

# News Items for 2016 - July

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## Canadian Parliamentary internship program offers hands-on career experience

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Morehead State University's Dr. William Green, professor of government, has been actively engaged in international education for much of his teaching career.

In the classroom, students are active learners who are challenged to think critically and communicate clearly. Outside of the classroom, Dr. Green challenges his students to pursue internship and research opportunities that have a profound impact on them for years to come.

As of this summer, Dr. Green has recruited and prepared 66 students to participate in the [Canadian Parliamentary internship program](#) in Ottawa, Ontario. The unique internship experience allows students to not only live in and experience a foreign nation's capital city - but actually participate in its governmental process.

For five weeks, students live at the University of Ottawa and participate in a wide variety of parliamentary activities. In their chosen Member of Parliament's (MP) office, students answer constituency mail, assist in writing and editing materials sent to the MP's district, research issues, and write speeches and questions for the Question Period - a 45 minute exchange between Cabinet Ministers and the Opposition Party about matters of public importance.

"This summer, six MSU students completed the program. Our students attended committee meetings, caucuses, press conferences and informal briefings with Senators, MPs and government officials," said Dr. Green. "Before participating in the internship, our students take a course on Canadian politics during which they design a research project. I feel they are better prepared and are able to more effectively participate than the other interns they serve with."

The six students were Kaleigh Ballinger, La Grange; Troy Combs, Grayson; Johnna Dorn, Augusta; Taylor Hunt, Ewing; Max Prowant, Burlington; and Tyler Syck, Pikeville.

While in Ottawa, students collected documents and conducted interviews for their research project. This fall, under Dr. Green's mentorship, students will write their research papers and present their findings at the 2017 Celebration of Student Scholarship. They also will have the opportunity to present their work at the annual meeting of the Kentucky Political Science Association.

Combs said Dr. Green's Canadian politics course played a vital role in properly preparing him to succeed.

"As we covered news stories and wrote summaries, we became acquainted with current Canadian political issues and we studied how these issues looked from the Canadian media perspective," he said. "Dr. Green helped us narrow down research proposals and was very hands-on with us. While I was collecting documents and conducting research in Canada, I was proud of the connections I was able to build with individuals relevant to my research."

"Initially, meetings were rather intimidating. You are thrust into a committee room full of experts but you learn quickly," said Prowant. "I cannot stress the benefits of the internship itself. If I were seeking a job on Capitol Hill upon graduating, I feel confident that this experience has prepared me to do well in any office," said Prowant.

Dr. Green requires his students to compose a portfolio of their internship experience with detailed journal entries and documents of their activities.

"The portfolio provides them with a valuable keepsake, but more importantly, is a document for interns to take with them to job interviews," Dr. Green said.

One student that comes to mind for Dr. Green is Gena Boyle, a 2004 MSU graduate and alumna of the program. She produced her portfolio and landed a job working for a Richmond, Virginia, law firm that did lobbying in Washington, D.C. Boyle later worked as a policy adviser to Sen. Tim Kaine (D-VA) former governor of Virginia (2006-10) and vice presidential candidate.

Combs said he would recommend other students to complete internship experiences like this and that his was life-changing.

"Understanding and seeing first-hand how a government different from your own operates and gaining an understanding of different cultures and how others live, it's invaluable," said Combs. "The Canadian Parliamentary Internship program is affordable, credible and extremely well-organized. Ottawa was an incredible city to live in. There is a lot going on right now and I feel fortunate to have been a part of it."

For more information about the internship, contact Dr. Green at [w.green@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:w.green@moreheadstate.edu) or visit [www.moreheadstate.edu/study/canadian-minor](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/study/canadian-minor) .

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## MSU closed July 4

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In observance of the Independence Day holiday, Morehead State University will be closed Monday, July 4.

There will be no classes or office hours and mail will not be delivered.

Offices will reopen and classes will resume on regular schedule at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, July 5.

The [MSU Police Department](#) will be available at 606-783-2035 to answer questions and address campus concerns.

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## Fetal ultrasounds to be offered

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Morehead State University's Imaging Sciences' [Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program](#) will offer free, two-dimensional fetal ultrasounds to expectant mothers, who are between 18 and 32 weeks of pregnancy.

The ultrasound examinations will be given Aug. 17 through Sept. 8 on Wednesdays and Thursdays by appointment only on the fourth floor of the Center for Health, Education and Research, Room 402B, in the University's sonography lab.

The scans are performed by senior level students who will be directly supervised by associate professor Marcia Cooper. She is certified in obstetrics and gynecology by the American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers. The fetal ultrasound scans provide students the experience they need for entering into the sonography workforce.

All volunteers will be asked to sign a consent form stating that the scans are "non-diagnostic" and are performed for educational purposes only. Participants are asked to bring a towel.

Additional information and appointment times are available by calling the [Department of Kinesiology, Health and Imaging Sciences](#) at 606-783-2646.

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## ‘Golden Age of Radio’ to debut July 2

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[Morehead State Public Radio](#) (WMKY, 90.3FM) has announced the addition of “The Golden Age of Radio” to its program schedule.

The new program can be heard Saturday mornings at 11 a.m. beginning July 2.

Using a vast catalog of digitally-preserved audio files, the locally-produced program will highlight vintage, old-time radio programs from the 1930s through the 1950s.

The Golden Age of Radio will feature thrilling westerns, classic comedy, exciting adventure and suspense.

“The period of the 1930s through the 1950s was known as radio’s ‘golden age,’ where the radio was the central piece of furniture in the average family’s living room. Parents and children would gather around the radio to hear the latest installment of their favorite show and enjoy a variety of big band, classical and country music,” commented Hitchcock

“Throughout this period, radio connected people of all ages. Radio provided inspiration from heroes as The Lone Ranger and Superman; laughter with Abbott and Costello; entertainment on the Grand Ole Opry; and family values on Gunsmoke and Father Knows Best,” said Hitchcock.

The first program in the series will spotlight classic episodes of Frontier Fighters, the Adventures of Superman and the Abbott and Costello Show.

Additional programs to be showcased will be Archie Andrews, Baby Snooks, 5 Minute Mystery, Gasoline Alley, Gunsmoke, Mel Blanc Show, My Favorite Husband, Planet Man, Speed Gibson, Tales of the Diamond K, The Six Shooter and many more.

The Golden Age of Radio can be heard Saturdays at 11 a.m. following Health Matters with hosts Dr. Tony Weaver and Rick Phillips.

Locally-produced by Morehead State Public Radio through the resources of Internet Archive, programs in the series will also archived at [www.wmky.org](http://www.wmky.org).

Morehead State Public Radio broadcasts from the campus of Morehead State University, and serves more than 20 counties in Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia. WMKY (90.3 FM) serves as the flagship station for the network, which includes a translator (88.3 FM) in Inez.

Additional information is available by contacting MSPR at 606-783-2001.

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## Presidential Search and Screening Advisory Committee to hold meeting

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Morehead State University's Presidential Search and Screening Advisory Committee will host a meeting on Thursday, July 14, starting at 9 a.m. in the Kibbey Seminar Room (Room 109) of the Bert T. Combs Building on Morehead State University's campus.

Committee meetings are open to the public.

Additional information will be available at [www.moreheadstate.edu/presidentialsearch](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/presidentialsearch).

