

Search is on for Naval Training School memorabilia

Morehead State University is searching for remembrances about 4,500 sailors who trained here during World War II to become shipboard electricians.

Being sought are photographs, official documents, uniform insignia and any other memorabilia from the U.S. Naval Training School (Electrical) at MSU between June 1942 and July 1944. The artifacts will be displayed in a special exhibition this month and hopefully retained on a permanent basis in the University's archives.

The exhibit is being prepared for public viewing on Thursday, Sept. 20, as part of the "Tribute to Veterans" at the Morehead Conference Center at 7 p.m. The program will include a preview of the new Ken Burns documentary, "The War," which will start showing Sept. 23 on KET.

Sponsored by the Friends of KET and local veterans organizations, the "Tribute" will focus on World War II veterans and also will include screening of "The War in Kentucky", a documentary by KET which includes interviews with WWII vets from Rowan County.

Donna J. Baker, coordinator of special collections at MSU's Camden-Carroll Library, said of the search for artifacts from Navy's presence at MSU:

"We hope to greatly expand our collection on the Naval Training School through the gift or loan of memorabilia from the former sailors or their families. We are aware that a few of those veterans returned to this area to live out their lives. We are especially interested in their stories."

An MSU historical marker about the Navy school is located in front of Thompson Hall, one of the housing facilities used by the sailors.

Persons interested in assisting with the display are invited to contact Baker at (606) 783-5122 or via e-mail at dj.baker@moreheadstate.edu.

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Workshop to enhance regional stewardship

Community and campus organization leaders have an chance to learn about volunteer opportunities and how to enhance regional stewardship at an upcoming workshop at Morehead State University.

"Town and Gown Partnerships: The 'Volunteer Fair' and Beyond" will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 11. The workshop is a precursor to the Volunteer Fair to be held on Tuesday, Sept. 18, in conjunction with the Septemberfest celebration on MSU's campus.

Slated to begin at 7 p.m. in room 312 of the Adron Doran University Center, the event is designed to help community non-profit, government and K-12 schools learn how they can prepare for the Volunteer Fair and to educate them on how MSU faculty may help their organizations through service learning projects.

At the fair, participants will set up a display table, educating others about their organization. Additionally, it will be a chance to meet faculty and students who are seeking service projects, internships and volunteer opportunities.

Several presentations will be made during the "Town and Gown" workshop, including those on: MSU's Regional Stewardship Initiative; Using MSU's Office of Career Services for recruitment; negotiating and implementing service learning projects; and the examination of case studies in service learning success.

It will be followed by a question and answer session, and closing remarks by Dr. David Rudy, associate provost for regional engagement and dean of the Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy. Dr. Rudy also will serve as the keynote speaker.

Other MSU personnel who are scheduled to make presentations at the event include Dr. Janet Rice McCoy, assistant professor of advertising and public relations; Dr. Joy Gritton, associate professor of art; Dr. Stephen Lange, assistant professor of government; Mary Jerde, Arts and Humanities Council director and grants specialist; Julia Hawkins, career services director; and Brian Gay, Student Government Association president. The workshop is free, but reservations are necessary and may be made by calling Jerde at (606) 783-2545.

Additional information is available by contacting Jerde or Dr. McCoy at (606) 783-2603.

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Family weekend activities planned

For nearly three decades, Morehead State University has welcomed students' parents, grandparents, siblings and other friends and neighbors for a weekend of events and good times.

This year marks the 28th annual Family Weekend which is scheduled for Friday through Sunday, Sept. 14-16, on the campus.

"We would like to invite everyone to take part in our Family Weekend," said President Wayne D. Andrews. "For 27 years, this has been a tradition which allows everyone to see our beautiful campus, get a taste of what college life is all about, and to spend time with their loved ones who are here in school."

A variety of activities are planned for the special weekend which kicks off on Friday, Sept. 14, at 8 p.m. as everyone is invited to join the entertainment at the Student Talent Show in Button Auditorium. The duo of Alfred and Seymore will serve as hosts for the show, which is sponsored by the Student Government Association.

There is no admission charge, but donations will be accepted at the door with proceeds benefiting the Student Emergency Loan Fund, managed by the MSU Foundation, Inc.

Saturday morning, Sept. 15, will start with a Family Brunch. All new students and their families are invited for the event in the Adron Doran University Center from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m..

The afternoon activities will start with the Eagle Volleyball team hosting Ohio Valley Conference rival Austin Peay State University at 2 p.m. at Wetherby Gym.

At 5 p.m., the Academic-Athletic Center (AAC) lawn will be the site for the Family Tailgate. In case of rain, the picnic meal will be held in the AAC lobby.

Head coach Matt Ballard's football Eagles will square against WVU-Tech at 7 p.m. at Jayne Stadium. Students may purchase tickets for their family members in advance in the director of athletics' office in the AAC, or in the Student Activities Office, located in 204 ADUC.

For all those who choose to attend Sunday morning worship services, area churches will welcome MSU visitors to their congregations.

One of the favorites of Family Weekend is that family members may spend the night with their son or daughter in their residence hall room. To do so, arrangements must be made through the student's residence hall director.

Various motels, inns and camping facilities are available for those who prefer to stay off-campus.

The University Bookstore will be open on Saturday from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. to accommodate Family Weekend shoppers.

Blocks of tee times and special pricing (\$15 per person, including cart) at MSU's EagleTrace Golf Course have been arranged for the Friday and Sunday. Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-9973.

In addition, various residence halls and other student organizations will be hosting activities for students to enjoy with their families.

Parents of MSU students are automatically members of the Family Association, which will meet Saturday at 4 p.m. in the Eagle's Nest of the AAC, and during the weekend, they will be given an opportunity to volunteer to serve on the association's advisory committee.

When parents register during Family Weekend, their son or daughter becomes eligible to win one of four \$250 scholarships, to be used during the spring 2008 semester. Winners, which will be announced during the football game on Saturday, must be present to claim the award.

Additional information about the 2007 Family Weekend is available by calling at (606) 783-2070.

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Public invited to three musical events

Three musical events will be part of a Pennsylvania professor's visit to Morehead State University, Sept. 14-16.

Dr. David Glover, jazz drummer and percussionist at Slippery Rock University, will give a rehearsal clinic in room 214 of Baird Music Hall, beginning at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 14.

An assistant professor of percussion, Dr. Glover teaches applied lessons, percussion ensemble, jazz band and more. He is a graduate of the University of North Florida and Florida State University. Additionally, he holds a doctorate degree from the University of Texas at Austin.

The second event in his visit will be a drum set and percussion master class to be held at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 16, in Duncan Recital Hall within Baird.

Immediately following, Dr. Glover will join three MSU professors in a special faculty recital. Featured performers will be Dr. Steven Snyder, associate professor of music, on Hammond organ; Dr. Gordon Towell, professor of music, on saxophone; and Glenn Ginn, assistant professor of music, on guitar.

Dr. Glover's visit is sponsored by the Buckner and Sally S. Hinkle Endowment for Humanities, the Caudill College of Humanities, the MSU Arts and Humanities Council, the MSU Department of Music, ProMark Drumsticks and Sabian Cymbals.

All the events are free and open to the public.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Snyder at (606) 783-2403.

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Civic engagement awards nomination deadline approaching

The Morehead-Rowan County Chamber of Commerce is partnering with Morehead State University to recognize outstanding members of the community dedicated to making it a better place to live.

The public is encouraged to nominate an individual, a community organization or a business deserving of an award for service and civic engagement. Award recipients will receive a plaque and the non-profit agency of their choice will receive a \$100 honorarium.

Awards will be presented at the Septemberfest Celebration at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 18, in Button Auditorium on MSU's campus.

All nominations should include the name of the person or organization, a one-page narrative describing why the nominee deserves the award and the nominator's name and contact information.

The deadline for nominations is Monday, Sept. 10 at 4:30 p.m. Information may be hand-delivered, mailed, e-mailed or faxed to the chamber at: 150 E. First St., Morehead, KY 40351. The phone number is (606) 784-6221 and the fax number is (606) 783-1373. E-mail nominations should be sent to tcwilliams@moreheadchamber.com.

Septemberfest, MSU's annual celebration of democracy, is set for Sept. 17-20.

Additional information on Septemberfest is available by calling Dr. Beverly McCormick, professor of real estate and event coordinator, at (606) 783-5156.

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MSU police arrest two on drug charges

Morehead State University's Police Department has arrested two alleged drug traffickers this week.

MSU Officer David C. Gavin and Operation Unite officers arrested Franklin Davies of Louisville, an MSU student, and charged him with one count of trafficking within 1,000 yards of a school.

A traffic stop Tuesday night resulted in charges against James B. Bowling of Owingsville. Bowling was a passenger in a vehicle stopped on U.S. 60 west. He was apprehended after a brief chase and charged with four counts of trafficking in a controlled substance. MSU police and Morehead city police cooperated in the arrest.

Davies and Bowling were lodged in the Rowan County Detention Center.

The campus community is encouraged to report all suspicious or criminal activity to the police at (606) 783-2035; or at 911 for all emergencies.

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Blue and Gold Ball set for Sept. 21

Members of the Morehead State University family are invited to don their best duds and dancing shoes for the Blue and Gold Ball on Friday, Sept. 21.

