

News Items for 2013 - November

Informational session for 'Craft Bizarre' announced

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The fourth annual “Craft Bizarre,” a student-run art and craft sale will be held Thursday and Friday, Dec. 5-6 in the gallery of the Morehead State University’s Claypool-Young Art Building.

The “Craft Bizarre” encourages creative entrepreneurship and provides an opportunity for the community to support college students artistically and financially.

An informational session for potential participants will be held Tuesday, Nov. 5, at 5:30 p.m. in 111 Claypool-Young.

The session will cover pricing, presentation, artist promotion, and popular art and craft for specific audiences, as well as providing necessary paperwork for participating in the event.

For more information about the sale, contact faculty sponsor Jennifer Reis at tj.reis@moreheadstate.edu.

“Like” the event on Facebook via “MSU Annual Craft Bizarre” for frequent updates.

Details about the gallery can be found at www.moreheadstate.edu/art/.

The gallery in Claypool-Young provides cultural and educational programming to the MSU community as well as the University’s service region. The gallery is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. or by appointment. There is no charge for viewing and the public is invited to attend. Parking is available on Main Street during the day, and on the campus after 5 p.m. weekdays, and all day on weekends.

Audible alert system test Monday

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Morehead State University will conduct the monthly test of its audible alert system on Monday, Nov. 4, beginning at 12:30 p.m.

The system consists of three speakers that use an alert tone as well as voice messages to warn the campus during an emergency.

The high powered amplifiers, located on Ginger and Cartmell halls along with Jayne Stadium, are designed primarily to alert pedestrians on campus sidewalks and streets.

Faculty, staff and students also can be notified by signing up for Eagle Alerts (e2Campus).

Additional information on MSU's emergency procedures can be found on the MSU website at www.moreheadstate.edu/emergency/.

Gov. Beshear proclaims November ‘College Application Month’

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Gov. Steve Beshear has proclaimed November “College Application Month” for Kentucky high school seniors.

“All Kentucky students should consider getting an education beyond high school,” Gov. Beshear said. “Whether it’s a four-year degree or a six-month certificate program from a career and technical school, the more education you have, the better your chances of finding a well-paying job.”

He added that the more educated the work force is, the easier it is for Kentucky to attract businesses and industries to the state.

College Application Month is sponsored by the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA). KHEAA is the state agency that administers grants, the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES), work-study and savings programs.

KHEAA outreach staff and school and community volunteers will provide hands-on assistance to help seniors complete online applications. An Online Toolkit is available at www.kheaa.com for any school or organization interested in hosting an event.

To learn how to plan and prepare for higher education, go to www.gotocollege.ky.gov. For more information about Kentucky scholarships and grants, visit www.kheaa.com; write KHEAA, P.O. Box 798, Frankfort, KY 40602; or call 800-928-8926, ext. 6-7372.

Registration Service Center set for Dec. 4-5

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Have a question about registering for spring? Didn't get that spring schedule completed?

Morehead State University will offer students that have questions, have not registered or completed a schedule for Spring 2014, a chance to do so.

MSU will host a Registration Service Center Wednesday, Dec. 4, and Thursday, Dec. 5, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. in Room 301 of the Adron Doran University Center.

The goal is to help address any obstacles that may have prevented students from registering. Students can register now, answer questions and do not have to wait to resolve registration issues.

If at all possible, MSU would like students to resolve problems and complete a schedule prior to the first day of class. Professional advisors will be on hand to guide and assist with problems.

Additional information is available by contacting Lora Pace, director of first year programs, at 606-783-2517, or Dr. Emma Perkins, assistant vice president of University College, at 606-783-2884.

MSU receives 2013 Innovation Award

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Morehead State University was a recipient of the 2013 Innovation Award by the Appalachian Innovations Collaborative (AIC) on for the development of the Doctorate of Education (Ed.D) in Educational Leadership.

The program was developed as a practitioner-scholar program to support educational leaders seeking opportunities for educational advancement while providing on-going, day-to-day leadership.

The program was established with a “north star” focus of providing all students an opportunity to learn within a culture of high expectations.

Currently MSU has started its fourth annual Ed.D cohort of students in the P-12 administrative leadership and educational technology leadership tracks.

Additionally, MSU recently graduated 19 students from its first cohort of the doctoral program started in 2010.

Grant County students visit Early College Program

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Students from Grant County High School visited the Morehead State University campus, as part of the Early College Program, Friday, Nov. 1.

More than 50 high and technical schools offered MSU classes during the fall semester with more than 2,000 high school students participating in the program.

