From 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., informational programs designed for students and parents will be presented on the building's third floor. Representatives from the Office of Financial Aid, student housing, academics, police, student organizations, food services, EagleCard and University Bookstore will be available to answer questions.

At 12:30 p.m., the campus visitors will be divided into groups of their chosen educational discipline for advising and course registration. Prospective students may visit residence halls along with other points of interest via campus tours, beginning at 12:45 p.m.

Pre-registration for the SOAR program is necessary due to limited space. There are two ways to register: visit the Web page www.moreheadstate.edu/soar and click on the date that you would prefer to attend and complete the registration form; or call the Office of First Year Programs at (606) 783-2233.

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Paintsville SBDC offers free computer workshop

A free workshop for prospective small business owners, "Excel[®] for Small Business," will be offered by Morehead State University's East Kentucky Small Business Development Center (SBDC) in Paintsville. The workshop will be presented by Neil Fisher, director of the Paintsville SBDC, on Wednesday, May 17. The two-hour session will begin at 1:30 p.m., at the Kentucky Highlands Entrepreneur Center, located at 120 Scott Perry Drive, which is off of Teays Branch Road.

The topic for this workshop is the utilization of the Microsoft Office Spreadsheet program, Excel[®]. MS Excel 2003[®] will be used for the workshop which will include the use of worksheets within workbooks, workbook printer setup, formulas, basic macros, auditing, and autofiltering.

The workshop is free for all participants, however, seating is limited and advance registration is recommended.

Training programs, sponsored or co-sponsored by SBDC, are available to all individuals without regard to race, color, sex, creed or national origin. Special arrangements will be made for those with disabilities if requested in advance.

Additional information and pre-registration are available by calling Sabrina Jude or Neil Fisher at the Paintsville Small Business Development Center at (606) 788-6008.

Posted: 4-26-06

President's Leadership Academy announced

Members of the inaugural class of the President's Leadership Academy at Morehead State University have been named following a competitive nomination, interview and selection process that began with the announcement of the program at Fall 2005 Convocation.

"A critical measure of any institution is the quality of its leadership and the development of new leaders," said MSU President Wayne D. Andrews in announcing the Academy. "This must be a priority if we are to be led in the future by those prepared and committed to our mission, our core values and our traditions."

President Andrews personally reviewed the University's mission, core values and strategic plan goals with class members during an orientation session and dinner on April 13.

Inaugural class members are: Dr. David Barnett, assistant professor of education; Johnathan Gay, director of West Liberty Innovation Center; Dr. Geoffrey Gearer, professor of biology; Jami Hornbuckle, director of university marketing; Dr. Eric Jerde, associate professor of geology; Teresa Johnson, director of budgets; Kevin Koett, dean of students; Calvin Lindell, assistant professor of speech; Dr. Shondrah Nash, assistant professor of sociology;

Lora Pace, first year programs and retention director; Dr. Charles Patrick, professor of industrial and engineering technology; Dr. Clarendia Phillips, associate professor of sociology and assistant provost for diversity; Jill Ratliff, director of educational services unit; Sharon Reynolds, administrative assistant to the vice president for administration and fiscal services; Jason Vance, librarian II; and Brenda Wilburn, associate professor of nursing.

The President's Leadership Academy will provide quality professional development, mentorship and internships to selected faculty, staff and administrators who show potential to become more effective leaders.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Michael Seelig, dean of the Caudill College of Humanities and chair of the President's Leadership Academy steering committee, at (606) 783-2650.

Posted: 4-26-06

Choirs present Spring Concert, May 1

The Morehead State University Women's Chorus, Men's Chorus, and University Chorus will present their Spring Concert at 8 p.m. on Monday, May 1, at First Baptist Church, 123 East Main St., Morehead.

The Men's Chorus, under the direction of Dr. Greg Detweiler, associate professor of music, will open the concert with "Brothers, Sing On" arranged by Haward McKinney. The Women's Chorus, under the direction of Adam Luebke, lecturer, will follow with "I Lift Up My Eyes to the Hills" by Paul Bouman.

The featured piece of the evening is "Rejoice in the Lamb" by Benjamin Britten. The cantata was commissioned by the Rev. Walter Hussey for the 50th anniversary of the consecration of St. Matthew's Church, Northampton, England, on Sept. 21, 1943.

The cantata comprises excerpts from an extended poem by the 18th century poet Christopher Smart. The poem was written during Smart's mental illness while he was in an asylum. The main theme of the poem is the worship of God by all created beings and things, each in their own way.

Britten's music, set in 10 short sections, matches the visionary quality of the text, according to Dr. Detweiler, and the cantata is considered one of the "jewels" of 20-century choral literature.

Soloists are Amy Trautwein, soprano, **Ashland** junior; Martina Wheeler, alto, **Lowmansville** graduate student; Brandon Centers, tenor, **Lexington** senior; and Diehl Ackerman, baritone, Rowan County Senior High School choral director. Jay Flippin, MSU retiree, is the organist.

