

Class meets review standards

In an example of the top-notch instruction available at Morehead State University, one of the institution's online courses has met the high standards of a peer review board.

Computers for Learning (CIS 101), recently was reviewed by a Quality Matters peer review team and it was recognized as meeting the agency's review standards.

The Quality Matters program is a faculty-centered peer course review process. Review criteria are linked to a set of standards and are supported through instructional design principles that help assure quality content and delivery of online courses. The process is then evaluated by faculty experts. Courses must meet each of 14 essential standards and receive a minimum score in order to receive the QM rating.

The program is sponsored by Maryland Online and was funded in part by the U.S. Department of Education Fund for the Improvement of Post Secondary Education.

The MSU course that was evaluated by QM was developed by Marilyn Moore, interim director of distance learning. This is the first year the University has been a subscriber to the QM program, according to Dr. Elizabeth Regan, chair of the Department of Information Systems.

"I'm really excited about the new Quality Matters program for online courses, because there's such a growing demand for them," she said. "I think the program gives us a benchmark against which we can assess our online courses, and also, to gain the benefit of outside peer review."

CIS 101 is one of MSU's general education courses required for degree completion. Dr. Regan said that two or three sections of it are offered online each term, and the course also was available for the Summer II session, which began July 2.

Additional information about attending MSU is available by calling the Office of Enrollment Services at (606) 783-2000 or (800) 585-6781.

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EPSCoR grant funds special project

A special mathematics research project at Morehead State University that involves the game of chess has received funding from the National Science Foundation.

Dr. Doug Chatham, assistant professor of mathematics, is the principal investigator of a proposal submitted to and funded by the NSF through Kentucky NSF EPSCoR (Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research). The \$25,000 grant will be used to examine separation problems on chessboard graphs, based on the "N Queens Problem." It is a collaborative research project with a Northern Kentucky University computer science professor, Dr. Maureen Doyle.

The N Queens Problem, based on a 1848 article by Max Bezzel, involves the placement of queens on a chessboard so that no two queens attack each other (are in the same row, column or diagonal). This has been used as an example problem for backtrack programming, genetic algorithms, integer programming, and distributed and parallel computing. It has been applied to memory storage schemes and traffic control, among other things.

Dr. Chatham and his co-investigators will study the effects of placing obstacles (pawns) on the board to block some attacks. They will examine various combinations, structures and computational aspects of the chessboard graphs.

The co-investigators are Dr. Doyle; Dr. Robin Blankenship, assistant professor of mathematics; and Duane Skaggs, technology coordinator in MSU's Department of Mathematics and Computer Science. They each will have specific duties in conducting research on the chessboard project.

Dr. Chatham will extend and improve the results of a related 2006 project (for example, by determining the pawn placements that produce optimal results) and prepare proposal applications for longer term grants. Dr. Doyle, with the aid of NKU undergraduate computer science students Luke Thompson and John Miller, will test the Queens algorithm and construct other programs for similar problems.

Dr. Blankenship, working with undergraduate assistant Casey Hufford, **Wilmington , Ohio** , junior, will find bounds on the "book thickness" of chessboard graphs and determine the effects that the placement of a pawn has on those bounds.

Skaggs and undergraduate assistant Nicholas Wahle, **Ft. Mitchell** senior, will extend the 2006 project results. They also will work towards developing a theoretical framework beyond chessboards and will examine its applicability to real-world problems.

The grant project began in May and runs through the 2007 calendar year. "We've made great progress, thanks in large part to our hard-working student assistants, who are full of good ideas," said Dr. Chatham.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Chatham at (606) 783-2559.

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Summer Tech Quest: A picture story

Area middle school students took part in a weeklong technology camp called Summer Tech Quest (June 25-29) held at the Morgan County Regional Technology Center.

Morehead State University, Maysville Community and Technical College, University of Kentucky and MCRTC all partnered for the event.

Participants covered digital media, Web site design, Office 2007, business practices and PowerPoint and had hands on experience integrating digital media into Web site, design a Web site, prepare flyers and cards, prepare a business plan and also made a PowerPoint presentation.

Darla Hunt, assistant professor of business and informational technology at MCTC, and Dr. Christine Alexander, former professor at MSU, instructed the class.

Students attending Tech Quest were: Macayla Johnson, Chase LeMaster, Brittany Taulbee and Josh Wells of Menifee County Middle School; and McKayla Adkins, MaKayla Ferguson, Jared Hance, Gabriel Lewis and Joseph Litteral, of Morgan County Middle School.

Teachers attending were: Jana Johnson, Menifee County; Melissa McPherson, Morgan County; and Jason VanHoose of Wolfe County.

Vet Tech program offers hands-on experience

Morehead State University's Veterinary Technology Program has been accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) for 30 years. Morehead State's Department of Agricultural and Human Sciences offers both a two and four year degree in veterinary technology.

MSU Vet Tech students are taught both through classroom work and hands-on experience. Graduates are eligible for state licensure and are prepared for careers in a wide variety of animal care venues. Of particular note are those graduates who have found employment at colleges of veterinary medicine and zoological parks. The majority of graduates seek initial employment in private veterinary practices throughout the country. Many graduates also have gone on to become veterinarians after completing the program.

As part of the AVMA accreditation requirements, MSU utilizes live animal patients to educate the students on several hundred different tasks and techniques that are typically required for practicing veterinary technicians.

According to Dr. Scott W. Rundell, coordinator of the Veterinary Technology Program, community service is a large part of the student's education as the program performs medical/surgical services for rescued animals.

Rescue organizations will bring animals to have their medical and surgical needs provided on an at-cost basis, which saves the groups thousands of dollars in medical bills.

"Since these animals are coming from animal shelters, and may have been lost or neglected prior to their arrival, they are typically affected by infectious diseases, injuries, malnutrition, parasites, and behavioral disorders," said Dr. Rundell. "Many of these cases are very challenging professionally and require quite a lot of thought and effort to treat successfully."

