



CONVOCATION FALL 2013



- Krista Barton, director of the 21st Century Education Enterprise, was invited by the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education to represent higher education at the Kentucky table at the Gates Foundation Cross-State Learning Collaborative convening in Seattle on July 17-19. (Morehead State University was the only university represented). This provided an opportunity to showcase what the 21st Century Education Enterprise has been able to accomplish in providing professional development and college/career readiness, and offer a formula for other states to follow – including Colorado, whose Department of Education has already initiated collaboration with the enterprise as a result of our presence at this event.
- Angus bulls raised at the University farm averaged over \$2,000 each at the Grass Time Sale this spring.
- The College of Science and Technology hosted two weeks of Project to Elevate Aerospace Careers in Kentucky (PEACK) workshops at the Space Science Center.
- The Department of Applied Engineering and Technology received an in-kind software grant from Siemens PLM Software, a leading global provider of product lifecycle management (PLM) software and services, with a commercial value of more than \$209 million.
- A school-record 21 student-athletes earned an Ohio Valley Conference Academic Medal of Honor for 2012-13, while nearly 100 earned spots on the Commissioner's Honor Roll.
- For the 23rd time in school history, the co-ed cheer squad brought home the Division IA national crown. In addition to the team championship, the partner stunt group of Bridget Razem and Ronnie Patrick also took home a title. The pair of championships gave the program its 33rd and 34th national titles. The all-girl squad, as well as the all-girl stunt group of Maddie Jenne, Melissa Bull, Taylor DeSimone and Emily Kaltenbach, turned in runner-up finishes at the UCA National Championships.
- Morehead State senior volleyball player Ellie Roberson was voted the Ohio Valley Conference Female Athlete of the Year.



MOREHEAD STATE UNIVERSITY
CONVOCATION
 August 14, 2013

Presiding: Dr. Gerald DeMoss, Acting Provost

Pre-Convocation Music (MSU music faculty recordings)

- I. Welcome
- II. Introduction of New Faculty & Staff
- III. Announcements & Updates
- IV. Presentation of Awards
- V. Remarks by President Wayne D. Andrews
- VI. Campus Giving Campaign
- VII. Morehead State University Alma Mater
 Led by Dr. Roma Prindle and accompanied by Dr. Eunbyoi Ko

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.*

**We invite all faculty and staff to join us for the
 2013 Campus Campaign Kickoff Luncheon!**
 Immediately following Convocation in the Crager Room, ADUC
 11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Music provided by faculty in the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance

Welcome new employees!

(New hires since January 2013)

