

# News Items for 2014 - March

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## MSU to participate in statewide Tornado Safety Drill

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At approximately 10:07 a.m. Wednesday, March 5, the National Weather Service (NWS), collaborating with Kentucky Emergency Management, Kentucky Weather Preparedness Committee and Kentucky Broadcast Association will participate in the 2014 Statewide Tornado Safety Drill and issue a tornado warning test message. The test was delayed from Tuesday, due to the bad weather.

Warning sirens will sound at this time across Kentucky communities; weather alert radios will activate; and television and radio stations will broadcast the test alert message.

According to Eddie Frazier, risk and compliance director, MSU Police will activate a test of the Eagle Alert system and the outdoor notification system at 10:07 a.m.

Additional information is available by calling the Office of Environmental Health and Safety at 606-783-2584 or visit [www.moreheadstate.edu/ehs/](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/ehs/).

Spring is approaching and brings with it the threat of severe weather, including tornados. Please visit [www.moreheadstate.edu/emergency](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/emergency) to review emergency plans for campus buildings, tips and other emergency information.

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## Audible alert system test Monday

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Morehead State University will conduct the monthly test of its audible alert system on Monday, March 3, 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/](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/emergency/).

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# Morehead State University pilots Digital Leadership project

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Eastern Kentucky, like most rural communities, faces a fundamental challenge to growing its Information Technology Economy. It's a traditional "chicken or the egg" problem. Which comes first: the expensive broadband necessary for a digital economy to grow, or a digital economy necessary to sustain and pay for expensive broadband?

Thanks to funding from Kentucky's Office for Broadband Outreach and Development, Morehead State University is piloting a program that strives to navigate that conundrum through the creation of a Digital Leadership project.

The Digital Leadership Project will work to identify local IT talent in the MSU service region- beginning with students and recent grads- then work to plug them into the local digital economy in an effort to make it stronger and increase the demand and utilization, ultimately, for more broadband. An initial cohort of interns has already been hired. Their backgrounds include computer science, space science, marketing, and graphic design.

The project is overseen by Dr. J. Marshall of MSU's Center for Regional Engagement and managed by Johnathan Gay of the Kentucky Innovation Network at MSU. MSU alumnus Mike Bryant, a software developer and owner of the IT firm Mill Creek Software, is providing technical support and training for the project.

MSU is reaching out to representatives from both the public and private sector to identify web-based companies, other businesses that need a strong IT presence, and public ventures in need of web services. Several have already been identified and are slated to receive IT help.

IT businesses seeking to grow and traditional business in strong need of advanced IT services are encouraged to contact Gay at 859-797-5759.

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## MSUCorps accepting donations for 'Build-A-Bed' project

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Many of us have seen the iconic 1930s black and white pictures of poor Appalachian children desperate for the most basic human needs.

More than 80 years later, the picture hasn't changed for more than 32 percent of Eastern Kentucky children who live in poverty – some without a place to lay their head at night.

Armed with this knowledge, MSUCorps along with its partners became involved in Build-A-Bed, a project to give beds to children in PK-12 who are forced to sleep on floors, on couches, in beds with multiple other children or with other family members.

Two years ago, Morehead State University's Mary Claire Williams became program director for the Build-A-Bed project, which has grown each year and impacts children in 30 counties.

According to Williams, this year the beds will be built April 26 by volunteers who drive "from all over the state" to donate their time and skills to construct 125 beds.

"We have so much fun building the beds," said Williams. "There are so many volunteers; we have to turn some away."

MSU's Melisa M. Patrick, Center for Regional Engagement's community service coordinator, manages these volunteers for the project and has been involved from the beginning when it was a statewide project.

"The need in our community was so great MSUCorps decided to start its own build in order to better serve the area," Patrick said.

The project provides not only beds but also a bedtime bag including pillow, sheets, blanket, book, night light, alarm clock and a hygiene kit. Though more than half of the build is funded through in-kind donations by area businesses, money is needed as well and you can help.

Bed sponsorship is \$150 and comes with your name on the Build-A-Bed T-shirt.

Any donation is appreciated. Checks can be made to Build-A-Bed and mailed to: MSUCorps, Morehead State University, 201 Education Services Building, Morehead, Ky., 40351.

“What impacted me the most was last year when I delivered two beds to four-year-old twin boys, recalled Williams. “They were being raised by their grandmother, and they had been sharing a double bed with her since they were six months old.”

