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MOREHEAD, Ky.---With the fall semester already at its midpoint, it's time to prepare for registration for the Spring 2010 term at Morehead State University.

Morehead State's spring semester classes begin Jan. 11, and registration will be available online Monday through Friday, Nov. 9-17, on MSU's Web site ([www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)). Students may view course offerings and complete the registration process through the Datatel WebAdvisor.

Registration can be made easier by planning ahead. Students are encouraged to meet with their academic adviser prior to registering, and then to register early when there is the best variety of classes available.

Not yet enrolled at MSU? There is still time to submit an application for the spring term. Prospective students may call the Office of Enrollment Services at (606) 783-2000 or (800) 585-6781, option #1, for admissions assistance.

Students will register according to the established schedule (the number of hours does not include the current semester):

- Monday, Nov. 9: Graduate students with at least 21 hours begin at 6 a.m.; graduate students with less than 20 hours, as well as postbaccalaureate students, begin at 12:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Nov. 10: Seniors with at least 110 hours, begin at 6 a.m.; seniors with 90-109 hours, begin at 12:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, Nov. 11: Juniors with 75-89 hours may begin at 6 a.m.; juniors with 60-74 hours may begin at 12:30 p.m.
- Thursday, Nov. 12: Sophomores with 45-59 hours may begin at 6 a.m.
- Friday, Nov. 13: Sophomores with 30-44 hours may begin at 6 a.m.
- Monday, Nov. 16: Freshmen with 1-29 hours may begin at 6 a.m.
- Tuesday, Nov. 17: Freshmen with 0 hours earned begin at 6 a.m.
- New transfer students may register any time Monday or Tuesday, Nov. 16-17.
- First-time freshmen, admitted for Spring 2010, may begin registration on Wednesday, Nov. 18.

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

Although MSU does not offer a deferred payment plan, students may take advantage of a different option to pay their bill at a later date, while at the same time, confirming that they will be attending classes.

If any student is unable to pay his or her full balance prior to the deadline, he or she may complete an online Statement of Intent, which explains payment requirements. The statement must be completed by Jan. 4 to prevent a student's class schedule from being cancelled. This also applies to any student who receives financial aid or scholarships, or whose college expenses are being paid by an outside agency.

MSU offers online bachelor's degree "completer" programs designed primarily for graduates of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS). These programs allow KCTCS graduates to earn bachelor's degrees while continuing to meet work and family obligations without traveling long distances. Courses are offered via the Internet, providing busy adults the opportunity to complete class work at a time and place convenient to them.

Textbooks for the classes 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 the Internet at [www.bookstore.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.bookstore.moreheadstate.edu). Purchases will be shipped to the address specified by the student.

Meal plan selections for the spring semester are now available. To view and order a meal plan, go to either Eagle Express Web page at [www.moreheadstate.edu/eagleexpress/](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/eagleexpress/) or 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.

Additional information is available by calling the Office of Enrollment Services at (606) 783-2000, or the Office of the Registrar at (606) 783-2008.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University will conduct the monthly test of its audible alert system on Monday, Nov. 2, 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 are located on Ginger and Cartmell halls along with Jayne Stadium.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---The main gallery in the Claypool-Young Art Building at Morehead State University will be the site of the 2009 MSU Art Faculty Exhibition, Nov. 11 – Dec. 9.

This annual exhibition showcases the artworks of faculty in the Department of Art and Design. Reflecting the strength and diversity of the department's programs and instruction, the show features a wide range of media and techniques. Oil and acrylic paintings, drawings and prints, two- and three-dimensional textile works, traditional and digital photography, computer generated imagery, as well as sculpture and ceramic works, will be on display.

An opening reception will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 11, from 6 - 8 p.m. with complimentary refreshments along with live music provided by Karly Higgins and Jesse Wells. The event is free and open to the public.

In association with the exhibition, there will be an Art Faculty Forum on Thursday, Nov. 12, from 11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. Exhibiting artists will be on hand to discuss their work, as well as field questions. There will be refreshments available.

The Claypool-Young art gallery, an educational resource of the art department and the University, features contemporary art for the Morehead State University community and its service region. The gallery, open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. or by appointment, is free and open to the public. Parking is available on Main Street and Elizabeth Avenue, directly behind the building, and across campus after 5 p.m.

Additional information is available by calling Jennifer Reis, gallery director, at (606) 783-5446.

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WEST LIBERTY, Ky.---Morehead State University at West Liberty's Small Business Development Center (SBDC) and Morgan County School's Community Education Program will host a workshop in November for those interested in learning more about eBay.

This course will introduce class participants to the basic concepts and components of setting up a business on eBay. Strategies and tips will be shared on how to go about selling successfully on eBay. Participants will walk through the step-by-step process of listing, selling, and then receiving payment for an item once it is sold. Resources will be provided that can help individuals develop their eBay business.

The free workshop will be held Tuesday, Nov. 17, from 5-8:30 p.m. at MSU's Regional Enterprise Center.

Training programs, sponsored or co-sponsored by SBDC, are available to all individuals without regard to race, color, sex, creed or national origin.

Additional information is available by calling the SBDC at (606) 743-4005 or the Morgan County School's Community Education Program at (606) 743-8082.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Office of International Student Services will celebrate International Education Week, Nov. 9-12.

International Education Week is an opportunity to celebrate the benefits of international education and exchange worldwide. This joint initiative of the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education is part of efforts to promote programs that prepare Americans for a global environment and attract future leaders from abroad to study, learn, and exchange experiences in the United States.

The schedule will include:

Monday, Nov. 9, A Celebration of China, 209 Breckinridge Hall, 7-9 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 10, A Celebration of African Arts and Crafts, Commonwealth Room, Adron Doran University Center, 6-8 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 11, French Film, "Les Ch'tis," 204 Breckinridge, 7-9 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 12, Tradition of El Dia de los Muertos, 209 Breckinridge Hall, 7-9 p.m.

A display of international flags will be on exhibit in ADUC, Nov. 9-12. All events for International Education Week are free and open to the public.

The Office of International Student Services is located in the Brumagen House at 422 University Blvd. (across from Baird Music Hall).

Additional information is available by calling ISS at (606) 783-2096.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Department of Music, Theatre and Dance will host the 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Choral Festival for High School Singers on Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 9 and 10.

On Monday, Nov. 9, at 7 p.m., the MSU choirs, under the direction of Dr. Greg Detweiler and Roosevelt Escalante, will present their festival concert. The performance will be held at First Baptist Church, 123 E. Main Street, Morehead. The concert is free to the public and the audience is encouraged to come early.

On Tuesday, Nov. 10, at 7 p.m., the High School Festival SSAA and SATB Choirs will present a concert at Baird Music Hall on the MSU campus. The two choirs are comprised of 400 singers from 26 high schools in Kentucky and Ohio.

The guest conductor of the SSAA Choir is Jason Paulk, director of choral activities at Eastern New Mexico University, and the guest conductor of the SATB Choir is the internationally renowned conductor Rod Eicheberger.

Admission for the concert is \$5 for adults and \$3 for those 12 and under.

Monday's program will open with the MSU Chamber Singers. They will perform Renaissance madrigals and the contemporary "VoiceDance" by Greg Jasperse. University Chorus will follow with several arrangements of American folk songs and spirituals. Jazz Vocal Ensemble will perform "The More I See You" and "Walkin Down The Street." The Black Gospel Ensemble will perform "My Love, My Life, My All" and "Livin'." The host choir, the MSU Concert Choir, will close the concert with "Os Justi" by Anton Bruckner, "Prelude" by Ola Gjello, "The Ocean of Peace" by Ralph Johnson, "Ukrainian Alleluia" by Craig Courtney, and the spiritual, "I Got a Home in-a Dat Rock," arranged by Moses Hogan.

MSU associate professors of voice Dr. Ricky Little and Dr. Roma Prindle will be the featured soloists in the program.

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50<sup>th</sup> Annual Choral Festival set for Nov. 9 and 10  
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Tuesday's concert will open with the SSAA High School Festival Choir. They will sing "Gloria in Excelsis Deo" by Linda Rice Beck, "Suscepti Israel" from J.S. Bach's Magnificat, "Yo Le Canto Toda El Dia" by David Brunner, "Heart, We Will Forget Him" by Michael Hennagin, "How Can I Keep from Singing" arranged by Gwyneth Walker, and "Holy is the Lord" by Jeffrey Ames.

The SATB Festival High School choir will conclude the concert with "Down to the River to Pray" arranged by Marc Hafso, "Haste Thee, Nymph" by George Frideric Handel, "In Remembrance" by Jeffrey Ames, "Nigun Bialik" arranged by A.W. Binder, "Loch Lommond" arranged by Jonathan Quick, and "Now Let Us Sing!" arranged by Gwyneth Walker.

Winners of the high school vocal solo competition will perform their selections between the performances of the two high school festival choirs.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Detweiler, associate professor and director of choral activities, at (606) 783-2480.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Government Program and Department of Government and Regional Analysis are sponsoring a "Health Policy Forum." The event will be held at Thursday, Nov. 5, 4:30 p.m. in the Kibbey Seminar Room in 109 Combs Building.

