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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Shannon Harr, research integrity and compliance director in Research and Sponsored Programs, has completed requirements for a doctoral degree. He received his Ed.D degree in July from the University of Kentucky in Educational Leadership Studies.

He has been employed by MSU for eight years.

In his position, he oversees the human research protection program as well as the animal care and use program. He also negotiates all contractual agreements, certifications, and representations on behalf of MSU with external funding sources. Harr is responsible for overseeing any allegations of research misconduct at MSU and works with faculty and staff on matters regarding intellectual property.

Harr serves as adviser of the Kappa Sigma fraternity.

He is a member of Public Responsibility in Medicine and Research, Association of University technology managers, National Council of University Research Administrators, and St. Claire Regional Medical Center Foundation Board.

Harr is a certified research administrator (CRA) with the Research Administrators Certification Council; and Certified IRB Manager (CIM) with the National Association of IRB Managers (NAIM).

A two-time graduate of the University, the Carter County native earned a bachelor's degree in 1999 and a master's degree in 2001.

Additional information is available by calling Harr at (606) 783-2307 or e-mailing him at s.harr@moreheadstate.edu.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Department of English now offers a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Creative Writing. The new major combines the rigorous instruction of creative writing with an active creative writing community so that aspiring writers may develop their individual talents in an atmosphere that is both demanding and supportive.

The fall deadline for submissions is Friday, Sept. 25.

The program provides undergraduate students an opportunity to be taught by accomplished faculty members who are working writers through studio-oriented creative writing workshops in poetry, fiction and creative nonfiction. Other successful writers come to campus as guest readers and lecturers. Students are also provided a solid foundation of literature courses and complete general education courses in the humanities, the natural and social sciences and foreign languages. Candidates for graduation complete a creative thesis and are required to participate in a public reading from their work. Course work is supplemented by a number of extracurricular opportunities including The Creative Writing Symposium; Inscape (MSU's literary journal); The MSU Reading Series; the MSU Coffeehouse; and the Inscape Showcase.

MSU further supports creative writing through such efforts as the Thomas and Lillie D. Chaffin Award for Appalachian Literature and the New Writers Series, which in cooperation with Wind Publications, seeks to publish new writers in the Appalachian region.

Entry into the BFA program is competitive and the standards for admission are high. Students must successfully complete ENG 100 Writing I and ENG 293 Introduction to Creative Writing. Additionally, an application, a 3-5 page introductory essay and a 10-page portfolio are required.

Students who have completed an extensive creative writing study through a high school creative writing program, a Governor's School or Governor's Scholars program may be accepted without the course prerequisites on a case-by-case basis.

Students currently on MSU's campus may pick up an application packet in the Department of English, Combs building.

Additional information on the program is available by contacting Chris Holbrook at (606) 783-9448 or at c.holbrook@moreheadstate.edu.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University will conduct its monthly test of its audible alert system on Tuesday, Sept. 1, 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.---Morehead State University has announced "The Belva Sammons Academic Scholarship for Students with Disabilities," established by friends and coworkers of the late MSU staff member.

It is the first scholarship at MSU to specifically target and reward the academic attainments of this population.

A two-time graduate of MSU, Sammons earned a bachelor's degree in 1972 and a master's degree in education in 1976. She was a longtime University employee, who devoted her career to student services.

She began working at MSU in August 1974 as a student assistant in the residence halls. Subsequently, she served as director of Mignon Hall, coordinator of TRIO Special Services, academic counselor and coordinator of the Center for Academic Success, and director of the Center for Academic Services.

During her career, she supervised and worked closely with the Student Disability Services office. She retired from full-time service in July 2005.

To be eligible for the scholarship, interested students must:

- Submit a completed MSU Scholarship Application Form. Two letters of endorsement must accompany the scholarship application.
- Complete at least one academic year at MSU and have attained a minimum cumulative 2.80 GPA (using only MSU credits).

The Belva Sammons Scholarship Committee will select a suggested recipient and an alternate recipient of the award. The recommendations will then be submitted to the MSU Office of Financial Aid for the final selection to be approved by the MSU Scholarship Committee.

Applicants must accept scholarship monies with the understanding that it is not automatically renewable and that reapplication is necessary in subsequent years.

Additional information is available by contacting the Office of Enrollment Services at (606) 783-2000.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Constitution Day at Morehead State University will offer the third annual apple pie bake-off.

All MSU departments and student organizations are invited to prove that their unit can bake the best apple pie. The prize for the best pie is \$100 and bragging rights for the coming year.

"The apple pie is a symbol of American culture and heritage," said Dr. Kim Sharp, assistant professor of education, who is overseeing the pie contest. "We are asking all departments and student organizations to enter their favorite apple pie recipe."

To enter, interested bakers must complete the contest form by Tuesday, Sept. 15. Then, the baked apple pie must be delivered to Button Drill Room by 3 p.m. on Sept. 17.

Pies must be submitted in a non-returnable pan, with the name and recipe on the bottom. The recipe of the winning pie will be featured on MSU's Web site.

The winner will be presented the \$100 award during the 7 p.m. celebration program at the Morehead Conference Center.

Additional information on the pie contest is available from Dr. Sharp by calling (606) 783-2853. Information on Constitution Day is available by contacting the Center for Regional Engagement by calling (606) 783-9327 or by e-mail to cre@moreheadstate.edu.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University graduate James Williams of West Liberty is a new member of Kentucky Campus Compact's AmeriCorps*VISTA Program.

For his 12-month federal volunteer position, he will serve at MSU.

Williams earned a bachelor's degree in history and government from Morehead State in 2009. He will assist the university in developing campus-community partnerships. During his term of service, Williams will work with area development districts, interagency councils, and extension offices as well as serve on committees, advisory boards and planning groups throughout Breathitt, Knott, Letcher, and Wolfe counties.

He also will play an important role in both "MLK Day of Service" and "Morehead-Rowan County Repair Affair."

His term will extend from Aug. 2009 to 2010.

Kentucky Campus Compact (KyCC) is a statewide coalition of Kentucky college and university presidents and their institutions, both public and private. Its vision is to help higher education strengthen the Commonwealth's communities and improve the lives of Kentucky's citizens.

Founded in 2005, KyCC includes 21 member institutions and is hosted on the campus of Northern Kentucky University in Highland Heights. The organization was awarded an AmeriCorps*VISTA Program in 2006 by the Corporation for National and Community Service, a federal agency.

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Dr. Michael Seelig, associate vice president for university outreach, and Porter Dailey, executive director of the institute for economic development, were named cochairs of the planning initiative.

At the organizational meeting, Dr. Andrews specifically charged the Task Force:

“To develop a collective vision and specific goals for a comprehensive, integrated approach to outreach. The vision and goals must be specifically related to, and driven by, the ASPIRE goals.”