Presented by MSU's Student Government Association, the ball will be an opportunity for students, faculty, staff and members of the community to enjoy a "fall formal" (black tie optional) night on the town. Slated to be held from 8 p.m. until midnight at the Morehead Conference Center, the event will be limited to 550 persons. The night will feature live entertainment by jazz dance ensemble the Matt Anklan Big Band, refreshments and more.

"SGA, RHA (Residence Hall Association), and SAC (Student Activities Council) are combining their efforts to introduce an annual tradition for our students to enjoy," said Brian N. Gay, **Cincinnati** graduate student and SGA president.

All proceeds will benefit the service initiative Spring Break/Spring Back, a program that takes campus and community volunteers to the hurricane-ravaged Gulf Coast and regional flood-affected communities to assist with cleanup and rebuilding efforts in March.

"The Blue and Gold Ball is a huge win-win situation," Gay said. "This classy social event will be open to all MSU students and friends. While showcasing several of our talented MSU student musicians, we will also raise support and awareness of MSU's Spring Break/Spring Back program."

Gay said he doesn't think MSU students do enough together as the student body and the ball is a good chance to do so.

"A campus-wide formal with some of the student's favorite faculty and staff in attendance will be the perfect opportunity to also acknowledge those who have volunteered their time during their spring break to serve others in both Louisville and Gulfport."

Tickets are available in advance for \$8 per person, or \$15 per couple, and may be purchased at MSU's SAC office, located in room 204 of the Adron Doran University Center. Tickets also will be sold at the door for \$10 (\$20 per couple).

Additional information is available by calling the SGA office at (606) 783-2298.

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Kappa Delta sorority to host golf scramble

Morehead State University's Kappa Delta sorority will host a golf scramble for its annual fall philanthropy event. Money raised will go toward the Girl Scouts of the USA.

The nine-hole scramble will be held on Friday, Sept. 21 at Carrington Greens Golf Course at Salt Lick from 4-6 p.m. The cost is \$25 per person or \$100 per team. The deadline to register a four-person team is Monday, Sept. 17.

A \$400 prize will be awarded for first place while second place will earn \$200. Dinner and non-alcoholic drinks will be provided

Mail registration forms to Kappa Delta Sorority, Angela Rhodes, 150 University Blvd., Morehead State University, Morehead, KY 40351.

Additional information is available by calling Rhodes at (859) 585-2352; Katie Moran at (606) 748-0597; or Carrington Greens Golf Course at (606) 768-2100.

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Continuing Education to offer four healthcare classes

Registration is now being accepted for four healthcare certification programs through Morehead State University's Office of Continuing Education: Dental Assisting, Pharmacy Technician, Medical and Billing Coding and Phlebotomy will be offered at different locations throughout the region.

Dental Assisting will prepare students for entry level positions in one of the fastest growing health care fields. The 60 classroom-hour program will familiarize participants with all areas of pre-clinical dental assisting and provide training in the professional skills necessary to work as an assistant in a dental practice. The class will be offered on

the MSU's Morehead campus and at the Enterprise Center at West Liberty, Boyd County Extension Office, and the Housing Authority of Maysville. The cost for this class is \$1,199.

Pharmacy Technician : The Pharmacy Technician certification will prepare individuals to take the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB) exam. This 50-hour course will teach students how to read and interpret prescriptions, how to define drugs by generic and brand name, how to order and inventory medications, and how to calculate drug dosages. The class will be offered on MSU's Morehead campus, MSU at Mt. Sterling, Boyd County Extension Office, Lewis County High School library, and the Housing Authority of Maysville. The cost for this class is \$999.

Medical Billing and Coding : The Medical Billing and Coding Certification course will begin March 13. This 70-hour course teaches individuals the necessary skills to manually file claims using the CPT and ICD-9 manuals. Individuals will learn how to solve billing problems, file claims, complete insurance forms, trace delinquent claims, appeal claims, streamline billing procedures, and find service and codes using provided manuals. Individuals who complete this course could qualify to sit for the Certified Coding Associate exam. After six months job experience, individuals may then sit for the Academy of Professional Coders-Certified Professional Coder Apprentice exam. The class will be offered at MSU's Enterprise Center in West Liberty, MSU at Mt. Sterling, Boyd County Extension Office, Carter County Development Office, and the Housing Authority of Maysville. The cost for this class is \$1,299.

Phlebotomy Technician : The Phlebotomist is a vital member of the clinical laboratory team, whose main function is to obtain patient's blood specimens by venipuncture and micro-collection. This 90-hour program prepares professionals to collect blood specimens from clients for the purpose of laboratory analysis.

The program also includes lab exercises, live blood draws, work with a training arm and other exercises intended to prepare students to function as an entry level Phlebotomy Technician. The class will be offered on the MSU's Morehead campus, Boyd County Extension Office, Lewis County High School library, and the Housing Authority of Maysville. The cost is \$1,599.

Additional information may be obtained by calling MSU's Office of Continuing Education at (606) 783-2875, or on the Web at www.moreheadstate.edu/occe .

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Trimble ready to assist students

Both current and potential college students in the Maysville region have an experienced educator ready to assist them with enrolling at Morehead State University.

Garnet Trimble, a public school teacher for more than 35 years, is beginning her second year as MSU's regional campus liaison at the Maysville Community and Technical College campus.

In her role, Trimble identifies, promotes and implements baccalaureate and graduate degree programs in the Maysville region. She interacts with MSU's Office of Enrollment Services to assist students with admissions, scholarship and financial aid processes.

"It has been a very positive experience working with the colleagues, students and faculty at Maysville Community and Technical College and promoting Morehead State University," she said. "I am here to advise Morehead State students who attended or are attending MCTC, as well as other potential students from other colleges who are interested in MSU."

Trimble says she welcomes office visitors, and will assist with enrollment questions.

"Advance registration for the spring term will begin Nov. 5, and information will also be available on MSU's Web site before this date," she added.

Trimble's office is located at the Maysville campus in room 350A. It is open Mondays from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. until 4 p.m.

A two-time graduate of MSU, she received her bachelor's degree in 1970 and Master of Arts in education degree in 1974. She was permanently certified to teach in both Kentucky and Ohio. She taught in the Ripley-Union-Lewis-Huntington Schools in Ripley, Ohio, for 35 years and another year at May's Lick Elementary. Trimble also has served as a substitute for several Ohio and Kentucky school systems.

Additional information is available by calling Trimble at (606) 759-7141, extension 66270.

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Pianist to give guest recital

A veteran music professor and pianist will offer a guest recital at Morehead State University on Wednesday, Sept. 12.

Dr. Alan Hersh will perform at MSU's Duncan Recital Hall within Baird Music Hall at 8 p.m. in a free concert that is open to the public.

In his 22nd year as a professor at the University of Kentucky School of Music, Dr. Hersh has performed extensively as a piano soloist and with orchestras and chamber groups throughout the United States. Recent performances have included solo recitals in North Carolina and Illinois.

The program he will present at MSU features music by Johannes Brahms, Robert Schumann and Frederic Chopin, including Chopin's "Second Sonata in B flat Minor."

Selections include: Schumann's "Kinderscenen," Brahms' "Capriccio F sharp minor, op. 76 no. 1," "Intermezzo A major, op. 118 no. 2" and "Rhapsody E flat major, op. 119 no. 4."

Dr. Hersh holds bachelor's and master's degrees from the Manhattan School of Music, and the Doctor of Music degree from Indiana University.

Additional information about the recital is available by calling Dr. Paul Taylor, associate professor of music, at (606) 783-2405.

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2007 Cultural diversity conference slated for Oct. 26

Diversity issues from a broad range of perspectives will be examined at the 2007 Interdisciplinary Cultural Studies Conference, coordinated by Morehead State University.

"Hear Our Voices," will be held from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 26, at the Morehead Conference Center. The event will bring together students and leaders who will give presentations on a variety of topics and their relevance to cultural diversity.

The conference is a comprehensive, multi-disciplinary forum that unites researchers, historians, health care and social service personnel, artisans, educators, and culturists from all facets of professional and practical knowledge. Presentation topics promote cultural competency and include: Hispanic, Islamic, Asian and Appalachian cultural issues, special needs populations, sexuality and cultural health care issues.

The conference is sponsored by partners from MSU and the region: Northeast Kentucky Area Health Education Center (AHEC); St. Claire Regional Medical Center; and MSU's [Interdisciplinary Cultural Studies](#) Program, the Caudill College of Humanities, College of Education, and the Buckner and Sally S. Hinkle Endowment for the Humanities.

Continuing education units are available in nursing and social work through St. Claire, and professional development credit for education is available through MSU.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. on the morning of the conference. There is no charge to attend the sessions. Lunch is not included. The Morehead Conference Center is located at 111 E. First St.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Emma Gillespie Perkins, interdisciplinary cultural studies director, at (606) 783-2766; or by e-mailing her ate.perkins@moreheadstate.edu .
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9-11 Ceremony set for Tuesday

MSU will observe the sixth anniversary of the 9-11 terrorist attacks on the U.S. at an 8:40 a.m. ceremony on Tuesday at the Little Bell Tower.

Sponsored by the Department of Military Science and the Residence Hall Association, the observance will include tolling of bells at the times the World Trade Center in New York City was struck by two hijacked airliners.

MSU President Wayne D. Andrews and Major Max Ammons, professor of military science, will be among the speakers.