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# Chamber Singers win two gold medals in Rome's International Choral Competition

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Morehead State University's Chamber Singers were awarded two gold diplomas during the awards ceremony of the Musica Roma Eterna International Choir Festival and Competition on July 4. The group competed in the compulsory and sacred categories of the four-day competition. (View [photo gallery](#) )

Their Fourth of July celebration started July 3 when the choir presented an outdoor American concert for high-ranking All-American and Italian diplomats at the U.S. Embassy library courtyard in Rome. On July 4, the choir also sang five choral selections as part of mass at St. Peter's Basilica in the Vatican.

The nine-day concert tour was a dream come true for the 20-voice choir. Members of the choir included:

Nick Barron, Covington junior; Broderick Dale Floyd Beighle, Williamstown junior; Charlie Day, West Chester, Ohio, junior; Ashlyn Denney, Jackson, Ohio, sophomore; Eliza Eaches, Portsmouth, Ohio, sophomore; William Matthew Hammond, Louisa junior; Tristan Chandler Hinkle, Barbourville freshman; Michael Andrew Jarman, Lexington junior; Jorian Johnson, Troy, Ohio, senior; Aaron Keeling, Elizabethtown junior;

Summer Lighthall, Burlington freshman; Kaitlyn Osborn, Louisa junior; Tag Sadler, Portsmouth, Ohio, sophomore; Olivia Scholl, Shelbyville senior; Ariel Snider, Cynthiana junior; Reagan Dawn Stamper, Hazard sophomore; Rachel Wade, Morehead junior; Jasmine Wheeler, Morehead junior; Christina Marie Wherthey, Louisville senior; and Nicholas Wolford, Jackson, Ohio, junior.

"I've always wanted to travel the world and this tour has made that dream a reality," said Hinkle.

The choir's time was divided between five days in Rome and two days in Pompeii. During the tour, the group presented seven performances-a pre-competition evaluation performance for the judges, two competition performances, two friendship concerts with other international choirs, an All-American concert and a mass. The final friendship concert was with a choir from the Philippines in the most important Shrine of the Virgin of the Rosary of Pompeii. The cathedral contains the famous painting, "Our Lady of the Rosary." This was the only

time a concert was allowed in the church and the Chamber Singers were quite honored to be selected for this special performance.

"It was absolutely breathtaking singing in the beautiful cathedrals for our friendship concerts and competitions. I believe that singing in these places improved our musicianship because we were overwhelmed with their beauty. I will always remember making beautiful music with our wonderful group in St. Peter's Basilica. Being Catholic, that opportunity was immeasurable to me," said Osborn.

"Having the opportunity to sing in so many unique and beautiful places alongside so many incredible choirs from around the world is a memory I will cherish forever," said Denney. "Sharing American music with Italians on the eve of Independence Day at our All-American concert and seeing the reactions of the people was an especially awesome experience."

Singing was not limited to concerts. Everywhere the choir went there were opportunities to sing. "I enjoyed singing in random places such as the Pantheon, the steps outside cathedrals, and restaurants. Every time we did so, we drew a very large and appreciative audience," said Wheeler.

Denney added, "My favorite memory was singing in the two theatres in the ruins of Pompeii. Even after thousands of years and being nearly destroyed by volcanic eruption, the theatres still sound so beautiful."

Preparing for the competition, the students were focused for the entire spring semester. The students organized extra rehearsals throughout the semester and held two summer retreats before leaving. The choir competed in the compulsory category and the sacred category of the competition.

Dr. Greg Detweiler, conductor, said going into the first day of competition that "he felt like the luckiest man in the world to be able to conduct such a wonderful group of singers in Rome"

Five judges scored all the international choirs' performances using a complex international system in which each piece received individual scores for intonation and interpretation, and the entire performance received scores for difficulty of the program, program design and dramaturgy, sound of the choir and overall artistic impression. In the compulsory competition, MSU received 23.05 points achieving a level III Gold and in the sacred competition MSU received 22.01 points achieving a level II Gold.

Sightseeing was a big part of the trip and much of it was done on long hikes. By the end of the first two days, the choir had walked about 19 miles to see Rome's most beautiful piazzas and sights including the Trevi fountain. Touring the Sistine Chapel and the Vatican museums were also big on students' lists of top memories as was the tour of the beautiful Amalfi Coast with a relaxing two-hour dip in the Mediterranean Sea.

Along with Dr. Detweiler, Eric Brown, professor of voice, was the assistant tour coordinator and also sang solos with the group.

"The trip experience helped members grow closer to each other, building friends for life. The students were able to accomplish things they could not accomplish individually. The trip experience also opened their eyes to other cultures. They found Italians to be friendly and welcoming and they enjoyed meeting and hearing other choirs.

One great way the students had to break the cultural ice with other international choirs was sharing MSU trinkets and T-shirts. The gifts always brought smiles to faces. The trip itself will provide a lifetime of smiles and will be a memory no one will ever forget," said Dr. Detweiler.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Detweiler at 606-783-2480.

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## Still time to enroll for Fall 2016 at MSU

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There is still time for new or returning students to register for Morehead State University's 2016 fall academic term.

Classes begin Monday, Aug. 15, at MSU or its regional campuses and registration is available online.

Registration for Fall 2016 is available online [my.moreheadstate.edu](http://my.moreheadstate.edu).

For those not yet enrolled who are considering attending MSU, there is still time to submit an application for the fall term. Prospective students may apply online at [www.moreheadstate.edu/apply](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/apply), or call the Office of Enrollment Services at 606-783-2000 or 800-585-6781 opt #1 for admissions assistance.

Students also may view and pay their bill online. Those who are registered for the fall semester will receive monthly e-billing statements via their MSU email account. It is the student's responsibility to check their MSU email account on a regular basis as e-bills are the University's official means of delivering billing statements.

All students must pay their tuition and fees in full or enroll in an online Protect Class Schedule Plan before classes begin to activate meal plans and charge books.

Students receiving financial aid, scholarships, or third party payments that will cover their entire balance are required to enroll in the "Financial Aid Plan," to prevent their class schedule from being cancelled. To view your bill or enroll in an online plan, log in to MyMoreheadState at [my.moreheadstate.edu](http://my.moreheadstate.edu), and choose the "finance" icon and select "My Billing Info."

Textbooks are available at the University Bookstore, located in the Adron Doran University Center on the Morehead campus. Orders may be placed by calling 888-STORE-05 or via online at

[bookstore.moreheadstate.edu](http://bookstore.moreheadstate.edu). Purchases will be shipped to the address specified by the student. Despite construction on ADUC, the University Bookstore is open.

Meal plan selections for the fall semester are now available. To view and order a meal plan, go to the EagleCard Web page, [www.moreheadstate.edu/eaglecard](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/eaglecard). Additional information is available by contacting the EagleCard office at 606-783-2701.