| Name | Job Title | Department |
|----------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| Arroyo, Maria | Instructor, Spanish | International & Indiscip. Studies |
| Benton, Jerel Dwayne | Minority Retention Coordinator | Academic Advising & Retention |
| Birchfield, Cynthia Denai | Nurse | Counseling & Health Serv. |
| Birdwhistell, Shira Lynn | Research Assistant (Rowan) | Sociology, SW & Criminology |
| Botts, Johnny Ray | Police Officer | Police Department |
| Bowman, Ellen Patricia | YB Educational & Counseling Assistant | Rowan YouthBuild |
| Caldwell, Leah | Assistant Director, Housing Operations | Student Housing |
| Caudill, Erik Wesley | Police Officer | Police Department |
| Cecil, Dustin Samuel | Financial Aid Counselor I | Enrollment Services |
| Chance, Evan Michael | Horticulture Technician | University Farm |
| Coleman, Mark Lee | Head Cheer Coach | Athletics, Office |
| Conrad, James Alan | Police Officer | Police Department |
| Cottingham, Christopher | Visiting Asst. Prof., Biology (Anatomy & Physiology) | Biology & Chemistry |
| Creedy, Hannah Camille | Building Services Technician | Building Services |
| Dailley, Eric L. | Telecommunications Technician | IT - Network Services |
| DeMoss, Gerald Lynn | Acting Provost & VP for Academic Affairs | Provost & VP, Off. |
| Dickerson, Ricardo N. | Telecommunications Technician | IT - Network Services |
| Dishman, Nathan Monroe | Visiting Assistant Professor, Trombone | Music, Theatre & Dance |
| Emrick, Michelle Rene' | Enrollment Services Graduate Specialist | Enrollment Services |
| Fee, Christopher Sterling | Head Strength & Conditioning Coach | Athletics, Office |
| Fennell, Brian | Assistant Professor, Education | Early Child., Elem. & Spec. Educ. |
| Ferguson, Jessica Lee | Annual Fund Coordinator | Development |
| Field, Christopher K | Assistant Professor, Art & Design | Art & Design |
| Fitch, Malinda Lee | Instructor, Education | Early Child., Elem. & Spec. Educ. |
| Goodman, Debbie Jean | Building Services Technician | Building Services |
| Green, Cary James | Dept. Chair, Agricultural Sciences | Agricultural Sciences |
| Green, LaCrystal | Sr. Enrollment Services Counselor | Enrollment Services |
| Hamilton, Chelsea | Accountant I (Grants & Contracts) | Accounting & Financial Services |
| Harman, Sheila R | Adm. Assistant to Assoc. Dean | School of Business Admin. |
| Hawpe, Jonathan B. | Library Specialist I (Res. Services-B) | Camden Carroll Library |
| Hewitt, Kristen Dawn | Instructor, Exercise Science | Health, Wellness & Human Perf. |
| Himes, Monica Lynn | Instructor, Social Work & Facilitator | Sociology, SW & Criminology |
| Hogge, Amanda Louise | Enrollment Services Counselor | Enrollment Services |
| Horton, Karen Faye | Building Services Technician | Building Services |
| Johnson, Anna Marie | Building Services Technician | Building Services |
| Jones, Jessica Lynn | Early College Records Specialist | Registrar |
| Jones, Sarah Elizabeth | Asst Basketball Coach | Basketball, Women's |
| Justice, Lenora Jeannie | Assistant Professor, Education (Educ Tech) | Foundational & Grad. Studies Educ. |
| Kasperek, Maureen | Athletic Learning Coordinator | Athletics, Office |
| Keene, Michael Travis | Marketing Coordinator | University Store |
| Kessinger, Michael W. | Instructor, Education | Foundational & Grad. Studies Educ. |
| King, Stephanie Aileen | Research Director, Public Affairs | School of Public Affairs-Business |
| Kline, Joseph Eugene | Building Services Technician | Building Services |
| Kost, Mark William | Asst. Basketball Coach | Basketball, Women's |
| Liew, Clive Maxwell | Sr Enrollment Counselor/International Recruitment | Enrollment Services |
| Linio, Richard Thomas | Asst Vice President, Facilities Management | Facilities Management |
| Luttrull, Walter Ray | Visiting Assistant Professor, Government | School of Public Affairs-Business |
| Mason, Justin Ryan | Water Testing Lab Manager | Water Analysis Lab |
| McDaniel, Jack D. | Carpenter | Engineering Services |
| Merritt, Christopher Robin | Instructor, Communications | Communication, Media & Leader |
| Mertens, Robert | Visiting Assistant Professor, AETD | Applied Engineering & Technology |
| Murphy, Jennifer Marie | Adm. Asst. to Director | Counseling & Health Serv. |
| Murphy, Thomas D. | DB Research Analyst I | Inst. Research & Analysis |