Also at the meeting, Provost Karla Hughes asked the group “to focus its efforts on partnerships throughout the region in order to improve the lives of individuals, families and local communities.”

An invitation was extended to all administrators, faculty and staff interested in participating. Membership of Task Force focus groups is:

Promotion and Marketing - Facilitator: Jim Shaw, vice president of university advancement; Jami Hornbuckle, communication and marketing; April Haight, environmental center; Cathy Thomas, communication, media and leadership; Weihong Sun, enrollment services; Roma Prindle, music, theatre and dance; Keith Moore, business and public affairs; and Barbara Lyons, marketing.

Fiscal Support Models/Business Plan - Facilitator: Beth Patrick, vice president of planning, budgets and technology; Melissa Dunn, athletics; Kelly Crawford, university advancement and MSU Foundation; Clara Potter, Camden-Carroll Library; and Teresa Lindgren, budgets.

Facilities/Space - Facilitator: Mike Walters, vice president of administration and fiscal services.

Academic Affairs Program and Course Delivery - Facilitator: Scott McBride, interim dean, Caudill College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences; Darlene Allen, research and sponsored programs; Larry Albert, communication, media and leadership studies; Dora Ahmadi, mathematics, computer science and physics; Stephanie Welter, biology and chemistry; Louise Cooper, Center for Regional Engagement; Elsie Prichard, Camden-Carroll Library; Teresa Petot, early child, elementary and special education; Wilma Tate, student support services; and John Ernst, history, philosophy, religion and legal studies;

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Calvin Lindell, communication, media and leadership studies; Brent Jones, information technology instructional services; Jim Knoll, early childhood, elementary and special education; Erla Mowbray, nursing; Clarenda Phillips, sociology, social work and criminology; Greg Russell, business administration; Ahmad Zagari, industrial and engineering technology; Dianna Murphy, legal studies; and Esther Ratajeski, earth and space sciences.

Technology Support and Distance Learning Delivery - Facilitator: Gary Holeman, information technology; Michele Walters, nursing; Bill Cole, College of Education; Brent Jones, information technology; Jeff Jordan, information technology; Jeff Highley, information technology; Zoltan Ori, information technology; Amy Moore, information technology;

Chris Miller, foundational and graduate studies education; Donna Everett, School of Business Administration; Calvin Lindell, communication, media and leadership studies; and Michael Dobranski mathematics, computer science and physics.

Enrollment and Academic Support Services - Co-Facilitators: Dayna Seelig, academic affairs and academic programs, and Jeffrey Liles, enrollment services; Myra Mayse, enrollment services; Tammy Blackburn, educational opportunity center; Regina Beach, testing center; Mike Wallace, retention programs; Donna King, financial aid; and Julia Hawkins, career services;

Bob Albert, College of Business and Public Affairs; Susan Maxey, graduate and undergraduate programs; Michelle Barber, graduate and undergraduate programs; Jen Crisp, enrollment services; Lora Pace, first year programs; Jeanette Groeber, sociology, social work and criminology; Kathy Lewis, mathematics, computer science and physics; Beth Lawson, GEAR UP KY; and Loretta Lykins, registrar.

Diversity - Facilitator: Charles Holloway, chief diversity officer; Crystal Wilkinson, English; Jody Fernandez, middle and secondary education; Noel Earl, communication, media and leadership; William Salazar, Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy; and Kathryn Polmanteer, College of Education.

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Regional Engagement - Co-Facilitators: J. Marshall, regional engagement, and Dale Duvall office of the president; Jennifer Reis, art and design; Paul Hitchcock, Morehead State Public Radio; Susette Redwine, university center and conference services; Donna Baker, Camden-Carroll Library; Krista Barton, 21st Century Education Enterprise; Janet Ratliff, economic education; Edna Schack, early childhood, elementary and special education; Janet McCoy, communication, media and leadership; Cathy Gunn, College of Education; Lucy Mays, nursing; Sharon Williams, retired senior volunteer program; Betty Regan, information systems; Francis Krug, MSU honors student; Wendy Puckett, Frontier Housing; Bev McCormick, business administration; and Christie McMichael, Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy.

Continuing Education - Facilitator: Michael Seelig, academic affairs and university outreach; Rocky Wallace, foundational and graduate studies education; Emma Perkins, art and design; Jennifer Little, Camden-Carroll Library; Eric Thomas, Space Science Center Star Theatre; and Lisa Shemwell, communication, media and leadership studies.

“There has never been a collective and integrated vision and plan for outreach efforts,” said Seelig and Dailey.

“This will provide an opportunity to possibly expand and broaden the mission of each regional campus; to offer a greater diversity of academic programs leading to degrees throughout the region; to strengthen the quality of technology support and academic support services provided at regional campus sites; to create new academic and regional engagement partnerships with other public and private postsecondary education institutions serving east Kentucky; to broaden strategies for reaching diverse populations of students; to focus P-16, regional stewardship, and continuing education activities on pipeline issues that adversely affect middle, high school and college students from being successful; to participate in professional development and workforce development initiatives already being undertaken in local communities.”

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Seelig at (606) 783-2025 or Dailey at (606) 783-9534.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---In observance of the Labor Day holiday, Morehead State University will be closed Monday, Sept. 7. There will be no classes or office hours and mail will not be delivered.

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

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Kentucky Folk Art Center (KFAC) has been awarded a \$20,000 American Masterpieces grant from the National Endowment for the Arts.

The grant will be used to support the KFAC's most recent traveling exhibition, "LaVon Williams: Rhythm in Relief." It features more than 60 works by the Lexington woodcarver, and the grant from the National Endowment for the Arts will allow the exhibition to tour to several additional sites in multiple states.

Born in Florida in 1958, his family moved to Denver in 1968. Williams finished high school in 1976 and was named a high school All-American.

He played for Coach Joe B. Hall at the University of Kentucky and was a member of the 1978 NCAA championship squad. In 1980, Williams graduated from UK with a degree in sociology. After he played professionally in Italy and Japan, Williams returned to Lexington in the mid-1980s and has lived there ever since with his family.

Williams was introduced to carving as a child by his great uncle, Luke Wright, who was a woodcarver. His older half-brother, Dave Wright, was inspired to begin carving after watching Luke at work. Dave, in turn, taught his brother how to carve.

Williams dedicated himself to carving at the conclusion of his basketball career. For more than 20 years, he has maintained his own studio, separate from the family's home. Working with hammers and chisels, Williams has become one of America's preeminent wood carvers.