In the Vet Tech clinical laboratories, students are engaged in working with these animals under veterinary supervision. All diagnosis, prescribing and surgery are performed by a licensed veterinarian.

However, all of the other animal care is performed by the students, including: physical examinations, patient assessment, specimen collection and processing, diagnostic imaging, anesthesia, anesthesia monitoring, dentistry, surgical assisting, medication administration, vaccinations, intravenous fluid administration, dose calculations, nutritional support, and so forth. In addition to performing these tasks, the students also must understand the principles for each of them.

"We have a very dedicated group of students who work long hours and weekends to care for our hospital patients and assure that they are doing well," said Dr. Rundell.

MSU has lost count of how many animals the program has helped through the years; however, in just the past four years, it has participated in the rescue of more than 630 dogs, which does not include student or client-owned animals that were treated.

Although not open to the general public, occasionally the Vet Tech program will accept a case which has a particular teaching value, but it limits the case load to allow for the students to learn their skills without being unduly rushed.

"We feel that our participation in animal rescue is a win-win-win situation. The animals benefit, the community benefits, and the students benefit," added Dr. Rundell. "It's a lot of extra work for us, but the rewards far outweigh the additional workload. We have an outstanding faculty who 'go the extra mile' for the benefit of the students and the animals."

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Rundell at (606) 783-2326 or e-mail at s.rundel@moreheadstate.edu .
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Students awarded Barfield Scholarship

Morehead State Public Radio's MacKenzie Bates, Raceland junior, and Carl Gibson, Elizabethtown junior, each received a \$1,000 Kentucky Broadcasters Association's Harry Barfield Scholarship for the 2007-08 school year.

"We are very proud of what MacKenzie and Carl have achieved. They worked very hard and I know the scholarships will be of great benefit as they continue their education at Morehead State University," said MSPR General Manager Paul Hitchcock.

The students are both reporters in MSPR's newsroom and can be heard on newscasts during the weekday Midday News and Mountain Edition programs. They also have produced feature reports which have aired on the Inside Appalachia program, currently broadcast on several other public radio stations.

It marks four of the past five years an MSPR student has claimed the award. James "Buck" Hawkins won it in 2003-04; Jared F. Newberry captured it for 2004-05; and Kristin Murdock received it for the 2005-06 school year.

KBA has earmarked \$10,000 in scholarships to aid college students in Kentucky for the upcoming school year. During the first 15 years of the Barfield Scholarship program, KBA has awarded more than \$80,000.

The scholarship is named in honor of the late chairman, president and general manager of WLEX-TV in Lexington, Harry Barfield. It is based on academic achievement combined with extracurricular activities, and a demonstrated interest in pursuing a career in broadcasting/telecommunications.

MSPR broadcasts 24 hours a day and the network includes WMKY (90.3 FM) in Morehead, WOCS (88.3 FM) in Booneville and a translator (88.3 FM) in Inez.

Additional information about MSPR is available by calling (800) 286-9659 or (606) 783-2001; or by logging on to the station's Web site at www.msradio.com .
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SGA officers for 2007-08 announced

Brian N. Gay, a **Wyoming , Ohio** , graduate student, has been re-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 2007-08 academic year.

Student government is a very effective tool for student advocacy on campus, in the community, and across the state, according to Gay, the son of Craig and Amy Gay.

"Our mission in SGA is to improve the quality of the college student experience. I encourage all students to bring their thoughts, comments and concerns to us. We are here to serve as the voice of the students," he said.

Around campus, Gay is involved with Sigma Phi Epsilon social fraternity and a member of the Roosevelt Institution of Students for

Progressive Change. He has been active in SGA for several years and previously held positions as vice president for public relations, and commuter representative.

A sociology major with an emphasis in regional analysis and public policy, Gay graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree in May 2006. He is currently pursuing a Master of Public Administration degree with an emphasis in regional analysis and public policy.

Also elected as executive officers of SGA were:

Executive vice president--Thomas Stevens of **Taylorsville** . A junior government major enrolled in the Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy, he is the son of David Stevens and Kathy Bentley. Stevens is active in 342/BCM, a religious organization on campus, serving as a member of the BCM leadership council, and as the worship leader for its weekly praise and Bible study. A former SGA at-large representative, he previously served as chair of the funding and awards committee.

Vice president for administration--Michael Harmon, a junior business management major from **Corydon , Ind.** The son of Richard and Wanda Harmon, he 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.

Vice president for finance--Josh G. Jones, a senior sport management major from **Pikeville** . The grandson of George and Jean Childers, he is active in Sigma Phi Epsilon social fraternity and was president of the Interfraternity Council. Jones previously served as SGA's Greek representative and a member of the public relations committee.

Vice president for public relations--Rebecka Hollon, a **Middletown , Ohio** , junior French and communication major with an emphasis in advertising and public relations. The daughter of Rusty and Anne Hollon, she is involved in Gamma Phi Beta social sorority and the Residence Hall Association . Hollon previously served as public relations committee chair and sophomore representative.

Vice president for campus involvement--Katie Hockenberry, a **Louisville** junior communications major with an emphasis in production and a minor in women's studies. The daughter of Ken and Judy Hockenberry, she is involved in Kappa Delta social sorority, Residence Hall Association and Student Association for Feminist Thought. She is a former SGA campus involvement committee chair and sophomore representative.

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Americana Crossroads Live set for July 27

Dulcimer player and guitarist Mark Eubank, blues and folk duo Sparky and Rhonda Rucker, along with Americana group The Lonetones 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, July 27, 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.

Eubank is a musician and instrument builder who lives in rural Kentucky. Since finishing college in 1973, he has worked as a laboratory technician, farmer, salesman, plumbing contractor, insurance agent, bike-shop owner; and from 1984, he has been a co-owner and operator of Gina's Greenhouse with his wife. Eubank began playing guitar at age 11, and by high school, was playing regularly with friends for school functions and assemblies. He continued with the guitar, experimenting with various musical styles and performing occasionally, until 1998, when a friend suggested he combine his love for woodworking and music.

