

## Dr. Julia Ann Hypes president-elect of AAPAR

Dr. Julia Ann Hypes has been elected president-elect of the American Association for Physical Activity and Recreation (AAPAR). At the April national conference in Ft. Worth, Texas, Dr. Hypes assumed the role, beginning a two-year term that includes responsibilities as AAPAR convention planner and chair of the AAPAR cabinet. At the 2010 national conference in Indianapolis, Ind., she will assume a two-year term as president.

"It is a great honor to be elected by my peers to lead AAPAR. With a national health and fitness crisis at hand, AAPAR is ready to guide its members and the public into incorporating physical activity and recreation across the lifespan," Dr. Hypes said.

Before stepping into the president-elect role, she served as chair of the Council on Facilities and Equipment. The council is one of 12 member councils within

AAPAR.

"I have left the council with great leadership and they will continue to provide quality information through their textbooks, certifications, and consulting. I enjoy working with these professionals and look forward to my new leadership role. We all love our professions and enjoy working together and that is a winning situation for students and professionals," Dr. Hypes added.

AAPAR is one of the five associations within the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (AAHPERD). AAHPERD is the largest organization of professionals supporting and assisting those involved in physical education, leisure, fitness, dance, health promotion, and education and all specialties related to achieving a healthy lifestyle.

AAHPERD offers a comprehensive and coordinated array of resources, support, and programs to help practitioners improve their skills and further the health and well-being of the American public. Today, the group has 25,000 members and is headquartered in Reston, Va.

AAPAR seeks to increase public awareness, support an understanding of lifelong physical activity and recreation, through continuing education for professionals who serve diverse audiences of all ages. AAPAR supports a broad spectrum of community-based programs, issues, and populations including services in aquatics, adapted physical activity, outdoor recreation, lifelong recreational sport, facility design and management, fitness for older adults, leadership, family fitness, wellness, professional recreation, safety and risk management and more.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Hypes at (606) 783-2176.

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## 2008-09 President's Leadership Academy announced

Members of the 2008-09 class of the President's Leadership Academy at Morehead State University have been named following a competitive nomination and selection process that included interviews conducted by groups of community leaders.

President Andrews welcomed incoming class members during a dinner on April 29 where graduates of the 2007-08 class shared stories of their Academy experiences.

"This will be an intensive and rewarding year and I am confident that you are all up to the challenge," said MSU President Wayne D. Andrews.

Leadership class members are: Donna Baker, coordinator of special collections at Camden-Carroll Library ; Amanda Baldwin, staff writer communications and marketing; Farrah Baldwin, educational services

coordinator; Krista Barton, instructor of education; D r. Royal Berglee, associate professor of geography ; Dr. Verdie Craig, assistant professor of geography ; Dr. Darrin DeMoss, professor of biology; Michael Dobranski, assistant professor of math ; Toni Hobbs, creative director; Dr. Jaby Mohammed, assistant professor of industrial technology; Keith Moore, MBA program director; Dr. David Olson, associate professor of psychology; Joel Pace, director MSU at Ashland; Janet Ratliff, director center for economic education; Terri Roberts, student activities coordinator; Lisa Shemwell, speech team coach; and Sharon Williams, director of the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program.

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

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

## 'Car Talk' to become cartoon on PBS

Public Broadcasting System (PBS) has confirmed its first-ever animated primetime series will be a spin-off of Tom and Ray Magliozzi's hit NPR show "Car Talk."

Car Talk is now on more than 600 public radio stations including Morehead State Pubic Radio. The program, in the midst of celebrating its 20th year on the radio, is heard every Saturday at 10 a.m.

"Click & Clack's As The Wrench Turns" will premiere in summer 2008 on PBS. The program takes off from the hit National Public Radio (NPR) show and follows the "on- and off-air" escapades of Tom and Ray Magliozzi - known to their listeners as "Click and Clack," the Tappet brothers - as they try to fix cars, fend off disgruntled customers and seek out increasingly creative ways to goof off.

The 10 episodes will take place mainly at Car Talk Plaza, a fictional building that houses their radio studio and their famed garage in Harvard Square in the fair city of Cambridge, Mass. The [mis]adventures of Click and Clack involve competition with a nearby garage staffed by sexy hunks, a looming run-in with the feds when their robot mechanic causes a power grid meltdown, and their two-man campaign for president.

"Tom and Ray have been 'animated characters' for years, so it's fitting that we've finally found a way to bring these garage gurus to the small screen," said John F. Wilson, senior vice president and chief TV programming executive. "Even though we hide inside our tote bags every time we say it, we're glad to welcome to PBS these public media figures who can connect with people as quickly as they can with carburetors. We're hoping for a truly unique experience for the viewer that's entertaining and fresh. And through the outreach program, we'll be providing useful public safety tips to complement the series."

PBS is a leading provider of digital learning content for pre-K-12 educators, and offers a broad array of other educational services. PBS' premier kids' TV programming and Web site, PBS KIDS Online ( [www.pbskids.org](http://www.pbskids.org) ), continue to be parents' and teachers' most trusted learning environments for children.  
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## SAC announces new officers

Morehead State University's Student Activities Council (SAC) has elected new executive officers for the 2008-09 school year.

Named to leadership positions were: Thomas Zacharey Howard Goble, president; Jennifer Lynn Farnsworth, vice president; and Kimberly Kristen Hope Yates, public relations coordinator.

A **Worthington** sophomore, Goble is a psychology major.

Farnsworth, a sophomore from **Bardstown**, is a business major.

Yates, a **Grayson** junior, is an intrapersonal and organizational communications major.

MSU's Student Activities Council works to enhance and unify the university community by providing an opportunity for growth and personal development of students through both planning of and participation in social, cultural and educational events that complement the University's academic mission.

Additional information is available by visiting SAC's Web site at [www.moreheadstate.edu/sac/](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/sac/).

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## Woodrum to represent MSU at Mountain Laurel Festival

Lyndsay Woodrum, a senior from **Portsmouth, Ohio**, will represent Morehead State University at the 2008 Kentucky Mountain Laurel Festival in Pineville.

Woodrum is the daughter of Don Woodrum and Andrew and Patricia Pratt.

A communications major with an emphasis in advertising/public relations and marketing minor, she was crowned the 2007 MSU Homecoming Queen. She was recently awarded the "Outstanding Student" (emphasis in advertising) of the Department of Communications and Theatre.

Woodrum also has performed with the MSU Dance Team for three years and coached during the 2007-08 year. She is involved with Chi Omega fraternity, Morehead State Public Radio, Trailblazer advertising sales, and Student Disciplinary Court. She is a sales representative scholar/intern for Cintas Corporation and plans to pursue a career in sales with Cintas after graduation later this month.

The Kentucky Mountain Laurel Festival began in 1931 and will celebrate the 78th crowning of the Mountain Laurel Queen on May 24 at the Pine Mountain State Resort Park. Each university in the Commonwealth is invited to send a representative to the annual festival. In 2003, Jamie Nicole Blair of Oil Springs won the crown as she represented MSU.

Additional information about the Kentucky Mountain Laurel Festival is available online at [www.kmlf.org](http://www.kmlf.org); or by calling (606) 337-6103.

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## Vet Tech program receives accreditation

Morehead State University's Veterinary Technology Program has received continuation of full accreditation by the American Veterinary Medical Association, Committee on Veterinary Technician Education and Activities (AVMA - CVTEA).

The AVMA conducts a complete program review and on-site visit every six years. Following a December 2007 site visit and subsequent deliberations, the AVMA CVTEA issued the re-accreditation announcement in April.

The program was originally accredited in 1977 and has been continuously accredited during the 30 years since then.

"I am very proud of the program faculty and students for their diligent work, uncompromising standards, and outstanding team work in achieving this outcome," said Dr. Scott Rundell, program coordinator.

Graduates are in high demand and able to find excellent positions in all areas of the veterinary profession including: clinical practice, zoological parks, colleges of veterinary medicine, government agencies, and the pharmaceutical industry. Many program graduates also have gone on to obtain advanced degrees in related fields.

Additional information about the program is available by contacting Dr. Rundell at (606) 783-2326.

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## Governor to visit MSU Regional Enterprise Center

Gov. Steve Beshear will visit Morehead State University's regional campus at West Liberty on Tuesday morning to make an announcement concerning rural housing.

Scheduled at 11 a.m. in Room 201 of MSU's Regional Enterprise Center, the event also will involve representatives of the Governor's Office for Local Development (GOLD) and the Kentucky Housing Corporation.

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## SGA officers for 2008-09 announced

Michael Harmon, a **Corydon, Ind** ., senior, has been elected president of Morehead State University's Student Government Association. He will serve as the student representative on MSU's Board of Regents for the 2008-09 academic year.

"I plan on serving the students to the best of my abilities," said Harmon. "I encourage all students to visit the SGA office and discuss the issues that are important to them because these people are the ones who elected me."

He is the son of Richard and Wanda Harmon and a graduate of Corydon Central High School.

A business management major, Harmon is a member of the Future Managers Society along with a 4-H and South Central Indiana Livestock Marketing Corporation volunteer. He previously served on SGA as vice president for administration and was a member of the public relations committee.

Also elected as executive officers of SGA were:

Executive vice president---Benji Conner of **Cincinnati** . A senior government and philosophy major enrolled in the Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy. He is the son Tim and Terri Conner. Conner has served as the SGA Greek representative on the Student Life Committee. His campus involvement includes being vice president of the Interfraternity Council and Theta Chi fraternity along with being president of the MSU democrats. Conner's community activities involve Habitat for Humanity, Rowan County Democrats, Cave Run Cleanup and Adopt-a-Highway.

