

# Update

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## Project's goal is to enroll adults President: MSU will meet challenge

MSU has joined a statewide outreach effort to attract and graduate adult students returning to college.

MSU's initiative, known as Project Graduate, involves several campus units all working in concert to support students' academic careers. Its purpose is to identify former students who have earned college credit, and assist them in re-enrolling in school and finishing their degree.

Project Graduate developed from MSU's membership in the Kentucky College Access Network (KentuckyCAN), which was funded by the Council on Postsecondary Education and the Prichard Committee for Academic Excellence.

Jacquelyn Scott, non-traditional and commuter coordinator in the University's Office of Enrollment Services, serves as MSU's liaison for the project.

"There are many adult students who were here in past years but who didn't finish," Scott said. "They're just out there. Many of them had to go to work for one reason or another, and they had a lot of responsibilities, which is why they dropped out."

MSU's goal, according to Scott, is to find former students and offer them the assistance they need to return to college to complete their education. It will involve the efforts of University personnel in the areas of admissions, financial aid, academic advising and registrar at the Morehead and all other regional campuses.

Scott said there are more than 310,000 Kentucky residents who have earned college credit but did not graduate. Of those, some 11,000 have completed 90 or more course hours, which is about 75 percent of the credits required for a bachelor's degree.

MSU's regional launch of Project Graduate was planned for January. It is expected that the project will have a greater impact on Fall 2008 enrollment.

## Interim director

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

In its 120 years of existence, MSU has overcome many challenges and will do so again in the current state budget crisis, MSU President Wayne D. Andrews said here on Wednesday, Jan. 9.

He told an audience of faculty and staff members that the University will get through by staying true to its mission of being "a light to the mountains" and by working together.

MSU has been directed to develop plans to reduce its operating budget by as much as \$7.2 million by July 1.

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

He added:

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

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

"We must do whatever it takes to make sure we are organized for maximum efficiency and effectiveness," said Dr. Andrews.

"We must make sure that our academic programs and our general education requirements are relevant in the 21st century and we have to be even more focused on our vision, mission and values."

It was announced that MSU's annual campus giving campaign had produced a record of \$200,841 in gifts from employees and retirees.

## Service awards

MSU employees were recognized for years of service at a ceremony in December.

They were:

**5 years:** Marie Anderson, Michael Fultz, Julia Hypes, Philip Krummrich, Scott Meisel, Kerry Murphy, Jennifer O'Keefe, Chien-Chih Peng, Mark Stidham and Karen Taylor

**10 years:** Marshall Chapman, Larry Cowart, Darren DeMoss, David Eisenhour, Agnes Manley, Randy McCoy, Steve Parkansky, David Smith and Eric Swank.

**15 years:** Jeff Barker, Lynn Haller, Tonia Lewis, Wendell O'Brien, Janet Ratliff, Allen Risk and Brenda Wilburn.

**20 years:** Lisa Caskey, Loretta Lykins, Adrian Swain and Sue Vencill.

**25 years:** Andrea Cornett, Barbara Dehner, James Hall, Charles Mason, Jenny McKinney, Kathy Mincey and Elsie Pritchard.

**30 years:** Ruth Robinson

**40 years:** David Saxon.

Recognized as campaign co-chairs were Beth Patrick, vice president for planning, budgets and technology, and Dr. Clarendia Phillips, chair of the Department of Sociology, Social Work and Criminology.

Dr. Robert C. Dickeson, president emeritus of the University of Northern Colorado, was the convocation guest speaker.

He encouraged the MSU faculty to complete its ongoing academic audit so that the institution could reallocate resources to its priorities.

## Dr. King tribute

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

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

The night's events will begin with the traditional candlelight vigil, slated to begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Little Bell Tower on MSU's campus.

Following the vigil, participants will march to the First Christian Church, located at 227 E. Main St., Morehead, for the main program.

The presentations will feature a collaboration of campus and community musicians and vocalists. Scheduled to perform are:

The First Christian Church Adult Choir and the church's Bell Choir; MSU's Tuba and Euphonium Ensemble and Black Gospel Ensemble; Marie Anderson, secretary specialist in Office of Multicultural Student Services; and Brian Harding and Danielle Cirelli, Morehead graduate students.

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

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

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

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

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

## Cline to retire

A retirement reception will be held in honor of Joe Cline, chief of police, on Tuesday, Jan. 29, from 3:30-5 p.m. in the Heritage Room of the Adron Doran University Center.

Chief Cline has served in the MSU Police Department since 2001 and was named Chief of Police in 2003. He is retiring effective Jan. 31.

## People in the News

Four faculty members were awarded summer fellowships for creative productions. The individual \$5,000 awards were granted by the Research and Creative Productions Committee in MSU's Office of Research and Sponsored Programs. Those receiving the awards were: **Dr. Sherif Rashad**, assistant professor of computer science, for "Data Mining Approach for Location Management in 4G Wireless Heterogeneous Networks." **Dr. Allen**

**Risk**, professor of biology, for "Peat Mosses (Sphagnum) of the Cumberland Plateau." **Dr. Stephanie Welter**, assistant professor of biology, for "Variation in Pigmentation, Color Change Ability, and Behavioral Background Preferences in Dragonfly Larvae." **Dr. Kristina Wilson**, assistant professor of history, for "Lessons in Black and White: The Racial and Gender Socialization of White Children in the Jim Crow South."

## Symposium set

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

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

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

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

Special guest speakers will include Dr. Baretta Casey and Jackee Schwartz. Dr. Casey, professor of family medicine and vice chair of the University of Kentucky's Department of Family and Community Medicine, also is the director of UK's Center for Excellence in Rural Health.

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

The symposium will include exhibitor displays, networking opportunities and more, and is scheduled to be held from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. The fee is \$25.

Participants are invited to register online at <http://kysbdc.ecenterdirect.com/ConfSignup.asp?id=5161>, or by calling the SBDC at (606) 788-6022 or (606) 432-5848.

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

## Ensemble band

Twenty-three student musicians at MSU participated in the Kentucky Intercollegiate Marching Band for Gov. Steve Beshear's inaugural parade on Dec. 11.

The intercollegiate ensemble was established by the Kentucky College and University Band Directors.

MSU marching band members performed with fellow students from colleges and universities across the state, all wearing their institution's uniforms as a visual symbol of individual school pride, yet marching together in fellowship with other schools' musicians.

The purpose of the multi-school group was to promote the spirit of the parade with a band that represents non-partisan, non-political, yet unanimous support for the office of the Governor of Kentucky. Additionally, it was intended to foster cooperation and good will among Kentucky collegiate band directors and their students.

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## Open House

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

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

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

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

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

Additional information: 783-2000.

## Happenings

### Thursday, Jan. 17

Basketball: Lady Eagles vs. Samford University, Academic-Athletic Center, 5:15 p.m.

Basketball: Eagles vs. Samford University, AAC, 7:30 p.m.

Faculty recital: Dr. Jacob Roseman, flute, Duncan Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

### Saturday, Jan. 19

Basketball: Lady Eagles vs. Jacksonville State University, AAC, 2 p.m.

Basketball: Eagles vs. Jacksonville State University, AAC, 4:15 p.m.

### Monday, Jan. 21

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. birthday holiday, no classes or office hours; classes resume and offices reopen according to regular schedule on Tuesday, Jan. 22.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Unity in the Community Candlelight March and Celebration, Little Bell Tower, 6:30 p.m., followed by service at First Christian Church, 227 E. Main St., Morehead.

### Tuesday, Jan. 22

Kentucky Blood Center blood drive, on campus, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

### Thursday, Jan. 24

Second Stage theatre production: "The Last Fraction Hero" and "Barbie Get Real," The Little Company, Lucille Little Theatre, Breckinridge Hall, 7:30 p.m., also Jan. 25.

Sophomore recital: Jonathan Payne, tuba, DRH, 8 p.m.

### Saturday, Jan. 26

Rifle: Eagles vs. Akron, Button Rifle Range, 8 a.m.

## Advisory board

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

The meeting will be held in the MSPR studios, located in Breckinridge Hall on the MSU campus. Meetings of the board are open to the public.

Morehead State Public Radio broadcasts 24 hours a day from the MSU campus. WMKY (90.3 FM) serves as the flagship station for the MSPR network, which includes WOCS in Booneville and a translator in Inez.

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

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## Dr. Andrews appointed to term on SREB

Dr. Wayne D. Andrews, president of Morehead State University, has been appointed to the Southern Regional Education Board based in Atlanta.

Former Kentucky Gov. Ernie Fletcher made the appointment.

President Andrews brings more than 30 years of education experience to SREB, including 10 years as a faculty member at Illinois State University and 17 years of leadership at East Tennessee State University.

While at ETSU, he held positions of department chair, executive assistant to the president, vice president for student affairs, vice president for administration, and chief operating officer of the university.

As president of Morehead State, he has spearheaded a strategic plan for growth and development since joining the university in 2005. An American Council on Education (ACE) Fellow, Andrews holds a bachelor's degree from Fitchburg (Mass.) State College and a master's and doctorate degrees in education from West Virginia University.

SREB is a 16-state nonprofit organization that advises state leaders on ways to improve education. Board members include the governor of each member state and each governor's four appointees.

Other Kentucky board members include Gov. Steve Beshear; Laura E. Owens, assistant to the president, Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green; and Sen. Kenneth W. Winters. Jon Draud, Kentucky's new Education Commissioner, recently served on the Board as a legislator.

The Southern Regional Education Board, or SREB was created in 1948 by Southern governors and legislatures to help leaders in education and government work cooperatively to advance education and improve the social and economic life of the region.

SREB has 16 member states: Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia. More information is available online at [www.sreb.org](http://www.sreb.org).

## Service awards

MSU employees were recognized for service at a ceremony Dec. 13. The employees, with their years of service, were:

**5 years:** Verdrie Craig, Mattie Decker, Cindy Edwards, Kitty Hazler, Jeffrey Hill, Kevin Horton, Jerrod Hodge, Sean Reilley, Chris Schroder, Anthony Sparks, Ernie Tackett, Michael Wallace, Bob Willenbrink and Greg Wing.

**10 years:** Laurie Couch, Melissa Dunn, Bob Frank, Joy Gritton, Margaret LaFontaine, Kem Tackett, Angie Thompson and Capp Yess.

**15 years:** Joan Atkins, David Gilliam, Keith Moore, Steven Reid, Sheila Templeman and Sharon White.

**20 years:** Yvonne Baldwin, Dan Grace, Kozy Hamilton, Mike Hopper, Dennis McKay, Michael Morley, Edna Schack, Mark Schack and Jonell Tobin.

**25 years:** Dale Greer and Stephen Tirone.

**30 years:** Ruth Ann Harney-Howard and Frank Oddis.

**35 years:** Sharon Jackson, Madonna Weathers and Brenda Whitt.

**40 years:** Suanne Blair and Larry Keenan.

## Historic Senff building razed

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

"The decision to raze the natatorium was not made quickly or easily," said MSU President Wayne D. Andrews.

"This matter was under consideration when I arrived three years ago. Numerous efforts have been made over the last 20 years to seek funding from public and private sources to restore the facility and adapt it for another use. Sadly, nothing materialized and the building continued to deteriorate to the point of becoming unstable and a health hazard."

He continued:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## Cheer champs

The excellence continues.

Morehead State University's coed cheerleading squad captured its seventh consecutive national championship at the College National Cheerleading Championships held this weekend (Jan. 18-19).

The Universal Cheerleaders Association-sponsored event was held at the Walt Disney's Wide World of Sports in Orlando, Fla. With the win, MSU's coed squad captured its 18th overall championship.

University of Delaware placed second while Western Kentucky University was third and Missouri State University finished fourth.

The all-girl squad finished second to the University of Memphis.

MSU is coached by Tony Nash.

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

## Faculty, others may nominate student for ELS

MSU has announced it is accepting nominations for students to participate in its Emerging Leaders Symposium (ELS).

Anyone can nominate an MSU student to participate.

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

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

All who complete the program will receive a certificate.

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

The day will be facilitated by Dr. Bill Smedick, director of Leadership Programs and Assessment Initiatives at Johns Hopkins University.

Dr. Smedick has been involved in leadership education at Johns Hopkins since 1989. He is a part-time professor, teaching Leadership Theory in the Center for Leadership Education.

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

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

MSU graduate Amber Philpott, a reporter for WKYT-TV, will be the keynote speaker for the lunch portion of the program.

She will discuss the importance of active involvement in college and how it impacts opportunities after college.

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

## Theatre shows

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

The students will stage "The Last Fraction Hero" and "Barbie Get Real" on Thursday and Friday, Jan. 24-25 at the Little Theatre, located in Breckinridge Hall on the Morehead campus.

Both shows will be presented by The Little Company, and will begin at 7:30 p.m. each evening.

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

The company already is booked to perform "Hero" in various elementary and middle schools throughout the region this spring.

School representatives who are interested in the troupe performing "Barbie" should contact Dr. Bob Willenbrink, chair of the Department of Communication and Theatre, at 783-2134.

Admission to each MSU performance is free for this production.

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

## Art exhibition

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

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

Laura Haywood, an art major and MSU Undergraduate Fellow from Morehead, was part of the selection committee comprised of art faculty members and the gallery director.

The committee selected only 10 percent of the more than 400 pieces submitted for consideration.

"Due to the overwhelming response to the exhibition theme, the small percentage of high caliber work selected will culminate in one of the strongest shows hosted in the gallery," said Jennifer Reis, gallery director.

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

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

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

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

Forty-four artists are participating in the exhibition.

## Opera meeting

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

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

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

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

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Roma Prindle at r.prindle@moreheadstate.edu.

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## 'Meet MSU Days'

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Additional information: 783-5421.

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### Thursday, Jan. 30

Art exhibit: "Self-Evident: Contemporary Exploration of Self-Portraiture," main gallery, Claypool-Young Art Building, exhibit runs through Feb. 20.

Third Annual Soul Food Dinner and Fourth Annual ThinkFast trivia game, Crager Room, Adron Doran University Center, 5:30 p.m.

### Saturday, Feb. 2

Rifle: Eagles vs. Jacksonville State University, Button Rifle Range, 8 a.m.

MSU Open House, for prospective students, ADUC, 9 a.m.

Basketball: Eagles vs. Kentucky Christian University, AAC, 7 p.m.

### Sunday, Feb. 3

Rifle: Eagles vs. Rose-Hulman, Button Rifle Range, 8 a.m.

Morehead State Public Radio Community Advisory Board quarterly meeting, MSPR studios, Breckinridge Hall, 3 p.m.

Senior recital: Bob Eckhardt, tuba, DRH, 5 p.m.

### Monday, Feb. 4

Film screening: "Milestones in African-American Education: The Clinton 12," Chakares University Cinema, Main Street, Morehead, 8 p.m.

### Tuesday, Feb. 5

Guest presentation: "Winning Through to Fame and Glory: African Americans and MSU," by Dr. Don Flatt, retired history professor, 312 ADUC, 6 p.m.

### Wednesday, Feb. 6

Guest lecture: "The Paradox of Pornography: Sex/Intimacy/Communication," by Dr. Robert Jensen, University of Texas at Austin, 2 Breckinridge Hall, 4:30 p.m.

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## Barker named interim chief

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

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

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

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

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

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

He has been married to Marguerite Morrison Barker for 38 years and has three children and six grandchildren. Additional information is available by calling the MSU Police Department at 783-2035.

## Tax assistance

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

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

No appointment is necessary. Taxpayers will be assisted on a first come, first-served basis, and no returns will be accepted for preparation after 5:30 p.m. VITA will not be available on Feb. 19 (alternate date is Feb. 21) and March 18 (Spring Break).

It will be necessary for taxpayers to bring with them documentation for any and all that apply: W-2(s); 1099(s); A copy of last year's return; Statements of other income; Information for deductions; Social Security numbers for you, your spouse, and/or dependents; Proof of identification for yourself and/or spouse;

Proof of account for direct deposit of refund (voided check); Proof of tuition paid during 2007 for yourself, spouse, and/or dependents; Cost of books for 2007; Amount of scholarships and/or grants awarded in 2007. For proof of tuition and scholarships/grants, you should bring a copy of your account for the calendar year of 2007. This can be printed from MSU account Web page.

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

## Black History Month events slated

In celebration of Black History Month, a variety of activities will be presented to the campus and community. MSU's Office of Multicultural Student Services will coordinate several free activities to mark the annual observance.

On Feb. 4, MSU's Film Studies Program will sponsor "Milestones in African American Education: The Clinton 12." This event will begin at 8 p.m. at Chakeres University Cinema. Director Keith McDaniel will make a presentation during the film.

Co-sponsors of that event include the: College of Education, Caudill College of Humanities, MSU Arts and Humanities Council, MSU Multicultural Student Services, Department of Geography, Government and History; Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy; Department of Communication and Theatre; and Morehead State Public Radio.

Retired MSU history professor Dr. Don Flatt will make a presentation concerning the impact of African-Americans on MSU's campus on Feb. 5 from 6-7 p.m. in room 312 of ADUC. Dr. Flatt will reference research included in his monograph "Winning Through to Fame and Glory: African Americans and MSU."

Free copies of the monograph will be available. In addition to the presentation, Dr. Flatt will participate in a question and answer session and be available to sign copies of the monograph.

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

## Be an 'Iron Eagle'

MSU's Wellness Center is sponsoring two new programs beginning in February that are designed to promote fitness and well-being.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Affrilachian author and MSU Visiting Professor Crystal Wilkinson will participate in a book discussion on Feb. 12 at 7 p.m. on the fifth floor of the Camden-Carroll Library.

Wilkinson will lead a dialogue on her book "Water Street" which was nominated for the Orange Prize and the Hurston/Wright Legacy award. In it, Wilkinson examines the lives of fictional characters who live in a small town in Kentucky. This event is co-hosted by the library, where copies are available.