The Ruckers perform throughout the U.S. as well as overseas, singing songs and telling stories from the American folk tradition. Sparky Rucker has been performing more than 40 years and is internationally recognized as a leading folklorist, musician, historian, storyteller, and author. He accompanies himself with fingerstyle picking and bottleneck blues guitar, banjo, and spoons. Rhonda Rucker is an accomplished harmonica, piano, banjo, and bones player, and also adds vocal harmonies to their songs. The two have been described as delivering an uplifting presentation of toe-tapping music spiced with humor, history, and tall tales.

The members of The Lonetones are: Steph Gunnoe, guitar and vocals; Sean McCollough, guitar, banjo, mandolin and vocals; Maria Williams, bass and vocals; and Phil Pollard, drums and xylophone.

The group's new album, *Nature Hatin' Blues*, is dedicated to hometowns and misfits everywhere, mountains and people who fight to save them, and the soil we grew up in. The music is deeply rooted in the mountains of Appalachia, but also is subject to the ruminations of those who try to escape their steep mountain walls.

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

The series is now heard on 38 radio stations across the United States, Canada and in the Philippines.

Concessions and door prizes will be available. Admission is \$5 per person, or \$20 for a Family Pack of five.

Children, 12 and under, are admitted free.

Additional information on "Americana Crossroads Live" is available on MSPR's Web site at www.mspradio.com or by calling MSPR at (606) 783-2001 or (800) 286-9659.

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MSU at Mt. Sterling to offer new degree option this fall

Beginning this fall, the College of Business at Morehead State University will offer a Bachelor of Business Administration degree with a general business option. The general business option is designed as an online completter degree for students who have completed two years of business education at one of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) schools, and wish to complete the last two years of course work online.

In addition, students attending the MSU at Mt. Sterling campus will be able to complete all classes required for the general business option at the Mt. Sterling campus, located at the Clay Community Center, 3400 Indian Mound Drive, or online.

The demand for general business professionals encompasses both public and private sectors and all industries. General business professionals have the flexibility to move from one position to another in the

same company, or from company to company using skills to creatively solve business problems and improve productivity.

General business professionals may be responsible for such wide-ranging areas as manufacturing, marketing, sales, purchasing, finance, human resources, property management and electronic data processing.

"Business is a good area that encompasses many types of jobs, settings and skills", said Dr. Janet Kenney, director of MSU at Mt. Sterling. "The new general business degree is designed to help student be flexible as new jobs develop across the business spectrum."

Additional information on the general business option is available online at www.moreheadstate.edu/business/transfer or by calling the College of Business at (606) 783-2174. Details about programs and classes offered at the MSU at Mt. Sterling campus are available from Dr. Kenney or Jill McBride, regional campus assistant, by calling (859) 499-0780 or toll free at 1-866-870-0809.
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Weekend fiddlers convention set for July 27-28

Time to rosin up that bow and get ready for some good foot stomping action as Morehead Old Time Music Association presents its second annual "Morehead Old Time Fiddlers Convention."

The event will be held on Friday and Saturday, July 27 and 28, at the 70-plus acre Daniel Boone Jaycee's Farm just east of Morehead.

The first day will be "Art Stamper Day" as the convention will honor the legacy of the late Kentucky fiddler. The Knott County native is a member of the Bluegrass Hall of Fame and performed with the Stanley Brothers and Bill Monroe's Blue Grass Boys.

Stamper also played and taught the Appalachian fiddle style he learned from his father, Hiram.

Performing for Art Stamper Day will be several Kentucky bands: Sarah Wood, Rich and the Poor Folks, Kentucky Wild Horse of Monterey, Clack Mountain String Band and The Red State Ramblers. Entertainment will run from 6 - 11 p.m.

The Saturday evening concert will feature George Gibson and Roan Mountain Hilltoppers.

Also on Saturday are contests for the best old time fiddle, youth fiddle, old time banjo, flat-foot dance and traditional string band. Cash prizes will be awarded.

To add to the fun, various workshops and family activities are scheduled throughout the weekend.

Along with a lot of jamming, there will be square dancing with caller, Julie Shepherd, at 10 p.m. on Saturday.

Cost of admission is \$10 for a single day or \$15 for the entire weekend. Primitive camping (no hook-ups or electric) is included with a weekend pass and children 11 and under will receive free admission.

Helping with the event are: Morehead State University's Kentucky Center for Traditional Music, Kentucky Folk Art Center, Morehead State Public Radio, City of Morehead and Appalshop, along with the Daniel Boone Jaycee's.

Additional information is available by calling Brett Ratliff at (606) 356-3315 or visiting the Morehead Old Time Fiddlers Convention's Web site www.moreoldtime.com .
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Mignon Doran funeral arrangements set

Mignon Louise McClain Doran, the artistic and stylish first lady of Morehead State University for nearly 23 years, died Tuesday afternoon at her Lexington home after an extended illness. She was 96. Mrs. Doran had remained active as a musician and lecturer following her service to the University. Her husband of 70 years, former MSU President Adron Doran, died in 2001.

"The Commonwealth has lost a great citizen and Morehead State University has lost a great friend," said MSU President Wayne D. Andrews.

"Mrs. Doran enriched the lives of thousands of students during her 23 years on this campus. She was a grand and gracious First Lady."

Visitation will be held in Morehead at the Northcutt and Son Home for Funerals on Thursday, July 12, from 1 to 3 p.m. and in Lexington from 7-9 p.m. at the Milward Southland Funeral Home, 391 Southland Drive.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Milward Southland Funeral Home on Friday, July 13, at 2:30 p.m. with Brother Steve Johnson officiating. Graveside services will be conducted on Saturday, July 14, at Highland Park Cemetery, Mayfield, at 1 p.m. CST with Dr. Harvey Lynn Elder officiating.

Mrs. Doran is survived by a niece, Troy Burgess of Morehead, and two nephews, George Wyatt of Union and Joe McClain of Paris.