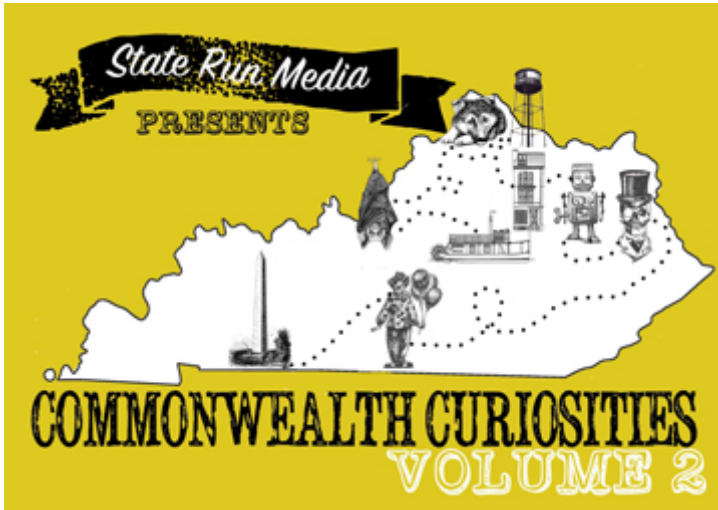
Bookstore and meal plan purchases can be added to the student's bill.

The planned renovation of ADUC is underway. Be aware of office relocations and changes to traffic and parking. For more information, visit [www.moreheadstate.edu/relocation](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/relocation).

Additional information is available by calling MSU at Ashland at 606-327-1777 or 800-648-5370; MSU at Mt. Sterling at 859-499-0780 or 866-870-0809; MSU at Prestonsburg at 606-886-2405 or 800-648-6372; the University Center of the Mountains at 606-487-3179 or 800-246-7521 ext. 73179; the Office of the Registrar at 606-783-2008; or by calling the Office of Enrollment Services at 606-783-2000 or 800-585-6781.

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In a return to the curious, *Commonwealth Curiosities Volume 2* embarks on another adventure around the state of Kentucky. Showcasing not only roadside attractions, but also the people who dedicate their lives to these unique and often overlooked places.

Volume 2 brings to life nine roadside attractions from across the Commonwealth; from an unusually tall historic building, to one man's Wild West themed hobby. You'll meet a dog that's the talk of the town, and revisit your childhood with a museum both young and old can enjoy.

The documentary is an ode to days gone by and the people who make it their mission to keep these attractions alive.

It was co-directed by convergent media student John Tanner Blevins of Paintsville, and help on camera from convergent media student Patrick Brumback, of Owenton, along with MSU's John Flavel, journalism instructor.

The show will air on KET: July 21, at 3 a.m.; KETKY: July 24, at 1 p.m.; KETKY: July 24, at 7 p.m.; KETKY: July 25, at midnight; KETKY: July 27, at 7 a.m.; KETKY: July 27, at 8 p.m.; KETKY: July 29, at 6 p.m.; KETKY: July 30, at 1 a.m.; KETKY: July 30, at 11 a.m.; KETKY: July 30, at 9 p.m.; KET2: July 31, at 6 p.m.; KETKY: Aug. 27, at 4 a.m.; and KETKY: Sept. 1, at 11 p.m.

Additional information is available by contacting Middleton at 606-783-9583.



## Sloas named Craft Academy assistant director for residence life

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Dr. Gwen Sloas has been named assistant director for residence life of Morehead State University's [Craft Academy for Excellence in Science and Mathematics](#). She will begin her new duties, July 11.

Prior to her new position, Dr. Sloas served as director of MSU at Mt. Sterling since April 2014.

A native of Fleming County, Dr. Sloas came to MSU from being an assistant dean of admission at Wright State University's Boonshoft School of Medicine. Prior to that she was associate director for student affairs/admissions and director of student scheduling/academic programming.

Prior to her tenure at Wright State, Dr. Sloas served as campus director at Ivy Tech Community College in Lawrenceburg, Ind., from 1989-97.

She served as a residence hall director at MSU from August 1984-85.

Dr. Sloas received her Bachelor of Arts degree in biology from Transylvania University; a Master of Arts degree in student personnel work in higher education from The Ohio State University and an Ed.D. degree in educational leadership from Nova Southeastern University.

The Craft Academy for Excellence in Science and Mathematics was designed to meet the unique educational needs of academically gifted and talented high school juniors and seniors in the Commonwealth. A college-level curriculum will allow students to finish high school while also completing up to two years of university coursework.

The Craft Academy offers unique, project-based STEM+X courses to enrich educational experiences and develop competencies in entrepreneurship and innovation, design and creativity, and civic and regional engagement.

Students live on campus in Grote-Thompson Hall which has 24/7 staffing.

Additional information on the Craft Academy for Excellence in Science and Mathematics **is available by calling 606-783-9025 or at [www.moreheadstate.edu/craft-academy](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/craft-academy) .**

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## MSPR announces new programming

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[Morehead State Public Radio](#) (WMKY at 90.3FM) has announced several changes to its weekly broadcast schedule. Vintage old-time radio programs, additional weeknight classical and Americana music highlight the new program schedule.

“As is widely known, Morehead State University has been facing significant budget struggles, resulting in furloughs, layoffs, and other reductions. At MSPR, cuts to our university budget have led to a number of planned programming changes,” said Paul Hitchcock, MSPR general manager.

“We regret the loss of long-running NPR programs such as Thistle & Shamrock, Wait, Wait...Don’t Tell Me and World Cafe, but remain committed to original, local programming and supporting student success. These program changes were necessary to best utilize our available resources,” added Hitchcock.

“We will also be returning to live, on-air fundraising this fall, and we thank our members for the support that they continue to provide us during these challenging times.”

Classical music has been added weeknights at 8 p.m., following the repeat broadcast of PRI’s The World.

Grant Alden’s Field Notes will be a weekly program airing Friday nights at 9 p.m. and repeated Saturday afternoons at 4 p.m. An encore broadcast of American Routes will air Friday nights at 10 p.m.

Inside Appalachia will air Sunday mornings at 11 a.m., in addition to its regular time at 6 a.m. on Saturdays.

Highlighting the new program schedule will be vintage, old-time radio programs from the 1930’s through the 1950s. The Golden Age of Radio can be heard weekly at 11 a.m. on Saturdays, featuring thrilling westerns, classic comedy, exciting adventure and suspense.

“The period of the 1930s through the 1950s was known as radio’s ‘golden age,’ where the radio was the central piece of furniture in the average family’s living room. Parents and children would gather around the radio to hear the latest installment of their favorite show and enjoy a variety of big band, classical and country music,” said Hitchcock.

“Throughout this period, radio connected people of all ages. Radio provided inspiration from heroes as The Lone Ranger and Superman; laughter with Abbott and Costello; entertainment on the Grand Ole Opry; and family values on Gunsmoke and Father Knows Best,” added Hitchcock.



**Serving more than 20 counties throughout eastern Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia, Morehead State Public Radio (WMKY) broadcasts at 90.3 FM from the campus of Morehead State University.**

**In addition, MSPR's website features news headlines, community events, live web streaming, archived audio and podcasts.**

**Questions or comments can be directed to Hitchcock at 606-783-2334. Additional information can be found on MSPR's website at [www.wmky.org](http://www.wmky.org).**

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## MSU and AAUW to offer a space camp for girls

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Morehead State University's Space Science Center, in collaboration with the American Association of University Women (AAUW), will offer SpaceTrek, an immersive one-week camp for girls entering their sophomore, junior or senior year of high school.

The camp will take place July 9-16 at the MSU Space Science Center.

The workshop/camp is designed for girls interested in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) and would like to learn more about space and engineering through hands-on activities under the guidance of Craft Academy staff and Space Systems Engineering graduates.