MSU's Student Government Association erected the flag plaza in front of Howell-McDowell Administration Building in early 2002 in memory of those who died in the attacks on Sept. 11, 2001.

Dr. Prater elected ACT secretary

Dr. Philip E. Prater, associate professor of veterinary technology at Morehead State University, has been elected to serve a three-year term as secretary of the American College of Theriogenologists (ACT). He was elected to the position during the association's annual conference held in Monterey, Calif. The ACT is a 411-member association dedicated to the advancement of knowledge; undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate education; research; and service in theriogenology (the study of the reproduction of animals).

Dr. Prater received his DVM degree from The Ohio State University in 1984 and completed an internship in Large Animal Ambulatory Medicine at OSU in 1986. After seven years in private practice, he joined the faculty at MSU where his primary responsibilities include teaching large animal clinical procedures and health maintenance of the equine and food animal herds on the University Farm.

He has authored and co-authored several peer reviewed articles and two book chapters on large and small animal reproduction.

As secretary of the ACT, Dr. Prater's responsibilities include serving on the Certifying Examination Committee; notifying officers and delegates-at-large of their election and new Diplomates of their certification; and keeping minutes of the Executive Board meetings.

He served as chairman of the ACT Public Relations Committee from 1996-1998, and was a member of the ACT Board of Directors from 1999-2001. He became a Diplomat of the ACT in 1989.

Dr. Prater currently serves on the Kentucky Veterinary Medical Association's Food Animal Committee, the Emergency Management committee and the advisory board to the Kentucky Cattleman's Association and the Kentucky Beef Network.

Additional information on the Veterinary Technology Program or other programs in the Department of Agricultural and Human Sciences is available by calling (606) 783-2662.
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Auditions for KCTM bands set for Sept. 28

Talented Morehead State University students who play certain stringed instruments are invited to audition for two Kentucky Center for Traditional Music ensembles.

Auditions for admission into the school-sanctioned Bluegrass Band and the Oldtime Stringband will be held at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 28 at KCTM, located at 149 E. Main St., Morehead.

The bands will be asked to represent KCTM and perform for events on campus, in the community and throughout the region. Scholarships will be offered to outstanding students in both groups, and membership is open to those enrolled at least half-time at MSU.

For the Bluegrass Band, there currently are openings for musicians who play guitar, banjo, bass, mandolin, fiddle or dobro, and also for a lead vocalist, especially a vocalist with experience with harmony parts. The coach of that band will be Don Rigsby, director of KCTM.

The Stringband will have openings for those who play guitar, old-time banjo, fiddle and bass. Jesse Wells, KCTM's education coordinator, will serve as coach.

Those who audition will be asked to present two songs of their choice and participate in a brief interview. Once the ensembles are formed, members will be required to meet from 5-6 p.m. each Wednesday (Oldtime) and each Monday (Bluegrass).

Additional information is available by calling KCTM at (606) 783-9001, or by sending an electronic message to Wells at je.wells@moreheadstate.edu. Audition requirements also are listed online at www.kctm.info and by clicking on the "events" link.

Meningitis vaccine to be offered on campus Sept. 25

Morehead State University, in collaboration with Maxim Health Systems, will offer the meningitis vaccine on the campus for one day only.

Maxim Health Systems will immunize students with the bacterial meningitis vaccine on Tuesday, Sept. 25, from 10 a.m.-6 p.m., in room 312 of the Adron Doran University Center.

Outbreaks of meningitis have increased among young adolescents in recent years, and high school and college students are at increased danger from this serious and potentially life-threatening infection, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Data from the CDC indicates that meningococcal disease rates begin to rise during adolescence and peak between the ages of 15-24. In June 2007, Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) revised its recommendation to include routine vaccination of all persons aged 11-18. The ACIP continues to recommend routine vaccination for persons aged 19-55 who are at increased risk for meningococcal disease including college freshmen living in dormitories.

Statistics indicate that college students are among those at greater risk of contracting the disease because they live and work in close proximity to each other in residence halls and classrooms, said Kenitha King, nurse administrator in the Office of Counseling and Health Services. "Student's behavior and social aspects increase their risk factors." Meningitis, which affects the brain and spinal cord, is spread by direct contact with infected individuals, through the air via droplets of respiratory secretions as coughing and sneezing, sharing a glass or cigarette, and kissing. For college students, the risk is greater for those exposed to active and passive smoking, sharing beverages and high traffic areas.

The fee for the vaccine is \$135, payable by cash, money order, personal check or major credit card to Maxim Health Systems, LLC, on the day of the service

Additional information is available by calling Maxim Health Systems, LLC, at (877) 476-7836 or the University's Caudill Health Clinic at (606) 783-2055.
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Student arrested, charged with rape

A Morehead State University student has been arrested and charged with first degree rape.

Brandon S. Gross, 22, of Jackson, was taken into custody by MSU police Monday night and lodged in the Rowan County Detention Center.

The alleged incident occurred Thursday night in a campus residence hall. MSU police said the two students are acquainted.

MSU Officer Jarred Hunt is heading the investigation.

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Commuter student dies in car crash

Melissa S. Frisby Adkins, 21, of West Liberty, died in a single-vehicle accident Monday, Sept. 10. According to Kentucky State Police, Frisby Adkins, a Morehead State University student, was traveling northbound on KY 519 when she lost control and hit a guardrail. The vehicle stopped in a grassy area off the road. State police are investigating whether wet roads contributed to the accident.

Visitation will begin at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12.

Funeral Services will be conducted 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 13, at Herald & Stewart & Halsey Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Mike Frisby and the Rev. James Allen officiating. Burial will follow in the Adkins Family Cemetery on Route 7 in West Liberty.

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Esposito named director of student activities/Greek life

An alumnus has realized a longtime dream to oversee student activities at Morehead State University.

Mike Esposito, a 1995 bachelor's degree graduate of MSU, has been named director of student activities/Greek life. He will be primarily responsible for directing programs and formulating policies for student activities and organizations.

As an undergraduate, Esposito said he was asked what his plans were after graduation, and at the time, he answered, "I want to be the next Larry Stephenson." He said Stephenson, the former director of student activities at MSU, encouraged him to pursue student affairs as a career.

"Larry did caution me, however, not to expect to get rich in this line of work, which has proven true," he said. "But the enjoyment I have working with students is far more important than that."

Esposito went on to earn a master's degree in education at Western Kentucky University, where he was a graduate assistant in the Downing University Center. He is the former student involvement coordinator and Greek life adviser at The University of Montana-Missoula. At UM, he advised 11 fraternities and sororities and created new programs, including the "Experimental College," which was a series of short, non-credit courses taught by community members on topics such as dancing, fly fishing and UFOs.

He most recently served as the assistant director of student activities at Boise State University in Idaho. In that position, he produced leadership training programs, activity fairs and managed services for student organizations. During his tenure, he helped increase the number of student clubs from 150 to 210. Additionally, he assisted with student government, homecoming and Greek life.

Esposito has been active in community involvement. He helped found the Western Montana Gay and Lesbian Community Center, and managed Montana's participation in the 2000 Millennial March on Washington. At Boise, he served two years as the editor of Idaho's only gay newspaper, Diversity, and sat on the board of directors for The Community Center.

Esposito was an active volunteer in the Association of College Unions International and the Association of Fraternity Advisors, earning an AFA "Volunteer of the Year" award for work selecting the 2006 officer slate.

As an MSU student, Esposito was a member of Sigma Nu fraternity, and the Student Government Association, and was president of the Residence Hall Association. He says these experiences sparked his interest in higher education as a career field.

"I was in ADUC (Adron Doran University Center) when I saw an advertisement that read, 'Do you like college, then why leave?' It was an ad for the graduate program in student affairs at WKU," he said. "It just hit me - this is what I wanted to do."

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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Suttlar to perform at dance festival

Morehead State University's dance instructor will be a featured performer at a festival in New York in late September.

Ashley L. Suttlar, assistant professor of dance, will perform her solo work "Serotonin" at the 2007 DUMBO Dance Festival. The event will be held at WHITE WAVE'S John Ryan Theater Sept. 27-30 as part of an annual arts festival which will showcase the work of choreographers and dance companies.

DUMBO is the commonly used acronym for "Down Under Manhattan Brooklyn Overpass," a neighborhood in the city's borough of Brooklyn.

From 2001-05, Suttlar worked as a performance artist in Philadelphia and is a former member of both Paule Turner's Court and Charles O. Anderson's Dance Theatre X. She also has performed with Tania Isaac Dance Projects, Darla Stanley, Melanie Stewart Dance Theater and Kariamuwelsh.

Her work has been presented at Philadelphia and Cincinnati Fringe Festivals, Dance House, Moving Collective Concert Series, Painted Bride's Divine Women, Divine Work Series, American College Dance Festivals, Black College Dance Exchange, International Association of Blacks in Dance Conference and at other venues.

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

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

Additional information is available by calling Suttlar at (606) 783-2694.

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Cline to be panelist for symposia

Morehead State University Police Chief Joe Cline is among the members of an expert panel that will discuss the future of Kentucky policing at two open forums in September and make recommendations later this year.

Cline will be part of "The Future of Kentucky Law Enforcement: The Next 10 Years," public symposia that will be conducted Sept. 19 in Richmond and Sept. 20 in Bowling Green.

The state's Department of Criminal Justice Training is coordinating the events.