- Music Faculty members Prof. Glenn Ginn, Dr. Steve Snyder and Dr. Gordon Towell performed in Presidential Inauguration festivities hosted by the Commonwealth of Kentucky in Washington, D.C.
- The MSU Choirs will be touring and performing in Ireland in the Spring 2014 semester.
- The Social Work Program has placed 35 current social work students (from the Morehead and Ashland campuses) in 33 different social service agencies in three states (Kentucky, West Virginia and Ohio) for their senior practicum Fall 2013.
- Dr. Becky Katz, professor of sociology, has developed the Inside-Outside Prison Educational Exchange Program, taking criminology students to Little Sandy Correctional Complex for a class with a group of incarcerated male students. All students receive college credit for the experiential class and both groups of students report having a transformational learning experience. Faculty interested in participating in the program are encouraged to speak with Dr. Katz for more information.
- Dr. Robert Albert, dean of the College of Business & Public Affairs, has been appointed to the Board of Directors for the Southern Business Administration Association.
- Dr. Karen Pierce, assistant professor of accounting, was elected president-elect for the Kentucky Business Society.
- Dr. Michelle Kunz, professor of marketing, Dr. Janet Ratliff, assistant professor of management, Traci Baird, undergraduate business student, and Marlene Blankenbuehler, recruitment and retention coordinator, were presented with the Distinguished Research Award at the Allied Academies Spring 2013 International Conference.
- Dr. Michael Hail, assistant dean of the School of Public Affairs, has been nominated by President Barack Obama to serve on the Board of Trustees of the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation. The mission of the Truman Scholarship Foundation is to find and recognize college juniors with exceptional leadership potential who are committed to careers in government, the nonprofit or advocacy sectors, education or elsewhere in the public service. The Truman Foundation provides full graduate funding for recipients that enable them to complete doctoral degrees.
- Dr. Murray Bessette, assistant professor of government in the School of Public Affairs, has been elected president of the Kentucky Political Science Association for 2013-14 and will be hosting the annual meeting at MSU in March 2014.
- Dr. Gregory McBrayer and Dr. Jonathan Pidluzny, assistant professors of government, each have been named an "Academic Fellow" for 2013-14 by the Foundation for the Defense of Democracies, a non-partisan policy institute headquartered in Washington, D.C. Both traveled to Israel in June for an intensive course in terrorism studies, and in particular, how democracies can defeat the worldwide terrorist threat.

Points of Pride . . .

- Recognized for the ninth consecutive year as one of the top public, regional universities in the South by *U.S. News & World Report*.
- The Doctorate of Educational Leadership Program graduated its first class of nineteen in May 2013, with 22 doctoral degrees having been conferred as of Aug. 1.
- At least two hundred high school students made photograms in the darkroom, and all of the art and design studios were visited during High School Art Day festivities, held in March in conjunction with the KAEA Burley/Coal Region High School Art Exhibition and attracted 720 art students from 24 Kentucky high schools.
- The Master of Arts in English program awarded 31 degrees in the last academic year and is currently the second largest graduate program at MSU.
- Dr. Scott Davison published his second entry in the most prestigious reference work in philosophy, *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (Fall 2012 Edition), edited by Edward N. Zalta ("Petitionary Prayer," URL = <http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/fall2012/entries/petitionary-prayer/>)
- Two undergraduate fellows (history) presented papers at a national conference in Washington, D.C.
- The MSU chapter of Phi Alpha Theta hosted the regional history honors conference in March, which included students and faculty from eight regional colleges and universities.
- In the past year, 49 honors students have completed their required overseas experiences, participating in study programs, volunteer work and research in Europe, South America, Canada, Mexico, Africa, China, Australia and the South Pacific.
- During Summer 2013, MSU ROTC had three Cadets (Austin Hollingsworth, Jonathan Dunaway and Jacob McKay) selected to participate in the U.S. Army Cadet Command's Cultural Understanding and Language Immersion Program (CULP). This is a study abroad program funded by the U.S. Army for the purpose of exposing future officers to a variety of humanitarian and educational support missions. The cadets deployed for a period of 21 days to either the African nations of Burkina Faso and Malawi or to Mongolia.
- The Department of Military Science had 17 cadets attend and complete the Leader Development and Assessment Course (LDAC) at Joint Base Lewis-McChord in Washington State. Several other cadets were selected for additional summer training opportunities as well: four cadets trained with active duty units in Alaska and the Republic of South Korea; three cadets attended U.S. Army Airborne School; two cadets attended U.S. Army Air Assault School; and one cadet participated in a Leadership Exchange Program with the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