“When we arrived the boys ran out to our van with their arms wide open, hugging us as soon as we pulled in the driveway. I got to spend some time with the boys and witness their joy and excitement as their new beds were being carried in and put together. They carried the homemade quilts like they were stuffed animals, hugging them,” she said.

MSUCorps has partnered with outreach groups including: Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), Center for Adult Education and College Access (AECA), Center for Regional Engagement (CRE), Campus Compact VISTA members, Gateway Homeless Shelter, Rowan County PVA Officer Carmen Eldridge Swim, YouthBuild, Frenchburg Job Corps CCC, Maysville Community and Technical College and Educational Talent Search (ETS).

Details about how to help MSU Build-A-Bed and information about the 30 counties served are outlined at the website: [www.moreheadstate.edu/msucorps](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/msucorps).

Additional information is available by contacting Mary Claire Williams, program director for MSUCorps, at 606-783-2719 or at [mc.williams@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:mc.williams@moreheadstate.edu).

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## Seth Green to exhibit at 'Kentucky Crafted: The Market'

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Morehead State University's Seth Green, assistant professor of art and design, will exhibit at Kentucky Crafted: The Market, the Kentucky Arts Council's signature arts marketplace for wholesale buyers and the general public March 8-9 at the Lexington Convention Center.

He was invited to participate in The Market as a juried participant of the arts council's Kentucky Crafted Program.

"For more than 30 years, artists in the Kentucky Crafted Program have represented the best of the Commonwealth's art and craft production on local, state, national and international stages," said Lori Meadows, executive director of the arts council. "Kentucky Crafted artists contribute mightily to the Commonwealth's global association with artistic excellence and quality craftsmanship."

The owner of Seth Green Pottery for five years, he produces one-of-a-kind ceramic vessels/pottery. He will participate in The Market for the first time.

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.

In 2013, Green received the prestigious Al Smith Visual Arts Fellowship from the Kentucky Arts Council.

He is one of more than 200 producers of the state's finest art, craft, literature and artisanal food products who will participate in The Market. Tickets are available online for the arts marketplace, now in its 32nd year.

Kentucky Crafted: The Market offers buyers from galleries, shops and online retail venues across the nation the opportunity to select products from this elite group of exhibitors. The Market is open exclusively to the trade on March 7.

On March 8-9, the marketplace opens to the public. In addition to shopping for fine art and craft, visitors can enjoy musical performances, sample regional food products, participate in hands-on activities, and explore Kentucky traditions through special exhibits. He will be in booth 322.

Discounted tickets are currently on sale online. One-day tickets are \$8 online, \$10 at the door. Two-day tickets are \$12 online, \$15 at the door. Children 15 and younger are admitted free of charge.

For more information, call 606-783-2787 or email [greenpottery@msn.com](mailto:greenpottery@msn.com).

The Kentucky Arts Council, the state arts agency, creates 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.

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## MSU's MBA ranked as a 'Best Buy' at GetEducated.com

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Morehead State University's online [Master of Business Administration](#) program has been independently reviewed and ranked by [GetEducated.com](#) as a "Best Buy" for students seeking an online MBA degree.

Get Educated surveyed 93 business schools to develop a fact-based, data-driven ranking of AACSB online MBA degrees.

In the recent survey, MSU was ranked No. 18 which was the highest ranking for any AACSB Accredited program in Kentucky. The University received an overall grade of A-minus. In public perception, MSU received an "A" while in affordability and student satisfaction, MSU earned an "A-minus."

"At Morehead State University, we place great importance on offering high quality graduate programs with a strong commitment to student access and affordability. Receiving this type of recognition from an organization like GetEducated.com confirms we are meeting those goals," said Dr. Bob Albert, College of Business and Public Affairs dean.

The online MBA rankings were calculated by comparing tuition and online learning fees at 93 AACSB accredited online universities in the U.S. that offer 147 distance MBA degrees.

MSU's School of Business Administration offers a Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) degree with options in multiple disciplines and online completion options in the areas of accounting, general business and small business management and entrepreneurship. The school also offers an Associate of Applied Business (AAB) degree with an option Business Studies and a Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree in Sport Management.

At the graduate level, MSU offers an online Master of Business Administration (MBA) program, an online Master of Science in Management Information Systems (MSMIS), and a Master of Arts in Sport Management (MA-SPMT). All business programs in the School of Business Administration program/options are accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) International.