“This program is truly a win-win opportunity. Students get to earn college credit for free or at a much reduced rate, parents have less financial burden for a college education and schools get challenging new courses which fully optimize the talents of their high schools,” said Joel Pace, director of adult and early college programs.

MSU and the partner schools are collaborating to meet a goal of 24 college credits for all high school students before they graduate.

School systems taking part are: Bath, Boyd, Breathitt, Carter, Elliott, Estill, Fayette, Fleming, Floyd, Jessamine, Jefferson, Johnson, Knott, Lee, Lawrence, Lewis, Martin, Menifee, Montgomery, Morgan, Owsley, Pike, Powell, Rowan and Wolfe counties; as well as Ashland Blazer, Frankfort, Jackson, Maysville’s St. Patrick, Paintsville Pikeville, Russell, Raceland-Worthington independents; and Lakeside Christian.

A minimum 3.0 grade point average and an 18 composite ACT score are necessary to be admitted to the program. Students also must meet any specific requirements that are course related.

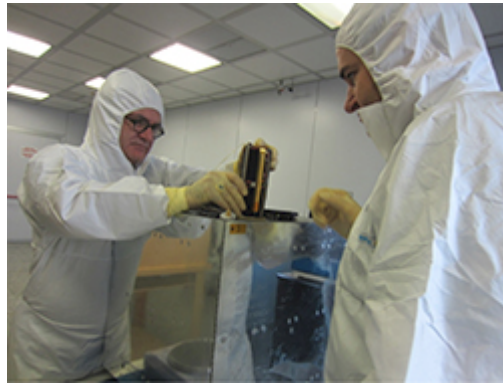
Students enrolled in courses taught by MSU faculty on the Morehead campus, at one of our regional campuses, or online during the semester will receive a 60 percent scholarship and would be responsible for the remaining tuition for their courses. Students enrolled in courses instructed by approved faculty in their school system will continue to receive a full waiver for the cost of tuition.

Additional information is available by calling Pace at 606-783-2995 or you can find an application at www.moreheadstate.edu/earlycollege/.

Update: Two space launches from two continents in two days

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This week is a big week for Morehead State University, for Kentucky and for space research.

MSU's [Space Science Center](#) staff and students and their partners are launching two satellites from two different continents within two days of each other. On Nov. 19, KySat-2 a nanosatellite collaboration between MSU, the University of Kentucky, and Kentucky Space LLC., will launch from NASA's mid-Atlantic launch range in Wallops Island Virginia. Two days later on November 21, UniSat-5- a 40 kg microsatellite developed as a collaboration between MSU, the University of Rome La Sapienza Aerospace Engineering School a commercial spin-off called the Group of Astrodynamics for the Use of Space Systems (GAUSS, Inc.) will launch from Yasnny, Russia.

KySat-2 is a 1.3 kg (approximately 3 pound) CubeSat whose primary mission is technical demonstration of a stellar gyroscope-- an innovative star imager that will use successive images of stars and mathematical models to determine the spacecraft dynamics. KySat-2 will launch as a secondary payload on the Operationally Responsive Space (ORS-3) mission on an Orbital Sciences Minotaur rocket. ORS-3 will deploy eleven small research satellites for nine universities, one high school and one NASA Center. KySat-2 is a replacement for KySat -1 which was launched in March 2011 as a secondary payload on NASA's Glory Mission but failed to reach orbit as the NASA Taurus A launch vehicle underwent catastrophic failure. Both KySat-1 and KySat-2 were selected for flight by NASA's Educational Launch of a Nanosatellite (ELaNa) program. The KySat-2 satellite was built exclusively in Kentucky-- the satellite bus, mechanical structures, electronic power systems, solar arrays, communications systems and antenna systems were built in Morehead while the flight computer and payload was built at the UK -- under the Kentucky Space partnership that was established in 2006.

The primary mission of UniSat-5 is to flight validate innovative space hardware (including a cutting-edge flight computer) to launch secondary payloads and to provide training for university students. UniSat-5 will be launched on a Dnepr rocket (a modified SS-18 ICBM) by the Kosmotras- a jointly held Russian-Ukrainian company that now manages the highly successful series of Dnepr Rockets. Students and staff of MSU's Space Science Center developed many of the UniSat-5 spacecraft subsystems.

UniSat-5 also will serve as a "mother ship" and after 18 days in orbit will 8 smaller satellites built by aerospace companies and universities. One of these nanosatellites, Eagle-1 is a PocketQub, and will be among the smallest spacecraft ever flown.