The concert will conclude with Bela Bartok's "Four Slovak Folk Songs." This collection of songs arranged for chorus represents four of the countless folk melodies and texts Bartok collected and preserved.

There is no admission charge for the concert. Additional information is available by calling Dr. Detweiler at (606) 783-2473.

Posted: 4-27-06

'Bon Voyage' concert to be held May 4

The Morehead State University Concert Choir and Chamber Singers will present their "Bon Voyage" concert at 8 p.m. on Thursday, May 4, at First Baptist Church, 123 E. Main St., Morehead.

The 37-voice Concert Choir and 20-voice Chamber Singers are conducted by Dr. Greg Detweiler. The choirs will be leaving on May 18 for a 10-day concert tour of Costa Rica. The tour will center primarily in San Jose, the capital, and will include concerts in churches and schools throughout the country. Plans are underway for a special concert at the White House of Costa Rica.

Many works from Costa Rica and other parts of Latin America will be featured at the concert. Pieces from Costa Rica include "Amor de temporada," "Mananitas de mi Tierra" and "Cana Dulce." Other Latin American works include "Te Quiero," and "Noel Ayisyen." Additional pieces in Spanish are "Suite de Lorca" and "Esto Les Digo."

The concert will begin with a set of sacred literature. The featured piece in the set is "When David Heard," written for the choir by Richard Burchard, chair of the music department at Bellarmine University in Louisville.

The choirs also will share arrangements of traditional spirituals in the concert. These include "This Little Light of Mine," "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" and "Ol' Time Religion." The Chamber Singers will perform a jazz arrangement of "A Nightingale Sang in Berkley Square."

Soloists in the program are Martina Wheeler, **Lowmansville** graduate student; Clark Walker, **Vinton, Ohio**, senior; Melanie Sparks, **Louisville** senior; Paul Robinson, **Dillsboro, Ind.**, senior; Diana Knoll, **Morehead** senior; Jeremy Howard, **Oak Hill, Ohio**, senior; and Melody Walker, **Thurman, Ohio**, graduate student.

The concert is free and open to the public. Additional information is available by calling Dr. Detweiler at (606) 783-2473.

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MSU student selected for True Pike Challenge

Morehead State University's Brad Hagen, **Norwich, N.Y.**, senior and president of the University's Eta Eta chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity has been selected for Pike University's first True Pike Challenge.

The True Pike Challenge will be held June 18-24 at the Boulder Outdoor Survival School in Boulder, Utah. The school is the oldest and largest survival school in the world. Tuition for The True Pike Challenge is being completely funded by the International Fraternity.

Pike University is one of North America's leading providers of undergraduate leadership development education and a program of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity.

The seven-day field course will provide participants with an opportunity to push yourself to the limit and even further.

"Some of my friends think that I'm crazy," said Hagen. "I think it is a very big honor to be only one of 18 selected for the first ever True Pike Challenge. I'm looking forward to it."

The participants will hike the terrain of southern Utah with 19 other brothers of Pi Kappa Alpha to further strengthen the bonds of brotherhood. The Challenge will focus on individual development.

Besides Hagen selected were: Andrew Bailes, Epsilon Zeta (East Tennessee State); James Card, Delta Chi (Nebraska-Omaha); Ryan Collett, Alpha Omega (Kansas State); Mitchell Faasen, Zeta Kappa (Ferris State); Marshall Farmer, Eta Zeta (Middle Tennessee State); Robert Franco, Delta Nu (Wayne State); Thomas Howarth, Zeta Iota (Old Dominion); Aaron Huser, Beta Xi (Wisconsin); Matthew Lyons, Beta Eta (Illinois); Justin Ptacnik, Delta Chi (Nebraska-Omaha); Andre Ramirez, Lambda Lambda (California-Irvine); Jakeb Riggie, Gamma Beta (Nebraska); Clark Roberton, Delta Omega (High Point); Kurt Schoeffler, Epsilon Eta (Houston); Nathaniel Steinhoff, Iota Alpha (Wyoming); Tyler Verri, Kappa Omega (Wisconsin-Whitewater); and Nolan White, Zeta (Tennessee).

Additional information may be obtained by calling Melissa Dunn, MSU director of student activities/Greek Life, at (606) 783-2071.

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Appalachian Arts and Crafts Fair & 'Folkfest 2006', June 24

The Kentucky Folk Art Center will sponsor the Appalachian Arts and Crafts Fair from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 24, at the new Morehead Conference Center, located on First Street.

The Appalachian Arts and Crafts Fair offers visitors a large and varied selection of regional arts and crafts, ranging from the traditional to the cutting edge. The fair will feature more than 50 of the region's finest craftspeople offering jewelry, pottery, candles, furniture and more.

"We're very excited to be in a new venue at the Morehead Conference Center," said Matt Collinsworth, KFAC's director. "This wonderful new atmosphere will enhance everyone's experience, and it gives us the opportunity to incorporate music directly into the event."

There is a \$3 charge for admission to the fair.