Additional information is available by contacting Keith D. Moore, assistant to the dean/MBA program director, at 606-783-2969.

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## 2014 Spring Career Fair held at MSU

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Morehead State University Office of Career Services held its annual Spring Career Fair on Tuesday, March 4, in the Crager Room on the third floor of the Adron Doran University Center (ADUC).

Graduate programs and employers from a variety of fields were in attendance, including both the private and public sectors.

Chief Photographer Tim Holbrook attended the Career Fair and has put together a [photo gallery](#) of the event.

Organizations on campus included:

Adecco; Asbury University Master of Social Work Program; Auditor of Public Accounts; Baptist Health Lexington; Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives; Campbellsville University Graduate Admissions; Cintas Corporation; CraftForce; D and S Community Services; Eastern Kentucky University (EKU); Enterprise Holdings;

Farm Credit Mid-America; Fayette County Detention Center; Federal Correctional Institution; Federal Medical Center, Federal Bureau of Prisons; First Investors Corporation; Girl Scouts of Kentucky's Wilderness Road Council; Hitachi Automotive Products (USA), Inc.; Indiana Tech Law School; Indiana University Southeast; K and K Technical Group Inc.;

Keeneland Association; Kentucky State University; Kroger Company; Mazak Corp.; MSU Camden Carroll Library; MSU Center for Regional Engagement; MSU Department of Communication, Media and Leadership Studies; MSU Graduate School; MSU Physician Assistant Program/University of Kentucky College of Health Sciences; MSU Recreation and Wellness Center;

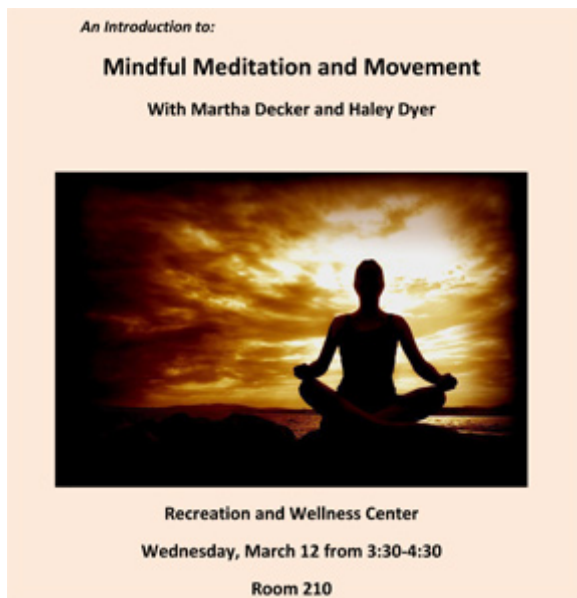
MSU School of Public Affairs; MSU Small Business Development Center; MSU Tutoring and Learning Center; MSU, Master of Arts in Social Sciences; MSUCorps; Pioneer Trace Nursing Home; Power Transmission Solutions (Emerson Industrial Automation); Premier Solutions/ Premier Feeds LLC; Sherwin-Williams; Siemens Industry Inc.; Social Security Administration;

Speedway LLC; St. Claire Regional Medical Center; Stober Drives Inc.; Total Quality Logistics (TQL); Transamerica Agency Network; U.S. Bank; U.S. Marine Corps; Verizon Cellular Sales; Waffle House Inc.; Wal-Mart; Walgreens; WKYT-TV; and Woodmen of the World.

## Mindful Meditation and Movement slated for March 12

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Morehead State University's Interdisciplinary Women Studies Program will present "An Introduction to: Mindful Meditation and Movement with Martha Decker and Haley Dyer" on Wednesday, March 12, from 3:30-4:30 p.m. in room 210 of the Recreation and Wellness Center.

According to Decker, "Mindfulness is to help find peace of mind, learn to cope, and wake up to life. This challenging and rewarding experience combines comprehensive training in mindfulness meditation with mindful movement and lifestyle practices.

The lighting is soft and the atmosphere quiet and calming. We sit in a circle to see everyone's face and to better listen to words and emotions arising from the heart. We have small group exercises where we share and learn to trust ourselves, our partners on this journey and the organic process that unfolds during each session. We take time to explore questions, process fears and frustrations and to celebrate insight and progress along this path of purification.

Participants learn to stay present to the fullness of each moment as it unfolds, without the usual overlay of judgment or commentary. By cultivating non-judgmental awareness, skillful response can replace conditioned reactivity, allowing a natural movement toward healthy lifestyle choices and to more moments of restorative stillness and peace.