A new satellite standard was proposed in 2009 by Robert Twiggs, professor of space science, for a satellite even smaller than the CubeSat called PocketQub. This Fempto-class satellite is a 5 cm cube and can fit in a pocket. The PocketQub leverages the CubeSat standard and also leverages the revolution in the miniaturization of

electronics. PocketQub™s will ultimately have a wide range of applications including: space network nodes, sensor platforms, and miniature satellite constellations that are inexpensive, redundant, and spatially organized. The Eagle-1 spacecraft is designed to provide a component testbed for PocketQub technologies, primarily among them being a de-orbit system that also increases the spacecraft radar cross section. Eagle-1, weighing approximately 430 grams (just under one pound) is one of four PocketQubs and four CubeSats that will be deployed from UniSat-5. The UniSat-5 mission is historic in that it will deploy the world's smallest satellites (PocketQubs) and the first satellites ever built and flown by the countries of Peru and Pakistan.

The Space Science Center has sent teams to both launches to cover the launch and early operations (LEOP). Jeff Kruth, electrical engineer, Bob Kroll, space systems engineer, and Eric Thomas, star theater director and microfabrication technician, are at the NASA facility in Wallops Island Virginia with a group of 12 space science students working the LEOP. Dr. Malphrus and Kevin Brown are in Yasny Russia working the LEOP for the UniSat-5/Eagle-1 mission. Mission operations for all three satellites will be conducted by students from the MSU's Mission Operations Center housed in Smith-Booth Hall.

These launches follow the successful launch of Morehead State's first satellite, the Cosmic X-Ray Background Nanosatellite (CXBN) that was launched in September 2012.

Dr. Malphrus indicated that "if the launch dates hold, by the end of next week there will be three satellites orbiting the Earth that were built in Kentucky. This represents an extraordinary accomplishment for the Morehead State University staff and students, for our collaborators, and for our partners Kentucky Space, NASA Kentucky and indeed for the Commonwealth."

The team wishes to acknowledge the NASA Kentucky Space Grant Consortium, and the KY EPSCoR programs for their support of Kentucky Space and efforts at Morehead State University that have led to these successful missions. The team also acknowledges the launch services support provided by the NASA ELaNa program and the Russian/Ukrainian Kosmotras.

For more information, contact the Space Science Center at 606-783-2381.

UPDATE:

Kentucky Space LLC (KS) announced Wednesday that at 8:15 p.m. Tuesday night KentuckySat-2 (KySat-2) was launched from the NASA Launch Facility at Wallops Island, Virginia. Shortly after liftoff the spacecraft was successfully inserted into orbit at 500 km x 500 km @ 40.5 degrees. Ground operation stations in Kentucky, the U.S. and Japan have reported receiving data packets from the satellite indicating that systems are functioning normally.

KySat-2 is a 1.3 kg (approximately 3 pound) CubeSat class satellite whose primary mission involves a technical demonstration of a stellar gyroscope -- an innovative imager and mathematical models to determine spacecraft dynamics. KySat-2 was launched as a secondary payload on the Operationally Responsive Space (ORS-3) mission on an Orbital Sciences Minotaur rocket. KySat-2 was selected for flight by NASA's Educational Launch of a Nanosatellite (ELaNa) program. The KySat-2 spacecraft was designed and built exclusively in the state by Kentucky Space along with its partners Morehead State University and the University of Kentucky. Students at these universities made up the core of the spacecraft design/build team. "This launch represents another major milestone in the growth, impact and reach of Kentucky Space" said Twyman Clements, KS mission director. The mission team from Kentucky Space, including students and faculty from the universities were on-site for the launch.

Kentucky Space is a private nonprofit enterprise focused on entrepreneurial, educational and commercial space solutions.

Update # 2 Kentucky Space Announces Second Launch In Last 48 Hours

Kentucky Space LLC has announced a second successful launch this week (led by partner Morehead State

University) out of Yasny, Russia at 1:10 p.m. local time November 21.

The primary spacecraft in this mission is Unisat-5, a 40 kg microsatellite developed as a collaboration between Morehead State University, Kentucky Space, the University of Rome La Sapienza Aerospace Engineering School and a commercial spin-off called the Group of Astrodynamics for the Use of Space Systems (GAUSS, Inc.). UniSat-5 was launched on a Dnepr rocket (a modified SS-18 ICBM) by the Kosmotras - a jointly held Russian-Ukrainian company that now manages the highly successful series of Dnepr Rockets.