The Dorans were widely recognized for their joint efforts between 1954 and 1977 to change MSU from a single purpose college into a comprehensive, regional university. A residence hall complex was named in her honor by the MSU Board of Regents and she also was awarded an honorary doctoral degree and the 2001 Founders Day Award for University Service.

A native of Graves County and alumnus of Murray State University, she was the founder and first director of MSU's Personal Development Institute and served from 1962 to 1964 as the president of the Kentucky Federation of Women's Clubs. She was active in arts organizations at the state and local levels and raised money for the Girl Scouts and other non-profit causes.

Her work with youth and prison inmates brought her two national awards and recognition as "Outstanding Woman Kentuckian of the Year" by the Kentucky Young Democrats. She served 10 years as a member of the Governor's Commission on Children and Youth and as a member of the Board of Trustees of Pikeville College.

An accomplished organist, she performed throughout Kentucky, including 20 years at the Sweet 16 Boys Basketball Tournament in Louisville and Lexington. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

An endowed faculty chair in educational leadership in MSU's College of Education also honors the lives and careers of Mrs. Doran and her husband.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Adron and Mignon Doran Scholarship Fund, MSU Foundation Inc., Palmer Development House, Morehead, KY 40351.

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MSPR will conduct quarterly meeting

The Community Advisory Board for Morehead State Public Radio will conduct its quarterly meeting on Sunday, Aug. 5, at 3 p.m. The meeting will be held at MSPR's studios, located in Breckinridge Hall on the Morehead State University campus.

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

Additional information is available from MSPR's Web site at www.msradio.com or Paul Hitchcock, MSPR's general manager, by e-mail to wmky@moreheadstate.edu or by phone to (606) 783-2001.

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Alumnus Virginia Fox named to CPE

Virginia G. Fox of Frankfort, an alumnus and former regent of Morehead State University, has been appointed by Gov. Ernie Fletcher to the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education.

Fox, who retired last fall as secretary of the Kentucky Education Cabinet, previously served as executive director and chief executive officer of Kentucky Educational Television and as chief executive officer of the National Educational Telecommunications Association.

The Fleming County native has a bachelor's degree from Morehead State, as well as honorary degrees from MSU and four other institutions. She was named to a term expiring Dec. 31, 2012.

"Virginia Fox brings a wealth of public education experience to the CPE," said MSU President Wayne D. Andrews. "She was an outstanding board member at this institution and has a keen understanding of today's issues in public higher education. We are looking forward to working with her again."

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Former BOR chair William Seaton dies

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday for retired Ashland Inc. executive William R. (Bill) Seaton, 79, former chairman of the Morehead State University Board of Regents.

Visitation will be Wednesday from 5 to 7 p.m. at Lazear Funeral Home, 1632 Central Ave., and the funeral will be Thursday at 10 a.m. at Calvary Episcopal Church, 1337 Winchester Ave.

During his 39-year career with Ashland, Seaton helped oversee the company's transformation from a small regional refiner to a member of the Fortune 500. He was named Ashland's vice chairman in 1979 and chief financial officer in 1982 before retiring in 1988.

Seaton was named to the MSU board in 1986 by Gov. Martha Layne Collins and served until 2000. He was elected chair in 1989 and held that post through 1996.

"Bill Seaton came to the university at a critical time in the history of our institution and was a great leader and steadying influence," said Keith Kappes, MSU's vice president for university relations. "We are a better institution today because of his service on our board."

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MSU Prestonsburg ride draws near

Bikers, are you ready to ride? Each year, Morehead State University at Prestonsburg holds its annual motorcycle ride on the first Sunday in August. The ride pays tribute to the memory of Dr. Margaret Lewis, former director at MSU Prestonsburg.

This year's ride will be held Sunday, Aug. 5, according to Lula Bowling, director of MSU Prestonsburg. "We will again provide lunch and have lots of prizes to award to riders. We welcome all bikes and are planning for a safe and enjoyable trip."

Proceeds from the ride will benefit students attending the MSU Prestonsburg regional campus.

Registration starts at 9 a.m. at MSU Prestonsburg. The ride will begin at 10 a.m. and travel to the Morehead campus, where lunch will be served, and then back to Prestonsburg. There will be refreshment stops along the way.

During the lunch break, field games will be held in the east parking lot of the Academic-Athletic Center. Trophies will be awarded to winners of field games. Many prizes will be awarded at the end of the ride.

The cost to participate is \$20 per person, and \$5 per passenger.

Additional information and pre-registration is available from Dawonna Prater at MSU Prestonsburg at (606) 886-2405 or (800) 648-5372. In Morehead, interested persons may contact Tina Baldwin in 312 Allie Young Hall, or by calling her at (606) 783-2605 or (800) 585-6781, extension 3. Details and the entry form are available online at www.moreheadstate.edu/prestonsburg/.

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Valiant Woman: Mignon Doran exhibit

Morehead State University's Camden-Carroll Library is the site of a special display depicting the life of one of the University's most recognizable first ladies.

"The Valiant Woman: An Exhibit in Honor of Mignon McClain Doran" may be viewed on the fifth floor of the library's tower through Sept. 3.

The display includes photographs and portraits of Mrs. Doran and her late husband, former President Adron Doran; some of the hats she owned as MSU's former first lady; plaques and framed certificates of honor and achievement that include "Best Hatted Woman in America," the "2001 Founders Day Award for University Service" from MSU, and the "Distinguished Kentuckian Award." The last anniversary cards she and Dr. Doran exchanged, also are included.

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Mrs. Doran died July 10. Her husband of 70 years died in 2001.

Additional information on the exhibit is available by calling (606) 783-2829 or by sending a message to t.johnson@moreheadstate.edu.

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Mesonet monitoring station now operational

Morehead State University's Derrickson Agricultural Complex (MSU farm) is one of the sites for the new Kentucky Mesonet monitoring station. Construction of the station was done in mid-July at the farm on KY 377.