For more than 30 years, a growing body of clinical research has demonstrated MBSR's effectiveness as a powerful, integrated approach to coping effectively with physical, psychological and interpersonal stress as well as pain, illness and addiction. It is used in complementary medicine and wellness programs in universities and hospitals throughout the world. For many, this program provides a solid foundation for deep emotional healing and spiritual growth."

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Andaloro, director of women's studies, at 606-783-2714 or email [a.andaloro@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:a.andaloro@moreheadstate.edu).

## Retirees to visit KFAC in March

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Morehead State University Retirees Association will tour the Kentucky Folk Art Center on Thursday, March 27, for the Memory Exhibit at 4 p.m. with Dutch treat dinner at Melini's Cucina.

The group will attend a 7:30 p.m. performance of MSU Theatre's "The Boys Next Door. Tickets will be \$5 per person.

The deadline for reservations is March 13. Reservations or additional information may be obtained by calling 606-783-2080 or by email to [t.jones@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:t.jones@moreheadstate.edu).

Save the date on your calendar for the Retiree Annual Meeting and noon luncheon on April 10.

Details on those events will be announced closer to the dates.

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# Board of Regents to meet Thursday

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**EVENT:** Board of Regents Meeting

**DATE:** Thursday, March 13, 2014

**TIME:** 9 a.m.

**SITE:** Riggle Room, Adron Doran University Center

## Agenda

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. AD HOC NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT -- ELECT OFFICERS: CHAIR, VICE CHAIR, AND SECRETARY; APPOINT TREASURER

IV. SPOTLIGHT ON ACADEMIC AFFAIRS – Dr. Gerald DeMoss, Acting Provost

## V. PRESIDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS

A. Consent Agenda (Action)

1. Approve Minutes of December 5, 2013, Meeting
2. Approve Personnel Actions
3. Approve Contracts for Banking Services

### B. Recommendations (Action)

1. Approve Tenure with Promotion
2. Approve Sabbatical Leaves
3. Approve Master of Science in Space Systems Engineering
4. Approve Campus Master Plan
5. Accept Second Quarter Financial Report and Amend Operating Budget
6. Approve Disposal of Real Property
7. Adopt Reimbursement Resolution

### C. Reports

1. Preliminary Spring Enrollment Report
2. Report on Personal Service Contracts

### D. President’s Report

## **VI. OTHER BUSINESS**

### **A. Future Meetings**

1. Audit Committee, Thursday, May 8, 2014, 8 a.m.
2. Work Session, Thursday, May 8, 2014, 9 a.m.
3. Spring Commencement Programs, May 10, 2014, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.
4. Quarterly Meeting, Thursday, June 5, 2014, 9 a.m.

### **B. Executive Session**

## **VII. ADJOURNMENT**

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## MSU accepted in 'Tradition and Innovation' Seminar

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The Association for Core Texts and Courses (ACTC) has informed Morehead State University that its application for participation in the ACTC-Columbia-Yale, Core Text Summer Seminar on "Tradition and Innovation" has been accepted.

A total of 15 institutional teams from around the world were chosen to participate.

Besides MSU, the only public university participating in the workshop, those included were:

American University of Iraq-Sulemani; Chinese University of Hong Kong; Mercer University; Leuphana Universitaet Lueneberg; Xiamen University; American University of Iraq, Sulaimani; The College of Charleston;

The King's College; Boston University, Core Curriculum; Manhattan Christian College; Valparaiso University, Christ College; Memorial University, Grenfell Campus; Beijing Institute of Technology; Universidad de Navarra; and Sacred Heart University.

Dr. Christopher Beckham, instructor, and Dr. Timothy L. Simpson, associate professor, of the Department of Foundational and Graduate Studies in Education, will take part in the summer seminar that will be held at Columbia University and Yale University in June 2014.

According to ACTC, most institutions are using the seminar to construct two courses, to review an entire program, to incorporate texts of the seminar into existing multiple courses, to return a program that had been voided of texts to a textual base, or some combination of the above.

In addition, a number of institutions also are attempting to use the seminar as a kind of training to take back to their institutions, beyond the department(s) or programs to which the applicants belong, in order to build liberal arts education courses and pedagogy, and to increase awareness and use of core texts in the institution's curriculum.

Participating institutions will be announced at the ACTC annual conference, April 10-13, in Los Angeles.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Simpson at 606-783-2858 or Beckham at 606-783-2538.