The speakers will include: Dr. Ewell Scott, Morehead physician and health policy activist; Rebekah Jackson, MSU student; and Dr. Ric Caric, government professor.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Caric at (606) 783-2144.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University is offering to qualified high school seniors, who reside in MSU's 22-county service region, a chance to get started on their college degree, free.

Seniors with a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 and appropriate ACT scores may take up to six hours of college courses tuition-free in the 2009-10 academic year.

Students may choose from 100 or 200 level courses on the class schedule. Classes will be offered at the Morehead, Mt. Sterling and West Liberty campuses and online.

Students are responsible for textbooks and course fees. Textbooks for the classes are available from 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 the Internet at [www.bookstore.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.bookstore.moreheadstate.edu). Purchases will be shipped to the address specified by the student.

Classes at MSU for the spring semester begin Monday, Jan. 11, at all locations. The term ends May 7.

Additional information and application forms are available by calling Tina Stafford, MSU's distance education director, at (800) 585-6781, option #3; MSU at Mt. Sterling, (859) 498-0780 or (866) 870-0809; or MSU at West Liberty, (800) 648-5371 or (606) 743-1500; or visit MSU's Distance Education online at [www.moreheadstate.edu/de/index.aspx?id=23694](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/de/index.aspx?id=23694).

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University President Wayne D. Andrews today announced that Beth G. Patrick has been named MSU's first chief of staff. She will continue as vice president for planning and budgets.

"I am pleased to appoint Ms. Patrick to this important position as we implement a new administrative model for the Cabinet," said Dr. Andrews. "Her superb organizational skills and broad knowledge of the institution will be most helpful in coordinating the work of our senior leadership team."

Patrick's new duties include serving as the President's liaison with community, business and government, dealing with a range of institutional, Board of Regents, and public affairs issues, and coordinating the activities of the President's Cabinet in the development and implementation of strategic initiatives.

Since February 2003, Patrick had been vice president for budgets, planning and technology. She joined the MSU staff in 1983 as a computer programmer/analyst in the Office of Computing Services.

A Russell native, Patrick earned a bachelor's degree with an option in data processing in 1982 and a master's degree in adult and higher education in 1997, both from MSU. She is active in various professional organizations and committees and serves as a board member at St. Claire Regional Medical Center and the Morehead Community Federal Credit Union.

Michael R. Walters, vice president for administration and fiscal services, will assume Patrick's former responsibility for technology in addition to his current administrative duties.

A two-time graduate of MSU, he earned a bachelor's degree in accounting in 1970 and a master's degree in business administration in 1989. He is a certified public accountant.

Walters has served in various positions since joining the University staff in 1978 and was appointed to his current post of vice president for administration and fiscal services in 2003. He currently serves as the treasurer of the Board of Regents and as a board member and treasurer of the MSU Foundation Inc.

Additional information is available by calling Patrick at (606) 783-2022 or Walters at (606) 783-2053.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Liles Taylor, who is pursuing a Master of Public Administration degree in the College of Business and Public Affairs, has been appointed by Gov. Steve Beshear to the Kentucky Commission on Community Volunteerism and Service (KCCVS).

Taylor is a first-year graduate student from Versailles.

"I am excited to join the KCCVS, and be a part of all the great work they are doing across the Commonwealth," Taylor said. "Today, it's more important than ever to work together and empower our volunteers as we strive to keep Kentucky and America moving forward."

Taylor joins 15 other leaders from across the state on the bi-partisan commission from a variety of volunteerism and service backgrounds. The select group is charged with "actively engaging citizens in community service opportunities that enable volunteers, organizations and businesses to share ideas and effectively collaborate to address Kentucky's needs."

"Liles is an excellent student in our MPA program and we are very pleased to have one of our students selected for this Commission by Gov. Beshear," said Dr. Michael Hail, interim associate dean of the School of Public Affairs. "Our program promotes statesmanship and this selection illustrates the leadership preparation we provide in our graduate program."

Taylor's term will expire Jan. 3, 2012.

Additional information is available by contacting Margaret Sloan, assistant professor of government, at [m.sloan@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:m.sloan@moreheadstate.edu).

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---In an accomplishment that illustrates Morehead State University's commitment to quality education, all of the Imaging Sciences 2008 graduates have passed their national licensure exam on their first attempt.

This 100 percent pass rate for the 56 graduates includes a total of 81 examinations. The department has two degree programs that graduate students annually. The programs include the Associate Degree Radiologic Sciences and Baccalaureate Degree in Imaging Sciences with two areas of concentrations, computed tomography/magnetic resonance and diagnostic medical sonography.

"I congratulate the graduates and the faculty for their hard work and accomplishments," said Barbara Dehner, chair of MSU's Department of Imaging Science. "And I also appreciate the support and dedication our clinical education professionals provide. Passing these exams certifies our graduates as entry level practitioners in imaging sciences to work in any state in the U.S."

Students in the imaging sciences department begin with a two-year degree program in radiologic sciences and advance to the baccalaureate program where they select the computed tomography/magnetic resonance or diagnostic medical sonography option. These programs include 50 percent didactic and 50 percent clinical experience in one of 33 affiliated hospitals in the tri-state area.

The department also offers a baccalaureate online program --Leadership in Medical Imaging -- to registered practitioners. This program allows the student to complete the required courses part time and is planned for the working practitioner who wants to pursue a leadership role in imaging sciences.

Additional information on imaging sciences programs is available by calling the program office at (606) 783-2646, or the academic counseling coordinators (606) 783-2639 or 783-2641.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---The Morehead State University Department of Nursing offers an online Registered Nurse -Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing (RN-BSN) program, for those who are considering a nursing degree but think they may not have the time.

Courses will be available in the spring semester to all active and unrestricted licensed registered nurses. Those wishing to take the courses do not have to be officially admitted into the MSU nursing program to take the classes.

NURB 326 – Advanced Nursing Assessment and NURB 327 – Transition to Professional Nursing Practice are available online for the spring semester.

To register for the online courses, students must apply and be admitted to MSU. For more information on how to apply, visit [www.moreheadstate.edu/admissions](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/admissions) or call (800) 585-6781. Applications are currently being accepted for the RN-BSN online program.

The application deadline is the last Friday in October for the spring semester or the last Friday in March for the fall semester (Friday, March 26, 2010).

Late applications will be considered until the classes are filled.

Information about the online nursing courses is available by calling Misty Lilley, regional academic counseling coordinator for the MSU Department of Nursing, at (606) 783-2639; by e-mailing [m.lilley@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:m.lilley@moreheadstate.edu); or visiting [www.moreheadstate.edu/nursing](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/nursing) on the Web.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---The Morehead State University Department of Imaging Sciences offers a Bachelor of Science in Imaging Sciences (BSIS)- Leadership in Medical Imaging (LMI) online program.

Students can begin the program with IMS 331 – Issues and Trends in Health Care Delivery Systems or RSCI 499C – 302 Senior Seminar in Radiologic Sciences, which are available online for the spring semester.

Applications are currently being accepted for the BSIS - LMI Online Program.

The application deadline is the fourth Monday in October for the spring semester or the fourth Monday in March for the fall semester (Monday, March 22, 2010).

Late applications will be considered until the class is filled.

Information about the online courses is available by calling Misty Lilley, regional academic counseling coordinator, at (606) 783-2639; by e-mailing [m.lilley@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:m.lilley@moreheadstate.edu); or visiting [www.moreheadstate.edu/imagingosciences](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/imagingosciences) on the Web.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.--- Morehead State University's students of Community Health (HLTH 230) invite members of the media to their class to debate the topic of healthcare. The event will take place in 213 Laughlin Health Building, from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 6.

"One of the student learner outcomes for the course is that students will demonstrate an understanding of the structure and function of the healthcare system," said Dr. Ann Rathbun, associate professor and respiratory care program coordinator.

"I believe this activity serves as a way for the students to do just that. The students in the course have worked extremely hard researching the topic from many angles. The debate will be the culmination of their hard work."

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Rathbun at (606) 783-2464.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State Public Radio (MSPR) will offer a special program for Veteran's Day on Thursday, Nov. 12, from 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Boots on the Ground, Stories from the War in Iraq's "Coming Home" will start the special programming at 9:30 a.m.

The first of two 30-minute shows by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and Orchestra at Temple Square will air at 11 a.m. with "Music and the Spoken Word, Sacrifice and Service" to be followed at 11:30 a.m. by "Music and the Spoken Word, In Noble Service."

Morehead State Public Radio broadcasts 24 hours a day in digital audio from the MSU campus. WMKY (90.3 FM) serves as the flagship station for the MSPR network, which includes WOCS in Booneville and a translator in Inez. MSPR serves more than 40 counties in Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia.

Additional information is available by calling MSPR at (606) 783-2001 or 1-800-286-9659.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Jazz Ensemble I will perform at Midwest's premiere jazz venue, Blue Wisp Jazz Club in Cincinnati. That concert scheduled for Friday, Nov. 20, will start at 8:30 p.m. and will feature the MSU Jazz Ensemble Combos and the Jazz Vocal Ensemble.