The primary objectives of the UniSat-5 mission are to flight validate some novel space hardware (including a cutting-edge flight computer), launch several secondary payloads and extend training for university students. Students and staff of the Morehead State Space Science Center developed many of the UniSat-5 spacecraft subsystems. UniSat-5 also serves as a "mother ship" that will eventually deploy eight smaller satellites built by aerospace space enterprises and universities.

One of these secondary nanosatellites, Eagle-1, is a PocketQub™ that will be among the smallest spacecraft ever flown. This new satellite standard proposed in 2009 by Professor Robert Twiggs (Morehead State University) is even smaller than a CubeSat...called PocketQub. This Fempto-class satellite is a 5 cm cube that can fit in an individual's pocket. Eagle-1, weighing approximately 430 grams (just under one pound), is one of four PocketQubs and four CubeSats that will be deployed from UniSat-5.

The PocketQub leverages the CubeSat standard and also builds on the accelerating miniaturization of electronics. PocketQubs could ultimately have a wide range of applications, including: space network nodes, sensor platforms and miniature satellite constellations that are inexpensive, redundant and spatially organized.

"This has been a remarkable week in the rapidly growing entrepreneurial, commercial and educational space industry in Kentucky," said Mission Director Dr. Benjamin K. Malphrus, chair of Morehead State University's Department of Earth and Space Sciences.

This is the second launch this week from two different continents by Kentucky Space and its partners. The first of the satellites (KySat-2) was successfully launched Tuesday, Nov. 19, from the NASA Launch Facility at Wallops Island, Virginia.

Kentucky Space is a private nonprofit enterprise focused on entrepreneurial, educational and commercial space solutions.

"Tiny" Satellite built by SSU and Morehead State University Students is now in Orbit

A very small satellite built by a team of Sonoma State University (SSU) and Morehead State University (MSU) students has been successfully launched into outer space to measure the magnetic field of the earth.

Called T-LogoQube, the one-pound satellite measuring 5 cm x 5 cm x 15 cm, was carried by a Russian DNEPR-1 rocket as it thundered into orbit on Nov. 21 from Dombrovsky Cosmodrome at Yasny, Russia. It carried an Italian micro-satellite called Unisat-5 which actually released the student-made satellite into space. It was the first such launch for SSU and breaks new ground for the University's physics and astronomy department allowing it to do space-based measurements with its own satellite.

T-LogoQube is measuring the Earth's magnetic field in order to determine the satellite's pointing direction. It uses on-board magnetic torque coils to control its orientation and crosses Sonoma County at noon and midnight every 24 hours.

The satellite transmits magnetic field and other data to ground stations at Dr. Garrett Jernigan's Little H-Bar Ranch in Petaluma, Calif. and the Space Science Center in Morehead, Kentucky. Jernigan is one of the mentors for the project along with MSU professor Bob Twiggs.

The first data packets were received and decoded using the Little H-Bar Ranch ground system on Nov. 23. Commands were successfully sent back to T-LogoQube the next day from the radio transmitter at the ranch.

T-LogoQube was built by about a dozen undergraduate students from SSU's Department of Physics and Astronomy (led by Chair Lynn Cominsky) and MSU's Department of Earth and Space Science in Kentucky (led by Chair Ben Malphrus). The Space Science Center at MSU conducts ground systems operations for and is partially supported by Kentucky Space, directed by Kris Kimel.

Physics major Kevin Zack was the lead student on the entire project, while Sean McNeil and Will Roche led the MSU effort. Zack won the American Physical Society Far West's section Steven Chu Award for Undergraduate Research for his talk about the satellite at the sectional meeting held at SSU in early November.

Other SSU physics students involved in the project are Ben Cunningham, Hunter Mills and Lauryn Loudermilk. SSU equipment technician Steve Anderson also provided important support in establishing an earlier testing facility in Darwin Hall on the SSU campus.

At SSU, this project was supported by Professor Cominsky's NASA Education and Public Outreach group, and by a recent award through the SSU Provost's undergraduate research fund.

After being tested at MSU's Space Science Center, Professor Malphrus took the T-LogoQube to Italy where Sean McNeil installed it into the Unisat-5. Malphrus then accompanied Unisat-5 to Russia for the launch.

The Nov. 21 launch was the first to deploy PocketQubes, the smallest class of satellites ever operated in orbit. T-LogoCube is one of four PocketQubes launched from Unisat-5. PocketQubes are smaller versions of CubeSats: the PocketQube concept was originated by MSU Prof. Bob Twiggs. Both CubeSats and PocketQubes provide excellent educational opportunities for students as they are relatively inexpensive to build.

