

## 10 alumni serving in legislative session opening Jan. 8

Lawmakers holding top leadership positions and chairing major committees are among the 10 Morehead State University alumni serving in the 2008 session of the Kentucky General Assembly which opens Jan. 8.

Three MSU alumni serve in the Kentucky Senate. Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, D-Drift, is the minority caucus chair. He is in his second four-year term. Sen. Charlie Borders, R-Grayson, chairs the Appropriations and Revenue Committee. He is serving his fourth term. The other MSU grad in the upper chamber is Sen. Walter Blevins, D-Sandy Hook, also is in his fourth term.

Seven MSU alumni serve in the Kentucky House. Rep. Rocky Adkins, D-Sandy Hook, is the majority floor leader, the second highest position in that chamber. He is serving his 10th tenth two-year term. Rep. Hubert Collins, D-Wittensville, chairs the Transportation Committee. He is serving his eighth term.

Rep. John Will Stacy, D-West Liberty, chairs the Education Budget Review Subcommittee of the Appropriations and Revenue Committee. He is in his seventh term. Rep. Robin Webb, D-Grayson, is first vice chair of the Appropriations and Revenue Committee. She is serving her fourth term.

Rep. Mike Denham, D-Maysville, is vice chair of three committees - Agriculture and Small Business, Banking and Insurance, and Local Government. He is in his third term. The other MSU alumni in the House are Rep. Jimmy Higdon, R-Lebanon, in his second term, and Rep. Carl Rollins, D-Midway, in his first term.

Two MSU alumni who served in the 2006 budget session are no longer in the General Assembly. Rep. Adrian Arnold, D-Mt. Sterling, retired after 16 terms. Rep. Carolyn Belcher, D-Owingsville, resigned after being elected Bath County judge-executive.

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## Informational meeting for opera organization to be held

Residents of northeast Kentucky and the surrounding region will soon have the opportunity to perform and attend operas and operettas without traveling to larger metropolitan areas.

A meeting will be held on Monday, Jan. 14 at 6 p.m. in Room 203 of Baird Music Hall on the Morehead State University campus to charter this new regional opera organization, to be known as Highlands Light Opera.

Participants in every aspect of operatic production are invited to attend, especially singers, instrumental musicians, directors, artists, dancers, technical personnel, costumers, carpenters and electricians. Other professionals who are interested in contributing to the business aspect of the company, particularly attorneys, financial advisors and donors, and public relations consultants are invited to attend.

Audition and performance dates and location of an early summer production of Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Pirates of Penzance" will be discussed at this meeting. Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Roma Prindle at [r.prindle@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:r.prindle@moreheadstate.edu).

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## KFAC closed until Feb. 7

Morehead State University's Kentucky Folk Art Center will be closed to the public through Feb. 7 to permit the staff to redesign and reinstall a new Permanent Exhibition.

The original Permanent Exhibition was installed in 1997. While there have been some changes over the past 10 years, the general layout of the exhibition space has remained the same. The new Permanent Exhibition will present the artwork in more intimate settings and will offer more flexibility.

"We're very much looking forward to this project," said Matt Collinsworth, KFAC director. "It's been a decade since we made major changes to the Permanent Exhibition. Obviously, our resources are limited, but we have a great, creative staff. And, we have the support of our friends and Morehead State. I think people will be greatly surprised when they come back in February. The exhibition will shed new light on the contemporary state of folk art in Kentucky."

The Kentucky Folk Art Center is located at 102 West First Street in Morehead. Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-2204.

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## Distinctive pool sculpture to be displayed at new facility

The west campus skyline is changing this week at Morehead State University with the final phase of the demolition of Senff Natatorium, the University's first indoor swimming pool which opened in 1933 and closed in 1988.

"The decision to raze the natatorium was not made quickly or easily," said MSU President Wayne D. Andrews. "This matter was under consideration when I arrived three years ago. Numerous efforts have been made over the last 20 years to seek funding from public and private sources to restore the facility and adapt it for another use. Sadly, nothing materialized and the building continued to deteriorate to the point of becoming unstable and a health hazard."

He continued:

"After consulting with the Kentucky Heritage Council and other architects, we decided that our only reasonable course of action was to remove the building and use the land to help preserve a historically more significant structure, Button Auditorium."

But Senff Natatorium will not be forgotten at MSU because the building's primary exterior architectural feature, the frieze (low relief sculpture) on the south façade, was removed for eventual display in the aquatics area of the planned student recreation center.

The sculpture features two swimmers surrounding this text: "This swimming pool is dedicated to the ideal of a clean and vigorous youth." It consists of 30 sections of limestone.

"The stone sculpture will be carefully restored to preserve its historical value," Dr. Andrews added. "We also will erect a campus historical marker at the original site."

He noted that the building's principal indoor feature, mosaic tile used in the pool area, could not be salvaged due to damage resulting from building subsidence and vandalism.

Senff Natatorium was among eight "contributing" buildings in MSU's National Historic District. The building itself was not listed as a separate historical structure.

Access to the building was significantly reduced two years ago with the rerouting of traffic behind the Combs Building to eliminate hazards to pedestrians and vehicles.

The land occupied by the natatorium will be converted to green space and held in reserve for the planned restoration and expansion of Button Auditorium.

Safeco Environmental was paid \$12,000 to remove asbestos from the facility. Solid Rock Construction received \$41,449 to complete the demolition.

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## Statement of Intent deadline Jan. 7

A vital step in providing more privacy and convenience to students when accessing their financial accounts at Morehead State University is available online.

The deadline for submitting a completed Statement of Intent is Monday, Jan. 7 for the spring semester and is accessible for students through MSU's Web site.

The completed statement confirms a student's intention to return for the spring semester. It also offers them the option to defer paying their account balance in full. MSU's Office of Accounting and Budgetary Control lists full instructions in its "How to Pay Tuition and Fees" on the University's Web site ([www.moreheadstate.edu/abc](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/abc)).

The Statement of Intent must be filed electronically by each student after they register for classes each semester.

This applies even if they plan to pay prior to the beginning of the semester, according to Carol Ford, assistant director of accounting and budgetary control.

"All students must complete the Statement of Intent, and either 'accept' or 'opt out' of the terms of the agreement," she said. "By agreeing to the conditions of the statement, students confirm they will attend classes at MSU and acknowledge their bill. It also will give them the choice of extending the period of time they have to pay their account in full."

This requirement also applies to any student who receives financial aid or scholarships, or whose college expenses are being paid by an outside agency, Ford said.

If a statement is not on file by Jan. 7, the student's class will be deleted from the system. Ford said students are encouraged to read the Statement of Intent carefully and make sure they understand the requirements and deadline dates before agreeing to abide by the terms of this document. Statements are available online on WebAdvisor through [www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu).

Additional information is available by calling the Office of Accounting and Budgetary Control at (606) 783-2019.

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## MSPR to host CAB meeting Feb.

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The Community Advisory Board for Morehead State Public Radio will conduct its quarterly meeting on Sunday, Feb. 3, at 3 p.m.

The meeting will be held in the MSPR studios, located in Breckinridge Hall on the Morehead State University campus.

Meetings of the board are open to the public.

Morehead State Public Radio broadcasts 24 hours a day from the MSU campus. WMKY (90.3 FM) 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.

Additional information is available on MSPR's Web site at [www.msuradio.com](http://www.msuradio.com) or from Paul Hitchcock, MSPR's general manager, by e-mail at [wmky@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:wmky@moreheadstate.edu) or by telephone to (606) 783-2001.

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## Open House set for Feb. 2 and March 8

Morehead State University's Office of Enrollment Services has announced its Open House dates for the spring. Scheduled on two Saturdays, Feb. 2 and March 8, from 9 a.m. until noon, the events will be held in the Adron Doran University Center on the Morehead campus.

According to Enrollment Services, the Open House events will be an excellent opportunity for students and families to discover why MSU has been named one of "America's Best Colleges" by U.S. News and World Report for the fourth year running.

University representatives will be available to meet students and families, answer questions, lead campus tours and share information concerning college life.

"Our goal is to make it convenient to get answers to questions about starting college by bringing deans, department chairs and faculty from our academic programs, as well as staff from admissions, financial aid, housing and many more services together in one place," said Holly Pollock, assistant director of enrollment services. "Families will hear success stories about our graduates and learn some statistics that demonstrate the academic quality offered at MSU."

On one such measure of success, MSU graduates are consistently accepted into professional schools, including medical, dental and pharmacy programs, at rates well above state and national averages.

MSU earned a third place ranking among top tier public universities for faculty-to-student ratios and class size. Eighty-eight percent of the MSU faculty is full-time.

Students and families are encouraged to register for the Open House. To learn more about this event or to complete an online registration card, you may visit [www.moreheadstate.edu/openhouse](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/openhouse).

Additional information is available by calling Enrollment Services at (606) 783-2000 or (800) 585-6781.

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## King march set for Jan. 21

Morehead State University's annual tribute to the late civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. will be held on Monday, Jan. 21.

The Unity in the Community Celebration, in observance of Dr. King's birthday, will begin with the traditional march at 6:30 p.m. at the Little Bell Tower on the MSU campus. After brief remarks, participants will march to the First Christian Church, 227 E. Main St., Morehead, for the unity service, which is set to begin at 7 p.m.

Additional information is available by calling LaRaissa Davis-Morris, coordinator of multicultural student services, at (606) 783-2668.

Offices at Morehead State University will be closed on Monday, Jan. 21, in observance of the national holiday in remembrance of Dr. King's birthday.

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## Big Sandy Women's Business Symposium set for Feb. 19

With the strides females have made in the business world in recent years, it is important for women to keep up with the latest trends and growth areas.

With that in mind, Morehead State University's Small Business Development Center in Paintsville will present its annual women's business conference on Feb. 19 in Prestonsburg.

The 9th Annual Big Sandy Women's Business Symposium will highlight "Women---The New Majority." The event will be held at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

The symposium will focus on the data that reveals that women are no longer considered a minority group in business, and that female-owned companies have shown the largest percentage of growth in the small business arena.

Special guest speakers will include Dr. Baretta Casey and Jackee Schwartz.

Dr. Casey, professor of family medicine and vice chair of the University of Kentucky's Department of Family and Community Medicine, also is the director of UK's Center for Excellence in Rural Health.

Schwartz is the owner of How2Think.com and a certified instructor for Dr. Edward de Bono's "Six Thinking Hats."

The symposium will include exhibitor displays, networking opportunities and more, and is scheduled to be held from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. The fee is \$25. Participants are invited to register online at <http://kysbdc.ecenterdirect.com/ConfSignup.asp?id=5161> , or by calling the SBDC at (606) 788-6022 or (606) 432-5848.

MSU's Small Business Development Center is located within the University's College of Business, and brings together a full range of services to small businesses. It is funded in part through a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Small Business Administration.

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## Come to 'Beat EKV' night

Morehead State University will host in-state rival Eastern Kentucky University Thursday, Jan. 10, in an Ohio Valley Conference basketball doubleheader at the Academic-Athletic Center.

Morehead State has designated the games as "BEAT EKU" night. The women's game will tip off at 5:15 p.m. while the men's battle will start at 7:30 p.m. The first 500 fans entering Johnson Arena for the women's game will receive a free "BEAT EKU" T-shirt, compliments of the Office of Communications and Marketing, Student Activities Council and the University Bookstore. Faculty and staff may take advantage of a buy one/get one free promotion at the ticket windows.

Additional information on tickets may be obtained by calling the MSU ticket office at (606) 783-2088.  
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## Andrews says MSU to overcome new fiscal challenge

In its 120 years of existence, Morehead State University has overcome many challenges and will do so again in the current state budget crisis, MSU President Wayne D. Andrews said here on Wednesday.

He told an audience of faculty and staff members that the University will get through by staying true to its mission of being "a light to the mountains" and by working together. [\(Full audio of Dr. Andrews' speech\)](#) MSU has been directed to develop plans to reduce its operating budget by as much as \$7.2 million by July 1.

"Although I am greatly concerned about this situation, it is reassuring to know that we have a good strategic plan and a solid business plan to guide us and that our leadership team is committed to doing what is best for the University," Dr. Andrews said during the spring semester convocation in historic Button Auditorium.