"This is a collaborative effort between many groups to provide information to the citizens of the Commonwealth with necessary local climate data. We will be able to access the information via the Web," said Dr. Adam Kantrovich, MSU assistant professor of agricultural and human sciences.

"When the entire system is set-up and running at 100 percent, the Mesonet system will allow us to collect and archive real-time climate information and allow anyone to go to the Web to view the up-to-date and archived climate information. This can assist the local/regional agricultural producers and community members in making appropriate management decisions on when to plant their crops and gardens for yield maximization, to assist in making proper management decisions to control for pests and diseases, or to simply know what the local weather is like for the family picnic. This is a very exciting project to be a part of. I look forward to the time that the Kentucky Mesonet System will rival the Oklahoma Mesonet System and the information it is able to provide," Dr. Kantrovich continued. The statewide automated environmental monitoring network of approximately 100 stations will collect real-time weather and climate observations, and will support a variety of products to serve needs across Kentucky.

The project was funded by a \$1.5 million federal earmark secured by U.S. Sen. Mitch McConnell for the Kentucky Climate Center, part of Western Kentucky University's Applied Research and Technology Program in the Ogden College of Science and Engineering.

Instruments will measure precipitation, temperature, relative humidity, solar radiation, wind speed and direction, soil moisture and soil temperature.

"Kentucky doesn't have a widespread climate data system in place, which is what we hope to accomplish," said Stephen Struebig, Mesonet technician. "This project will help communities and will provide a good set of data for the National Weather Service, emergency planning agencies and others affected by severe weather."

Data will be packaged into observations every five minutes and transmitted to the Kentucky Climate Center every 15 minutes, 24 hours per day, throughout the year. Data from Mesonet will have wide-ranging application in agriculture, education, emergency management, engineering and construction, water supply management, weather forecasting and other areas.

"The system will be able to provide a service to a variety of the population for a wide variety of purposes. These range from educating students about the math and science of weather and agriculture, to engineers and contractors about average annual soil moisture and temperatures for construction purposes, to local school systems and emergency personnel about weather conditions with relation to road conditions, and for the local agricultural producers to make appropriate management decisions about their crops and livestock," said Dr. Kantrovich.

Dr. Christi McMichael, MSU assistant professor of geography, is one of the members of the Kentucky Mesonet Steering Committee.

Additional information is available from Dr. Kantrovich at (606) 783-2662 or by e-mail to a.kantrovich@moreheadstate.edu.

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Master's degree option to be offered in Hazard

As the number of adults going back to school continues to increase, Morehead State University is looking for ways to help them get an education and become more marketable. Among their options is pursuit of a Master of Arts in Adult and Higher Education degree.

Beginning with the fall semester, a new cohort of students may pursue the master's degree option at the Hazard Community and Technical College campus, through a consortium partnership with the University Center of the Mountains. EDAH 651 091: Human Development in Adulthood will be offered face-to-face.

The scheduled courses include at least one class to be offered face-to-face each term. Registration is available through the Internet for additional courses.

Classes for the fall semester at MSU begin Monday, Aug. 20, at all campus locations. A complete list of courses is available online by accessing the registrar's home page.

"This would be a wonderful opportunity for area residents, particularly those in Perry, Knott, Leslie and Letcher counties," said Dr. Will Kayatin, director of the Morehead State University at Jackson campus.

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

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

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

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

Information on the degree option or scheduled classes is available by calling MSU Jackson at (606) 666-2800 or (800) 729-5225.

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Students with disabilities provided services

Morehead State University's Disability Services office has experienced a notable increase in students served. Between 2003 and 2006, the number receiving accommodations has doubled.

Evangeline Day, disability services coordinator, attributed the increase to a stepped-up emphasis on outreach to students, combined with wider circulation about the referral process to faculty and staff.

"While I am pleased with the growth, without question there are still many students working below their potential who could qualify for accommodations if they pursued them," Day said. "This office is committed to helping all students with disabilities to succeed through ensuring access at MSU."

Access to education falls under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) as well as other legislation, and the scope includes physical, attention and learning disorders, and psychological disabilities.

"Accommodation" is a broad term, which includes making reasonable adjustments in the delivery of a course, the means by which mastery of material is tested, use of certain auxiliary aids, as well as the removal of physical barriers on the campus or in a classroom.

"It is an equalizer," she added. "Accommodations do not water-down or fundamentally alter course content or the standards by which all students are graded. It provides equal access, without guaranteeing success, which is why the achievement of an accommodated student is equivalent to that of any other student."

Incoming students, as well as current ones, may obtain additional information about how to document a disability or to confidentially discuss their needs by calling MSU's disability services at (606) 783-5188, by visiting 223 Allie Young Hall, or by sending an electronic message to e.day@moreheadstate.edu.

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Vet Tech students work with Kamp Kessa

In an ongoing effort to apply academic concepts with community outreach, the Morehead State University Veterinary Technology Program has again provided pro bono services at a summer camp.

Since 2002, MSU has been providing veterinary services to the horses at Kamp Kessa, an equine facilitated therapeutic program in Shelby County for special needs youth with learning disabilities, Autism and other mental and emotional problems.

"The youngsters learn responsibility and self-esteem through their experiences with riding and caring for their assigned equine companion," said Dr. Phil Prater, associate professor of veterinary technology. In May, he took several MSU Vet Tech students to perform yearly physical examinations, immunizations, Coggins testing, and anti-parasitic treatments on the 50-head of horses Kamp Kessa uses for their riding program.

"This annual field trip not only provides outreach services to a worthy organization, but also allows MSU students to hone their veterinary technical skills before graduating and entering the veterinary professional arena," Dr. Prater said. "This is an outstanding example of learning scientific material through the classroom and laboratory, and then applying what is learned for the betterment of our society."

The mission of Kamp Kessa, directed by Dr. Thecla Helmbrecht Howard and Anthony Howard, is to "support our youth in the healthiest sense means providing for them the opportunity to connect into the wellness of the natural world while focusing on teaching that clearly identifies and is explicitly designed to teach values related to personal, family, community and earthly wellness.