Vice president for administration---Heather Kettenring, a **Stamping Ground** sophomore and Animal Science major. She is the daughter of James and Cynthia Kettenring. She is involved as a resident and peer adviser and president of Butler Hall's Residence Hall Council (RHC), and MSU's Future Farmers of American and George M. Luckey Honors Program . She is a former SGA public relations chairwoman.

Vice president for finance---Shanae L. Allen, a senior psychology and criminology major from **Cincinnati** . The daughter of David Allen Sr. and Denise Allen, she is active in Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority and is involved with Volunteer with Theatre in diversion.

Vice president for public relations---Jessica Hall, a **Lynchburg , Ohio** , freshman health and physical education major. The daughter of Keith and Wanda Hall, she is involved with Learning Leadership Community (LLC), and is a tutor at McBrayer Elementary. Hall previously served as public relations committee and freshman representative.

Vice president for campus involvement---John J. Hawkins, an **Elizabethtown** freshman government major. The son of Jay and Cathy Hawkins, he is the president of the college democrats and a library worker. Hawkins is a former vice chair of the SGA campus involvement committee chair and housing representative.

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## 2008-09 Cheerleading squads named

Morehead State University has announced the Coed and All-Girl cheerleading squads for the 2008-09 school year.

Members of the coed squad are:

Joseph Arkansas, **Charlotte, N.C.** ; Patrick Boyer, **Simi Valley, Calif.** ; Alexia Chapparone, **Escondido, Calif.** ; Stephenie Crites, **Ashland** ; Tony Crump, **San Marcos, Calif.** ; Emily Eversole, **Morehead** ; Lauren Floyd, **Parker, Colo.** ; Brandon Garvey, **Independence** ; Mike Hay, **Isonville** ; Meaghan Huffman, **Ludlow** ; Brittany Kaczetow, **Centereach, N.Y.** ; Stacey Lawrence, **Prattville, Ala.** ; Patrick Lee, **Suwanee, Ga.** ; Shawn Meyer, **Eaton, Ohio** ;

Miranda Noel, **Waverly, Ohio** ; O'Shea Parker, **Bowling Green** ; Justin Pope, **Lexington** ; Sarah Jayne Ramsey, **Whitesburg** ; Dave Ranck, **Fort Collins, Colo.** ; Guillermo Rodriguez, **Escondido, Calif.** ; Brittany Rogers, **Richmond** ; David Schuch, **Traverse City, Mich.** ; Rachel Sriver, **Union Grove, Wis.** ; Kelsey Simpson, **Lexington** ; Greg Terlau, **Sharonville, Ohio** ; Jeff Van Horn, **Fort Collins, Colo.** ; Kylie Virgin, **Greenup** ; and Jamie Walton, **Prattville, Ala.**

Members of the All-Girl squad are:

Keri Adami, **Snellville, Ga.** ; Michelle Barton, **Florence** ; Ashley Bekken, **Muskego, Wis.** ; Ashley Benjamin, **Folsom, Calif.** ; Heather Clark, **Paducah** ; Crystal Courtney, **Orlando, Fla.** ; Kelsey Davis, **Madison, Ala.** ; Gabrielle Davis, **Madison, Ala.** ; Jennifer Dusing, **Fort Mitchell** ; Katelyn Ellis, **Verona** ; Stephanie Faulconer, **London** ; Sara Folwell, **Atlanta, Ga.** ; Danielle Garone, **N. Massapequa, N.Y.** ; Isabella Glinski, **Franklin, Tenn.** ; Brianna Gordon, **Madison, Ala.** ; Jonesheia Hall, **Lexington** ; Anesha Hersey, **Lexington** ;

Terresia High, **Cambridge, Ohio** ; Cortney Krueger, **Folsom, Calif.** ; Amanda Lewis, **Olive Hill** ; Chelsea Mauck, **Crestview Hills** ; Mallory Mingus, **Brentwood, Tenn.** ; Erica New, **Bloomington, Ind.** ; Jerica Patrick, **Ashland** ; Hayley Pettapiece-Phillips, **Pickering, Canada** ; Leslie Pulley, **Post Falls, Idaho** ; Kristi Randel, **Orangevale, Calif.** ; Tory Roberts, **Richmond** ; Krista Sanders, **Millbury, Ohio** ; Holly Stromgren, **Sammamish, Wash.** ; Alison Tinsley, **Fenton, Mich.** ; and Paige Tracey, **Martins Ferry, Ohio** .

Morehead State University's coed cheerleading squad captured its seventh consecutive national championship at the College National Cheerleading Championships held Jan. 18-19. With the win, the squad captured its 18th overall championship. The all-girl squad has won six overall championships.

Tony Nash is the head cheerleading coach and spirit coordinator for the University's cheer squads.

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## Pharmacy technician's course offered

Morehead State University's Office of Continuing Education online pharmacy technician career training course is now available for immediate enrollment.

The program teaches the necessary skills to gain employment as a pharmacy technician in a hospital or retail setting. The course aims to provide high school graduates and individuals seeking new careers the

skills and knowledge that will enable them to qualify for entry-level positions in a pharmacy. The course also prepares students to take the national pharmacy technician certification exam.

Open enrollment certification programs are designed to provide the skills necessary to acquire professional caliber positions for many in-demand occupations.

The Office of Continuing Education currently offers online certificate programs in: healthcare, business legal, construction technology, Internet design and technical programs, networking/CompTIA™, Microsoft Certification, real estate appraisal, and video game design and development.

For program and course descriptions, visit [www.gatlineducation.com/morehead](http://www.gatlineducation.com/morehead) .

Additional information and registration are available by calling MSU's Office of Continuing Education at (606) 783-2875, (866) 505-3613, or on the Web at [www.moreheadstate.edu/occe](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/occe) .

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## Small Business Town Hall forum set for May 15

The Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development's Small Business Division, in partnership with the Morehead State University Small Business Development Center, will present a small business and entrepreneurial forum Thursday, May 15, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Commonwealth Room of the Adron Doran University Center on the MSU campus.

"The purpose of the 'Small Business Town Hall Forum' is to provide entrepreneurs and small business owners with information, contacts and resources that can assist them in their growth and development," said John E. Cole III, director of the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development's Small Business Services Division.

The event, part of the "Small Business Roundtable" series, will provide the opportunity to hear from local entrepreneurs, who have been successful in starting their businesses in Morehead and surrounding areas, and the struggles they faced in opening and growing their businesses.

Participants will talk about their experiences and how they used various state and local programs.

- Meet one-on-one with local entrepreneurs and hear their stories;
- Meet one-on-one with the local, regional and state service providers;
- Learn more about the resources available to you as a start-up or existing business;
- Discover new and different ways to finance your business;
- Learn how international trade can help expand your global opportunities;
- Better understand how to do business with the government.

The forum is free and open to the public and lunch will be provided. Seating is limited and pre-registration is required.

Morehead State University Small Business Development Center, City of Morehead, Morehead-Rowan County Chamber of Commerce and Morehead-Rowan County Economic Development Council will host the event.

Anyone interested in attending should call David Barber, Morehead SBDC, at (606) 783-2895 or e-mail [d.barber@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:d.barber@moreheadstate.edu) .

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## 16 inducted in Epsilon Pi Tau

Sixteen members of the Department of Industrial and Engineering Technology department at Morehead State University were initiated into the Gamma Mu Chapter of Epsilon Pi Tau honor society during this year's Spring Banquet and Initiation ceremony on Saturday, April 12 on the campus of Eastern Kentucky University.

Those inducted included both faculty and students. Faculty members initiated were Dr. Gabriel Alungbe, Dr. Xiaolong Li, and Dr. Wahed Wasel. Among the students initiated were Jared May, Rashika Agrawal, Richard Bloomfield, Linda Rhoden, Juan Carlos Melendez, Terry White, Cody Browning, Casey Collins, James R. Taylor, Joshua Payton, David Pence, Nathan Perkins and Drew Henderson.

Epsilon Pi Tau is the international honor society for technology professions. Epsilon Pi Tau has 19,000 members in the United States and 49 other countries. The organization promotes and recognizes the achievement of academic excellence, promotes the values and contributions of professionals in technology, provides a medium for the professional development and recognition of individual members for leadership and achievement, enhances the status of practitioners and the professions in technology, fosters and encourages the acceptance among its members of the ideals of technological capability and skill, social and professional proficiency, and research and its applications and products, and advances understanding, appreciation and awareness of technology as both an enduring and influential human endeavor and an integral element of culture.

The Gamma Mu Chapter is comprised of Morehead State University, Eastern Kentucky University, Northern Kentucky University, and Berea College.

Under the leadership of Epsilon Pi Tau Region 2 director, Dr. Robert E. Wenig, the four institutions met at Berea College last fall to establish the chapter.

MSU President Wayne D. Andrews, a member of Epsilon Pi Tau, was the guest speaker at the spring banquet and initiation. During the ceremony, Dr. Andrews received the 2007 distinguished service award, which is given to members in recognition of their meritorious professional service and dedication to the advancement of technology.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Ahmad Zargari, IET department chair, at (606) 783-2013.  
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## Board of Regents work session set for May 8

**EVENT:** Board of Regents Work Session  
**DATE:** Thursday, May 8, 2008  
**TIME:** 9 a.m.  
**SITE:** Heritage Room, Adron Doran University Center

During the work session, the Regents will discuss several items including an update on the budget/tuition, BOR Code of Ethics, potential land exchange, and president's goals.