"I am honored to be part of this panel and am looking forward to addressing the important issues surrounding Kentucky law enforcement," Cline said. "The future of policing in Kentucky will affect us all - citizens and officers."

Cline joined the MSU Police Department in 2001 as assistant chief and became chief in 2003. He was previously a patrol officer and detective with the Morehead Police Department.

He received the Morehead Optimist Club Police Officer of the Year Award in 1987 and 1999 and is past president and chaplain of the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge No. 35. Cline is a Kentucky Law Enforcement Council-certified law enforcement instructor. He has a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice from Columbia Southern University and is a graduate of the FBI National Academy and the Department of Criminal Justice Training's Criminal Justice Executive Development program.

"This panel is composed of outstanding professionals who are knowledgeable and dedicated to the needs of law enforcement and the Kentucky communities officers are sworn to protect," said Brig. Gen. Norman E. Arflack, secretary of the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, who is among the panelists.

"We will have the best interest of the commonwealth's citizens at heart, including the officers who put their lives on the line each day, as we consider what's next for Kentucky law enforcement in training and other areas."

Panelists will talk about the issues facing law enforcement and examine future concerns at the symposia, where they expect to receive input from law enforcement officers, public officials and citizens. The panelists will continue the dialogue about the issues in their communities after the symposia.

Each symposium will focus on determining the most important issues regarding the status and advancement of Kentucky law enforcement in the next 10 years. The goals identified publicly will be prioritized according to their impact on the commonwealth's residents and visitors. Ultimately, a course of action will be established for addressing these critical issues.

Law enforcement officers, the public and the media are encouraged to participate during these public meetings, as are legislators, mayors, county judge-executives, prosecutors and other elected officials.

Initial discussion points may be derived from interviews the Department of Criminal Justice Training is in the process of conducting with law enforcement officers throughout the state about topics including training, training stipends and their definitions of the top issues in law enforcement.

News anchor Bill Bryant of WKYT-TV in Lexington will moderate at the symposia.

The meetings come nearly 10 years after Kentucky propelled law enforcement statewide to new levels of professionalism by implementing pre-employment standards for hiring officers and other progressive initiatives.

In 1998, legislation was passed that created Kentucky's Peace Officer Professional Standards, or POPS, the first mandatory, statewide standards for hiring law enforcement officers in the commonwealth. The law requires applicants to law enforcement agencies to meet 17 pre-employment standards, including physical fitness measures and a background check. POPS, a major statewide advancement in law enforcement, is only one of many initiatives pushed by the entire Kentucky policing community that have led to a progressive evolution in Kentucky policing in the past decade and a half.

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

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Spoken word poet Jessica Care Moore to open reading series

Internationally acclaimed spoken word poet Jessica Care Moore will kick off this year's Morehead State University Reading Series at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 27 at the Kentucky Folk Art Center.

Moore is author of two acclaimed books of poetry, "The Words Don't Fit in My Mouth" and "The Alphabet Verses The Ghetto." She is CEO of the publishing house, Moore Black Press, and is featured in two independent films, Hughes Dream Harlem and His/Herstory.

She has read from her work in South Africa, Germany, Scotland, France and The Netherlands and she is a leading voice in AIDS activism, having performed at the United Nations World AIDS Day; in the AIDS Walk opening ceremonies in NYC, San Francisco, Los Angeles, and Atlanta; and in the Hip-Hop-A-Thon Concert for the San Francisco Bay Area.

"What an exciting opportunity for the Morehead campus and larger community," said MSU's Writer in Residence Crystal Wilkinson, "performances as rich as this one rarely come our way."

Moore has been featured on Showtime at the Apollo, HBO's Def Poetry Jam series, B.E.T.'s The Ed Gordon Show, Teen Summit, and NBC's Today Show.

The reading series is sponsored by the Caudill College of Humanities, the Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy, KFAC, Women's Studies Program and the Appalachian Studies Program.

Admission to the event is free and refreshments will be provided. Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-2726.

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Geographic Information Systems workshops scheduled

How to make use of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and freely available Kentucky resources to enhance government and business activities will be the focus of introductory-level workshops that will be offered across east Kentucky.

The workshops are being presented by The Kentucky Center for Geospatial Education, Research and Outreach (KCGERO), housed in MSU's Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy (IRAPP), with support by NOAA/NGST. The sessions are designed to acquaint business and government leaders with free GIS applications both online and on the desktop and demonstrate how to acquire the data necessary for enhancing business and government decisions. GIS are tools for compiling and analyzing large quantities of data in a visual and user-friendly environment.

Several Kentucky organizations are working to make available many mappable data sets dealing with Kentucky's environment, infrastructure, economy and transportation systems.

Together these applications and data can be used to combine and map information to help government and business leaders formulate city/county planning and business strategies. GIS can help users understand statistical and geographical information, analyze population growth patterns, map voting and census data, as well as assist in calculating optimal locations for retail outlets and compiling economic data.

Conducted by Dr. Timothy Hare, assistant professor of anthropology, the workshops take place at various venues from 1-4 p.m.

Sept. 25, MSU's Regional Enterprise Center, 151 University Drive in West Liberty; Oct. 30, MSU at Mt. Sterling, Clay Community Center, computer room, 3400 Indian Mound Drive in Mt. Sterling; Dec. 19, Big Sandy Community and Technical College, room 239, Bert Combs Drive in Prestonsburg; and Jan. 8, Ashland Community and Technical College, room L287, Building 3, 1400 College Drive in Ashland.

Reservations are not required, but the workshop is limited to 20 participants. Additional information is available by calling Dr. Hare at (606) 783-9436; by e-mailing him att.hare@moreheadstate.edu ; or by visiting www.kcgero.org .

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Student arrested for harassing communications

Morehead State University's Police Department arrested a student on one count of harassing communications, which is a Class B misdemeanor.

Trenton L. Tackett, of Grethel, was picked up by MSU police on Tuesday and lodged in the Rowan County Detention Center after a female student filed a criminal complaint. MSU police said the two students are acquainted.

The campus community is encouraged to report all suspicious or criminal activity to the police at (606) 783-2035; or at 911 for all emergencies.

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Reece to receive Chaffin Award

Morehead State University's Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy and the Kentucky Folk Art Center (KFAC) have announced that Erik Reece, author of "Lost Mountain: A Year in the Vanishing Wilderness," is the recipient of the 2007 Thomas and Lillie D. Chaffin Award for Appalachian Writing.

A ceremony honoring Reece will be held from noon to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 6 at KFAC. A book signing and reading featuring Kentucky authors will follow at CoffeeTree Books until 5 p.m.

Reece is a lecturer at the University of Kentucky, teaching environmental journalism. Born in Louisville, he has two degrees from the University of Kentucky, where he studied with Guy Davenport.

His first book-length prose was a companion essay to Davenport's collection of his drawings and paintings, "A Balance of Quinces." Before that, he published a collection of poems, "My Muse Was Supposed to Meet Me Here," embellished by an encomium from Davenport.

Reece's 2006 book "Lost Mountain: A Year in the Vanishing Wilderness," (Riverhead Books), with photos by John J. Cox and foreword by Wendell Berry, observes the effects of mountaintop removal in Appalachia.

An excerpt of Reece's book, the essay "Death of a Mountain," was shepherded by John Jeremiah Sullivan into the April 2005 edition of Harper's Magazine and another excerpt appeared in The Nation in February 2006.

The Chaffin Award, which includes a cash prize of \$1,000, recognizes outstanding Appalachian writers in all genres. Past winners of this award include Sharon Hatfield, Ron Rash, John Sparks, Silas House, Crystal Wilkinson and Denise Giardina.

Additional information is available by calling KFAC at (606) 783-2204 or the Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy at (606) 783-2185

McCoy receives Phi Kappa Phi literacy grant

Morehead State University's Dr. Janet McCoy, assistant professor of advertising and public relations, has been awarded a 2007 Literacy Grant worth \$2,500 by The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi. She is one of 16 recipients nationwide to receive such an award.

Dr. McCoy plans to use the grant to support "Let's FLIP with PACT: Family Learning Interactive Program and Parent and Child Together," a program in Appalachia, specifically Rowan County, where 21.3 percent of the population lives in poverty as opposed to the national average of 12.4 percent.

The campaign's purposes are to recruit clients for the Adult Learning Center to improve the adults' lives and to participate in FLIP to improve their children's lives. The Family Learning Interactive Program believes the parent's education impacts the child's education and that the parent is the child's first and most important leader.

Other project partners include Dr. Alana C. Scott, Phi Kappa Phi chapter president and associate professor of geography, government and history; Amanda Baldwin, marketing and development director at Morehead State Public Radio; and Chelsea Peters, Phi Kappa Phi member.

The Phi Kappa Phi Literacy Grants program was initiated in 2003 to provide an opportunity for campus chapters and individual members to reach out to local communities to share with them the love of

learning. Because Phi Kappa Phi is a multi-disciplinary society of students and scholars from large and small institutions located in both urban and rural communities, applicants are encouraged to consider literacy projects that have creative relevancy to their disciplines and to the needs of their communities. To date, Phi Kappa Phi has awarded more than \$120,000 in literacy grants.

Founded in 1897 and headquartered in Baton Rouge, La., Phi Kappa Phi is the nation's oldest, largest and most selective all-discipline honor society. Phi Kappa Phi inducts annually more than 30,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni. The society has chapters on 300 select colleges and universities in North America and the Philippines.