Working as a team, participants' mission will be to build a small satellite, attach it to a large helium balloon launched from the roof, collect and interpret data and draw conclusions. Their mission and results will be presented to the SpaceTrek team.

Jennifer Carter, Craft Academy assistant director of academic services, SpaceTrek curriculum director and former high school physics and astronomy teacher from Rowan County Senior High School, along with Sara Phillips, recent MSU Master's in Space Systems Engineering graduate, will serve as instructors during the camp.

Female mentors are a large facet of the camp. Therefore, one of the objectives of the camp is to instill confidence and a "can do" attitude.

MSU alumnus Kim Boggs, an AAUW member, will participate in the non-curriculum based activities. Other AAUW members will participate as volunteers. SpaceTrek was created and spearheaded by Boggs, Carter and Michele McNeil, along with Morehead State University and AAUW Kentucky.

Boggs and McNeil, co-directors of AAUW SpaceTrek, recruit, fundraise and organize the camp.

The SpaceTrek program is funded by MSU's Center for Regional Engagement, Division of University Advancement, Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, College of Science, AAUW Community Action Grant and donations from AAUW Kentucky branches, members and community members.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Space Science Center at 606-783-2381, emailing [Spacetrekky@gmail.com](mailto:Spacetrekky@gmail.com), or by visiting the SpaceTrek website at [www.spacetrekky.org](http://www.spacetrekky.org).

## **‘Robotics Summer Institute’ hosted by 21st Century Education Enterprise**

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Morehead State University's [21st Century Education Enterprise](#) has completed a three-day “Robotics Summer Institute” professional learning experience for teachers from middle schools in the service region.

Teachers from Elliott, Fleming, Rowan and Wolfe counties schools along with Lakeside Christian Academy were represented during the camp.

Participants were engaged as “learners” working with LEGO Mindstorm EV3 Robotics and created individualized STEM action plans to meet school and district needs. Teacher participants returned the following week with groups of rising 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grade students from their districts to attend another three-day STEM Camp.

Students and teachers worked with MSU faculty from Engineering and Information Systems/Career and Technical Education, Space Science Center, 21st Century Education Enterprise, UK STEM faculty, and Kentucky Department of Education consultants.

As teacher participants in the professional learning experience facilitated, middle school students tackled tasks dealing with engineering design and development, electricity and electronics, robotics problem solving, and soldering and systems.

Students participating in the camp were:

From Elliott County: Hallie Mayse, 5th grade; Ryland Brickey, 5th grade; Megan Pennington, 6th grade; Aleah Wagner, 6th grade; Aaron Adams, 7th grade; Alexis Wagoner, 7th grade; Ian Lewis, 8th grade; and Caleb Hoskins, 8th grade.

From Fleming County: Josh Donahue, 8th grade; Sean McCord, 8th grade; Grace Hamilton, 8th grade; and Sarah Pease, 8th grade.

From Lakeside Christian: Emma Lewis, 5th grade; Riley Eldridge, 5th grade; Riley Givens, 6th grade; Nathan Hogg, 6th grade; and Mason Hyatt, 6th grade; and Allie Lewis, 8th grade.

**From Rowan County: Libby Lennex-Stone, 7th grade; McKay Thacker, 8th grade; Alena Back, 8th grade; Katie Hart, 8th grade; and Annabelle McNeal, 8th grade.**

**From Wolfe County: Bradley Wilson, 5<sup>th</sup> grade; Caiden Creech, 5<sup>th</sup> grade; Emma Landaw, 6<sup>th</sup> grade; Heather Parks, 6<sup>th</sup> grade; Andy Lykins, 6th grade; Connor Rogers, 6th grade; Austin Coomer, 8th grade; Ethan Wilson, 8th grade, Makayla Jones, 8th grade; Brianna Lawson, 8<sup>th</sup> grade; Katelyn Kidd, 8<sup>th</sup> grade; Elizabeth Osborne, 8<sup>th</sup> grade; Michaela Manning, 8<sup>th</sup> grade; Kilee Lawson, 8th grade; Grant Rogers, 9th grade; and Logan Creech, 9th grade.**

**Teacher participants were Amy Maggard, Elliott County; Rebekah Hitch, Elliott County; Cindy Combs, Fleming County; Brittany Dennis, Lakeside Christian; Charlie Charles, Rowan County; Michael Brand, Wolfe County; Mindy Coomer, Wolfe County; Charlotte Cox, Wolfe County; and Amy Phipps, Wolfe County.**

**Assisting with the camp were: Krista Barton, director, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Education Enterprise; Rachel Rogers Blackwell, STEM Camp director, PD associate, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Education Enterprise; Krys Lynam, communications and business manager, 21st Century Education Enterprise; Dr. Margaret Mohr-Schroeder, UK See Blue STEM Camp co-director; Dr. Craig Schroeder, UK See Blue STEM Camp co-director;**

**Dr. Bruce Walcott, UK See Blue STEM Camp co-director; Jen Carter, assistant director of academic services for Craft Academy for Excellence in Science and Mathematics; Dr. Joyce Stubbs, career and technical education coordinator; and Richard DeLong, Dream Discovery Center instructor.**

**Additional information is available by calling the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Education Enterprise at 606-783-239 or visit its website at [www.moreheadstate.edu/tcee](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/tcee).**

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## Retiree Association to visit Falmouth

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Morehead State University's Retiree Association will travel to Falmouth for the Kincaid Regional Theatre production of the musical "Footloose" Thursday, July 14. Showtime is 2 p.m.

A "Dutch Treat" lunch will be at Biancke's in Cynthiana.

Tickets are \$14 for seniors.

Transportation will be provided. Deadline for registration is Monday, July 11 and members are asked to specify if they wish to ride in the van when making reservations.

The van will leave from the Burkes Outlet (Kroger Center) parking lot at 9:30 a.m.

Additional information and reservations may be obtained by calling 606-783-2033 or 877-690-4483 or email to [events@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:events@moreheadstate.edu).

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## Rhodes named assistant vice president for enrollment services

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Morehead State University's Tim P. Rhodes has been named assistant vice president for enrollment services. He served as interim assistant vice president for [enrollment services](#) since Sept. 2015.

"We are fortunate to have someone with Tim's experience in this position. He is not only a person with a vast background in enrollment services but also dedicated to this University," said Dr. Wayne D. Andrews, president.

"Over the years, Tim has helped thousands of students resolve financial roadblocks to their college degrees."

According to Dr. Andrews, a search was held for the position.

Prior to his interim assistant vice president assignment, Rhodes was admissions liaison for school and alumni relations and helped establish the new Craft Academy as assistant director for admission and public relations. He joined MSU in 1972 as head cashier and held numerous titles during the next 30 years, including the first director of the Office of University Enrollment Services and director of financial aid.

He retired in 2002 as the assistant vice president for admission, financial aid and housing but returned to MSU in 2010.

In 1993-94, he was the recipient of the prestigious Distinguished Staff Service Award.

A Frenchburg native, Rhodes earned both his B.B.A. and M.B.A. degrees from MSU.

"MSU is a great university, and I look forward to continuing to help provide opportunities to students," said Rhodes.

Additional information is available by calling enrollment services at 606-783-2000 or 800-585-6781.



