



MOREHEAD STATE UNIVERSITY
CONVOCATION
JANUARY 7, 2009



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Presiding: Dr. Karla Hughes, Provost

Music will be provided by:

*Dr. Ricky Little, baritone and Associate Professor of Music, and
Chia-Ling Hsieh, piano, Instructor of Music*

Pre-Convocation Music

- I. Welcome
- II. Introduction of New Faculty & Staff
- III. Brief Announcements & Updates
- IV. Special Music
Dr. Ricky Little, baritone and Chia-Ling Hsieh, piano
- V. Remarks by President Wayne D. Andrews
- VI. Morehead State University Alma Mater

Events & Announcements

- January 14 & 20 President's Leadership Academy Informational Sessions; ADUC 302, 3 p.m. (1/14), 1:50 p.m. (1/20).
- January 19 Martin Luther King, Jr. "Unity in the Community" Event; Little Bell Tower, 6:30 p.m.
- February 6 President's Leadership Academy Applications Due; Office of the President, 4:30 p.m.
- February 28 Open House for Prospective Students & Families; ADUC, 9 a.m.
- March 28 Open House for Prospective Students & Families; ADUC, 9 a.m.
- April 23-25 Spring Celebration; This culminating, three-day event will bring together the Celebration of Student Scholarship, the President's Spring Concert on the Lawn, the annual Gala, and many other activities celebrating MSU.
- May 9 Commencement; AAC, 10:30 a.m.

Some Points of Pride . . .

- MSU was recognized for the fifth consecutive year as one of the foremost public universities in the South in the 2009 edition of "America's Best Colleges" by U.S. News & World Report.
- MSU was named the 2008 Kentucky Horse Council Educational Partner of the Year.
- MSU was awarded the 2007-08 Ohio Valley Conference Institutional Academic Achievement Award, the fourth consecutive year the institution has won the award. It marks the ninth time overall that Morehead State has claimed the honor in the 22-year history of the award, which is now the most in Conference history.
- Dr. Michael Seelig, senior assistant to the provost and interim affirmative action officer, was appointed interim vice president for academic affairs at the Council on Postsecondary Education.
- Dr. J. Mike Phillips, chair of the Department of Agricultural and Human Sciences, was elected vice chair of the Agri-Energy component of the Governor's Task Force on the Future of Agriculture in Kentucky.
- Dr. Emma Gillespie Perkins, associate professor of art, was named 2008 Kentucky Art Educator of the Year during the Fall 2008 KyAEA State Conference.
- Dr. Charles Patrick, assistant to the provost/SACS director, received the Exemplary Service Award from the National Association of Industrial Technology (NAIT) during its banquet Nov. 21, in Nashville.
- Dr. Michelle Kunz, associate professor of marketing, was named a 2008 Editorial Board House Cup winner by Multimedia Educational Resource for Learning and Online Teaching (MERLOT).
- Dr. Laurie Couch, associate professor of psychology and interim chair of the Department of Psychology, was given the 2008 Outstanding Mentor Award (Undergraduate Division) by the Kentucky Psychological Association. The award was presented at the 2008 KPA Academic Conference held at Spalding University.
- Tony Nash, spirit coordinator, has been named a head coach of the USA Cheer national team. The USA Federation for Sport-Cheerleading has begun the process of selecting two national teams to represent the United States at the International Cheer Union's 2009 World Cup.
- Dr. Kimberly Peterson, assistant professor of veterinary technology, and Dr. Mattie Decker, associate professor of education, have been recognized for their work with a special project. Their project, "Another Chance at Life and Learning: Department of Juvenile Justice Greyhound Program," won the prestigious Kentucky Animal Hall of Fame award. This award is a yearly recognition presented at the annual Kentucky Veterinary Medical Association business luncheon during the Mid-America Conference.
- MSU recognized an MSU alumnus who earned America's highest award for wartime heroism. A memorial marker was dedicated near the Little Bell Tower in honor of the late William E. Barber. Barber, then a captain, received the Medal of Honor for heroically leading his Marine rifle company in a desperate five-day defense of a frozen mountain pass vital to the 1st Marine Division's breakout to the sea in December 1950 in the Chosin Reservoir campaign of the Korean War. He received the medal in 1952 from President Harry Truman.
- MSU was awarded its largest federal grant in history – \$10.1 million – to continue helping middle and high school students in Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, Martin, Morgan and Pike counties to prepare for college. MSU's Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy received the grant from the U.S. Department of Education for another phase of its GEAR UP project. Funded at \$1,684,000 for the first year, the grant is anticipated for a six-year period. The grant will be matched dollar-for-dollar by the various partners involved in the project, bringing the total expected amount of funding for the project to \$20,208,000.
- Braden Frieder, assistant professor of art, published his first hardcover book in his field. The book was released by Truman State University Press and Gazelle Books (Europe).