Prior to launch, T-LogoQube was known by several other names: "Eagle-1", "BeakerSat-2" and "MagPocketQube." It was renamed after launch, a common tradition for successfully operating satellites. The "T" in T-LogoQube stands for "tiny."

The "Logo" in T-LogoQube refers to the Logo programming language, which has been used for the first time on orbit. Logo software development was contributed by Brian Silverman, president of the Playful Invention Company (PICO). His brother Barry Silverman also made significant contributions to the ground system.

Betsy Layne students visit Early College Program

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Students from Betsy Layne High School visited the Morehead State University campus, as part of the Early College Program, Monday, Nov. 11.

More than 50 high and technical schools offered MSU classes during the fall semester with more than 2,000 high school students participating in the program.

“This program is truly a win-win opportunity. Students get to earn college credit for free or at a much reduced rate, parents have less financial burden for a college education and schools get challenging new courses which fully optimize the talents of their high schools,” said Joel Pace, director of adult and early college programs.

MSU and the partner schools are collaborating to meet a goal of 24 college credits for all high school students before they graduate.

School systems taking part are: Bath, Boyd, Breathitt, Carter, Elliott, Estill, Fayette, Fleming, Floyd, Jessamine, Jefferson, Johnson, Knott, Lee, Lawrence, Lewis, Martin, Menifee, Montgomery, Morgan, Owsley, Pike, Powell, Rowan and Wolfe counties; as well as Ashland Blazer, Frankfort, Jackson, Maysville’s St. Patrick, Paintsville Pikeville, Russell, Raceland-Worthington independents; and Lakeside Christian.

A minimum 3.0 grade point average and an 18 composite ACT score are necessary to be admitted to the program. Students also must meet any specific requirements that are course related.

Students enrolled in courses taught by MSU faculty on the Morehead campus, at one of our regional campuses, or online during the semester will receive a 60 percent scholarship and would be responsible for the remaining tuition for their courses. Students enrolled in courses instructed by approved faculty in their school system will continue to receive a full waiver for the cost of tuition.

Additional information is available by calling Pace at 606-783-2995 or you can find an application at www.moreheadstate.edu/earlycollege/.

CPE awards \$120 K to MSU

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For the 12th consecutive year, Kentucky's Council on Postsecondary Education awarded federal grant funds to improve P-12 educator quality through professional development programs.

The Improving Educator Quality (IEQ) grants, totaling \$839,000, were awarded to four lead institutions, including the Morehead State University, University of Kentucky, Northern Kentucky University and Murray State University.

"The more we improve teaching, the more we can improve student learning," said Bob King, CPE president. "Each of these grants will support our campuses' efforts to help public school teachers continue to increase college and career readiness of Kentucky's students."

The focus of the program this year is on fully integrating the Common Core Standards and Next Generation Science Standards and related assessments in a way that assists teachers in providing intervention in content areas for students in need of accelerated learning.

To be eligible, a partnership must include a postsecondary institution's school of arts and sciences, its teacher preparation program, as well as a high-need local school district.

MSU was the lead institutions on one grant award: Algebraic Dynamic Duo: Integrating Hands-On Learning and Problem Solving to Increase Student Achievement, \$120,000 (Year 2).

MSU will engage 40 middle and high school math and math-collaboration special education teachers. The project's objectives are (1) identify students in need of accelerated learning through rigorous and scientifically researched assessment practices to make appropriate content-based interventions for assistance in algebra instruction, especially students beyond 8th grade still struggling with Algebra concepts, (2) implement instructional practices, informed by scientifically based research, for teaching algebra with a focus on depth of knowledge in algebraic concepts as defined by Common Core Standards, (3) fully integrate EPAS professional development that assists teachers in analyzing EPAS scores to inform instruction and strategies to assist students achievement on these tests, and (4) empower teachers through self-reflection and analysis in the creation of individual action plans.

Krista Barton, director of the 21st Century Education Enterprise, is the principal investigator on the grant.

The other projects, lead institutions and grant awards were: Success in Algebra: Improving Special Education Teaching Practice, University of Kentucky: \$120,000—Year 2; Collaborative for Inquiry-Based Instruction, Northern Kentucky University: \$120,000—Year 2; FLIP: Using Video Podcasts for Mathematics Instruction and Intervention, Northern Kentucky University: \$120,000—Year 2; Integrating Engineering in the Sciences (IES), University of Kentucky: \$130,000; Project-Based Investigations on Improving Water Quality in the Kentucky River Watershed, University of Kentucky: \$130,000; and Enriching Science Learning through Simulations and Interdisciplinary Problem-Solving, and Murray State University: \$99,000.