He added:

"No doubt our greatest challenge will be to strategically reduce budgets while protecting our core business of teaching and learning, scholarship and service. We must be willing to make reasonable adjustments in our processes and perhaps most importantly, we must work together."

Dr. Andrews stated it is imperative that the governor and the legislature work together to solve Kentucky's budget woes, but MSU has to do its share.

"We must do whatever it takes to make sure we are organized for maximum efficiency and effectiveness," said Dr. Andrews. "We must make sure that our academic programs and our general education requirements are relevant in the 21<sup>st</sup> century and we have to be even more focused on our vision, mission and values."

It was announced that MSU's annual campus giving campaign had produced a record of \$200,841 in gifts from employees and retirees. Recognized as campaign co-chairs were Beth Patrick, vice president for planning, budgets and technology, and Dr. Clarenda Phillips, chair of the Department Sociology, Social Work and Criminology.

Dr. Robert C. Dickeson, president emeritus of the University of Northern Colorado, was the convocation guest speaker. He encouraged the MSU faculty to complete its ongoing academic audit so that the institution could reallocate resources to its priorities.

The spring term opens on Monday, Jan. 14.

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## Convocation speech

Jan. 9, 2008

Good morning.

I trust that everyone had an enjoyable holiday break...and that you have returned with spirit and stamina...ready to continue our institutional journey from good to better to great.

In keeping with custom...I'd like to take a moment to thank and recognize my wife...Sue...and the 3 campus members of the Board of Regents who are here with us today:

- Dr. Terry Irons of the faculty
- Lora Pace of the staff, and
- Brian Gay, president of the Student Government Association.

To those joining our University family since the fall convocation...we welcome you as new colleagues and wish you the very best.

There are those among us today who deserve to be recognized for their achievements since we met last fall...and I'd like them to stand as I tell you about their accomplishments.

This is just a sampling of those who are doing good things. Please stand until all have been introduced:

- Jeffrey Hill - assistant professor of mass communication - was a recipient of a Kentucky Arts Council Professional Assistance Award. He also had one of his films premiere in Swaziland, South Africa.
- Dr. Michelle Kunz - associate professor of marketing - was named Volunteer of the Year in Marketing by Multimedia Educational Resource for Learning and Online Teaching.
- Jennifer Reis - director of the main gallery in the Claypool-Young Art Building - received the Al Smith Visual Arts Fellowship from the Kentucky Arts Council.
- Tanya M. Bromley - a lecturer in the Department of Music - was elected to a 2-year term as president of the Kentucky Music Educators Association.
- Dr. Scott A. Davison - professor of philosophy - was among 9 American philosophers traveling to China for the annual Sino-American Symposium on Philosophy and Religious Studies.
- Dr. Yvonne Baldwin - chair of the Department of Geography, Government, and History - was elected to the executive committee of the Board of Directors of the Kentucky Historical Society.
- Dr. Bruce Mattingly - associate provost for research and sponsored programs - was the recipient of the Kentucky Academy of Science Outstanding Service Award for 2007.
- Dr. Wesley White - professor of psychology - was awarded a 3-year \$150,000 research grant from the National Institute on Drug Abuse.
- Dr. Lynn Spradlin was appointed as the new Adron Doran Distinguished Professor in the College of Education.
- Head Football Coach Matt Ballard was among 5 finalists for the 2007 Liberty Mutual Coach of the Year Award.

- Dr. Steven Parkansky - associate professor at IRAPP - received a 4-year, \$261,000 grant from the United States Geological Survey for Phase 2 of the agency's Geographic Names Information System project for the western half of Kentucky.

Thank you - one and all - for what you do each day for this institution.

And I am pleased to report that we are making steady progress in improving our physical facilities.

Work is progressing nicely on the support building for the Space Science Center as well as the addition to the Wellness Center...the new equine clinic at the Derrickson Ag Complex...and the renovation of Nunn Hall.

Our planning is nearly complete on our joint health, education and research building with St. Claire and U-K.

The dean of the U-K med school is saying he wants to establish a 2-year branch in Morehead to assist in the preparation of family physicians.

That would be a good fit with the physician's assistant and advanced nurse practitioner programs we already are hosting for U-K.

Demolition has been completed on the abandoned apartment buildings and duplexes in Lakewood Terrace...the site of our new student recreation center...and on Senff Natatorium.

The pool was 75 years old and was abandoned 20 years ago. Three different administrations had no luck in finding public or private funding to restore the building and adapt it for another use.

It became a health and safety hazard and had to be removed...but we preserved the low relief sculpture on the south façade - and it will be re-installed in the aquatics area of our new student recreation center.

At this point...I need to address the state's budget problems which have been in the news for the last 2 weeks and which have left our institution in a serious financial bind that may well become a crisis.

The cold hard facts are that state revenues are much lower than expected and the state's share of our funding is being reduced.

Morehead State University and other state-funded entities have been directed to immediately reduce current year expenditures for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008.

Our amount is more than \$1.4 million or 3 percent of our current-year general fund appropriation of \$48.2 million.

However...this won't be the only cut in our state general fund support in the foreseeable future.

As the result of a meeting I attended with Governor Beshear and the other presidents and a subsequent request from the state budget office over the weekend...it is very likely we will be required to make substantially larger reductions in our operating budget by the start of the next fiscal year on July 1.

In fact...we have been directed to submit a plan to the state budget office through the C-P-E by the end of this week on how we would manage further reduction of our state general fund support...perhaps as much as another 12 percent or \$5.8 million...a total potential reduction of \$7.2 million.

C-P-E President Brad Cowgill will be responding on behalf of the universities and the community and technical colleges.

He will tell the governor and the state budget staff that such a reduction will seriously damage all of our institutions and delay...perhaps even destroy...our efforts to double the number of 4-year college graduates in Kentucky by 2020.

When the first cut was announced, I said the news was disappointing but not discouraging in that I felt we could make the adjustment without serious damage to the momentum we have generated through our "Planning for Greatness" business plan.

After receiving this latest news from Frankfort...I now am seriously concerned that what first seemed to be a bump in the road could turn out to be a mountain to climb.

I met with the Cabinet Monday and Tuesday to begin formulating a tentative proposal for reducing our current operating budget by as much as \$7.2 million for the next fiscal year starting July 1.

I don't want to alarm anyone but it should be obvious that an organization which spends nearly 62 percent of its total budget on personnel cannot absorb a cutback of this magnitude without a significant impact on its workforce.

However...I remain hopeful that we can weather this storm with minimal effect on our employees. Our core values state clearly that people come first and that will be our top priority as we determine how to give back the money this year while causing the least damage to our institution and our people.

Although I am greatly concerned about this situation...it is reassuring to know that we have a good strategic plan and a solid business plan to guide us and that our leadership team is committed to doing what is best for the University.

No doubt our greatest challenge will be to strategically reduce budgets while protecting our core business of teaching and learning, scholarship and service.

I spoke earlier about being hopeful and that is based on my strong feeling that our friends in the General Assembly...which convened yesterday for its 2008 regular session...will not let higher education be stripped of its resources in such fashion.

All 100 House members and 19 of the 39 senators are up for reelection this fall and not one of them will want to go home and tell the voters that state government can no longer afford postsecondary education...and that our institutions will have no choice but to raise tuition even higher to make up some of the state funding shortfall.

The governor presents his executive budget proposal to the legislature on Jan. 29. By law...he is required to present a balanced budget for the 2008-2010 biennium...and the General Assembly has the same constitutional mandate to appropriate no more than can be collected in revenue over that 2-year budget period.

Depending on whose figures you accept...our state's budget and total revenue could be as much as \$500 million dollars out of balance.

Based on past sessions...the General Assembly won't adopt the new budget until late March. That means we will have to plan for the worst while working to minimize the fiscal impact over the next 3 months.

I went with the other institutional presidents last Thursday to meet with our new governor.

He told us he had inherited a very large budget deficit...and we told him we knew it wasn't his fault but that didn't change the fact that we are under a 10-year public policy mandate to double the number of Kentuckians who hold 4-year college degrees.

He told us that he understands that higher education is vitally important to the state's future...and that in the long run he would do all in his power to support us...once this budget crisis is past.

The most positive outcome of our meeting was the governor's recognition of the fact that we must be free to adjust our tuition if the state fails to meet its commitment to higher education's general fund appropriations.

The governor said several times during the campaign that he was concerned that tuition has been rising too fast in this state but we know that the affordability studies done by the Council on Postsecondary Education show that Kentucky still ranks well below the national average for tuition rates at public institutions.

And at M-S-U...we remain the best tuition value in the Commonwealth.

Frankly...it angers me to think that our progress of the last 3 years and our solid planning for the future are in jeopardy through no fault of our own.

It is imperative that the governor and the legislature work together to solve Kentucky's budget woes as soon as possible.

At the same time...we at MSU must do whatever it takes to make sure we are organized for maximum efficiency and effectiveness.

We must make sure that our academic programs and our general education requirements are relevant in the 21st century.

Several reporters have asked me where I see all of this going for Morehead State University.

My answer has been consistent and I believe it is important that each of us commit to staying the course...we must be even more focused on our vision, mission and values.

We must be willing to make reasonable adjustments in our processes and... perhaps most importantly...we must work together.

Once we have planned our work...we must ignore the naysayers and proceed to diligently work our plan.

As I reflect on the task ahead...I am reminded of this advice from a wise man who also faced adversity:

*I cannot change the direction of the wind. But I can adjust my sails.*

In closing...I want each of you to know that despite what is swirling around us here and in Frankfort...I remain so very pleased to be serving as your president.

At this time...I am open to your questions...if you stand...we will bring you a microphone.

Sue and I wish you a wonderful spring semester and a great 2008.

Thank you for what you do each day to make this a great University.

## Emerging Leaders Symposium accepting nominations

Morehead State University has announced it is accepting nominations for students to participate in its Emerging Leaders Symposium (ELS). Anyone can nominate an MSU student to participate.

The Symposium, a new program, organized by the Office of Student Activities, and is free of charge.

Students who accept the nomination will participate in a day-long series of events to introduce them to concepts of leadership, make them aware of other leadership opportunities on campus, and give them a chance to network with community leaders and fellow students. All who complete the program will receive a certificate.

The event is scheduled for Friday, Feb. 29 in the Adron Doran University Center on the Morehead campus.

The day will be facilitated by Dr. Bill Smedick, director of Leadership Programs and Assessment Initiatives at Johns Hopkins University. Dr. Smedick has been involved in leadership education at Johns Hopkins since 1989. He is a part-time professor, teaching Leadership Theory in the Center for Leadership Education.

He has served in various community and professional leadership roles including chairperson of the Board of Directors for the National Association for Campus Activities.

Other educational sessions, conducted by MSU's faculty and staff along with distinguished community members, will address topics such as setting career goals, how to manage change, influencing others and how to make informed decisions.

MSU graduate Amber Philpott, a reporter for WKYT-TV, will be the keynote speaker for the lunch portion of the program. She will discuss the importance of active involvement in college and how it impacts opportunities after college.

To nominate a student, contact Student Activities at (606) 783-2071.

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## Willenbrink to lead honors program

An experienced educator, actor and academic department chair has been tapped to lead the honors program at Morehead State University.

Dr. Robert "Bob" Willenbrink, chair of the Department of Communication and Theatre, will serve as the interim director of MSU's George M. Luckey Jr. Academic Honors Program for the spring and summer terms of 2008.

He succeeds Dr. Marshall Chapman, who will return to teaching full-time in the Department of Physical Sciences. Dr. Chapman worked with the honors program for eight years, including about five years as director.

"I wish the honors program and Bob Willenbrink my best wishes and support," he said.

A two-time MSU graduate, Dr. Willenbrink received bachelor's and master's degrees in communications. He holds a doctoral degree in theatre from Bowling Green State University in Ohio. Since 2002, he has served as professor and department chair at MSU, and as the W. Paul and Lucille Caudill Little endowed chair of theatre since 2004.

Prior to his employment at MSU, Dr. Willenbrink was chair, director of theatre and professor in the Department of Speech, Theatre and Mass Communication at the University of Central Arkansas in Conway.