| Name | Job Title | Department |
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| Nickell, Mark | Adult Basic Education Instructor I | Montgomery Co. Adult Educ. Ctr. |
| Nunn, Brian Keith | Major Gift Officer | Development |
| Perry, Susan A. | Clerk Typist | Educational Services Unit |
| Pissarro, Marieta Simeonova | ESL Program Director | International Student Services |
| Plummer, Alisha M. | Administrative Coordinator | VP, Student Life, Office |
| Price, Meagan Breann | Building Services Technician | Building Services |
| Shaw, Jennifer Lee Ann | Office Assistant (YouthBuild) | Rowan YouthBuild |
| Shepard, Benjamin | Assistant Director, Residence Education | Student Housing |
| Smedley, Michaela Deanne | Enrollment Services Specialist | Enrollment Services |
| Stamper, Dale | YB Vocational Training Assistant | Rowan YouthBuild |
| Stapleton, Samuel Logan | Instructor, Management | School of Business Admin. |
| Summerlin, Christopher Andrew | Director, Housing & Residence Education | Student Housing |
| Taylor, Alex Morris | Instructor, English | English |
| Taylor, Matthew Jeffery | Visiting Assistant Professor, Saxophone | Music, Theatre & Dance |
| Terry, Keith E | Dept. Chair, Communication, Media & Leadership | Communication, Media & Leader. |
| Tiedeman, Kristin Lynn | Recruiting & Retention Coordinator | Dean, Arts, Humanities & SS |
| Tison, Jennifer S. | Assoc. Director, Inst. Research | Inst. Research & Analysis |
| Tolentino, Edgar John | Asst. Volleyball Coach | Volleyball, Women's |
| Vanhoose, Joel Walter | Sr. Enrollment Services Counselor | Enrollment Services |
| VanNess, Brandon Garrett | Instructor, Chemistry | Biology & Chemistry |
| West, Roderick | Asst. Football Coach | Football |
| Wheeler, J. Corey | Technology Business Analyst II (WEB) | IT-Applications Services |
| Whitley, Lacey Annette | Police Telecommunicator | Police Department |
| Whitley, Michelle | Academic Department Specialist | Nursing |
| Williams, Brian Casey | Building Services Technician | Univ. Center & Conference Serv. |
| Woodson, Andre | Asst. Football Coach | Football |
| Wornall, Tom | Technology Business Analyst II (WEB) | IT-Applications Services |
| Wright, Joseph Major | Building Services Technician | Building Services |

Announcements

SAVE THE DATES

Family Weekend, Sept. 20-22

Fall Career Fair, Oct. 1

Mid-term grades, due Oct. 14 at 9 a.m.

Homecoming, Oct. 24-26

Advance Registration, Nov. 6-19

Commencement, Dec. 14, 10:30 a.m.

Athletic Ticket Information

Season tickets are on sale now. MSU faculty and staff can purchase season passes for football, volleyball and soccer for as low as \$25 each and basketball for as low as \$50. Call 783-2386 or visit www.msueagles.com.

Campus Giving Campaign

The Campus Campaign is an annual fundraising effort that provides both faculty and staff an opportunity to directly impact the MSU community through their charitable donations to MSU. Did you know more than half of MSU employees have already participated in this year's campaign? If you haven't yet participated, please join your fellow employees and give back to MSU. Your participation (not the dollar amount) matters most. For as little as \$2.50 a paycheck, you can make

a significant impact on the lives of our students. All donors to the campus campaign who give at the \$25 level will receive a \$10 gift card to the University Bookstore.

If you have signed up for payroll deduction or made a gift of \$25 or more since Jan. 1, you've already participated in this year's campaign. Stop by the campaign table in the Crager Room today to pick up your University Bookstore gift card. Uncertain if you've given this year? A staff member will be happy to answer any questions. Thank you for providing much more opportunity for our students and programs.