Additional information on the MSU grant is available by contacting Barton at 606-783-2393.

ROTC program to remain open

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U.S. Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell received word Wednesday, Nov. 6, that the United States Army has agreed to allow the Morehead State University's ROTC program to stay open for two years to allow them to improve their officer production rates. This is a reversal of the Army's previous decision to close the program.

In late August, Senator McConnell was contacted by MSU President Wayne D. Andrews asking for his assistance in helping keep the ROTC program open at the university. Sen. McConnell contacted the United States Army, on behalf of MSU and urged the Army to reconsider its plan to close the university's ROTC program.

"Morehead State University would like to thank Sen. Mitch McConnell, Rep. Hal Rogers, Sen. Rand Paul, Gov. Steve Beshear, and others for their hard work on behalf of our ROTC program," said Dr. Andrews. "MSU's program performs at a very high level. ROTC is an integral part of the University and we are delighted about the decision to continue the program."

In a letter to the Army, Sen. McConnell expressed concerns raised by MSU regarding reports the Army may be considering closing their ROTC program. McConnell also recognized the achievements of the MSU cadets and the program's importance to the community. The MSU cadets were ranked first in 2011 in the Army Cadet Command's national Order of Merit list. McConnell also said that the graduating class is scheduled to be MSU's largest commissioning class since 1985, and MSU anticipates continued program growth in the coming years.

"Morehead State University's ROTC program has a rich history on campus and is strongly supported by the university and local community," Sen. McConnell said. "Today's announcement is outstanding news for the university, the cadets and their supporters. I appreciate the Army listening to our concerns and allowing this program to remain active so the students can continue to serve the university and their country."

MSU's Eagle Battalion was activated January 1, 1968, during the height of the Vietnam War when other colleges and universities were discussing closing their military programs. The University's program has continually grown during the past nearly five decades with more than 600 officers being commissioned.

The quality of MSU's program is nationally known with a number of cadets highly ranked according to the "National Order of Merit" list. For example, in 2006-07, MSU Cadet Shannon Niki Martin was ranked third out

of 3,806 cadets from 272 universities across the nation. In 2010-11, MSU Cadet Commander Wesley Tudor was ranked number one out of 5,342 cadets from 272 universities across the nation.

MSU to celebrate 'America Recycles Day'

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Morehead State University will join the nationwide effort to raise awareness of sustainability through recycling as it celebrates America Recycles Day Friday, Nov. 15.

The MSU Sustainability Committee will assist the University in recycling “much more” materials.

According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), as much as 45 percent of the 250 million tons of municipal waste generated was from commercial and institutional locations such as business and government offices, retail establishments, schools and hospitals.

The Sustainability Committee pledges to increase recycled materials generated at the workplace by 10 percent during the next two years.

MSU will achieve its goal by taking actions which may include:

- Identifying opportunities to recycle more and waste less;
- Making recycling more convenient in our workplace to enable greater participation;
- Increasing employee awareness of waste reduction and recycling opportunities in the workplace;
- Identifying cost-effective opportunities to purchase products with recycled content;
- Implementing purchasing policies that consider a product's end of life use and recyclability;
- Reporting on our actions and progress through the Recycling at Work online reporting system;
- Celebrating our success; and
- Inviting at least one other company or organization to take this Pledge.

MSU is proud to take the Recycling at Work pledge and join other businesses and organizations in increasing recycling at our workplace. Every action adds up to making a difference.

America Recycles Day is a national program of Keep America Beautiful and is the only nationally recognized day and community-driven awareness event dedicated to promoting and celebrating recycling in the U.S. Since its inception in 1997, communities across the country have participated in America Recycles Day on Nov. 15 to

educate, promote environmental citizenship and encourage action.

To learn more about sustainability initiatives at MSU, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/earthwise.

For more information on American Recycles Day, contact Holly Niehoff, Office of Environmental Health and Safety technician, at 606-783-2584 or email h.niehoff@moreheadstate.edu.

Gregory named to State Archives and Records Commission

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Morehead State University's Dr. David L. Gregory, Dean of Library Services, has been appointed by Gov. Steve Beshear to the State Archives and Records Commission.

Dr. Gregory will represent regional state universities and colleges. He replaces Sheila A. Stuckey of Kentucky State University, whose term expired this year. He will serve until Sept. 21, 2017.