## MSU adds SOAR program on Aug. 5

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Morehead State University will offer a [Student Orientation, Advising and Registration](#) (SOAR) program Friday, Aug. 5 in preparation for the 2016 Fall Semester. Participants will check-in on the first floor of the Camden-Carroll Library

This is a walk-in SOAR program as students can come anytime from 9 a.m. through 3 p.m.

New first year and transfer students will register for their fall semester classes during this event.

Students also will have their photographs taken for the University's identification card, the EagleCard, and meet with representatives from financial aid, student housing, food services, and accounting and financial services.

A student must be accepted to MSU before they can participate, and parents are encouraged to attend.

The fall semester will begin Monday, Aug. 15.

To register: visit [www.moreheadstate.edu/soar](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/soar) and complete the registration form; or register with the Office of First Year Programs by calling 606-783-5208.

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## Dr. Parton awarded Phi Kappa Phi Literacy Grant

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Morehead State University's Dr. Becky Sue Parton, [associate professor of education technology](#), has been awarded a 2016 Literacy Grant from The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi (the nation's oldest and most selective collegiate honor society for all academic disciplines).

Dr. Parton is one of 16 recipients nationwide to receive the award.

The \$2,110 grant will be used to support Project L.E.A.D.S., a new initiative focused on improving literacy among deaf teenagers in Kentucky. The project will provide high school students at the Kentucky School for the Deaf with the book "Steve Jobs" by Walter Isaacson on DVD in ASL and in traditional print format. The package also will include a letter of encouragement from MSU's chapter of Phi Kappa Phi.

The Phi Kappa Phi Literacy Grant program was established in 2003 to provide funding to Phi Kappa Phi chapters and active members for ongoing projects or new initiatives that reinforce part of the society's mission "to engage the community of scholars in service to others." Drawing from a multi-disciplinary society of students and scholars from large and small institutions, applicants are encouraged to consider literacy projects that have creative relevance to their disciplines and the needs of their communities.

In addition to literacy grants, Phi Kappa Phi's robust award programs give more than \$1 million each biennium to qualifying students and members through graduate fellowships, undergraduate study abroad grants, and member and chapter awards.

Dr. Parton joined MSU in 2014. She received a B.A. degree in strategic management and Ph.D. degree in educational computing from the University of North Texas. Parton earned her M.S. degree in deaf education from Texas Woman's University.

She was previously a professional programmer for 10 years. Well published in her field, Dr. Parton has given more than 60 international conference presentations. In 2010, she received the National Center for

**Technology Innovation 2010 Bright Idea Award and was the recipient of the Technology Educator of the Year for 2011 by the Louisiana Association of Computer Using Educators.**

**Dr. Parton enjoys developing instructional technology tools for the Deaf and has received more than \$500,000 in grant funding.**

**To learn more about the award and grant programs, visit [www.PhiKappaPhi.org/Awards](http://www.PhiKappaPhi.org/Awards) .**

**Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Parton at 606-783-9434.**

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## Presidential Search and Screening Advisory Committee to hold meeting July 22

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Morehead State University's Presidential Search and Screening Advisory Committee will hold its next meeting Friday, July 22, starting at 9 a.m. in the Kibbey Seminar Room (Room 109) of the Bert T. Combs Building on Morehead State University's campus.

Committee meetings are open to the public.

Additional information will be available at [www.moreheadstate.edu/presidentialsearch](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/presidentialsearch).

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## **Ernst named associate vice president for academic affairs and student success**

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Morehead State University's Dr. John Ernst has been named associate vice president for [academic affairs/student success](#). Since May 2015, Dr. Ernst served interim associate vice president for academic affairs/student success.

"Dr. Ernst is uniquely qualified to serve as our AVPAA/Student Success. During the past academic year, he worked extremely hard and proved he was the right person for the job," said Dr. Steven M. Ralston, MSU's chief academic officer/provost. "As the executive assistant to President Andrews, Dr. Ernst worked successfully on many high priority institutional initiatives including the ASPIRE Strategic Plan, Governor's Scholars Program, President's Leadership Academy, and the President's Performing Arts and Speaker Series."

In his new position, Dr. Ernst will lead and collaborate with multiple on-and off-campus stakeholders to enhance student recruitment, retention, graduation and post graduation achievement.

He will take charge of the creation and oversight of a comprehensive and integrated program that ensures student success. Dr. Ernst will report to the vice president of student success.

He also served MSU as chair of the Department of History, Philosophy, Religion and Legal Studies and the department's interim chair.

A Louisville native, Dr. Ernst first came to Morehead State in 1994 as a fixed-term instructor of history after serving three years on the staff of the "Kentucky Encyclopedia" with Dr. John Kleber, a Morehead State historian.

He earned his doctoral degree from the University of Kentucky, where he worked with Dr. George C. Herring, the leading Vietnam War scholar in America.

**Dr. Ernst is an expert on the Vietnam War with two book authorships, including "Forging a Fateful Alliance: Michigan State University and the Vietnam War" and "The War that Never Ends: New Perspectives on the Vietnam War," co-edited with Dr. David L. Anderson.**

**His love of teaching was recognized in 2001 when he was the recipient of the Master Teacher Award given by the Interfraternity Council, National Pan-Hellenic Conference and National Panhellenic Council, and in 2013 was presented the Student Government Association's Student Choice Award for Faculty Member of the Year.**

**He and his wife, Joanne, a teacher for the hearing-impaired in Rowan County Schools, have lived in Morehead since 1996, and have two sons and a daughter.**

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## Career Services guiding the way to the future

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Morehead State University's [Office of Career Services'](#) main goal is to prepare students for the global workforce by providing career decision making, professional development, and internship/job search assistance to students as well as alumni.

(View 2016 Spring Career Fair [photo gallery](#) )

The office serves all majors and helps with the entire career decision making process. First year students and sophomores are encouraged to take advantage of personality and interest inventories to help choose a major and/or career path that is a good fit.

Career Services offers an academic course for students engaging in internships or co-ops with external employers. It allows students to apply skills learned in the classroom to a "real world" environment. This is essential to be competitive upon graduation according to the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE) Class of 2015 Survey which finds that an employer is "far more likely to offer a job to a student prior to graduation if he or she had an internship or co-op-especially a paid position."

Resume, cover letter and personal statement critiques also are offered. Practice interviews can be conducted online via specialized software or in-person. The office is a one-stop shop for students to develop a personal path to success.

During the 2015-16 academic year, more than 7,000 students were reached via presentations and events while 2,100 took advantage of more individualized counseling.

According to one MSU student, "Without Career Services, I would be completely lost in college. I am so grateful for the amazing staff that go above and beyond to help students."

Resume critiques and the suit bank are the most used services. The Suit Bank was developed in response to our student's need for professional clothing for interviews, career fairs and conferences. It is stocked with suits, ties, and dress shirts donated by alumni, professionals, faculty, staff, community members, and

**others concerned with the success of our students. There is no charge to students for the clothing and donations are always accepted.**

**More than 200 employers and graduate programs travel to the MSU campus each year to meet our well-qualified students. An online job/internship posting database exclusive to MSU allows students to connect with more than 3,000 organizations and their openings. The biannual career fair continues to grow, drawing 94 organizations in fall of 2015 and 90 organizations in spring of 2016. The event is an excellent opportunity for students to explore industries as well as land leads for internships and jobs. Employers are very willing to give back to ensure the success of MSU graduates.**

**At the Resume Blitz, recruiters volunteer their time to help our students improve their resumes before they apply for positions. Each spring an Etiquette Networking Dinner allows students to practice networking with organization representatives while also being led through a three-course meal. Other events such as information sessions, on campus interviews and class presentations regularly bring employers to campus.**

**For more information about these services or hiring an MSU student, contact the Career Services office at 606-783-2233, email [careerservices@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:careerservices@moreheadstate.edu) , or visit [www.moreheadstate.edu/career](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/career) .**

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## **‘A Time for Tales’ airs 300th episode**

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Since 2002, [Morehead State Public Radio](#) listeners have enjoyed a weekly program of storytelling by local, regional and national storytellers.