In his conclusion to the essay for the exhibition catalog, KFAC's Artistic Director Adrian Swain wrote, "Now in his early 50s, LaVon Van Williams is at the top of his creative game. There is greater fluency in how he presents his subject, more economy in his physical touch. We are led to wonder whether certain people were not in fact put on this earth to bear witness through art."

Kentucky Folk Art Center is a cultural, educational and economic development service of MSU. The Center is open Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-2204 or by visiting its Web site at www.kyfolkart.org.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State Public Radio's 2009 Fall Fundraiser and Membership Drive are scheduled for Sept. 18-25.

During this time, MSPR will ask listeners to support its award-winning regional news, educational and entertainment programming. In addition, member gifts support the professional learning environment for students attending Morehead State University.

Regional news and educational programming as well as locally-hosted classical, Americana, Bluegrass, jazz and blues make MSPR a vital part of the community.

"Since our first broadcasts in 1965, we've offered programming which is educational, informative and entertaining with an emphasis on preserving and promoting the region's cultural heritage," said Paul Hitchcock, MSPR general manager.

MSPR is especially seeking new listeners and first-time supporters during this membership drive.

In association with the membership drive, MSPR's online auction will be Sept. 18-23. More than 50 items including artwork, entertainment, home décor, sports items and getaway packages will be offered to the highest bidder. Proceeds from the online auction support MSPR's programming and services.

Serving more than 40 counties in eastern Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia, Morehead State Public Radio broadcasts 24 hours a day in digital audio from the MSU campus.

MSPR's Web site offers many features including live audio and music webstreams, podcasts, archived audio and videos. In 2006, Morehead State Public Radio was recognized by the Kentucky Arts Council as the recipient of the Media Award through the Governor's Awards in the Arts.

Gifts to Morehead State Public Radio are tax deductible and may be made online at www.msuradio.com. Volunteers are needed to help answer phones and welcome guests.

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

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LEXINGTON, Ky.---Morehead State University's Office of Enrollment Services continues to offer innovative recruitment programs to promote opportunities at MSU and attract minority students to its campus.

"An Evening with the Eagles" will take place on Tuesday, Sept. 22, from 6-8 p.m. at the Red Mile Clubhouse, 1200 Red Mile Road in Lexington.

Prospective and newly admitted students will have the opportunity to meet current MSU Eagles, faculty and staff, as well as Eagle alums.

MSU will present a one-time \$1,000 Residence Hall Scholarship (applicable to housing costs) to one lucky attendee. Raffle forms will be distributed during registration.

To learn more about the program or to register, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/diversity.

Additional questions may be answered by contacting Tashanna Rucker, senior enrollment services counselor for diversity, at (606) 207-7756 or t.rucker@moreheadstate.edu.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Kappa Delta Sorority, in conjunction with the Morehead Fire Department, will be host its annual fall philanthropy event, Backdraft, Wednesday, Sept. 9.

Backdraft will be held on Laughlin Lawn at 6 p.m. and involves various organizations on campus competing in water games. The cost will be \$30 per six person team.

Kappa Delta will donate all of the proceeds to its local and national philanthropies which include Sexual Assault Task Force, the Gateway House Homeless Shelter, and the Children's Hospital in Richmond, Va.

Domino's Pizza on Sept. 7 will donate 20 percent of its profits to Kappa Delta philanthropies.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---A musical exchange between Morehead State University's Kentucky Center for Traditional Music and Morehead's Sister City, Ballymena, Northern Ireland, will be held Sept. 12-19.

The exchange will include three Irish musicians and six dancers. The group will visit six public schools in three counties to share its traditional culture with students in east Kentucky.

A reception will be held on Thursday, Sept. 17, at 6:30 p.m., on the bottom floor of KCTM, 149 East Main Street in Morehead. The reception will offer MSU students and community members an opportunity to listen to music, watch the performance, and visit with the Ballymena students. Attendees are invited to bring their instruments.

In return, MSU will send Jesse Wells, KCTM archivist/instructor, and four students to Ballymena in early October to tour the region and perform at that community's annual "Children and the Arts" festival.

For additional information, contact Jill Vice, KCTM marketing and events coordinator, at (606) 783-9001 or e-mail her at j.vice@moreheadstate.edu.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.--- A stern wheel riverboat cruise on the Ohio River is on tap for members of the Morehead State University Retirees Association this month.

Vans will leave at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 17, from the gravel lot across from MSU's Academic-Athletic Center. The cost for the two-hour cruise will be \$27.63 which includes a buffet lunch, entertainment and games. Transportation cost will be \$12 for a total of \$39.63.

The deadline for reservations is Sept. 10. Reservations may be made by calling (606) 783-2080 or by e-mail to t.jones@moreheadstate.edu.

The group will tour the Kentucky Aviation Museum at Bluegrass Airport in Lexington on Oct. 8, in addition to participating in MSU's Homecoming activities Oct. 21-25.

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ASHLAND, Ky.---Morehead State University at Ashland will partner with Ashland Community and Technical College for a Constitution Day event.

Rep. Kevin Sinnette will make a presentation at the ACTC teleconference room at noon on Thursday, Sept. 17. He will speak on "The Constitution in today's society."

The free event is open to the public.

There will be copies of the Constitution available for students.

MSU at Ashland is located on the College Drive Campus of ACTC and has had a full-time presence in Ashland since 1987.

For more information, contact Joe Pace, director, at (606) 327-1777.

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BEATTYVILLE, Ky.---Morehead State University at West Liberty's Small Business Development Center (SBDC) and Lee County's People Encouraging People (PEP) will co-sponsor a workshop for those interested in learning more about eBay.

"Using eBay to Start or Expand a Business" will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 23, at 70 Locust Street.

The free seminar will introduce the basic concepts of setting up a business on eBay. Strategies and tips will be shared on how to go about selling successfully.

Participants will walk through the process of listing, selling and receiving payment for items sold. Mark Johnson, a manager in the Small Business Services Division of the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, will be the presenter.

The program is scheduled to begin at 5 p.m.

Those interested in attending may register by calling the West Liberty SBDC at (606) 743-4005, Lee County PEP at (606) 464-0494 or online at www.ksbdc.org.

The workshop is provided by Morehead State University's Small Business Development Centers. For a list of upcoming events you may visit the MSU SBDC Web site at www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc.

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

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University will be host a preadmission conference for all candidates for admission in the Respiratory Care Program on Tuesday, Oct. 20, from 10-11 a.m. and on Monday, Nov. 2, from 1-2 p.m. at the Maysville Community and Technical College's Rowan Campus (Room D203).

Attendance is mandatory to be accepted into the program.

Respiratory Care is an associate degree program offered by the Northeast Kentucky Consortium for Respiratory Care. In this program, MCTC has joined with Ashland Community and Technical College and Morehead State University to offer respiratory care education which meets the standards of the Committee on Accreditation for Respiratory Care.