Visitors to the crafts fair also can experience "Folkfest 2006," which also will be held at the center. Folkfest will feature performances by three folk music acts from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Featured artists will be: Wiley Dew (11 a.m.), Pickintime (noon) and Ann and Phil Case (1 p.m.). Admission to the fair will cover Folkfest. However, if someone would like to view only the music, then it will be \$3 for adults and free for children 12 and under.

KFAC, Kentucky Center for Traditional Music, Morehead State Public Radio and the MSU Arts and Humanities Council are sponsors of Folkfest. The artists will be available to discuss their craft, instruments and history of the music they perform.

The Kentucky Folk Art Center is a cultural, educational and economic development service of Morehead State University.

Additional information is available from the Center's Web site at www.kyfolkart.org or by calling (606) 783-2204. KFAC, located at 102 West First Street in Morehead, is open Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., and Sundays, 1-5 p.m.
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Flat Gap student captures two MSPR awards

Morehead State Public Radio's Leeann M. Tanner, **Flat Gap** senior, has captured both MSPR's 2006 Student Achievement and Outstanding Student awards.

"Leeann is a valuable member of our staff and a gifted individual who volunteers her time to enrich campus life and in the community," said Paul Hitchcock, MSPR general manager.

She will be recognized at the Caudill College of Humanities Awards Luncheon in May.

Tanner has worked for MSPR since the summer of 2005 as a news reporter and board operator. She also is active in MSU's theatre program and a member of the Theta Alpha Phi theatre honorary fraternity.

She will graduate on May 13 with a bachelor's degree in theatre and a minor in creative writing, and plans to attend MSU in the fall to pursue a master's degree in communications.

The Student Achievement Award is presented to an individual who has worked at MSPR for at least one semester, maintained an overall grade point average of at least a 3.0 and demonstrated achievements and leadership at MSU and in the community.

The Outstanding Student Award is presented to an individual who has worked at MSPR for at least one semester, maintained an overall GPA of at least a 3.0, and demonstrated leadership abilities, dependability, initiative and personal development, showing quality work for an overall commitment to MSPR.

Tanner will receive a \$250 gift certificate from the University Bookstore, her name placed on a plaque and an individual gift from MSPR for each award.

MSPR relies on the help of many MSU students. An average of 20 students work at the station each year, performing a variety of tasks including reporter, copy editor, board operator, music host, and production and marketing assistants.

Additional information is available by calling MSPR at (800) 286-9659 or (606) 783-2001; or log on to MSPR's Web site at www.msuradio.com .
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MSU's women's bowling team in second place

Morehead State University's women's bowling team enters Friday's action of the 2006 United States Bowling Congress Intercollegiate Team Championships seeded second, after having a great qualifying round on Thursday. Maryland-Eastern Shore claimed the top overall seed in the women's draw of the 2006 which began its double-elimination tournament on Friday morning at The Cherry Bowl in Rockford, Ill. MSU rolled a score of 5,781 on Thursday.

The MSU men's team was 10th as it bowled a total of 5,718, during the qualifying round. Central Florida dominated the men's field totaling 6,376 to lead second-place and defending champion Lindenwood by more than 200 pins.

The men will open up Friday's action against Nebraska while the Lady Eagles will play Western Illinois.

During opening ceremonies on Wednesday, Morehead State's Lindsey Coules , Dayton, Ohio, junior, was named to the first team National Collegiate Bowling Coaches Association All-American squad while MSU's Amy Corbin, Cincinnati sophomore, was selected honorable mention. Coules also was named one of four runners-up in the Bowling Writers Association of America Collegiate Players of the Year voting.

The first-round women's match-ups, which are the best-of-seven format, are as follows:

- 1) Maryland-Eastern Shore vs. 16) South Florida
- **2) Morehead State** vs. 15) Western Illinois
- 3) Fresno State vs. 14) Ball State
- 4) Wichita State vs. 13) Penn State
- 5) Shippensburg vs. 12) West Texas A&M
- 6) Central Florida vs. 11) Newman
- 7) Pikeville vs. 10) Nebraska-Omaha
- 8) Purdue vs. 9) Lindenwood

The winner of the double-elimination format from that bracket will advance to the championship round, which is single-elimination best-of-three against the winner of the other bracket for the national championship.

The scores after all 32 Baker games in the women's division of the 2006 USBC Intercollegiate Team Championships are as follows:

- Maryland-Eastern Shore 5,864
- **Morehead State 5,781**
- Fresno State 5,767
- Wichita State 5,744
- Shippensburg 5,740
- Central Florida 5,738
- Pikeville 5,671
- Purdue 5,558
- Lindenwood 5,526
- Nebraska-Omaha 5,501
- Newman 5,408
- West Texas A&M 5,402
- Penn State 5,782
- Ball State 5,248
- Western Illinois 5,237
- South Florida 5,098

The MSU women took top honors in 1989, 1998, 2000 and 2002 and were runners-up in 1993. During the tournament, additional information will be available on the www.bowl.com Web site. Check out the following links for additional information:

[MSU bowlers have excelled](#)

[Bowling teams heading to championships](#)

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