**Media representatives planning to attend the session should call the Media Relations office at (606) 783-2030 before 4 p.m. on Wednesday, May 7.**

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## CE to offer Ballroom Dancing

Want to dance like Fred and Ginger? Morehead State University's Office of Continuing Education might just have the answer as it has added "Ballroom Dancing" to the list of classes.

Instructor Linda Kirk has taught at the Arthur Murray Dance Studio in Cincinnati for four years. The class will introduce the basic steps of the most popular dances: Mambo, Jive, Foxtrot, Waltz, Cha Cha Cha, Salsa and Rumba.

With the advent of the many dance reality shows on television, ballroom dancing has left the viewing audience wanting more. In the course, participants will discover the joy of dancing.

Classes will begin Friday, June 6, and continue through Monday, July 7. Classes will be held on Mondays from 5:30 - 7 p.m. at Morehead State University, Laughlin Health Building's dance studio

Registration fee is \$75 for single and \$85 for couples.

Additional information on this course, which is 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/occe](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/occe).

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## Greeks inaugurate leaders, awards presented

Morehead State University's National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) inaugurated its executive officers for 2008-09, Thursday, May 1, in Reed Hall in a formal ceremony.

Jonathan Pearson-Brown, a junior from **Elizabethtown** and a member of Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity, was christened president of NPHC. He is a history major and plans to, in his year in office, initiate efforts to unify Greeks of all councils in focused efforts impacting the community.

Bowling Green native Ashley Britt, a junior elementary education major, was chosen as vice president. She is a member of Delta Sigma Theta sorority.

Ray'Sheena Hopkins, an accounting major from **Louisville**, was selected to serve as recording secretary. She is a newly initiated member of Sigma Gamma Rho. Crystal Courtney, **Orlando, Fla.**, junior, of Alpha Kappa Alpha was chosen as corresponding secretary.

John Rice of **Maysville**, an elementary education junior, was given the job of treasurer. He is a newly initiated member of Kappa Alpha Psi.

After the inauguration, the 2007-08 Greek Awards were presented.

Brandon Oberschlake of **Batavia, Ohio**, was awarded the Greek Man of the Year. He is a senior majoring in business. His counterpart among the sororities was Kristen Yates, a **Grayson** junior majoring in communication. These awards are judged on four broad areas encompassing involvement in Greek activities, involvement in campus wide activities, activity in the broader community and academic achievement. In addition, each applicant is invited to make a personal statement as to how being Greek has helped his personal goals.

A fraternity and sorority were chosen as the top chapters of the year, Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity and Kappa Delta sorority.

Sigma Phi Epsilon won based on excellent programs including an etiquette dinner, taking the chapter through a ropes course, and producing an alcohol free Luau. They also hosted a battle of the bands to raise money for Youth AIDS research, earning \$2,000 for that cause.

Kappa Delta succeeded by programming in five key areas including: scholarship, membership, leadership, philanthropy and social success. This chapter helped organize a horse show for the Sexual Assault Task Force, raised money for the Salvation Army and participated in the Hometown Holiday.

Also honored was Lauren Buck, an MSU Conference Services employee who advises Delta Gamma sorority. Buck has served as chapter adviser for a year and as such is one of the newer Greek advisers.

In the community service category, two awards were issued. First to Chi Omega. The group raised \$6,000 to help Nick Nischan, a 12-year-old boy who suffered from brain tumors, get a wish from the Make-a-Wish-Foundation. Nischan's wish was to meet Chuck Norris. This is the third wish the sorority has granted since 2002.

Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity worked to help a local woman who did not have medical insurance raise funds to pay for breast cancer treatments. Through an event called Links of Love, this fraternity raised \$2,500.

Sigma Phi Epsilon and Kappa Delta won for the best grade point average of all the Greeks, scoring 3.0 and higher in the spring and fall semesters of 2007.

Mike Esposito, director of student activities and Greek life, said he is excited about the forthcoming year. "I am very proud of the outstanding accomplishments of our students. They represent some of the best we have at MSU."

Currently, 650 students participate in Greek life at Morehead State.

Additional information about student organizations and activities at MSU is available by calling the Office of Student Activities at (606) 783-2071.

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## SBDC to host business workshop in Jackson

Morehead State University at West Liberty's Small Business Development Center will conduct a workshop on "Starting Your Own Business" on Thursday, May 22, at MSU at Jackson.

The free event from 2-4 p.m. will introduce the basic concepts of opening your own business. Topics to be discussed will include: business planning, business types, financing, taxes and licensing.

The workshop will be held on the MSU at Jackson campus at the Breathitt County Life Skills Center, 1127 Main Street. MSU's Small Business Development Center and Hazard Community and Technical College are sponsoring the event.

For a list of upcoming events, visit the Web site at [www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc) or call Michael Rodriguez, SBDC consultant, at (606) 743-4005. For the Jackson workshop, you also may register by calling Laura Thomas at (606) 487-3531 or by e-mail at [laura.thomas@kctcs.edu](mailto:laura.thomas@kctcs.edu).

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

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## MSU's Spring Commencement, a happy event

Robert McWhorter didn't take the normal route to become a Morehead State University graduate. After high school, the Georgetown native served five years of active duty in the U.S. Marine Corps before starting on his degree.

"I had come to a point in my previous career path where I experienced stagnation in job promotion," McWhorter told the standing-room only crowd gathered for MSU's Spring Commencement exercises on Saturday (May 10).

"I loved my job, but when it came down to it, I wanted to keep on moving up the ladder and the only thing stopping me was a college degree. At that point, I realized how important my education was, and how my life would be driven by my knowledge base. Coming back to college from the workforce put an entirely new perspective

on learning."

As the student speaker, McWhorter of **Morehead**, addressed the more than 800 MSU students that participated in the ceremony in the Academic-Athletic Center. More than 1,000 were degree candidates.

There were smiles, cheers, and lots of photographs taken as the newest alumni took the ceremonial walk across the stage, signifying the completion of their college degrees. They were greeted by MSU President Wayne D. Andrews who offered a congratulatory handshake to each of those completing graduate and undergraduate degree requirements.

McWhorter completed a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from the College of Business. He will pursue a career in accounting and plans to take the CPA exam.

One of the many honors that McWhorter received during his senior year was a ranking of 22 out of 4,099 cadets throughout the nation, and a No. 1 ranking in Kentucky and Ohio.

In his final words, McWhorter remembered one of his professors, Hollis D. (Wayne) Isham, who died in January.

"In keeping with the words that a great soldier once used, class of 2008, go forth and do great things."

Following the ceremony, the newest graduates were inducted into the MSU Alumni Association by its president, Gary Adkins of Morehead.

Morehead State's summer intersession begins Monday, May 19.

[Click here for photos from the 2008 Spring Commencement](#)

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## Fairchild named William G. McGowan Scholar

Weylin Fairchild, a Morehead State University junior majoring in business and information technology education, was presented the William G. McGowan scholarship award at the College of Business Student Honors Banquet.

Fairchild, from Winchester, was selected from a large pool of outstanding student applicants to receive the McGowan award, which provides a full tuition scholarship for the student's senior year.

A committee of College of Business faculty members reviewed all applications and forwarded its recommendation to Dean Bob Albert and Dr. Betty Regan, chair of the Department of Information Systems, who interviewed the top three student applicants.

"Weylin not only presented a very impressive resume and application, but he demonstrated great poise and self-confidence during the interview," said Dr. Albert. "We are thrilled to be able to recognize him as the 2008 William G. McGowan Scholar at Morehead State University."

The William G. McGowan Scholars Program was established in part to help increase the awareness of the contribution made by McGowan, founder and chairman of MCI Communications Corporation, to the fields of business, telecommunications and entrepreneurship.

As such, each student applicant was required to write an essay on such contributions made by McGowan. According to Dean Albert, Fairchild's essay was extremely well-written and showed evidence of his in-depth research on McGowan's many business ventures..

Fairchild's academic successes have been significant. He has made the dean's list for five consecutive semesters and has earned the George Scott Jr. Memorial Scholarship for four consecutive semesters. In addition to his outstanding academic performance, he also has demonstrated significant leadership through his role on the Methodist Student Center Leadership Team, as a nominee to the MSU Emerging Leaders Symposium and through his on-campus work as a student technology and resource specialist.

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## NSF awards Dr. Birriel grant

Morehead State University's Dr. Jennifer Birriel, associate professor of physics, has been awarded a research grant from the National Science Foundation and the Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR). The grant is also supported by the National Laboratory Initiative.

Dr. Birriel will travel to Kitt Peak National Observatory in Arizona. She was awarded observing time on the 2.1 meter telescope to study supernova remnants in the nearby galaxy M101.

"Many of today's cutting edge problems in astrophysics require new observational data taken with large telescopes," said Dr. Birriel. "The National Optical Astronomical Observatory (NOAO) facility at Kitt Peak, just outside of Tucson, Ariz., offers a variety of large telescopes and sophisticated astronomical equipment. Time on such systems is awarded through a very competitive scientific approval process."

Birriel had an article published in the March 2008 issue of Astronomy Education Review. Her article, titled "Demonstrating Absorption Spectra Using Commercially Available Incandescent Light Bulbs," describes novel ways to demonstrate absorption spectra in a classroom setting.