Students completing this program will be awarded an Associate of Applied Science degree in Respiratory Care and be a registry-eligible respiratory therapist.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Ann Rathbun, associate professor of health education, at (606) 783-2464 or by e-mailing her at a.rathbun@morehead.edu.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Kentucky Folk Art Center (KFAC) has been awarded a \$25,000 federal stimulus grant from the National Endowment for the Arts.

The grant will be used to support the KFAC's Outreach Educator position. The job is vital to the Center's efforts to implement a comprehensive educational outreach program. In the past five years, KFAC has provided cultural education services to more than 50,000 students in Kentucky's public schools.

KFAC joins the Kentucky Center for Traditional Music at MSU to offer traveling tabletop exhibitions, digital exhibitions using iPods, educational concerts, school tours, and other educational programming. Almost all of these services are provided at little or no cost to participating schools.

"This grant from the National Endowment for the Arts couldn't have come at a more important time," said KFAC's Director Matt Collinsworth. "It will allow us to continue to provide comprehensive cultural education services to schools throughout our region and across the Commonwealth. With the passage of Senate Bill No. 1, this grant becomes even more important as we work to remodel our programs to meet with the new state recommendations and requirements."

Established as a cultural, educational and economic development service of Morehead State University, the Kentucky Folk Art Center acquired its present home in July 1997 following the \$1.2 million renovation of a former grocery warehouse. KFAC is the only art museum in Kentucky's 51 county Appalachian region. KFAC works to study, preserve, and promote the work of Kentucky's self-taught artists, as well as other valuable aspects of Kentucky's rich and diverse culture.

The Kentucky Folk Art Center is open Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Opera will hit the region by storm, Sept. 18-20, as some of the finest voices in eastern Kentucky present a concert that showcases some of the most beloved scenes from all of opera.

Highlands Light Opera, in cooperation with Morehead State University's premiere vocal performance ensemble, OperaWorks, will present Opera Mania! The show will play in Morehead, Sept. 18 and 19 at 8 p.m. at the Rowan County Arts Center and at 3 p.m. on Sept. 20 at the Adkins-Caudill Performing Arts Center in Sandy Hook.

Admission is \$8 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens. Tickets will be available at the door, for cash and check only.

Highlands Light Opera, central Appalachia's first opera company, was established in 2008. It is a regional company, which seeks to draw the highest quality personnel from the region to perform for as many people in the region as possible. HLO presented a series of highly successful performances of Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Pirates of Penzance" in the summer of 2008, followed by several performances of "Christmas in the Mountains" in December 2008.

OperaWorks will be featured in some of opera's most famous choruses, including the Anvil Chorus from "Verdi's Il Trovatore," the Bridal Chorus from Wagner's "Lohengrin," and Verdi's stirring anthem from the Italian Risorgimento era, Va Pensiero, from "Nabucco." OperaWorks also will appear in Gilbert and Sullivan scenes from "The Mikado and The Pirates of Penzance."

Other highlights of the evening will include scenes from "The Marriage of Figaro," Mozart; "The Pearl Fishers," Bizet; "Simon Boccanegra," Verdi; "La Boheme," Puccini; and "La Forza del Destino," Verdi.

An array of guest artists is featured as soloists on the program. Diana Amos of Grayson has sung leading roles in more than 25 German opera houses, including the Berlin State Opera and the Cologne Opera, and with the Houston Grand Opera in this country. Andrea Trusty of West Liberty has sung with Opera Santa Barbara, the Aspen Music Program, and the Music Academy of the West. David Herrington of Cincinnati has performed with Highlands Light Opera, and has appeared in roles with Opera New Jersey. Alexandra LoBianco of New York City has performance credits with Opera Carolina, Opera America, St. Petersburg Opera and FloriMezzo in New York City.

Also featured will be Heather Hunnicutt, professor of voice at Georgetown College; Daniel Bell, professor of voice at Kentucky Christian University; and Highlands Light Opera alums, Ryland Pope, Jewelie Casteel, Greta Gilbert and Rachael Fannin.

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OperaWorks present shows in Morehead, Sandy Hook
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Director and founder of HLO and MSU OperaWorks, Dr. Roma Prindle will appear on the program, along with outstanding members of OperaWorks: Dustin Stevens, **Morehead** junior; William Murphy, **Hawesville** senior; Kasey Standridge, **Dripping Springs, Texas**, graduate student; Stacey Kennard, **Chillicothe, Ohio**, junior; Blake Huffaker, **Troy, Ohio**, junior; Neil DeAtley, **Cincinnati** freshman, and Kyle Bentley, **Pikeville** senior.

Other members of OperaWorks include: Chris Adams, **Morehead** freshman; Paige Burgess, Stanville junior; Taylor Colliver, Morehead freshman; Hannah Doyle, **Flemingsburg** sophomore; Josh Joseph, Morehead junior; Hillary Keese, **Belfry** sophomore; Holly Nibert, **Cincinnati** freshman; Mattie Terrell, **Corbin** freshman; and Laura Wenz, **Maysville** freshman.

Additional information is available from Dr. Prindle at (606) 783-2481 or by e-mailing her at r.prindle@moreheadstate.edu.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.--Morehead State University has announced the establishment of the "Lola Crosthwaite Memorial Scholarship," an endowment to benefit single parents.

A faculty member at MSU from 1968 until 1995, Crosthwaite taught in what is now the Department of Sociology, Social Work, and Criminology.

Her parents, Vada Clare Roberts Crosthwaite (1901-1994) and John Holley Crosthwaite (1895-1986), attended Morehead Normal School, and later were school teachers.

A nontraditional student, more than 20 years after graduating high school, she started her academic career at Morehead State, then transferred to the University of Kentucky to complete her bachelor's degree. She earned her master's degree in social work at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Recipients shall be juniors who have declared a major of sociology, social work or criminology and who have maintained a minimum 3.3 grade point average. Preference will be given to students who are single parents.

The scholarship may be renewed one time if the recipient maintains at least a 3.3 grade point average.

Recipients will be selected by a committee appointed by the chair of the Department of Sociology, Social Work and Criminology.

Additional information is available by contacting the Office of Enrollment Services at (606) 783-2000.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---More than 3,000 kindergarten through college teachers across the country dedicated a sizable chunk of their summer break to learning new strategies to improve their students' writing skills. That included 17 Eastern Kentucky teachers attending Morehead State University's 23rd annual Summer Institute.

Summer Institute Co-director Austen Reilley, a teacher at McBrayer Elementary in Rowan County; and Summer Institute Coordinator Kathy Heaberlin, a librarian at Russell Primary School of Russell Independent Schools; worked with Site Director Deanna Mascle of Morehead State University to lead the June Institute on the MSU campus.