Hosted by Carolyn Franzini, "A Time for Tales" recently aired its 300th program.

"My interest in the world of storytelling began when I first attended the National Storytelling Festival in Jonesboro (Tennessee) in 1986. I was enthralled with the stories that were told. It was an introduction to a whole new art form," said Franzini.

"I love hosting the radio show, it gives me the opportunity to introduce listeners to the vast array of stories. I've featured several local residents, men from the Morehead Inspiration Center, and middle and high school speech team students. It also allows me to be creative. I enjoy the challenge of putting together stories that relate to a theme," she added.

Each program features stories and songs for selected themes including school, culture, travel, holidays, life events and other interesting topics. Program themes have included "Parents are Heroes," "Life in the Slammer" and "Stories from These Hills."

"I'm always looking for new stories to keep listeners interested. After I select the theme, I find stories that fit the theme. The sequence of stories should provide an engaging listening experience," said Franzini.

The show is designed for listeners to enjoy the stories and possibly share their own stories with friends and family. At the end of each program, Franzini reminds listeners to "take time and tell your tales."

"Storyteller Donald Davis once told me the reason he tells stories is so people will recognize the value of their own stories. Stories can be lost from generation to generation and it's important to preserve family stories. In some small way, it's my hope I've encouraged listeners to value their stories and cherish the stories of others," added Franzini.

"A Time for Tales" can be heard on Morehead State Public Radio (WMKY, 90.3FM) Sunday afternoons at 3 p.m.

Morehead State Public Radio (WMKY) broadcasts from the campus of Morehead State University to more than 20 counties throughout eastern Kentucky.



**Additional information is available at 606-783-2001 or online at [www.wmky.org](http://www.wmky.org).**

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## With help from SBDC, Mountain Community Pharmacy opens in Hazard

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After Carrie Combs graduated from West Virginia University School of Pharmacy in 2007, she immediately entered the work force for a local pharmacy in Hazard.

Combs instantly took off learning the ins and outs of running a pharmacy and after two short years she became the manager.

In August of 2015, Combs learned her current employer was going to close the business. Combs decided this would be a prime opportunity to open her own pharmacy. Along with her business partner Jefferson Sandlin, the dream of one day owning their own pharmacy was beginning to unfold.

Combs first met with Michelle Spriggs, management consultant with the [Small Business Development Center](#), in August 2015. Spriggs assisted Combs with the proper procedures for starting a business in Kentucky, working capital needs, business projections, tax issues, marketing, sales potential and overhead costs.

In addition, Spriggs guided Combs in preparing the necessary documentation and loan package for submission to Community Trust Bank for a SBA loan. Combs and Sandlin received loan approval in December 2015.

Mountain Community Pharmacy opened its doors in March 2016.

A ribbon cutting and open house was held June 24 hosted by the Hazard Chamber of Commerce. Family, friends, SBDC staff, chamber members and local business leaders were on hand to celebrate this day with Combs and Sandlin.

Mountain Community Pharmacy has created six new jobs and will offer a convenience to those in the downtown Hazard area. It is located at 1908 North Main Street and can be reached by calling 606-487-

**0023.**

**Additional information on the Small Business Development Center is available by contacting Spriggs at 606-432-5848 or email [m.spriggs@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:m.spriggs@moreheadstate.edu).**

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## Bentley hired as vice president for student success

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**Morehead State University President Wayne D. Andrews has announced the hiring of Dr. Jason Bentley as the new vice president for student success. He will assume his new position Aug. 8.**

**Dr. Bentley comes to MSU from Central Michigan University where he served as Office of Student Success director since January 2013. He has worked for CMU for the past 16 years and has held numerous titles.**

**“We are delighted to have Jason (Bentley) join us at Morehead State University,” said Wayne D. Andrews, MSU president. “The new position of vice president for student success is a challenging job, but with his experience, Dr. Bentley fits what we need in that role.”**

**Reporting to the president, in a newly created strategic role, the vice president for student success will serve as the chief student life officer and key representative for student recruitment, student support services and student engagement outside of the academic classroom. The position will provide strategic vision to attract, retain and graduate a diverse, high quality student body. Dr. Bentley will oversee strategic analysis that shapes and ensures coordination of effective recruitment, admissions processes and retention to ensure student success.**

**The vice president and division staff will partner with the University’s colleges to ensure that the recruitment and retention goals are aligned with institution’s strategic goals. He will develop and implement a comprehensive enrollment management and student success strategy that integrates the entire student experience from recruitment through transition to career placement.**

**Dr. Bentley will serve as a member of the president’s cabinet and work with the senior leadership team with a clear focus on student success through academic excellence, robust co- and extra-curricular participation opportunities, strong institutional partnerships, scholarship meaningful service to the region and effective resource utilization.**

**He will oversee the personnel, budgets, technology and operations of the following offices and supporting units: Athletics, Advising and Retention, Dean of Students, Career Services, Enrollment Services, Financial Aid, Police Department, Student Academic Success, Student Life, Tutoring and Learning Center and Recreation and Wellness.**

**Dr. Bentley is a three-time graduate of Central Michigan University. He obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in secondary education, Master of Arts degree in educational leadership and administration and Doctor of Education degree in educational leadership.**

**“I was very impressed with the faculty, staff and students I met with during my time on campus,” said Dr. Bentley. “I’m excited for this opportunity and look forward to getting started.”**