The MSS office will sponsor a health fair on the second floor of ADUC from 11 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 14.

This event is free of charge and will provide students with information related to fitness and health. Several MSU units will participate in this event.

On Feb. 17, the Jimtown Baptist Choir, the Edwards Sisters and the Jimtown Male Chorus will participate in "Gospel Extravaganza."

There are many other events planned in observance of Black History Month. Additional information is available on MSU's Web site at [www.moreheadstate.edu/news/](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/news/)

## CRE grants

MSU's Center for Regional Engagement has announced the Regional Engagement Grant recipients for 2008.

The purpose of the grants are to promote research and applied research activities within the academic community that will help benefit MSU's service region and further the Center for Regional Engagement's mission.

The recipients for 2008 are:

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

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

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

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

Dr. Kevin Jones "Super Saturday";

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

Elizabeth McLaren "Supporting Teachers, Strengthening Families";

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

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

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

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

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

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

## People in the News

Dr. Ignacio Birriel, associate professor of physics, has been named an Outstanding Alumnus at Lebanon Valley High School in Lebanon, Pa. He was honored for his accomplishments since graduation, and is the second recipient of the award, given by the school board.

Ashley Suttler, assistant professor of dance, performed in the Cool New York 2008 DANCE Festival on Jan. 25. Suttler performed the solo work "359 degrees," which she also choreographed, at the John Ryan Theater in Brooklyn, N.Y.

## MSPR board

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

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

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

Dr. Humkey is the medical director of St. Claire Regional Medical Center's Family Medicine Clinics.

Dr. Moore is a primary care physician at St. Claire Family Medical Clinic in Olive Hill.

Shaffer is the executive editor of the Greenup County News-Times.

MSPR's Community Advisory Board utilizes the expertise of listeners to assist the general manager in the review of network goals, programming and policies.

The CAB provides assistance to MSPR to build the listening audience, provide a better community service, expand the operational base support and offer training opportunities for students.

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

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

## Guest speaker

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

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

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

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

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

Additional information: 783-5288.

## Job vacancies

### INTERNAL

**Administrative Assistant to the Vice President of Student Life**, Office of Student Life. To ensure consideration, apply by March 1.

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**Chief of Police**, University Police. Review of applications began Jan. 19 and will continue until the position is filled.

**Assistant or Associate Professors of Science Education and Physical Science or Earth/Space Science (Tenure Track, Two Positions)**, Department of Physical Sciences beginning Aug. 7. Review of applications began Jan. 30 and will continue until positions are filled.

**Senior Accountant**, Office of Accounting and Budgetary Control. To ensure consideration, apply by Feb. 4.

**Elmer & Donna Smith Endowed Faculty Chair**, College of Business and Department of Information Systems beginning August 2008. Review of applications will begin March 1 and will continue until the position is filled.

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**Distance Instruction Librarian I or II**, Camden-Carroll Library. To ensure consideration, apply by April 11.

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A keyboarding exercise is required for secretarial, clerk/typist and dispatcher positions and must be completed prior to the position closing date. To register for this keyboarding exercise, contact the OHR at 783-2097. Morehead State University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action educator and employer with a strong commitment to community engagement.

## UB instructors

The Upward Bound programs at MSU are seeking applications for instructors to teach in the summer component, June 2 – July 3.

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

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

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

## Happenings

### Thursday, Jan. 31

Art exhibit: "Self-Evident: Contemporary Exploration of Self-Portraiture," main gallery, Claypool-Young Art Building, exhibit runs through Feb. 20.

### Saturday, Feb. 2

Rifle: Eagles vs. Jacksonville State University, Button Rifle Range, 8 a.m.

MSU Open House, for prospective students, Adron Doran University Center, 9 a.m.

Basketball: Eagles vs. Kentucky Christian University, Academic-Athletic Center, 7 p.m.,

### Sunday, Feb. 3

Rifle: Eagles vs. Rose-Hulman, Button Rifle Range, 8 a.m.

Morehead State Public Radio Community Advisory Board quarterly meeting, MSPR studios, Breckinridge Hall, 3 p.m.

### Monday, Feb. 4

Film screening: "Milestones in African-American Education: The Clinton 12," Chakeres University Cinema, Main Street, Morehead, 8 p.m.

### Tuesday, Feb. 5

Guest presentation: "Winning Through to Fame and Glory: African Americans and MSU," by Dr. Don Flatt, retired history professor, 312 ADUC, 6 p.m.

### Wednesday, Feb. 6

Guest lecture: "The Paradox of Pornography: Sex/Intimacy/Communication," by Dr. Robert Jensen, University of Texas at Austin, 2 BR, 4:30 p.m.

### Thursday, Feb. 7

Basketball: Lady Eagles vs. Southeast Missouri State University, AAC, 5:15 p.m.

Basketball: Eagles vs. SEMO, AAC, 7:30 p.m.

### Saturday, Feb. 9

Basketball: Lady Eagles vs. Murray State University, AAC, 2 p.m.

Basketball: Eagles vs. Murray, AAC, 4:15 p.m.

Rifle: Ohio Valley Conference championships, Button Rifle Range, 8 a.m., also Feb. 10.

## Film screening

MSU's Film Committee will present a screening of the film "Milestones in African-American Education: The Clinton 12" on Monday, Feb. 4, at 8 p.m. at Chakeres University Cinema on Main Street. Additional information is available by calling Dr. Bruce Engle, instructor of English, at 783-2324.

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# Update

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## Folk art center grand reopening slated for Friday

Morehead State University's Kentucky Folk Art Center will have its grand reopening celebration on Friday, Feb. 8, from 6-8 p.m.

It will be the public's first opportunity to view the Center's newly redesigned exhibition of folk art from Kentucky.

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

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

"This project has been as exciting as anything we have undertaken in my five years at KFAC," said Matt Collinsworth, KFAC director. "It's been a decade since we made major changes to the Permanent Exhibition. Our staff pulled together and did a fantastic job. And, we had the support of our Friends and Morehead State. The new exhibition is wonderful."

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

The Kentucky Folk Art Center is located at 102 W. First St. in Morehead.

Additional information is available by calling 783-2204.

## Study abroad

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

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

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

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

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

Additional information is available by calling the Office of International Education at 783-2096; or e-mailing Dr. Faulkner at s.faulkner@moreheadstate.edu.

## Dr. Faulkner is interim director

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## Service awards

Several MSU employees were honored recently for attaining milestones in their years of service with the University.

MSU President Wayne D. Andrews congratulated each employee as he presented them with a service pin symbolic of the achievement.

Among those participating in the ceremony, and their years of service, were: Tonya Ashby, 5; Ricky Joe Williams, 20; Julia Hypes, 5; Matt Blanton, 5; and Joyce Meredith, 40.

Sharon Williams, 15; Kathy Cox, 20; Michael Hypes, 5; Joann Conley, 15; Sharri Jones, 10; Janet Gross, 25; and Jonell Tobin, 20.

Kenneth Fouch, 15; Jenny Duncan, 20; David Smith, 5; Andrea Cornett, 25; Jami Hornbuckle, 10; and Tom Kmetz, 10.

## SOAR dates set

MSU will host five Student Orientation, Advising and Registration (SOAR) programs in preparation for the 2008 Fall Semester for new first year and transfer students.

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

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

## Hornbuckle promoted to assistant VP

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

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

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

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

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

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

Additional information is available by calling 783-2372.

## Instructor dies

Hollis D. (Wayne) Isham, 50, a nine-year member of the military science faculty at Morehead State University, was found dead Jan. 30 at his Lexington home.

Isham continued to teach ROTC cadets at MSU after retiring from the Army. He was employed by COMTek, a contractor which supplies senior instructors to college ROTC programs. A native of Harrodsburg and an MSU alumnus, Isham is survived by his parents, Clarence and Barbara Isham.

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

A memorial service was held Feb. 6 on campus.

## Film festival

MSU's Film Committee will present its Student Academy Award Winners Film Festival on Monday, March 3, 8 p.m. at Chakares University Cinema on Main Street. The event is a collection of recognized cinema work by students - in a variety of genres and forms.

The Caudill College of Humanities, MSU Arts and Humanities Council, Department of Art and Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy are sponsoring the event, which is free and open to the public. Additional information is available by calling Dr. Bruce Engle, instructor of English, at 783-2324.

## Americana 'Live' Job vacancies

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

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

Jill Hamlin and Mountain Delivery, a Morehead-based group, has a lot of MSU flavor. Hamlin, of Owingsville, is featured on vocals and guitar.

Other members include: Dr. Marshall Chapman, professor of geology, featured on banjo and vocals; Jose Oreta, of Ashland, upright bass; Adam Chaffins, of Lousia, guitar and vocals; and Cody Brooks, of Nashville, Tenn., dobro.

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

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

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

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

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

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

"Americana Crossroads Live" is supported by Toyota Motor Manufacturing of Kentucky, Morehead Conference Center, Morehead Tourism Commission and EAT Gallery. Community partners include the Kentucky Folk Art Center, MSU's Caudill College of Humanities, Arts and Humanities Council, Office of Communications and Marketing, Root-A-Baker's, and Papa John's. The series is now heard on 38 radio stations across the United States, Canada and in the Philippines.

Concessions and door prizes will be available. Admission is \$5 per person, or \$20 for a Family Pack of five. Children, 12 and under, are admitted free.

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

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**Search Extended. Heating and Water Plant Trainee or Operator I, II, or III**, Facilities Management. To ensure consideration, apply by Feb. 12.

**Building Services Technician**, Office of Facilities Management. This is to establish a pool of applicants from which to select for future vacancies. To ensure consideration, apply by Feb. 15; however position will be open until Dec. 31.

**Elmer & Donna Smith Endowed Faculty Chair**, College of Business and Department of Information Systems beginning August 2008. Review of applications will begin March 1 and will continue until the position is filled.

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## Workshop held

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

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

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

## Happenings

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### Tuesday, Feb. 12

Book discussion on "Water Street" by Crystal Wilkinson, author and visiting professor, fifth floor, Camden-Carroll Library, 7 p.m.

### Thursday, Feb. 14

50th Annual Concert Band Clinic, for high school students, Baird Music Hall, through Feb. 17.

Health Fair, second floor, Adron Doran University Center, 11 a.m.

## Symposium set

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

The cost of the event is \$25, which includes all workshops and meals. All women are invited to this event presented by MSU's East Kentucky Small Business Development Center. Participants will choose from two workshops: "Acupoints for Health and Wellness and Self-Protection" presented by Toufic Saad, acupressure therapist; or "Identity Theft: Fighting Back" presented by Steve Spahn, U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation special agent.

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

Registration, breakfast and exhibitor networking will run from 8-9 a.m.

Additional information and registration is available by calling the East Kentucky SBDC at (606) 788-6022 or (606) 432-5848.

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## Students to attend rally

MSU students will join other collegians in voicing their continuing concerns about higher education and its escalating costs at a rally in Frankfort on Wednesday, Feb. 20.

Buses will load at 7:45 a.m. in the Cartmell Hall/Laughlin Health Building parking lot on campus on the morning of the annual rally, according to Brian N. Gay, Cincinnati graduate student and president of MSU's Student Government Association. The main rally will begin at 1:30 p.m. in the rotunda of the Capitol building.

"Every year college students gather in Frankfort for the rally. But this year, students have more at stake than ever before," said Gay. "I believe MSU students have traditionally had the strongest presence at the rally because many of our students are putting themselves through school. We know that a tuition increase today means going without something else tomorrow."

Students who attend the rally will be given the opportunity to meet with legislators who influence tuition rates and other issues. There is no charge to ride the bus, and all participating MSU students will be provided with a free lunch. However, reservations are necessary for all those planning to attend to guarantee food and seat availability.

Registration is available online at [www.moreheadstate.edu/sga](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/sga). Participants will be given a letter confirming their attendance at the conclusion of the rally.

Another opportunity for students to impact legislators' actions will be held on campus on Tuesdays, Feb. 12 and 18 - "Listen Up Legislators." Coordinated by SGA, students may send an e-mail or make a phone call to their individual government representatives from the second floor of the Adron Doran University Center. SGA members will be on hand to assist students with speaking points and other tools.

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

## Juried art show

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

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

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

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

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

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

The gallery in Claypool-Young features contemporary art for the MSU community as well as the University's service region of East Kentucky. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. or by appointment.

## MSU will cut two sports programs

MSU Director of Intercollegiate Athletics Brian Hutchinson today (Feb. 8) announced that, beginning with the 2008-09 school year, Morehead State will sponsor 16 intercollegiate sports, down from 18 currently.

Women's golf, already led by Head Coach Stephanie Barker, will field its first competitive team since 1984.

The men's and women's rifle programs will be consolidated into a mixed team and the institution will no longer sponsor men's and women's indoor track and field. Outdoor track and field will remain.

It is the first realignment of intercollegiate sports at MSU since women's soccer was added in 1998. Hutchinson also announced that MSU will add NCAA women's bowling and equestrian programs within the next 4-6 years.

## Teaching abroad

A Morehead State University nursing professor will spend the rest of 2008 teaching in Africa.

Dr. Janet Gross, professor of nursing, arrived in Ghana last week where she will be a visiting professor in the Department of Nursing at the University of Cape Coast in Ghana.

Dr. Gross is working there as a result of a agreement between MSU and UCC that provides opportunities for faculty and students to participate in exchanges that enrich academic and professional careers.

Located on the Gulf of Guinea, UCC shares similarities with MSU. It was first established in 1962 as a teacher's college.

The current student enrollment of approximately 14,000 has expanded academic offerings in disciplines such as agriculture, business, physical science, biological sciences, music and social sciences.

In addition to serving as a visiting professor, Dr. Gross will be offering a study abroad course in Ghana during June 2008 through the Cooperative Center for Study Abroad. The application deadline for this program is Feb. 29.

Dr. Gross earned her D.S.N. degree from the University of Alabama at Birmingham. She received a master's degree in nursing from the University of Kentucky and a bachelor's degree, also in nursing, from Niagara University in New York.

She has served on MSU's faculty since 1983 in various academic and administrative roles, including as coordinator of the associate's and baccalaureate degree nursing programs, and interim chair of the Department of Nursing.

She most recently was the interim director of the Office of International Education.

Dr. Gross is currently teaching NURS 345 (Global Health) online, and is scheduled to teach for the Summer I term before officially retiring June 30. She will return to the MSU campus in January 2009 in the re-employment program for retired faculty.

Additional information about the University of Cape Coast is available at <http://ucc.edu.gh/>.

Faculty and students interested in learning more about exchange opportunities or studying abroad in Ghana may contact the Office of International Education at 783-2096.

## People in the News

Dr. Jennifer Birriel, associate professor of physics, has been awarded funds from the Theodore Dunham Jr. Grant for Research in Astronomy from the Fund for Astrophysical Research Inc. (FAR). The nearly \$1,700 grant will be used to purchase astronomical equipment to be used with existing MSU telescopes to perform spectroscopic and photometric monitoring of variable stars.

"This realignment is the culmination of a well-considered, thoughtful process that began nearly two years ago," Hutchinson stated. "We were aided by Alden and Associates, a consulting firm which studied our Title IX compliance measures."

He continued:

"Ultimately, we have to consider how many sports we can sponsor with adequate financial resources, how we manage them within the context of Title IX compliance, and how can we offer the best experience possible for our student-athletes. We feel these steps lead us in that direction."

Hutchinson added that the plan was endorsed by MSU's Intercollegiate Athletics Committee and approved by President Wayne D. Andrews.

"This new direction for our athletics program comes at an opportune time when we are engaged in a careful review of all aspects of the institutional budget," said President Andrews. "Refocusing resources for improved efficiency and effectiveness in any program is a positive step. In athletics, as well as academics, we want to be best we can afford to be."

Additional information is available by calling Hutchinson at 783-2089.

## Guest artist

MSU's Department of Music will host guest artist Diana Amos, soprano, in a recital on Thursday evening, Feb. 21 at 8 p.m. in Duncan Recital Hall in the Baird Music Building.

The event is being sponsored by MSU's chapter of the Student National Association of Teachers of Singing.

Amos has sung leading roles in more than 25 German opera houses. Career highlights include the roles of Queen of the Night in Mozart's "The Magic Flute" at the Berlin State Opera, Olympia in "The Tales of Hoffmann" at the Semper Opera in Dresden and at the Cologne Opera, and Zerbinetta in "Ariadne auf Naxos" in Hannover.

Amos received a Bachelor of Music degree in voice from the Oberlin Conservatory of Music in Ohio, as well as a vocal performance diploma from the Hochschule für Musik in Cologne, Germany.

After joining the German Bielefeld Theater as a soloist, she was presented with the North Rhine Westphalia Young Artists Award in Düsseldorf. She has sung the role of Zemire in Gretry's "Zemire and Azor" at the Houston Grand Opera and was the soprano soloist in Brahms' "German Requiem" with the South Carolina Philharmonic.

Amos currently resides with her children in Grayson. She is married to Julien Salemkour, a conductor at the Berlin State Opera and assistant to pianist/conductor Daniel Barenboim.

Both of Amos' parents are MSU graduates.

The concert is free and open to the public. It will feature songs by Schubert, Mahler and Gershwin, and operatic arias by Mozart.

Additional information: 783-2481.

A film by Jeffrey Hill, assistant professor of mass communication, will have its premiere on the Kentucky Educational Television's cultural program Kentucky Life. The MSU's Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy (IRAPP) funded film, "Seed To Stalk: A Sorghum Tradition," will debut on Saturday, Feb. 16 at 8 p.m. Subsequent air dates can be found at [www.ket.org/kentuckylife/](http://www.ket.org/kentuckylife/).