After undergoing a rigorous application and interview process, teachers were selected for their ability to contribute to the improvement of writing instruction in East Kentucky. These teachers will join the hundreds of Eastern Kentucky teachers who have passed through the Morehead Writing Project Summer Institute.

Attendees included: Lydia Adams-Padula of Clearfield Elementary in Rowan County; Carla Thompson of McBrayer Elementary in Rowan County; Andrea Riffe and Mary Anne Pack of Louisa East Elementary in Lawrence County; Sarah Collins and April Sammons of Fallsburg Elementary in Lawrence County; Jodi Blackburn and Brandi Roby of Botts Elementary in Menifee County; Jonda Bonzo of Greysbranch Elementary in Greenup County; Kathy Compton of Charles Straub Elementary in Mason County; Angela Halsey of Campton Elementary in Wolfe County; Debbie McKinley of Bourbon County; Samantha Jo Reams of Lewis County Middle School; Jenna Smoot of Nicholas County Elementary; Samantha Thompson and Peggy Young of Upper Tygart Elementary in Carter County; and Sandy Wilson of Menifee Middle School.

Teachers studied the latest research and effective classroom practices in summer institutes at more than 200 National Writing Project (NWP) sites on college campuses in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The East Kentucky teachers will continue their work throughout the coming year as they conduct their own research and build on their professional development experience.

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23rd annual Summer Institute
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The Morehead Writing Project (MWP) has worked to improve student writing achievement by improving the teaching of writing in East Kentucky schools for more than 20 years. MWP, a federally- and state-funded professional development program, strived to help public school teachers become better writers and writing teachers.

At the core of the MWP is an invitational four-week summer institute, open to 15 of East Kentucky's best public school teachers. All teaching methods are interactive and interdisciplinary. MWP provides year-round contracted and grant-funded outreach programs and teacher training to schools in MSU's 22-county service region.

All MWP programs align with Kentucky Core Content and Program of Studies curricula and the Kentucky Professional Development Standards. As a National Writing Project affiliate, MWP qualifies as an exemplary professional development provider by No Child Left Behind regulations.

Additional information is available by visiting MWP's Web site at <http://moreheadwritingproject.org>; or by calling Mascle at (606) 783-2426.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.-- Andrew Snyder of Versailles is a new member of Kentucky Campus Compact's AmeriCorps*VISTA Program.

For his 12-month federal volunteer position, he will serve at Morehead State University.

Snyder earned a bachelor's degree in government from Centre College in 2009. He will assist MSU in developing campus-community partnerships.

During his term of service, he will work with area development districts, interagency councils, and extension offices as well as serve on committees, advisory boards, and planning groups throughout Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, Martin and Pike counties. He also will play an important role in both "Make a Difference Day" and "Spring Break/Spring Back."

His term will extend from Aug. 2009 to 2010.

Kentucky Campus Compact (KyCC) is a statewide coalition of Kentucky college and university presidents and their institutions, both public and private. Its vision is to help higher education strengthen the Commonwealth's communities and improve the lives of Kentucky's citizens.

Founded in 2005, KyCC includes 21 member institutions and is hosted on the campus of Northern Kentucky University in Highland Heights. The organization was awarded an AmeriCorps*VISTA Program in 2006 by the Corporation for National and Community Service, a federal agency.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Dr. Jen O'Keefe, assistant professor of science in the Department of Earth and Space Science, has have been elected to serve as a director at large of AASP-The Palynological Society.

Dr. O'Keefe has been working in various capacities with AASP-The Palynological Society since 2006. She served as the Committee Chair of the Nominating Committee from 2006-07 and member of the Ad-hoc Committee for Professional Outreach and Increasing Membership from 2006-08.

Dr. O'Keefe will present a workshop on the basic principles and applications of palynology for high school teachers and students entering the field with Michael Zavada of East Tennessee State University, and Sarah de la Rue, University of Idaho graduate student, on Sept. 26, prior to the annual meeting of AASP at ETSU.

The 42nd Annual Meeting of the AASP- Palynological Society will be held Sept. 27-30 at Kingsport, Tenn.

The Palynological Society was established in 1967 to promote the science of palynology. Today, AASP has a world wide membership of about 500 and is run by an executive including an elected board of directors and subsidiary boards and committees.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. O'Keefe at (606) 783-2349.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---The Morehead Writing Project will present a "WriteStart" workshop for high school seniors.

The workshops are designed to help high school seniors: craft effective, well-written college application essays; write correctly formatted, eye-pleasing cover letters; and locate resources for scholarship money.

The cost will be \$15 for students and \$25 if a parent attends. Each workshop will be led by current high school English teachers who have completed the Morehead Writing Project's Summer Institute.

Workshops will be held:

Sept. 19: Morehead State University, Morehead campus, and MSU at Prestonsburg;

Oct. 31: MSU at Jackson and MSU at Ashland;

Nov. 14: MSU at Mt. Sterling and MSU at Prestonsburg.

All workshops will be held from 9 a.m. to noon.

Additional information is available by visiting MWP's Web site at <http://moreheadwritingproject.org>; or by calling Deanna Mascle, MWP site director, at (606) 783-2426.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.--Morehead State Public Radio's 2009 Fall Fundraiser and Membership Drive are scheduled for Sept. 18-25. During this time, listeners will be asked to support MSPR's award-winning regional news and entertainment programming, as well as the professional learning environment for students attending Morehead State University.

In association with the membership drive, MSPR's annual online auction will be Sept. 18-23. More than 50 items including artwork, entertainment, home décor, sports items and getaway packages will be offered to the highest bidder. Proceeds from the online auction support MSPR's programming and services.

Featured items include tickets to the Cave Run Storytelling Festival, Terrapin Hill Harvest Festival and KYOWA Writer's Conference; artwork by Joe Sartor, Charles Campbell and Erin Moore; MSU basketball tickets and signed sports items; CD and book sets; Root-A-Bakers Bakery, Ruth Hunt Candies and home accent baskets.

The auction will begin at 9 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 18 and conclude at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 23.

Serving more than 40 counties in eastern Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia, Morehead State Public Radio broadcasts 24 hours a day in digital audio from the campus of Morehead State University.

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

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Dance Team will host the Eagle Dance Day Camp on Saturday, Sept. 19, from noon until 4 p.m. in Laughlin Health Building.

The participants will perform that evening a dance routine learned at the clinic.

The clinic is open to students in grades K-12. Participants will be grouped according to their grade level (K-4, 5-8 and 9-12). The cost is \$15 for registration.