Membership is by invitation only to the top 10 percent of seniors and graduate students and 7.5 percent of juniors.

Faculty, professional staff and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction also qualify.

Since its founding, more than 1 million members have been initiated. Some of the organization's more notable members include former President Jimmy Carter, NASA astronaut Wendy Lawrence, writer John Grisham and Netscape founder James Barksdale. The society has awarded approximately \$12 million since the inception of its awards program in 1932.

Today, more than \$700,000 is awarded annually to qualifying members and non-members through graduate fellowships, undergraduate study abroad scholarships, member and chapter awards and grants for local and national literacy initiatives. The society's mission is "to recognize and promote academic excellence in all fields of higher education and to engage the community of scholars in service to others."

Posted: 9-17-07

MSU Police offers campus safety tips

With the fall term now underway, Morehead State University's Police Department offers this advice to the campus community: Be aware of your surroundings and take the necessary precautions to avoid loss of your belongings.

"On the campus, everyone is busy trying to get the semester off to a good start and fail to adhere to the safety rules that they usually follow," said MSU Police Chief Joseph S. Cline.

Purses, wallets and textbooks are among the list of items that are reported missing most often.

Always on the lookout for suspicious activity, an increase in the number of reports of theft has police officers being ever more vigilant. Students, as well as faculty and staff, are urged to take all necessary measures to secure and protect personal belongings in residence halls, offices and vehicles, in addition to office equipment and other vulnerable items, especially on the weekends.

"We want to remind you to take the extra time to secure items in the trunk or under the seat before leaving your automobile," Chief Cline said. "The threat of a break-in is reduced if your belongings are not visible. Remember to lock your vehicle before leaving it in the parking area."

University police remind students to also practice safety in the residence halls:

- Make sure your door is locked when leaving your room, even if you are only going next door. It takes less than 10 seconds for a thief to enter an open room and steal property.
- Do not leave messages indicating how long you will be away or when you expect to return.
- Follow the safety in numbers rule when going out at night and arrange to go with friends/roommates. It is a good practice to scan your surroundings whether walking on campus, traveling by automobile or enjoying a shopping excursion.
- Do not leave valuables or property (purses, backpacks, books, personal identification, etc.) visible in or around the office or living area.
- Keep emergency numbers by the phone. Call 911 to report any suspicious person or activity.

Everyone should take the time to be aware of their surroundings and any unusual activity.

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Students visit Underground Railroad sites

A group of Morehead State University students received a "hands-on" lesson about the past when they toured historical stations of the Underground Railroad and other points of interest in the Maysville region.

The 47 students, accompanied by four faculty and staff members, visited Wedonia, Maysville, May's Lick and Washington, and also journeyed to Ripley, Ohio, to tour farms and homes that were key points of the Underground Railroad in the 19th century. "The Price of Freedom Sankofa Underground Railroad Journey" was sponsored by the Office of Minority Retention Services, the Minority Leadership Caucus and the Minority Educator Recruitment and Retention program.

One of the first stops on the trip was a visit to the Simon Luttrall Farm site at May's Lick. Later in the day, the group toured historic Washington, viewing the community, the Marshall Key House, a slave auction site and the Paxton Inn Underground Railroad Station.

In Maysville, the MSU group visited the National Underground Railroad Museum and the Freedoms Underground Railroad Station Museum.

Across the river in Ripley, the group walked the Underground Railroad Freedom Trail to the Rev. John Rankin House, an important stop for slaves traveling the route to freedom from 1825-1865.

"I was pleased to see the overwhelming response to such a cultural activity," said James Hodge, minority retention coordinator at MSU. "I am encouraged that students will utilize this experience to reshape their attitude toward education and understanding of self-heritage."

Thelma Prysock, a **Columbus , Ohio** , senior, said her trip was "extremely influential. Learning about what my ancestors went through to get their freedom inspired me to focus and strive to work hard to be a better person."

Christopher Simpson, **Louisville** junior, called the event a unique, once-in-a-lifetime experience.

"I can not speak enough on the importance of the need to feel like you belong, not only as an individual, but as a member of a social group of people who share your same goals of completing their education here at Morehead State," he said. "I found my place, my social group and the importance of minorities on this campus during this eye-opening experience."

Leah Rucker, teacher recruitment program assistant, said the Minority Educator Recruitment and Retention scholarship recipients were honored to participate in the tour.

"The tour provided the opportunity for all those involved to experience cultural, spiritual and historical enlightenment, and we are grateful to have had this empowering experience. I was delighted to see that young people were thoughtfully involved in the paths of their ancestors and interested to know the tremendous price of freedom."

Additional information is available by calling Hodge at (606) 783-5195.

[Click here to view photos of Underground Railroad tour](#)

Posted: 9-18-07

Board of Regents meeting set for Sept. 20

EVENT: Board of Regents Meeting

DATE: Thursday, Sept. 20, 2007

TIME: 9 a.m.

SITE: Riggle Room , Adron Doran University Center

A variety of items are on the agenda for the meeting, the Board will hear reports on personal service contracts, real property leases, property acquisitions, gift income, and preliminary figures for fall enrollment. The Regents also will ratify personnel actions, amendments to general receipts bonds and approve tenure, emeritus status, revision of the staff performance management system and disposal of real property.

The spotlight will be on the Space Science Center. A ground breaking ceremony will follow the meeting at 1 p.m. at the site of the Space Science Center.

Media representatives planning to attend the session should call the Media Relations office at (606) 783-2030 before 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 19.

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Bromley named KMEA state president

Morehead State University's Tanya M. Bromley, supervisor of student teachers and lecturer in the Department of Music, has been elected to serve a two-year term as the Kentucky Music Educators Association (KMEA) State President.

KMEA is an organization consisting of more than 2,000 professional music educators at all levels from kindergarten to the university level, which are dedicated to the cause of music education for Kentucky children. Included are in-service, pre-service and retired music educators. Associated with the Association for Music Education, KMEA serves as a voice for music educators.

As president, Bromley will assist in the organization and administration of professional development opportunities and performance events for 2,000 members and the thousands of constituents.

KMEA events include the state professional In-Service Conference for all music educators in the Commonwealth, the All State Bands, Orchestras, and Choruses, the Intercollegiate Bands, Orchestra, and Chorus, the Kentucky State Marching Band Sanctioned Festivals and State Championship, the KMEA Solo and Ensemble Festivals, and the KMEA Large Group Festivals for band, orchestra, and chorus.

Bromley is committed to the KMEA mission that is "to advance the cause of music education throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky by encouraging the study and making of music by all of the population and by serving as a strong advocate for issues affecting the accomplishment of that mission."

She has taught instrumental and vocal music in Kentucky for more than 30 years. Bromley was director at Pendleton County High School (1978-1997) and assistant director of the Tates Creek (1997-2003) high school bands (1997-2003).

Ensembles, under her direction, consistently received outstanding performance ratings at district and state level events, as well as festivals and competitions in surrounding states. Bromley continues to serve as a guest conductor for honor bands, performance adjudicator, and guest clinician for various festivals and events.

Since 2003, she has served on the faculty of MSU where she supervises music student teachers. She also serves on the applied music faculty of Transylvania University as professor of trumpet and teaches privately in the Lexington area.

Bromley is a past member of the Lexington Philharmonic Orchestra, the Cincinnati Brass Fellowship and the Cincinnati Brass Band, and currently performs with the Immanuel Baptist Church Orchestra and the Lexington Brass Band.

She has held several positions of leadership in the Kentucky Music Educators Association and she also has served as president of the Kentucky chapter of Phi Beta Mu (international bandmasters fraternity) and on the fraternity's international board.

Additional information is available by calling the music department at (606) 783-2473.

Posted: 9-19-07

SBDC helps new drug testing center open

Earlier this year, Sandra G. Dingus entered a new adventure by starting her own business, Drug Testing Center of the Bluegrass LLC, in Paintsville.

With the assistance of Morehead State University's Small Business Development Center and its director, Phil Greene, the drug testing center opened its doors in July.

"I had a vision and Phil Greene had the business expertise to make our dream of being business owners a reality," said Dingus. "Starting a business takes a lot of courage and determination and can be overwhelming, intimidating and at times, scary. The Small Business Development Center at the Kentucky Highlands Entrepreneur Center has been a valuable resource. They are a wealth of information and if they don't have the answer, they know someone who does."

She did not start the establishment without thinking through the venture. With the help of the SBDC, Dingus relied on SBDC's information and experience to provide her direction in the operation of her new business. She was not inexperienced in dealing with this situation, as she had worked in the healthcare industry for the past several years.

Dingus graduated from MSU in 1998 with an associate's degree in applied science (nursing), and graduated from Midway College in 2005 with a bachelor's degree in healthcare administration.

She is as a certified professional collector by the Drug and Alcohol Testing Industry Association. The business is committed to providing a variety of different services and testing capabilities, coupled with state-of-the-art testing equipment along with providing a money saving alternative to the current testing found in the local hospitals.

Drug Testing Center of the Bluegrass is located on Main Street. Dingus plans to re-visit the SBDC to formulate a business plan to supplement the private funds for operating capital and to further expand the business.

Additional information on the SBDC is available by calling Sabrina Jude at (606) 788-6022 or Greene at (606) 788-6008.

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Imaging sciences students pass certification exams

In yet another example of academic excellence at Morehead State University, all members of the latest class of an imaging sciences program have passed their professional certification examinations.