"I'm honored to serve in this capacity and look forward to continuing the excellence of the honors program at MSU," he said.

Freshmen students admitted to the Academic Honors Program must meet certain minimum requirements in ACT scores, high school GPAs and class rank.

The program is housed in the Honors House (officially known as the Evans House), located on Elizabeth Avenue.

Additional information is available by calling the honors program office at (606) 783-2807.

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## CPA Society accepting scholarship applications

The Kentucky Society of CPAs (KyCPA) is accepting applications for its Educational Foundation scholarships now through Jan. 31.

Students studying accounting at Kentucky colleges and universities are eligible to apply for the scholarships, generally ranging in amounts from \$1,000 to \$2,500. Other requirements include that the student must be at least a sophomore; have overall grade point average of at least 2.75 and an accounting grade point average of 3.0; and have completed the Principles of Accounting course.

To apply, students must submit an application form (available online at [www.cpa2be.org](http://www.cpa2be.org)); college transcript; two recommendations, one of which must be from an accounting faculty member; and a one-page essay.

Complete details and an application form are available online at KyCPA's student Web site, [www.cpa2be.org](http://www.cpa2be.org). Completed applications may be mailed to KyCPA, 1735 Alliant Avenue, Louisville, KY 40299.

Those with questions may call Becky Ackerman, Foundation administrator at KyCPA, at (502) 266-5272 or (800) 292-1754 (in Kentucky).

In 2007, the KyCPA Educational Foundation awarded \$30,000 in scholarships to 23 college students studying accounting.

The Kentucky Society of Certified Public Accountants is a statewide, non-profit professional organization serving CPAs in public accounting firms, business, industry, government, and education.

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## 'Meet MSU Days' announced

Morehead State University's Office of Enrollment Services has announced four "Meet MSU Days" for Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) students interested in learning more about Morehead State.

Representatives will be present from each academic department, financial aid, and enrollment services. Information also will be available about 2+2 agreements (completer degrees), KCTCS transfer scholarships and online programs.

The dates, times, and locations of the programs are:

**Tuesday, Feb. 26** , Student Lounge-Administration Building, Southeast Kentucky Community and Technical College (Whitesburg Campus), 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.;

**Wednesday, Feb. 27** , Oswald Building, Bluegrass Community and Technical College, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.;

**Tuesday, March 4** , Calvert Center, Maysville Community and Technical College, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.;

**Wednesday, March 5** , Community Room-Harold Rogers Student Commons, Somerset Community College, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

MSU offers online bachelor's degree "completer" programs designed primarily for graduates of 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.

Emphasis will be placed on seamless transition from KCTCS to Morehead State University and no registration is necessary for this event.

Additional information is available by contacting Jen Crisp, transfer/adult/GED enrollment services counselor, at (606) 783-5421 or e-mail, [j.crisp@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:j.crisp@moreheadstate.edu) .

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## Kentucky artists invited to participate in exhibition

Kentucky artists are invited to participate in "The Bluegrass Biennial 2008: A Kentucky Juried Exhibition" which will be on display in the main gallery of Morehead State University's Claypool-Young Art Building.

The opening and award reception will be held on Saturday, June 7, from 3 - 5 p.m.

The exhibition, in its third year, will run from June 7 through Aug. 1, and is a collaborative effort of the University's Department of Art and the Caudill College of Humanities, Office of Communications and Marketing, Cave Run Arts Association and Morehead Art Guild Inc.

The Bluegrass Biennial exhibition is open to all artists 18 years old or older who are residing in Kentucky. Awards will be presented for Best in Show (\$300) and Merit (\$100 each).

Tim Glotzbach, director of the Student Craft Program and former dean of the Kentucky School of Craft, will be the juror for the exhibition.

The submissions, along with an entry form and \$10 entry fee, must be postmarked by March 14. A prospectus PDF is available on the Web at [www.moreheadstate.edu/art/](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/art/) or by sending an e-mail to Jennifer Reis, gallery director, at [j.reis@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:j.reis@moreheadstate.edu).

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## Kentucky artists invited to participate in exhibition

Kentucky artists are invited to participate in "The Bluegrass Biennial 2008: A Kentucky Juried Exhibition" which will be on display in the main gallery of Morehead State University's Claypool-Young Art Building.

The opening and award reception will be held on Saturday, June 7, from 3 - 5 p.m.

The exhibition, in its third year, will run from June 7 through Aug. 1, and is a collaborative effort of the University's Department of Art and the Caudill College of Humanities, Office of Communications and Marketing, Cave Run Arts Association and Morehead Art Guild Inc.

The Bluegrass Biennial exhibition is open to all artists 18 years old or older who are residing in Kentucky. Awards will be presented for Best in Show (\$300) and Merit (\$100 each).

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## Vaughan Drive closed

Beginning Monday, Jan. 14, Vaughan Drive in the area of the Space Science support building construction will be closed for about a week.

The east end of campus can be accessed by going east on Main Street and turning left on to Lee Cemetery Drive, then right to access Gilley Apartments, Jayne Stadium, the AAC, Wellness Center and other facilities in the area.

Please use caution due to heavy equipment in the area.

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## MSU at Mt. Sterling SSWA delivers Christmas dinners

Morehead State University at Mt. Sterling's newly formed Student Social Work Association recently delivered Christmas Day dinner to the Mt. Sterling-Montgomery County area.

The group would like to thank those in the community that assisted such as Wal-Mart, Kroger, Ron Catchen, students and staff for their donations, along with First Church of God, Camargo Road, for the use of their facilities to prepare the food.

More than 80 people that would have been spending Christmas Day alone or away from their families were delivered a meal. Student Social Work Association members and friends prepared the meals and delivered them on Christmas Day.

The Association which has been in existence for four months, and has completed a coat drive for Montgomery County children and adults, sent cards and letters to soldiers and provided Christmas Day dinners.

In the spring, the group will hold a blood drive along with other community service projects.

MSU Mt. Sterling offers a Bachelor's of Social Work degree with the majority of the required courses being offered in the evening. Spring semester begins Jan. 14.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Janet Kenney, director, or Jeannette Groeber, social work facilitator, at (859) 499-0780.

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## A musical tribute to Dr. King set for Jan. 21

The 22nd annual Morehead State University celebration of the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. will be a musical homage to the late civil rights icon.

"A Musical Tribute to Dr. King" will be the theme of the event, which will be held on Monday, Jan. 21.

The night's events will begin with the traditional candlelight vigil, slated to begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Little Bell Tower on MSU's campus. Following the vigil, participants will march to the First Christian Church, located at 227 E. Main St., Morehead, for the main program.

The presentations will feature a collaboration of campus and community musicians and vocalists. Scheduled to perform are: the First Christian Church Adult Choir and the church's Bell Choir; MSU's Tuba and Euphonium Ensemble and Black Gospel Ensemble; Marie Anderson, secretary specialist in Office of Multicultural Student Services; and Brian Harding and Danielle Cirelli, **Morehead** graduate students.

Musical selections will include various patriotic and/or sacred pieces. Among them will be: "We Shall Overcome," "Amazing Grace," "My Shepherd Shall Supply My Need," "Precious Lord," "Change is Gonna Come," "America" and "Lift Every Voice and Sing."

Also, the Lakeside Christian Academy Choir will be performing "I Have a Dream."

At the conclusion of the program, MSU President Wayne D. Andrews and Dr. Francene Botts-Butler, director MSS, will offer closing remarks. A reception will follow.

The event is sponsored by the MSS office, the President's Cultural Diversity Fund at MSU and the Rowan County Ministerial Association.

Offices at Morehead State University will be closed on Monday, Jan. 21, in observance of the national holiday in remembrance of Dr. King's birthday.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Botts-Butler at (606) 783-2668.

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## MSU, other universities still waiting for budget details

Like Kentucky's other public university presidents, Morehead State University President Wayne D. Andrews watched and listened carefully Monday night as Gov. Steve Beshear delivered his first State of the Commonwealth speech to the General Assembly.

By the time the 23-minute speech had ended, he and the others still did not have any details of how the governor intends to correct the state's looming budget deficit and lessen or avoid its impact on education funding at all levels.

"The real drama is going to be on Jan. 29 when we hear the governor's budget message," Dr. Andrews told the Ashland Independent. "We're all intrigued by what might happen then."

Gov. Beshear already has announced a three percent cut in public funding for the state's institutions of higher learning for the remainder of the current budget cycle. For MSU, that would amount to about \$1.4 million. The governor also asked the institutions to develop plans for an additional 12 percent reduction in state general fund support.

President Andrews said he hoped the governor realizes that investing in education is critical to improving the lives of all Kentuckians, a goal Beshear said he intends to achieve during his administration.

"We have failed in some ways, I think, to advance our people in the manner in which we should," Dr. Andrews stated. "The most important economic development engine in any state is education. Those investments must be made strategically."

The governor's speech included expressions of support for more student financial aid and for university research but did not specifically address the budget cuts.

"I remain optimistic that the General Assembly will step up to help us avoid the regressive, demoralizing effects of a major budget cutback," Dr. Andrews concluded.

By law, the governor must present his two-year proposed state budget to the legislature on Jan. 29. His speech will be televised live on Kentucky Educational Television (KET) at 7 p.m. from the House chamber.  
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## Cheerleaders will compete at nationals this weekend

Morehead State University's coed and all-girl cheerleading squads will be trying to add another national championship title to their total of 23 this weekend when they compete in the College National Cheerleading Championships, Jan. 18 -21, in Orlando, Fla. The Universal Cheerleaders Association-sponsored competition will be held at Walt Disney's Wide World of Sports.

The coed and all-girl cheerleading squads placed first in the country in the qualifying round, which consisted of a cheer video, as well as a two-minute video that demonstrated the teams' stunts, pyramids, basket tosses and tumbling skills.

This is a return trip for both groups. In the 2007 competition, the coed squad won its sixth consecutive national title and 17th overall. The all-girl squad captured its sixth overall championship.

The two teams will leave on Friday (Jan. 18) and compete on Saturday and Sunday.

"Both squads have been working really hard," said Tony Nash, MSU spirit coordinator. "They are focused on keeping up the great tradition that we have here at Morehead State.

"The two squads have only one thing in mind...to win another national title."

Members of the coed squad heading to nationals this year are: Joe Arkansas, **San Diego** senior; Patrick Boyer, **Simi Valley, Calif.** , senior; Ali Chapparone, **Escondido, Calif.** , sophomore; David Clemons, **Detroit** graduate student; Tony Crump, **San Marcos, Calif.** , junior; Jenna Dorman, **Crittenden** freshman; Molly DuChemin, **West Alexandria, Ohio** , senior; Emily Eversole, **Morehead** junior; Cassie Fields, **Hurricane, W.Va.,** freshman ; Lauren Floyd, **Parker, Colo.** , sophomore; Brandon Garvey, **Independence** freshman; Meaghan

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In addition to both teams placing first for taping, three individual groups placed in the 2007 UCA Collegiate National Partner Stunt Division. The students and their rankings are: Tony Crump and Brittany Kacetow, first place, coed; Chelsea Mauck, Stefani Cook, Leslie Pulley and Mallory Mingus, third place, all-girl; and Crystal Courtney, Marika Jones, Beth Millard and Terresia High, ninth place, all-girl.

Nash is in his fourth year as the head cheerleading coach and spirit coordinator for the University's cheer squads. Additional information is available by calling Nash at (606) 783-9495 or sending a message to [t.nash@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:t.nash@moreheadstate.edu) .

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## CPB grants \$1.3 million for '08 election coverage

The Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB) is granting \$1,368,540 to a consortium of public media organizations to support multi-platform, system-wide public media coverage of Election 2008.

National Public Radio (NPR) will manage the grant on behalf of the public media organizations that have come together on this comprehensive effort.

Morehead State Public Radio will benefit from this new association.

"One of the most anticipated elections in recent years, MSPR will offer extensive coverage during Morning Edition, All Things Considered and The World, as well as comprehensive regional and state coverage during Mountain Edition and on primary and election nights," said Paul Hitchcock, MSPR general manager.

Besides NPR other organizations include American Public Media, Public Radio Exchange, Public Radio International and PBS-TV. The project also will enlist the talents and resources of public radio and television stations and independent producers nationwide.