## MSPR programs Job vacancies

During February, which is designated Black History Month, Morehead State Public Radio will offer several special programs that will help educate about black history and heritage.

Among the special offerings are:

Thursday, Feb. 14, "Autobiography of a Hero: The Story of Dorrie Miller," 10 a.m. In this autobiography producer and host donnie I. betts uses radio drama to share the remarkable story of a remarkable sailor. Miller joined the Navy in 1939 with dreams of becoming a gunner. Miller was the first African American to be awarded the Navy Cross, the Navy's second highest honor.

Monday, Feb. 18, "The Undiscovered Explorer: Imagining York," 10 a.m. Exploring the making of an American myth, the hour-long audio documentary, narrated by Danny Glover, is a production of Oregon Public Broadcasting. Through a rich weave of music, interviews, performance and dramatic readings, this program tells the story of York, William Clark's slave and the only African American member of the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

Thursday, Feb. 21, "Swingtime," 10 a.m. During the 1930s and 1940s, many black schools in the U.S. fielded traveling swing bands to keep their doors open during the Depression. Narrator Tonea Stewart profiles three of the era's most famous bands in "Swingtime," an hour-long showcase of the Bama State Collegians, the Prairie View Cougars and the International Sweethearts of Rhythm.

Monday, Feb. 25, "The Last Letter Home," 10 a.m. The show is a poignant retelling in radio drama and interview of the experience during World War II of the 332nd fighter group, also known as the Tuskegee Airmen. Producer and host donnie I. betts recreates this powerful tale through the fictionalized writing of a fighter pilot, who in a letter to his mother, describes how he hopes to drop "Mein Kampf" on Hitler's office in Berlin as the U.S. bombs the city. The show also features an interview with retired Lt. Col. John Mosley, a real member of the Tuskegee Airmen, as well as period music by the award-winning composer Joe Bonner.

Thursday, Feb. 28, "Memories of the Movement," 10 a.m. The years of the Civil Rights Movement are counted among the most volatile yet vibrant times in American history. The people and events that shaped this period range from charismatic preachers and actors to students and domestic workers. Introduced and narrated by Tavis Smiley, this powerful special features the poignant, humorous, unheard, or little known stories and anecdotes from living civil rights icons like actors Harry Belafonte and Ruby Dee, preachers like Rev. Jesse Jackson and Rev. Amos Brown, editor emeritus of "Ebony" magazine Lerone Bennett Jr., folk singer Odetta, Asian activist Yuri Kochiyama and a host of others.

Additional information: 783-2001.

### INTERNAL

**Administrative Assistant to the Vice President of Student Life**, Office of Student Life. To ensure consideration, apply by March 1.

### EXTERNAL

**Chief of Police**, University Police. Review of applications began on Jan. 19 and will continue until the position is filled.

**Assistant or Associate Professors of Science Education and Physical Science or Earth/Space Science (Tenure Track, Two Positions)**, Department of Physical Sciences beginning Aug. 7. Review of applications began on Jan. 30 and will continue until positions are filled.

**Building Services Technician**, Office of Facilities Management. This is to establish a pool of applicants from which to select for future vacancies. To ensure consideration, apply by Feb. 15; however position will be open until Dec. 31.

**Elmer & Donna Smith Endowed Faculty Chair**, College of Business and Department of Information Systems beginning August 2008. Review of applications will begin March 1 and will continue until the position is filled.

**Search Extended. Clinical Director**, University Counseling Center. Review of new applications will begin March 1 and will continue until the position is filled.

**Distance Instruction Librarian I or II**, Camden-Carroll Library. To ensure consideration, apply by April 11.

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A keyboarding exercise is required for secretarial, clerk/typist and dispatcher positions and must be completed prior to the position closing date. To register for this keyboarding exercise, contact the OHR at 783-2097.

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## Sizzlin' Night

A late-evening extravaganza of food and fun will be held at Morehead State University on Wednesday, Feb. 13.

Dubbed "Sizzlin' Night," the event will be hosted by the Student Activities Council (SAC). It will feature various games, prize giveaways and other activities from 10 p.m. until midnight, all in the Laughlin Health Building.

"Sizzlin' Night" is free and open to MSU students, faculty and staff. Co-sponsors are the: Office of Minority Retention Services; McClure Pool office; Wellness Center and Intramurals office.

Additional information is available by calling Terri L. Roberts, student activities coordinator, at 783-2863.

## Happenings

### Thursday, Feb. 14

Art exhibit: "Self-Evident: Contemporary Exploration of Self-Portraiture," main gallery, Claypool-Young Art Building; closing reception, Feb. 20, 6-8 p.m.

50th Annual Concert Band Clinic, Baird Music Hall, through Feb. 17.

Health Fair, second floor, Adron Doran University Center, 11 a.m.

### Sunday, Feb. 17

Concert: "Gospel Extravaganza," featuring the Jimtown Baptist Choir, the Edwards Sisters and the Jimtown Male Chorus, First Baptist Church, 123 E. Main St., Morehead, 3 p.m.

### Wednesday, Feb. 18

"Sounds of Our Heritage," Women in Traditional Music, four events, Kentucky Center for Traditional Music, Kentucky Folk Art Center, Morehead Conference Center, various times.

### Tuesday, Feb. 19

9th Annual Big Sandy Women's Business Symposium: "Women—The New Majority," Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, 8 a.m.

Performance of Elizabeth Orndoff's "The Bathroom Cleaner" by Regina Lang, 419 Reed Hall, 7 p.m.

### Thursday, Feb. 21

Board of Regents work session, Riggle Room, ADUC, 9 a.m.

Film screening: "Imitation of Life," first floor lobby, ADUC, 7 p.m.

Guest recital: Diana Amos, soprano, Duncan Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

### Friday, Feb. 22

Junior recital: Lydia Stamm, percussion, DRH, 8 p.m.

### Saturday, Feb. 23

Basketball: Lady Eagles vs. Tennessee Tech University, Academic-Athletic Center, 2 p.m.

### Tuesday, Feb. 26

"Meet MSU Day," Student Lounge-Administration Building, Southeast Kentucky Community and Technical College (Whitesburg Campus), 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.; also Feb. 27, Oswald Building, Bluegrass Community and Technical College, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

"Tunnel of Oppression," awareness experience, ADUC, 10 a.m., also Feb. 27.

Film screening and discussion of "Living the Story, the Civil Rights Movement in Kentucky," 202 Breckinridge Hall, 6 p.m.

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## Geosciences alumni, faculty to hold reunion

A big part of the collegiate experience is developing and maintaining friendships and professional relationships with classmates and professors in one's chosen field.

With that in mind, former Morehead State University geosciences students and faculty members are invited to return to the area for the second Geology Program Reunion.

The event will reunite geology, earth science and environmental science alumni from past decades to catch up with each other and to tour points of interest in the region. It will be held Friday through Sunday, June 6-8, at Carter Caves State Resort Park in Olive Hill, and on the MSU campus.

Activities get underway at 4 p.m. on June 6 with registration. Social gatherings are planned during the evening for students of the 1960s, 70s, 80s, 90s and more recent alumni.

The main reunion begins Saturday with a morning field trip to see selected depositional settings and fossil localities in Rowan, Morgan and Bath counties.

For the second leg of the trip, participants will view black shales and evidence of late Devonian glaciation in the Morehead area. The trip will originate at Lappin Hall on campus, and transportation will be provided.

After the trip and tours, a "Cook-In" will be held, beginning at 6 p.m., at Cascade Cave. On Sunday, June 8, there will be a send-off with breakfast in the front lobby of Lappin Hall.

Prior to the reunion, alumni are invited to submit, by April 1, old pictures, movies or videos to include in a presentation to be shown during the event. All materials will be returned as soon as possible, and the program will be loaded onto a DVD, copies of which will be available for purchase. Registration is necessary, by April 15, to attend the reunion.

Information and registration details are available by contacting Charles Mason, professor of geoscience, at 783-2166.

Alumni and other interested persons are invited to visit [www.moreheadstate.edu/ess](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/ess) for updates on the reunion.

## KMEA award

Frank Oddis, associate professor of music and coordinator of MSU's percussion program, was presented with the Kentucky Music Educators Association University Teacher of the Year award at the group's conference this month in Louisville. The award was again presented to him at the 50th Annual Band Clinic Feb. 16 on campus.

On the MSU faculty since 1977, Oddis holds a master's degree in music performance from East Carolina University and a Bachelor of Music Education degree from MSU. He was honored in 2004 with the MSU Distinguished Creative Productions Award for his achievements and his contributions to the world of percussion.

Oddis' arrangements and compositions for percussion have been performed by university and high school percussion ensembles in the United States and abroad. On campus, Oddis has performed with the MSU Faculty Jazz Quartet, has worked as a freelance percussionist and drummer for many jazz artists and national touring companies. Oddis has presented educational workshops and has served as an adjudicator for many organizations.

## Relay for Life fundraisers set

As a partner in the fight against cancer, MSU's Relay For Life team has several fundraisers planned for the spring semester.

The campus community is encouraged to participate in as many as possible to help raise money for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life.

The team recently sold Valentine's Day treats and has a "messiest desk/office contest" in progress on campus. The team accepted nominations for the messiest desk or office "award." Pictures of the nominated workstation will be posted online and anyone may vote for their favorite through Friday, Feb. 29.

Votes are 25 cents each and may be cast at room 305 of the Howell-McDowell Administration Building, or at 100 Ginger Hall. The winner will receive a small trophy.

Just in time for the Easter holiday and spring, the team will host its annual online auction beginning Tuesday March 4, and ending Wednesday, March 12 at 3:30 p.m. The auction will feature baked goods and other treats, and when it opens, may be accessed at [www.moreheadstate.edu/relay](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/relay).

Coming up on Saturday, March 8, the Relay team will sponsor a talent show to be held at 7 p.m. in Button Auditorium. Participant registration is \$15 and the deadline to enter is Wednesday, March 5.

Prizes are \$100 for first place, \$75 for second and \$50 for third. Admission to the show will be \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children under the age of 8.

Other events planned include the "Shoot for the Moon Contest" where colleges will compete to sell moon and sun cutouts with which to remember cancer patients. A cookout will be held in mid-April and a yard sale is slated for Saturday, May 3. All proceeds will benefit Relay For Life.

The Relay For Life, scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. on Saturday, June 14, will be held at McBrayer Elementary school in Morehead.

It is an overnight, fun-filled event that celebrates cancer survivors and raises funds for research and programs of the American Cancer Society. Teams of participants take turns walking or running laps, keeping at least one team member on the track at all times.

Additional information and details about registering for the talent show are available by sending an electronic message to team members Sharon Reynolds, administrative assistant for the vice president for administration and fiscal services ([sb.reynolds@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:sb.reynolds@moreheadstate.edu)), or Kristie Williams, education program assistant, ([k.williams@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:k.williams@moreheadstate.edu)); or by calling Reynolds at 776-0127.

## Theatre nights

"A Comedy of Errors," will be staged at MSU Thursday through Saturday, Feb. 28-March 1, at Button Auditorium, at 7:30 p.m. each night.

Admission is \$8 for adults and \$4 for non-MSU students and senior citizens. MSU students will be admitted free with a valid EagleCard ID.

## People in the News

Dr. Roma Prindle, associate professor of music, will lead a 14-student ensemble in an "Opera Gala" on Friday, Feb. 29, at the Richland Academy of the Arts in Mansfield, Ohio. The performance will include scenes from "The Magic Flute," "Carmen" and "The Telephone," among other operas.

Dr. Paul Taylor, associate professor of music, was a finalist in this year's "Tak'n' Care

## KCTM co-hosts performance by Irish songwriter

MSU's Kentucky Center for Traditional Music and Morehead Sister Cities Inc. will present singer, songwriter and social activist Tommy Sands with Moya and Fionán Sands on Saturday, March 1.

The event will be held in Duncan Recital Hall, within Baird Music Hall, on the MSU campus. The show is free and open to the public.

From the pioneering days with the highly influential Sands Family, bringing Irish Music from New York's Carnegie Hall to Moscow's Olympic Stadium, he has developed into one of the most powerful songwriters and enchanting solo performers in Ireland today.

His songwriting, which draws the admiration of Nobel Poet Laureate Seamus Heaney and father of folk music Pete Seeger, prompts respected US magazine "Sing Out" to regard him as "the most powerful songwriter in Ireland, if not the rest of the world."

His songs, like There were Roses, and Daughters and Sons, which have been recorded by Joan Baez, Kathy Mattea, Dolores Keane, Sean Keane, Frank Patterson and Dick Gaughan.

Additional information is available by calling KCTM at 783-9001.

## Two retirees die

Two MSU retirees recently died - Mary C. Arnett and Gaye Osborne.

Arnett, 83, died Feb. 19 in Springfield, Ohio. She was a retired assistant library at MSU's Camden-Carroll Library, where she worked from 1969 until 1990. She also was a former elementary teacher and school librarian in Fleming County.

A native of Mt. Vernon, Arnett was born Aug. 12, 1924. She held bachelor's and master's degrees from MSU. She was the widow of Sherman Arnett.

She is survived by a daughter, Brenda Carol Engle of Springfield, Ohio, and two sons, Gerald Arnett of Clearfield and Dr. Larry Arnett of Morehead.

Funeral services were held Feb. 23 in Morehead, with burial at Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens.

Osborne, of Morehead, died Feb. 21 in Houston, where she had been undergoing medical treatment.

Osborne, 70, was a native of Bypro. She was a member of MSU's physical education and health faculty from 1965 until her retirement in 1992 at the rank of assistant professor. Previously, she taught at the elementary level in Wheelwright, and in high school in Spiceland, Ind.

She is survived by her husband, James W. Osborne, and a daughter, Jama Rose of Cynthiana.

Funeral services were held Feb. 26 in Morehead, with burial at Lee Cemetery.

of Business" program established by the Maysville-Mason county Chamber of Commerce. He and four other teachers from the area were nominated in the educator category for their dedication to teaching. He also was chosen as the guest artist for the Federated Association of Music Teachers Spring meeting, performing solo piano works of Beethoven, Faure and Ravel for Kentucky music teachers.

## Youth project

MSU's Dr. Kimberly M. Peterson, assistant professor of veterinary technology, and Dr. Martha M. Decker, assistant professor of education, recently learned that their proposal, titled "Another Chance at Life and Learning: Morehead Youth Development Center Greyhound Project," was funded through the University's Center for Regional Engagement (CRE).

Primary project goals include introducing youth in the juvenile justice system to occupational training through observation and participation in various animal careers and promoting proficiency of veterinary technology students by providing wellness and dental care to retired racing dogs.

The grant was one of 13 funded by CRE. Project descriptions are available at: <http://www.moreheadstate.edu/engagement/index.aspx?id=20048>.

As part of the project, students in Dr. Peterson's VET 356 (Veterinary Technology – Small Animal Clinics) class had the opportunity on Tuesday, Jan. 22 to conduct a wellness check and clean the teeth of Reuben, a greyhound owned by the Louisville chapter of Greyhound Pets of America.

Reuben, along with three other greyhounds, is enrolled in a 12-week training program at the Morehead Youth Development Center where primary and secondary handlers will teach the dogs basic commands and to enjoy being pets rather than working dogs.

Reuben was accompanied to the clinic by student handlers and Center staff.

Each of the greyhounds will get two complete physicals and any health issues will be addressed as part of the program.

The vet tech students will gain valuable experience and the handlers will have the assurance that the dogs they are socializing for new homes are healthy.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Peterson at 783-2327 or Dr. Decker at 783-2507.

## FitEagle 5K

Thinking about running in MSU's Wellness Center FitEagle 5K?

The center will offer a four-week beginner training program to get you ready for the run.

The class will be held at 5:30 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays, March 24-April 18. The first session will meet in the WC classroom, after that at designated courses on campus.

The center has announced its hours of operation for Spring Break. The Wellness Center will be open from 2-5 p.m. Sunday, March 16; open from 9-noon, Monday through Saturday, March 17-22.

The center will return to its regular hours of operation on Monday, March 24.

Additional information is available by calling the Wellness Center at 783-2083.

## Job vacancies

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## SGA elections

MSU's Student Government Election Commission has released the dates for the 2008 Executive Elections.

Students are encouraged on Thursday, March 6, to review the available executive positions and requirements in the Student Activities Office, 204 Adron Doran University Center.

All candidates will be required to attend a mandatory meeting on Thursday, March 13, at 5 p.m. in ADUC. All candidates or campaign managers must attend to be added to the final ballot. No campaigning is allowed until the completion of this meeting. All candidates will be briefed on election rules in accordance with the SGA bylaws.

On Tuesday, April 1, students will be able to vote for all of the candidates, narrowing the ballot to the two candidates with the most votes in each race.

The following positions will be elected during the 2008 Executive Election: president, executive vice president, vice president for administration, vice president for finance, vice president for public relations and vice president for campus involvement.

## Happenings

### Thursday, Feb. 28

Basketball: Lady Eagles and Eagles vs. Tennessee State University, Academic-Athletic Center, 5:15 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.  
Theatre production: "A Comedy of Errors" Button Auditorium, 7:30 p.m., also Feb. 29 and March 1.

### Friday, Feb. 29

Baseball: Eagles vs. University at Buffalo, Allen Field, 3 p.m.  
Emerging Leaders Symposium (ELS), for students, Adron Doran University Center, all day.

### Saturday, March 1

Kentucky Music Educators Association Instrumental Solo and Ensemble Festival, Baird Music Hall, all day.  
Baseball: Eagles vs. University at Buffalo, AF, doubleheader, noon, also March 2, noon.

### Sunday, March 2

Graduate recital: Matthew Leonard, voice, Duncan Recital Hall, 3 p.m.  
Senior recital: Adam Meyer, French horn, DRH, 5 p.m.