The 12 students enrolled in the computed tomography/magnetic resonance (CT/MR) curriculum completed coursework this summer, and then sat for the CT and MR examinations administered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT), the national credentialing body for CT imaging professions.

The students who took the examinations have already earned their associate's degree and their certification as radiologic technologists. The CT/MR coursework is part of their fourth-year advanced imaging component. Their education and preparation for the national boards included about 900 clinical hours spent working in affiliated hospitals.

"This is a significant accomplishment that we come to take for granted," said Dr. Gerald DeMoss, dean of the College of Science and Technology. "The IMS students consistently perform at the above expected levels. Hats off to the faculty and students in the CT/MR program for reaching their goals and accomplishing this standard of excellence."

Cyndi Gibbs, associate professor of imaging sciences, and Lynda Donathan, assistant professor of imaging sciences, are the faculty members for all CT and MR courses.

"This is wonderful news and another great accomplishment for our department," said Barbara Dehner, chair of the Department of Imaging Sciences. "Congratulations to all the graduates and Cyndi and Lynda for their work in preparing the students."

Additional information is available by calling Dehner at (606) 783-2651.

Posted: 9-20-07

MSU breaks ground for Space Science Center

Morehead State University broke ground Thursday (Sept. 20) for the largest capital project in the school's history. Board of Regents members, state officials and MSU representatives gathered for the ceremony to celebrate the start of the construction on the \$15.6 million research and instructional support facility which will house the Ronald G. Eaglin [Space Science Center](#).

Education Cabinet Secretary Laura E. Owens, representing Gov. Ernie Fletcher, House Majority Floor Leader Rocky Adkins (D-Sandy Hook), Sen. Charlie Borders (R-Grayson), and President Wayne D. Andrews addressed the crowd.

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MSPR Fall Fund Drive is Sept. 29-Oct. 5

Morehead State Public Radio has announced its dates for the 2007 Fall Fund Drive, Sept. 29 through Oct. 5. As part of the fall fundraiser, MSPR will bring back its third annual online auction running Wednesday, Sept. 26 through Wednesday, Oct. 3. The auction will begin at noon on Sept. 26 and end at 4 p.m. on Oct. 3. The auction will be available at www.msradio.com.

Morehead State Public Radio will ask listeners to support the programming with their financial gifts during the 2007 Fall Fund Drive. Financial gifts to MSPR also help support its student work-study program and the purchase of new equipment and supplies. Gifts to Morehead State Public Radio are tax deductible and may be made online using MSPR's secure Web site at www.msradio.com. Gifts also can be made by calling (606) 783-2001 or (800) 286-9659. MSPR will explore the theme "Public Matters" during the fall fundraising campaign. "At MSPR, we believe public radio plays an important role in the daily lives and routines of our listeners. We are asking our listeners to consider the importance of public broadcasting as their media source and to identify why 'public' does matter to them," said Amanda Baldwin, MSPR marketing and development director.

MSPR will again offer the popular "thank you" gifts to listeners who pledge their support. Items available will be a "Prairie Home Companion" T-shirt, an MSPR "Public Matters" sweatshirt and an embroidered messenger bag.

Listeners also will be able to participate in the online auction as a winning bid will serve as a pledge to MSPR. A variety of items will be available in the online auction including several get-away trips and packages, music, furniture, NPR merchandise, art, photography and much more.

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

Posted: 9-21-07

'Cinco Maestros Michoacanos' to be on display

The Kentucky Institute for International Studies (KIIS) has announced the arrival in Kentucky of an art exhibition, "Cinco Maestros Michoacanos." It will be on display in the main gallery of the Claypool-Young Art Building at Morehead State University from Oct. 3 - Nov. 2.

A reception featuring live music by the Clack Mountain String Band and refreshments will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 3 from 6 - 8 p.m.

The exhibition showcases an outstanding collection of paintings and sculptures by five renowned artists-Felipe Castañeda, Jesús Escalera, Luis Palomares, José Luis Soto González and Francisco

Oñate-from the state of Michoacán in Mexico

The Kentucky tour is the outcome of a relationship formed between KIIS and the Casa de la Cultura de Michoacán, and serves to celebrate the 15th anniversary of the KIIS Mexico program.

Since students embarked upon KIIS's first non-European program to Morelia, the capital city of Michoacán, in 1993, there has been a continual flow of students participating in a wide range of programs in Michoacán.

Since KIIS's inception in 1975 with a program to Europe, the Institute has grown to sponsor programs in 18 countries. Further information on the exhibition and KIIS programs is available by calling (270) 809-3091; or on the Web at www.kiis.org.

The main gallery in the Claypool-Young Art Building features contemporary art for the MSU community as well as the University's service region of East Kentucky. Gallery programming, such as visiting artist lectures and workshops, are funded in part with generous support from MSU's Department of Art and Office of Communications and Marketing. The gallery is open weekdays, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 3 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 on the exhibit is available by calling Jennifer Reis, gallery director, at (606) 783-5446.

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MSU mourns retired professor

Thomas L. Yancy, 68, of Scott Court, Clearfield, retired associate professor of communications at Morehead State University, died Friday, Sept, 21.

Born May 29, 1939, in Tyler, Texas, he was the son of the late LeRoy and Mildred Dillard Yancy.

He is survived by his wife of 22 years, Judith O'Dell Yancy; one brother, Roy David Yancy of Florence, Ala.; one sister, Bettie Hedrick of Spring, Texas; three nephews, Jason Hedrick of San Marcos, Texas, Jeremy Hedrick of Spring, Texas, and Ronnie Yancy of Franklin; and one niece, Donna Schroeder of Sinton, Texas.

Yancy came to MSU in 1977 after working as a television producer at public stations at the University of West Florida, Ohio State University, State University of New York (SUNY) at Brockport and the University of Texas. He won a regional "Emmy" from the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences and was honored by Morehead State in 2002 with the naming of the Thom Yancy Television Seminar Room in Breckinridge Hall. He retired from the University in 2001 with 24 years of service.

He held a bachelor's degree from the University of Texas where he held a lifetime membership in the "TexasExes" alumni organization and also held a master's degree from MSU.

Yancy was a member of the Board of Directors of the Friends of KET (Kentucky Educational Television), Broadcast Education Association, American Film Institute and Alpha Epsilon Rho, national broadcast honor society. He also was the recipient of a fellowship from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

He was a member of St. Francis Episcopal Church in Flemingsburg where he served as a licensed lay reader and chalice bearer.

Funeral services will be conducted Monday, Sept. 24, at 1 p.m. at Northcutt and Son Home for Funerals in Morehead, with the Rev. Marvin Suit officiating. Burial will follow in Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens in Morehead.

Visitation is Sunday, Sept. 23, from 5-9 p.m. at Northcutt and Son Home for Funerals.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the Morehead State University Foundation, Eagle Excellence Fund, Palmer Development House, Morehead, KY 40351.
View or sign guestbook at www.northcuttandson.com
Posted: 9-21-07

Gamma Phi Beta to hold Philanthropy Week

Morehead State University's Gamma Phi Beta sorority will be holding its annual Philanthropy Week, Sept. 24-27, to raise money for Campfire USA.

Moonlight Soccer at Jayne Stadium will kickoff the week's activities Monday, Sept. 24, from 9 p.m. - midnight. The cost is \$20 per team and \$3 for admission.

On Tuesday from 9-11 p.m. will be the Campfire USA Bonfire on Eagle Lawn. There will be a live band and refreshments for sale.

The Gamma Carnival and outdoor movie will be Wednesday on Laughlin Lawn from 6:30-10 p.m. The event is open to the community. There will be face-painting and carnival games. Food and refreshments will be available. The movie will start at 8 p.m.

Completing the week will be the Gamma Survivor Games Thursday on Gilley Lawn from 5-7 p.m. A cost is \$20 per team, and the games will include a hotdog eating contest, a corn hole tournament and condiment Picasso painting.

Additional information is available by e-mailing Korina Nause at kenaus01@moreheadstate.edu or Sarah Perry at sarahperry24@hotmail.com .
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Check your health at Wellfest 2007

Morehead State University's Wellness Center will sponsor Wellfest 2007, on Wednesday, Oct. 24 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Crager Room, Adron Doran University Center. Students, faculty, staff, and members from the surrounding community are invited to attend.

More than 50 booths will provide guests with information on different areas of health and wellness. There will be free massages, nutrition and weight management opportunities, and strength training demonstrations.

A cholesterol/glucose screening will be available free of charge to those who are at least 18 years of age. Admission is free.

Additional information is available from Melinda Melendez by calling (606) 783-5161 or by e-mail to m.melendez@moreheadstate.edu .
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McCoy attends Phi Kappa Phi national convention

Morehead State University's Dr. Janet Rice McCoy, assistant professor of public relation and advertising, was among 323 delegates, observers, guests, board members and society headquarters office staff to attend the 2007 Phi Kappa Phi National Triennial Convention in Orlando, Fla.

Dr. McCoy, attending the convention as a delegate, is a member of MSU's chapter of Phi Kappa Phi and was inducted into the Society in 2003.

Attendees listened to presentations by award winners from Phi Kappa Phi's grant programs, shared ideas and inspiration at chapter training sessions, conducted the society's business and elected a new board of directors.