The Blue Wisp is located a 318 East 8<sup>th</sup> St. between Broadway and Sycamore. There is a \$10 cover at the door, \$5 for students.

Members of the ensemble includes:

Jillian Heinrichs, vocals; Pat Mosser, Elena Pedersen and Aaron Gallagher, altos saxophone; Trevin Little, David Houston and Olga Kostenko, tenors saxophones; Sara Sipes, bari saxophone; Patrick Stouffer, Joey Thieman, Brian Harding, Danielle Cirelli and Jonathon Motz, trumpet; Justin Croushore, Ranko Shimizu, Tyler Klein and Nick Breiner, trombone; Chase Lewis, piano; Andrew Valentine, piano; Brandon Coleman, guitar; Jose Oreta, bass; Adam Chaffins, bass; Andrew Gillum, drums; Jake Ratliff, drums; and David Freeman, mandolin; rhythm section.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Gordon Towell, professor of music, at (606) 783-2198.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Department of English and the Kentucky Folk Art Center have announced that novelist Mark Powell, author of "Prodigals and Blood Kin," is the recipient of the 2009 Thomas and Lillie D. Chaffin Award for Appalachian Writing.

A reception will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14, at the Gateway Regional Center for the Arts, located at 101 E. Main Street, in Mt. Sterling.

Powell will read from his work, followed by a reception and book signing. He also will conduct a workshop in novel writing earlier in the day as part of the Morehead Writing Project's Writing Eastern Kentucky Conference. The reading and reception are free and open to the public while the workshop is offered at a nominal fee.

A winner of the Peter Taylor Prize for "Blood Kin," Powell has received fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Breadloaf Writers' Conference. His stories and essays have appeared in a number of journals, including Rivendell, The South Carolina Review and The New Delta Review.

He was educated at the Citadel, the University of South Carolina, and Yale Divinity School. Born and raised in South Carolina, he now lives in Florida where he teaches at Stetson University and is completing a novel, "The House of the Lord."

The Chaffin Award, which includes a cash prize of \$1,000, recognizes outstanding Appalachian writers in all genres. Past winners of this award include Diane Gilliam, Erik Reece, Sharon Hatfield, Ron Rash, John Sparks, Silas House and Denise Giardina.

Sponsors of this event include The Buckner and Sally S. Hinkle Endowment for Humanities; Caudill College of Arts, Humanities and Social Studies; MSU Arts and Humanities Council; The Chaffin Award Endowment; Kentucky Folk Art Center; and Morehead State Public Radio.

Additional information on the Chaffin Award is available by calling the Department of English (606) 783-2185. For information on the Writing Eastern Kentucky Conference, you may call (606) 783-2426 or visit [www.moreheadwritingproject.org](http://www.moreheadwritingproject.org).

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Jan Gibson of the Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service was named 2009 Internship Employer of the Year by Morehead State University's Alumni Association Inc. and Career Services. From left are, MSU Vice President for University Advancement James A. Shaw; Julia Hawkins, director of Career Services; Gibson, and Joshua Mullins, Hazard senior, who nominated Gibson for the award. More information is available by calling Career Services at (606) 783-2233.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.--- Morehead State University's Amy Cummings, Brookville, Ohio, senior, won the 2009 Student Intern of the Year award by the MSU Alumni Association Inc. and MSU Career Services. Pictured, from left, are Julia Hawkins, director of Career Services; Cummings; and C.J. Stafford, Walgreens manager, who nominated her for the award. More information is available by calling Career Services at (606) 783-2233.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Dr. Janet Kenney, director of MSU at Mount Sterling, has been honored with the Leadership Award by the Mount Sterling-Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce.

The award was presented during the Chamber's annual banquet on Thursday, Nov. 5.

"Janet doesn't just join organizations, she gets involved. I have never called and asked this lady for help that she didn't respond, and we count on her tremendously," said Sandy Romenesko, executive director of the Mount Sterling-Montgomery County Industrial Authority and Chamber of Commerce.

The annual Leadership Award is presented to a citizen who has exemplified leadership for several years in many ways. Dr. Kenney was recognized not only for her efforts in helping educate the community's future workforce, but also for working tirelessly to make the community better in every aspect.

Dr. Kenney currently serves on the board of directors of the Mount Sterling-Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce and the Montgomery County Schools Education Foundation, is president-elect of Rotary International in Montgomery County, parish council president at St. Patrick Catholic Church, and advisory board member for the Montgomery County Area Technology Center.

Under her leadership, MSU at Mount Sterling has grown to be Morehead State University's largest regional campus.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Kenney at (859) 499-0780.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University has been awarded funding from the Appalachian Regional Commission to continue its work with the Kentucky Appalachian Higher Education Network (KY AHED).

The \$300,000 grant runs through June 30, 2011. This brings the total amount funded to more than \$1.2 million.

The project is led by Dr. Dale Duvall, grant writer of the program and special assistant to the president for the P-16 program at MSU, and Keith Walker, KY AHED grant coordinator.

Thirteen counties and 15 schools are currently participating in the KY AHED program with MSU. Those include Bath, Floyd, Harlan, Knott, Knox, Lawrence, Letcher, Magoffin, Martin, McCreary, Menifee, Morgan, and Rockcastle.

The KY AHED program at MSU continues to increase the number of student participants. In exposing students to the idea of attending a university, college, community college or technical school, the program is making positive impacts. This process is building students' confidence and self-esteem.

The program also encourages career exploration and awareness in its participating school districts as well as helping students learn what academic skills will be needed in their first year of higher education.

The KY AHED program at MSU also established a network between the high schools and area higher education institutions to help students prepare for college success, with a particular emphasis on math and science.

The program is under the supervision of the P-16 Program at MSU and partners with the Kentucky-CAN (College Access Network), U.S. Department of Education NSF funded Math-Science Partnerships, Governor's Office for Local Development in Frankfort, six regional Community and Technical Colleges, and 47 high schools in Appalachia Kentucky to assure effective and efficient delivery of services and to support long-term sustainability.

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The KY-AHED Center currently serves 15 high schools, seven of which are continuing programs and eight are just starting. This additional funding will allow expansion to 47 high schools in 2010-11.

KY-AHED is one of eight participating centers in the Appalachian Higher Education Network (AHEN). Centers are molded after the Ohio Appalachian Center for Higher Education which won the Harvard University Kennedy School of Government Award for Innovations in American Government in 2003 for its success in getting more high school students to continue on to college and universities.

Participating high schools typically show double digit increases in college-going rates. In Kentucky, the KY-AHED Program has translated into more than 700 additional students continuing their education beyond high school who likely would not have without this program.

Additional information on the program is available by contacting Dr. Duvall at (606) 783-9379 or Walker at (606) 783-9519.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University will honor all veterans with a ceremony on Wednesday, Nov. 11, at 11 a.m. in the free speech area, behind the Little Bell Tower.

MSU's Army ROTC Color Guard will present the colors.

Lt. Col. Maxwell J. Ammons, professor of military science, will be the speaker. He was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army from North Georgia College in 1991. He served in several troop assignments as an Army Aviator and Combat Arms Officer, participating in two humanitarian assistance operations, one contingency operation (OEF), and two combat tours in Iraq (OIF).

He has been part of the Department of Military Science at MSU since 2007.

A wreath will be placed in front of MSU's Eagle Veterans Monument. The monument was erected in memory of all alumni who died as a result of military service. It includes a marker honoring Marine Capt. William E. Barber, MSU alumnus, who received the Medal of Honor for extraordinary heroism in the Korean War.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Student Alumni Ambassadors will host the third annual "Nearly Naked Mile" on Tuesday, Nov. 17.

The one-mile charity run will begin on the lawn of the Adron Doran University Center on the MSU campus. The event will begin at 5:30 p.m. with registration.

The "Nearly Naked Mile" is a coat drive benefit event for families in the Morehead community. Faculty, staff, students and community members are encouraged to donate new or unwanted coats, which will be given to Christian Social Services in Morehead for distribution.

Coats can be dropped off at the MSU Alumni Center. They also can be donated on the evening of the event.

Participants in the "Nearly Naked Mile" can come dressed in costume or in comfortable running clothes. Popcorn and hot chocolate will be provided.

Prizes for the event will be awarded to first, second and third place finishers, as well as the most creative costume and the "Nearly Naked" award.

In last year's run, 50 runners participated in the one-mile run for charity. In addition, more than 100 coats were collected.

More information on the "Nearly Naked Mile" is available by calling MSU's Office of Alumni Relations and Constituent Relations at (606) 783-2080.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's ceramics lab in the Department of Art and Design will present its first Empty Bowls Project on Thursday, Nov. 19, from 4-7 p.m. at the Kentucky Folk Art Center.

Bowls of all shapes, sizes and colors will be on sale (prices range from \$5 and up, with most bowls at \$10). All of the bowls have been made by students, faculty, local potters and community members.

Refreshments will be served with the purchase of a bowl. All the proceeds will go towards the efforts of the Gateway House Homeless Shelter.