"Some call what we are doing character education, some call it adventure education, some call it outdoor experiential education, we call it 'using horses and the wilderness to teach the power of big ideas and the truth of larger purposes. This is the essence of why we use horses, and why we have made it our life's work to provide at-risk and special needs youth the opportunity to be in natural settings. To us what we are attempting to do is not *just* 'recreation', its re-creation."

Additional information about MSU's Veterinary Technology Program is available by calling (606) 783-2326 or sending a message top.prater@moreheadstate.edu . Details on Kamp Kessa may be viewed at www.kampkessa.org .

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Bishop first runner-up in Miss Kentucky

Morehead State University junior Kasey Jo Bishop finished as first runner-up in the Miss Kentucky 2007 pageant held Saturday night at the Singletary Center for the Arts.

Bishop, Miss Heart of the Mountains, is the daughter of Eddie and Donna Bishop of Falmouth.

She is a sociology and women's studies major. Her platform for the pageant was "Help for Today...Hope for Tomorrow - Breast Cancer Awareness." For her talent, Bishop sang "Colors of the Wind."

MSU sophomore Jaime Adams, Miss Magoffin County 2007, also was in the event.

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Fall semester meetings set

Summer vacations will soon come to an end as the 2007 fall semester is just around the corner for faculty and staff at Morehead State University.

The orientation programs for new faculty will be held on Thursday and Friday, Aug. 9 and 10, in the Riggle Room, Adron Doran University Center from 8 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Orientation for new lecturers at the regional campuses will be held Monday, Aug. 13, from 5 to 7 p.m.

The schedule for all faculty and staff begins on Wednesday, Aug. 15. The Camden-Carroll Library will host a continental breakfast from 8:15 to 9:45 a.m. in the library.

The annual convocation gets underway at 10 a.m. in Button Auditorium. New faculty and staff will be introduced. Offices will remain open with minimal staffing.

Faculty members in the colleges will meet from 1:30 to 2:15 p.m. in various locations: Business, 209 Combs; Education, MSU's Regional Enterprise Center in West Liberty; Humanities, 002 Breck; Science and Technology, 419 Reed; and Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy, Kibbey Classroom. Departmental meetings will follow from 2:30-3:45 p.m. in various locations.

Returning students who have not pre-registered will schedule classes in their academic departments on Thursday, Aug. 16, from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

First-year students will move into the residence halls on Friday, Aug. 17, and register for classes from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. On Sunday, Aug. 19, all faculty, staff and students are invited to the annual street dance/ice cream fest. The event, co-sponsored by the Student Government Association and President and Mrs. Wayne D. Andrews, will run from 8:30 until 11 p.m. at the ADUC Commons.

On Saturday, Aug. 25, new faculty will participate in a regional trip of the area.

All MSU employees and their families are invited to attend the University-wide picnic on Saturday, Sept. 22, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Jayne Stadium. President and Mrs. Andrews will be the hosts. In case of rain, the picnic will be held in the front lobby of the Academic-Athletic Center. Following the event, all employees are invited to attend the MSU football game when the Eagles take on Robert Morris at 1 p.m.

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Department chair was part of Russian venture

A Morehead State University administrator was part of an exploratory trip that had a goal of establishing an ongoing international service-learning project at the Bryansk Agricultural Academy in Kokino, Russia.

The overseas venture was coordinated by the Kentucky Campus Compact (KyCC), a statewide membership organization of college and university presidents, headquartered at Northern Kentucky University. The trip was termed "very successful" as both sets of partners determined that there would be great advantage in working together. A letter of intent to partner was signed May 28.

Dr. J. Mike Phillips, chair of MSU's Department of Agricultural and Human Sciences, was part of a four-member team that included David Aker, Eastern Overseas Missions; Eugene Blackburn, program director with KyCC; and Tracy Royce, associate professor of construction technology at Maysville Community and Technical College.

The primary partners in Russia were Dr. Vladimir Torikov, vice rector and professor at Bryansk; Gov. Nikolai Denin, governor of the Bryansk region; and Vladimir Tatarinov, economic development and head of the Department Russian Federation, Administration of the Bryansk Region. In addition, faculty from every department at the Academy hosted tours for the Kentucky visitors.

"The trip to Russia was an outstanding one in many ways," Dr. Phillips said. "The people treated us well and while the first day was rather strained, by day two, the leaders at the Academy had opened up and were showing us the facilities and sharing their academic programs.

"By the last day, we were invited to Dr. Torikov's home for a huge meal of local Russian flavor (lamb chops, fresh vegetables, rye breads, etc.)," he added.

Russia is a huge country with a tremendous capacity to produce agricultural products, Dr. Phillips noted. However, their transportation system as well as their financial capacity to produce has limitations. For example, the population relies almost exclusively on what they produce within about a 50-mile radius. Thus, their mindset for marketing products is very limited in comparison to the global perspective of marketing.

A very proud people, the Russians only know what they have been exposed to within their area of life. "It is very difficult for them to leave the country as a passport/visa is almost impossible to obtain," Dr. Phillips said. "From a human health perspective, obesity is not an issue there," he continued, "mostly because of limited income, having to walk or ride a bicycle to get anywhere, and their reliance on fresh vegetables. However, alcoholism is a problem because the price of vodka is cheap."

Enrollment at Bryansk Agricultural Academy is approximately 3,000. They have only two or three changes of clothes which are hand-washed and hung to dry. With limited income, they don't have the opportunity to do much beyond their studies. With very few bicycles, the students walk wherever they go or ride public transportation the 10 miles to town. Recreation is participation in the Academy's physical activities or music/drama activities.

For farm laborers, the average income is 25 cents/per hour (in U.S. dollars) with most of them being provided housing and a garden space.

The KyCC service-learning project will focus on economic development for the region with a specific goal of producing new jobs in an area where unemployment is high, average wages range from \$122 to \$300 a month, gasoline is \$3 per gallon and coffee is \$7 per pound.