Celebration of Student Scholarship

The Ninth Annual Celebration of Student Scholarship will be held in ADUC Wednesday, April 23, 2014, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Last year, 284 students engaged in original research, scholarship and/or other creative activities under the mentorship of 113 faculty from all disciplines, and presented 195 scholarly papers, posters and/or performances. Plan to help us grow this exciting event by personally attending, sponsoring student presenters and encouraging all of your students to attend. Everyone is welcome! For more information, contact Dr. Michael Henson, associate vice president for research and dean of the graduate school.

Emergency Preparedness Response

In the instructional setting, the faculty member is the person to whom students look for direction and leadership when emergency situations arise. Faculty are asked to take a few minutes at the first class meeting each semester to discuss emergency procedures with students and refer them to the Emergency Resources website at www.moreheadstate.edu/emergency.

Faculty members are asked to document this process by following directions on the "Classroom Resources" link of the Emergency Resources website. Attention should also be given to those students with disabilities or special needs that may require assistance in the event that evacuation is necessary. A general emergency evacuation plan has been developed for each campus building and can be accessed from the University's Emergency Resources website. Evacuation directions may be specific to individual rooms and venues. Please explore the nearest exit route from your classroom prior to having this discussion with your students and share that specific information as you discuss emergency situations.

Some emergency situations will require a "shelter in place" response rather than an evacuation. With any emergency, the best advice is to be prepared by familiarizing yourself in advance with emergency procedures.

Morehead State University uses e2campus/Omnilert to notify the campus community of safety, weather and other emergencies by text message and email. Visit www.moreheadstate.edu/eaglealerts to subscribe and begin receiving these important messages by cellphone. Please encourage students to subscribe during your emergency procedures discussions. Alerts are also delivered by email to all MSU employees and students, as well as the MSU Facebook page and Twitter.

More information is available by contacting Madonna Weathers, m.weathers@moreheadstate.edu, 783-2070, Holly Niehoff, h.niehoff@moreheadstate.edu, 783-2584, or by visiting www.moreheadstate.edu/emergency.

Fall Career Fair

Morehead State University will host the Fall Career Fair Tuesday, Oct. 1, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in ADUC. Registered organizations include company human resources representatives and graduate

American experience, and has delivered papers on the topic to political science conferences. Currently, he is serving as coordinator of the Masters of Arts in Social Sciences Program.

DISTINGUISHED STAFF SERVICE

Lora Pace, director of first year programs, an employee since 1990, is a former staff representative to the MSU Board of Regents. A Floyd County native, Pace came to MSU as a student and is a two-time graduate, earning a Bachelor or of Business Administration degree and a Master of Arts degree in adult and higher education. Pace began working as a residence hall director and area coordinator in the Office of Student Housing. She was named to her current post in 1996. She is a long-time member of Staff Congress where she served as chair and is currently serving as chair of the Credentials and Elections committee.

Along with numerous University committees, Pace has been active in various community service projects. She served two terms as Chair of Rowan County Christmas, co-President of the Rowan County Middle School Speech Boosters and is currently President of the High School Speech Boosters. She was a member of the inaugural class of the President's Leadership Academy.

DISTINGUISHED FACULTY SERVICE

Jennifer Reis, gallery director and assistant professor of art, is a graduate of MSU's President's Leadership Academy. Reis served on its operating committee for several years, specifically working on curriculum. Her service work at MSU includes involvement in MSPR's Advisory Committee, the President's Performing Arts and Speakers Program, SAC's QEP, and chairing a committee of faculty and staff to establish MSU's Arts Administration minor program. Service to the community includes work with the Rowan County Arts Center, Cave Run Arts Association, Morehead Art Guild, Rowan County Quilt Show, D.O.V.E.S. and the Rowan County Schools.