The Empty Bowls Event is an international movement that happens on a local level. Universities and artists work together to produce the bowls and organize the sales. Proceeds always go to organizations that work to eliminate hunger and provide food to those in need. The students of the Ceramics Lab at MSU have participated in Empty Bowls events for more than 15 years – but this is the first time that all of the funds raised will go to serve the hungry of East Kentucky.

“Opportunities like this one allow students to directly apply the skills they are learning to benefit the community. They all know someone who has needed a little extra help from time to time, and they are very excited about the chance to give back to the community they live in,” said Kira Campbell, assistant professor of art.

The Empty Bowls Event is sponsored by MSU's Department of Art and Design, the Center for Regional Engagement and the Kentucky Folk Art Center.

Additional information is available by calling Campbell at (606) 783-2787.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Dr. Stephen Braude will present a lecture titled "Survival of Death: A Careful Look at the Evidence" on Monday, Nov. 30, at 7 p.m. in 2 Breckinridge Hall at Morehead State University.

The chair of the Department of Philosophy at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, he also is the author of *Immortal Remains* (Rowman & Littlefield, 2003). The book has been called the definitive philosophical analysis of the evidence for life after death, which includes scientific discussions of apparent communications through mediums, apparent evidence of reincarnation, hauntings, near death and out-of-body experiences.

Dr. Braude's visit is sponsored by MSU's Philosophy Club, Philosophy Program, Arts and Humanities Council, Student Government Association, the Buckner and Sally S. Hinkle Endowment for Humanities, and Caudill College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences.

The event is free and open to the public.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Scott Davison, professor of philosophy, at (606) 783-2273.

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WEST LIBERTY, Ky.---An initiative promoted by Morehead State University's two Innovation Centers has more people talking about job creation around information technology (IT) businesses in Eastern Kentucky.

The concept advanced by Johnathan Gay, MSU's West Liberty Area Innovation Center director and further promoted and supported by the Innovation and Commercialization Center partner Eastern Kentucky University is to leverage economic development entities, local businesses and postsecondary institutions to create an IT cluster within the region.

Gay said he thought of the idea after seeing it in action on a limited scale in Breathitt County.

"Believe it or not, Breathitt County is a booming mini-IT hub," said Gay. Jackson, the county seat, is home to more than half a dozen small IT companies.

In the center of them all sits Mike Bryant, an MSU College of Business alum and the owner of Dogwood Technologies.

"Mike Bryant was rural sourcing before rural sourcing was cool," said Gay.

Bryant, who cut his teeth in the "dot-com" boom years in Atlanta working for big name companies like AutoTrader.com, decided in 2005 that it was time to come home and raise his family.

"We'd lived in Atlanta for nine years and had just had our first child. We felt our kids should grow up in a small town the way we did and we wanted them to be near their grandparents and the extended family... plus we wanted free babysitting," joked Bryant.

At first, finding a sitter proved easier than finding a job. "Not many companies were looking for programmers in Eastern Kentucky, and especially not at the hourly charges I'd grown accustomed to" said Bryant.

Then Bryant had a revelation "just because you're in Eastern Kentucky doesn't mean your market is limited exclusively to Eastern Kentucky," he said.

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By hanging out a ‘virtual shingle’ he soon had clients calling from as far away as New York. “Once, I even did work for an Indian firm. I guess that’s called in-sourcing,” laughed Bryant, whose skills combined with his relatively low cost were what helped his clients. “I can live well in Jackson on much less money than I’d need in Cincinnati or even Lexington,” said Bryant. “I use that to my advantage when pricing.”

After a few years work as an IT developer in the region he began getting more work than he could handle himself. He shifted some of that overflow work to contractors. In time, he began to find other local opportunities, such as selling software he had developed to a local Internet service provider, and writing code for another Breathitt County entrepreneur who had invented the next generation kiosk.

Gay believes additional clusters, like the one Bryant has created in Jackson, are possible throughout the region, “we’ve talked about the possibility of partnering with an already established organization with the critical mass, infrastructure and resources to bring these creative individuals together so they in turn can take on bigger projects, create new jobs and wealth. The result could be more job opportunities for the skilled IT workers turned out by the colleges and universities in the area.”

To date, the cluster of area IT professionals has held two meetings, one this past spring at the annual East Kentucky Leadership Conference and the other at the Center for Rural Development in Somerset. The group plans other forums around the region in the coming months. “This is very exciting. By using our competitive advantages like low cost of living, love of communities, and strong higher education communities, we can create a mini-Silicon Valley in Appalachia-say Silicon Hollow,” Gay added.

Additional information about future forums is available by calling Gay at (606) 743-4005.

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Veterans Day is an annual holiday honoring military veterans. It also is celebrated as Armistice Day or Remembrance Day in other parts of the world, the anniversary of the signing of the Armistice that ended World War I.

MSU chief photographer Tim Holbrook shares some of the scenes from MSU's Veterans Day ceremony.

[Click here to view the photo gallery.](#)

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MOREHEAD, KY.---The Black Gospel Ensemble of Morehead State University will hold its annual fall concert on Wednesday, Nov. 18, at 8 p.m.

The BGE is celebrating 41 years of ministry, service, and performance at MSU. This event is open to the public and will be held at Duncan Recital Hall inside Baird Music Hall.

Admission is free.

The Black Gospel Ensemble is under the direction of Dr. Roosevelt Escalante, assistant director of choral activities. The co-adviser for this organization is Dr. Ritta Abell, assistant professor of speech.

The group will perform a variety of works, including pieces by Kirk Franklin, Hezekiah Walker, Donnie McClurkin, Israel Houghton and Dr. Escalante.

The Black Gospel Ensemble is a non-auditioned chorus open to all MSU students. The music performed is drawn from the African American religious experience.

Additional information on the Black Gospel Ensemble and the fall concert is available by calling (606) 783-2473 or by visiting [www.moreheadstate.edu/music/bge](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/music/bge).

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education has awarded more than \$1.1 million in federal grant funding to provide professional development for P-12 teachers and administrators.

Morehead State University received funding for two projects, which totaled \$290,000.

The Improving Educator Quality grant, now in its eighth year, focuses on increasing the academic achievement of all students through research-based training initiatives that ensure K-12 teachers and administrators are highly qualified.

The eight approved programs will serve more than 300 teachers in 50 Kentucky school districts over 18 months beginning in January.

"We are delighted with the quality of these proposals and their strategic focus on increasing college readiness of students in our priority areas of math, science and reading," said Robert King, CPE president. "This is particularly important in light of the new SB 1 requirements."

MSU received \$150,000 for "Increasing College Readiness Through Assessment Led Instruction in Middle and High School Classrooms." In collaboration with Berea College, MSU proposes to improve college readiness skills among middle and high school students in all content areas as a result of increased reading comprehension and the processing of written information. The project will identify students in need of accelerated learning through rigorous and scientifically researched assessment practices to make appropriate content-based interventions or referrals for assistance in reading instruction. These students will be assisted through the implementation of research-based instructional methods for teaching reading comprehension embedded in content instruction. The project will integrate EPAS professional development to assist teachers in providing intervention in Core Content areas for students in need of accelerated learning. This project was selected by Council staff as eligible for renewal for a second year based on adequate progress in the first year.

Krista Barton, director 21st century education enterprise, will be the principal investigator.

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MSU received \$140,000 for “The Math and Science Partnership: Increasing Math and Science Instruction and Achievement in Middle School Classroom (Year 2)”

In the second year of this project, MSU proposes to continue to increase mathematics and science achievement of middle school students in several eastern Kentucky school districts though the integration of scientifically researched instructional strategies that have been effective in math and science achievement. The project will foster the development of active, engaged, independent scientific and mathematical thinkers in middle school classrooms. In addition, it will foster the development of knowledge, skills, and attitudes that support learning strategies used by science and mathematics teachers that result in active, engaged, and independent middle school scientific and mathematical thinkers.

Dr. Cathy Gunn, dean of the College of Education, will be the principal investigator.

One of the significant elements of SB 1 is to align high school exit standards to entry standards for postsecondary education. The legislation also revises the assessment and accountability system for P-12 education in Kentucky.

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

Additional information is available by calling Barton at (606) 783-2392 or Dr. Gunn at (606) 783-2162.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Police Department recently received two "passive alcohol sensor" flashlights from MSU's Counseling and Health Services. A grant using Enforcement of Underage Drinking Laws (EUDL) funds purchased the alcohol sensing flashlight. They will be able to detect alcohol when making traffic stops and at any activity where MSUPD will be present. The flashlights are supposed to pick up traces of alcohol in the air especially in closed in spaces such as cars without the officer having to lean into the vehicle.

"We hope the flashlights will improve detection and promote safety on our campus and in our community by hopefully decreasing DUIs through increased detection and conviction rates for DUIs," said Michelle Webb, substance abuse prevention treatment counselor and director of the grant that received the funding.

The devices are already in use and making a difference for MSU.

"These lights will assist us with one of the most critical aspects of law enforcement that being the detection of drivers who are under the influence," said MSUPD Chief Matt Sparks.

Additional information is available by contacting Webb at (606) 783-2123 or Sparks at (606) 783-2035.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State Public Radio (MSPR) will present "An Americana Homecoming Concert" on Friday, Nov. 27, at the Morehead Conference Center, 111 East First Street.