"On behalf of all the partners, we deeply appreciate CPB's leadership and support for this unprecedented collaboration," said, Ken Stern, chief executive officer of NPR. "By pooling content produced locally and nationally for radio, television, and online we will discover new ways of doing business to better serve the public. We are pleased to have succeeded in coming together to deliver on the commitments made at the 2007 Annual Meeting."

In addition to enhancing public service, CPB sees the project as a model that can inform the future of public media.

"This grant underscores CPB's support of innovative projects that move public radio and television into the digital future so they can help individuals better connect with their communities wherever they are," said Pat Harrison, CPB president and CEO. "This ambitious project will provide us with new ways of looking at how we serve the public on existing and emerging media platforms."

Among the tangible benefits for the audience are new opportunities for civic engagement through user-contributed content and discussion, and easier access to the complete pool of quality local and national public media content.

In addition, PBS is creating an educational campaign and teaching materials related to election modules, to be made available through project partner and station sites, and promoted to educators across the country.

"This collaboration demonstrates the power of public television and public radio working together," said PBS President and CEO Paula Kerger. "When we align our strengths, the American public reaps the benefits of access to a broader range of information they can trust and new ways to connect with today's important issues."

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## Theatre productions set for Jan. 24 and 25

Morehead State University theatre students will present two shows slated to be performed in area elementary, middle and high schools and the Lucille Little Theatre.

The students will stage "The Last Fraction Hero" and "Barbie Get Real" on Thursday and Friday, Jan. 24-25 at the Little Theatre, located in Breckinridge Hall on the Morehead campus. Both shows will be presented by The Little Company, and will begin at 7:30 p.m. each evening.

The performances are Second Stage Theatre productions. Members of the company will perform various roles.

The company already is booked to perform "Hero" in various elementary and middle schools throughout the region this spring. School representatives who are interested in the troupe performing "Barbie" should contact Dr. Bob Willenbrink, chair of the Department of Communication and Theatre, at (606) 783-2134.

Admission to each MSU performance is free for this production.

The cast list for "The Last Fraction Hero" and "Barbie Get Real" includes:

Jessica Bothman, **Maysville** freshman. She is a theatre major and a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority and PUSH America. Her parents are Ray and Rhonda Bothman.

Jolene Brewer, **Falmouth** sophomore. Brewer is a theatre major and the daughter of Gary and Connie Brewer.

Jordan Blair Marigold Brown, **Russell Springs** freshman. Brown is a theatre major and member of 4-H. Her parents are Karen Brown and Baxter and Irma Brown.

Allie Cain, **California, Ky.**, junior. She is a theatre education major and a member of Theta Alpha Phi theatre honorary. Cain is the daughter of Tim and Karen Cain.

Steve Dyer, **Flatwoods** freshman. He is a theatre major and the son of Kimberly Harris.

LeAnn Fryman, **Cynthiana** freshman. A theatre major, she is a member of the MSU Dance Ensemble. Her parents are Dale and Karen Fryman.

Cara Hall, **Pikeville** freshman. She is a theatre major and a member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority. Her parents are David R. Hall and Evelyn Hall.

Matt Hatfield, **Ashland** junior. He is a production and English major and the son of Don Hatfield.

Terrill Brant Kucera, **Austin , Texas** , sophomore. Kucera is a sophomore theatre/Spanish major and a member of Theta Alpha Phi theatre honorary. He is the son of Selene Crosby and Neil Kucera.

Ashley Suzanne Long, **Richmond** junior. Long is a psychology major and is the daughter of Tracy Long.

Tony Marin, **Morehead** freshman. Marin, a theatre major, is active in the Newman Center and Morehead Youth Soccer League. He is the son of Carlos and Joyce Marin.

Molly Maynard, **Catlettsburg** junior. Maynard, a music and theatre major is active in the MSU Concert Choir and Chamber Singers, and is a member of Theta Alpha Phi theatre honorary. She is the daughter of Paul and Shirleen Maynard.

Kayla Meadows, **Lawrenceburg** sophomore.

Katie Mooney, **Louisville** freshman. Mooney is a theatre major and the daughter of William and Irene Mooney.

James Alan Pleiman, **Prospect** sophomore. Pleiman is a member of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity and the son of David Pleiman and Cheryl Matthews.

Brittany Pope, **Brookville , Ohio** , freshman. Pope, an English major is a member of the Campus Crusade for Christ. She is the daughter of Debbie Filbrun.

Blake Webber, **Crestwood** freshman. He is a theatre major and the son of Jeff and Daphne Webber.

Additional information on this or other upcoming performances is available by calling the MSU Theatre Box Office at (606) 783-2170.

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## Opera organization to meet

A second meeting to organize Highlands Light Opera will be held Monday, Jan. 28 at 6 p.m. in Room 203 of Baird Music Hall on the Morehead State University campus.

Participants in every aspect of operatic production are invited to attend, especially singers, instrumental musicians, directors, artists, dancers, technical personnel, costumers, carpenters and electricians.

Other professionals who are interested in contributing to the business aspect of the company, particularly attorneys, financial advisors and donors, and public relations consultants are invited to attend.

Audition and performance dates and location of an early summer production of Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Pirates of Penzance" will be discussed at this meeting.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Roma Prindle at [r.prindle@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:r.prindle@moreheadstate.edu) .

Posted: 1-18-08

## President Andrews appointed to SREB

Dr. Wayne D. Andrews, president of Morehead State University, has been appointed to the Southern Regional Education Board based in Atlanta. Former Kentucky Gov. Ernie Fletcher made the appointment.

President Andrews brings more than 30 years of education experience to SREB, including 10 years as a faculty member at Illinois State University and 17 years of leadership at East Tennessee State University. While at ETSU, he held positions of department chair, executive assistant to the president, vice president for student affairs, vice president for administration, and chief operating officer of the university. As president of Morehead State, he has spearheaded a strategic plan for growth and development since joining the university in 2005.

An American Council on Education (ACE) Fellow, Andrews holds a bachelor's degree from Fitchburg (Mass.) State College and a master's and doctorate degrees in education from West Virginia University.

SREB is a 16-state nonprofit organization that advises state leaders on ways to improve education. Board members include the governor of each member state and each governor's four appointees. Other Kentucky board members include Gov. Steve Beshear; Laura E. Owens, assistant to the president, Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green; and Sen. Kenneth W. Winters. Jon Draud, Kentucky's new Education Commissioner, recently served on the Board as a legislator.

The Southern Regional Education Board, or SREB was created in 1948 by Southern governors and legislatures to help leaders in education and government work cooperatively to advance education and improve the social and economic life of the region. SREB has 16 member states: Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia. More information is available online at [www.sreb.org](http://www.sreb.org).

For more information about the appointment or for details on SREB's work contact, Alan Richard, director of communications, at (202) 641-1300 or (404) 879-5544.

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Members of the 2007-08 All-Girl squad are:

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In addition, the coed duo of Tony Crump and Brittany Kacetow finished third in the 2007 UCA Collegiate National Partner Stunt Division.

Additional information is available by calling Nash at (606) 783-9495 or sending a message to [t.nash@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:t.nash@moreheadstate.edu) .

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## Self-Evident: Contemporary American Self-Portraiture exhibit opens Jan. 30

An exhibition featuring artwork that explores identity and self-representation will be on display at the Claypool-Young Art Building at Morehead State University from Jan. 30-Feb.20.

"Self-Evident: Contemporary American Self-Portraiture" will close with a reception on Wednesday, Feb. 20 from 6-8 p.m. with live music by the Clack Mountain String Band and complimentary refreshments.

Laura Haywood, an art major and MSU Undergraduate Fellow from Morehead, was part of the selection committee comprised of art faculty members and the gallery director. The committee selected only 10 percent of the more than 400 pieces submitted for consideration.

"Due to the overwhelming response to the exhibition theme, the small percentage of high caliber work selected will culminate in one of the strongest shows hosted in the gallery," said Jennifer Reis, gallery director. "The theme of self portraits was chosen not only because it has been a popular subject matter for artists for hundreds of years, but also because MSU students can strongly identify with the concept of creating a visual identity.

In association with the exhibition, the MSU Department of Art along with the MSU's Office of Communications and Marketing and Buckner and Sally Hinkle Endowment, will host two visiting artists.

Joseph Lupo, a printmaker and professor from West Virginia University whose work deals with issues of communication and forms of reproduction in popular culture and society, will be on campus Tuesday, Feb. 12. He will present artist lectures at 10:20 a.m. and 12:40 p.m., in 111 Claypool-Young auditorium.

MSU alumnus John Haywood, a Louisville painter, whose work focuses on Appalachian imagery, will be a visiting artist presenting two artist lectures on Thursday, Feb. 21 at 10:20 a.m. and 12:40 p.m., in 111 Claypool-Young auditorium.

Haywood also will be one of the participating artists at the closing. All gallery programming is free and open to the public.

Forty-four artists are participating in the exhibition, including: Sharon Allicotti, Glendale, Calif.; Shoragim Amir, Richardson, Texas; Nicole Andreoni, Richmond, Va.; Dawn Black, San Francisco; Kristina Bogdanov, Delaware, Ohio; Leah Crews, Lexington; Andrew F. Dailey, Kettering, Ohio; Scott Ellegood, Tucson, Ariz.; Naomi Falk, Chesterfield, Mich.; Anita Fleiter, Gettysburg, Pa.; Diane Fitch, Yellow Springs, Ohio; Christopher M. Gauthier, Pearl, Miss.; Joshua Gomez, Petersburg, Va.; Jodi Hays, Nashville; John Haywood, Louisville; Linda Hutchinson, Kent, Ohio; Jason C. John, Sidman, Pa.; Seung Sae Kim, Chicago;

Karl Gustave Kroeppler, Woodstock, Ga.; Melanie Lowrance, Columbia, Mo.; Diana Lucas Leavengood, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Joseph Lupo, Morgantown, W.Va.; Gray Lyons, Baltimore, Mo.; Regina Mamou, Chicago; John Manion, Iowa City, Iowa; Claudia C. Marchini, Grants Pass, Ore.; Soon Ee Ngoh, Mississippi State, Miss.; Elizabeth Pacentrilli, Woodbridge, Va.; Ellen Peckham, New York, N.Y.; Leah Poller, New York, N.Y.; Leslie Reuther, Bowling Green; Kirk Robinson, Denver; Rob Rocke, New Haven, Conn.; Dawn Roe, Chicago; Jennifer Ryan, Philadelphia; Anthony Santeiia, Teaneck, N.J.;

Bengamin J. Shamback, Mobile, Ala.; Chung Shil Shim, Brighton, Mass.; Tonja Torgerson, Minneapolis, Minn.; Jennifer Ustick, Cincinnati; Thanh Van Vo, Muncie, Ind.; Heidi Weiss, Kalamazoo, Mich.; Derek Wilkinson, Tempe, Ariz.; and Yonsenia White, Christiansburg, Va.

The gallery in Claypool-Young features contemporary art for the MSU community as well as the University's service region of East Kentucky. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. or by appointment. There is no charge for viewing. Parking is available on Main Street and Elizabeth Avenue, behind Claypool-Young. Additional information is available by calling Reis at (606) 783-5446.  
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## New CE class to aid teachers

One of the biggest problems today's teachers face is how to reach poor readers. Thousands of students nationwide are struggling to read and comprehend at grade level--a predicament that requires educators to do a lot of catch-up work before they can start teaching core objectives.

The new online course, "Guided Reading: Strategies for the Differentiated Classroom," will help teachers address the question of literacy with confidence and ease. They will learn how to prepare their students before a reading project, how to help students negotiate a text with self-assurance and fluency, and how to expand their students learning with activities that build on core concepts.

Marsha Spears, the course instructor, says, "It's easy to help your students experience early and frequent successes with various texts--you just need to know the right approach for your learners and the best way to keep them motivated."

This course will prepare teachers to meet student's needs and show them how to have fun as they teach. Along the way, teachers will discover how to check their lessons for visual, auditory, and kinesthetic activities that meet students on their level.