Founded in 1897 and headquartered in Baton Rouge, La., Phi Kappa Phi is the nation's oldest, largest and most selective all-discipline honor society. Phi Kappa Phi inducts annually more than 30,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni. The society has chapters at more than 300 select colleges and universities in North America and the Philippines.

Membership is by invitation only to the top 10 percent of seniors and graduate students and 7.5 percent of juniors. Faculty, professional staff and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction also qualify.

Since its founding, more than 1 million members have been initiated. Some of the organization's more notable members include former President Jimmy Carter, NASA Astronaut Wendy Lawrence, Baylor University head women's basketball coach Kim Mulkey-Robertson, writer John Grisham and Netscape founder James Barksdale.

The society has awarded approximately \$12.7 million since the inception of its awards program in 1932. Today, more than \$700,000 is awarded annually to qualifying members and non-members through fellowships, undergraduate study abroad scholarships, member and chapter awards and grants for local and national literacy initiatives. The society's mission is "To recognize and promote academic excellence in all fields of higher education and to engage the community of scholars in service to others."

Additional information is available by calling Phi Kappa Phi at (800) 804-9880 or on the Web at www.PhiKappaPhi.org.

Posted: 9-24-07

Flamenco Louisville to perform

The vibrant sights and sounds of flamenco music will take the stage at Morehead State University when FlamenCorro performs on Monday, Oct. 1.

The ensemble, which includes dancers, musicians, teachers and fans of the art, will present a show at 6:30 p.m. in Button Auditorium on MSU's campus. The show features original music and choreography authentic to the flamenco tradition, and performances are designed to create an entertainment experience filled with the musical complexities of jazz, the soul of the blues and the mysteries of far-away cultures.

Members include: Suzanne Allen, Brent Del Bianco, Paul T. Carney, Diana Dinicola and Mariya Tarakanova, and they are all part of the larger group Flamenco Louisville.

An active vocalist in church and concert music, most of Allen's professional career has been in stage direction for opera at such companies as New York City Opera, Palm Beach Opera and Opera Philadelphia. She first encountered flamenco when she was hired for a production of "Carmen," and decided to take a flamenco dance class. From that point, she continued her dance studies with Mariquita Flores and Victoria, and joined the Louisville ensemble and brought her vocal talents to the genre. She holds bachelor's and master's degrees in music from Indiana University and a Master of Business Administration degree from Indiana University Southeast.

Del Bianco began playing music at the age of 10. In the past 19 years, he has studied and performed a variety of styles, including flamenco, blues, jazz, Bluegrass and classical guitar. His commitment to flamenco can be seen in his work as a soloist, and particularly as an accompanist. He studied with "Chuscales" as well as Rene Heredia, Santiago Aguilar and others, and has attended master classes with Pedro Sierra. He completed his fourth year at the National Institute of Flamenco in New Mexico, where he recently accompanied classes for the International Flamenco Festival 2007.

Carney discovered his love for percussion while living in Chicago where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in communication from Northwestern University. While there, he studied with percussionist Dede Sampaio, and accompanied at the Giordano Dance Center of Evanston, Ill.

After developing a love for flamenco (through his wife, Dinicola), and being inspired by a live performance by Manuel Soler, Carney began exploring flamenco cajon and has been performing and accompanying with Flamenco Louisville since 2004. He also plays percussion with local Americana and rock groups. He is a television producer, sculptor and a scenic designer with Specific Gravity Theatre Company.

Dinicola has danced since childhood and began her training in flamenco with Ballet Español. She has since studied at the National Flamenco Institute at the University of New Mexico and Fundación Cristina Heeren del Arte Flamenco in Seville, returning regularly to Spain for continuing professional development.

She has performed with Antonio Vargas, Ángel Muñoz, Arturo Martínez, Jesus Montoya and others. Dinicola is a Kentucky Showcase Artist, on the Kentucky Arts Council's Education Roster, a graduate of the inaugural Kentucky Center for the Arts' Artist/Educator Seminar and a guest teacher for the Governor's School for the Arts. She holds a bachelor's degree in communication and her teaching certification from Northwestern University and Master of Business Administration degree from Emory University.

Tarakanova's passion for dance has been a life-long journey. She made her debut at the age of 6, performing ballet and international dance on stages of her native St. Petersburg, Russia. In 1996, her dance career experienced a major shift when she discovered flamenco. Since then she has studied and performed with some of the best flamenco artists. Tarakanova was a guest artist and a teacher for Centro Flamenco De Pittsburgh, in 2006 and 2007. She regularly performs with FlamenCorro throughout Kentucky and surrounding states as well as teaches at Flamenco Louisville studio.

The performance is free and open to the public. It is sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Student Services.

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

Posted: 9-25-07

Fall Career Fair to be held Oct. 2

Are you looking for a part-time or full-time job or maybe it's a school for graduate study? The Fall Career Fair at Morehead State University may have the opportunity that is right for you.

Employers from a variety of fields in both the public and private sectors will be in the Crager Room of the Adron Doran University Center from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 2, to provide MSU students and alumni, as well as the general public, with information regarding their respective businesses.

"Participants will not need to pre-register for the activity," said Julia Hawkins, career services director. "Bring copies of your resume and come prepared to visit with a future coworker."

Employers who have registered to be on the MSU campus include: Affiliated Computer Services; Administrative Office of the Court-Minority Affairs; AFLAC; Analysts International; Appalachian Law School; Auditor of Public Accounts; Box Lake Networks; Buckhorn Children and Family Services; Citizens National Bank; Commonwealth of Kentucky Personnel Cabinet; Eastern Kentucky University graduate school; Department of Environmental Protection; Enterprise Rent-a-Car; Exstream Software; Family Dollar Kentucky Distribution Center; Federal Bureau of Prisons - USP Big Sandy; Kenton County Police Department; Kentucky Transportation Cabinet; Kroger Company; Marshall University, Marshall University STEM Graduate Program; MSU Graduate Programs; MSU's Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy (IRAPP); Patty Tipton Company; Pikeville Medical Center; Rite Aid; Social Security Administration; St. Claire Regional Medical Center; Stober Drives Inc; Total Quality Logistics; University of Kentucky Agriculture and Cooperative Extension Service; UK Graduate School, UK Martin School of Public Policy and Administration; U.S. Border Patrol; USDA Rural Development; Walgreen's; Washington Center; Wells Fargo Financial; Western Kentucky University Graduate School; WKYT-TV; and WYMT-TV.

Additional information regarding the participating businesses can be accessed on the Web at www.moreheadstate.edu/career/ or by calling (606) 783-2233.

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Trumpet students meet with Chris Botti

Morehead State University trumpet students recently were treated to a world-class educational and professional experience when they attended a concert by internationally-acclaimed jazz trumpeter Chris Botti in Ashland.

Botti's performance, co-sponsored by MSU's Ashland campus, began the season concert series at the Paramount Arts Center.

Both Greg Wing, assistant professor of trumpet at MSU, and Botti studied with distinguished trumpet professor William Adam (retired) at Indiana University in Bloomington. Wing left IU in 1981. Botti attended a few years later, but both have been keeping up with each other's respective performing careers.

Wing was a performer for 21 years, headlining in Las Vegas before beginning his tenure at MSU in 2002.

With the assistance of Joel Pace, director of the Ashland campus, Wing arranged a "meet and greet" session between the trumpet students and Botti before the concert.

"Chris really gave us the VIP treatment," Wing said. "He took the time to talk with the students about going after their dreams and never giving up the importance of maintaining a regular practice regimen even while on tour. I hadn't seen Chris in a few years so it was such a wonderful evening for everyone involved."

Wing and Pace were able to secure complimentary tickets for the students, and according to Wing, the interaction between the students and Botti was a priceless learning experience.

"Having the students meet a musician of this caliber is so important," he said. "It was a fantastic motivator for them to listen to Chris perform and hear him talk about his road to professional success."

Wing earned his Bachelor of Music Education degree from MSU, and the Master of Music degree in trumpet performance from the School of Music at IU.

Additional information is available by calling Wing at (606) 783-2401.

Quickbooks workshop to be at EKSBDC

A Quickbooks workshop for individuals and small business owners will be offered by Morehead State University's East Kentucky Small Business Development Center (SBDC) in Paintsville.

David Byron, a certified Quickbooks instructor, will present the seminar Tuesday, Oct. 2. The three-hour session will begin at 5:30 p.m., at the Kentucky Highlands Entrepreneur Center, located at 120 Scott Perry Drive which is off Teays Branch Road in Paintsville.

The topic of this workshop is use and operation of the Quickbooks accounting program. The cost is \$20. Seating is limited and advance registration is preferred.

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

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

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MSU group travels to China: A picture story

East met West when a group of Morehead State University students accompanied two faculty members to China to teach oral English.

Dr. Robert Frank, associate professor of speech, and Dr. April Miller, assistant dean of the College of Education, led the students in their trip to the Guangxi Province in southern China. Their month-long trip included teaching English and participating in a cultural exchange program with the Chinese people.

The group arrived in Beijing for the first part of their stay, where they spent two nights visiting various points of interest, including the Great Wall, the Forbidden City and Tiananmen Square. From there they flew to Nanning and took a Li River cruise. They also visited Morehead's sister city, Yangshuo, in the Guangxi Province.

Dr. Frank has taken four such trips to China, and said that as far as accommodations and comfort, "this was the best year we've had. It really was the most satisfying trip for the students. We had a great time."