Her board, committee and consultancy work on the state and national level includes the Kentucky Arts Council, Kentucky Guild of Artist and Craftsmen, Kentucky Foundation for Women, Kentucky Museum of Art and Craft, Miami University of Ohio, Society of Contemporary Craft, and Americans for the Arts, as well as being the state representative for the Surface Design Association, an international organization for education, exhibition, and promotion of textile art.

Reis was the recipient of the prestigious Al Smith Fellowship from the Kentucky Arts Council, designed to honor high artistic achievement, among numerous other national awards for her textile art. Her curatorial work focuses on contemporary art and craft, resulting in more than 100 international to regional exhibitions.

Reis came to MSU in 2000 as gallery director in the Department of Art and Design after several years of working in art museums and organizations in New York, Ohio and Kentucky. Her degrees include a B.F.A. degree from the Columbus College of Art, an M.A. degree in Museum Studies from Syracuse University, and an M.A. degree in Studio Art with an Art Education emphasis from MSU.

Dr. Hail is a national expert in Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations. He edits The Federalism Report and serves on the governing council for the Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations Section of the American Political Science Association. Dr. Hail published substantial contributions to the reference work *Federalism in America* as well as the C.Q. Press Encyclopedia of the U.S. Constitution, and his work was recently published in the journal *P.S. Political Science & Politics*, as well as in *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*. Dr. Hail is also associate director of the Institute for Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations at the University of Kentucky.

DISTINGUISHED CREATIVE PRODUCTIONS

Elizabeth Mesa-Gaido, professor of art, has been a productive and award-winning artist for 20 years, bringing recognition to MSU and the Department of Art and Design since her arrival in 1992. She earned her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Pittsburgh and an M.F.A. degree from Ohio University in Athens. Mesa-Gaido's creative work encompasses two- and three-dimensional media, diverse and innovative use of materials, and inter- or cross-disciplinary connections. An actively exhibiting artist, Mesa-Gaido has participated in more than 130 exhibitions, including one person, international to regional juried, and invitational. Her pieces have been presented at reputable venues, such as the Urban Institute of Contemporary Art, Visual Arts Center of New Jersey, Spaces, Indianapolis Art Center, Pittsburgh Center for the Arts, Three Rivers Arts Festival, Cuban Museum of Arts and Culture, Mexic-Arte Museum, Alexandria Museum of Art, Speed Art Museum, Evansville Museum of Art, Avampato Discovery Museum, Cleveland State University, University of Kentucky and Florida State University Museum of Fine Arts.

Images and/or critical reviews of Mesa-Gaido's work have been published in books, journals, periodicals and newspapers, including: *In the Land of Mirrors: Cuban Exile Politics* (University of Michigan); *The Latino Studies Reader: Culture, Politics and Society* (Oxford: Blackwell); *Janus Head: Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies in Literature, Philosophy, Psychology and the Arts* (Pittsburgh: Duquesne University); *Fiberart International* (Fiber Arts Guild of Pittsburgh); *Bound* (The Women's Caucus for Art); *Dinosaurs of Distinction* (Pittsburgh: Carnegie Museum of Natural History, 2003); *Art Miami*; *The Nation*, *New Art Examiner*, *ART PAPERS* and *The Miami Herald*. Mesa-Gaido's artwork has been recognized and supported consistently with numerous grants, fellowships, and awards. Prestigious granting organizations include: *Art Matters* in New York City; *Alternate Roots* in Atlanta; the Kentucky Arts Council, both an Al Smith Fellowship and a Professional Assistance Award; and the Kentucky Foundation for Women, with three Artist Enrichment Grants. During her tenure, she has received two Creative Production Grants and two Summer Fellowships from MSU.

DISTINGUISHED TEACHER

Dr. Ric N. Caric, professor of international and interdisciplinary studies, received his Ph.D. degree in political science from the University of North Carolina and has taught at MSU since 1990, first through the Government Program and then the Department of International and Interdisciplinary Studies. Dr. Caric has created approximately 20 new classes, organizes his classes in ways that promote student originality, uses a discussion oriented technique to present material, and questions student values by exploring whiteness, gender, religious themes, and the many ambiguities of sexual orientation.

