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Sculpture exhibit outstanding

An exhibition of 32 pieces of sculpture, on loan from the Cast Collection of the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, is on display at Morehead State University.

Featured are examples of ancient Assyrian, Egyptian, Greek, Roman, Renaissance and 18th century European sculpture.

The exhibit in the Claypool-Young Art Gallery has been in preparation for more than a year. MSU art students worked for several months to polish, clean and restore damaged pieces for display.

"These casts had been in storage in a warehouse in New York City since 1938 along with more than 2,000

casts of sculpture by many masters of European art," said Dr. Bill Booth, head of MSU's Department of Art.

He continued:

"Most of the casts were made between 1880 and 1910 and originally exhibited in the Metropolitan Museum. As the Museum expanded its collection, the casts were removed from the galleries and placed in storage. These casts were taken directly from the original works which are now on display in museums and galleries throughout the world."

Some of the Egyptian works include two major relief panels of a royal victory procession and a lion hunt from the Palace of Ashur-nair-pal, King of Assyria from 885 to 860 B.C. The original stone panels are now in the British Museum in London.

Other Egyptian casts on display include three relief panels from the tomb of Queen Ti, King Tut's grandmother, and portrait busts of the father, grandfather and great-grandfather of King Tut.

There are 13 Greek and Roman pieces, including an eight-foot statue of the Greek goddess Athena. The original is in the Louvre Museum in Paris.

"One of the most outstanding pieces of sculpture we have is the statue of David with the head of Goliath by Andrea del Verrocchio," adds Dr. Booth. "Verrocchio was Leonardo da Vinci's teacher. The original bronze statue is now in the Museum Nazionale in Florence, Italy."

MSU is the only institution in Kentucky to exhibit works from this collection and is one of only six schools in the United States selected to show similar works.

Officially, the sculpture is on long-term loan to MSU. But Dr. Booth is hopeful that the works eventually will become part of the University's permanent collection.

"This exhibit represents a rare opportunity for residents of Eastern Kentucky, particularly students, to enjoy the work of some of the great masters," Dr. Booth added.

The exhibit is open daily and groups are welcome.

A slide-tape presentation on the exhibit is being prepared and will be available soon to schools and other organizations.

Additional information is available from Dr. Booth at 606/783-3232.

(additional photo inside)



"David with the Head of Goliath" by Verrocchio

Lichtenberg new FB boss

Tom Lichtenberg, former offensive coordinator at Iowa State University, is MSU's new head football coach.

He returned to the school where he served in 1972 and 1973 as an assistant coach.

President Morris L. Norfleet said of the selection:

"Coach Lichtenberg established good rapport with the University community during his previous stay in Morehead, and we are excited about his enthusiasm for this institution and for this region of Kentucky. We feel his knowledge of the University and the region will enable him to improve our situation immediately."

A graduate of the University of Louisville and Xavier, the 38-year-old Lichtenberg also served as head coach at William Mason High School in Mason, Ohio, and at Cincinnati Purcell High School.

The new Eagle head coach said of the post:

"It is a pleasure to return to where I started my college coaching career. My family loves the city of Morehead and the University. I accept the challenge to build the football program at Morehead State University so that the people of Kentucky and Eastern Kentucky can be proud of it."

Student regent in Senate

Evan Perkins, West Liberty senior at MSU, is learning the inner workings of the U.S. Senate.

He is serving a spring semester internship in the office of U.S. Sen. Wendell Ford.

"I am involved in independent research as part of my academic work at MSU, and of course other duties are assigned by Sen. Ford and his senior staff members."

Perkins, a pre-law major with plans for law school or public service, sought the internship to gain practical experience in government.

"I had heard of these internships and decided after visiting Washington that I should apply," he added.

Perkins is serving his second one-year term as the student member of MSU's Board of Regents and is former president of the Student Government Association. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry R. Perkins of West Liberty.

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Speakers Bureau revived

Does your organization need a guest speaker?

If so, MSU may be able to help. The MSU Speakers Bureau offers the services of more than 130 speakers and performers to non-profit organizations in Eastern Kentucky.

A program directory listing more than 200 topics has been distributed to civic clubs, schools, youth groups, churches and other organizations.

Individual copies of the directory are available by mail from the Director of Public Affairs, Morehead State University, 317 Allie Young Hall, Morehead, KY 40351.

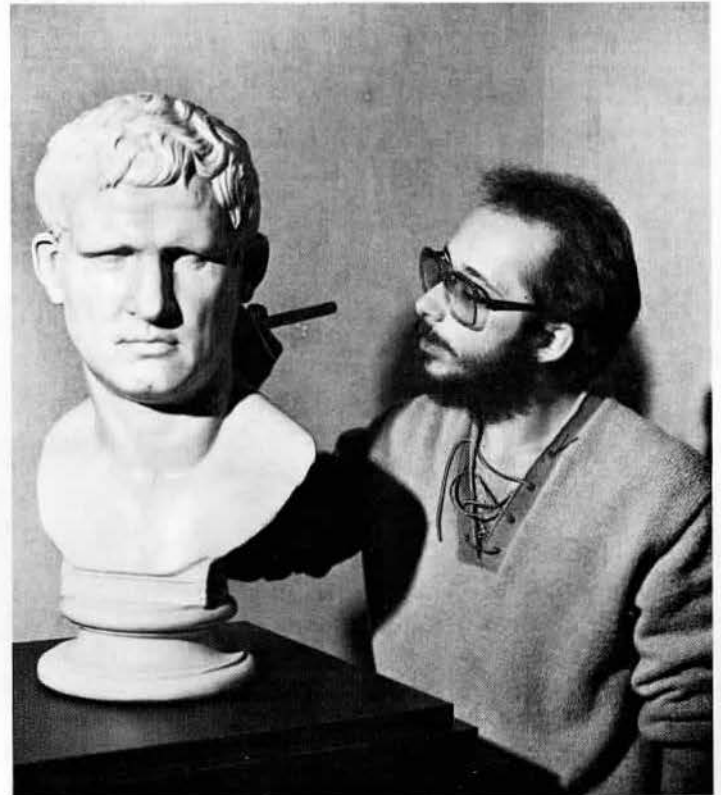
MSU President Morris L. Norfleet said of the Speakers Bureau:

"The University is striving constantly to improve and expand its public service efforts, and the revitalization of our speakers Bureau is a good example of that commitment."