"I am honored to have been appointed by Gov. Beshear to serve on the Kentucky Archives and Records Commission," said Dr. Gregory. "This commission does important work to preserve and protect the heritage of our Commonwealth, and it is a humbling task to represent our wonderful universities in this way."

He was named dean of library services in 2012, after serving since 2010 as interim dean and acting dean of library services.

Dr. Gregory came to MSU with experience as a librarian at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville. In addition to his work as a librarian, he has also served as an adjunct professor and instructor of church music at SBTS and as adjunct professor at Jefferson Community College and Campbellsville University.

He received his Master of Science degree in library science from the University of Kentucky and has a Doctor of Musical Arts degree in voice and musicology from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

A native of Clay County, he is married to Kathleen Gregory, and they have two children, Michael (wife, Samantha) and Anna. They also have three grandchildren, Evan, Isaac, and Maddie.

They are actively involved in Morehead's First Baptist Church, and he is a member of the Lexington Singers.

The State Archives and Records Commission was created to advise the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives (KDLA) on matters relating to archives and records management. The 17 members of the commission are appointed to represent special and public libraries, state and local government, state universities and citizens-at-large. The composition of the commission's membership is designed to ensure that Kentucky citizens and government agencies are represented in decisions concerning the preservation of records of enduring value and the timely destruction of records that have ceased to have value.

KDLA provides equitable access to quality library and information resources and services, as well as helping public agencies ensure that legislatively mandated documentation of government programs is created, efficiently maintained and made accessible.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Gregory at 606-783-2200.

Military Times selects MSU as one of the 'Best Colleges for Vets'

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Military Times has announced Morehead State University has made its Best for Vets: Colleges 2014 rankings.

The organization comprising Army Times, Navy Times, Air Force Times and Marine Corps Times placed a new emphasis on academic rigor this year when conducting and scoring the fourth annual Best for Vets: Colleges survey, a highly respected 150-question analysis of a school's complete offerings for veterans.

"As with all of the Best for Vets rankings, Best for Vets: Colleges is an editorially independent news project that evaluates the many factors that make an institution a good fit for military veterans," said Amanda Miller, editor of Military Times EDGE.

The full rankings are available online, and in print, as of today, Monday, Nov. 11.

Best for Vets provides service men and women a gauge by which to judge whether a school or degree program will truly benefit them. The rankings factored in service member enrollment, percentage of tuition covered by the GI Bill, and availability of specific programs to help service members.

The extensive evaluation process also factored in statistics commonly used to track student success and academic quality, including student loan default rates, retention rates, graduation rates and student-faculty ratio.

The rankings are published in full in the November issue of Military Times EDGE magazine, the premier publication for military transition, and online at MilitaryTimes.com, as well as ArmyTimes.com, NavyTimes.com, AirForceTimes.com and MarineCorpsTimes.com.

The top 30 four-year schools, top 10 online and nontraditional schools, and top 10 two-year schools are compared in the issues of Army Times, Navy Times, Air Force Times and Marine Corps Times on newsstands the week of Veterans Day.

Military Times' series of Best for Vets survey-based rankings include: Colleges, Career and Technical Colleges, Business Schools, Franchises, Employers and Law Enforcement.

The Veterans Day release of Best for Vets: Colleges 2014 coincides with several Military Times initiatives to celebrate service members.

For more information, visit www.militarytimes.com.

Green accepted into the Kentucky Crafted Program

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Morehead State University's Seth Green, assistant professor of art and design, is one of 21 Kentucky artists have been accepted into the Kentucky Crafted Program, the Kentucky Arts Council's marketing assistance program that supports artisans by providing opportunities to expand their professional careers and market reach.

Earlier this year, Green received the prestigious Al Smith Visual Arts Fellowship from the Kentucky Arts Council.

Artists are adjudicated into the program based on artistic excellence and market readiness as determined by an independent panel of art and craft industry professionals.

"Artists in the Kentucky Crafted Program have kept the state on the forefront of the country's art and craft scene for more than 30 years," said Lori Meadows, arts council executive director. "I congratulate the new artists who were accepted into the program and look forward to seeing how their individual careers enhance the program in the future."

Other new artists are:

Rod Austin, Calhoun; Paul Ballard, Versailles ; Leslie Bowers, Louisville; Katie Burke, Louisville; Katie Clark, Lexington; Julie Conn, Lexington; Kathy Conroy, Pleasureville; Richard Douglas Jr., Campbellsville; Rick Griebenow, McKee; Sarah Havens, Louisville; Dean Hill, West Liberty;

Debra Klopp, Corbin; Robert Love, Lexington; Chris Plummer, Alexandria; Walter Roycraft, Nicholasville; Alexey Stiop, Georgetown; Diana Thomas, Georgetown; Susan Vanstone, Richmond and Fritz Wolff,

Nicholasville; and Jennifer Heller Zurick, Berea.