Performing will be traditional Appalachian folk duo Ann and Phil Case; old-time traditional group Whiskey Bent Valley Boys; and Bluegrass group Bobby Maynard and Breakdown.

Ann and Phil Case have been singing and playing music together since 1990. They specialize in singing old-time Appalachian duets, old-fashioned parlor songs and Depression-era tunes as well as performing old-time instrumental duets.

Hailing from the backwoods of Pewee Valley, the Whiskey Bent Valley Boys pay homage to old-time songs from the tobacco fields to the rivers and iron skillets to moonshine stills. They present a high-energy show to preserve the history and culture of traditional Appalachian music.

For more than 30 years, Maynard has played the Bluegrass music as an accomplished musician on banjo, fiddle, guitar, mandolin and bass. In 2008, he was inducted into the West Virginia Country Music Hall of Fame. Maynard and Breakdown perform toe-tapping, upbeat, original and traditional Bluegrass songs.

Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. with show time set for 7 p.m.

Admission will be \$5 with children 12 and under admitted for free. There will be concessions and door prizes.

Additional information is available by calling Paul Hitchcock, MSPR general manager, at (606) 783-2334 or the MCC at (606) 780-9694.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Inscape, Morehead State University's literary and visual art publication, is accepting submissions in three categories for its next edition.

Contests are being held for best cover design, and visual art and writing for the interior of the publication. The deadline to submit for the cover design and visual art portion of the competition is Nov. 20, and Jan. 25, for the writing portion.

Prizes are being offered in both of the visual art competitions, with a first place prize of \$100 for the selected cover design. A \$100 award will be given for the best artwork submitted for the interior of the publication, with second, third and honorable mention prizes of \$75, \$50 and \$25, respectively, to be awarded. You must be an MSU student to enter the visual art competitions.

Students may submit poetry, fiction, creative nonfiction or drama for inclusion in the interior of the publication. Prizes of \$50 for first place and \$25 for honorable mention will be awarded in the poetry, fiction and creative nonfiction categories.

Inscape is an annual MSU publication with a long history of cutting edge visual and literary art. Media and genres of work range from prose, poetry, short story, long narrative, nonfiction and creative essays to photography, printmaking, painting, design, drawing, digital art and sculpture.

The publication is coordinated by the departments of English and Art and Design. Additional information and the complete list of guidelines on the competitions are available on the Web at <http://www.moreheadstate.edu/inscape>.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---The Morehead State University Retirees Association will hold its Holiday Luncheon at Spindletop on Ironworks Pike in Lexington on Thursday, Dec. 3, beginning at 11 a.m. with appetizers and lunch at noon.

"All retired staff and faculty members are invited to join us for this festive occasion, marking the start of the holiday season," said Dr. Mark Minor, association president.

The cost will be \$25 per person. Transportation will not be provided.

Reservations must be made by Nov. 20, by calling (606) 783-2080 or by e-mail to [t.jones@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:t.jones@moreheadstate.edu).

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---The Morehead State University Space Science Center's Star Theater will present "STARS: Powerhouse of the Universe" and the Laser program "Laser Vinyl" in November.

The Star Theater planetarium program will be held on Friday, Nov. 20, at 7 p.m., followed by and the Laser program at 8:15 p.m. Programs will continue on Saturday, Nov. 21, with afternoon showings of "STARS: Powerhouse of the Universe" at 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m., and evening laser shows of "Laser Vinyl" at 7 p.m. and 8:15 p.m.

General public ticket prices are:

**Planetarium Programs:**

- \$2-Adults
- \$1-Students and senior citizens (60-plus)
- Free-four and under (but must sit in parent/guardian lap)

**Laser Programs:**

- \$5-Adults
- \$4-Students and senior citizens (60-plus)
- Free-four and under (must sit in parent/guardian lap)

Seating is limited to 90 per program and tickets (cash only) for all shows are available at the door. No advance tickets or reservations are available.

Additional information is available by calling the Space Science Center's Star Theater at (606) 783-9593 or visiting its Web site [www.moreheadstate.edu/startheater](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/startheater).

**December Schedule:**

Dec. 15, 16, 18 - General Public: "Seasons of Light," 7 p.m.; "Laser Holiday," 8:15 p.m.

Dec. 19 - General Public : "Seasons of Light," 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m.;

"Laser Holiday," 7 p.m. and 8:15 p.m.

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PAINTSVILLE, KY.---A workshop titled "Direct Mail gets direct results" is being offered by the Morehead State University/Paintsville Small Business Development Center, Dec. 8, from 5-7 p.m. at the Kentucky Highlands Entrepreneur Center, 120 Scott Perry Drive, Teays Branch Road.

The instructor will be Connie Jacoby of the U.S. Postal Service.

In this session, participants will learn:

- the "basics" of direct mail;
- how to use direct mail to acquire and retain customers;
- Direct Mail Association's statistics on the value of direct mail and the various formats available to marketers using direct mail;
- how to use the USPS.com website to design and mail a professional Direct Mail campaign;
- how to create and mail a direct mail campaign from your desktop without ever stepping foot in the Post Office.

Whether you are an experienced mailer or have never used direct mail in the past, you will benefit from this seminar. Postage payment methods, discounts, and mail piece design also will be covered. There will be time for questions/answers.

The workshop is free for all participants; however, seating is limited and advance registration is recommended. Registration deadline is Dec. 1.

Training programs, sponsored or co-sponsored by SBDC, are available to all individuals without regard to race, color, sex, creed or national origin. Special arrangements will be made for those with disabilities if requested in advance.

For a list of upcoming events, you may visit the MSU SBDC Web site at [www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc).

Additional information and pre-registration are available by calling the Paintsville Small Business Development Center at (606) 788-6008.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Dr. Paul Taylor, associate professor of music at Morehead State University, will perform a lecture recital on Sunday, Nov. 22, at 3 p.m. in Duncan Recital Hall of Baird Music Hall.

“Artistic and Monetary Patronage” will feature works for both harpsichord and piano by Scarlatti, Haydn, Chopin and Prokofiev. The lecture will investigate how composers were able to maintain their integrity despite the constant threat of censorship that existed within the culture of patronage.

A bachelor’s degree graduate of the University of Texas at Austin, Dr. Taylor holds a master’s degree from the University of Illinois and a doctoral degree from the University of Wisconsin.

At MSU, Dr. Taylor teaches piano, music history and various other courses. He has been published in numerous music education journals, and has performed at many festivals, recitals and workshops around the world.

The concert is free and open to the public.

Addition information is available by calling Dr. Taylor at (606) 783-2473.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Kentucky Folk Art Center will hold its annual Appalachian Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair at the Laughlin Health Building on Saturday, Dec. 5, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. With more than 100 artists and craftspeople from Kentucky and other states, the fair is the largest and most diverse event of its kind in the region.

The Appalachian Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair offers visitors a wide and varied selection of regional arts and crafts, ranging from the traditional to the cutting edge, including many holiday decorations and gifts. Admission to the fair is \$3 per person; children under 12 are admitted free.

"There's something for everyone," said Tammy Stone, one of the event coordinators. "Visitors will find traditional crafts, holiday decorations, handmade furniture. It's the best opportunity in the region to find unique, handmade holiday gifts."

"This is certainly one of our most successful and well-attended events," said Matt Collinsworth, KFAC director. "Last year, the holiday fair set another record for attendance, and the quality of arts and crafts offered continues to improve each year. It represents a wonderful opportunity for regional craftspeople and the area's holiday shoppers."

The Kentucky Folk Art Center is a cultural, educational and economic development service of Morehead State University.

Additional information is available from the Center's Web site at [www.kyfolkart.org](http://www.kyfolkart.org), or by calling (606) 783-2204. KFAC, located at 102 West First Street in Morehead, is open Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Kentucky's education community launched a repository of quality digital learning content that will be available to all P-20 educators. The repository, called the Kentucky Learning Depot, will help educators add standards-based digital content, such as textbooks, animations, and videos, to their courses, and vastly expand the resources available to each educator.

Led by the Council on Postsecondary Education and the Kentucky Department of Education, the initiative is a collaboration of the Education Cabinet, Education Professional Standards Board, Kentucky Education Television (KET), Kentucky Adult Education, Kentucky Department of Libraries and Archives, P-12 schools and postsecondary institutions. These stakeholders began work on the depot in October 2007 when the Southern Regional Education Board initiated SCORE (Sharable Content Object Repositories for Education) to help its 16-member states build statewide repositories.

"We are pleased to join with the Kentucky Department of Education and other agencies to offer this resource to Kentucky's teachers," said Robert King, CPE president. "The depot will enhance our collective efforts to implement Senate Bill 1 through the sharing of digital course content that aligns with the new academic standards."

Organizers anticipate that the depot will increase efficiencies in course development and achieve economies of scale by allowing educators to create resources once, then reuse and share them many times. Educators will avoid duplication of efforts because they will have easy access to what their colleagues have already created and used.

"The Kentucky Learning Depot will provide Kentucky educators with an easily accessible source of rich and engaging digital learning content," said Kentucky Education Commissioner Terry Holliday. "Students will benefit from the delivery format, which they are very familiar with, and their teachers will gain knowledge of best practices that will improve their methodology."