The Astronomy Education Review is internationally known as the preeminent scholarly journal in astronomy education and research.

"As professors, we constantly strive to 'make it real' to students. In astronomy, when we talk about the importance of the spectrum of radiant energy that a star emits, it seems far removed from everyday experience," Dr. Birriel said. "I spent a great deal of time trying to figure out how to make these ideas more accessible to students and I am delighted that my peers and the editor of Astronomy Education Review found my demonstrations useful enough to publish."

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Birriel at (606) 783-2924.

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## Free courses offered to high school students

High school seniors who want to get a head start on their college career may enroll in a class at Morehead State University. Seniors with a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 may take up to six hours of college courses tuition-free in the 2008-09 academic year.

Students may choose from 100 or 200 level courses on the class schedule. Classes will be offered at the Morehead, Mt. Sterling and West Liberty campuses and online.

Students are responsible for textbooks and course fees. Textbooks for the classes are available from the University Bookstore, located in the Adron Doran University Center on the Morehead campus.

Orders may be placed by calling (888) STORE-05 or via the Internet at [www.bookstore.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.bookstore.moreheadstate.edu).

Purchases will be shipped to the address specified by the student.

Classes at MSU for the fall semester begin on Monday, Aug. 18, at all locations. The term ends Dec. 12.

Additional information and application forms are available by calling Tina Stafford-Baldwin, MSU's regional campus coordinator, at (800) 585-6781, option #3; MSU at Mt. Sterling, (859) 498-0780 or (866) 870-0809; or MSU at West Liberty, (800) 648-5371 or (606) 743-1500.  
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## MSU intersession starts May 19

Even though Spring Commencement has just happened, Morehead State University students are looking ahead to the summer and fall academic terms.

To accommodate a wider range of students, there will be four summer terms offered this year, including an intersession.

Registration for the general Summer term, Summer Intersession, Summer I and II, as well as Fall 2008 will be available online at MSU's Web site ([www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)). Students may view course offerings and complete the registration process through the Datatel WebAdvisor.

It may be accessed from the MSU home page's current student link, then by selecting online services and finally WebAdvisor from the Quick Login drop-down box. Classes for the summer and fall will be offered according to the following schedule:

- Summer Intersession: Monday, May 19 through Friday, May 30.
- Summer: Monday, June 2 through Friday, July 25.
- Summer I: Monday, June 2 through Friday, June 27.
- Summer II: Monday, July 7 through Friday, Aug 1.
- Fall: Monday, Aug. 18 through Friday, Dec. 12.

For those not yet enrolled who are considering attending MSU, there is still time to submit an application for the summer or fall terms. Prospective students may call the Office of Enrollment Services at (606) 783-2000 or (800) 585-6781 opt #1 for admissions assistance.

Students also will be able to view and pay their summer bill(s) online via WebAdvisor. Fall 2008 billing will be available for viewing and payment shortly after July 1. Those who are registered for the summer and/or fall terms will receive monthly paper billing statements to keep them informed of their account status. Account balances are due in full one week prior to the start of class for each semester attending.

Although MSU no longer offers a deferred payment plan, students may take advantage of a different option to pay their bill at a later date, while at the same time, confirming that they will be attending classes.

If any student is unable to pay his or her full balance prior to the deadline, he or she may complete an online Statement of Intent, which explains payment requirements. The online statement must be completed by set deadlines to prevent a student's class schedule from being canceled. This also applies to any student who receives financial aid or scholarships, or whose college expenses are being paid by an outside agency. Students may access the Statement of Intent via WebAdvisor.

The pay-in-full or Statement of Intent deadlines are as follows: May 27, Summer and Summer I; June 30 for Summer II and Aug. 11 for Fall.

MSU offers online bachelor's degree "completer" programs designed primarily for graduates of the Kentucky Community & Technical College System (KCTCS). Courses are offered via the Internet and at the regional campuses, providing busy adults the opportunity to complete class work at a time and place convenient to them.

Textbooks for the classes are available from the University Bookstore, located in the Adron Doran University Center on the Morehead campus. Orders may be placed by calling (888) STORE-05 or via the Internet at [www.bookstore.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.bookstore.moreheadstate.edu) . Purchases will be shipped to the address specified by the student. Additional information is available by calling the Office of Enrollment Services at (606) 783-2000; or the Office of the Registrar at (606) 783-2008.

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## Kappa Delta Pi holds banquet

Morehead State University's Epsilon Theta Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, an international honor society in education, held its first spring banquet on Saturday, May 3. The formal dinner was held in the Crager Room of Adron Doran University Center and recognized the academic and service achievements of its student members as well as honored two educators for their contributions to the field of education.

Melissa Fannin, third and fourth grade teacher at Rodburn Elementary School, received the KDP - Epsilon Theta "Teacher of the Year Award." The KDP - Epsilon Theta members elected Fannin from a pool of four Rowan County School District finalists.

Criteria used in the nomination of the finalists and the election of the Teacher of the Year Award included commitment in working with Morehead State teacher education students for field placements as well as modeling effective teaching strategies. She received a \$100 check to be used for classroom supplies and a certificate for her accomplishment.

Dr. Daniel Grace, associate professor of special education, received the KDP - Epsilon Theta "Honorary Member Award." The KDP - Epsilon Theta Executive Council elected Dr. Grace. Criteria used for determining this award included academic rigor in the classroom, scholarship and innovation, and service toward MSU and the community. A 20-year veteran faculty member of MSU, he helped design and implement the Special Education Program in the College of Education and serves as coordinator for the MAT - Special Education Program.

Ten KDP - Epsilon Theta seniors were awarded Honor Cords for commencement. Special criteria, as determined by the Kappa Delta Pi National Headquarters, were used in the issuance of Honor Cords, which included individual members' accumulation of 10 commitment points. The members earned points by participating in KDP-sponsored community service, fund raising, meetings and other events.

The ten seniors were: Amber Adams of West Liberty; Allie Banks of Myra; Bethany Chamings of Radcliff; Robert Eckhardt of Trenton, Ohio; Shelly Manning of Mt. Sterling; Miranda Marshall of Flemingsburg; Breann Patrick of Salyersville; Natalie Peterson of Beavercreek, Ohio; Belinda Riley of Morehead; and Laura Snider of Cincinnati.

Several special guests attended the banquet, including MSU First Lady Sue Andrews, who provided the keynote address; Dr. Cathy Gunn, dean of the College of Education, who provided the welcome address; and Dr. James Knoll, chair of the Department of Curriculum and Instruction.

The MSU student ensemble, the Billy Branch Brass Quintet, provided the dinner music accompaniment.

Dr. Kimberlee Sharp, assistant professor of education, is the adviser. Additional information concerning Kappa Delta Pi is available by contacting Dr. Sharp at (606) 783-2853 or by e-mail at [k.sharp@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:k.sharp@moreheadstate.edu) .  
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## Harr receives certification from NAIM

Shannon Harr, Morehead State University's director of research, integrity and compliance, recently received professional certification from NAIM (National Association of Institutional Review Boards Managers).

"Obtaining CIM (Certified IRB Manager) status is really a feather in the cap for MSU's Office of Research and Sponsored Programs. It demonstrates to agencies providing MSU with extramural funding that we are committed to applying the federally mandated regulations in the utmost accuracy when conducting human subject research," said Harr.

NAIM is an organization of professionals working to protect the rights and welfare of research subjects from undue risks associated with investigational studies. Harr serves on the member committee of this organization.

In his role as director of research integrity and compliance, Harr also oversees research utilizing animals. In March at the Ethics and Compliance and Use conference, sponsored by Public Responsibility in Medicine & Research (PRIM&R), he co-presented "How Can Institutional Animal Care and Use Committees Avoid Over Interpretation of Rules and Subsequent Self-Imposed Regulatory Burden." He presented with Molly Greene of Michigan State University.

In addition, Harr was co-presenter of "Institutional Animal Care and Use Committees for Small Academic Institutions." He presented with Deborah Frolicher of the Scripps Research Institute in California.

"As a member of Public Responsibility in Medicine and Research (PRIM&R), I have had the opportunity to attend a number of conferences which have been instrumental in enhancing my ability to do my job," Harr said. "The knowledge I have gained at these conferences coupled with the connections I have made with research integrity and compliance professionals at other institutions have been invaluable. Being asked by PRIM&R staff to serve as faculty at the recent Ethics and Compliance in Animal Care and Use Conference was a great honor and privilege for me." Harr also serves on the membership committee for PRIM&R.

Additional information is available by calling Harr at (606) 783-2307.

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## MSPR to present weather radios to 18 counties

Morehead State Public Radio will distribute 50 Midland AM/FM Weather Alert Radios this spring to 18 primary counties that includes Bath, Breathitt, Carter, Elliott, Estill, Fleming, Lee, Lewis, Martin, Mason, Menifee, Montgomery, Morgan, Nicholas, Owsley, Powell, Rowan and Wolfe counties.

"It's our goal at Morehead State Public Radio to inform our listeners about impending weather and to protect the families in the communities we serve. We hope the weather radios will be used at key locations in our primary service region to supplement the national emergency alert system to further protect our listeners," said Paul Hitchcock, MSPR general manager.

The radios will be presented to public officials and placed in public buildings such as schools, health clinics, libraries and first responder facilities. MSPR also will distribute informational brochures on emergency preparedness from the Ready America project provided by the Federal Emergency Management Association (FEMA).