## Goodpaster elected BOR chair

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Morehead State University's Board of Regents elected officers, received a spotlight from Acting Provost Gerald DeMoss and the president's report during its quarterly meeting on Thursday, March 13.

Paul Goodpaster of Morehead was elected as Board of Regents chair. He succeeds John Merchant, who served four years as chair.

"It is a tremendous honor to work with this board," said Goodpaster. "John did such a great job in his four years. There are a lot of great things going on at this university right now."

With 27 years of banking experience, Goodpaster is executive vice president and chief operating officer of the Citizens Bank in Morehead. He is responsible for the day-to-day management of the bank. He is a former chief financial officer for Rowan Technical College, now the Rowan Campus of Maysville Community and Technical College.

Goodpaster is a current member of the Morehead/Rowan County Industrial Development Authority and a past board member of the Morehead/Rowan County Economic Development Authority. He is past president of the Morehead-Rowan County Chamber of Commerce.

A Morehead State graduate, Goodpaster earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree with an emphasis in finance in 1989. He is in his second term as a member of the Board of Regents. His term will expire in 2018.

The board elected Wayne Martin of Winchester, as vice chair. He graduated with honors from MSU with a Bachelor of Arts in business degree in 1968, a Master of Arts in Education degree and Rank I Administrative Certification. Martin is a retired television executive.

Carol Johnson, assistant to the president, was re-elected board secretary while Beth Patrick, chief financial officer and vice president for administration, was appointed treasurer.

Dr. DeMoss offered the spotlight as he highlighted MSU's Academic Affairs.

In his report, President Andrews spoke on the University's activities since the last meeting.

The board approved tenure with promotion to associate professors to: Dr. Jody Fernandez, assistant professor of

education (MGSE); Dr. Sarah Hawkins-Lear, assistant professor of education (ECES); Dr. Nilesh N. Joshi, assistant professor of applied engineering and technology; Dr. Lee Nabb, assistant professor of adult and higher education (FGSE); Dr. Kelly Collinsworth, assistant professor of legal studies; Natasha Davis, assistant professor of dance;

Dr. Itza Zavala-Garrett, assistant professor of Spanish; Dr. Sanjeev Adhikari, assistant professor of applied engineering and technology; Dr. David Butz, assistant professor of psychology; and Dr. R. Duane Skaggs, assistant professor of mathematics.

The Regents also granted sabbatical leave to Dr. Thomas Pannuti, associate professor of astrophysics and space science, 2014-15 academic year; Dr. Kristina DuRocher, associate professor of history, Spring 2015 semester; and Dr. Chien-Chih Peng, associate professor of finance, Spring 2015 semester.

The members heard reports on preliminary spring enrollment and personal service contracts.

The group approved a master of science in space systems engineering (MSSE) degree; campus master plan, personnel actions; contracts for banking service; second quarter financial report and amended the operating budget; disposal of real property and reimbursement resolution.

The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 5.

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## MSU hours of operation for spring break

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Morehead State University will observe “spring break” March 17-21 for students; however, MSU offices will remain open.

The Office of Enrollment Services will be open Monday-Friday, and may be reached at 606-783-2000 for additional information.

Camden-Carroll Library will be closed March 15, 16 and 22. The library will be open from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., March 17-21.

The Wellness Center will be open from 9 a.m.- 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 15 and 22; 4-7 p.m. Sunday March 16; Monday, March 17, through Friday, March 21, open from 6 a.m. – 8 p.m.; 4-10 p.m., Sunday, March 23. The natatorium will open from 10 a.m. – noon, March 15 and 22; and 4-6 p.m. on Sunday, March 16; 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Monday-Friday, March 17-21; and 4-9 p.m. on Sunday, March 24. The center will return to its regular hours of operation on Monday, March 24.

MSU’s Adron Doran University Center will be closed on Monday, March 17, due to a planned power outage. Personnel can be reached by phone or email.

The University Post Office will be open normal business hours during the week, except for Monday, March 17 as ADUC will be closed. Mail will be delivered in the mornings on Monday.

The University Bookstore will be open from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. all week, except for Monday, March 17. It will be closed on that date.

The Kentucky Folk Art Center will be open with regular business hours all week.

Throughout the week, the MSU Police Department will be available to address campus concerns. It can be reached by calling 606-783-2035.