Dr. Caric's research is primarily in the history of popular culture in 19th century Philadelphia. Like his teaching, Dr. Caric's research is interdisciplinary and his papers have been delivered to political science, history, philosophy, semiotics and literature conferences. Recently, he has started investigating multi-cultural political identity in the United States and its roots in the African-

school recruiters looking for full-time and part-time employees, interns, program volunteers and graduate school applicants. MSU career fairs attract 75-80 employers and organizations. Please encourage your students to attend at all stages of their college experience. For more information, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/career or call 606-783-2233.

Information Source

The Eagle Student Handbook is the primary source of information for students and the campus community on regulations that govern student conduct and behavioral expectations. It may be viewed at www2.moreheadstate.edu/studentlife/. For more information contact Kevin Koett, k.koett@moreheadstate.edu, 783-2014.

Kentucky Academy of Science

On Nov. 8-9, Morehead State University will host the 99th Annual Meeting of the Kentucky Academy of Science. Meeting preparations are being handled by a local arrangements committee chaired by Dr. Eric Jerde, associate professor of geology. Members of the MSU community are encouraged to participate. More information is available at <http://www.kyacademyofscience.org/content/meetings.php>.

Move-In Day

New Student Move-In Day is Thursday, Aug. 15. Additional parking and traffic restrictions will apply during the time of scheduled residence hall check in. Pay attention to notices and directions as you travel to campus Thursday, Aug. 15.

PLA Class of 2014

Dora Ahmadi - Department Chair, Department of Mathematics Computer Science & Physics
Lee Skallerup Bessette - Instructor of English
Carol Christian - Assistant Professor/Director, P-16 Program
Scott Davison - Department Chair, Department of History, Philosophy, Religion & Legal Studies
Kristina DuRocher - Associate Professor of History
Shannon Harr - Research Integrity & Compliance Director, Research & Sponsored Programs
Yvette Kell - Director, Recreation & Wellness
Tyler Mark - Assistant Professor of Agribusiness
Jim Masterson - Assistant Professor/Director of International Education
Amy Moore - Operations Manager, Information Technology
Melisa Patrick - Community Service & Marketing Coordinator, Center for Regional Engagement
Nancy Preston - Director, MSU at Ashland
Tashanna Rucker - Senior Enrollment Services Counselor/Diversity
Kimberlee Sharp - Associate Professor of Education
Ilsun White - Professor of Psychology

Professional Development

Two professional development opportunities are scheduled for the fall semester. On Thursday, Oct. 10, an all-campus, all-day professional development session, Focus on Advising: From Curriculum to Careers, will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. On Friday, Oct. 11, new faculty members and student life staff are encouraged to take a regional bus tour including stops at the Mt. Sterling and Prestonsburg campuses. The trip is scheduled from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, contact the Center for Leadership and Professional Development at 606-783-9363.

Quality Enhancement Plan

Morehead State University has implemented a Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) to help first-year students develop the critical thinking habits needed to succeed in college. The QEP supports MSU's efforts to maintain accreditation through the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). MSU Clear Thinking is a five-year effort, currently in its second year, to devise classroom activities to guide students as they learn to think critically. It includes an on-going study of the effects of these activities. This past spring, the Critical Thinking Professional Learning Community (PLC) developed a new acronym focusing on MSU—Monitor your assumptions, Scrutinize the evidence and Uncover solutions. Resource materials for this three-step model are available at MyMoreheadState by clicking on the "Academics" icon and the "Quality Enhancement Plan" link. This website is a work in progress with additional materials being added as they are developed and reviewed. On Tuesday, Aug. 13, the Center for Leadership and Professional Development worked with the Critical Thinking PLC to offer an all-campus, all-day learning opportunity focusing on the QEP. Additional QEP-related professional development events will be offered to the campus community throughout the upcoming academic year.