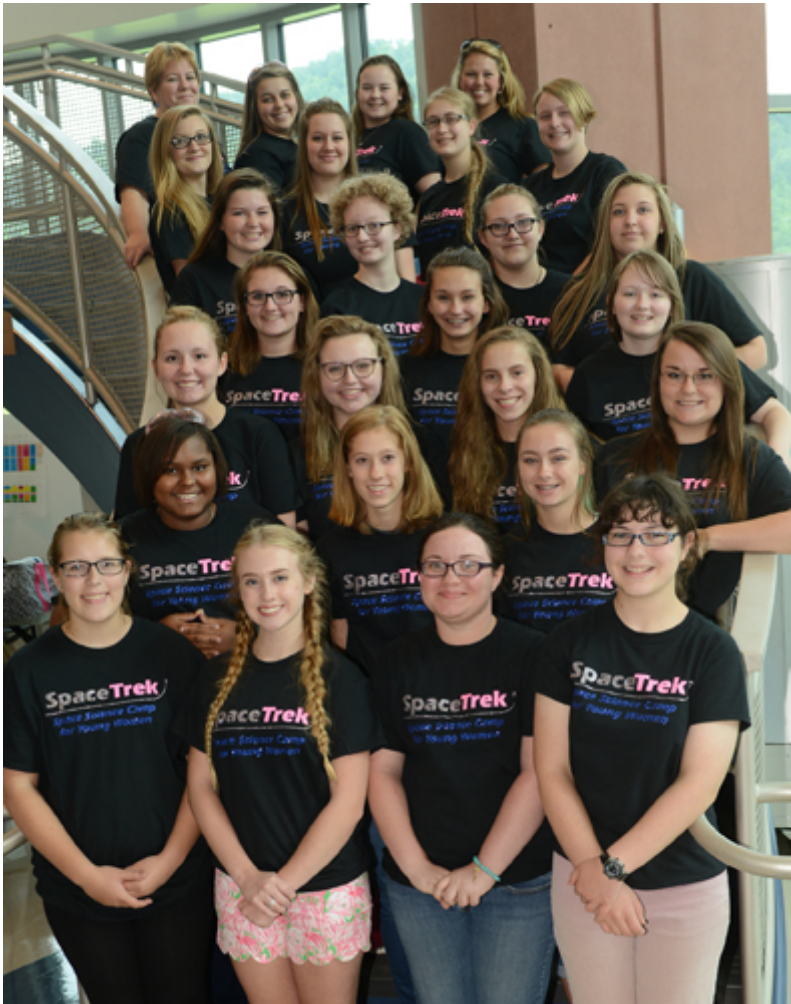
**Additional information is available by contacting Beth Patrick, chief financial officer and vice president for administration, at 606-783-2053.**

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## MSU and AAUW host space camp

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Morehead State University's Space Science Center, in collaboration with the American Association of University Women (AAUW), conducted its fifth SpaceTrek camp for girls entering their sophomore, junior or senior year of high school July 9-16 at the Space Science Center.

The workshop/camp is designed for girls interested in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) and would like to learn more about space and engineering through hands-on activities under the guidance of Craft Academy staff and Space Systems Engineering graduates.

Working as a team, participants built a small satellite, attach it to a large helium balloon launched from the roof, collect and interpret data and draw conclusions.

Participants (name, school and hometown) were Taylor Arnold, Campbell County, Alexandria; Cassandra Poston, Berea Community School, Berea; Elizabeth Gilbert, Wolfe County, Campton; Audrey Smith, Craft Academy, Dycusburg; Emma Silvernail, Western Hills, Frankfort; Madison Brown, Georgetown Senior, Georgetown; Evann Gill, Scott County, Georgetown; Kate McKinney, Homeschool, Georgetown; Danielle Gibson, Craft Academy, Germantown; Idalsenhart, North Oldham, Goshen; Nadia Richardson, Craft Academy, Hindman; Maia Taffe, Henry Clay, Lexington; Jessica Bennett, Academy at Shawnee, Louisville; Melaine Brazel, Eastern, Louisville; Haylee Mitchell, Simon Kenton, Morning View;

**Abigail Bray, Rockcastle County, Mt. Vernon; Shannon Jeffers, Homeschool, Nicholasville; Jayde Holbrook, West Carter, Olive Hill; Brooke Hall, Johnson Central, Paintsville; Alexandra Mauldin, Assumption, Prospect; Taylor McCauley, Riverview Opportunity Center, Sheperdsville; and Madeline Springate, Woodford County, Versailles.**

**Jennifer Carter, Craft Academy assistant director of academic services, SpaceTrek curriculum director and former high school physics and astronomy teacher from Rowan County Senior High School, along with Sara Phillips, recent MSU Master of Science in Space Systems Engineering graduate, served as instructors during the camp.**

**Female mentors are a large facet of the camp and one of the objectives of the camp is to instill confidence and a "can do" attitude.**

**MSU alumnus Kim Boggs, an AAUW member, participated in the non-curriculum based activities. Other AAUW members also took part as volunteers. SpaceTrek was created and spearheaded by Boggs, Carter and Michele McNeil, along with Morehead State University and AAUW Kentucky.**

**Boggs and McNeil, co-directors of AAUW SpaceTrek, recruit, fundraise and organize the camp.**

**The SpaceTrek program is funded by MSU's Center for Regional Engagement, Division of University Advancement, Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, College of Science and donations from AAUW Kentucky branches, members and community members.**

**Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Space Science Center at 606-783-2381, emailing [Spacetrekky@gmail.com](mailto:Spacetrekky@gmail.com) , or by visiting the SpaceTrek website at [www.spacetrekky.org](http://www.spacetrekky.org) .**

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## **MBA program named among best by Affordable Colleges Foundation**

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**Morehead State University's online Master of Business Administration program has been named among the Best Online MBA Programs in the nation for 2016 by Affordable Colleges Foundation.**

**"The stigma surrounding online programs is fading in the job market and more employers are hiring candidates with online MBA degrees," said Dan Schuessler, CEO and Founder of AffordableCollegesOnline.org "Which means these institutions are preparing the next generation to be an integral part of our workforce."**

**MSU ranked 40<sup>th</sup> in the nation.**

**In order for universities to qualify for this ranking they must be public, not for profit, institutions and offer at least five online master's degrees.**

**Qualifying schools were then evaluated based on these criteria:**

- **Must be a public or private, not-for-profit institution**
- **Must offer at least one fully-online bachelor's degree program**
- **Academic and counseling services**
- **Job placement for graduates**

**MSU's MBA degree program's mission is to provide quality online educational opportunities in business for degree and course completion, designed for individuals seeking to improve their management success and focused on working managers. Those with undergraduate degrees in business may complete the program with a minimum of 30 semester hours. Others, without the undergraduate business core courses,**



**may be admitted to the program by completing the appropriate number of prerequisite courses as determined by the MBA program director.**

**The program can be completed completely online. Internet classes may be accessed from anywhere using MSU's Blackboard course management system; all you need is a computer, an Internet connection, a software package such as Microsoft Office and an email address. The degree requirements for our MBA specify that all students must complete 24 core hours and six hours of free electives. A concentration in Health Systems Management also is available.**

**MSU's MBA degree program is fully accredited by AACSB International, the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. AACSB International accreditation represents the highest standard of achievement for business schools, worldwide. Morehead State University is also accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. MSU also has been recognized by U.S. News and World Report as one of the Top 25 Public Universities in the South for 12 years in a row.**

**To view the rankings visit [www.affordablecollegesonline.org/degrees/mba-programs/](http://www.affordablecollegesonline.org/degrees/mba-programs/).**

**Additional information is available by contacting Keith D. Moore, MBA program director/ assistant to the dean, at 606-783-2969 or visit [www.moreheadstate.edu/study/mba/](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/study/mba/).**

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# Presidential Search and Screening Advisory Committee holding public meetings

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Morehead State University's [Presidential Search and Screening Advisory Committee](#) has three public meetings remaining to obtain input from members of the MSU community and the general public on the presidential search.

The committee has hosted in-person meetings in Hazard, Prestonsburg, Maysville, Mt. Sterling, with remaining meetings in Ashland and Morehead.

The committee is chaired by Regent Wayne Martin. The committee is comprised of Kathy Walker, regent, vice chair; Dr. Royal Berglee, faculty regent; Dr. Shannon Harr, staff regent; Adam Abbott, student regent; Eric Howard, Alumni Association member and regent; Buckner Hinkle, MSU Foundation Board of Directors; Dr. Michelle Kunz, faculty; and Karen Chaney, community representative. Regent chair Paul Goodpaster will serve in an ex-officio capacity.