### Monday, March 3

Student Academy Award Winners Film Festival, Chakeres University Cinema, Main Street, Morehead, 8 p.m.

### Tuesday, March 4

Relay for Life online auction, through Wednesday, March 12, 3:30 p.m.  
"Meet MSU Day," Calvert Center, Maysville Community and Technical College, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.; also March 5, Community Room-Harold Rogers Student Commons, Somerset Community College, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

## Library prize

Want to win \$500, just for doing your homework?

Morehead State University's Camden-Carroll Library will reward the quality use of library resources in the scholarly writing process with the prize for Undergraduate Research. Deadline for students to enter is Friday, March 14.

The winner will be announced as a kickoff for National Library Week in mid-April. Complete details and application materials are available at [www.moreheadstate.edu/library/prize](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/library/prize).

The prize will be awarded at the annual MSU Academic Awards Convocation.

Additional information is available by calling Ray Bailey, librarian, at 783-5106.

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# Update

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## Outdoor alert system added

With a new semester underway, MSU has added another component to its emergency notification protocol.

An outdoor, audible alert system which utilizes electronic tones and public address speakers has been installed and tested. It includes high powered amplifiers atop Cartmell and Ginger halls and is designed primarily to alert pedestrians on campus sidewalks and streets.

"Like other campuses, we have constant foot traffic and those individuals outdoors deserve to be notified in the same timely fashion as others who are indoors," said MSU President Wayne D. Andrews. "This gives us yet another means of warning our academic community of impending danger in weather or safety emergencies."

He also reported that MSU has prepared and distributed an emergency procedures handbook for all employees. In addition, the same information is available on the Web and on posters displayed in each classroom, laboratory and office.

"We are constantly reviewing our emergency communications procedures to protect the safety of our students, faculty, staff and visitors," Dr. Andrews added. "Our text messaging system has been in place for nearly two years and we continue to encourage members of our community to sign up."

In addition to the new outdoor, audible system, MSU also utilizes a number of other media strategies to communicate with its campus community. Depending upon the nature of the emergency, any or all of the following methods may be used:

Cell phone text messaging with e-mail (e2Campus); Sign up is voluntary but strongly recommended.

Mass e-mail to students and employees;  
Campus-wide voicemail;  
Postings on University Web site and portals;

Radio, TV, and other media outlets, including Morehead State Public Radio;  
Campus cable television override announcements;

Digital information system displays; and  
Printed notices in residence halls and administrative and academic buildings.

Additional information on MSU's emergency procedures can be found on the MSU Web page at [www.moreheadstate.edu/emergency](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/emergency).

## Fund drive

Morehead State Public Radio will hold its Spring Fund Drive March 8-14. As part of the spring fundraiser, MSPR will have its annual CD sale on Tuesday, March 11 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the first floor lobby of the Adron Doran University Center on the MSU campus.

This is a critical fundraiser for MSPR as funding levels from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting have dropped more than \$25,000 from 2007 to 2008.

Morehead State Public Radio will ask listeners to support programming with their financial gifts during the fund drive. These gifts to MSPR help support its student work-study program and the purchase of new equipment and supplies.

Gifts to MSPR are tax-deductible and may be made using the secure Web site at [www.msradio.com](http://www.msradio.com), or by calling 783-2001 or (800) 286-9659. "MSPR: The Sound of Your Community" will be a major theme during the spring fundraiser.

## Dr. Banks is Founders Day honoree

Dr. Marshall D. Banks, the first African American to earn athletically-related aid and coach at MSU, will be honored by his Alma Mater at Founders Day as MSU celebrates its 121st birthday.

The 2008 Founders Day Award for University Service will be presented to the career educator during the annual Awards Luncheon on Tuesday, March 11. The ceremony begins at 11:30 a.m. in the Crager Room of the Adron Doran University Center.

MSU was among the first non-traditionally black mid-southern institutions to accept a black student as a recruited student-athlete. Dr. Banks filled that role in the fall of 1958. He is a member of MSU's alumni and athletic halls of fame and received an honorary doctoral degree.

A native of Ashland, Dr. Banks earned a bachelor's degree from MSU in 1962 and received his master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Established in 1978 by the Board of Regents, the Founders Day award is presented annually to recognize those who have given superior service to the University over the years. James H. Booth of Inez, MSU board chair, will make the presentation.

After teaching one year of high school, Dr. Banks returned to MSU to begin his college teaching career in 1965. He served as an instructor in the Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation and also was the head track and cross country coach.

Dr. Banks has an extensive background of more than 40 years of teaching, student advising, research and grant writing, curriculum development and community service in the areas of health, physical education, and recreation.

A full professor, he has been on faculty at Howard University since 1978 where he also served as department chair for 20 years.

He currently is president of the Langston 21st Century Foundation, a non-profit organization devoted to providing boys and girls with opportunities to raise their self-confidence as well as academic performance through sports activities.

Dr. Banks was project administrator for the National Youth Sports Program (NYSP) for 15 years and received funded grants totaling \$900,000 to provide an annual summer sports and enrichment program for 400 inner city youth throughout the Washington, D.C. area.

He also is a founding board member of "Team Focus," a national, non-profit organization, founded by a Morehead State University graduate Mike Gottfried. Team Focus is devoted to improving the lives of young men without fathers.

## High school art

The gallery in the Claypool-Young Art Building on the Morehead State University campus will be the site of the "Kentucky Burley/Coal Regional High School Exhibition and Competition," March 5-12.

A jury, comprised of art faculty and a member of the Kentucky Art Education Association, will present Best in Show awards for both two-dimensional and three-dimensional artwork as well as ribbons for first place in each art media category.

In conjunction with the exhibition, MSU's Department of Art will host its annual High School Art Day on Wednesday, March 12.

There will be activities and demonstrations throughout the day as well as a sculpture competition.

To make viewing the exhibition more convenient for high school students, friends and family, the gallery will be open special hours on Saturday, March 8 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Dr. Banks has an extensive publication record including more than 20 major journal publications and a book in the field of physical fitness and leisure studies.

At 4 p.m., Dr. Banks and special guests will lead a panel discussion.

Also during the luncheon program, new members will be inducted into the Society of MSU Fellows and new Visionaries will be honored. Dr. Clarendia Phillips and Carol Johnson will be recognized as Faculty/Staff Fundraisers of the Year. Andy Parker is the recipient of the 2008 Volunteer Fundraiser of the Year.

The day begins with the recognition of retired faculty and staff members, starting at 8:30 a.m., also in the Crager Room. President Wayne D. Andrews will offer congratulations to those retiring this year.

Deceased former faculty and staff members will be remembered at the memorial brick dedication beginning at 10:30 a.m. at the Little Bell Tower. The tolling of the bell will follow the reading of the names and years of service of the honorees.

Tickets for the luncheon, at \$10 per plate, must be ordered and purchased in advance. The deadline is Friday, March 7.

Founders Day activities will continue after lunch with a dedication of the Dr. David T. Magrane Molecular Biology Laboratory in Lappin Hall at 2 p.m. In the Laughlin Health Building, the Larry Wilson University Bowling Lanes will be dedicated at 4 p.m.

Visitors attending Founders Day events are encouraged to park at the Academic-Athletic Center where a shuttle bus will carry them across campus with stops at the Little Bell Tower and ADUC.

Additional information and tickets to the awards luncheon are available by calling the Office of Development at 783-2033 or (877) 690-4483.

## Geology talks

The impact of asteroids, comets and other celestial bodies on the Earth, moon and Mars will be the subject of two guest lectures by a Scottish geologist at Morehead State University this week.

Scott Neil David Thackrey will present "Bolid Impacts on Earth; past, present and future," at 6 p.m. on Thursday, March 6, in 419 Reed Hall. For the lecture, he will introduce his research on the study of bolidos (projectiles that form large craters) in a talk suitable for general audiences.

Thackrey will discuss processes, extinctions, likely frequency and other issues. The event is free and open to the public.

He also will give a more scientific or "technical" talk to faculty and students in the physical sciences at 3 p.m. on Friday, March 7 in 130 Lappin Hall. His Friday presentation is titled "Unravelling the secrets of impact craters and associated ejecta through geological analysis."

Thackrey is a doctoral student at the University of Aberdeen in Scotland. He is chairman of the Aberdeen Geological Alumni. For the past two summers, he has worked with Charles Mason, MSU professor of geoscience, and a group of his students in the Canadian High Arctic, studying the Houghton Impact Crater on Devon Island.

From March 10-14, Thackrey, Mason and three MSU students will attend the 39th Lunar and Planetary Science Conference in Houston.

Thackrey will present two papers on his research, including one in collaboration with Mason. The students and Mason will co-present two papers on their research.

## Trumpet event

Morehead State University's trumpet ensembles have been invited to compete in this year's Trumpet Ensemble Division at the National Trumpet Competition March 13-16 at George Mason University in Fairfax, Va.

This year, MSU assembled a second ensemble for the first time. Both groups submitted recordings to a preliminary committee for review and consideration in December.

"We are thrilled that so many more students will be involved in this national and prestigious competition. Just to be invited to compete is a wonderful honor. I couldn't be more proud," said Greg Wing, assistant professor of trumpet and director of both ensembles.

The National Trumpet Competition (NTC) was formed in 1992 and is the largest instrument competition in the world. NTC has provided performance and educational opportunities for nearly 3,000 students.

Last year, Wing was invited by the Executive Board of the National Trumpet Competition to become a member of its advisory board. Wing has chaired several adjudication panels and assisted with guest artists in workshops.

Additional information is available by calling Wing at 783-2401 or visiting the NTC Web site at [www.nationaltrumpetcomp.org](http://www.nationaltrumpetcomp.org)

## SGA funds

MSU faculty and staff who serve as advisers to student organizations are invited to view online funding applications from the Student Government Association.

Three types of funding request are available, with a \$500 maximum each: general funding grant; travel grant match; and event grant.

Student organizations who request funding will be required to describe the request in detail, including its own fundraising efforts toward the project, and to list and describe recent service projects the group has sponsored at MSU.

The link may be found at <http://www.moreheadstate.edu/files/units/sga/form/FUNDINGREQUEST.doc>

## Concert to air

Lorin Maazel and the New York Philharmonic performed in Pyongyang, Democratic People's Republic of Korea on Feb. 26.

The WFMT Radio Network has produced a two-hour concert that will air on Morehead State Public Radio on Friday, March 7 at 10 a.m.

The concert, which was the centerpiece of a 48-hour visit, took place at the East Pyongyang Grand Theatre. The concert program will include Gershwin's "An American in Paris," and Dvorák's "Symphony No. 9," From The New World.

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## Guest recital

Morehead State University's Department of Music will host guest artist Mark Snyder in a recital on Wednesday evening, March 12 at 8 p.m. in Duncan Recital Hall in Baird Music Hall.

The concert is free and open to the public. Snyder is a composer, performer and teacher living in Cleveland, Miss.

He has written for orchestra, choir, wind ensemble, various chamber combinations, multi-media, film, theatre and dance.

He has received commissions from The Monroe Foundation, The University of Mary Washington Music Department, The Ohio University Flute Choir, Scot Fitzsimmons, Greg Sigman, Blas Gonzalez and Lily Afshar.

His music has been performed throughout the U.S., in Argentina and Taiwan, and selected for festivals and conferences that include Electronic Music Midwest, National Flute Association;

West Virginia Festival of Trumpets, North American Saxophone Alliance, SCI, Ocean, Imagine and the Imagine 2 Electro-Acoustic Festival which Snyder founded and directed.

Snyder's work has been supported by generous grants from several organizations including the National Endowment for the Arts.

As a performer, he has recorded and toured the U.S. with with an eclectic list of ensembles: One Ring Zero, Dirtball, Easy Chair, Spike the Dog, Klezalachia, GB, J.D. Hutchinson and Billy Rhinehart.

He is an assistant professor of music production and technology at Delta State University.

Snyder earned his D.M.A. degree from the University of Memphis, an M.M. degree from Ohio University and a B.A. degree from Mary Washington College.

Additional information is available by calling the department of music at 783-2473.

## Happenings

### Thursday, March 6

Guest recital: Diana Amos, soprano, Duncan Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

### Friday, March 7

Softball: Eagles vs. Oakland University, softball field, doubleheader, 2 p.m., also March 8, 4 p.m.

Baseball: Eagles vs. Canisius College, Allen Field, 3 p.m., also March 8, 1 p.m. and 4 p.m., and March 9, noon.

### Saturday, March 8

Fourth Annual MSU String Day, Baird Music Hall, all day.

MSU Open House, for prospective students, Adron Doran University Center, 9 a.m.

Softball: Eagles vs. West Liberty State College, softball field, 10 a.m., also March 9, 2 p.m.

Tennis: Lady Eagles vs. University of the Cumberland, Sadler Courts, noon.

### Sunday, March 9

Softball: Eagles vs. University of Dayton, softball field, 4 p.m.

Spring concert: Trombone Choir and Trumpet Ensemble, DRH, 5 p.m.

### Monday, March 10

Art exhibit: "Kentucky Burley/Coal Regional High School Exhibition and Competition," main gallery, Claypool-Young Art Building, through March 12 (High School Art Day).

### Tuesday, March 11

Founders Day, including retiree breakfast, awards luncheon, dedication of biology lab and bowling lanes, presentation of service award, memorial brick dedication, more, on campus, all day.

Guest presentation: "Sexy or Sexist? Images of Women and Men in Popular Culture" by Dr. Gail Dines, Button Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Tennis: Eagles vs. Vincennes College and Georgetown College, Sadler Courts, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

12th Annual Opera Day, DRH, 9 a.m.

Baseball: Eagles vs. Cleveland State University, AF, 3 p.m., also March 12, 3 p.m.

Concert: Symphony Band and Percussion Ensemble Tour, DRH, 8 p.m.

### Wednesday, March 12

Kentucky Music Educators Association Large Group Vocal Ensemble Festival, Baird Music Hall, 8 a.m.

Guest recital: Mark Synder, electro acoustic, DRH, 8 p.m.

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# Update

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## MSU receives national service honor roll award

MSU has been named to the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for exemplary service efforts and service to disadvantaged youth by the Corporation for National and Community Service.

"The University proudly accepts this award in honor of all of our faculty, staff and students who are involved in community service. We have been practicing good citizenship for more than 120 years and will continue to do so," said MSU President Wayne D. Andrews.

Launched in 2006, the President's Honor Roll recognizes institutions of higher education that support innovative, effective, and exemplary community service programs. Honorees for the various award levels, including the Presidential Award, were selected based on a series of factors, including scope and innovation of service projects, percentage of student participation in service activities, incentives for service, and the extent to which the school offers service-learning courses.

One of the projects which earned Morehead State the prestigious award is the annual Spring Break/Spring Back project. For the past two years, MSU has taken groups of students to areas ravaged by Hurricane Katrina in order to assist with clean up and rebuilding.

This year's projects include refurbishing the classic auditorium and the small traditional gymnasium at the Hazel Green Academy in Wolfe County and working on a Morehead Habitat for Humanity project.

"College students are tackling the toughest problems in America, demonstrating their compassion, commitment, and creativity by serving as mentors, tutors, health workers, and even engineers," said David Eisner, chief executive officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service. "They represent a renewed spirit of civic engagement fostered by outstanding leadership on caring campuses."

The Honor Roll is jointly sponsored by the Corporation, through its Learn and Serve America program, and the Department of Education, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, USA Freedom Corps, Campus Compact, and the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation.

In all, 528 schools were listed on the Honor Roll for their community service activities during the 2006-2007 academic year.

## Folk art exhibit

MSU's Kentucky Folk Art Center announces the opening of On Earth's Furrowed Brow: The Appalachian Farm in Photographs by Tim Barnwell.

An opening reception will be held on Thursday, March 13 from 5-7 p.m. The exhibition will remain on display at the Center through June 1.

On Earth's Furrowed Brow will present 40 photographs of depicting traditional farming life in the southern Appalachian region taken over the past 25 years. Barnwell's works document and celebrate both the people and the land of Appalachia. His subject material includes scenes of traditional mountain life, people working with horses and mules, religious life, traditional music and handicrafts, and farming. KFAC hosted Barnwell's exhibition, The Face of Appalachia, in 2004.

## Coach Tyndall honored by OVC

MSU Men's Head Basketball Coach Donnie Tyndall has been named Ohio Valley Conference Coach of the Year.

Tyndall, in his second season at his alma mater, took a team that was 4-23 in 2005-06 and guided them to a 12-18 record a year ago and to a 15-15 mark this season. His MSU team was picked to finish 10<sup>th</sup> in the OVC's preseason poll, but proceeded to go 12-8 in conference play and earn a third-place finish.

He is the fourth MSU coach to earn Coach of the Year honors and the first since 1994-95. Other Eagle coaches to win the award are Jack Schalow, Wayne Martin and Dick Fick.

"I am very honored to be named OVC Coach of the Year," Tyndall said. "With so many great programs and coaches in the league, it is truly humbling to be selected. I am so appreciative of my staff. Barry (Wortham), Chris (Moore), Kevin (Reynolds) and Jake (Lawrence) are tireless workers who do a fantastic job in every aspect of our program. I feel incredibly fortunate to work with them."

"Our players are obviously a large part of this as well. This is my 14th year in coaching, and I've had the best group of young men this season that I have ever coached. They are great players, great students, great people and great teammates. Five of our 11 players had a 3.0 or higher grade point average for the fall semester. They were a joy to coach each and every day."

"The most exciting and humbling thing to me about being selected OVC Coach of the Year is that my name will always be in the record books on the same list as Coach Wayne Martin. Coach Martin is a guy who I have looked up to for a long time. So, for me, this is very special. I can only hope to have the same success he had as we continue to build this MSU program."

## Facilities named

A laboratory and the bowling lanes on the MSU campus were each officially named in honor of a University retiree during ceremonies on Founders Day, March 11.