The course includes a classroom that is open day and night. Students can interact with the instructor and their fellow students in Web-based discussion areas where they can ask as many course-related questions as they would like. A response is usually promised within one business day, and often arrives much sooner than that.

Additional information about this course- part of a growing catalog of more than 650 other instructor-facilitated online courses- is available from Morehead State University's Office of Continuing Education at (606) 783-2875, or on the Web at [www.moreheadstate.edu/oce](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/oce) .  
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## Student dies in traffic accident

icy roads in Johnson County were blamed for a crash Tuesday morning that killed two people, including a Morehead State University student.

Erica Brown, **River** senior, whose car had skidded off the road earlier in the morning, was being helped by an EMS official, Christa Burchett, when a coal truck slammed into a police cruiser and ultimately the two victims.

Brown, 23, was pronounced dead at the scene. Burchett died later at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center.

The accident remains under investigation.

Visitation will be from 6-9 p.m. Thursday (Jan. 24) at the Preston Funeral Home, 136 Main Street, Paintsville. Funeral services will be conducted 3 p.m. Friday, at Preston Funeral Home Chapel.  
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## Alumnus is first woman to head state prison system

Gov. Steve Beshear has named Morehead State University alumnus LaDonna Thompson as Kentucky's corrections commissioner, marking the first time a woman has been tapped to head the state's prison system.

"Commissioner Thompson has dedicated her career to the Department of Corrections. I am confident that her training and experience have prepared her well for this important post and given her a keen understanding of the issues and needs facing the department," Gov. Beshear said.

Thompson, 45, has spent the last two and a half years as deputy commissioner of the agency. She is an 18-year veteran of the Department of Corrections. While serving as a project manager, she was instrumental in implementing a statewide offender management system - a comprehensive project that combined three large, outdated systems to allow for a seamless flow of information.

"She has literally worked her way up, tackling multiple challenges and making significant improvements in Corrections," said J. Michael Brown, secretary of the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet. "Her leadership in this area will be critical to our mission of ensuring the safety of our Commonwealth."

"I'm honored to have been selected. I want to thank Governor Beshear and Secretary Brown for the confidence they have expressed in me, and I look forward to the challenges and the opportunities that lie ahead," Thompson said. "I will be working with a team of talented and professional men and women every day who work in our prisons, probation and parole offices, and county jails across this state."

As one of the original correctional officers at the Eastern Kentucky Correctional Complex in West Liberty, Thompson moved on to positions at Kentucky State Reformatory and Luther Luckett Correctional Complex in LaGrange.

Thompson holds an MSU bachelor's degree in psychology and sociology. She and her husband, Brian, a detective with the Louisville Metro Police Department, live in Bullitt County with their two sons.

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## 'SAC Attack' set for Jan. 29

Morehead State University students who cheer on the Eagles at the upcoming Tennessee Tech University game will be eligible to win valuable prizes as part of "SAC Attack."

The University's Office of Student Activities is sponsoring the event, which will be held at the game, slated for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 29, in the Academic-Athletic Center.

The Student Activities Council (SAC) will have a registration station set up, and will conduct drawings during the game. Prize packages include a "Bookstore Blast," with a \$300 gift card to the University Bookstore and an MSU book bag. Another package is a "Pre-Game Party," with a prize of a \$200 gift card to Buffalo Wild Wings Grill and Bar, along with four MSU T-shirts.

Two of each package will be given away. The contest is open to MSU students only, and winners must be present at the time of the drawing to claim their prizes.

SAC is the official student programming board of MSU. The council is made up of student volunteers who plan, organize and execute events for students.

Additional information about "SAC Attack" is available by calling Terri Roberts, student activities coordinator, at (606) 783-2071.

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## KCTM presents 'Sounds of Our Heritage'

The Kentucky Center for Traditional Music will bring the "Sounds of Our Heritage" to students in East Kentucky in February.

Morehead State University and KCTM will salute Women in Traditional Music . During the one-hour presentation, students will be taken on a journey with some of the most influential and talented women in traditional music history. The artists also will demonstrate their talents instrumentally, vocally and through dance.

Ninth through 12th grade students from the region are invited to attend "Sounds of Our Heritage" on Monday, Feb. 18, at 10:30 a.m. at the Morehead Conference Center on First Street.

Artists participating in this event include: Barb Kuhns, Carla Gover, Carol Elizabeth Jones, Ginny Hawker, Gloria Belle, Hazel Dickens, Kathy Chiavola, Laura Boosinger, Rayna Gellert and Rory Block. The moderator will be Erika Brady.

A workshop is planned at KCTM on Main Street from 2-3 p.m. A reception for the artists will be held that evening at the Kentucky Folk Art Center at 6 p.m., followed by a public performance by the musicians at 7 p.m. at the Morehead Conference Center.

Sounds of Our Heritage is presented by the Buckner and Sally S. Hinkle Endowment for the Humanities, Caudill College of Humanities, MSU's Arts and Humanities Council, Interdisciplinary Women's Studies Program, Morehead State Public Radio, Kentucky Folk Art Center and KCTM. The events are free and open to the public.

Additional information is available by calling KCTM at (606) 783-9001 or on the Web at [www.kctm.info](http://www.kctm.info) .

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## 'A Musical Tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.': A Picture Story

Members of the community joined Morehead State University students, faculty and staff to commemorate the life and legacy of the late civil rights activist Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on Monday, Jan. 21.

"A Musical Tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.," the 22nd Annual Unity in the Community celebration, included the traditional march from the Little Bell Tower on campus, followed by a service at the First Christian Church in Morehead.

MSU's Office of Multicultural Student Services and the Rowan County Ministerial Association sponsored the event that featured patriotic and inspirational music.

## New continuing education classes start next week

Morehead State University's Office of Continuing Education will offer several classes to get the new year underway.

The Office of Continuing Education is offering a comprehensive scope of courses in business and industry, computers, fun and fitness and personal along professional development.

Classes starting next week include: Photography instructed by Guy Huffman along with Zumba taught by Megan Blake . Other classes this semester include Excel, Pharmacy Technician, Horseback Riding and Knitting.

Additional information on these courses, which are a part of a growing catalog of more than 1,000 classes, including face-to-face and instructor-facilitated online courses, may be obtained by calling MSU's Office of Continuing Education at (606) 783-2875, or on the Web at [www.moreheadstate.edu/oce](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/oce) .

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## Three appointed to advisory board

Morehead State University President Wayne D. Andrews has appointed Dr. Mary Jane Humkey of Morehead, Dr. Carolyn Moore of Hillsboro, and Cathie Shaffer of Ashland to the Community Advisory Board of Morehead State Public Radio.

"Our community advisory board is comprised of community leaders who share our service mission in public radio. I look forward to working closely with our new members as we continue to fine-tune our programming and service to the region," said Paul Hitchcock, MSPR general manager.

The new members will each serve a three-year term.

Dr. Humkey is the medical director of St. Claire Regional Medical Center's Family Medicine Clinics. Her interests include the Morehead Recycling Center, Morehead Habitat for Humanity, Cave Run Storytelling Festival, Morehead Youth Soccer League and Rowan County Middle and High School Speech teams.

Dr. Moore is a primary care physician at St. Claire Family Medical Clinic in Olive Hill. She is a member of American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) and Mounted Games Across America (MGAA).

Shaffer is the executive editor of the Greenup County News-Times. She is a regular columnist for The Independent, a member of the Greenup Growing With The Arts Advisory Council, National Federation of Press Women and past president of the Kentucky Professional Communicators.

MSPR's Community Advisory Board utilizes the expertise of listeners to assist the general manager in the review of network goals, programming and policies. The CAB provides assistance to MSPR to build the listening audience, provide a better community service, expand the operational base support and offer training opportunities for students.

Morehead State Public Radio broadcasts 24 hours a day from the MSU campus. WMKY (90.3 FM) 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.

The next quarterly meeting of the Community Advisory Board will be Sunday, Feb. 3, at 3 p.m. The meeting will be held in the MSPR studios, located in Breckinridge Hall on the campus. Meetings of MSPR's Community Advisory Board are open to the public.

Additional information is available from MSPR's Web site at [www.msuradio.com](http://www.msuradio.com) or Hitchcock by e-mail at [wmky@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:wmky@moreheadstate.edu) or by telephone at (606) 783-2001.

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## Iron Eagle challenge to start in February

Morehead State University's [Wellness Center](#) is sponsoring two new programs beginning in February that are designed to promote fitness and well-being.

Members of the MSU campus community are invited to accept the Wellness Center's "Iron Eagle" challenge.

Based on the Iron Man Triathlon, the initiative will encourage participants to complete a series of physical fitness activities within a certain time period. Those who accept the challenge will have eight weeks to run/walk 26.2 miles, bike 112 miles and swim or row 2.4 miles.

The Iron Eagle is slated Feb. 4 through April 4 at the Wellness Center and McClure Pool, which is located in the Academic-Athletic Center.

An individual program, the "Iron Eagle" is open to members. Those interested in joining should visit the center, complete necessary paperwork and pay any applicable fees.

Yoga classes will be available on Feb. 4 to members. The yoga classes blend the traditional practices of Hatha yoga with a fitness format that includes balance, strength, flexibility and power.

Participants will be led through the sequences, which are suitable for individuals at any fitness level. Classes are slated for Mondays and Wednesdays from 5-6 p.m. at the center, and will continue through March 12. It is free to Wellness Center members.

Additional information is available by calling Melinda Melendez, Wellness Center assistant director, at (606) 783-5161.

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## Global Climate Change Movie Night set for Jan. 30

Morehead State University's Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy's Center for Environmental Education (EEC) and the Student Government Association will present the Global Climate Change Movie Night on Wednesday, Jan. 30.

The event will begin with a screening of the documentary "The 11th Hour," at 4:45 p.m. in 2 Breckinridge Hall. The documentary is narrated by environmental activist and movie star Leonardo DiCaprio.

The video "The World Population" will start at 6:50 p.m., followed by "2 Percent Solution" at 8 p.m. and a repeat of the "The 11th Hour" at 9:10 -10:40 p.m.

The EEC encourages everyone to attend and learn more about global climate change and ways that everyone can positively impact the future of the planet. Professors looking for ways to integrate environmental education into the classroom may contact the EEC for assistance with developing an assessment specific to a course.

The EEC and SGA also are sponsoring an online poll for students, faculty, and staff to vote on measures that they would like to see MSU take to curb greenhouse gas emissions. The poll will be available through the Center's Web site ( <http://eec.moreheadstate.edu/> ) on Thursday, Jan. 31. An Environmental Conservation blog will go live on Friday, Feb. 1. The blog will provide a forum for members of the campus community to discuss a variety of environmental topics and solutions for improving the environment. It also will feature several links on information about current environmental-related topics.

MSU's cable channel 55 will be showing "[The Arctic Tale](#)" during January. The film, narrated by Queen Latifah, follows the dual drama of Seela and Nanu, a walrus calf and polar bear cub, as they embark on their journey from infancy to maturity amidst the stark beauty of the Arctic landscape.

Additional information is available by calling April Haight, EEC director, at (606) 783-5268 or by e-mailing her at [a.haight@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:a.haight@moreheadstate.edu)

## MSU celebrates Black History Month

The heritage of African-American citizens will be featured in cultural and educational events at Morehead State University in February.

In celebration of Black History Month, a variety of activities will be presented to the campus and community. MSU's Office of Multicultural Student Services will coordinate several free activities to mark the annual observance, including two kick-off events on Wednesday, Jan. 30, with the third annual Soul Food Dinner and fourth annual ThinkFast trivia game.

The dinner will be held in the Crager Room of the Adron Doran University Center, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. It is open to the public; however, reservations are necessary due to limited seating. Those interested in attending should contact the MSS office at (606) 783-2668. The ThinkFast game will follow at 7 p.m., with a \$200 prize for the winner. Although all may participate, only students enrolled at MSU are eligible for the prize. Student participants also will have the opportunity to win an Apple IPOD, sponsored by the MSU University Bookstore. The kick off event is co-sponsored by the Office of Communications and Marketing, the President's Cultural Diversity Fund and the Student Government Association.