Register by contacting Sarah Wilson at sewils01@moreheadstate.edu. Details also are available at www.moreheadstate.edu/dance.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---A film by Jeffrey Hill, a Morehead State University faculty member, will play at two film festivals in the coming months.

“Seed to Stalk: A Sorghum Tradition” will be playing at the 4th Annual Estes Park Film Festival in Estes Park, Colo., and The Secret City Film Festival in Oak Ridge, Tenn.

With a mission to educate, inspire, and advance a greater appreciation of independent film, the 4th Annual Estes Park Film Festival has been showcasing some of the world's best in cutting edge indie cinema since 2006. Hill's film is scheduled to play at 5 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 20, as part of the Short Documentary Program.

The project also will be playing at The Secret City Film Festival. The festival was founded by award-winning documentary filmmaker Keith McDaniel and is produced by his company, Secret City Films. This film will open The Secret City Film Festival at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 8, as part of Free Family Night.

MSU's Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy (IRAPP) funded the film, which highlights Menifee County sorghum producer Ron Welch.

Hill is an associate professor of mass communication in MSU's Department of Communication, Media and Leadership.

Additional information is available by calling Hill at (606) 783-9383.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---On Sept. 11, members of the Morehead State University community will honor those killed on the day that changed the lives of all Americans.

The service will begin at 8:40 a.m. on Thursday at the Little Bell Tower on the campus of MSU. The observance will include tolling of the bells at the times the two hijacked airliners struck the World Trade Center in New York City.

The memorial is sponsored by the MSU Residence Hall Association and Department of Military Science.

This marks the eighth anniversary since planes were hijacked by terrorists and 2,973 people were killed. Planes crashed into the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. Passengers overpowered their hijackers and brought down a plane in a field in Shanksville, Pa.

MSU's Student Government Association erected the flag plaza in front of Howell-McDowell Administration Building in early 2002 in memory of those who died in the attacks on Sept. 11, 2001.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's choirs will sponsor an evening of feasting and song at the First Baptist Church, 123 East Main St. in Morehead, on Tuesday, Sept. 29, beginning at 6:30 p.m. All proceeds will fund the 2010 choir tour to Central Europe, May 10-17.

The Morehead community can enjoy an Italian dinner that will include lasagna -- with or without meat -- along with a salad, bread, desserts, and coffee, tea and water.

A variety of ensembles and soloists will entertain during dinner. The MSU choirs will present after-dinner music in the sanctuary. The participating groups are Concert Choir, University Chorus, Chamber Singers, Jazz Vocal Ensemble, and the Black Gospel Ensemble.

Morehead State's Concert Choir and Chamber Singers will participate in an eight-day concert tour to Central Europe. The tour will center primarily in Budapest, Hungary, Austria, and Vienna and will include at least four concerts in universities and cathedrals, including the Aladar Racz School of Music in Budapest and the famous St. Stephen's Cathedral in Vienna. A number of educational activities will allow the performers to experience the cultures of the two countries.

This is the second international tour for the MSU Concert Choir. The first venture was a highly successful concert tour to Costa Rica in 2006.

Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. A limited number of tickets will be sold at the door. Additional information and tickets are available by calling (606) 783-2473.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University paused Friday morning to remember and honor those killed on the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the seventh anniversary.

The service, at the Little Bell Tower on the campus of MSU, included tolling of the bells at the times the two hijacked airliners struck the World Trade Center in New York City.

Lt. Col. Max Ammons, professor of military science, reviewed the world situation as it was eight years ago on this date and discussed why we should look ahead.

“While it was a tragedy, there have been some positive changes that have come from this,” he said. “We should not be embarrassed to look back, because we did nothing wrong. But, we must continue to look to the future and capture the opportunities that are available to us.”

Retired Lt. Col. Al Baldwin, academic affairs space manager, also spoke to the crowd and reminded those in attendance that the impact will forever change our lives and we must continue to remember those we lost.

Colors were posted by MSU’s ROTC color guard and Greg Wing, associate professor of music, played taps to honor the lives lost.

The memorial was sponsored by the Residence Hall Association, in cooperation with the Office of Student Housing and Division of Student Life.

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

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MOREHEAD, Ky.--- Morehead State University's Matthew Baldwin, database research analyst, has received a \$6,000 Fellowship Award from the Association of Institutional Research. Baldwin will use the fellowship to begin coursework at Florida State University.

The Association for Institutional Research's Fellowship Program in Institutional Research improves the quality of institutional research in U.S. postsecondary education. Fellowships are intended to support persons pursuing a career in institutional research in building a strong set of data and analytical skills, thereby increasing the accuracy of data collection and reporting conducted at their institution. Funding for the fellowships is provided by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES).

Baldwin earned a Bachelor of Science in mathematics from MSU

He has been with MSU since 2003 (full time since 2005) and has been in the Office of Institutional Research and Assessment since 2007.

Additional information is available from Baldwin at (606) 783-9508.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Department of Music, Theatre and Dance will host Marshall University music faculty members on Friday, Sept. 18, at 8 p.m. in Baird Music Hall.

The visitors will perform "L'Histoire du Soldat" ("The Soldier's Tale") by Igor Stravinsky. The event is free and open to the public.

The piece, a 1918 theatrical work to be read, played, or danced, is the folk tale of a soldier who is going home from the war and trades his fiddle for a book that predicts the economy. The story is told by three characters: the soldier (played by Dr. Larry Stickler), the devil (played by Dr. David Castleberry) and the narrator (Dr. Jeffrey Pappas).

Prior to the performance, Dr. Vicki Stroehrer, who teaches music history at Marshall, will speak about Stravinsky and "L'Histoire du Soldat."

"Igor Stravinsky is one of the most interesting composers of the early 20th century, both in terms of his works and his life story," Dr. Stroehrer said. "The story is captivating for all audiences, and the music, written in the 'café style' of Paris, is universally appealing."

Dr. W. Edwin Bingham, professor of music, will conduct the performance, which also will include Marshall faculty members Dr. Elizabeth Reed Smith, violin; Dr. Ann Marie Bingham, clarinet; Kay Lawson, bassoon; Martin Saunders, trumpet; Dr. Michael Stroehrer, trombone; and Scott Milam, percussion. The group will be joined by Marshall alumnus Jason McNeel, contrabass.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Stroehrer at (304) 696-6437 or Frank Oddis, associate professor of music and coordinator of Morehead State University's percussion program, at (606) 783-2487.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Drs. Victor Ballestero and Sam Wright, associate professors, in the Department of Foundational and Graduate Studies in Education, will present their research findings on Hispanic Students, Teachers, Administrators and Board Members in Kentucky at the 50th Annual "Celebrating Excellence in Leadership, 50 years of SRCEA Conference."

The Conference is scheduled for Oct. 15-18 in Atlanta.