President Wayne D. Andrews announced his retirement May 13, but will remain in office until June 30, 2017.

Forums will be held:

- Ashland, Friday, Aug. 19, 4:30 p.m., MSU at Ashland Campus, 1400 College Drive;
- Morehead (MSU employees), Monday, Aug. 22, 1-3 p.m., Button Auditorium;
- Morehead (Community), Monday, Aug. 22, 4:30- 6 p.m., Morehead Conference Center, 111 E. 1st Street.

According to Martin, the committee would like to get input that will assist the group on what the benchmarks/criteria the public would like to see in MSU's next president. The committee will recommend finalist(s) to the Board of Regents in early 2017.

Additional information is available at [www.moreheadstate.edu/presidentialsearch/](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/presidentialsearch/).

## Retired WMKY chief engineer Ray Roberts passes away

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Retired WMKY chief engineer Ray Roberts, 91, of Eagle Drive, Morehead, passed away Saturday, July 23.

( [View guest book](#) )

Roberts served in the Air Force as a Staff Sergeant from 1942 -45. Upon his return from the military, he was a dispatch operator for the Kentucky State Police and later a radio engineer for Earl Young. He retired from Morehead State University as chief engineer after more than 20 years of service.

He is survived by his wife of 67 years Betty Williams Roberts, and their three children: Renae Walker and husband Dave of Albany, Georgia, Garrick Bruce "Rick" Roberts of Jamestown, New York, and Julie Roberts of Morehead.

Also surviving are five grandchildren: Larry (Shelley) Lykins, Shannon Ray (Rebecca) Lykins, Matthew Todd (Ashley) York, Edward Andrew "Andy" (Miranda) Roberts, and Eric Wesley Roberts; seven great grandchildren; nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

At his request, a private family service will be held.

Northcutt and Son Home for Funerals in Morehead is caring for arrangements.

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## Three to be inducted in the Alumni Hall of Fame

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Vaughn Caudill   Christian Galeski   Andy Prefontaine

Morehead State University will welcome three new members into its [Alumni Hall of Fame](#) during [Homecoming 2016](#). This honor provides recognition to alumni who have achieved excellence in their profession, community service, or education at the local, state, or national level.

Inducted in the Alumni Hall of Fame will be Col. Vaughn Caudill (73), Christian Galeski (98) and Andy Prefontaine (71).

Col. Caudill is a retired deputy comptroller with the United States Air Force in San Antonio, Texas. Caudill has 32 years of military service and has received numerous awards and recognition throughout his career, including the Joint Meritorious Service Medal and the National Defense Service Medal. He also was promoted to Colonel in 2001 and received the honor of being named Army Comptroller of the Year in 2004.

Galeski is a special agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and a member of the FBI's Hostage Rescue Team (HRT). Upon graduation from MSU, where he was actively involved as both a cheerleader and a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, Galeski joined the Navy and completed SEAL training. In 2013, he was awarded a Medal of Valor by the White house for his involvement in a rescue mission in Alabama.

Prefontaine is a successful businessman and founder/CEO of Family Leisure Inc., a family home and leisure products retailer that has grown to national recognition. He was very involved as an MSU student and the last president of Aquila, the social organization that was the predecessor of Pi Kappa Alpha.

The induction will take place at the Homecoming Banquet on Friday, October 14. During the evening, Alumni and Athletic Halls of Fame inductees will be installed and the 2016 Founders Award for University Service will be presented.

Additional information is available by contacting the Office of Alumni Relations and Development at 606-783-2080 or 800-783-ALUM or email [alumni@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:alumni@moreheadstate.edu).

## MSPR to host CAB meeting

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The Community Advisory Board for [Morehead State Public Radio](#) will conduct its quarterly meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 3, at 6 p.m.

The meeting will be held in the MSPR studios, located in Breckinridge Hall on the Morehead State University campus. Meetings of the board are open to the public.

Morehead State Public Radio broadcasts 24-hours a day from the MSU campus. WMKY (90.3 FM) serves as the flagship station for the network. MSPR serves more than 20 counties in Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia.

Additional information is available on MSPR's website at [www.wmky.org](http://www.wmky.org) or from Paul Hitchcock, general manager, at [wmky@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:wmky@moreheadstate.edu) or call 606-783-2001.

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## MSU mourns loss of Sandy Johnson

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Morehead State University's Sandra "Sandy" Whittington Johnson, 49, University Bookstore operations manager, passed away Thursday, July 28.

[\(View guest book\)](#)

She is survived by her husband, Gordon Johnson of Morehead. Her parents, Charles and Martha Lawson Whittington of Owingsville; one son, Tyler Whittington Day of Morehead; one brother, Rick Whittington of Owingsville; and two step-sons, Gene Johnson of Hillsboro and Justin Johnson of Morehead.

Funeral services will be conducted 1 p.m. Monday, Aug. 1, at Northcutt and Son Home for Funerals Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Allan Hutchinson and the Rev. Lowell Rice officiating. Burial will follow in Crix Cemetery.

Visitation is from 6 to 9 p.m. Sunday, July 31, at Northcutt and Son Home for Funerals in Morehead.

Northcutt and Son Home for Funerals in Morehead is in charge of the arrangements.

# Alumni and Retirees associations plan trip to South Carolina, Georgia

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Morehead State University's [Alumni](#) and [Retirees](#) associations will go back in time to the beautiful and historic cities of Charleston, South Carolina, and Savannah, Georgia, traveling by motor coach Wednesday through Sunday, Nov. 9-13.

The \$799 per person double occupancy cost includes transportation, hotel, four breakfasts and four dinners. The single occupancy cost is \$979. An initial deposit of \$100 per person is required, with the final payment due Friday, Sept. 16. Limited space still available.

"These trips are a wonderful opportunity for our alumni and friends to travel together," said Allison Caudill, alumni relations and development assistant director. "We coordinated a trip to the Savannah area a few years ago and it was a big hit. We have had several requests for the Charleston area, so we are excited to add this to the agenda. Repeat travelers will enjoy different sites and restaurants during the day in Savannah. The cost also includes a contribution to the MSU Foundation which entitles individuals to a year-long membership in the MSU Alumni Association."

Among the highlights of the three days in Charleston will be a guided tour of the historic city where the Civil War began, including its antebellum homes and beautiful gardens as well as the Nathaniel Russell House Museum which is recognized as one of the nation's most important neoclassical dwellings; a harbor dinner cruise featuring a three-course gourmet dinner and breathtaking views of the harbor. Another special activity will be a tour of Magnolia Plantation and Gardens. Dinner during the last night will be at the Charleston Crab House on the James River.

After a night's sleep, the group moves on to Savannah where they will experience 270 years of rich history, going back to the Civil War with a guided tour of the city's historic district featuring Savannah's gracious squares, magnificent fountains and Southern-style homes. The travelers will also have the opportunity to attend a live musical performance at the Savannah Theater and dinner on the city's riverfront.

"All in all it's a wonderful opportunity to enjoy the rich traditions of this beautiful area, with all the stress of planning an itinerary, driving and parking eliminated," said Caudill. "But space is limited, so you need

**to claim your seat by making a deposit by the deadline.**

**Reservations and additional information are available by calling 606-783-2033, toll-free at 877-690-4483 or email [events@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:events@moreheadstate.edu) .**

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