On Feb. 4, MSU's Film Studies Program will sponsor "Milestones in African American Education: The Clinton 12." This event will begin at 8 p.m. at Chakeres University Cinema. Director Keith McDaniel will make a presentation during the film. Co-sponsors of that event include the: College of Education, Caudill College of Humanities, MSU Arts and Humanities Council, MSU Multicultural Student Services, Department of Government, Geography and History; Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy; Department of Communication and Theatre; and Morehead State Public Radio.

Retired MSU history professor Dr. Don Flatt will make a presentation concerning the impact of African-Americans on MSU's campus on Feb. 5 from 6-7 p.m. in room 312 of ADUC. Dr. Flatt will reference research included in his monograph "Winning Through to Fame and Glory": African Americans and MSU." Free copies of the monograph will be available. In addition to the presentation, Dr. Flatt will participate in a question and answer session and be available to sign copies of the monograph.

On Thursday, Feb. 7, a PowerPoint presentation prepared by Dr. Karen Bardsley, assistant professor of philosophy, will be offered for viewing on the second floor of ADUC from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. The presentation, which includes information about integration at MSU, will be repeated on Thursday, Feb. 28.

The book discussion with MSU Visiting Professor Crystal Wilkinson slated for Feb. 12 at 7 p.m. on the fifth floor of the Camden-Carroll Library has been cancelled because of weather.

The MSS office will sponsor a health fair on the second floor of ADUC from

11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 14. This event is free of charge and will provide students with information related to fitness and health. Several MSU units will participate in this event.

On Feb. 17, the Jimtown Baptist Choir, the Edwards Sisters and the Jimtown Male Chorus will participate in "Gospel Extravaganza." Several special guests, including MSU President Wayne D. Andrews, will perform selections with the visiting artists. This event is co-sponsored by the Office of the Provost and the President's Cultural Diversity Fund. The 3 p.m. event will be held at First Baptist Church, located at 123 East Main St., Morehead.

Regina Lang of Creative InSights will perform Elizabeth Orndoff's "The Bathroom Cleaner" at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 19, in 419 Reed Hall. After the performance, Lang will participate in a question and answer session. This event is co-sponsored by the Office of First-Year Programs. The office also will show John M. Stahl's "Imitation of Life" on Feb. 21. The film discusses oppression, friendship, societal limitations, overcoming personal barriers and race relations. The movie will be shown on the first floor lobby of ADUC at 7 p.m. This event, as well as Dr. Flatt's visit, is co-sponsored by the MSU Arts and Humanities Council. A discussion will follow, led by Dr. Francene Botts-Butler, director of Multicultural Student Services.

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin, chair of the Department of Geography, Government and History; Dr. John Ernst, professor of history; Dr. Randall Swain, assistant professor of government; and Dr. Sarah Jones, assistant professor of geography, will facilitate a discussion about and screening of the documentary "Living the Story: The Civil Rights Movement in Kentucky." The event will be held in 202 Breckinridge Hall, beginning at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 26.

"A Tunnel of Oppression," described as a "museum-like" experience, will be available in the Commonwealth Room of the Adron Doran University Center on Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 26-27. Through the information and images presented in the "tunnel," participants are encouraged to reflect on issues such as racism, homophobia and sexism. The tunnel is slated to be open from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. on both days, and it is sponsored by the Office of Student Activities.

The student activities office also will sponsor a show by comedian Preacher Moss, who will perform at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 27, in Duncan Recital Hall within Baird Music Hall.

All month long, students, staff and faculty can test their knowledge in the Black History Month Online Trivia Contest, accessible at [www.moreheadstate.edu/mss](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/mss). Prizes include various MSU merchandise, including T-shirts, sweatshirts, book bags, DVD box sets and more. Items are provided by the University Bookstore and Office of Communications and Marketing.

Additionally, in keeping with the spirit of the month, various films will be available for viewing in February on the Housing 55 campus cable television channel.

To help educate young pupils about black history and heritage, MSU faculty, staff and students will visit Tilden Hogge Elementary School to read culturally-diverse books to students. After the story hour, participants will host a discussion.

Additional information about the screening of "The Clinton 12" is available by calling Jeffrey Hill, assistant professor of mass communication, at (606) 783-9383; or, on Black History Month activities in general, by calling Dr. Botts-Butler, or LaRaissa Davis-Morris, multicultural services coordinator, at (606) 783-2668.

## Former MSU assistants now NFL head coaches

Within the past week, two former Morehead State University football assistant coaches have been hired as new head coaches in the National Football League (NFL).

Mike Smith, former defensive line coach and recruiting coordinator at Morehead State University, was announced Thursday (Jan. 24) as the new head coach of the Atlanta Falcons while John Harbaugh was named head coach of the Baltimore Ravens on Jan. 18.

Smith had been the Jacksonville Jaguars defensive coordinator since 2003. He will be Atlanta's sixth coach since December 2003. Before former Louisville coach Bobby Petrino quit, Dan Reeves and Jim Mora were fired. Wade Phillips and Emmitt Thomas worked three games each as interim replacements.

After his 1986 season at MSU, Smith had a 12-year stint at Tennessee Tech (1987-98) before moving to the NFL. He spent the first four with the Baltimore Ravens, including helping the team to its first Super Bowl championship in 2000, before joining Jack Del Rio in Jacksonville.

He played collegiately at East Tennessee State University.

"My goal is to build a well-disciplined, hard-nosed football team that will be able to run the football on offense and stop the run on defense," Smith said. "I've always believed that's what makes championship teams."

After spending three years at the University of Pittsburgh under MSU Hall of Famer Mike Gottfried, Harbaugh served an Eagle assistant in 1988 where he was special teams, secondary, strength and conditioning coach.

He has spent the last 10 years with the Philadelphia Eagles. In 2007, he was secondary coach for the Andy Reid.

"I'm a football coach. That's what I wanted to be, and that's what I am," Harbaugh said. "I'm excited to be the head coach of the Ravens. It's a big job that provides the opportunity to work with some great people. I can't wait to get started."

Baltimore defensive coordinator Rex Ryan, another former Morehead State assistant, reportedly had been interviewed for numerous NFL head coaching positions.

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## VITA offers free tax assistance

During this filing season, Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) will be available at no charge to Morehead State University students and to eligible employees.

Through the University's Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance, in conjunction with the Internal Revenue Service, the tax return assistance will be offered on Tuesdays from 3-6 p.m. in room 311 of the Combs Building on campus. It is free to students, and also to employees and members of the Morehead community with an annual income of \$39,000 or less.

No appointment is necessary. Taxpayers will be assisted on a first come, first-served basis, and no returns will be accepted for preparation after 5:30 p.m.

It will be necessary for taxpayers to bring with them documentation for any and all that apply:

- W-2(s);
- 1099(s);
- A copy of last year's return;
- Statements of other income;
- Information for deductions;
- Social Security numbers for you, your spouse, and/or dependents;
- Proof of identification for yourself and/or spouse;
- Proof of account for direct deposit of refund (voided check);
- Proof of tuition paid during 2007 for yourself, spouse, and/or dependents;
- Cost of books for 2007;
- Amount of scholarships and/or grants awarded in 2007.
- For proof of tuition and scholarships/grants, you should bring a copy of your account for the calendar year of 2007. This can be printed from MSU account Web page.

Additional information is available by calling Sharon Walters, associate professor of accounting, at (606) 783-2725, or by e-mail [tos.walters@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:tos.walters@moreheadstate.edu).

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## Students reminded to be heart healthy

How is your heart? Did you know that coronary heart disease (CHD) is the number one killer in this country? February is American Heart Month. The staff at Morehead State University's Caudill Health Clinic reminds MSU students to take the time to look at their eating and physical activity habits to see if they are heart healthy? The most important thing you can do to protect yourself from heart disease is never to smoke or chew tobacco. If you already do use tobacco, it is never too late to quit. Ex-tobacco users lower their risk of heart disease very quickly after quitting.

According to the American Dietetic Association, a healthy heart is the result of genetics, physical activity, healthy food choices, and stress management. While you cannot change your genes, you can make sure that you and your loved ones get regular physical activity, make good food choices, and deal with stress.

With Valentine's Day just around the corner, many will be giving a gift. Here are some heart healthy gift ideas:

- Fill a basket with fresh fruit, vegetables, or a mix of the two.
- Create a heart-healthy meal with seasonal fruits and vegetables, whole grains, low-fat dairy foods, and lean protein. Limit foods high in saturated fat.
- Give the gift of physical activity. Buy a gift certificate to a gym or make time to take a walk or go for a bike ride.
- Give a gift that will help manage stress. Give a massage, provide a listening ear, or offer to help out - such as by picking up the kids from school.

Additional information on healthy food choices and physical activity can be obtained by calling Caudill Health Clinic, (606) 783-2055; or visiting the American Heart Association Web site at [www.americanheart.org](http://www.americanheart.org).

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## Barker named interim police chief

A law enforcement veteran of more than 40 years has been named interim police chief at Morehead State University.

Rowan County native W. Scott Barker will assume the duties on Feb. 1. Barker, 61, succeeds Joe Cline, who has been chief since 2003 and will retire Jan. 31.

"Chief Cline was the right man at the right time to lead MSU's police department. With his direction, the department has matured and stabilized. It is well respected and a model for campus police agencies," said Madonna Weathers, vice president of student life. "We are pleased that Capt. Barker has agreed to serve as interim chief during the time it will take us to identify the right person for the position."

Barker joined the MSUPD in 1987 and has served as assistant chief the last five years. From 1974-85, he was with the Morehead Police Department. He began his career as a military policeman for the United State Air Force from 1965-69.

Among numerous trainings Barker has participated in are: the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) Hostage Negotiation, a two- week class in drug training taught by the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA); and First Line Supervision as taught by the Bureau of Training.

A Rowan County High School graduate, Barker earned both an associate's and bachelor's degree from Eastern Kentucky University.

He has been married to Marguerite Morrison Barker for 38 years and has three children and six grandchildren.

Additional information is available by calling the MSU Police Department at (606) 783-2035.

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## REC at West Liberty hosts SBDC event

Morehead State University's Small Business Development Center hosted an "Introduction to QuickBooks" workshop for 13 prospective and current small business owners.

The workshop was presented at MSU's Regional Enterprise Center at West Liberty and conducted by David Byron, CPA and certified QuickBooks trainer.

"QuickBooks is a popular, low cost, financial accounting and management system for small businesses. The course is designed to help business owners better manage their company finances," said Michael Rodriguez, SBDC consultant at the REC.

Participants received hands-on computer instruction and a sample version of the software to take back to their home or office.

Attending the workshop from the West Liberty family practice of Dr. James Frederick, were Dr. Frederick, Virginia Frederick and Joel Mendendorp.

"Our office is in the process of setting up QuickBooks and attending this workshop was of great benefit to us," said Virginia Frederick, chief office manager.

Training programs, sponsored or co-sponsored by SBDC, are available to all individuals without regard to race, color, sex, creed or national origin.

The workshop is one of many offered by MSU's SBDC. Additional information is available by calling Rodriguez at (606) 743-4005 or visiting the Web site [www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc).

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## Film committee to show 'The Clinton 12'

Morehead State University's Film Committee will present a screening of the film "Milestones in African-American Education: The Clinton 12" on Monday, Feb. 4, at 8 p.m. at Chakeres University Cinema on Main Street.

Screening of the film and a presentation by director Keith McDaniel is supported by MSU's Multicultural Student Services; Department of Government, Geography and History; Department of Communications and Theatre; Caudill College of Humanities, MSU Arts and Humanities Council; Department of Art, Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy; and Morehead State Public Radio.

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

## CRE awards grants

Morehead State University's Center for Regional Engagement has announced the Regional Engagement Grant recipients for 2008. The purpose of the grants are to promote research and applied research activities within the academic community that will help benefit MSU's service region and further the Center for Regional Engagement's mission.