The radios utilize Specific Area Message Encoding (S.A.M.E.) technology, which allows the radios to be programmed to receive only those warnings that apply to local counties. Operated by AC or emergency battery, the radios can be programmed for up to 30 counties and features AM/FM tuning, color coded alert lights and several alarm functions.

MSPR purchased the radios through a Rural Listener Access Incentive Grant from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

Additional information on Ready America and this project is available on MSPR's Web site at [www.msuradio.com](http://www.msuradio.com).

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## CE to offer Microsoft Publisher

Are you looking for an easy, inexpensive way to create professional-quality brochures, letterhead, newsletters, invitations, or even Web sites?

Morehead State University's Office of Continuing Education may just have the answer. A new, six-week online course called "Introduction to Microsoft Publisher" will show you how you can create stunning and effective documents and applications even if you have no design experience or training. Participants will find out exactly how to use Microsoft Publisher while receiving expert guidance in selecting images, colors, and layouts.

"Students will be amazed by the level of design expertise they can achieve with Publisher. In this hands-on course, they'll quickly develop the ability and confidence to create a wide variety of high-quality documents," said instructor Allyson Benavides.

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'd like. A response is usually promised within one business day, and often arrives much sooner than that.

Students can take "Introduction to Microsoft Publisher 2007" from the convenience of their home or office, and at any time of the day or night.

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/occe](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/occe).

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## MSU grad named president of Maysville CTC

Dr. Edward Story, a Morehead State University graduate and a 25-year administrator and professor at Maysville Community and Technical College, is the school's new president.

MCTC's chief academic officer since 2000, Dr. Story joined the institution's teaching staff in 1982. He taught previously at the University of Southern Mississippi and was statewide science coordinator for P-16 schools in West Virginia. He was Kentucky's university-level science teacher of the year in 1997.

Story, a native of Fleming County, was selected from among five finalists in a national search. He replaces Dr. Augusta Julian, who became president of Bluegrass Community and Technical College last December.

In addition to his bachelor's degree in biology and geography from Morehead State, the new MCTC president also holds a master's degree in science from Murray State University and a doctorate in education from the University of Southern Mississippi.

Maysville Community and Technical College has campuses in Maysville, Cynthiana and Morehead.

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## Eagle Trace to be featured on statewide golf show

Morehead State University's [Eagle Trace Golf Course](#) will be featured on Inside Kentucky Golf this weekend.

The show will air Saturday at 1:30 p.m. on WKYT-TV prior to coverage of the AT&T Classic golf tournament.

Opened in 1995, Eagle Trace was developed by a group of local and regional investors. It was designed by noted golf course architect David Pfaff.

The course hosted the Kentucky Men's State Amateur in 1998 and 2000 and the Kentucky Women's State Amateur in 1999. It is the home course of Morehead State's golf teams (men's and women's).

Eagle Trace occupies 135 wooded, rolling acres off Ramey Ridge Road and Farmers-Sharkey Road (KY 801) near Exit 133 of I-64. It features tees and greens of bent grass and has a clubhouse with 4,800 square feet of interior space, an attached event pavilion of 2,400 square feet and a storage and maintenance building for golf carts and turf equipment.

MSU purchased the golf course in April 2007.

Veteran sportscaster and MSU graduate Don Russell is the host and executive producer of Inside Kentucky Golf. The show is sponsored by Kroger and presented by the Kentucky Section PGA and the Kentucky Golf Association.

Russell, a former football Eagle, is a member of the MSU Athletic Hall of Fame.

The series also will be broadcast on the following stations: WDRB, Louisville; WYMT, Hazard; WBKO, Bowling Green; and Insight Communications in Northern Kentucky. Check local listings for exact times.

Episodes also will be available for viewing and download at [www.kygolf.org](http://www.kygolf.org).

Additional information on Eagle Trace is available by calling (606) 783-9073.

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## Only three SOAR programs left this summer

Morehead State University has three remaining Student Orientation, Advising and Registration (SOAR) programs to prepare for the 2008 Fall Semester. New first year and transfer students will register for their fall semester classes during these events.

Students also will 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 remaining SOAR dates are 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 a SOAR program is necessary due to limited space. There are two ways to register: visit the Web 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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## Symphony Band and Percussion Ensemble tour of Spain underway

Morehead State University's Symphony Band and Percussion Ensemble third international concert tour is underway. Eighty-five students and faculty are participating in the eight-day concert tour of Spain that will conclude on May 18.

Under the direction of Dr. Richard Miles, MSU director of bands, and Frank Oddis, associate professor of music and coordinator of percussion, the groups will visit and perform in some of Spain's finest concert halls. Performances are scheduled for Denia, Utiel, Betera and Buñol.

The tour also includes many educational activities to allow the performers to experience the culture, scenery and people of Spain. Students are scheduled to tour music schools and conservatories as well as visits to tourist sites in Valencia (the third largest city in Spain).

Special sites include the City of Arts and Sciences, the Valencia Cathedral (believed to hold the Holy Grail), Virgin Square in the city of Old Valencia, Plaza Redonda or Round Square, The Central Market, and in Denia - the 12th Century Castle of Denia, adjacent to the Mediterranean coasts.

After each performance, new photos will be placed on the Web at <http://picasaweb.google.es/msusymphonyband/>. Additional information is available by contacting the MSU Bands Office at (606) 783-2486.

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## Bluegrass Biennial art exhibit opens June 7

Showcasing the wealth of visual art in Kentucky, The Bluegrass Biennial: A Kentucky Juried Exhibition will be held June 7 through Aug. 1 in the Claypool-Young Art Building on the Morehead State University campus.

Juror Tim Glotzbach, director of the Student Craft Program and former dean of the Kentucky School of Craft, has selected for exhibit 46 artworks out of the more than 200 submitted for consideration. Inspired by both the quality and quantity of visual art created in the state, the exhibition seeks to display the range of artistic production from across the Commonwealth.

"The strength of the exhibition truly rests in its diversity, from the types of artists included which run from self-taught to graduates of Master of Fine Art programs as well as the artworks selected, ranging from the traditional to the truly contemporary," said Jennifer Reis, gallery director.

Art media featured includes acrylic, oil, and mixed media painting; printmaking; analog and digital photography; functional and sculptural ceramic, mixed media and found object sculpture, drawing, textile works and time-based video works.

The 33 accepted Kentucky artists include: Mary Jane Allen, Louisville; Christine Barker, Morehead; Christina Bartsch, Brooks; Carolyn Bentley Boyd, Morehead; Linda Brewer, Morehead; Marianne Brown, Lawrenceburg; Victoria Byers, Olive Hill; Kurt Gohde, Lexington; Albertus Gorman, Louisville; J. Daniel Graham, Georgetown;

Louise Halsey, Owensboro; John Haywood, Louisville; Dean Hill, West Liberty; Shayne Hull, Louisville; Lori Larusso, Lexington; Christine Levitt, Lexington; Kathleen Loomis, Louisville; Michael Maydak, Covington; Joe Molinaro, Winchester;

Jeffrey Nichols, Morehead; Ann W. Olson, Olive Hill; Lee Ann Paynter, Lexington; Gibbs Rounsavall, Louisville; Joe Sartor, Morehead; Nancy Sartor, Morehead;

Joan Schulte, Louisville; Michael Secor, Morehead; Diane Deaton-Street, Louisville; Travis Townsend, Lexington; Cathy Vigor, Ashland; Michael Wagner, Wallingford; Karine Wilson, Lawrenceburg; and Mary Yates, Louisville.

The exhibition is a collaborative effort of MSU's Arts and Humanities Council, Department of Art, Caudill College of Humanities, Clack Mountain Festival, Cave Run Arts Association and Morehead Art Guild Inc. Scheduled for the summer of 2010, the next Bluegrass Biennial will include a juror from another region of Kentucky, and continue the same spirit of partnering with local and university organizations.

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 Jennifer Reis, gallery director, at (606) 783-5446.

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## 'Sundown at Moonlight Concert Series' returns

A family-friendly event will return to downtown Morehead starting on Friday, June 6.

Morehead State Public Radio (MSPR), Kentucky Center for Traditional Music, Kentucky Folk Art Center and Morehead Tomorrow will sponsor the third year of the "Sundown at Moonlight Concert Series."

Morehead Conference Center, Morehead Tourism Commission and the city of Morehead support the program.

Music lovers are invited to bring lawn chairs and picnic supper to enjoy the live music on three separate occasions. The free concert will be held at the Moonlight Stage, located next to the Moonlight School on First Street, on Friday, June 6, Saturday, July 5, and Friday, Aug. 1.

To kick off the second season, Scott Tackett and Kentucky Sunrise will perform Bluegrass music. Other scheduled entertainers will be: Seven Turn, 70s and 80s rock (July 5); and Opossum Trot Blue Band, blues (Aug. 1).

All shows will run from 7:30 - 10 p.m. Parking and concessions will be available.

Additional information is available by calling MSPR at (606) 783-2001 or Morehead Tomorrow at (606) 780-4342.

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## A Day in the Country set for June 7

A Day in the Country folk art show and sale will be held on Saturday, June 7 at the Morehead Conference Center, First Street, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

For many years, the event was held on Minnie Adkins' property in Isonville. In 2003 at her request, Morehead State University's Kentucky Folk Art Center took over operation of the event.