The biology studies facility, which opened in Lappin Hall during the fall semester last year, will officially be called the Dr. David Magrane Molecular Biology Laboratory.

Dr. Magrane first came to MSU in 1976 as an assistant professor. He was promoted to associate in 1979 and full professor in 1984.

He holds a bachelor's degree in biology and a master's degree in physiology from Drake University. He taught two years in the biology department at Millikin University in Decatur, Ill., and then was a National Institute of Health predoctoral fellow at the University of Arizona in Tucson, where he earned his Ph.D. degree in animal physiology in 1972.

The University Lanes will officially be renamed the Larry Wilson Bowling Lanes.

Wilson coached the MSU bowling teams from 1972 until his retirement. He also served as manager of the University Lanes.

During his coaching career with the bowling program, the women's team has consistently been ranked as one of the top five women's teams in the nation since 1989.

Wilson taught in MSU's Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation (now the Department of Health, Physical Education and Sport Sciences). He also worked as an instructor for the Upward Bound program from 1984-97. He is a three-time MSU graduate, having earned a bachelor's degree in 1965, a master of arts degree in 1969 and a master of arts in higher education in 1978.

## KY AHED makes difference for area students

A Morehead State University program that works to advance secondary education goals has been shown to be highly effective with high school students throughout the region.

The Kentucky Appalachian Higher Education (KY AHED) Center was recently lauded by Dr. Jeff Schwartz, education programs director for the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC). Dr. Schwartz announced to a multi-state group at a regional directors' meeting in North Carolina that 498 students have been directly affected by KY AHED.

"This means that 498 students who might not have considered a postsecondary experience have chosen a college, technical schools, or a university as their pathway to a better life for themselves," said Dr. Dale Duvall, associate dean for university and community partnerships program in MSU's College of Education, and the grant writer for KY AHED.

Keith Walker, AHED grant coordinator, attended the meeting at which Dr. Schwartz's announcement was made.

Dr. Duvall said KY AHED is a collaborative partnership among the University, the ARC, four community and technical colleges, 15 regional school systems and the Governor's Office for Local Development in Frankfort.

KY AHED's purpose is to assist partner high schools, through grants and other resources, in their efforts to help students overcome cultural, social or other barriers to secondary education.

The MSU AHED center currently serves 15 high schools in a 52-county region of Appalachia in Kentucky.

The center assists in making information on applying for college and for financial aid accessible to those students. It also sponsors college/university field trips and career fairs. It is part of the ARC's Appalachian Higher Education Network.

This academic year, there are 15 schools working directly with the AHED center through the grant program, according to Walker. Schools that choose to participate go through a competitive grant process.

Walker began work as MSU's KY AHED grant coordinator in December. He is a two-time MSU graduate, receiving a bachelor's degree in general business and a master's degree in vocational education.

He also earned a Rank I for secondary school principalship, as well as certification to work as a school superintendent.

A vocational school principal in Carter County for 30 years, he most recently retired as the career and technical principal/coordinator of all vocational programs for that county.

## Spring Break

There will be no classes at MSU from March 17-21 as the University observes Spring Break. Classes will resume and all offices will reopen on Monday, March 24, according to the regular schedule.

The Camden-Carroll Library will close on Friday, March 14 at 4:30 p.m. for the break.

The MSU Police Department will be open during Spring Break, and personnel will be available to assist the campus community.

There will be no Update published during the break. The deadline for the next issue will be noon on Tuesday, March 25.

## Health project

Chuck Charles, vice president of the Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital Foundation and former president of MSU's Alumni Association, recently visited MSU to present a check in support of E.N.G.A.G.E.: A Community Health Initiative.

The health screening project developed by assistant nursing professors Kim Clevenger and Stephanie Johnson was one of 13 funded by MSU's Center for Regional Engagement. An abstract is available at: <http://www.moreheadstate.edu/engagement/>.

According to the professors, the objectives for the E.N.G.A.G.E. project are:

(1) To identify persons at risk of cardiovascular disease and/or diabetes as evidenced by increased cholesterol and blood glucose readings and hypertension.

(2) To provide education regarding healthy lifestyles and behaviors to decrease risk of developing cardiovascular disease and/or diabetes.

(3) To refer those identified at risk to the appropriate health care facility.

The goal for this project is to provide community health screenings to 300 consumers within the service region from Jan. 1 through Dec. 31.

"E.N.G.A.G.E. is a great example of engagement as it leverages MSU resources (faculty and students) with Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital, a great regional partner, to impact health issues in East Kentucky," said Dr. David Rudy, associate provost for regional engagement.

## Artifacts survey

A group of archaeologists and historians are attempting to shed new light on one of Kentucky's most famous battlefields.

Fought in the summer of 1782, Blue Licks was the last battle of the American Revolution. In what is today northeastern Kentucky, a group of Native Americans and their British allies defeated a group of American colonists.

Today, the battlefield is part of the Blue Licks Battlefield State Resort Park in Robertson County.

The battlefield is about to receive first class treatment thanks to a groundbreaking cooperative venture between state agencies, a public university and private volunteers.

Led by Dr. Adrian Mandzy, associate professor of history at Morehead State University, local students will join members of the Battlefield Restoration and Archaeological Volunteer Organization, otherwise known as BRAVO to conduct a survey of the battlefield from March 31-April 4.

The team hopes to use many of the newest battlefield technologies to recover and record possible musket balls, uniform buttons and other artifacts relating to the battle. Dr. Mandzy feels that there is a good chance that some artifacts from the Revolutionary War will be recovered.

## Job vacancies

### EXTERNAL

**Regional Center Teacher Education Program Coordinators, (Three Part-Time Positions)**, Department of Curriculum and Instruction. To ensure consideration, apply by March 20.

**Distance Instruction Librarian I or II**, Camden-Carroll Library. To ensure consideration, apply by April 11.

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## Python course

Looking for a programming language that's easy to understand and use?

If so, MSU's Office of Continuing Education has the answer. A language called Python might be just what you need. A new online course, called "Introduction to Python 2.5 Programming," will show you just how easy it can be to work with data or create Web pages using Python.

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

Additional information is available by calling the Office of Continuing Education at 783-2875, or by accessing [www.moreheadstate.edu/occe](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/occe).

## Happenings

### Thursday, March 13

Board of Regents meeting, Riggle Room, Adron Doran University Center, 9 a.m.

Softball: Eagles vs. Bellarmine University, softball field, doubleheader, 2 p.m.

Folk art exhibit: "On Earth's Furrowed Brow: The Appalachian Farm in Photographs," by Tim Barnwell, Kentucky Folk Art Center, through June 1; opening reception 5-7 p.m.

Junior recital: Kristen Brown, voice, Duncan Recital Hall, 7 p.m.

### Friday, March 14

Kentucky Music Educators Association Orchestra Festival, Baird Music Hall, 9:30 a.m.

Baseball: Eagles vs. Western Michigan University, Allen Field, 1 p.m., also March 15, 1 p.m. and March 16, noon.

Senior recital: Robert Eckhardt, tuba, DRH, 8 p.m.

### Saturday, March 15

Softball: Eagles vs. University of Tennessee-Martin, doubleheader, softball field, 1 p.m., also March 16, 1 p.m.

### Sunday, March 16

Baseball: Eagles vs. Western Michigan University, AF, noon.

### Monday, March 17

Spring Break, no classes, through March 21.

### Wednesday, March 19

Tennis: Eagles and Lady Eagles vs. University of the Cumberlands, Sadler Courts, 10 a.m.

### Friday, March 21

Tennis: Lady Eagles vs. Tennessee Tech University, Sadler Courts, 10 a.m.

### Saturday, March 22

Tennis: Lady Eagles vs. Southeast Missouri State University, Sadler Courts, 9 a.m.

Tennis: Eagles and Lady Eagles vs. Tennessee State University, Sadler Courts, 1 p.m.

Tennis: Eagles vs. Western Kentucky University, Sadler Courts, 3 p.m.

### Tuesday, March 25

Small Business Development Center workshop: eBay concepts, Regional Enterprise Center, West Liberty, 1 p.m.

Softball: Eagles vs. Eastern Kentucky University, doubleheader, softball field, 2 p.m.

Junior recital: Jeremy Ison, tuba, DRH, 8 p.m.

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Senior recital: Cassandra Manning, voice, DRH, 7 p.m.

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## Shaw named development VP

The chief development officer of the U.S. Air Force Academy has been appointed to the same post at MSU.

James A. Shaw is MSU's new vice president for development and chief executive officer of the MSU Foundation, Inc., effective March 1. He succeeds Barbara A. Ender, who resigned.

Selected in a national search, the former Air Force officer will be responsible for managing MSU's fund raising and alumni relations programs and for coordinating the efforts of alumni and other volunteers in various projects and campaigns.

"We are delighted to have Jim Shaw fill this important post," said MSU President Wayne D. Andrews. "Our objective was to recruit an experienced, successful development professional to lead us to the next level of fund raising excellence. We found such a person and look forward to working with him to significantly increase the gift assets of our institution."

A 1967 engineering graduate of the Air Force Academy, Shaw also holds master's degrees from Auburn University in business administration and from the University of Arizona in international relations. He had a postgraduate fellowship at Queens University in Kingston, Ontario, Canada.

"My wife, Cindy, and I are excited about becoming members of this vibrant University family and its welcoming community," Shaw said. "Morehead State is a special place with visionary leadership and we're happy to be joining a winning team."

Upon leaving active duty after 26 years at the rank of colonel, the former command pilot accepted a position with the Academy's Association of Graduates as vice president for development.

After seven years in that post, he was promoted to president and chief executive officer of the organization where he served nine years. His accomplishments included raising nearly \$40 million in a campaign to finance capital projects at the Academy.

He and his wife have three adult daughters - Gennie, Kali and Erin.

Additional information is available from the Office of Development at 783-2033.

## LiCor funding

With help from MSU's Research and Sponsored Programs, Dr. Brian Reeder, professor of biology in the Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy, along with Dr. Carol Wymer, associate professor of biology, have obtained equipment grant funding from LiCor Corporation to purchase \$71,850 worth of equipment to train students in advanced analysis of photosynthesis and carbon exchange in plants.

The LiCor systems, acquired through this grant, obtain sophisticated real-time measurements of plant functions in the field. Normally considered only a tool for high-level scholarly research, these professors will be making the equipment accessible and understandable not only to graduate students, but also as a component of the problem-solving classroom experience of undergraduates.

All undergraduate biology and environmental science majors, as well as students in agriculture, will get a chance to use the LiCor Photosynthesis and Fluorescence systems. With this new equipment, students can design experiments to determine precise interactions of plant responses to sunlight and atmospheric carbon.

## Gala 2008: 'Do You Wanna Dance?'

It's time to lace up those dancing shoes as MSU's Spring Gala, "Do You Wanna Dance?" will be held on Saturday, April 26.

Tie those shoes tight and get ready to dance the night away. After dinner, guests will enjoy a sensational show in historic Button Auditorium.

"This promises to be our most enjoyable Gala yet. Sue and I hope you will join us at this wonderful event," said MSU President Wayne D. Andrews.

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

After dinner and the show, which will feature a live auction, guests can step on over to the silent auction to bid on a potential souvenir. Those in the mood can hit the dance floor.

As part of this year's gala, you could find yourself cruising in a 2008 Chevrolet HHR, sponsored by Larry Fannin Chevrolet. Only 1,000 tickets will be sold at \$50 each.

The Big Ticket Raffle is a chance to win \$1,000 or three \$500 cash prizes. Larry Fannin Chevrolet and Kentucky Bank are the sponsors.

## 'Open mic' night

The Department of English, Foreign Language and Philosophy's Creative Writing Program will host an open mic at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 27, at the Kentucky Folk Art Center as part of the MSU Reading Series.

This open mic, designed to bring the MSU campus and the community-at-large together for a celebration of the written word, is open to all styles of spoken word performance including poetry, creative non-fiction, fiction, comedy, storytelling, rap, etc. Songwriters and musicians also are invited to join in this free event.

Performer registration begins at 6:30 p.m. on a first-come basis. No other advance registration is needed and the performance begins at 7 p.m. Participants have up to 10 minutes to read or can play two songs. Refreshments will be provided.

The MSU Reading Series is sponsored by MSU Arts & Humanities Council; the Caudill College of Humanities, Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy; the Kentucky Folk Art Center; Multicultural Student Services, and Interdisciplinary Women's Studies.

## Reception set

A retirement reception in honor of Lt. Robert Clemons, police supervisor in the MSU Police Department, will be held from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Thursday, March 27. The reception will be held in the first floor lobby of the Adron Doran University Center.

Lt. Clemons will retire on March 31 after 14 years of service to MSU.

## People in the News

**Dr. Richard Miles**, professor of music and director of bands at MSU, served as editor and compiler of two new texts in the internationally recognized series, "Teaching Music through Performance" released by GIA Publications. Both books, "Teaching Music through Performance in Jazz" and "Teaching Music through Performance in Beginning Band, Volume II," were released at the 61st Annual Midwest International Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago.

**Lt. James E. Fraizer**, with MSU's Police Department, recently attended the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs National Institute of Justice (NIJ) and the Rural Law Enforcement Technology Center's

Tickets may be purchased by calling Phillip James, assistant director of alumni relations, at 783-2080 or (800) 783-2586 (ALUM). The drawing will be held during the gala. The winners need not be present to win.

Tickets to the gala are:

--\$2,500 for gold sponsorship, including preferred seating, one table for eight, half-page ad in the program, and recognition on table cards;

--\$1,600 for corporate sponsors, which include a reserved table for eight and listing in the program;

--\$175 for patron sponsorship, includes one ticket and listing in the program;

--\$150 for individual patrons, includes one ticket for the event.

All packages include a contribution to the MSU Foundation Inc.

Proceeds from the event will support academic programs and provide educational opportunities for Morehead State University students. A portion of this year's proceeds will support MSU's spring break projects.

This year's goal is to raise \$175,000, which would bring total proceeds to nearly \$1.75 million since the first gala in 1993. Reservations should be made by April 11.

Additional information and tickets for MSU's annual Spring Gala are available by calling the Office of Development at 783-2033 or (877) 690-GIVE (4483).

## Retiree dies

MSU retiree Vinson Alan Watts Sr., 78, of Morehead, died March 17 at St. Claire Regional Medical Center.

Watts was born Dec. 23, 1929, at Watts in Breathitt County, to the late Leslie and Annie Fugate Watts.

He was MSU's first personnel director, and worked at the University from 1968 until his retirement in 1985.

A two-time graduate of Berea College, he earned a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in business administration. At Berea, he also had been employed as the associate dean of labor, prior to coming to MSU.

Watts was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps and the U.S. Army, and had served as vice chairman of the E.O. Robinson Mountain Fund Board. Among his other accomplishments were receiving the 2007 Lifetime Achievement Award in Sustainable Agriculture for developing his own tomato variety, the Vinson Watts tomato.

Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Patricia Ascough Watts; two sons; two grandsons; a sister and other friends and relatives.

Funeral services were held March 20 in Morehead, with burial at the Brown Cemetery.

(RULETC) fifth annual Rural Law Enforcement Technology Institute in Charleston, S.C. The Institute is designed for the command staff and supervisory personnel of rural and small law enforcement agencies with fewer than 50 sworn officers.

**Dr. Roger Cleveland**, assistant professor of education, has been named to the Kentucky Department of Education Commissioner's Blue Ribbon Panel on intervention strategies. The panel was formed to review strategies that have proven successful in helping struggling schools raise the achievement levels of students, despite barriers like poverty.

## AC 'Live' show

Americana singer Reagan Boggs along with groups Royal Pine (folk) and Kentucky Wild Horse (old-time) will perform at the next edition of "Americana Crossroads Live."

Morehead State Public Radio (MSPR) and the Kentucky Center for Traditional Music will present the program on Friday, March 28, at the Morehead Conference Center, located on First Street. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. with the music to start at 7 p.m.

Royal Pine is Robin Aigner and Colver Ripley from Brooklyn, N.Y. Their style of folk music utilizes a blend of guitar, banjo, harmonica and ukelele in their original compositions. Last summer, Royal Pine performed at the Sundown at Moonlight Concert Series in Morehead.

Kentucky Wild Horse takes its name from an old eastern Kentucky fiddle tune played by the late Wolfe County fiddler Darley Fuls. Kentucky Wild Horse performs traditional fiddle and banjo music. Later this summer, they will be performing at the Bluegrass and Creative Arts Festival in Henderson and at the Seedtime On The Cumberland Festival in Whitesburg. Their CD is titled "Spirits Of The Lonesome Hills."

Boggs was raised in a coal mining community in southwest Virginia with deep roots in country music. Her music and songwriting abilities were nurtured by her family at an early age. Her CD, "Never Looking Behind," was named to Americana Highway's Top 30 list of 2006. In September, she will be performing at the Rhythm & Roots Reunion in Bristol, Tenn.

Concessions and door prizes will be available. Admission is \$5 per person, or \$20 for a Family Pack of five. Children, 12 and under, are admitted free.

Additional information is available on MSPR's Web site at [www.mspradio.com](http://www.mspradio.com).

## Exercise class

With warmer weather on the horizon, many are thinking about getting in shape for spring, but may not know just how to get started. To help those people, MSU's Wellness Center is sponsoring a special workshop with tips on how to begin and maintain an exercise routine.

"Starting and Sticking to an Exercise Program" will be held at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, April 2, in the Wellness Center classroom (room 113). Dr. Jennifer Dearden, assistant professor of health, physical education and sport sciences, will present information on getting and staying physically active.

In her program, Dr. Dearden will share ways to get started and have fun while exercising for better health. No experience is necessary to participate in the class.