Kentucky Campus Compact will serve as a conduit for KyCC member institutions to be involved in the project, which will feature a number of possible components such as: civic engagement projects for global awareness for students in both Russia and Kentucky; renovation of a rustic historic building at the Academy for an international service-learning center, to be managed by the Bryansk Spiritual Renewal Center; service-learning projects around topics such as land use evaluation, soil sampling for farmers, testing of drinking water, machine repair, carpentry, vet technology and new farming methods; small business incubator; English tutoring program; student and faculty exchanges; agriculture projects such as collaborative efforts in animal science, no-till agriculture, and guest lectures by faculty, student exchanges, veterinary science, ultrasound technology and agritourism.

KyCC, along with the Russian partners, is pursuing grant funding to fund the outlined components. The group hopes to host a visit for the Russian partners during the 2007-08 academic year.

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Mother Jane is featured performer during Sundown series

Singer-songwriter duo Mother Jane will be the featured artist on Friday, Aug. 3, as Morehead State Public Radio (MSPR), the Kentucky Center for Traditional Music, Kentucky Folk Art Center and Morehead Tomorrow presents the "Sundown at Moonlight Concert Series."

Morehead Conference Center, Morehead Tourism Commission and the city of Morehead also support the third-year series.

Music lovers are invited to bring lawn chairs and a picnic supper to enjoy the live music on five separate occasions. The free concert will be held at the Moonlight Stage, located next to the Moonlight School on First Street. In case of rain, the event will move to the Morehead Conference Center.

Beth Burden is the founder of Mother Jane and queen of the sassy, soulful vocals.

Lisa Raymond completes the duo with a fusion of vocals and jammin' six strings.

For these two, it has been six years, four albums and hundreds of live shows.

During the course of four albums, they have gradually completed the progression of becoming a full-fledged electric folk-rock duo. Their new release, "This Time Tomorrow," has a wash of electric guitars and basses, a full drum kit and even a Hammond B-3 organ.

This year's series will end with Royal Pine (folk, acoustic) on Friday, Sept. 7.

All shows will run from 7 - 9 p.m. Parking and concessions will be available.

Additional information is available by calling MSPR at (606) 783-2001, Morehead Tomorrow at (606) 780-7441, KCTM at (606) 783-9001 or KFAC at (606) 783-2204.

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Free courses offered to high school students

High school juniors and seniors who want to get a head start on their college career may enroll at Morehead State University. Students with a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 may take college courses tuition-free.

The process to enroll is simple. Complete the "High School Student Admissions/Registration Application" which is available from your high school guidance counselor or MSU's Web site

at www.moreheadstate.edu/admissions. Enrollment is currently open with course(s) for the fall term.

Students may choose from 100 or 200 level courses on the class schedule. The special application and list of courses may be obtained from MSU's Office of Enrollment Services, 100 Admissions Center or by calling (606) 783-2000. Students are responsible for textbooks and any fees not included in tuition.

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

Classes at MSU for the fall semester begin on Monday, Aug. 20, at all locations. The term ends Dec. 14.

Additional information, the application and a list of recommended courses are available by calling Tina Stafford-Baldwin, regional campus coordinator, at (800) 585-6781, option #3; or at any of MSU's five regional campus centers. MSU at Ashland (800) 648-5370 or (606) 327-1777; MSU at Jackson (800) 729-5225 or (606) 666-2800; MSU at Mt. Sterling, (859) 498-0780 or (866) 870-0809; MSU at Prestonsburg (800) 585-5372 or MSU at West Liberty, (800) 648-5371 or (606) 743-1500.

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KCTM musicians part of show to air on Monday

Morehead State University's Kentucky Center for Traditional Music played an essential part in a television project that will air Monday, July 30, on ABC.

"Six Degrees of Martina McBride" may be seen at 9 p.m.

Six people from some of the tiniest towns in America found out just how far connections, talent and Martina McBride can take them toward their dream of country music stardom.

Sandy Knipp, KCTM public outreach coordinator for education, was contacted by Harvey Pennington, retired Rowan County attorney, whose friend Ken Swick of Elk River Valley, Colo., was selected as one of the six contestants.

Pennington brought Swick and the ABC crew to meet Knipp and Don Rigsby, KCTM director, which eventually led to Rigsby accompanying them to Nashville to introduce them to the next connection.

Knipp along with a group from Morehead traveled back to Nashville for the finals of the contest that was held at the Wild Horse Saloon.

Details on the show are available at www.abcnews.go.com/entertainment/sixdegrees . More information on Swick can be found at www.abcnews.go.com/entertainment/sixdegrees .

Additional information is available by calling KCTM at (606) 783-9001 or on the Web at www.moreheadstate.edu/kctm .

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Fetal ultrasounds to be offered

The Department of Imaging Sciences' Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program at Morehead State University will offer free, two dimensional fetal ultrasounds to expectant mothers this fall.

The ultrasound examinations will be performed by appointment only on the fourth floor of Reed Hall in the University's sonography lab from Aug. 22 through Sept. 27.

The scans are performed by senior level students who will be directly supervised by Associate Professor Marcia Cooper. She is certified in obstetrics and gynecology by the American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers. The fetal ultrasound scans provide students the experience they need for entering into the sonography workforce.

All volunteers will be asked to sign a consent form stating that the scans are "non-diagnostic" and are performed for educational purposes only. Participants are asked to bring a towel and a VHS tape or DVD to record the images, if desired.

Additional information and appointment times are available by calling MSU's Department of Imaging Sciences at (606) 783-2646.

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Ratliff named director of institutional effectiveness

Morehead State University has announced that Jill C. Ratliff has been named director of institutional effectiveness in the Office of Planning, Budgets and Technology.