A Day in the Country 2008 will bring more than 50 self-taught artists from 10 states together to display and offer their work for sale. A few of the participating artists are Minnie Adkins, Isonville; Ronald Cooper, Flemingsburg; Lavon Williams, Lexington; William Miller, Louisville; Jim Gary Phillips, Edmunton; Jo Neace Krause of Tennessee; and Eric Pace of North Carolina.

Visitors to the show can expect to find wood carvings, stone carvings, paintings and more.

"A Day in the Country continues to draw new artists from other states," said KFAC curator Adrian Swain. "We're committed to making the show as diverse and exciting as possible.

"While artists from East Kentucky are the backbone of the event, it's interesting to include the work of people from other regions and cultural backgrounds. It makes for a dynamic mix of talent and personalities."

Last year's show drew more than 1,200 visitors to Morehead.

"We're very excited about this year's event," said Matt Collinsworth, KFAC director. "A Day in the Country drew visitors from 21 states last year. The event is gaining in prominence nationally, and we truly believe that this is the best event of its kind anywhere in Kentucky or central Appalachia."

An auction of works donated by participating artists will be held to raise funds for KFAC to offset costs associated with the event. Jim Gary Phillips, a self-taught painter and auctioneer, will conduct the auction.

An exhibition, titled "Myth & Legend," opens at KFAC Friday, June 6, with a reception from 5-8 p.m. This exhibit includes works by 36 folk artists. The events are held in conjunction with the Clack Mountain Festival and the Appalachian Arts and Crafts Fair.

Complete festival information is available by visiting [clackmountainfest.com](http://clackmountainfest.com). Admission to the festival, including A Day in the Country and all musical performances, is \$5 for adults

The Kentucky Folk Art Center, located at 102 West First Street in Morehead, is a cultural, educational and economic development service of Morehead State University. The Center is open Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, 1 - 5 p.m.

Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-2204.

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## Australian regional campus head visits MSU

Robbie Collins, an Australian educator, recently made a stop at Morehead State University .

Collins, the University of Wollongong's Shoalhaven campus head, had been in the U.S. for a conference and visiting regional campuses. Shoalhaven is located in West Nowra, New South Wales.

On her visit to Kentucky, she had a chance to visit MSU at Jackson, Mt. Sterling, West Liberty and the Morehead campus.

"My visit and exploration of Morehead State and its campuses was an exciting whirlwind tour. Dr. (Will) Kayatin, Dr. (Dan) Connell and the regional campus directors provided me with gracious hospitality and significant insights into the goals and workings behind Morehead in its distributed operation," said Collins.

"This was just what I had hoped to explore on my visit and I am incredibly grateful for the generosity of Morehead State and especially Dr Kayatin. As someone in a similar role to Morehead State's regional campus directors, it is most beneficial to benchmark strategy and operations. As well, I hope there might be further dialogue that provides options for other linkages in time. One option of course is to explore some kind of student exchange. There is no doubt students from the University of Wollongong's Shoalhaven Campus would benefit from a visit to Morehead State and I expect the Morehead students would benefit from visiting the University of Wollongong Shoalhaven Campus as well."

Her guide on the tour was Dr. Kayatin, MSU at Jackson director, who had met Collins at the National Branch Campus Association Conference in Columbus and invited her to MSU.

"She was a delegate/presenter at the conference and we struck up a professional friendship immediately," said Dr. Kayatin. "Through the course of our conversations, she became very interested in our regional campus system model and asked if I would be willing to host her for a site visit.

"I was happy to extend the professional courtesy. In fact, we should be flattered that she selected us, since visiting and researching other regional campus systems is part of her interest in traveling to the states."

Collins also visited Ohio University and a few of its regional campuses.

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## Americana Crossroads Live slated for May 30

Singer/songwriter John Lilly, folk performer Diana Jones, and the husband-wife duo of Doug and Telisha Williams 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, May 30, 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.

Lilly is a multi-talented acoustic music performer from Charleston, W. Va., specializing in Americana, country roots, and traditional folk music. He is recognized internationally as a powerful performing songwriter. In 2005, he won the national "Ghost Writers In the Sky" songwriting contest, sponsored by HankFest, a Chicago-based festival honoring the music of Hank Williams.

Jones' music is informed by the themes that have run through her life - love, loss and redemption. She has shared the stage with Martina McBride, Del McCoury Band, Guy Clark, Odetta,

Old Crow Medicine Show and John Gorka among others. She has won several songwriting awards including the 2006 Kerrville New Folk Contest.

The Williams have had an incredible year. Not only have they seen continued success for their debut album "Rope Around My Heart," but they've shared stages with some real legends such as Lucinda Williams, Darrell Scott and Charlie Louvin. The couple met in high school marching band and there hasn't been a time since then that they haven't been playing music together. Living in southwest Virginia, they tour constantly around the South and up into the North.

"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 35 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.msuradio.com](http://www.msuradio.com) or by calling MSPR at (606) 783-2001 or (800) 286-9659.

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## MSU retirees spend a day with the horses

Morehead State University's Retiree Association had the chance to spend a day with the horses, visiting the North American Racing Academy which recently graduated its first class of jockeys. Heading up the NARA is world renown jockey Chris McCarron. The group also visited Three Chimneys Farm where this photo was taken. Three Chimneys is where Kentucky Derby and Preakness winner Smarty Jones stands at stud. Other trips on tap for the retirees include tours of the University of Kentucky Arboretum and Ashland, Henry Clay's estate in June as well as a performance of "Big River" at Kincaid Dinner Theatre in July.

## MSU's 2008 Spring Gala a huge success

Morehead State University's 2008 Spring Gala, "Do you Wanna Dance," was a rock and roll themed event with excellent cuisine, live and silent auctions, dancing, entertainment and fellowship.

The Gala, hosted by President Wayne D. and Mrs. Andrews and coordinated by the Office of Development, raised nearly \$150,000 this year.

Proceeds from the event will support academics and provide educational opportunities for Morehead State University students.

In this year's big ticket raffle, Kelli Barhorst of Morehead was the winner of the Chevrolet HHR sponsored by Fannin's Chevrolet of Morehead. Also winners in the raffle were:

Trent Hamilton, Morehead, \$1,000; Kathy Mattingly, Morehead, \$500; Ray White, Morehead, \$500; and Jennifer Anderson, Morehead, \$500.

Additional information is available by calling the Office of Development at (606) 783-2033.

[Click here for photos from the 2008 Spring Gala](#)

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## MSUPD take part in 2008 Click It or Ticket

All too often family members lose loved ones due to motor vehicle crashes. In 2006, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), 42,642 people died nationwide.

Motor vehicle crashes remain a leading cause of death in America - and the leading cause of death for young people ages 2 to 34. However, crashes are non-discriminatory: men, women, the young, the old - regardless of race or ethnicity - are all at risk.

But too many times the drivers and passengers who die have chosen not to wear their seat belts, even though regular seat belt use is the single most effective way to protect people and reduce fatalities.

Morehead State University's Police Department will be joining with hundreds of other law enforcement agencies across the country in renewing a pledge to save lives by intensifying efforts to enforce seat belt laws - among all motorists and around the clock - during the "2008 Click It or Ticket" mobilization, which runs until June 1.

Officers also will be conducting Roadside Traffic Safety Checkpoints at various locations on and around the MSU Campus during this mobilization period. To learn more about the "Click It or Ticket" campaign and the lifesaving benefits of wearing your seat belt, visit [www.nhtsa.gov](http://www.nhtsa.gov).

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

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## SBDC in Paintsville will offer free 'Business Planning' workshop

A free workshop for prospective small business owners, " Business Planning Key to Your Success," will be offered by Morehead State University's East Kentucky Small Business Development Center (SBDC) in Paintsville.

The two-hour session will begin at 1 p.m. on Thursday, May 29, at the Kentucky Highlands Entrepreneur Center, located at 120 Scott Perry Drive which is off of Teays Branch Road.

Topics to be covered at this workshop include: who needs a business plan, what is a business plan, where to get information and how to present a plan.

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

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

Additional information and pre-registration are available by calling Sabrina Jude at the Paintsville Small Business Development Center at (606) 788-6022.

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## MSU announces plan to create modern parking system

After years of concerns about lack of parking and too much green space consumed by parking lots, Morehead State University is moving to create a modern parking system to resolve both complaints, according to Michael R. Walters, vice president for administration and fiscal services.

He announced today (May 23) that MSU will overhaul its parking fees to develop a revenue stream that eventually will lead to the construction and operation of two multi-level parking structures on the Morehead campus. Effective this fall, MSU will begin to upgrade its parking operation by offering individually reserved spaces and more accessible shuttle service for those who park south of U.S. 60.

"We have known for a long time that our parking fees were the lowest in the state and that we could not finance improvements without a stronger revenue base," Walters said. "The state will not fund parking structures and our institution must be able to issue and retire its own revenue bonds for that purpose."

Tentative plans call for the first parking structure to be erected adjacent to the new student recreation center to be constructed between Wilson Hall and Eagle Lake Apartments. That location likely will include the site of Regents Hall. The second structure will be on the west side of the campus with the exact site yet to be determined.

"Our intention is to build attractive, functional structures that will be in harmony with our campus architecture and natural environment while providing safe, accessible parking for the university community and for our visitors," Walters added. "We hope to benefit greatly from the experiences of institutions that are operating such facilities today."