Students who went on the trip were:

Michael A. Anteau, **Hazel Green** senior; Holly J. Back, **Denniston** sophomore; Stephen R. Creech, **Mt. Sterling** graduate student; Taria L. Daugherty, **Winchester** graduate student; Allen J. Fitzpatrick, **Lexington** senior;

Bethany H. Gordon, **Lebanon** junior; Amy L. Keller, **Bethel, Ohio**, graduate student; **Loretta R. Slone**, West Liberty senior; Anthony D. Thomas, **Jeffersonville** senior; and Jessica Weaver, **Wallingford** sophomore.

The students stayed in dormitories on the campus of Qinzhou University, and along with Drs. Frank and Miller, taught oral English to primary, middle and high school students, as well as to Qinzhou College students and their professors. Qinzhou University is located in Qinzhou, a harbor city of 3.5 million people.

"For many of these people, it was the first time they'd conversed with a native English speaker," he said.

The MSU group seemed to enjoy getting acquainted and working with the Chinese people, who shared their culture with the American group, according to Dr. Frank.

"That's why it's so much fun to do this - we learned about their public schools and other aspects of life in China," he said.

On the way home, the group stopped in Tokyo for a layover and were able to get a taste of Japanese life as well. He said their trip "was a long journey, but well worth it."

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Frank at (606) 783-9369.

[Click here to view photos of faculty and students in China](#)

Posted: 9-27-07

Greek organizations to co-host 5K

Two Greek organizations at Morehead State University will co-host a 5K run to benefit their respective philanthropies.

Sigma Pi fraternity and Delta Zeta sorority are sponsoring the run at 8 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 29. It will be held on Second Street in Morehead, beginning at the area near the Baptist Campus Ministries building.

Sigma Pi's philanthropy project for the run is the SAM (Student Alcohol Management) Spady Foundation. It is an organization whose mission is to implement alcohol awareness programs at colleges and universities, and to educate students and their parents about the dangers of alcohol, especially high-risk consumption. The foundation was founded by Rick and Patty Spady in memory of their daughter Samantha, who died from alcohol poisoning at a fraternity house in Colorado in 2004.

Delta Zeta will donate proceeds to support its national philanthropy of speech and hearing. Specifically, funds will be given to the Sound Beginnings Program, which is used to educate parents of newborns and young children on the importance of having early testing conducted on their child's hearing.

The entry fee for the event is \$12. Participants may either walk or run, and awards will be presented to the top men and women finishers. Water will be provided for competitors.

Walkers/runners may sign up in advance in the Adron Doran University Center, where registration tables will be set up from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. through Friday, Sept. 28. Or, on-site registration is available the morning of the event.

Additional information is available by calling Marcus Hundley, **Louisville** senior and vice president for MSU's chapter of Sigma Pi, at (502) 468-6933.

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SIFE honored during Septemberfest

Morehead State University's chapter of Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) was recognized for civic service during Septemberfest activities Sept. 17-20.

SIFE received the Excellence in Civic Engagement for a Student Organization award. The award was sponsored by The New York Times, in association with Septemberfest, MSU's annual outreach event of the American Democracy Project.

The chapter was nominated in recognition of its members' more than 900 hours of volunteer service to improving the community through free enterprise education. While the SIFE organization is housed in MSU's College of Business, the group draws members from other academic disciplines. These students taught the concepts of a free enterprise system and empowerment in ways to achieve greater economic prosperity to members of the community (from first graders to aging entrepreneurs).

Partnered with MSU's Small Business Development Center, SIFE students helped sponsor two regional entrepreneurship conferences. They also worked with first and fifth grade students at all elementary schools in Rowan County, teaching them about business from the side of the consumer and the owner, as well as in concepts of savings, profit and loss and business ethics.

Among other community outreach projects, SIFE team members provided Girl Scouts with the opportunity to earn their Business-Wise Badge. They also held workshops to educate middle and high school students in the value of trade in the global economy.

In the MSU community, SIFE students, (via the MSU 101 classes) educated other students about the importance of financial planning throughout life and the risks associated with poor planning. In terms of civic engagement to the greater regional community, SIFE students provided Deming High School seniors with the opportunity to develop the success skills needed throughout life. By increasing the knowledge of opportunities available to them in a free market system, SIFE students encouraged future success for the Deming young men and women.

The Excellence in Civic Engagement award carried a prize of \$100, which will be used to fund future SIFE projects.

Additional information is available by calling Janet Ratliff, center director, Center for Economic Education, at (606) 783-2390.
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Emerson Drive in concert Oct. 4

Chart-topping country band Emerson Drive will appear in concert Thursday, Oct. 4, at 8 p.m. in Morehead State University's Button Auditorium.

The band's newest album "Countrified" includes the No. 1 single "Moments."

Countrified began in Bowling Green on a night when Emerson Drive had two special guests in the audience, producer Josh Leo and Teddy Gentry from the group Alabama.

"We drove to Bowling Green to see this band with the idea of helping them cut a few songs," said Leo. "Well, they blew us away. So I said, Sign us up! We're in! Let's Go!"

With Leo and Gentry committed to the project Emerson Drive began recording the album that Midas Records released in the fall of 2006. The final product, "Countrified," features the production talents of publishing veteran Brad Allen and hit songwriter Keith Follese, in addition to Leo and Gentry

"I was blown away with the band. This is possibly the best band I've heard in years as far as playing live on stage," said Gentry.

The album already has given Emerson Drive two top 20 singles, "A Good Man" and "Moments," the fastest climbing single of the band's career.

"Moments' has been our impact song, a song that other artists shied away from because it deals with delicate issues facing people today," lead vocalist Brad Mates said. "Since it was released as a single we have found that there are a lot of empathic people who are aware of and want to deal with the issues of loneliness, despair and the hope of a new life again. This song has something to say and we are proud to be able to say it."

Tickets are \$10 for MSU Students and \$15 for general public. Tickets are available from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. in room 204 of the Adron Doran University Center.

The concert is presented by Morehead State University and the Student Activities Council. Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-2071; visiting www.moreheadstate.edu/concert ; or e-mailing sac@moreheadstate.edu .

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Pair arrested on theft charges

Morehead State University police have arrested two students on theft charges.

Charles E. Shepard Jr., 19, of Louisville, is charged with theft of property lost/mislaid over \$300, and receiving stolen property over \$300. Ka'Juan Kennedy, 19, of Vine Grove, is charged with theft of property lost/mislaid.

They are accused of taking the contents of a purse which was left outside Alumni Tower earlier this month. Shepard also was indicted in connection with the theft of a laptop computer.

Both were lodged in the Rowan County Detention Center.

The investigation was led by Sgt. David James. Lt. Robert Clemons, Sgt. Michael Trent and Officer Leah Whitley assisted in the arrests.

The campus community is encouraged to report all suspicious or criminal activity to the police at (606) 783-2035; or at 911 for all emergencies.

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MSU police to participate in safety blitz

Morehead State University's Police Department is joining other state and local agencies in an effort to make the roads safer this fall.

MSU's officers, in conjunction with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Kentucky State Police, Kentucky Vehicle Enforcement and local law enforcement departments, are assisting in coordinating the Highway Safety Corridor Blitz along the U.S. 60 Corridor to reduce vehicle crashes, fatalities and injuries.

"We want to do our part to help keep our community safe as students, faculty and staff, and visitors travel to campus," said MSU Police Chief Joseph S. Cline. "We will focus on the U.S. 60 Corridor. We will be assisting city and state police with traffic check points."

Drive Smart visual speed radar units have been placed along the corridor in each county. These portable units are intended to remind motorists to be aware of their speed and to comply with the posted speed limit. Variable Message Boards and orange diamond signs have been placed along the corridor stating that drivers are in a "target enforcement area."

The Enforcement Blitz will run from Sept. 30 until Oct. 6. This operation will focus on reducing the contributing factors involved in vehicle crashes such as impaired drivers, failure to wear seat belts and other traffic violations.

Violations relating to non-use of safety belts, children not in safety seats and expired or no liability insurance, as well as equipment violations will be strictly enforced.

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

Posted: 9-28-07

Fall Concert set

Morehead State University's Chamber Singers, Women's Chorus, Men's Chorus, Concert Choir and Black Gospel Ensemble will present a Fall Concert on Thursday, Oct. 4, at 8 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, 123 E. Main St., Morehead.

The Chamber Singers, under the direction of Dr. Greg Detweiler, associate professor and director of choral activities, will open the concert with the French Renaissance chanson "Il est bel et bon" by Passereau. They also will perform "If Music Be the Food of Love" by Jean Belmont, and "The Urchins' Dance" by Stephen Chatman.

The Women's Chorus and the Men's Chorus under the direction of Dr. Roosevelt Escalante, assistant professor and assistant director of choral activities, will continue the program. The women will sing "I lift up my eyes" by Paul Bowman and the men will present "The Pasture" by Randall Thompson.

The Concert Choir, under Dr. Detweiler, will perform three selections: "O Sing Joyfully" by Adrian Batten, "Kyrie" by Mark Butler, and "Neckereien" by Johannes Brahms.

The Black Gospel Ensemble will close the concert with "Lift Him Up" by Hezekiah Walker, "Encourage Yourself" by Donald Lawrence, and "Victory" by Tye Tribett.

Admission to the concert is free of charge.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Detweiler at (606) 783-2480.

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