The depot will also bring together digital content from the Kentucky Virtual Library, the Kentucky Virtual Campus and Kentucky Virtual High School. In the past, these online entities could not share content across their applications.

Other economies of scale will be achieved by buying content that all Kentucky educators can use as well as adding content from other repositories.

The online community that will result from the Kentucky Learning Depot will provide an opportunity for Kentucky educators to create and share best practices in teaching and learning since depot content is peer-reviewed and subject to standards.

For more information, visit <http://kylearningdepot.org>.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Charles Mason, professor of geoscience in the Department of Earth and Space Sciences, was recognized for his accomplishments by the Kentucky Academy of Science at its annual award banquet at Northern Kentucky University earlier this month.

He was the recipient of the KAS award as "Outstanding College/University Teacher" for 2009.

Mason is widely recognized as one of the nation's leading field geologists. He has a fossil and a unique rock in the high arctic named in his honor. "Masonoceras," a new genus of Mississippian ammonoid was named in his honor in recognition of his contributions to the understanding of the Mississippian ammonoid succession.

Ammonoids are an extinct group of marine animals belonging to a cephalopod subclass. They are important index fossils, and it is often possible to link the rock layer in which they are found to specific geological time periods. "Charlie Mason's Rock," a large ejecta block in Haughton Crater on Devon Island, Nunavut, Canada, was named in his honor for his work with undergraduate students and arctic research.

Mason's research interests include: late Paleozoic ammonoid biostratigraphy, systematics, and evolution, with primary emphasis on the Carboniferous (Mississippian and Pennsylvanian) ammonoid succession of the central Appalachian Basin in eastern Kentucky; conodont (extinct chordates resembling eels) biostratigraphy of the Lower Mississippian of Kentucky; paleoecology and taphonomy of Paleozoic dysaerobic faunas; and Late Paleozoic ichnofacies and trace fossils of Kentucky.

He has pursued these research areas for almost 30 years and has always included undergraduate geoscience majors in research endeavors. Through the years, Mason has directed dozens of undergraduate students on their senior theses since it became a requirement for the B.S. degree in geology at MSU. Every semester, he works with several seniors on special-problems projects, intimately involving them in various aspects of his research.

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For the past four years, he has worked in the High Arctic of Canada with undergraduates. Dr. Pascal Lee, director of the Haughton Mars Project on Devon Island, sought Mason's assistance to develop an undergraduate research, recognizing his abilities to attract and lead students in research efforts.

Mason has been the adviser to MSU's Geological Society (the student Geology Club) for 27 years. The society has been very active throughout this time taking one or more field trips each year.

Nearly every year of the 27 years Mason has been teaching at MSU, he has planned and directed travel-study trips for geology majors. He has led expeditions to Australia, Newfoundland, Grand Canyon, Yellowstone, Big Bend, Acadia and the Smoky Mountains. He has taken students to most of the lower 48 states and four foreign countries.

Mason has been awarded numerous research grants ranging from ammonoid and conodont age determination to geologic mapping to establishing undergraduate research programs for the NASA Haughton-Mars Project, all of which have supported undergraduate researchers. His long list of publications is impressive and also includes numerous undergraduate students as co-authors.

He holds a bachelor's degree in geology and biology from MSU, and a master's degree in paleontology from George Washington University. He also has completed course work toward the Ph.D. degree in geology at the University of Kentucky.

He holds two professional licenses, AIPG Certified Professional Geologist and Kentucky Professional Geologist, bringing significant credibility to the Earth Systems program at MSU. Mason was recognized as Morehead State's Outstanding Faculty/Staff Fundraiser in 2005 and its Distinguished Researcher in 2003.

He has published articles and/or abstracts in numerous publications, including the Journal of Paleontology, the Newsletter on Carboniferous Stratigraphy, Journal of the Kentucky Academy of Science and the proceedings of the Canadian Society of Petroleum Geologists Memoir.

Additional information about the research is available by calling Mason at (606) 783-2166.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's physics and pre-engineering students club is sponsoring a talk with Dr. Evalyn Gates.

Dr. Gates, assistant director of the Kavli Institute for Cosmological Physics at the University of Chicago and a senior research associate in the Department of Astronomy and Astrophysics. Her research focuses on theoretical cosmology and particle astrophysics. Her recent book, "Einstein's Telescope: The Hunt for Dark Matter and Dark Energy" in the Universe, is the subject of her talk. The book describes how scientists are using gravitational lensing to help unlock the secrets of dark matter and dark energy.

Dr. Gates grew up enjoying the incredible winters of Batavia, N.Y., and moved a bit further south to pursue an undergraduate degree in physics at the College of William and Mary. After receiving her Ph.D. degree in theoretical particle physics from Case Western Reserve University in 1990, she was a postdoctoral fellow at Yale University before coming to the University of Chicago in 1992. She spent seven years at the Adler Planetarium and Astronomy Museum, initially as director of astronomy and then as vice president for science and education.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Capp Yess, associate professor of physics, at (606) 783-2939.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Once a year, Morehead State University students, staff and faculty step back in time and place to medieval Europe to present "Ye Olde Madrigal Feaste."

The community is invited to spend an evening in the company of the lords and ladies, knights and naves, and jesters and jugglers. Preparations are now under way for the musical, visual and culinary celebration, scheduled to be held Thursday through Saturday, Dec. 3-5.

The Feaste, the University's official holiday dinner, is a 21<sup>st</sup> century recreation of Renaissance feasts held in baronial halls throughout England, celebrating the 12 days of Christmas. The event will feature gourmet food, themed entertainment, vocal and instrumental music and roving performers.

It will be held in the Adron Doran University Center.

The evening's activities will begin at 6 p.m. with a reception featuring wine, cheese, and student crafted holiday art. The grand processional of the lords and ladies, minstrels and chanteuses will lead guests into the main dining hall for dinner beginning at 7 p.m. Brass fanfare will introduce the madrigal singers, who will fill the "castle" with sounds of the season.

A meal "fit for a king" will be served, complete with wassail and topped off with festive flaming baked alaska. Those who attend are encouraged to dress in Renaissance festival costumes or traditional holiday attire.

The Ye Olde Madrigal Feaste is presented by faculty, staff and students in the departments of art, music, theatre and dance. It is an annual event that supports educational opportunities for students enrolled in programs within the Caudill College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences.

Several units collaborate for the celebration, including the Office of Communications and Marketing, Morehead State Public Radio and Division of University Advancement.

Advance reservations are necessary by Friday, Nov. 27. Individual tickets are \$30. Group tickets for tables of 10 or more guests also are available.

Additional information on this year's Madrigal Feaste is available by calling the Office of Development at (606) 783-2033 or (877) 690-4483.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University and Kentucky Waterways Alliance will host a community roundtable at Clearfield Tabernacle Church in Clearfield to discuss the completion of the watershed-based plan for the Dry Creek watershed. The roundtable will take place on Saturday, Nov. 21, from 4-6 p.m.

The roundtable is part of KWA's effort to assist community and local groups with creating plans to improve water quality. The roundtable is the second community forum related to the development of a watershed plan. The first session was designed to gather water quality concerns from people living in the watershed. The second roundtable will focus on the findings of MSU's researchers and the presentation of possible best management practices.

The purpose of the proposed best management practices is to improve the quality of the water so that Dry Creek can be removed from the state's impaired waterways list.

The Dry Creek Watershed Based Plan also is providing assistance to develop a Watershed Planning Guidebook for Kentucky. This project is funded by a Clean Water Act Section 319(h) grant through the Environmental Protection Agency and Kentucky Division of Water.

KWA has been working with representatives from four watersheds from the Licking River and Salt River basins, including Dry Creek, to create watershed-based plans during the guidebook's development.

The roundtable will be a chance to present their work to the community.

For more information, contact April Haight, plan facilitator and director of MSU's Environmental Education Center at [a.haight@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:a.haight@moreheadstate.edu).

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Speaking on behalf of the Board of Regents of Morehead State University, Chair Sylvia Lovely stated, "In keeping with past practice, the University's Board of Regents conducted a comprehensive performance review of the University President, Wayne D. Andrews, Sept. 30-Oct. 2. This comprehensive review is intended to complement the President's annual performance reviews conducted by the Board. The purpose of this review was to aid the ongoing professional development of the President, to provide feedback about the perceptions of stakeholders, and to offer constructive suggestions to improve the effectiveness of the President by leveraging strengths or addressing shortcomings identified in the review."

Dr. John W. Moore, a recognized authority on presidential review in universities and colleges, was invited by the Board of Regents to serve as the facilitator of the review process. Dr. Moore interviewed a number of diverse stakeholders within and outside the University. Additionally, individuals who were not invited to participate in review interviews were invited to send written comments to Dr. Moore. Nearly 100 people participated.

After careful assessment of the comments, the review facilitator, Dr. Moore, briefed President Andrews and leadership of the Board of Regents regarding his preliminary observations, findings, and recommendations. These findings were shared with the President in a very open and forthright discussion. This was accomplished in a manner that preserved the anonymity of those who gave their time to participate in the evaluation.