To start that process, effective Aug. 15, MSU's basic parking fees for faculty, staff and students will be \$120 annually for spaces north of U.S. 60 and \$60 yearly for the lot south of U.S. 60. For faculty and staff members desiring a reserved space, the cost will be \$360 per year for parking privileges on University Boulevard and in the Third Street lot between Lappin Hall and the Rowan County Board of Education. Such spaces will be reserved each weekday from 5 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Any unsold reserved spaces in those two areas will be offered to students through a lottery system. Reserved spaces will be numbered.

Walters said MSU will allow employees to purchase parking permits through payroll deduction at the rate of \$2.50 per semi-monthly payday for the \$60 permits, \$5 per payday for the \$120 permits and \$15 per payday for the \$360 permits. Students will continue to pay the entire fee at the beginning of the school year. Temporary employees will pay when they report to work.

Current employees with at least 20 years of service with free parking will retain those privileges at the \$120 level, as will existing and future retirees; however, free parking is being removed from MSU's employee recognition system.

"Establishment of a modern parking system can revolutionize the appearance of our central campus and help move us toward our goal of being the best we can be in all things," Walters added. "No one likes higher fees but we have no choice if we want the resources necessary to realize our vision."

Other parking changes for the new school year will include elimination of on-street parking in front of Baird Music Hall to improve passenger safety for the bus loading zone at that location. Parking in the lot adjacent to ADUC will be restricted to visitors by permit only. General student parking will not be permitted on University Boulevard on weekdays.

Questions about parking should be directed to the MSU Police Department's traffic office at (606) 783-2220.

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## Barnhart to be speaker at EEF event

Mitch Barnhart, director of athletics at the University of Kentucky, will be the keynote speaker at the Eagle Excellence Fund Auction and Golf Tournament June 20-21.

Barnhart's remarks will come on Friday (June 20) in the Crager Room of the Adron Doran University Center. The activities, presented by The Citizens Bank, will begin with a social hour at 6 p.m. followed by a dinner. There also will be a silent auction and a live auction.

Barnhart, in his sixth year at UK, has set a clear course for making the Wildcat program one of the best in the nation. Hired in July 2002, he quickly made a decision to fully fund all 22 varsity sports, and that has produced a wave of firsts among that institution's athletic teams.

In addition to successful basketball and football programs, he has seen baseball win the school's first-ever Southeast Conference title and women's tennis and men's golf win recent crowns.

Among the new revenue streams developed under Barnhart's direction was a record \$80 million multimedia rights agreement with Host Communications.

Kentucky spends \$1.5 million annually on its nationally-renowned academic center as a total commitment to student-athletics. Under his leadership, the Big Blue Caravan and the UK Athletics Hall of Fame have begun.

"We're excited that Mitch has agreed to join us for this very important event," said Brian Hutchinson, MSU's director of athletics "We believe our fans will enjoy hearing his thoughts and reflections on directing one of the top college athletic programs in the nation."

Along with Barnhart, the social hour, the dinner and the auctions on Friday, the Pepsi-sponsored golf tournament will be held on Saturday (June 21) at MSU's Eagle Trace Golf Course.

Registration for the golf outing will begin at 8 a.m. with a shotgun start at 9:30 a.m. In addition to green fees and cart, the golf outing will feature registration gifts, food and drinks on the course and dinner and prizes following play.

Fans can find additional information about the EEF Auction and Golf Tournament at [www.msueagles.com](http://www.msueagles.com) or by calling (606) 783-2088.

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Questions about the new parking changes?

**Q. When will the changes take effect?**

*A. MSU parking permits expire each year on Aug. 15. Changes to fees and other aspects of parking at MSU will become effective with the opening of the new school year in August. Beginning with the first day of classes for the fall semester, all parking regulations will be strictly enforced, including towing from reserved spaces.*

**Q. What are the major changes?**

*A. New parking permit fee structure, prioritized sale of limited number of individually reserved spaces, changes in existing parking zones, payroll deduction for purchase of permits, discontinuance of free parking benefit for employees reaching 20-year service mark after June 30 of this year.*

**Q. What are the new fees?**

*A. \$120 annually for spaces north of U.S. 60, \$60 yearly for the lot south of U.S. 60, and \$360 per year for reserved parking on University Boulevard and in the Third Street lot between Lappin Hall and the Rowan County Board of Education (Area 8). Reserved spaces will be sold first to faculty and staff members. Unsold spaces in those two areas will be offered to students through a lottery system. Reserved spaces will be numbered.*

**Q. How will individual reserved spaces be determined?**

*A. Employees purchasing \$360 permits will select individual spaces on a first come, first served basis beginning Aug.1 (Traffic Office hours: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday - Friday, 100 Laughlin Health Building). Reserved spaces will be honored on weekdays from 5 a.m. to 5 p.m.*

**Q. How will the student lottery system work?**

*A. Students will put their names into a random selection process for unsold spaces. Those whose numbers are selected will have the opportunity to buy a \$360 permit for one year of reserved parking, good on weekdays from 5 a.m. to 5 p.m..*

**Q. How will payroll deduction work for parking permits?**

*A. MSU employees have 24 paydays each year. Permit costs will be deducted at the rate of \$2.50 per payday for the \$60 permits, \$5 per payday for the \$120 permits and \$15 per payday for the \$360 permits. Temporary employees will pay in full when they report to work.*

**Q. How will students pay for parking permits?**

*A. Students will pay in full at the beginning of the semester in which they enroll at MSU each year.*

**Q. Will employees with free parking permits be allowed to keep them?**

*A. Yes. Existing free permits will be replaced with \$120 permits.*

**Q. When I complete 20 years of work at MSU, will I receive free parking?**

*A. No. That benefit is being discontinued in favor of other means of recognizing your loyal service and longevity.*

**Q. Will retirees keep their free permits?**

*A. Yes. Those \$120 permits also will become available to future retirees.*

**Q. What if I have a free permit and want to upgrade to a reserved space?**

*A. You must participate in the first come, first served process and pay an additional \$240.*

**Q. Who or what will keep others from parking in my reserved space?**

*A. Vehicles found parked illegally in reserved spaces will be ticketed and towed. You must report unauthorized use of your reserved space immediately to MSU police at 783-2035. You will be directed to park in a "00" reserved space until the offender is towed and your spot becomes available.*

**Q. Night students traditionally have parked on University Boulevard because permits have not been required after 4:30 p.m. With those spaces reserved, where will such students park in the future?**

*A. Reserved spaces will become general parking each weekday at 5 p.m.*

**Q. Which parking zones are being changed?**

*A. General student parking will not be permitted on University Boulevard and in Area 8 on weekdays between 5 a.m. and 5 p.m. because of the change to reserved spaces. The lot adjacent to ADUC will be restricted to visitors by permit only. On-street parking in front of Baird Music Hall will be eliminated to improve passenger safety for the bus loading zone at that location.*

**Q. I live in University apartment housing and now have access to parking that is restricted to residents of my building. Will I be required to pay \$360?**

*A. No. Your permit will be \$120 and you will park in the AH zone.*

**Q. I frequently attend music and theatre events on campus at night. If University Boulevard is not available because of reserved spaces, where will I park?**

*A. Reserved parking on University Boulevard expires each weekday at 5 p.m. He He*

**Q. My workplace has adjacent parking. Will that be considered a reserved space and cost me \$360?**

*A. No. Your permit will be \$120 and you can park in the same area. Only University Boulevard and Area 8 reserved numbered spaces will require the \$360 permit.*

**Q. If I have other questions about parking, to whom should I direct them?**

*A. Please call the MSU Police Department traffic office at 783-2220. You can report illegal parking at 783-2035.*

## Dr. Richard Crofts to serve as CPE interim president

The Council on Postsecondary Education hired a former Kentuckian with extensive experience in higher education administration in several states to serve as its interim president. Dr. Richard A. Crofts of Palmetto, Fla., will serve the Council until a permanent president is hired, a search anticipated to last six to eight months.

The Council's Executive Committee will negotiate the terms of his contract. Crofts will not be a candidate for the permanent president.

Crofts, a 1962 Georgetown College graduate, said he looks forward to returning to Kentucky and that he is honored by the appointment.

"I have great admiration for Kentucky's system of postsecondary and adult education," said Crofts. "Kentucky is highly regarded across the nation and I look forward to contributing to this important work."

Crofts described higher education as his lifelong calling. "I've spent my life devoted to public higher education and that's why I'm here today," he added.

Council member Jim Skaggs, who chaired the search committee, thanked the university presidents for their insights during the search process.

He added, "We look forward to working with Dr. Crofts. We are confident that he will provide capable and insightful leadership and promote goodwill among the Council, university presidents and other constituencies."

Crofts holds a doctorate in reformation history from Duke University. He most recently served as interim commissioner of higher education in Mississippi and has held positions as commissioner and deputy commissioner of higher education of the Montana University System, assistant to the chancellor of the Minnesota State University System, a commissioner of the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education and a member of the executive committee of the State Higher Education Executive Officers Organization.

Crofts also has served in many capacities on university campuses, serving as vice president of academic affairs at Mankato State University, associate vice president for research and dean of the graduate school at East Tennessee State University and department chair and full professor at the University of Toledo.

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## Summer I begins June 2

Morehead State University's Summer I will begin on Monday, June 2, on the Morehead campus and at MSU's five regional campuses. There is still time to sign up for classes.

Registration for Summer I and II, as well as Fall 2008 is available online; students may view course offerings and complete the registration process through the [Datatel WebAdvisor](#) .

It may be accessed from the MSU home page's current student link, then by selecting online services and finally WebAdvisor from the Quick Login drop-down box. Classes for the summer and fall will be offered according to the following schedule:

Summer I: Monday, June 2 through Friday, June 27.