## CIS class, H&R Block assist the Powell County Emergency Food Bank

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Business owners, students and community volunteers unite as Dr. Scott Wymer's Computer Information Systems capstone class took on the project of revamping the Powell County Emergency Food Bank.

For the semester-long project, the students will be graded on how well they deliver a system that meets the needs of the nonprofit organization.

“The food bank is in desperate need of a computer system that will better serve the volunteers and clients in a more efficient way,” said Gabriel Ferguson, Morehead State University senior.

Dr. Randy McCoy, co-sponsor and professor, helped bring the food bank's needs to the attention of the class.

Morehead and Mt. Sterling H&R Block owner Gail Story donated \$350 for the project.

“I felt like it was a good opportunity for my business to be a blessing to those in need,” said Story.

The Powell County Emergency Food Bank serves hundreds of families per month.

“I would like to thank H&R Block and Morehead State University for all they do for the food bank,” said Rose Hall.

Additional information on the project is available by calling Dr. Wymer at 606-783-2265.

## Nominations sought for distinguished service awards

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Morehead State University is seeking nominations for two of its most prestigious honors: the 2013-14 Distinguished Faculty and Distinguished Staff service awards.

Full-time faculty members whose primary responsibility is teaching and staff members whose major duties do not include teaching are eligible for nomination for the faculty and staff awards, respectively. Information on employee status is available in the University Personnel Policy Manual.

The nomination packet should include the name and address of the nominee along with a brief one-page letter explaining how the individual meets the criteria. The supporting materials should detail the individual's service to the University, including service as an official representative of MSU; serving as sponsor or adviser of an extracurricular activity; participating in ad hoc or standing committees at the department, college or university level; coordination of and participation in workshops, conferences, clinics, in-service and special events; development of non-research proposals; development of relations/partnerships with external groups, such as business, civic, education and government; and volunteer roles in the community, such as coach for Little League, American Cancer Society or American Heart Association.

The name of the nominator and the nominee will remain anonymous. Materials must be mailed to Service Committee, Morehead State University, 150 University Boulevard, Box 764, Morehead, KY 40351, by 4 p.m. on Friday, April 11.

The recipients of the distinguished service awards will receive a \$2,500 award. Nominations will be accepted from University faculty, staff, retirees and students as well as members of the community.

The award presentations will be during the Fall Convocation.

## Swartz, Sparks recipients of Blakeman Memorial Scholarship

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Morehead State University has announced that Trey Swartz of Jeffersonville and Dalcus Sparks of Wellington are the spring recipients of the J.B. Blakeman Memorial Scholarship.

The winners were named in Atlanta at the Carlson Leadership Academy hosted by Sigma Phi Epsilon.

The scholarship is in memory of Jeffery Scott “JB” Blakeman. A graduate of Morehead State University with an industrial technology degree, he was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity and a Chi Omega sorority big brother. As an avid outdoorsman, he enjoyed hunting, fishing and photographing wildlife. Blakeman loved golfing and was a member of the Eagle Trace Men’s Golf Association and was a proud supporter of Rowan County and Morehead State athletics.

He passed away September 2011 at the age of 52.

A junior biomedical sciences/pre-physical therapy major, Swartz works as a lifeguard at the Campus Recreation and Wellness Center, and also works summers for the Menifee County pool. In November, Trey ran the New York City Marathon as a fundraiser for New Heights Youth, a charity that works to educate and empower inner-city youth. He has served as the vice president of recruitment and is currently president of the KY Zeta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity. Swartz is a past recipient of SigEp’s Zollinger Scholarship, which is awarded to a sophomore demonstrating outstanding potential.

A senior finance major, Sparks works in Enrollment Services and has served as an Eagle Guide and SOAR Orientation Leader. Sparks is in the ROTC program, where he serves as vice president of Raider Company. This past summer, Sparks attended Airborne school at Ft. Benning to train as a Paratrooper. He has served as the vice president of Recruitment, Balanced Man Scholarship chair and vice president of Member Development for the SigEp chapter. Sparks is a past recipient of the Thomas O. Hicks Scholarship awarded to only six undergraduates nationwide in recognition of increasing grade point average over time.

Each will receive a \$500 scholarship award.

The 2014 Blakeman Golf Outing will be held Saturday, Sept. 13, at Eagle Trace Golf Course.

For more information on the scholarship or the golf outing, contact MSU’s Office of Advancement at 606-783-2033.



## **MSU mourns loss of student, Joey Lorenz**

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