Recreation & Wellness Center (RWC)

A reminder that full-time, benefit eligible employees have access to the Recreation and Wellness Center. Information on services such as group fitness classes (group fitness membership fees have been reduced to \$200/year for faculty/staff), personal training services, locker rentals, day hikes and other outdoor adventure activities, etc. can be found at www.moreheadstate.edu/campusrec. You will find hours of operation and additional membership information there as well.

Tobacco Free Campus

Just a reminder that we are a tobacco free campus as new faculty, staff and students join the University community. Smoking cessation programs are available to faculty, staff and students who may need support to remain in compliance with this regulation. For information on these programs, employees should contact Suzanne Hogge in the Office of Human Resources at s.hogge@moreheadstate.edu or 783-2097. Students should contact Brenda Wilburn in Counseling and Health Services at b.wilburn@moreheadstate.edu or 783-2123.

The policy is presented in UAR 902 found at www.moreheadstate.edu/daa/uar. You will see signage at the entrances to campus and in gathering places and along walkways that identify the campus as tobacco free. Please be active in helping members of the campus community and visitors become aware of this regulation. Violators should be reminded of the regulation. Persistent violators should be reported to appropriate supervisors in the case of employees, and to the Assistant VP and Dean of Students, Kevin Koett, k.koett@moreheadstate.edu, in the case of students. We appreciate the help of all members of the campus community in promoting this health initiative.

To demonstrate respect for our neighbors two areas on the campus are designated as tobacco use areas. These are the only locations where tobacco use is permitted:

(a) on the west end of campus - the concreted area in the backyard of the faculty house on the corner of Second Street and Battson-Oates, across Second Street from Lappin Hall. This area is accessed from Second Street. Stairs enter the yard from the south side of the Second Street sidewalk. Gravel will designate a walkway to the tobacco use area until concrete can be poured as weather allows.

(b) In the east-central area of campus - an area on the west side of the faculty parking lot behind Baird Hall at the end of the fenced area housing the AC unit. The area will be restricted to the paved surface in order to maintain the existing green space bordering the parking area.

University Family Picnic

Join President and Mrs. Andrews and the University family Thursday, Aug. 29, from 5-7 p.m. at the Breathitt Sports Center complex for the picnic. (Look for the big tent.) Stay and be the guest of Eagle Athletics for the Morehead State Eagle Football home opener against University of Pikeville at 7 p.m. To help us plan for food, please contact Ami Courtney, a.courtney@moreheadstate.edu, 783-2071 to let us know how many will be in your party.

Vehicle Registration/Parking System

The Traffic Office is located in 100 Laughlin Building, with regular hours of operation 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Extended hours will be in effect Thursday, Aug. 15, and Friday, Aug. 16, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday, Aug. 17, from 8 a.m. to noon. For more information, email traffic@moreheadstate.edu or call 783-2220. For updated regulations, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/police.

We ask the University community to be aware of the limitations of traffic flow through campus during New Student Move-In Day, Aug. 15. Please follow the direction of officers and volunteers that will be helping control traffic. It may take the new members of our community a short time to adjust to parking regulations. Those with reserved parking spaces should call 783-2035 to report violators they find in their spaces and take advantage of the 00 spaces designed for use in these situations. There will be extra parking attendants on duty in reserved parking and time limited parking areas of the campus for the first few weeks of the semester. Please be aware that the parking lot to the east of ADUC is a visitor lot and not for general student and faculty/staff parking.

Volunteer Opportunities for New Student Move-In Day

Faculty and staff are asked to volunteer a few hours Thursday, Aug. 15, to provide leadership to our student organization move-in teams and help greet families and students as they move into residence halls. If you would like to volunteer, register via the Center for Regional Engagement's "Volunteer Hub" at msucares.volunteerhub.com. Each position is listed with appropriate times and a brief description of the task. Register for as many available time slots as desired. Should you have questions, or need assistance, contact Betty Jo Wallace at bj.wallace@moreheadstate.edu or 783-2070.

Award Recipients

DISTINGUISHED RESEARCHER

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