The workshop is free and open to MSU students, faculty and staff, as well as members of the community. The Wellness Center is located in Morehead State's athletic complex, next to Jayne Stadium.

## Job vacancies

### INTERNAL

**Data Base Research Analyst I**, Office of Administrative Computing Applications. To ensure consideration, apply by March 27.

### EXTERNAL

**Distance Instruction Librarian I or II**, Camden-Carroll Library. To ensure consideration, apply by April 11.

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**Assistant Professor of Education (Jackson)**, Department of Curriculum and Instruction. Review of applicant materials will begin April 21; however, applications will continue to be accepted until position is filled.

**Assistant Professor of Education (Morehead)**, Department of Curriculum and Instruction. Review of applicant materials will begin April 21; however, applications will continue to be accepted until position is filled.

**Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs/Programs**, Office of Academic Affairs. Review of applications will begin April 28 and will continue until position is filled.

**Building Services Technician**, Office of Facilities Management. This is to establish a pool of applicants from which to select for future vacancies, position will be open until Dec. 31.

Internal applicants should obtain a copy of the job opportunity posting from the Office of Human Resources indicating the application materials required for each position. Official transcripts are required for administrative positions.

A keyboarding exercise is required for secretarial, clerk/typist and dispatcher positions and must be completed prior to the position closing date. To register for this keyboarding exercise, contact the Office of Human Resources at 783-2097.

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## Dental courses

A dental assisting program will be offered through MSU's Office of Continuing Education.

Dental assisting courses begin April 1 and continue through May 27. The class will be held in Allie Young Hall on the Morehead campus. Dental assistants provide quality preventative and corrective dental care under direct supervision of the dentist or dental hygienist.

Additional information and registration are available by calling the Office of Continuing Education at 783-2875.

## Happenings

### Thursday, March 27

Folk art exhibit: "On Earth's Furrowed Brow: The Appalachian Farm in Photographs," by Tim Barnwell, Kentucky Folk Art Center, through June 1.

Tennis: Eagles and Lady Eagles vs. Eastern Illinois University, Sadler Courts, 9 a.m.

Small Business Development Center workshop: "Preparing to Finance Your Small Business" Kentucky Highlands Entrepreneur Center, 120 Scott Perry Drive, Paintsville, 1 p.m.

Junior recital: Chelsea Carpenter, voice, Duncan Recital Hall, 7 p.m.

Senior recital: Allyson Martin, flute, DRH, 8 p.m.

### Friday, March 28

Tennis: Eagles and Lady Eagles vs. Murray State, Sadler Courts, 2:30 p.m.

Concert: "Americana Crossroads Live," featuring Kentucky Wild Horse, Royal Pine and Reagan Boggs, Morehead Conference Center, 7 p.m.

### Saturday, March 29

Softball: Eagles vs. Tennessee Tech University, doubleheader, softball field, 1 p.m., also March 30, 1 p.m.

Baseball: Eagles vs. Eastern Kentucky University, Allen Field, doubleheader, 1 p.m., also March 30, 1 p.m.

Concert: MSU Saxophone Studio, DRH, 8 p.m.

### Sunday, March 30

Senior recital: Robert Ross II, guitar, DRH, 1 p.m.

Baseball: Eagles vs. Eastern Kentucky University, AF, 1 p.m.

Softball: Eagles vs. Tennessee Tech University, doubleheader, softball field, 1 p.m.

Senior recital: Rodney Mora, piano, DRH, 7 p.m.

### Monday, March 31

Annual Sophomore Art Exhibition, main gallery, Claypool-Young Art Building, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. weekdays, through April 9.

### Tuesday, April 1

Senior recital: Jeff Donaldson, percussion, DRH, 8 p.m.

### Wednesday, April 2

Wellness workshop: "Starting and Sticking to an Exercise Program," with Dr. Jennifer Dearden, assistant professor of health, physical education and sport sciences, 113 Wellness Center, 3 p.m.

Concert: Flute Choir, DRH, 8 p.m.

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## Four academic terms offered summer 2008

Now that spring break is over, current and future Morehead State University students are looking ahead to the summer and fall academic terms.

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

Registration for the general Summer term, Summer Intersession, Summer I and II, as well as Fall 2008 will be available online at MSU's Web site ([www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)). Students may view course offerings and complete the registration process through the Datatel WebAdvisor Monday through Friday, April 7-11.

Classes for the summer and fall will be offered online and/or at the Morehead campus according to the following schedule:

Summer Intersession: Monday, May 19 through Friday, May 30.

Summer: Monday, June 2 through Friday, July 25.

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

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

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

Registration can be made easier by planning ahead. Students are encouraged to meet with their academic adviser prior to registering, and then to register as early as possible when there is the best variety of classes available.

Students will register according to their current classification: Graduate students and other post baccalaureates on Monday, April 7; seniors on Tuesday, April 8; juniors on Wednesday, April 9; sophomores on Thursday, April 10; and freshmen and transfer students on Friday, April 11.

For those not yet enrolled who are considering attending MSU, there is still time to submit an application for the summer or fall terms. Prospective students may call the Office of Enrollment Services at 783-2000 or (800) 585-6781 opt #1 for admissions assistance. Students also will be able to view and pay their bill online via WebAdvisor.

## Sophomore art

MSU's Claypool-Young art gallery will host the "2008 Annual MSU Sophomore Art Exhibition," through April 9.

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

## Stress workshop

MSU's Wellness Center is offering a workshop designed to teach stress management techniques. The "Stress Management Workshop" will be held at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, April 23 in the center's classroom (room 113).

Dr. Teresa Hardman, associate professor of health, physical education and sport sciences, will present the class, which will help participants understand the different types of stress and how to control them. They also will learn where stress comes from and how to properly manage it in order to help focus on the good things in life. The workshop is free and open to all MSU students, faculty, staff and the campus community.

## Trombone Day set for April 26

High school and college musicians will have a unique opportunity to rehearse and perform with expert trombonists at an upcoming special event at MSU.

MSU Trombone Day 2008, slated for Saturday, April 26, will bring together the best trombonists in the area for instruction, showmanship and camaraderie. Participants will perform with the Festival Trombone Choir, and hone their techniques at clinics with guest artist Joseph Alessi, principal trombone of the New York Philharmonic, and Dr. Jeanie Lee, professor of trombone.

The evening concert featuring Alessi as a soloist with both the Festival Trombone Choir and the MSU Trombone Choir is free and open to the public.

Alessi was appointed principal trombone of the New York Philharmonic in the spring of 1985. Prior to joining the Philharmonic, he was second trombone of The Philadelphia Orchestra for four seasons, and principal trombone of L'Orchestre symphonique de Montreal for one season.

He is an active soloist, recitalist, and chamber music performer. In April 1990, he made his solo debut with the New York Philharmonic, performing Creston's Fantasy for Trombone, and in 1992 premiered Christopher Rouse's Pulitzer Prize-winning Trombone Concerto with the Philharmonic, which commissioned the work for its 150th anniversary celebration.

Dr. Lee has been the professor of trombone at MSU since 2000. She performs frequently with the Lexington Philharmonic, Huntington Symphony Orchestra, West Virginia Symphony Orchestra, Kentucky Jazz Repertory Orchestra and the DiMartino Osland Jazz Orchestra.

She also performs as a regular member of the Horizon Brass Quintet, an ensemble of Morehead State professors. She has performed with groups such as the Anchorage Symphony Orchestra, the Midland-Odessa Symphony Orchestra, and with popular acts Aretha Franklin, Natalie Cole, the Moody Blues and Manhattan Transfer.

MSU Trombone Day 2008 has been made possible through the sponsorship of Edwards Instrument Company, Don Wilson Music Co. Inc., MSU Arts and Humanities Council via the Buckner and Sally S. Hinkle Endowment for Humanities and the MSU Department of Music.

High school trombonists, grades nine through 12, and college students are eligible for the MSU Trombone Day 2008. Pre-registration is required to join in the Festival Choir and clinics with Dr. Lee and Alessi.

## Guest comic

John Mulaney, one of the nation's most popular up-and-coming comics, will perform at MSU in April.

He will bring his brand of humor to the Button Auditorium stage on MSU's campus on Thursday, April 17, at 8 p.m.

His show, which is free and open to the public, is sponsored by MSU's Student Activities Council (SAC).

## People in the News

Dr. Scott McBride, chair of the Department of Music, served as a judge at the 2008 Heritage Music Festival, held March 15 in Chicago.

Connie Kibbey, associate director with Upward Bound, was recognized as an Unsung Hero at the recent Southeastern Association of

## Noted writers featured at symposium

Two of the nation's most prominent poets will give readings and present craft talks as part of the Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy's first Creative Writing Symposium on Wednesday and Thursday, April 9 and 10.

The 1998 National Book Award winner Gerald Stern and 2000 APR/Honickman Prize winner Anne Marie Macari will read at 7 p.m. on April 9 in 2 Breckinridge Hall, followed by a reception.

Thursday's event will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in room 312 of the Adron Doran University Center.

All events are free and open to the public.

"Having Gerald Stern and Anne Marie Macari on campus for two days is a wonderful opportunity for our students to interact with nationally acclaimed working writers," said Dr. Phil Krummrich, department chair.

Macari will present "Finding A Legacy: A Look at Some Breakthrough Woman Poets" followed by Stern's "Poetry and Form." The symposium will close with a question and answer session on "What It Means To Get An Education in Creative Writing."

Stern, a Pittsburgh native, is the author of 14 books of poetry including "This Time: New and Selected Poems" (National Book Award winner), and most recently "Everything is Burning," published in 2005.

A collection of personal essays, titled "What I Can't Bear Losing: Notes From a Life" was released in the fall of 2003.

Additional information is available by contacting the Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy at 783-9448, or by emailing Chris Holbrook at [c.holbrook@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:c.holbrook@moreheadstate.edu) or Crystal Wilkinson at [c.wilkinson@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:c.wilkinson@moreheadstate.edu).

## IWSP council

MSU's Interdisciplinary Women's Studies Program is now accepting nominations for membership on its free-standing Advisory Council.

Members are elected for two-year renewable terms beginning next fall. To receive consideration, send a note describing interest and background in Women's Studies and a current curriculum vita to Dr. Sylvia Henneberg, associate professor of English and director of the IWSP, to UPO 625; or send her an e-mail with that information to [s.henneberg@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:s.henneberg@moreheadstate.edu). The deadline for nominations is April 18.

The council also is also seeking information about existing and planned courses with an emphasis on gender, feminism, and/or women.

Those interested in offering a course to a greater range of students by cross-listing it between a particular academic discipline and women's studies may contact Dr. Henneberg.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Henneberg at 783-5288.

Educational Opportunity Program Personnel (SAEOPP) conference in Atlanta. The Unsung Hero Award was created to recognize individuals in the southeast who work diligently for educational access and the students served in the TRIO programs.

## Artist's lecture

Latina public art activist and muralist Judy Baca will be on the campus of MSU, Tuesday, April 8, 7-8 p.m. for an artist's lecture, with a book signing immediately following.

Free and open to the public, the lecture will be held in the auditorium of the Claypool-Young Art Building, with the book signing reception in CY 216.

Baca is best known for The Great Wall of Los Angeles, one of the world's largest and most famous public art murals.

As the artistic director of the Social and Public Art Resource Center (SPARC), she remains a practicing muralist and visual artist as well as a professor of art for the University of California.

In addition to the artist lecture and book signing, Baca will host a mural workshop for MSU art and art education students from noon-4 p.m. on Tuesday, April 8 in room 218.

When finished, the collaborative mural will be installed on the campus of MSU.

## Gallaher finals

The final round of the A. Frank and Bethel C. Gallaher Performance Competition will be held on Thursday, April 10, at 3 p.m. in Duncan Recital Hall, within Baird Music Hall, at MSU.

The competition was established as a memorial to A. Frank and Bethel C. Gallaher, parents of former chair of the Department of Music, Dr. Christopher Gallaher, to challenge music students to excel in performance artistry. It is open to full-time students in the department who are music majors, members of the junior class, initially matriculated at MSU, and have a grade point average of 2.5 or higher.

Students are nominated by their applied teachers and must have their repertoire approved by the competition committee and department chair. For the final round, the repertoire must be between 8-10 minutes in length.

All performances must be given from memory. The winner will perform at this year's Annual Academic Honors Convocation and receive a \$1,000 prize.

## Tennis clinic

MSU's Wellness Center will offer a free tennis clinic for its members on consecutive Tuesdays, April 22 and 29. The University's tennis coaches and skilled players will teach the basics of the game, and how to have fun while playing.

The clinics will be held on the indoor courts at 5 p.m. each evening. Both beginners and experienced players are welcome to attend either day, or both days of the clinic, but only Wellness Center members are eligible to take part. To attend the clinic, members may sign up at the Center's desk.

Additional information is available by calling Melinda L. Melendez, assistant director of the Wellness Center, at 783-5161.

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**Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs/Programs**, Office of Academic Affairs. Review of applications will begin April 28 and will continue until position is filled.

**Assistant Professor of Animal Science** (Tenure-Track), Department of Agricultural and Human Sciences. To ensure consideration, apply by May 11.

**Instructor of Spanish** (Fixed-Term), Department of English, Foreign Languages, and Philosophy. Review of applications will begin immediately; however to ensure consideration application materials must be received by June 11.

**Building Services Technician**, Office of Facilities Management. This is to establish a pool of applicants from which to select for future vacancies, position will be open until Dec. 31.

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## PKP banquet

Brack Marquette, director of government affairs for Columbia Gas of Kentucky, will be the keynote speaker at the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi's annual celebration of academic excellence banquet. The event is Saturday, April 10, at 6 p.m. in the Crager Room of ADUC.

## Happenings

### Thursday, April 3

Folk art exhibit: "On Earth's Furrowed Brow: The Appalachian Farm in Photographs," by Tim Barnwell, Kentucky Folk Art Center, through June 1.

Senior recital: Matt Hornbeck, guitar, Duncan Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

### Friday, April 4

Senior recital: Gary Griffith, percussion, DRH, 7 p.m.

### Saturday, April 5

Senior recital: Allyson Martin, flute, DRH, 1 p.m.

Senior recital: Erica Johnson, saxophone, DRH, 5 p.m.

Junior recital: Mallory Draughn, flute, DRH, 6 p.m.

Concert: MSU Saxophone Studio, DRH, 9 p.m.

### Sunday, April 6

Concert: Home Choir Tour, DRH, 7:30 p.m.

### Monday, April 7

Summer and fall 08 terms advance registration, online, through April 11.

### Tuesday, April 8

SBDC workshop: "Becoming a Certified Child Care Provider," Regional Enterprise Center, West Liberty, noon.

Baseball: Eagles vs. Marshall University, Allen Field, 3 p.m.

Concert: Faculty Jazz, DRH, 8 p.m.

### Wednesday, April 9

Baseball: Eagles vs. Alice Lloyd College, AF, 3 p.m.

Senior recital: Amy Painter, voice, DRH, 8 p.m.

### Thursday, April 10

Frank & Bethel C. Gallaher Memorial Music Competition finals, DRH, 3 p.m.

Theatre: "Reflections," dance concert, Lucille Little Theatre, Breckinridge Hall, 7:30 p.m., through April 12; also April 13, 2 p.m.

Concert: Percussion Ensemble II, DRH, 8 p.m.

### Friday, April 11

Regional Foreign Language Festival, for area students, on campus, all day.

35th Annual MSU Jazz Clinic, DRH, all day.

Junior recital: Jonathan Sharp, percussion, DRH, 8 p.m.

### Saturday, April 12

Senior recital: Ricky Spears, trumpet, First Baptist Church, Morehead, 3 p.m.

Softball: Eagles vs. Jacksonville State University (doubleheader), AF, 1 p.m.; also April 13, 1 p.m.

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# Update

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## University IDs will change to 'tap-n-go' cards

Morehead State University's EagleCard (ID) system will be going through a change this summer which will offer improvements that will make it easier for students.

The new system, a networked contactless "tap-n-go" solution, will utilize the University's current system that controls meal plans and declining balance accounts.

"The need for the change began with the decision to replace the current SmartChip system and the 200 associated readers currently installed on vending, laundry, computer lab printers and selected copiers on campus," said Doug Snedegar, EagleCard coordinator.

Perhaps the most visible change during this implementation process will be the re-design and replacement of some 12,000 EagleCards held by students, faculty and staff. Current card holders will have the opportunity to update their EagleCard photos beginning April 21-May 9 at the EagleCard Office, room 107, Adron Doran University Center (ADUC).

Only students who have registered for the fall 2008 term and have a photo on file will have a new pre-activated EagleCard produced in advance for the event. Summer II students will have the opportunity to pick up their new EagleCard beginning July 7.

Faculty and staff, who will be employed for the summer, will be able to pick up their new IDs also on July 7. Faculty and staff who will not be employed for the summer, but will be returning for the fall, will have a new EagleCard produced in advance for the main recarding event.

Current IDs will no longer be valid and will need to be turned in when picking up the new one. Every effort is being made to have primary components live and utilize the new system during the summer, specifically Dining Services, University Bookstore and student computer labs.

All other locations and services utilizing the new technology will be coming online continuously over the summer months and students, faculty and staff will have the option of using cash/coin at these locations until the implementation is complete.

Students, faculty and staff should continuously check the EagleCard implementation page for updated production/recording dates, active locations and system information as the implementation proceeds.

Another change will be the lack of an external contact smartchip that has been used for the CampusCash account. Due to the proprietary nature, CampusCash funds will not transfer to the new system. Every effort should be made to spend the CampusCash (chip) convenience account before July 1.

Visit the EagleCard Web site ([www.moreheadstate.edu/eaglecard](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/eaglecard)) for additional information.

## MRI conference

Imaging sciences students at MSU took first and third place honors at the 4th Annual MRI Conference hosted by The Ohio State University Medical Center in Columbus.