Green, who joined MSU in 2011, received his M.F.A. degree in ceramics from the University of Nebraska. He has assisted workshops at Anderson Ranch Arts Center in Snowmass Village, Colo., and has been an artist-in-residence at the Archie Bray Foundation in Helena, Mont.

His exhibition record is growing rapidly and he is receiving national recognition for his ceramic vessels. Recently, he received the prestigious award of Best Teapot in the 2012 Strictly Functional Pottery National Exhibition and had images of his work published in Ceramics Monthly Magazine.

Green has been a demonstrator and visiting artist at the Clay Studio of Missoula, Michigan Mud Conference, Utah Valley University, Brigham Young University and Western Kentucky University.

In addition to marketing assistance, the Kentucky Crafted Program provides business training and exhibit opportunities to its members, such as inclusion in its online directory and exhibiting at Kentucky Crafted: The Market, the arts council's award-winning annual fine art and craft showcase.

Kentucky visual and craft artists can apply to be considered for the Kentucky Crafted Program on an annual basis. For more information about the program, contact Ed Lawrence at ed.lawrence@ky.gov or 502-564-3757 ext. 473.

The Kentucky Arts Council is the state arts agency, creating opportunities for Kentuckians to value, participate in and benefit from the arts. Kentucky Arts Council funding is provided by the Kentucky General Assembly and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Additional information also is available from Green at 606-783-2787.

Drs. Kunz and Ratliff present paper at IABPAD conference

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Dr. Michelle B. Kunz, professor of marketing, and Dr. Janet M. Ratliff, assistant professor of management/entrepreneurship, presented a research paper titled "The State of Sustainability of Online Reporting Information of Fortune 500 Corporations" at the International Academy of Business and Public Administration Disciplines (IABPAD) International Conference in Las Vegas.

The paper received a Research Award and is now eligible to be submitted for review and publication in one of IABPAD's seven journals.

IABPAD was founded in early 2004. The scope of the IABPAD is global and aims to bring together worldwide researchers and professionals. To reach its goal, IABPAD benefits from its editorial board members which consist of well-known academicians.

The IABPAD is an academy for scholars involved in the practice and study of business and public administration disciplines worldwide. It was founded for the purpose of promoting academic research in the field of business and public administration and motivating the intellectual development of scholars.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Kunz at 606-783-4479 or Dr. Ratliff at 606-783-2390.

Ashland's SBDC aids auto auction company in opening

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With 10 plus years of experience working in the auto auction industry, Brock Elliott had always hoped to one day operate his own auto auction company.

In 2012, Elliott began pursuing possible locations and available space. He met with a local lender who referred him to Kim Jenkins, management consultant at Morehead State University's Ashland Small Business Development Center (SBDC).

[Ashland's SBDC](#) has been providing small business consulting services free-of-charge for nearly 30 years.

The two met about securing a loan to open an auto auction in the area. Elliott had located some commercial property for lease on Slone Court in Cannonsburg. Jenkins assisted him with business planning, financial forecasting, and loan packaging. As the plans were discussed, it became necessary to calculate his anticipated start-up costs. Jenkins also helped him project estimated sales/income potential and overhead expenses.

In the months that followed, she worked with him to prepare three-year cash flow/profit-loss financial projections and SBA loan paperwork for submission to a local bank.

In March 2013, Elliott was approved for SBA financing, and the grand opening of Bigg Deals Auto Auction was conducted in June. The auction is located 1/4 mile past Wal-Mart on Rt. 60 (white building, next to Holiday Inn Express).

"The services we received from Kim (Jenkins) and her staff was exceptional," said Elliott. "The Ashland SBDC was very friendly and available to answer all our questions. I want to thank them for all their help."

Bigg Deals Auto Auction is open to dealers and the public to bid on used cars and new car trades every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. The auction offer cars for everyone from affordable, low-cost makes/models to high-end luxury cars and everything in between.

Bigg Deals Auto Auction accepts cash or credit cards (except American Express and Discover). Brock and Lori Elliott invites everyone to experience their upbeat, fast-paced and enjoyable car auction Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

For more information, call 606-929-5505 Tuesday-Friday between 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. or email biggdealsautoauction@yahoo.com.