The recipients for 2008 are:

**Dr. Victor Ballestero** and **Dr. Sam Wright** "Hispanic Administrators in Kentucky";

**Dr. Nathan Coker , Dr. Ann Macintosh , and Jen O'Keefe** "Optical and Heavy-Metal Characterization of Coal and Ash from Stoker Heating Boilers";

**Dr. Joy Gritton** "The Life and Work of Allen Eaton in Historical Context";

**Stephanie Johnson and Kim Clevenger** "E.N.G.A.G.E: A Community Health Initiative";

**Dr. Kevin Jones** "Super Saturday";

**Dr. Janet Rice McCoy** "Engaging the Region through Public Relation Writing: Exploring Partnerships with Non-profit and Educational Organizations";

**Elizabeth McLaren** "Supporting Teachers, Strengthening Families";

**Kathryn Mincey** "Research-Based Engagement, Professional Development, and Mentoring for Secondary English Teachers in the MSU Service Region";

**Jaby Mohammed and Curtis M. Adkins** "Water Treatment Module Using Solar Energy";

**Kim Nettleton** "The Use of Prism Lenses with Struggling Readers to Improve Reading Abilities";

**Dr. Kimberly M. Peterson and Dr. Martha M. Decker** " Another Chance at Life and Learning: Morehead Youth Development Center Greyhound Project";

**Dr. Rodney Stanley and Sam Mason** "Fort Boonesborough Museum Displays: An Interdisciplinary Student Project";

**Dr. Wayne Willis** "Our Appalachia: A Photographic Essay by the Young People of Eastern Kentucky."

Information on the Center for Regional Engagement, its mission, or abstracts for awarded Regional Engagement grants call (606) 783-9327 or visit its Web site at <http://www.moreheadstate.edu/engagement/index.aspx?id=20048> .

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## Dr. Robert Jensen to be guest lecturer

A journalism professor and author who is recognized for his research on pornography and race issues will give a guest lecture at Morehead State University.

Dr. Robert Jensen, associate professor in the School of Journalism at the University of Texas at Austin, will present "The Paradox of Pornography: Sex/Intimacy/Communication," on Wednesday, Feb. 6. The event will be held at 4:30 p.m. in 2 Breckinridge Hall.

A former journalist, Dr. Jensen joined the UT faculty 1992, having earned a Ph.D. degree in media ethics and law. His research involves examining a range of subjects, to include media, power, pornography, white privilege, institutionalized racism and the feminist critique of sexuality and men's violence.

He is the author of "Getting Off: Pornography and the End of Masculinity," "The Heart of Whiteness: Confronting Race, Racism and White Privilege" and "Citizens of the Empire: The Struggle to Claim Our Humanity," among other works.

Dr. Jensen also writes for popular media and his work on topics such as foreign policy, politics and race has been printed in various publications.

His presentation is free and open to the public, and is sponsored by MSU's Interdisciplinary Women's Studies Program.

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

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## Upward Bound instructors needed

The Upward Bound programs at Morehead State University are seeking applications for instructors to teach in the summer component, June 2 - July 3.

Creative, enthusiastic people are needed in mathematics, language arts, sciences, career planning, foreign languages, drama, dance, physical education, art, critical thinking, music, photography, psychology, crafts and other elective areas.

Instructors teach between 9 and 15 hours per week, depending on the subject. Applicants must have at least a bachelor's degree; teaching experience and/or experience working with teenagers is preferred.

The deadline to apply is Feb. 29. To obtain an application, contact the Upward Bound office at (606) 783-2611 or visit 108 Waterfield Hall on Morehead's campus. The application also is available online at <http://www.moreheadstate.edu/ub>.

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## Hornbuckle named assistant vice president for OCM

Jami M. Hornbuckle has been promoted to assistant vice president for communications and marketing at Morehead State University.

A two-time MSU graduate, Hornbuckle has served as acting assistant vice president since May 2007 and led the merger of the University's marketing and communications administrative units.

"We are very pleased to recognize the creativity, professionalism and dedication that Jami brings to her work at the University," said Keith Kappes, vice president for university relations. "She was promoted on the basis of a national search that confirmed our belief that she is prepared and motivated for success in this important position."

Hornbuckle has served MSU for more than 10 years in various capacities, including student services and community relations coordinator at MSU at Ashland, institutional marketing director; assistant director of alumni relations, Web marketing director, and director of marketing.

Hornbuckle, a graduate of the 2007 President's Leadership Academy, is a campus liaison for the Governor's Scholars Program and a member of MSU's Society of Fellows and Visionary Society, President's Council, Strategic Enrollment Management Task Force, Spring Gala Steering Committee, Founders Day Committee, and Arts and Humanities Council. She was named Faculty/Staff Fundraiser of the Year in 1999.

She is the daughter of James and Pamela Hornbuckle of West Liberty and an alumnus of Morgan County High School. She is active in the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) and other professional and community organizations.

Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-2372.

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## KPR celebrates 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary

In 1997, using a desktop computer as a server, a fast Internet connection and basic FTP software, public radio stations throughout Kentucky began the free exchange of news from around the state. Morehead State Public Radio was instrumental in early stages of sharing stories via the computer.

Five years later, the Kentucky Public Radio (KPR) network was created and a statehouse bureau was formed in Frankfort.. KPR hired a veteran reporter to manage the bureau, created an editorial board to supervise the operation and established a system for collecting expenses from the participating stations.

"The (KPR) network has changed the way we cover news in Kentucky. It has saved time, money and resources to provide complete coverage of news from across the state," said Chuck Mraz, MSPR news director.

Today, Kentucky Public Radio is a network of seven public radio stations serving listeners across the Commonwealth. KPR maintains a statehouse bureau in Frankfort featuring regular stories and features from award-winning, veteran reporter Tony McVeigh. The Frankfort bureau focuses on activities of state government, elections, and issues before the General Assembly such as healthcare, education, coal mining, tourism and economic development.

The KPR network also promotes cooperation between stations through a regular story exchange program. KPR partners include MSPR (Morehead) WEKU (Richmond), WFPL (Louisville), WKMS (Murray), WKYU (Bowling Green), WMKY (Morehead), WNKU (Highland Heights) and WUKY (Lexington).

WMKY (90.3 FM) serves as the flagship station for the MSPR network, which includes WOCS (88.3 FM) in Booneville and a translator (88.3 FM) in Inez.

KPR's story exchange reports on significant issues and events throughout the state resulting in a well-informed audience.

Additional information on the Kentucky Public Radio network is available by e-mailing Mraz at [c.mraz@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:c.mraz@moreheadstate.edu)

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## Study Abroad Fair slated for Feb. 6

Students and others who dream of traveling the world but don't know exactly how to realize that dream may find some answers at an upcoming informational session at Morehead State University.

A Study Abroad Fair will be held Wednesday, Feb. 6, in room 302 of the Adron Doran University Center. From 4-6 p.m., interested students, faculty and staff members can get information on the educational enrichment opportunities available globally through MSU's Office of International Education.

Representatives will be on hand to discuss international studies options for fall, spring, summer or year-long terms, and also exchange programs and internships. Additionally, attendees can learn about specific academic programs, courses and financial aid.

"This is an opportunity for students, faculty and employees to learn more about opportunities for earning credit while traveling and living in other places - both across the United States and in other countries," said Dr. Sam Faulkner, associate professor of social work and interim director of international education.

Study abroad programs are offered at more than 30 locations, including Ireland, Jamaica, Australia, Hong Kong and many other places. The application deadline for Summer 2008 programs is nearing.

Additional information is available by calling the Office of International Education at (606) 783-2096; or e-mailing Dr. Faulkner at [ats.faulkner@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:ats.faulkner@moreheadstate.edu).

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## Suttlar dances The Cool New York festival

Ashley Lecille Suttlar, assistant professor of dance, recently performed at The Cool New York festival.

Jennifer Dunning reviewed the program for the New York Times, she wrote the following on Suttlar's performance: *"The Cool New York festival's program on Friday, at the company's John Ryan Theater in Brooklyn, opened on a high note with "359 Degrees," a solo choreographed and performed by Ashley Lecille Suttlar. Set to music by Donny Hathaway, the dance communicated a deeply felt emotional state clearly and evocatively, through a strongly centered body that seemed drawn to the earth and sky from moment to moment."*

Suttlar holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in dance performance and choreography from Virginia Commonwealth University, and a Master of Fine Arts degree in dance from Temple University.

From 2001-2005, Suttlar worked with an array of choreographers and professional companies in Philadelphia as a performance artist. Her choreography has been presented at various festivals and venues in Philadelphia, New York, Cincinnati and San Diego.

She also is one of the Kentucky Arts Council's and the Southern Arts Foundation's Performing Arts Directory Artists and continues to work as an independent artist.

At MSU, Suttlar was instrumental in implementing the dance curriculum and is the director of the University's dance ensemble.

Additional information about MSU's dance program is available by calling the Department of Communication and Theatre at (606) 783-2134.

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## Employees honored for service

Several Morehead State University employees were honored recently for attaining milestones in their years of service with the University. MSU President Wayne D. Andrews congratulated each employee as he presented them with a service pin symbolic of the achievement. Among those participating in the ceremony were, front row from left, Dr. Andrews, Tonya Ashby, 5; Ricky Joe Williams, 20; Julia Hypes, 5; Matt Blanton, 5; and Joyce Meredith, 40. Middle row from left: Sharon Williams, 15; Kathy Cox, 20; Michael Hypes, 5; Joann Conley, 15; Sharri Jones, 10; Janet Gross, 25; and Jonell Tobin, 20. Back row from left are Kenneth Fouch, 15; Jenny Duncan, 20; David Smith, 5; Andrea Cornett, 25; Jami Hornbuckle, 10; and Tom Kmetz, 10.

## Faulkner named interim director of OIE

Dr. Sam Faulkner, associate professor of social work, has taken over the reins of Morehead State University's Office of International Education as interim director.

As director, Dr. Faulkner will oversee the three main areas of the office: study abroad program opportunities; international students' enrollment/education at MSU; and the international scholars who come to campus for various educational programs. He said that currently, there are nearly 60 international students enrolled here, and that four Chinese visiting scholars are slated to arrive on campus in February.

"In addition, what I intend to do this semester is to look at three universities in the state that are really setting the bar high for international education and study abroad," he said. Dr. Faulkner plans to visit the campus of Northern Kentucky University, Murray State University and Western Kentucky University, and integrate some of their successful practices into Morehead State's educational program.

Dr. Faulkner received the Ph.D. degree from the School of Social Work at the University of Texas at Arlington, where he also earned a master's degree. Additionally, he is a two-time graduate of Texas A & M University at Corpus Christi, earning a bachelor's degree in psychology and a master's degree in counseling. He holds licenses as a social work associate, a licensed chemical dependency counselor, and also is a certified oral board examiner for the state of Alaska. He has been on MSU's social work faculty since 2001.

His international education experience includes serving as a teacher in the Cooperative Center for Study Abroad (CCSA) England-Scotland program in 2004. He also was a facilitator for the London component for 2006-07.

"I'm really excited about international education in general, and am looking forward to helping our students to gain a more global perspective," he said. "I strongly believe that in our global economy, an appreciation of other cultures and other peoples is vital."

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Faulkner in the international education office at (606) 783-2096.

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## Center for Regional Engagement forums receive positive feedback

Morehead State University President Wayne D. Andrews, Dr. Karla Hughes, provost, and Dr. David Rudy, associate provost for engagement, recently concluded seven community forums across East Kentucky.

The forums were to reaffirm MSU's commitment to its service region as it launches its new Center for Regional Engagement. The meeting also listened to ideas, concerns and opportunities of community members. Turnout was good with more than 300 people in attendance for the events.

"I was pleased with both the number of people that turned out for most of the events as well as the discussions that occurred," Dr. Rudy said. "The region's desire to be more intimately involved with MSU was evident, and having President Andrews and Provost Hughes at each of these events showed MSU's commitment as well."

The meetings were held at MSU's regional campuses in Jackson, Mt. Sterling, West Liberty, Prestonsburg and Ashland along with forums at Morehead and Maysville.

The CRE serves as a primary entrance point to the University for individuals and/or organizations seeking to access the public services and outreach programs of the institution. CRE is responsible for coordinating all of the University's regional engagement activities which enhance the quality of life in East Kentucky and the Commonwealth of Kentucky through assistance to P-12 schools, business and industry, community-based non-profit organizations, and local government.

The Center for Regional Engagement is a joint initiative between the Council for Postsecondary Education (CPE) and all state's public regional universities.