Summer II: Monday, July 7 through Friday, Aug 1.

Fall: Monday, Aug. 18 through Friday, Dec. 12.

For those not yet enrolled who are considering attending MSU, there is still time to submit an application for the summer or fall terms. Prospective students may call the Office of Enrollment Services at (606) 783-2000 or (800) 585-6781 opt #1 for admissions assistance.

Students also will be able to view and pay their summer bill(s) online via WebAdvisor. Fall 2008 billing will be available for viewing and payment shortly after July 1. Those who are registered for the summer and/or fall terms will receive monthly paper billing statements to keep them informed of their account status. Account balances are due in full one week prior to the start of class for each semester being attended.

Although MSU no longer offers a deferred payment plan, students may take advantage of a different option to pay their bill at a later date, while at the same time, confirming that they will be attending classes.

If any student is unable to pay his or her full balance prior to the deadline, he or she may complete an online Statement of Intent, which explains payment requirements. The online statement must be completed by set deadlines to prevent a student's class schedule from being canceled. This also applies to any student who receives financial aid or scholarships, or whose college expenses are being paid by an outside agency.

Students may access the Statement of Intent via WebAdvisor.

The pay-in-full or Statement of Intent deadlines are as follows: May 27, Summer I; June 30, Summer II; and Aug. 11, Fall.

MSU offers online bachelor's degree "completer" programs designed primarily for graduates of the Kentucky Community & Technical College System (KCTCS). Courses are offered via the Internet and at the regional campuses, providing busy adults the opportunity to complete class work at a time and place convenient to them. Textbooks for the classes are available from the University Bookstore, located in the Adron Doran University Center on the Morehead campus. Orders may be placed by calling (888) STORE-05 or via the Internet at [www.bookstore.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.bookstore.moreheadstate.edu) . Purchases will be shipped to the address specified by the student.

Additional information is available by calling the Office of Enrollment Services at (606) 783-2000; or the Office of the Registrar at (606) 783-2008.

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## Students honored at EDEE Picture Book Awards Ceremony

Students majoring in education at Morehead State University were recognized by the Camden-Carroll Library for their writing and illustrations of children's picture books.

At the EDEE Picture Book Awards Ceremonies held May 5 and 7 at the library's Learning Resource Center, students from two EDEE 327 (Literature and Materials for Young Readers) classes were presented with Best Picture Book award certificates for their work. The students then read their book aloud to those attending the ceremony.

Both classes were taught by Dr. Mattie Decker, assistant professor of education.

Ina Howard of **Morehead** won for her "Abby and Ally Play Hide & Seek!" composition. She was a student in EDEE-327, Section 001.

Gwen DeBellefeuille of **Morehead** received an honorable mention for "My Book of Opposites."

Beverly DePaola of **Mt. Sterling** was presented with the Best Picture Book award for "Nobody Loves Me."

A fourth student, Sarah Gee of **Olive Hill**, received an honorable mention for "Baxter's First Day."

The award-winning book titles will be added to the library's permanent collection.

The program is a joint project between the library and the College of Education's Department of Curriculum and Instruction.

The EDEE Award Committee was comprised of Elsie Pritchard, dean of Library Services; Linda Lowe, cataloging librarian; Jennifer Little, head of access services; John Burton, library associate, LRC; and Jason Vance, former associate dean for public services.

Additional information is available by calling Little at (606) 783-5352.

## FEA camp slated for June 8-15

High school juniors and seniors who aspire to be teachers will visit Morehead State University for a week of education and excitement as they experience college life and learn about educational careers.

At Future Educators Association (FEA) Camp, slated for June 8-15, students will participate in academic classes as well as social activities. Students will interact with distinguished mentors, witness teaching and learning methods, become familiar with current educational issues as well as get to know current and future MSU students.

Sponsored by the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE), the camp is hosted by MSU's Teacher Recruitment Program in conjunction with the Future Teacher Corps.

The camp is free to selected students and 30 are scheduled to attend MSU's program. Selection is based on academic and community achievements as well as the expressed desire to pursue a career in education.

This year's camp will focus on diversity as well as shortage areas within the profession. Math, science and special education opportunities and techniques will be interwoven throughout an Olympic theme titled "A World of Teachers....One Goal."

In an effort to meet the goals, Billie Travis, 2005 Kentucky Teacher of the Year and Morehead State alumnus, will present math strategies for use in the classroom.

Dr. Robert Boram, MSU professor of science, will lead the students in a discovery of scientific investigations and hands-on techniques. Dr. Jim Knoll, chair of the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, will present information pertaining to the importance and implementation of Special Education Programs within public schools while Michael Dailey, division director of Educator Quality and Diversity at KDE, will discuss the current shortage areas within the field of education and the need to recruit quality teachers to fill these positions.

Representatives from KDE along with MSU's Educational Service Unit, Education Professional Standards Board and the Department of Curriculum and Instruction along with public school personnel from Morgan and Mason counties also will participate in the camp.

Other activities will highlight socialization and the development of a community, including a picnic in the city park, a visit to the Newport Aquarium, a campus scavenger hunt, talent show, an introduction to points of interest in the area and an awards banquet. The students will live in MSU's residence halls and dine at University facilities to give them a college life experience.

Additional information is available by contacting Joan Callaham, teacher recruitment coordinator, at [j.callaham@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:j.callaham@moreheadstate.edu) or (606) 783-9446.

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## Blastzone making its mark in the music world

Blastzone Entertainment Group, a business owned by Mike and Hope Wilkerson of West Liberty, recently became the Morehead State University Regional Enterprise Center's newest tenant.

Blastzone Entertainment Group provides various business services to several genres of musicians, including rock and roll, blues, country and Bluegrass.

"Blastzone is basically a one-stop-shop for musicians' needs, such as distribution of CDs and downloadable tracks, endorsements, bookings, Web marketing and more," said Mike Wilkerson.

The company expects to have more than 50 CDs in worldwide distribution by July. Thanks to the Internet, Blastzone works with artists from as far away as Australia, Brazil, Sweden, Japan and Great Britain. With a roster of more than 75 clients in less than a year, Blastzone is making waves and trying to put Morgan County on the map when it comes to music.

In July, the company will have its own stage with more than 45 bands at "Rocklahoma," the biggest hard-rock festival in the U.S. The company also is working on venues closer to home including one in West Liberty called Blastzone Free Fest.

"Businesses such as this probably would not have existed before the advent of the World Wide Web. The infrastructure to reach out from Appalachia and work with anyone in the world exists in our Center and what's special about these entrepreneurs is their willingness to risk their personal resources to make a go of a fairly unique business model," said Johnathan Gay, director of the MSU Innovation Center and manager of the Regional Enterprise Business Incubator.

"They have a passion for music and are willing to do their homework to learn how to make this work via the Web."

Anyone interested in learning more about Blastzone Entertainment Group, the Innovation Center of the Regional Enterprise Center may call (606) 743-4005 or visit its Web site at [www.moreheadstate.edu/msurec](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/msurec) .  
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## Retirees plan activity for June

Morehead State University retired faculty and staff members and their guests are invited to join the MSU Retirees Association on its June 13 road trip. The group will tour the University of Kentucky's Arboretum gardens and Ashland (Henry Clay Estate), which was home to one of the United States legendary statesmen.

The retirees will have lunch at a Fazoli's in Lexington. Lunch is not included in the approximately \$12 trip cost which covers transportation and admission to Ashland.

Reservations are due by Monday, June 9 and may be made by calling Paula Black at (606) 783-2373 or toll free at (877) 690-4483. Reservations also are accepted by e-mail to [p.black@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:p.black@moreheadstate.edu).

Vehicles will leave from the Academic-Athletic Center at 8:45 a.m. and return no later than 4:30 p.m. Anyone interested in volunteering to drive can contact Black.

Plans are being finalized for a July 10 trip to the Kincaid Regional Theatre.

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## GSP coming to campus

For the third straight summer, 350 of Kentucky's high achieving students will arrive on the Morehead State University campus for the Kentucky Governor's Scholars Program . The 2008 GSP, which will begin on Saturday, June 21, will be celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the program.

During the program which ends Friday, July 25, the students will be divided into sections where they will participate in various academic, arts and enrichment activities. Each student will have a major and secondary area of study with day and evening classes and seminars, all while living in campus housing.

Charles Myers, MSU alumnus and former director of admissions, will serve again this year as GSP campus director. He is chair of the social studies department and a faculty member at Lexington Catholic High School.

"The presence of the Governor's Scholars Program is extremely important to Morehead State University," said Dr. Karla Hughes, provost. "It is an honor to have the GSP students on our campus again this summer. They are such an energetic, focused group of young people that are a pleasure to have at the University."

Established in 1983, the Kentucky Governor's Scholars Program was designed for outstanding Kentucky students who have completed their junior year of high school. The five-week, residential summer program provides academic and personal growth in a challenging, non-traditional environment that balances a strong liberal arts program with a full co-curricular and residential life experience.

Morehead State University is the only public institution that will host the 2008 program; private colleges Bellarmine University in Louisville and Centre College in Danville also will host the 2008 program.

For those who attended the 2007 GSP at MSU, the campus reunion has been scheduled for Tuesday, June 17.

Additional information is available by calling Al Baldwin, MSU's coordinator of GSP activities, at (606) 783-2150 or sending a message to [a.baldwin@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:a.baldwin@moreheadstate.edu) .  
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