Two of the four computed tomography/magnetic resonance component seniors joined Cyndi Gibbs, associate professor of imaging sciences, to present their research poster projects at the "Key Concepts to MRI Success" meetings.

## Vetoes will not affect higher ed

Gov. Steve Beshear vetoed 11 line items in the new \$19 billion state budget for 2008-10 on Monday but none apparently affected public postsecondary education's share of the two-year spending plan.

The General Assembly is meeting today (Tuesday) in its final day of the 2008 session to consider overriding the vetoes and to vote on other legislation left pending when the 10-day veto recess began on April 3.

For Morehead State, the new budget has about \$2.9 million less in state funds than the current budget from last July 1.

But the new spending plan does provide \$5.7 million in state funds to replace environmental controls at the central heating plant and authorize the issuance of MSU revenue bonds for the \$39 million student recreation center project, a \$4.6 million renovation of Alumni Tower and a \$5.6 million renovation of Mignon Tower, all to be financed with student fees.

MSU and the five other regional institutions will share a total of \$10 million in new "Bucks for Brains" matching funds to stimulate private giving.

By not vetoing the entire bill or not signing it, the governor allowed it to become law without his signature, a symbolic way of expressing his general displeasure with its provisions.

## Service awards

Several MSU employees were honored recently for attaining milestones in their years of service with the University. MSU President Wayne D. Andrews congratulated each employee as he presented them with a service pin symbolic of the achievement.

Among those participating in the ceremony, and their years of service were: Cindy Thompson, 20; Gaylena Cline, 15; Donna Calvert, five; Paula Black, five; Sharon Reynolds, five; Shellie Hallock, 15; Wilma Tate, 15; Janie Poston, five; Mike Walters, 30;

Doug Snedegar, 15; Rusty Thurman, 10; Jennifer Madden, 20; Larissa Davis-Morris, five; Johnda Flora, 10; Linda Nickell, five; Mike Biel, 30; Chris Hampton, 10; Troy Wistuba, five; and Barbara Willoughby, five.

## USBC tourney

MSU will be represented by its women's bowling teams during the 2008 United States Bowling Congress Intercollegiate Team Championships, which will be held through April 19 at Northrock Lanes in Wichita, Kan.

A total of 16 women's and 16 men's teams will compete in the event.

## People in the News

**Dr. Robert E. Frank**, associate professor of speech and speech communication director, delivered his paper "Crafting an Identity: Angela Merkel as First Female Chancellor of Germany" at the Southern States Communication Association's 78th Annual Convention, held April 2-6 in Savannah, Ga.

**Chuck Mraz**, news director at Morehead State Public Radio, won a first place award for "Best Sports Reporting," and finished second for "Best Newscast" in the annual Kentucky Associated Press Awards. Dan Conti, assistant news director, earned an honorable mention in the "Best Newscast" category for "Mountain Edition."

**Dr. Phil Prater**, associate professor of veterinary technology, **Dr. Kim Peterson**,

## CPE appoints Cowgill as its permanent chief

In something of a surprise, the Council on Postsecondary Education appointed Brad Cowgill as its permanent president in a meeting in Frankfurt.

He assumes the duties May 1.

Cowgill became interim president Sept. 1, 2007, replacing former president Tom Layzell. Cowgill's current contract expires April 30, 2008.

His election came over the objection of Gov. Steve Beshear who had insisted that a new, national search be conducted.

Council Chairman John Turner said, "We are extremely pleased to offer this position to Brad. He has proven himself to be a very capable leader and has served with distinction during the past eight months."

Among Cowgill's accomplishments cited by Turner include leading a vigorous commitment to the goals of postsecondary and adult education reforms by advancing a system-wide plan, issued in October, 2007, to "Double the Numbers" of college graduates in the state by 2020.

The goals and objectives of the plan were the focus of a "performance based" budget request for postsecondary and adult education, drafted within 65 days following Cowgill's arrival to the Council.

Also under Cowgill's leadership, the Council convened the Kentucky Adult Learner Initiative, funded by the Lumina Foundation for Education.

The initiative will create a comprehensive framework for adult learner policies and increase the responsiveness of postsecondary institutions to the needs of adult learners.

A related initiative, Project Graduate, launched last fall and is a system-wide effort to re-enroll students with 90 or more credit hours.

Cowgill said that he is looking forward to serving the commonwealth as president of the Council. "I am very grateful for this opportunity. I pledge to work hard to maintain the momentum toward meeting the goals of postsecondary and adult education reforms," he said.

Prior to coming to the Council as interim president, Cowgill served as the state budget director. Earlier, Cowgill practiced law with Stites and Harbison, PLLC.

The CPE president received a bachelor's degree from Vanderbilt University and a law degree from the University of Kentucky.

assistant professor of veterinary tech, **Dr. J. Michael Phillips**, chair of the Department of Agricultural and Human Sciences, and **Dr. Troy Wistuba**, assistant professor of agricultural science, co-authored the research poster "The effect of the Kentucky Beef Cattle Improvement Program on real-time ultrasound carcass traits, performance and pelvic measurement of heifers enrolled in the Eastern Kentucky Heifer Development Program." The poster took third place in the graduate student competitive research papers, M.S. poster division at the annual meeting of the Midwestern Section of the American Society of Animal Science, held in March in Iowa. Two MSU graduate students were the other co-authors of the poster.

## Gallery talk

MSU's Kentucky Folk Art Center announces a gallery talk by North Carolina photographer Tim Barnwell on Tuesday, April 22 at 7 p.m. Barnwell's current exhibition "On Earth's Furrowed Brow: The Appalachian Farm in Photographs" is on display in KFAC's Adkins Gallery.

On Earth's Furrowed Brow presents 30 photographs and accompanying oral histories, depicting traditional farming life in the southern Appalachian region. Barnwell's works document and celebrate the people and the land of Appalachia. He began working on this photographic project in the late 1970s while chief photographer for Mountain Living magazine.

His photography is widely collected and is included in the permanent collections of The Metropolitan Museum of Art (N.Y.), New Orleans Museum of Art, High Museum of Art (Atlanta); R.J. Reynolds Industries; Bank of America; and The Mint Museum in Charlotte.

His images have appeared in scores of magazines and books including Time, Newsweek, U.S. News & World Report, American Craft, Travel South, House Beautiful, U.S. Air, Blue Ridge Country, National Parks, Black and White Photography and Outdoor Photographer. His work can be viewed at [www.barnwellphoto.com](http://www.barnwellphoto.com).

Barnwell's photographs from the region were collected in The Face of Appalachia: Portraits from the Mountain Farm and On Earth's Furrowed Brow: The Appalachian Farm in Photographs. Both books are available at the KFAC Museum Store.

Barnwell will sign copies following his presentation.

"Tim is a great photographer and one of the finest contemporary photographic documenters of Appalachian life and culture," said KFAC's Artistic Director Adrian Swain.

"His visit to Morehead is a special opportunity for our student community and the general public. I know we have many amateur and professional photographers who will have a distinct interest in hearing what Tim has to say."

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

## Writers' panel

Morehead State University's Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy will host a panel of distinguished writers, editors and publishers from across Kentucky on Thursday, April 24, 7 p.m. in room 312 of the Adron Doran University Center.

The discussion, titled "The Art and the Business: Interactions among Writers, Editors and Publishers," examines how collaborations and conflicts help produce the finished journals and books that we read.

All those interested in creative writing are invited to attend.

## Job vacancies

### EXTERNAL

**Assistant Professor of Education (Tenure-Track, Ashland)**, Department of Curriculum and Instruction. Review of applicant materials will begin April 21; however, applications will continue to be accepted until position is filled.

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**Assistant Professor of Education (Tenure-Track, Morehead)**, Department of Curriculum and Instruction. Review of applicant materials will begin April 21; however, applications will continue to be accepted until position is filled.

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## Happenings

### Thursday, April 17

Folk art exhibit: "On Earth's Furrowed Brow: The Appalachian Farm in Photographs," by Tim Barnwell, Kentucky Folk Art Center, through June 1.

Baseball: Eagles vs. Georgetown College, Allen Field 2 p.m.

Concert: Guitar Ensemble, Duncan Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

### Friday, April 18

Student Orientation, Advising and Registration, for new students, Adron Doran University, also April 19.

Festival: Kentucky Music Educators Association Concert Band, DRH, 5-10:30 p.m., also April 19.

Concert: Americana Crossroads Live, featured performers, Mark Fosson, Wil Maring and Robert Bowlin and Red State Ramblers, Morehead Conference Center, 7 p.m.

### Saturday, April 19

Baseball: Eagles vs. University of Tennessee at Martin (doubleheader), Allen Field, 1 p.m.; also April 20, 1 p.m.

Concert: Kentucky Music Educators Association Concert Band, DRH, 5 p.m.

Spring Step Show, Button Auditorium, 7 p.m.

### Tuesday, April 22

Lecture: "A Cross-Cultural Exploration of Values Related to Women & Women's Issues," 111 Claypool-Young Art Building, 4:30 p.m.

Concert: Concert Band, DRH, 8 p.m.

### Wednesday, April 23

Softball: Eagles vs. IUPUI (doubleheader), softball field, 2 p.m.

Wellness workshop: "Stress Management," with Dr. Teresa Hardman, associate professor of health, physical education and sport sciences, 113 Wellness Center, 3 p.m.

Senior Art Exhibition, CY, through May 7; opening reception, 6-8 p.m.

OperaWorks Extravaganza! DRH, 8 p.m.,

### Thursday, April 24

Panel discussion: "The Art and the Business: Interactions among Writers, Editors and Publishers," 312 ADUC, 7 p.m.

Master class with visiting artist Joseph Alessi, trombonist, DRH, 3 p.m.

Concert: Symphony Band and Percussion Ensemble, DRH, 8 p.m.

### Friday, April 25

Senior recital: Frances Lotz, trumpet, DRH, 7 p.m.

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## Convocation set for this Sunday New tuition model is announced

For Brandy Eden her college graduating class will be a little larger than her high school class. Eden was homeschooled and has made the most of her time at MSU.

Eden, the daughter of the Rev. Lonnie Sr. and Barbara Eden of Flemingsburg, will be the student speaker at the 24th annual Academic Awards Convocation on Sunday, April 27. During the program, which begins at 2 p.m. in Button Auditorium, the University will recognize the scholarly achievements of its students, faculty and staff.

She is a candidate for a Bachelor of Arts degree in government and plans to attend Salmon P. Chase School of Law at Northern Kentucky University next fall.

Eden won't have much time to celebrate, she is scheduled to leave the afternoon of graduation (May 10) to travel to Canada for five weeks for an internship with Canadian Parliament.

A member of the George M. Luckey Jr., Academic Honors Program, she also is active in Societas Pro Legibus and Phi Kappa Phi. Eden has done several presentations over the last four years including two Honors roundtable presentations — "Capital Punishment and Societal Influence" and "Growing Up Girl: The Manufacturing of a Domestic Goddess." She also presented at Kentucky Political Science Association last spring and with that paper became the recipient of the Judy Rogers' Prose Award for Non-Fiction Writing.

She will be receiving the Margaret Patton Scholarship from Phi Kappa Phi.

Students with perfect grade point average, student authors and presenters, and graduating seniors from the Academic Honors Program will be honored at the convocation, which will launch a weeklong tribute to academic excellence, April 28-May 2.

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

## MSPR awards

Morehead State Public Radio has named Carl Gibson, the recipient of the 2008 Community Advisory Board Student Achievement, and MacKenzie Bates, the winner of the 2008 Outstanding Student awards.

Gibson has worked for MSPR as a news reporter, feature producer and board operator. He is active on campus and in the community, including MSU's theatre department and the Morehead Theatre Guild.

Bates has worked for MSPR as a news reporter, feature producer and board operator. He has served as an announcer for high school and women's basketball games along with MSU's Blue and Gold Marching Band Festival.

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

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

Nearly 80 percent of MSU's 9,000 students will face a smaller tuition increase than expected in 2008-09 because of a change in how tuition will be assessed, it was announced by MSU President Wayne D. Andrews.

"We originally had planned an across-the-board increase of 9.5 percent to deal with the loss of \$3 million from our state appropriation and continuing inflationary increases in operating costs. However, our commitment to be compassionate yet creative in helping students and their families has produced a very positive result," Dr. Andrews said. "This new approach means that the vast majority of our students will have a maximum increase of just 7.4 percent and for some it will be much less. In fact, the weighted average represents an increase of only about five percent."

The MSU president noted that the new tuition model, which requires students to pay for each course in which they enroll instead of the traditional flat rate for full-time students, still must be approved by the Council on Postsecondary Education and the University's Board of Regents. At present, none of Kentucky's public universities use the pay-per-credit model for tuition.

Historically, MSU and the state's other public universities have charged a per-credit rate for part-time students and a flat rate for full-time students that covered from 12 to 18 credits per semester for a single price. To minimize the impact of this "pay-for-what-you-take" model on returning students, MSU will offer an 80 percent discount on all credits beyond 12 per semester. Students receiving full tuition scholarships will be covered up to 18 credits per term.

MSU's full-time students usually complete an average of 15 credits per semester. Currently, the flat rate for a full-time load is \$2,640 per semester for Kentucky undergraduates. Under the new model, they would pay \$225 per credit for the first 12 and \$45 per credit for additional courses. Hence, the

tuition for a full-time student with 15 credits this fall would be \$2,835, an increase of \$195 per semester which is 7.4 percent above current rates.

"About 20 percent of our students will pay a higher percentage increase but that impact has been significantly reduced by the discounted rate," Dr. Andrews added. "We believe that it is important to encourage students to take as many credits as they can handle so they can stay on track to graduate in four years, if possible. Finishing on schedule means that students and their families will pay less, on the average, for a college education. We are in the midst of changing our academic degree requirements to make that more achievable for the majority of our students."

MSU currently requires 128 credits for most of its bachelor's degrees. Plans are underway to reduce that figure to 120 over the next few years.

Dr. Andrews noted that the impact of tuition increases across the state also would be lessened next year because of the largest-ever increase in the federal Pell Grant — \$421 per year — and by the preservation of KEES scholarship funds by the General Assembly in the new state budget.

He added:

"MSU is not unique in its budget challenges. Most other schools in the Commonwealth have raised or are expecting to raise tuition. Morehead State is committed to being the best tuition value in the state. The quality academic experience a student receives here for the associated tuition cost is one of the best values not only in Kentucky but also our entire nation."

## Retiree dies

Dr. George S. Tapp, a former chair of MSU's Department of Psychology, died Tuesday, April 15. He was 72.

He attended Transylvania University and the University of Kentucky. Dr. Tapp served as professor of psychology at MSU for 33 years.

He is survived by his wife and former MSU faculty member Elizabeth "Betty," three children: Roy Michael Tapp, David A. Tapp and Laryn Ann Martin; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

## Book buy backs

College textbooks are expensive. Although students may deem some of their books valuable and keep them for future reference, most books end up back in the system.

Students at four of MSU's regional campuses will have an opportunity to sell back their spring 2008 semester books.

The following schedule will be followed:

MSU at Ashland, Tuesday through Thursday, May 6-8, from 3-7 p.m.

MSU at Mt. Sterling, Monday, May 5, from 4-6 p.m.; Tuesday, May 6, from 2-5 p.m.; and Wednesday, May 7, from 3-6 p.m.

MSU at Prestonsburg, Wednesday, May 7, and Thursday, May 8 from 3-6 p.m.

MSU at West Liberty, Monday, May 5, from 3-6 p.m.; Tuesday, May 6, and Wednesday, May 7, from 4-6 p.m.

Buy backs on the Morehead campus will be held on the first floor of the Adron Doran University Center: Wednesday, April 30, through Friday, May 2, from 8 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.; Monday through Thursday, May 5-8, from 8 a.m. — 6 p.m.; Friday, May 9, from 8 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.; and Saturday, May 10, from 8 a.m. — noon.

## Alumnus at work

American Idol started a nationwide search for a song to fit this year's winner. A Morehead State University graduate has had her song selected as one of the finalists.

"Stronger" is co-written by MSU graduate Mendy Byrd Shaw and Jason Phelps. A 1991 alumnus, Shaw earned her bachelor's degree in communications. While at MSU, she was active in the Greek system and in many campus activities and lives in the Cincinnati area.

Individually, they have been writing, recording and performing music for more than 10 years.

"Stronger" was picked from thousands submitted nationally to American Idol.

If chosen, "Stronger" will be performed live in front of millions of viewers on this season's American Idol finale and recorded on the Idol winner's first album. The winning songwriter also will walk away with a highly-prized publishing deal.

The 20 songs and artists are being showcased online at [www.americanidol.com](http://www.americanidol.com) and America will vote to determine the winner.

## Senior show

MSU's Claypool-Young art gallery will host the annual "DEFT: 2008 Annual MSU Juried Senior Art Exhibition" through May 7.

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

## Auditions held

Eastern Kentucky's new opera company, Highlands Light Opera, will hold auditions for Gilbert and Sullivan's *Pirates of Penzance*, May 5 and 7 from 7-9 p.m. in Duncan Recital Hall in the Baird Music Hall on the campus of MSU.

Men and women over the age of 16 are invited to audition with a prepared solo. All parts are open and include six leading roles, three supporting roles, a women's chorus and two men's choruses. Singers should bring a copy of the music they will sing to the audition. An accompanist will be provided.

Highlands Light Opera is the first opera company to be established in central Appalachia. Its mission, according to founder and director, Dr. Roma Prindle, associate professor of music, is to function as a regional organization. Recognizing that there is an abundance of musical talent in this part of the country, efforts will be made to draw all personnel from eastern Kentucky, West Virginia, and southern Ohio.