Dr. Norfleet is among MSU's faculty and staff members available for speaking engagements through the auspices of the Speakers Bureau.

The MSU Speakers Bureau is limited to programs for non-profit organizations.

Additional information and copies of the program directory also can be requested by telephone at 1-800-262-7474 or 606-783-4672.



RESTORING—Jon Hargett, Olive Hill sophomore, was among several MSU art students involved in the cleaning and repair of a major sculpture exhibition. He is shown with the portrait bust of the Roman emperor Agrippa.

English prof digs folk music

"Folk music definitely has become an important part of my life," says Dr. G. Ronald Dobler, professor of English at Morehead State University. "I spend whatever spare time I have studying and recording folk music and folklore."

Dr. Dobler feels that folk music and folk literature, especially in the oral tradition, are very important. He often travels to out-of-the-way places to record authentic music and folk tales.

"I try to encourage people to record stories and songs on paper and tape for their families and history because they are part of their lives and should be preserved," the professor added.

Although accomplished at guitar, banjo, dulcimer and other folk instruments, Dr. Dobler says he has no formal training in music.

"I bought my first banjo when I was a freshman in college," he recalls. "I started picking a little and sitting in on sessions with other players. I'm still learning new techniques and styles as I travel from one area to another."

Dr. Dobler, who came to MSU in 1972 from Parsons College in Iowa, has a particularly strong interest in the dulcimer.

"The dulcimer is a very beautiful and unique instrument," he says. "There are many good dulcimer players and dulcimer makers in Eastern Kentucky. It truly is an instrument of the mountains."

Dr. Dobler features the dulcimer in a lecture-performance program which is available at no charge through the MSU Speakers Bureau.

He maintains his interest in folk music by attending folk festivals at Berea, Jenny Wiley, Grayson and elsewhere.



Dr. G. Ronald Dobler

Dr. Dobler also is a member of the Lexington Folk Singers, who perform a variety of music and are occasionally joined by such musicians as Jean Ritchie or Cliff Carlisle.

"My biggest problem is time," says Dr. Dobler. "I'm fighting for time to write, read and keep up with my classes and several other activities which involve my family. But folk music is very important to me, and my love for it and the study of folk traditions will continue to be an important part of my life."

Campus Capsules

Billy Joe Hall of Mt. Sterling is the newest member of the Morehead State University Board of Regents.

The president and board chairman of Mt. Sterling National Bank was appointed by Gov. Julian Carroll to serve the unexpired term of B. F. Reed of Drift, who resigned for health reasons. The term ends March 31, 1982.

Hall holds bachelor's and master's degrees from MSU and was director of alumni relations from 1959 until 1963. He was selected as "Outstanding Alumnus of the Year" in 1967.

For the second straight year MSU has been chosen to host the Kentucky Special Olympics.

More than 1,200 mentally retarded and physically handicapped persons are expected to participate in the athletic competition scheduled June 1, 2 and 3.

MSU President Morris L. Norfleet has been appointed to a four-year term on the Commission on Governmental Relations of the American Council on Education.

Tony Fargo, Grayson junior at MSU, is among 40 college students selected nationally to participate in a summer internship program sponsored by the Newspaper Fund. He will work as a copy editor on the Tampa Tribune in Tampa, Fla., beginning May 28.

Richard E. (Dick) Mackey, formerly of Frankfort and Ashland, is MSU's new coordinator of television productions. A former program director for Tower Cablevision, Inc., of Ashland, Mackey had served since 1975 as a television specialist and cinematographer for the Kentucky Department of Public Information.

Gifts & grants

- \$41,000 from University Research Corporation to provide Head Start supplementary and/or Child Development Associate training services in Appalachian Kentucky.
- \$3,127 from the Buffalo Trace Area Development District to conduct eight workshops in the Buffalo Trace Area for personnel who work with the elderly.
- \$11,715 from the U.S. Office of Education to partially support instructional costs of veterans.
- \$4,813 from the U.S. Office of Education to promote expansion of the Child Development Associate program in Kentucky.
- \$2,000 from the U.S. Small Business Administration to provide management counseling and technical assistance to small businesses.
- \$2,505 from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting to support program production and other operating costs of WMKY Radio.
- \$800 from the Kentucky Council on Higher Education to support staff participation in The National Adult Education Conference in Portland, Ore.
- \$20,000 from Ashland Oil, Inc., for support of mining technology program.



MINING GIFT— MSU President Morris L. Norfleet, right, accepts the second \$10,000 installment of a gift of nearly \$50,000 from Ashland Oil, Inc., to MSU's mining technology program. Making the presentation is Robert Welter, the firm's director of employee relations. Dr. Norfleet announced that the funds will be used to build a coal processing laboratory on campus. "We are most appreciative of Ashland Oil's generosity and interest in this important career program," President Norfleet stated.

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