"Jill comes to this position with a strong reputation as a leader with vision and integrity," said Beth Patrick, vice president for planning, budgets and technology. "I am confident in her ability to lead our office of institutional research and assessment to the highest level of service and build the necessary analytical resources to support sound decision-making throughout the institution as we work toward our vision of becoming the top public regional university in the south."

The director of institutional effectiveness develops and manages resources and data to provide information and analyses for institutional planning and assessment at all levels. The director supervises the institutional research and assessment office staff and provides oversight of internal and external reporting of data.

Ratliff has been with MSU since July 2001 when she became the first-ever teacher recruitment coordinator. In 2003, she was named director of the Educational Services Unit.

A Morehead State graduate with a bachelor and master's degree in elementary education and a master's degree in educational administration, she worked as an elementary school teacher and principal in Menifee County prior to coming to the University.

Ratliff is currently pursuing her doctorate in educational leadership studies from the University of Kentucky.

She has been a member of numerous educational committees including General Education Task Force, and was a 2007 President's Leadership Academy participant.

Additional information is available from Ratliff at (606) 783-2256.

Sudan exhibit at KFAC

The [Kentucky Folk Art Center](#) has announced the opening of "Sudan: The Land and the People, Photographs by Michael Freeman" with a reception set for Thursday, Aug. 16, from 4-7 p.m. The exhibit, which will remain on display through Sept. 30, features 70 photographs by internationally acclaimed photographer Michael Freeman.

The exhibition was produced by the Meridian International Center in Washington, D.C., and Freeman's photographs come from a book by the same title. The photographs illustrate the complexity and diversity of Sudan.

In addition to being a principal photographer for the Smithsonian Magazine for the last 20 years, Freeman has 80 photography books to his credit. The book's text was written by Timothy Carney, the last accredited U.S. Ambassador to Sudan, and Victoria Butler, a freelance writer and producer with 25 years of experience working for major news organizations, including Time Magazine and NBC News. The foreword is by former President Jimmy Carter.

Ambassador Carney and Butler are scheduled to visit Morehead for public presentations and events on Sept. 12-13.

"While this exhibition is not typical of KFAC, it was simply too important to pass up," said KFAC Director Matt Collinsworth. "Michael Freeman's photographs are extraordinary. The educator's guide is excellent. The opportunity to have Ambassador Carney and Ms. Butler come to Morehead to talk about the issues facing Sudan was a fantastic opportunity for this community and all of Kentucky. As the struggles continue in Sudan, 'Sudan: The Land and the People'

will expose our audience to the rich and diverse cultures and landscapes in that country. And, it should prompt us to ask what Americans can do."

"Sudan: The Land and the People" is accompanied by a comprehensive educator's guide geared toward high school and college students. Educational programs relating to the exhibition can be arranged by contacting the Center at (606) 783-2204.

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

2007 Advanced Placement Summer Institute recap

Morehead State University's 2007 Advanced Placement Summer Institute (APSI) drew more than 175 educators from Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, Missouri, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, Washington and West Virginia, as well as Germany.

The weeklong event provided information to assist middle and high school teachers and supervisors teaching various subjects on a more complex level. Advanced Placement courses give high school students an opportunity to enhance their studies of interest by taking college courses and exams while still in high school. The program includes in-depth instruction and interaction with session leaders, focusing on positive and effective teaching strategies.

MSU's program is provided through a partnership with The College Board, a national non-profit membership association dedicated to preparing, inspiring and connecting students to college. The Board provides educators with information, tools and strategies needed to build and strengthen their professional skills and techniques. Additional information is available from Tina Stafford-Baldwin, MSU regional campus coordinator, by sending a message to t.stafford@moreheadstate.edu or by calling (606) 783-2605 or (800) 585-6781, option 3.

Statement of Intent must be signed by Aug. 13

Morehead State University's Fall semester will begin on Monday, Aug. 20, on the Morehead campus and at MSU's five regional campuses. There is still time to register for classes.

Returning MSU students need to remember that there have been several changes made to student billing and payment options, effective with the Fall semester. MSU no longer offers a deferred payment plan; students may now 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 their full balance prior to the deadline, he or she may complete and return a Statement of Intent, which explains payment requirements, according to Carol Ford, assistant director of accounting and budgetary control.

"By agreeing to the conditions of the statement, students confirm they will attend classes at MSU and acknowledge their bill due for the upcoming semester. It will give them an extended period of time to pay their bill," Ford said.

"These statements must be printed, signed and returned to the Office of Accounting and Budgetary Control by **Aug. 13** to prevent class schedules from being cancelled."

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

Statements are available on WebAdvisor, or by accessing www.moreheadstate.edu/abc/.

For undecided students, details on the registration process are available on the Registrar's Web site or by calling the Office of the Registrar at (606) 783-2008.

A list of courses is available in the class schedule listing on MSU's Web site. Textbooks for the classes may be purchased from the University Bookstore, located in the Adron Doran University Center on the Morehead campus. Additional information is available by calling the Office of Accounting and Budgetary Control at (606) 783-2019.

Clinkinbeard to lead SBDC workshop

Morehead State University's Small Business Development Center will present nationally known speaker and author Curt Clinkinbeard.

The author and developer of the Hypergrow program will lead a seminar "Hypergrow Your Business," at Paintsville's Ramada Inn on Monday, Sep. 10, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Sponsors of the event also include Kentucky Small Business Development Center, Kentucky Community and Technical College System, Kentucky Highlands Entrepreneur Center, Paintsville and Johnson County Chamber of Commerce, Floyd County Chamber of Commerce and the Paintsville Main Street Program

Clinkinbeard has combined his private sector experience, along with his understanding of small business clients and counselors, to develop a straightforward approach which highlights nine naturally occurring laws that govern the growth and ongoing success of every business.

The workshop is open to the public. However, advance registration is required as only 100 seats will be available for the program.

The cost is \$50 per person which includes the books, "HyperGrow Your Business," along with an accompanying workbook. A buffet lunch will be served

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 (606) 788-6022 or Phil Greene, director, at (606) 788-6008 at the Paintsville Small Business Development Center.

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