The company also will serve the surrounding community in diverse ways. It will seek to bring performances to as many people as possible, presenting them in various venues throughout the region. The *Pirates of Penzance* will be performed in late July at three different sites, which include Morehead, Sandy Hook and Mt. Sterling.

All music performed by the company will be sung in English. It will include lighter operatic fare, such as works by Gilbert and Sullivan, Victor Herbert, Sigmund Romberg, Johann Strauss and Franz Lehár.

Dr. Prindle acknowledges that opera production can be an extremely expensive undertaking. Performances during the first year or so will, more than likely, be grass root efforts, calling for volunteers at all levels of production.

She will volunteer her time and services, and hopes to attract singers who will be generous with their talents as well. The company also will seek to identify volunteers from the community willing to serve in roles such as box office help, set and costume construction, as well as business and legal services.

Efforts are already underway to secure major grant funding. Dr. Prindle is confident that a project such as *Opera in Appalachia* is bound to appeal to foundations. Once a board of directors for HLO is established, an aggressive fund-raising campaign will target support from corporate, business and private sectors.

A unique aspect of Highlands Light Opera will be the Heritage Series. In addition to standard light opera repertoire, the mission of the company will include a series of concerts and works for the stage that include or are based on traditional folk music, dance and instruments of Appalachian and Celtic origin. One of these shows will embark on an international performance tour to Scotland in 2010.

Information: r.prindle@moreheadstate.edu

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## Retiree honored

MSU retiree Garry Barker's latest book, "Kentucky Waltz," won the 2008 Kentucky Literary Award for fiction presented by Western Kentucky University and the Southern Kentucky Book Fest.

The award and \$1000 honorarium were presented during the Book Fest April 19 in Bowling Green.

"Kentucky Waltz," a collection of short fiction, was published by Wind Publications in Nicholasville in late 2007. It is Barker's 10<sup>th</sup> published book, and will soon be followed by "Head of the Holler: Volume 1," a collection of newspaper columns dating back to the late 1980s.

He has been an arts administrator in Asheville, N.C., and in Berea and Morehead and retired from Morehead State University in 2005.

He is publisher of the *Flemingsburg Gazette*. His wife, Danetta, an MSU graduate, is editor of the paper.

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Concert: Symphony Band and Percussion Ensemble, DRH, 8 p.m.

### Friday, April 25

Senior recital: Frances Lotz, trumpet, DRH, 7 p.m.

### Saturday, April 26

Softball: Eagles vs. Eastern Illinois University (doubleheader), softball field, 1 p.m.; also, April 27, 1 p.m.

3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Trombone Day, Baird Music Hall, 9:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m., registration necessary.

Concert: Trombone Day Final Concert, Duncan Recital Hall, 5 p.m., free.

### Sunday, April 29

Senior recital: Brenda Fenney, flute, Duncan Recital Hall, 1 p.m.

Academic Honors Convocation, Button Auditorium, 2 p.m.

Senior recital: Christine Holthouse, clarinet, Duncan Recital Hall, 3 p.m.

Junior recital: Heather Gibson, trombone, and Catherine Strobel, clarinet, Duncan Recital Hall, 5 p.m.

### Monday, April 30

Senior Art Exhibition, main gallery, Claypool-Young Art Building, through May 9.

Research and Creative Productions luncheon, Commonwealth Room, Adron Doran University Center, 11:30 a.m.

Concert: University Chorus, First Baptist Church, 8 p.m.

### Tuesday, May 1

Folk art exhibit: "Against the Grain: Minnie Adkins, Kentucky Folk Carver," through May 27.

Caudill College of Humanities awards luncheon, Crager Room, Adron Doran University Center, 11:30 a.m.

Stress Management Workshop, Wellness Center classroom, 6 p.m.

Concert: "Die Fledermaus," OperaWorks, Duncan Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

### Wednesday, May 2

College of Education awards luncheon, Crager Room, Adron Doran University Center, 11:30 a.m.

Baseball: Eagles vs. Samford (doubleheader), Allen Field, 1 p.m.

Big Band Concert, Duncan Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

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## McWhorter is student speaker

Robert McWhorter did not take a normal route to a college degree. For the Georgetown native, the quest began after serving five years of active duty in the U.S. Marine Corps. And it will end on the podium addressing his fellow classmates.

McWhorter will be the student speaker for MSU's Spring Commencement on Saturday, May 10.

During the ceremony, that begins at 10:30 a.m. in the Academic-Athletic Center, President Wayne D. Andrews will confer degrees on more than 1,000 graduate and undergraduate students.

McWhorter is a candidate for a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from the College of Business. He will pursue a career in accounting and plans on taking the CPA exam shortly after graduation.

He has been recognized for his distinguished achievements throughout his college experience by attaining a 3.9 grade point average (summa cum laude). He is a member of Beta Gamma Sigma, Scabbard and Blade, National Scholar's and Phi Kappa Phi honor societies.

McWhorter received a ranking of 22 out of 4,099 cadets throughout the nation, and is ranked number one throughout Kentucky and Ohio.

He was ranked top in his platoon at LDAC, and received the Recondo and Warrior Ethos awards. A recipient of the George C. Marshall award for leadership, he has branched into the Corps of Engineers and will serve six years in the Kentucky National Guard.

He is the son of Ray and Cindy McWhorter of Georgetown.

For the commencement exercises, the grand marshal and mace bearer will be Dr. Phillip Prater, associate professor of veterinary technology, who received the 2008 Distinguished Teacher Award.

Following the ceremony, the newest alumni will be inducted into the MSU Alumni Association Inc. by its president, Gary Adkins of Morehead.

Refreshments for graduates and their families, hosted by each college's dean and faculty, will be served immediately after the ceremony. The reception is co-sponsored by the Alumni Association.

Earlier in the day, the ROTC students will be commissioned as second lieutenants in a ceremony that began at 8:30 a.m. at the Little Bell Tower lawn area.

MSU's Nursing Program will host a pinning reception Friday, May 9, from 2-4 p.m. in Reed Hall for those students who have completed degree requirements.

## New judge

Gov. Steve Beshear has appointed David L. Holton II to the office of District Judge for the 30th Judicial District, Division 16, in Jefferson County.

Holton has served as a prosecutor with the Jefferson County Attorney's Office for the past 19 years. He also has a private law practice that consists primarily of probate and family law. Holton received his bachelor's degree from MSU, where he served as student regent and president of the Student Government Association during the 1983-84 school year. He holds a law degree from the University of Kentucky.

Judge Holton and his wife, Stephanie, reside in Louisville. He will serve until the general election on Nov. 4.

## Distinguished professors awarded

Three MSU faculty members who have distinguished themselves in their respective fields were honored during the University's Academic Awards Convocation.

Presentations were made to Dr. Phillip E. Prater, associate professor of veterinary technology, Distinguished Teacher Award; Dr. Beverly McCauley Klecker, associate professor of education, Distinguished Researcher Award; and Dr. Robert "Bob" Willenbrink, chair of the Department of Communication and Theatre, Distinguished Creative Production Award.

Dr. Prater received his DVM degree from The Ohio State University in 1984, with an internship in Large Animal Ambulatory Medicine at OSU from 1985-86. He continued his education with a residency in animal reproduction at the University of Tennessee from 1986-89. While at UT, his research projects focused on assisted reproductive techniques in domestic animals, and reproductive endocrinology associated with the performance of these techniques. He became a Diplomate of the American College of Theriogenologists in 1989.

After nine years in private practice, Dr. Prater joined the faculty in Morehead State University's Veterinary Technology Program in 1998, 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 also has developed a large animal referral center for patients from veterinarians in the region. His current research interests lie in beef heifer development programs, ultrasound pregnancy diagnosis in beef cattle, and estrous synchronization programs in beef cattle and small ruminants.

Dr. Prater serves on the Kentucky Veterinary Medical Association's Food Animal Committee, Emergency Management Committee and on the advisory board of the Kentucky Cattleman's Association and the Kentucky Beef Network. He has served on the board of directors of the American College of Theriogenologists, an international veterinary society which studies reproduction in animals, and currently serves as the organization's secretary. He has authored and co-authored several peer reviewed articles and four book chapters on large and small animal reproduction.

Dr. Prater serves as faculty adviser to Pre-Veterinary Medicine students and the Pre-Vet club at MSU. He has served as a faculty mentor for several undergraduate research students, and has co-authored numerous abstracts with those students. In 2006, Dr. Prater was named the Outstanding Veterinarian of the Year in the State of Kentucky by the Kentucky Veterinary Medical Association. Also in 2006, he was named the Outstanding Senior Teacher in regional university agricultural education by the American Association of State Colleges of Agriculture and Renewable Resources.

Dr. Klecker received her B.S., M.A., and

Ph.D. degrees from The Ohio State University. As a Graduate Research Associate, she completed doctoral work in the Quantitative Research, Evaluation, and Measurement in Education program. Her dissertation was a survey of the 10,544 teachers and 307 principals in re-structuring Venture Capital Schools in Ohio. The dissertation provided a baseline snapshot of the schools and received a 1996 Phi Delta Kappa outstanding dissertation award. Her dissertation chair was Professor William E. Loadman.

She taught at Eastern Kentucky University as an assistant professor from January 1996 through August 1999 when she joined the Kentucky Department of Education as team leader to design and carry out validation studies for the then-new Commonwealth Accountability Testing System (CATS).

She joined Morehead State University's faculty in July 2001 and received tenure and promotion to associate professor in 2007. At MSU, opportunities beyond teaching have included serving as internal evaluator on two U.S. Department of Education multi-year grants, serving as NCATE Assessment Coordinator; evaluating the Professors in the Schools Program for three years; and working with Dr. Mary Anne Pollock and professors from MSU, Murray State University and Pikeville College on a two-year reading research grant.

Dr. Klecker is currently a Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education (CPE) "Faculty Fellow" for the Kentucky Adult Learner Initiative and is working with a statewide team to design an evaluation plan for Kentucky's educational leadership master's degree redesign pilot. She has authored/co-authored more than 30 published research articles and has presented more than 50 conference papers. Her scholarly work has been cited by international and national researchers.

She recently served as vice president for e-Folios and Assessment for the international Society for Instructional Technology and Teacher Education (SITE), and currently serves as a member of the Mid-South Educational Research Foundations Board. Other memberships include the American Educational Research Association, Kentucky Counseling Association, Phi Kappa Phi, American MENSAs, and the Ohio State University Alumni Association (life member).

Dr. Willenbrink also is the interim director of MSU's George M. Luckey Jr. Academic Honors Program for the spring and summer terms of 2008.

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

In addition to directing a number of plays at MSU, he has written and directed plays for MSU Theatre's Little Company. The troupe has performed and conducted workshops for hundreds of schools throughout the region and the Commonwealth. This year the troupe will perform at more than 105 schools for more than 32,000 students.

He was the founder of ACTS, a performing arts troupe for disabled artists he has directed at Jenny Wiley Theatre and presently serves as a director for the Kincaid Regional Theatre in Falmouth.

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

## Plants for sale

Sale of plants (ferns, bedding plants, vegetable transplants and perennials) from MSU's greenhouses is being conducted this year at the MSU Farm (Derrickson Agricultural Complex) on KY 377.

Sales are scheduled Monday through Fridays, April 30 - May 2, from 12:30-5:30 p.m. and on Saturday, May 3, from 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Plants are produced through student classes and labs. Additional information is available by calling 783-2662.

## Grant awarded

MSU's Dr. Tom Pannuti, assistant professor of Space Science, has been awarded a research grant to investigate the X-ray source populations of spiral galaxies from the Kentucky NASA EPSCoR program.

His research will focus on the properties of discrete X-ray sources in the major spiral galaxies of the nearby Sculptor Group of galaxies, which is the nearest group of galaxies to the Local Group of galaxies, to which our own galaxy (the Milky Way) belongs.

These discrete X-ray sources include massive black holes in the centers of galaxies, X-ray binaries (XRBs — binary star systems where one star siphons mass from its companion star) and supernova remnants (SNRs — the expanding shells of material associated with supernova explosions). The latter class of object is Dr. Pannuti's primary research interest. X-ray emission from astronomical sources originate from some of the most violent and highest temperature processes in the universe; they are also associated with stellar deaths, so this study will help provide vital constraints on the endpoints of stellar evolution.

The analysis of X-ray data (which will be funded by this research) from several orbiting observatories that collect X-ray light will allow Dr. Pannuti and his students to develop a catalog of X-ray sources in these galaxies, classify these sources based on their spectral characteristics, and search for their counterparts at other wavelengths (primarily optical and radio).

This work (which will be conducted with collaborators in Maryland, Texas and Australia) will complement ongoing research at the Space Science Center and will lend insight into the nature and properties of SNRs in the local universe.

Additionally, he leads a research effort using the Morehead State 21 Meter Space Tracking Antenna manned by undergraduate space science and astrophysics majors. Research pursued by Dr. Pannuti and his students includes not only observations of SNRs in the Milky Way galaxy but also monitoring the variability of active galactic nuclei (AGNs).

Four of these undergraduate students have served as co-authors on research presentations given by Dr. Pannuti at national astronomy conferences that were held in 2007 and 2008.

Since his arrival at MSU in August 2006, Dr. Pannuti has been awarded five research grants totaling more than \$200,000 from NASA's Chandra X-ray program, KY NASA EPSCoR, and the Kentucky Space Grants Consortium.

Dr. Pannuti also has published eight papers in refereed scientific journals and given numerous presentations at scientific conferences while at MSU, including co-chairing the Splinter Session at the 210th meeting of American Astronomical Society in Honolulu in 2007.

## Job vacancies

### EXTERNAL

**YouthBuild Educational and Counseling Assistant (Fixed-Term)**, Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy. To ensure consideration, apply by May 19, 2008.

**Assistant Professor of Animal Science (Tenure-Track)**, Department of Agricultural and Human Sciences. To ensure consideration, apply by May 11.

**Assistant Professor of Space Science/Astronautical Engineer (Tenure-Track)**, Space Science Center. To ensure consideration, apply by May 18.

**Assistant Professor of Nursing (Three Positions, Tenure-Track)**, Department of Nursing. Review of applications will begin May 18 and will continue until the positions are filled.

**Assistant Vice President for Technology**, Office of Planning, Budgets and Technology. Review of applications will begin May 25 and will continue until the position is filled.

**Instructor of Spanish (Fixed-Term)**, Department of English, Foreign Languages, and Philosophy. Review of applications will begin immediately; however to ensure consideration application materials must be received by June 11.

**Building Services Technician**, Office of Facilities Management. This is to establish a pool of applicants from which to select for future vacancies, position will be open until Dec. 31.

Internal applicants should obtain a copy of the job opportunity posting from the OHR indicating the application materials required for each position. Official transcripts are required for administrative positions. MSU is an EO/AA educator and employer with a strong commitment to community engagement.

## New chief starts

James Matt Sparks is officially the new police chief at MSU. Sparks, a former Kentucky State Police post commander with 21 years of law enforcement experience, was sworn in during a Monday morning ceremony.

A Rowan County native, Sparks started his career as a trooper in 1986 and worked his way up the ranks of the KSP. He has served as lead detective, field sergeant, assistant commander of the internal affairs section and assistant commander at both Post 8 in Morehead and Post 14 in Ashland.

In June 2004, he was promoted to commander of Post 13 in Hazard and later was named commander of Post 14 in Ashland.

From 2005-07, Sparks was the commander of Kentucky State Police Human Resources Section until his retirement in August 2007.

He is a certified law enforcement instructor and has taught classes in interview and crime scene investigation at the Kentucky State Police Academy. He also has trained social workers in the area of child abuse investigations and assisted in statewide trainings.

Sparks and his wife, Tracy, reside in Morehead with their two children.

## Happenings

### Thursday, May 1

College of Science and Technology awards dinner, Crager Room, Adron Doran University Center, 6 p.m.

### Friday, May 2

College of Business awards banquet, Crager Room, Adron Doran University Center, 6 p.m.

### Saturday, May 3

FitEagle 5K Run/Walk, Jayne Stadium, 9 a.m.

11th Annual Keyboard Festival and Monster Concert, Duncan Recital Hall within Baird Music Hall, 10 a.m.; concert, 3 p.m.

Baseball: Eagles vs. Jacksonville State University (doubleheader), 1 p.m.; also May 4, 1 p.m.

Graduate recital: Jessica Crittendon, Duncan Recital Hall, 7 p.m.

### Sunday, May 4

Folk art exhibit: "On Earth's Furrowed Brow: The Appalachian Farm in Photographs," by Tim Barnwell, Kentucky Folk Art Center, through June 1.

Morehead State Public Radio Community Advisory Board quarterly meeting, MSPR studios, Breckinridge Hall, 3 p.m.

Recital: University Orchestra, Duncan Recital Hall, 3 p.m.

Graduate recital: Kevin Norton, saxophone, Duncan Recital Hall, 5 p.m.

Senior recital: Catherine Strobel, clarinet, Duncan Recital Hall, 6:30 p.m., free.

Faculty recital: Ming-Hui Kuo, percussion, Duncan Recital Hall, 8:30 p.m., free.

### Monday, May 5

2008 Annual MSU Senior Art Exhibition, main gallery, Claypool-Young Art Building, through May 7.

Spring semester final exams, through May 9. Highlands Light Opera auditions for "Pirates of Penzance," Duncan Recital Hall, 7 p.m.

### Wednesday, May 7

Rites of Passage ceremony, for graduates, Crager Room, Adron Doran University Center, 6 p.m.

### Thursday, May 8

Board of Regents meeting, Riggle Room, Adron Doran University Center, 9 a.m.

### Friday, May 9

Nursing pinning ceremony, Reed Hall, 2 p.m.

### Saturday, May 10

ROTC commissioner ceremony, Little Bell Tower lawn, 8:30 a.m.

Spring Commencement, Academic-Athletic Center, 10:30 a.m.

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