Additional information about the Center for Regional Engagement forums and notes from the meetings can be found at [www.moreheadstate.edu/engagement/index.aspx?id=24624](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/engagement/index.aspx?id=24624) or by calling at ( 606) 783-9327.

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## ROTC instructor services set for Sunday

Hollis D. (Wayne) Isham, 50, a nine-year member of the military science faculty at Morehead State University, was found dead Wednesday afternoon at his Lexington home.

Isham continued to teach ROTC cadets at MSU after retiring from the Army. He was employed by COMTek, a contractor which supplies senior instructors to college ROTC programs.

A native of Harrodsburg and an MSU alumnus, Isham is survived by his parents, Clarence and Barbara Isham.

Visitation will be after 5 p.m. Saturday (Feb. 2) at the Ransdell Funeral Chapel, 345 E. Lexington Street, Harrodsburg. Funeral services will be conducted 2:30 p.m. Sunday (Feb. 3), at Harrodsburg Christian Church, 305 S. Main Street. Police were sent to Isham's home when he failed to report to work Wednesday and did not answer phone calls.

"Wayne was a fine soldier, a great instructor and a good person," said Major Max Ammons, MSU's professor of military science. "He will be greatly missed by our cadets and our staff."

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## Big Sandy Women's Business Symposium set for Feb. 19

The Ninth Annual Big Sandy Women's Business Symposium will take place Tuesday, Feb. 19, at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center in Prestonsburg. The theme of this year's program is "WOMEN!!! - The New Majority."

The cost of the event is \$25, which includes all workshops and meals. All women are invited to this event presented by Morehead State University's East Kentucky Small Business Development Center. Participants will choose from two workshops:

"Acupoints for Health and Wellness and Self-Protection " presented by Toufic Saad, acupressure therapist. This is an introduction to an ancient Chinese healing art, utilizing the body's pressure points for health and wellness, self-protection, and intimacy enhancement. Saad will emphasize specific acupoints, points that are easily accessed and manipulated to relax and re-energize your body and mind, as well as to help you protect yourself and increase physical and emotional intimacy.

"Identity Theft: Fighting Back" presented by Steve Spahn, U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigations special agent. Identity theft is a serious crime. It occurs when your personal information is stolen and used without your knowledge to commit fraud or other crimes. Identity theft can cost you time and money. It can destroy your credit and ruin your good name. Attendees will learn more about identity theft and how to deter, detect, and defend against it.

All participants will hear two keynote speakers. Dr. Baretta Casey, director of the University of Kentucky Center for Excellence in Rural Health, and Jackee Schwartz, owner of How2Think.com.

Casey is a former private practice physician in Pikeville. Since 2005, she has been director of the University of Kentucky Center for Excellence in Rural Health, which works to improve the health of rural Kentuckians through education, research, health care service and community engagement. Dr. Casey is a professor in the UK College of Medicine and vice chair of UK's Department of Family Medicine. She is the president of the Kentucky Medical Association and serves on the American Medical Association's Council on Medical Education as well. She is the only representative on the 13-member council who lives outside an urban area.

Dr. Casey holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in biology and chemistry from Pikeville College, and a Doctor of Medicine degree from UK. She received her Master's of Public Health degree from UK's College of Public Health. Currently, she resides in Pikeville with her husband.

Jackee Schwartz is the owner of How2Think.com, a company which helps to reawaken the spirit of innovation in your organization. She is an experienced business owner, professional trainer and works with organizations to help them better organize their thinking and become more productive.

Schwartz is certified as an instructor for Dr. Edward de Bono's "Six Thinking Hats" and "Lateral Thinking." According to *Forbes Magazine*, "If you haven't heard of Edward de Bono (the world's leading authority on creativity and the direct teaching of thinking skills), perhaps you have been too busy thinking in conventional ways." She will show you and your business how to become creative "on demand."

Schwartz's speaking skills and her warmth and humor will provide content that can be incorporated into your workplace immediately while leaving you wanting to learn more about "Six Thinking Hats" and "Lateral Thinking."

Registration, breakfast and exhibitor networking will run from 8-9 a.m. while welcoming remarks will start 9 a.m.

Casey will be the morning keynote speaker at 9:15 a.m. while Schwartz will begin her talk at 1:15 p.m.

Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. and will feature entertainment by Haley Bowling, a member of the Kentucky Humanities Council's Kentucky Chautauqua, who will portray Anna Mac Clarke. Clarke, who died at the age of 24, fought hard for equal rights for women and fought diligently against segregation.

The symposium will conclude at 2:30 p.m. following closing remarks and door prize drawings. Networking breaks will be spread throughout the day.

The symposium is sponsored by AAA Real Estate; Ameritint Graphics and Designs; Appalachian Wireless; Family Bank; Kentucky Highlands Entrepreneur Center; Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Interstate Natural Gas; Signature Events; Toyota; Walker Communication Inc.; Women's Care of Paintsville and Community Trust Bank as the FBLA student sponsor.

Additional information and registration is available by calling the East Kentucky SBDC at (606) 788-6022 or (606) 432-5848, or register online at [www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc/](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc/).

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## Americana Crossroads Live returns Feb. 29

Country group Jill Hamlin and Mountain Delivery , Americana duo Dana and Susan Robinson and Old- Traditional style Clack Mountain String Band , will perform at the next edition of "Americana Crossroads Live."

Morehead State Public Radio (MSPR) and the Kentucky Center for Traditional Music will present the program on Friday, Feb. 29, at the Morehead Conference Center, located on First Street. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. with the music to start at 7 p.m.

Jill Hamlin and Mountain Delivery, a Morehead based group, has a lot of MSU flavor. Hamlin, of Owingsville, is featured on vocals and guitar. Other members include: Dr. Marshall Chapman, professor of geology, featured on banjo and vocals. Jose Oreta of Ashland, upright bass; Adam Chaffins of Lousia, guitar and vocals; and Cody Brooks of Nashville, dobro.

Special guests will include: Steve DeBellefeuille, drums; Dr. Leo Blair, retired MSU music professor, violin; and Jay Flippin, retired MSU music professor, piano.

The Robinsons are based in Asheville, N.C. When attending one of their concerts, you'll hear two rich, intimate voices, intricate and powerful guitar and banjo playing with a handful of fiddle and mandolin thrown in.

Dana writes songs and tells stories about America, the land and its people. They bring to their performances an understanding of America's musical heritage and convey its significance to our culture.

A multi-instrumentalist (guitar, fiddle, mandolin, banjo), Dana brings traditional music values into his contemporary songwriting while Susan brings her rich harmonies and the clawhammer-style banjo.

The Clack Mountain String Band came to life in Morehead and pays tribute to the rich and vibrant musical sounds of southern Appalachia, a style of music which they simply refer to as "mountain music."

CMSB consists of four members Karly Higgins, guitar, vocals; Brett Ratliff, banjo and vocals; J.T. Cure, upright bass; and Jesse Wells, fiddle.

"Americana Crossroads Live" is supported by Toyota Motor Manufacturing of Kentucky, Morehead Conference Center, Morehead Tourism Commission and EAT Gallery. Community partners include the Kentucky Folk Art Center, Morehead State University's Caudill College of Humanities, Arts and Humanities Council, Office of Communications and Marketing, Root-A-Baker's, and Papa John's.

The series is now heard on 38 radio stations across the United States, Canada and in the Philippines. Concessions and door prizes will be available. Admission is \$5 per person, or \$20 for a Family Pack of five. Children, 12 and under, are admitted free. Additional information on "Americana Crossroads Live" is available on MSPR's Web site at [www.msradio.com](http://www.msradio.com) or by calling MSPR at (606) 783-2001 or (800) 286-9659.  
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## KFAC to reopen Feb. 8

Morehead State University's Kentucky Folk Art Center will have its grand reopening celebration on Friday, Feb. 8, from 6-8 p.m. It will be the public's first opportunity to view the Center's newly redesigned exhibition of folk art from Kentucky.

The original Permanent Exhibition was installed in 1997. While there had been some changes over the past 10 years, the general layout of the exhibition space had remained the same. The new Permanent Exhibition presents the artwork in more intimate settings and will offer more flexibility.

"It was time for change," said Adrian Swain, KFAC's artistic director. "Folk art in Kentucky is always evolving. We needed to configure our space in a way that would give visitors a sense of change. We needed to present the works from our Permanent Collection in a more engaging way, and I certainly think we've accomplished that. The new exhibition takes things to the next level."

"This project has been as exciting as anything we have undertaken in my five years at KFAC," said Matt Collinsworth, KFAC director. "It's been a decade since we made major changes to the Permanent Exhibition.

"Our staff pulled together and did a fantastic job. And, we had the support of our Friends and Morehead State. The new exhibition is wonderful."

The exhibition "Folk Art from Elsewhere" also will open on Feb. 8. It will be in the second floor Adkins Gallery and features more than 80 works from the Permanent Collection by artists from other states.

The Kentucky Folk Art Center is located at 102 West First Street in Morehead. Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-2204.  
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## Students selected for All-Collegiate Honor Choir

Eight Morehead State University students have been selected as members of the 100-voice 2008 Kentucky All-Collegiate Honor Choir. Choir members are selected from all Kentucky colleges and universities. Murphy is one of eight members representing MSU.

MSU students selected were: Kyle Bentley, **Pikeville** sophomore; Chelsea Carpenter, **Winchester junior** ; Mallory Draughn, **Pikeville junior** ; Alisha Gifford, **Dry Ridge junior**; Cassandra Manning, **Maysville senior**; William Murphy, **Hawesville junior**; Gregory A. Purvis Jr., **Mt. Sterling junior**; and Dustin Stevens, **Morehead junior**.

The All-Collegiate Honor Choir is sponsored by the Kentucky Chapter of the American Choral Directors

Association. The guest director for the choir will be Dr. Jonathan Reed, associate director of choral activities, at Michigan State University College of Music.

The Choir will be part of the 50th Annual In-Service Professional Development Conference of the Kentucky Music Educators Association. The performance will be on Thursday, Feb. 7 in Whitney Hall in the Kentucky for the Arts, Louisville.

The performance is free and will begin at 7:20 p.m.

Additional information about the tour is available by calling Dr. Greg Detweiler, associate professor of music, at (606) 783-2480.

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## SOAR dates announced

Morehead State University will host five Student Orientation, Advising and Registration (SOAR) programs in preparation for the 2008 Fall Semester. New first year and transfer students will register for their fall semester classes during this event.

Students will also have their photographs taken for the University's identification card, the EagleCard, and meet with representatives from the Office of Financial Aid, student housing, food services and accounting and budgetary control.

Campus tours will be available.

A student must be accepted to MSU before they can participate, and parents are encouraged to attend.

The 2008 SOAR dates are April 18 and 19, June 14 and 26; and July 22.

There will be an ice cream social at 7 p.m. the evening prior at the Adron Doran University Center (ADUC).

Pre-registration for the SOAR program is necessary due to limited space. There are two ways to register: visit the Web page at [www.moreheadstate.edu/soar](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/soar) and complete the registration form; or register with the Office of First Year Programs by calling (606) 783-5208.

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## Film Festival will be held March 3

Morehead State University's Film Committee will present its Student Academy Award Winners Film Festival on Monday, March 3, 8 p.m. at Chakeres University Cinema on Main Street.

The event is a collection of recognized cinema work by students - in a variety of genres and forms.

The Caudill College of Humanities, MSU Arts and Humanities Council, Department of Art, and Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy are sponsoring the event.

The event is free and open to the public.

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

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## West Liberty SBDC to offer eBay workshop March 25

Morehead State University at West Liberty's Small Business Development Center (SBDC) had added a workshop in March for those interested in learning more about eBay.

This course will introduce class participants to the basic concepts and components of setting up a business on eBay. Strategies and tips will be shared on how to go about selling successfully on eBay. Participants will walk through the step-by-step process of listing, selling, and then receiving payment for an item once it is sold. Resources will be shared that can help individuals develop their eBay business.

The free workshop will be held on Tuesday, March 25, from 1-4 p.m. at the REC.

Additional information is available by calling Michael A. Rodriguez, SBDC consultant, at (606) 743-4005.

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