Ms. Lovely stated, "Dr. Andrews, in the Board's judgment, has proven himself to be an effective President by steadily channeling the energy and resources of the University toward fulfillment of its mission. The Board of Regents is most appreciative of President Andrews' distinguished service to the University, and wishes to convey its continuing confidence in and support of his leadership."

"The Board of Regents would like to thank those individuals who participated in the review of the President and for your interest in the welfare of the institution."

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President Andrews wished to convey the following message to those who participated in the evaluation: “I am most appreciative of the input received as a result of my review. The evaluation and direction to me from the Board of Regents as a result of Dr. Moore’s review will help me strengthen Morehead State University and serve constituencies more effectively during my presidency. I wish to thank all those who participated in the review and who candidly and openly shared their views and helpful suggestions. I am confident they will assist me in my efforts to serve Morehead State University with distinction.”

President Andrews further stated, “With the full support of the Board of Regents, the academic community, and the friends of MSU, it is my intention to give particular priority to: articulating the strategic directions and priorities of Morehead State University; working closely with the Provost and academic leadership to strengthen the University’s academic programs and facilitate the success of students, faculty and staff; garnering the resources necessary to ensure MSU’s success and wellbeing; nurturing the University’s collegial relationships and systems of shared governance; and ensuring that the administrative structure and processes of the University are appropriate for the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Finally, added Dr. Andrews, “I am grateful for this review and I have learned much that will benefit me personally and, more importantly, benefit the University. I appreciate the many expressions of strong support that have been communicated through this process.”

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MOREHEAD, Ky.--- Morehead State University's Student Programming Board will ring in the winter holidays with its annual tree lighting party for children of the University's students, faculty and staff.

The event will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 1, beginning at 4 p.m. in the Adron Doran University Center's first floor lobby.

The lighting of the University's holiday tree is set to begin at approximately 6:45 p.m. at the tree across from ADUC on the Fields Hall lawn. Members of the community are invited to attend the ceremony.

Additional information is available by contacting Leanna Gilliam, SPB's social events coordinator, by calling (606) 783-2071 or e-mailing [lggill@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:lggill@moreheadstate.edu).

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---While the majority of Morehead State University families were celebrating Homecoming on Oct. 24, 10 ROTC students were competing in a grueling 20-hour team contest at Fort Knox.

The Ranger Challenge Competition is an ROTC-only event in which each university in the region competes with a nine-person squad. This year, 41 universities from Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Tennessee and Kentucky competed. The nine events are: Army Physical Fitness Test, Basic Rifle Marksmanship, Weapons Assembly/Disassembly, One-Rope Bridge River Crossing, Hand Grenade Assault Course, Team Obstacle Course, Orienteering, the Commander's Challenge (surprise event), then culminating with a 10km. run in full combat gear.

MSU finished a best-ever fourth. Going into the final event, MSU was in first place, but an injury to the team captain resulted in a disqualifying team score for the final event.

"This is our sport," said Lt. Col. Max Ammons, professor of military science. "Our Ranger Challenge Team consists of our best cadets, as do the teams of our competitors. We train year-round, however our toughest preparations and conditioning occurs August through October. Many ROTC cadets tryout for the squad, but we narrow the team down to our top 10 in September."

MSU still set several team records and two overall records. MSU placed first in Basic Rifle Marksmanship and the Team Obstacle Course; second in the One-Rope Bridge River Crossing and third in Orienteering.

The highlight of the competition was a record-breaking performance on the Team Obstacle Course in a time of 3:41, almost 40 seconds better than the previous record.

"I'm proud of our student-athletes and I know that they were the best team out there. The other schools also know that we're the team to beat, so we'll have to continue to set the bar higher next year" said Lt. Col. Ammons.

The team is coached by Mike Campbell and Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Bruno Morra. Members are: Jon Gray of Beavercreek, Ohio; Nick Gough of Clearfield; Pete Negron of Shelbyville, Ind.; Mark Campbell of Morehead; Joshua Newberry of Brooksville; Cory Moore of Flemingsburg; Justin Collins of Beavercreek, Ohio; Cory Roberts of Hamersville, Ohio; Wes Yonts of Dahlonega, Ga.; and Justin Holbrook of Olive Hill.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.--- Gov. Steve Beshear has appointed two Morehead State University alumni to judgeships in the Morehead area.

William W. (Willie) Roberts of Morehead, county attorney for Rowan County, was named District Judge for the 21st Judicial District, Division 1, consisting of Bath, Menifee, Montgomery and Rowan counties. He succeeds Judge William E. Lane who was appointed earlier as a circuit judge.

David D. Flatt of Olive Hill, commonwealth's attorney for the 37<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit, was appointed Circuit Judge to serve in Family Court for the 37th Circuit, Division 2, consisting of Carter, Elliot and Morgan counties. He succeeds Judge Kristi Gossett, who resigned.

Both new judges hold bachelor's degrees from MSU and law degrees from Salmon P. Chase College of Law at Northern Kentucky University.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Space Science Center will celebrate the International Year of Astronomy on Monday, Nov. 30 at 3:15 p.m. by unveiling new mural-sized images of the center of our Milky Way Galaxy as seen by all three of NASA's Great Observatories: the Hubble Space Telescope, Spitzer Space Telescope, and Chandra X-ray Observatory.

The event, which will be held in the Space Science Center's Star Theater, is part of nationwide NASA image unveiling and will showcase these unprecedented images for the people of Morehead and the region.

The International Year of Astronomy 2009 celebrates the 400th anniversary of Galileo turning a telescope to the heavens. Since Galileo's spyglass, telescopes have grown ever larger and ever better, and have moved to mountaintops and into space. NASA's Great Observatories represent the crowning achievements of astronomy four centuries later and are honoring this legacy with a spectacular national image unveiling.

A giant 6-foot-by-3-foot image presents a unique view that showcases the Galaxy in near-infrared light observed by Hubble, infrared light observed by Spitzer, and X-ray light observed by Chandra. This combined image was carefully assembled from mosaic photo surveys of the core by each telescope. It provides the most wide-ranging view ever of our Galaxy's mysterious hub.

The Space Science Center also will unveil a matched trio of Hubble, Spitzer, and Chandra images of the Milky Way's center on a second large panel measuring 3-by-4 feet. Each image shows the telescope's different wavelength view of the central region of our Galaxy that illustrates not only the unique science each observatory conducts, but also how far astronomy has come since Galileo. These multi-wavelength views provide both stunning beauty and a wealth of scientific information that could not have been dreamed of by Galileo.

As a part of the unveiling event Dr. Thomas Pannuti, assistant professor of space science in the Department of Earth and Space Sciences, will give a talk titled "Probing A Heart of Darkness: The Galactic Center As Revealed by NASA's Great Observatories" that describes the image and the science that astronomers have gleaned from studies of the datasets used to produce

the image. He also will give a quick description of his own research using data from observations made with one of NASA's Great Observatories, namely the Chandra X-ray Observatory.

Additional information is available by calling the Space Science Center's Star Theater at (606) 783-9593 or visiting its Web site [www.moreheadstate.edu/startheater](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/startheater).

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Bruce Maxwell, assistant to the provost, projects specialist, received the 2009 Outstanding Partnership Award from the TENCO Workforce Investment Board.

He was nominated by Jason Slone, manager of the Gateway One-Stop Career Center in Morehead.

The announcement of the award states, "Mr. Maxwell has donated his time and expertise by providing a series of reemployment classes to enhance our customer's knowledge of job search, resume writing, networking and job interviewing. During this very difficult time in our local economies, basic knowledge can sometimes be the edge to our customers. Customers walk away from this class with a completed resume as well as enhanced job search and interviewing skills. The class is covered in an eight-week period with a new topic each week. Once completed, each customer has the opportunity to receive continuing education credits and an MSU transcript to reflect their completion of this course."

Additional information is available by contacting Maxwell at (606) 783-9575 or e-mailing him at [b.maxwell@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:b.maxwell@moreheadstate.edu).

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Cutline:

From left, Jason Slone, Gateway One-Stop Career Center manager; Bruce Maxwell; Byrd Perry, chairperson of the TENCO Workforce Investment Board; and Denise Wietelmann, director of Workforce Development for the Buffalo Trace Area Development District.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---The University Bookstore at Morehead State University will be holding its annual Holiday Open House on Tuesday, Dec. 1, from 4-7 p.m.

The University Bookstore is located on the first floor of the Adron Doran University center on the MSU campus.

Free gift wrapping, refreshments and photos with Santa will be available.

A large selection of officially licensed MSU apparel, gifts and other merchandise is available and shoppers can take advantage of the event to purchase items for everyone on their shopping list.

Parking is available in the east parking lot beside ADUC.

Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-2081 or by visiting the Web site at [www.bookstore.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.bookstore.moreheadstate.edu).

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---A fire that broke out around noon on Friday, Nov. 20, in the Layne Building on Main Street in Morehead destroyed the apartments of 13 Morehead State University students. None of the students were injured; however, five lost all contents of their homes.