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Welcome new employees!

(New hires since August 11, 2008)

Name	Job Title	Job Department
Anderson, Angela Marie	Accounting Assistant	Accounting & Budget. Control
Beaven, Helen Elizabeth	Librarian I	Camden-Carroll Library
Bledsoe, Christa Jean	Assistant Professor of Nursing	Nursing - BSN Program
Botts, Johnny Ray	Police Officer	Police Department
Bryan, Joshua L.	Traffic Control Assistant	Police Department
Caudill, Leila D.	Cook/Food Services Worker	Carl Perkins Vocational Ctr.
Caudill, Todd Ryan	Groundskeeper	Landscaping & Grounds Maint.
Cooper, Philip Warren	Heating & Water Operator Trainee	Power Plant
Copley, Summer Fawn	Site Coordinator	GEAR-UP KY
Crouch, Amanda Dawn	Program Assistant	Today's Youth
Dehart, Kassandra Brooke	Business Cashier	Accounting & Budget. Control
Fernandez, Jody Ann	Assistant Professor, Education	Curriculum & Instruction
Fisher, Catharine Rene	Accounting Assistant	Payroll
Giles, Darold Wayne	Major Gift Officer	VP, Development, Off.
Hall, Kevin Brent	Director, Gear Up	Gear-Up Program (IRAPP)
Hamilton, Penny Sue	Accounting Assistant	Accounting & Budget. Control
Holeman, Gary Richard	Asst. Vice President, Technology	VP, Plan, Budgets & Tech, Off
Hudson, Brian Gregory	Assistant Athletic Trainer	Trainer
Jones, Melanie S.	Asst. Professor of Adult Education	Professional Prog. in Educ.
Kidd, Sheena Marie	Building Services Technician	Building Services
Lewis, Erik Lind	Instructor of Government	Geography, Govt. & History
Lykins, Amanda Ruth	Gift Records Specialist	VP, Univ. Advancement, Off.
Madden, Delbert Ray	Building Services Technician	Building Services
McCord, William David	Sr. Enrollment Services Counselor	Enrollment Services
Middleton, Kimberly Lynn	Secretary Specialist	Military Science
Middleton, Steven Owen	Instructor, Mass Communication	Communication & Theatre
Morse, Lisa M.	Visiting Asst. Prof., Communication	Communication & Theatre
Nabb, Lee W.	Asst. Professor of Adult Education	Professional Prog. in Educ.
Paholsky, Carol Ann	Building Services Technician	Building Services
Porter, Jay E.	Carpenter	Engineering Services
Porter, Kimberly Jo	Secretary	MSU/UK PA Program
Porter, Martha Jane	Academic Department Specialist	Geography, Govt. & History
Purnell, Brenda J.	Lib. Specialist II (Cataloging) (B)	Camden-Carroll Library
Rhodes, Paul Joseph	Ticket/Facilities Manager	Athletics, Office
Roe, Jessica Ann	Library Specialist I (Access)	Camden-Carroll Library
Rucker, Tashanna Raquel	Sr. Enrollment Services Counselor	Enrollment Services
Sammons, Robert Gordon	Library Specialist I (Archives) (B)	Camden-Carroll Library
Scott, Stacy Marie	Library Specialist I (Interlibrary Loans)	Camden-Carroll Library
Smith, Carolyn Sue	Building Services Technician	Building Services
Spurlock, Eric Vaughn	Mgr., Bowling Center/Asst. Director	Intramurals
Staton, Amy J.	Veterinary Technologist	Veterinary Technology Program
Stapp, Jason	Lab & Facilities Manager	Industrial & Engineering Tech.
Suttles, Scottie Lynn	Clinical Instructor	Nursing - ADN Program
Thompson, Christopher P.	Painter II	Building Maintenance
Vencill, Kermit Lewis	Library Specialist I (Access)	Camden-Carroll Library
Wright, Pamela Stull	Sr. Enrollment Services Counselor	Enrollment Services

Alma Mater

*Far above the rolling campus,
Resting in the dale,
Stands the dear old Alma Mater
We will always hail.
Shout in chorus, raise your voices,
Blue and Gold - praise you.
Winning through to fame and glory,
Dear old MSU.*