The presentation by Dr. Ballestero and Dr. Wright will be based on the research they have compiled during the past three years.

"Our research is the result of three Regional Engagement Grants (2009, 2008, and 2007)," said Dr. Wright. "We are indebted to the Center for Regional Engagement for our funding and support. The Kentucky superintendents, who supplied our data, also were invaluable."

The 2009 study on Hispanic School Board Members had a 93.1 percent return by Kentucky superintendents. The two feel this is the result of the collaboration that takes place between their department and Kentucky school leaders.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Ballestero at (606) 783-2893 or Dr. Wright at (606) 783-9447.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's nursing students recently partnered with St. Claire Regional Medical Center's Camp SMILE (Sharing Memories in a Loving Environment) as part of "NUR 385: Camp Nursing."

The course was designed to provide a service learning opportunity for nursing students to work with bereaved children in the MSU service region in partnership with St. Claire's Hospice and Palliative Care Program.

Nursing faculty Nathania Bush and Teresa Howell became nationally certified End of Life Nursing Education Consortium (ELNEC) trainers in 2007. After being trained, the two developed a camp where the nursing students could receive hands-on training and also help children in MSU's service region.

Camp SMILE is free and funded by donations, fundraisers and this year a \$5,900 Community Partnership Grant obtained through MSU. In its the third year, the camp had 52 campers and 27 nursing students.

MSU student Aerial Frederick, **West Liberty** sophomore, composed and recorded an original song "Smile" for the camp. Campers learned the song and sign language, taught by Jessica Jones, **Van Lear** junior, throughout the week and performed it for family and friends at the final ceremony held in the Academic-Athletic Center.

Additional information about Camp SMILE is available by contacting Howell at t.howell@moreheadstate.edu; Bush at n.bush@moreheadstate.edu or Robin Franklin at rxfranklin@st-claire.org.

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Morehead State University nursing students participated in Camp SMILE while taking "NUR 385: Camp Nursing" class. Front row, from left, Belicia Mullins, Brittany Kellum, Nora Tipton, Amanda Rudd, Amber Hampton, Kaleigh Feasel, Kristen Burchett and Bethany Wells. Middle row, from left, Amanda Ratliff, Charla Burchett, Destiny Fiffe, Brittany Johnson, Nathania Bush (faculty), Jade Campbell, Rebecca Pennington, Jessica Goulding and Teresa Howell (faculty). Back row, from left, Madonna Hales, Jana Penix, Megan Bryant, Jamie Joseph, Tracey Sizemore, Phelan Bailey, Chriscia Dove, Amanda Conkwright, Brittany Little, Jessica Jones, Aerial Frederick and Mary Beth Corbin.



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The publication has announced the release of its 2010 list of Military Friendly Schools. Schools on the list range from state universities and private colleges to community colleges and trade schools. The common bond is their shared priority of recruiting students with military experience.

MSU's Office of Enrollment Services and its Veteran Outreach Program and Services offers many programs to assist veterans and their dependents. Additional information is available by calling Jill McBride, student veteran advocate, at (606) 783-2000 or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/veteranops.

"We're pleased to be recognized as a campus community that truly cares about helping veterans and their families with the transition to college life. Jill and many others at MSU stand ready to help these individuals accomplish their educational mission," said Jeffrey Liles, assistant vice president for enrollment services.

The tens of billions of dollars in tuition money, now available with the recent passage of the Post-9/11 GI Bill, has intensified an already strong desire by colleges to court veterans into their classrooms.

"This list is especially important now because the recently enacted Post-9/11 GI Bill has given veterans virtually unlimited financial means to go to school," said Rich McCormack, G.I. Jobs publisher. "Veterans can now enroll in any school, provided they're academically qualified. So schools are clamoring for them like never before. Veterans need a trusted friend to help them decide where to get educated. The Military Friendly Schools list is that trusted friend."

Schools on the Military Friendly Schools list also offer additional benefits to student veterans such as on-campus veterans programs, credit for service, military spouse programs and more.

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To be eligible for the Carolyn Flatt Scholarship, the applicant must be a full-time, nontraditional student and maintain a GPA of at least 3.0.

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Both events are free and open to the public.

A renowned ceramic sculpture, Stamps deals with abstracting the human body. The public is welcome at both events.

Stamps received his M.F.A degree from Indiana University in Bloomington and his B.F.A. degree from the University of North Carolina in Asheville.

He has taught ceramics, three-dimensional design and art history courses at the University of Central Arkansas, the University of Arkansas-Little Rock and at the University of Alaska in Fairbanks.

Additional information is available by calling Kira Campbell, MSU assistant professor of art, at (606) 783-2787.

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

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, visit the MSU SBDC Web site at www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc.

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"The workshop is designed to provide information concerning what it will take to start your own business, where to begin, what forms are needed, what form of business is right for you, and much more," said Michelle Spriggs, SBDC consultant "This is an excellent opportunity for entrepreneurs to embark on the first steps of opening their own business."

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

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.

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

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MOREHEAD, Ky.--Hunter Stamps, assistant professor of ceramics at the University of Kentucky, will present a demonstration from 3-5 p.m. in the ceramics lab, and a lecture at 7:30 p.m. in room 111 both in Morehead State University's Claypool-Young Art Building on Tuesday, Sept. 22.

Both events are free and open to the public.

A renowned ceramic sculpture, Stamps deals with abstracting the human body. The public is welcome at both events.

Stamps received his M.F.A degree from Indiana University in Bloomington and his B.F.A. degree from the University of North Carolina in Asheville.

He has taught ceramics, three-dimensional design and art history courses at the University of Central Arkansas, the University of Arkansas-Little Rock and at the University of Alaska in Fairbanks.

Additional information is available by calling Kira Campbell, MSU assistant professor of art, at (606) 783-2787.

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- EVENT:** Board of Regents Work Session
DATE: Thursday, Sept. 17, 2009
TIME: 9 a.m.
SITE: Heritage Room, Adron Doran University Center

During the work session, the Regents will discuss item(s) on the agenda and any other business that may come before them.

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MSU Board of Regents Work Session

9 a.m., Thursday, September 17, 2009
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Agenda

1. QEP Update – Paul Goodpaster/Charles Patrick
2. Organizational Changes – Karla Hughes
3. Presidential Review – Wayne Andrews
4. Planning Retreat – Beth Patrick
5. Other Business
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Holbrook will read from his work at Joseph Beth Booksellers in Lexington on Thursday, Sept. 24 from 7-8 p.m. and will be reading at Coffeetree Books on Thursday, Oct. 22.

Holbrook grew up in Knott County, and as a native of Appalachia, his masterful command of detail reveals a personal familiarity with the people of this region, from the cadence of the language to the food on the tables.