Kevin Koett, assistant vice president/dean of students, commended the community on the quick response to come to the aid of the students. He noted, "This is a devastating experience for these students, but the assistance of so many agencies and individuals has been overwhelming. We want to thank the American Red Cross, Christian Social Services, Saving The Animals of Rowan (STAR), the local fire department and other emergency services, community property owners and other individuals who have offered support."

MSU's Division of Student Life, Office of Student Housing, Police Department and Office of Environmental Health and Safety were all involved in the University's response. Several student organizations also have offered assistance to these students.

If you would like to provide assistance, contact Koett at (606) 783-2070 or [k.koett@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:k.koett@moreheadstate.edu).

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Administrative offices will be closed and there will be no classes at Morehead State University during the Thanksgiving holiday, Wednesday through Friday, Nov. 25-27. Offices will reopen and classes will resume on Monday, Nov. 30, at 8 a.m.

The University Post Office will be open on Friday, Nov. 27, from 8-11 a.m. to distribute mail to UPO boxes only.

The Camden-Carroll Library will close at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 24, and remain closed Wednesday through Saturday. The library will reopen (1 p.m.) Sunday, Nov. 29, on its regular fall schedule.

The Kentucky Folk Art Center will remain closed during the Thanksgiving break.

Residence halls will close Wednesday, Nov. 25, at noon and reopen on Sunday, Nov. 29, at noon.

Any questions or concerns should be directed to the MSU Police Department at (606) 783-2035. They will distribute all calls to the appropriate units.

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PIKEVILLE, Ky.---Morehead State University's Small Business Development Center will offer a workshop titled "Starting A Business."

It will be conducted at the Big Sandy Community and Technical College, 120 S. Riverfill Drive, in Pikeville on Tuesday, Dec. 15, from 6 -7:30 p.m.

The presenter of the seminar will be Mike Morley, director of the MSU/East Kentucky Small Business Development Center. Topics to be discussed at this workshop will include choosing the right business, structure, location, licenses and taxes, marketing strategy and sources of funding.

Training programs, sponsored or co-sponsored by SBDC, are available to all individuals without regard to race, color, sex, creed or national origin. Special arrangements will be made for those with disabilities if requested in advance.

For a list of upcoming events, you may visit the MSU SBDC Web site at [www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc).

To preregister or get additional information, contact the Small Business Development Center at (606) 432-5848.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---As Thanksgiving approaches, Kentuckians have another reason to celebrate. The statewide Make A Difference Day Food Drive yielded 123.27 tons, enough food to feed 493,087 Kentuckians an eight-ounce serving.

Thanks to the strong support of Gov. Steve Beshear and first lady Jane Beshear, this is a 74 percent increase from the amount collected in the 2008 food drive.

In early October, Gov. and Mrs. Beshear launched the expanded food drive as part of Make A Difference Day, a massive national day of giving and helping others that is hosted annually by the Kentucky Commission on Community Volunteerism and Service (KCCVS) in the Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS).

The Beshears encouraged the general public and state employees to participate in the annual drive and also challenged state agencies to compete to collect the top amount.

"I knew our state employees would jump at the chance to help others, but never imagined they alone would collect more than 17 tons of food," Gov. Beshear said. "Top honors go to the Cabinet for Economic Development with more than eight pounds of food collected per employee, but appreciation goes to every employee in state government who helped make this event such an overwhelming success."

Staff from CHFS' nine Department for Community Based Services (DCBS) regions and the state's 13 AmeriCorps programs, administered by KCCVS, again held their annual, individual competitions to collect the most food.

All winners will be recognized next spring at the annual Governor's Awards for Outstanding Volunteer Service.

The KCCVS traditionally sponsors an annual campaign to collect as much canned goods and other nonperishable food as possible as part of its Make A Difference Day observance. Food is donated to food pantries and emergency feeding centers in the communities where it is collected.

Eileen Cackowski, executive director of KCCVS, said the campaign is a great way for AmeriCorps members and CHFS staff to connect with other state employees in service.

"The Make A Difference Day food drive calls attention to the great needs of people across the state that so many families – even families with working parents – are experiencing," she said. "The day also highlights the ease and fun of volunteering when you do it as a group with your coworkers, church or family."

For more information about the 2009 Make A Difference Day campaign, volunteering or the AmeriCorps programs, visit [www.volunteerKY.ky.gov](http://www.volunteerKY.ky.gov).

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---The Tuba-Euphonium Quartet of the U.S. Army Ceremonial Band of Washington D.C., "Pershing's Own" will be featured artists in the upcoming Morehead State University Symphony Band Concert, Tuesday, Dec. 1, in Baird Music Hall.

The concert will feature the group performing an original work composed by one of the members. Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Neal Corwell. The composition is titled "Falls the Shadow." Following the feature, the quartet will perform a second work, "*Asturias*" by Isaac Albéniz. The tubas with the quartet are Sgts. Charles Giannelli and Tim Royster, and the euphoniums are Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Neal Corwell, and Sgt. Dean Miller.

The MSU Symphony Band also will present a world premiere by Daniel J. Bukvich. The composition "Infern" was commissioned by the MSU Bands. Other works on the program include: "Metamorphoses" by Edward Gregson; "Kokopellio's Dance" by Nathan Tanouye; "Medieval Variations" by Bruce Yurko; and "Wild Nights!" by Frank Ticheli.

MSU's Symphony Band has a long-standing tradition. Outstanding performances for state and national music conventions have included performances for the Kentucky Music Educators National Association, the 54<sup>th</sup> National Biennial In-Service of the Music Educators National Conference, and international concert tours to The People's Republic of China, Brazil, and Spain.

The concert will be held in Duncan Recital Hall at 8 p.m. and is free and open to the public.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Richard Miles, director of bands, at (606) 783-2485.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Students In Free Enterprise (SIFE) and St. Claire Regional Medical Center will present a Healthcare Forum on Tuesday, Dec. 1, from 6-8 p.m. in 419 Reed Hall.

The forum will discuss relevant topics that affect everyone on a daily basis. Members of SIFE hope individuals interested in a better understanding of the complicated topic will attend and be prepared to ask questions.

The areas of interest to be discussed are: broad context of healthcare and healthcare reform, link between health insurance reform and the health information technology reform, and the transition to electronic medical records and what it will mean for healthcare.

Dr. Elizabeth A. Regan, MSU professor of information systems and director of the Institute for Health Systems Innovation and Research, will be the moderator.

The panel, from St. Claire Regional Medical Center, will include: G. R. (Sonny) Jones Jr., vice president finance/CFO; Dr. William L. Melahn, vice president, medical affairs; and Dr. Kimberly D. Williams, vice president, special projects.

Additional information is available from Janet Ratliff, SIFE adviser, at (606) 783-2390.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---The Office of Student Activities, in conjunction with several departments across the Morehead State University campus, has compiled a series of functions and services for students to help them deal with the stress of final examinations, Dec. 6-10.

Called simply "Finals Relief," the programs include five-minute shoulder massages to extended hours at the Camden-Carroll Library.

All finals relief events are free and are not designed to take away from study time, but rather provide a break between study sessions and final exams.

"Given the amount of worry finals can cause students, we felt it important that MSU give students some simple ways to relieve tension," said Mike Esposito, director of student activities.

A full schedule of events can be found at the student activities Web site. The programs will be held in the residence halls, Adron Doran University Center and Camden-Carroll Library.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity's Zetas Lambda chapter will host a workshop on stress relief on Monday, Nov. 30, at 7:30 p.m. in 301 of the Adron Doran University Center.

There will be tips provided on how to relax, stressors that college students deal with, and how to cope with college life.

The free event is open to students, faculty and staff. Door prizes will be given away.

Additional information is available by contacting Justin Neely at [countrybio@hotmail.com](mailto:countrybio@hotmail.com) or by calling (606) 783-2071.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---The Department of Imaging Sciences' Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program at Morehead State University will offer free, two-dimensional fetal ultrasounds to expectant mothers.

The ultrasound examinations will be given from Jan. 13 until Feb. 25, 2010, and be performed by appointment only on the fourth floor of Reed Hall 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 and a VHS tape or DVD to record the images, if desired.

Additional information and appointment times are available by calling MSU's Department of Imaging Sciences at (606) 783-2646.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Five Morehead State University East Kentucky Small Business Development Center management consultants received the prestigious “KSBDC Million Dollar Club Award” recently at the Statewide Kentucky Small Business Development Center Annual Meeting.

The Million Dollar Club Award is given to SBDC consultants who assist their clients in receiving \$1,000,000 or more in business capital. The awards were presented by Becky Naugle, Kentucky Small Business Development Center director.

Those receiving the award were David Barber, Morehead; Kimberly Jenkins, Ashland; Mike Jackson, Maysville; Mike Morley, MSU EKSBDK director, Pikeville, and Michael Rodriguez, West Liberty.

MSU has been a member of the Kentucky Small Business Development Center Program since 1983 and currently operates six locations throughout the 25 most eastern counties of Kentucky.

Additional information is available by calling the local office in your area: Ashland, (606) 329-8011, Maysville, (606) 564-2707; Morehead, (606) 783-2895; Paintsville, (606) 788-6008; Pikeville, (606) 432-5848; and West Liberty, (606) 743-4005.

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