His works reveal the thorny, contradictory, and at times funny complexities of Appalachian life. His stories tap into the fierce desperation and unsettling pain of characters that seem primed to explode at any second. In tense, measured dialect, he leads the reader into a world that is frightening and yet familiar. From his intimate portrayal of specific communities and individuals, Holbrook draws broader truths that drive these stories beyond the merely regional.

Through eight powerful stories in "Upheaval," Holbrook delves into the relationships between father and son, elderly and young, and the roles of family, faith, and the outside world. Throughout the book, he returns to the connection of person and place, highlighting the role Appalachia plays in the formation of a unique people. With uncanny accuracy, he depicts the creeping claustrophobia of a place where life is scraped from gravel mines and rough fields, where those who move away are looked on with confusion and even scorn.

The collection also gives insight into some of the biggest social and environmental issues that affect Kentuckians on a day-to-day basis, from coal mining to welfare laws.

Before joining MSU in 2003, Holbrook taught English at Alice Lloyd College. He earned an M.F.A. degree in fiction writing at the University of Iowa and has completed residency fellowships at the Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Mass., and at Yaddo in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. He also is a graduate of the Iowa Writers' Workshop.

Holbrook has won numerous awards for his writings, including MSU's Thomas and Lillie D. Chaffin Award for Appalachian writing for "Hell and Ohio: Stories of Southern Appalachia," and three Individual Artist Al Smith Fellowships for fiction writing from the Kentucky Arts Council.

Books may be obtained by visiting the University Press of Kentucky at www.kentuckypress.com.

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This event, which will run 3-4:30 p.m. at the Morehead-Rowan County Chamber of Commerce, is designed to provide small business owners with the information and resources needed to help them get their small business started.

David Barber, director of SBDC in Morehead, will be the workshop instructor. He has experience in helping clients start and foster the growth of the business venture.

"This is an excellent and affordable opportunity for business owners to gain valuable information about starting a small business loan from an experienced instructor," said Barber. "This workshop will help you look at the feasibility of your idea and make certain that there is a market for your product or service."

There is no charge; however advance registration is strongly suggested. The chamber's located at 150 East First Street in Morehead.

The SBDC encourages business success through its high quality, in-depth and hands-on consultations to new ventures, and existing businesses that are available at no cost. Additionally, the center offers affordable business workshops and provides market research and industry trends to help business owners make informed decisions.

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The free workshop will be held at the Morehead State University at Prestonsburg campus, Postsecondary Education Building, from 9-11:30 a.m.

The workshop will provide needed small business loan information to enable area loan officers to better assist potential applicants in obtaining financing for their business ventures. Representatives from the Small Business Administration (SBA) will present information regarding SBA loan programs, changes in requirements for loans, new filing processes, and to answer pertaining to SBA services.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's head of the newly formed BFA in Creative Writing Program and associate professor of English Chris Holbrook has released his second book of fiction, "Upheaval," a collection of stories, to much praise in the Appalachian region.

Holbrook will read from his work at Joseph Beth Booksellers in Lexington on Thursday, Sept. 24 from 7-8 p.m. and will be reading at Coffeetree Books on Thursday, Oct. 22.

Holbrook grew up in Knott County, and as a native of Appalachia, his masterful command of detail reveals a personal familiarity with the people of this region, from the cadence of the language to the food on the tables.

His works reveal the thorny, contradictory, and at times funny complexities of Appalachian life. His stories tap into the fierce desperation and unsettling pain of characters that seem primed to explode at any second. In tense, measured dialect, he leads the reader into a world that is frightening and yet familiar. From his intimate portrayal of specific communities and individuals, Holbrook draws broader truths that drive these stories beyond the merely regional.

Through eight powerful stories in "Upheaval," Holbrook delves into the relationships between father and son, elderly and young, and the roles of family, faith, and the outside world. Throughout the book, he returns to the connection of person and place, highlighting the role Appalachia plays in the formation of a unique people. With uncanny accuracy, he depicts the creeping claustrophobia of a place where life is scraped from gravel mines and rough fields, where those who move away are looked on with confusion and even scorn.

The collection also gives insight into some of the biggest social and environmental issues that affect Kentuckians on a day-to-day basis, from coal mining to welfare laws.

Before joining MSU in 2003, Holbrook taught English at Alice Lloyd College. He earned an M.F.A. degree in fiction writing at the University of Iowa and has completed residency fellowships at the Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Mass., and at Yaddo in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. He also is a graduate of the Iowa Writers' Workshop.

Holbrook has won numerous awards for his writings, including MSU's Thomas and Lillie D. Chaffin Award for Appalachian writing for "Hell and Ohio: Stories of Southern Appalachia," and three Individual Artist Al Smith Fellowships for fiction writing from the Kentucky Arts Council.

Books may be obtained by visiting the University Press of Kentucky at www.kentuckypress.com.

Additional information is available by contacting Holbrook at (606) 783-2606 or e-mailing him at c.holbrook@moreheadstate.edu.

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PRESTONSBURG, Ky.---Morehead State University's East Kentucky Small Business Development Center will present a "Lender's Workshop" on Tuesday, Oct. 13.

The free workshop will be held at the Morehead State University at Prestonsburg campus, Postsecondary Education Building, from 9-11:30 a.m.

The workshop will provide needed small business loan information to enable area loan officers to better assist potential applicants in obtaining financing for their business ventures. Representatives from the Small Business Administration (SBA) will present information regarding SBA loan programs, changes in requirements for loans, new filing processes, and to answer pertaining to SBA services.

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

For a list of upcoming events, visit the Web site at www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc.

Additional information is available by calling (606) 432-5848.

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This event, which will run 3-4:30 p.m. at the Morehead-Rowan County Chamber of Commerce, is designed to provide small business owners with the information and resources needed to help them get their small business started.

David Barber, director of SBDC in Morehead, will be the workshop instructor. He has experience in helping clients start and foster the growth of the business venture.

"This is an excellent and affordable opportunity for business owners to gain valuable information about starting a small business loan from an experienced instructor," said Barber. "This workshop will help you look at the feasibility of your idea and make certain that there is a market for your product or service."

There is no charge; however advance registration is strongly suggested. The chamber's located at 150 East First Street in Morehead.

The SBDC encourages business success through its high quality, in-depth and hands-on consultations to new ventures, and existing businesses that are available at no cost. Additionally, the center offers affordable business workshops and provides market research and industry trends to help business owners make informed decisions.

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For additional information or to register, you may call (606) 783-2895 or e-mail Barber at d.barber@moreheadstate.edu

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A number of diverse stakeholders within and outside of the University will be interviewed individually or in small groups by the review facilitator, Dr. John W. Moore, a recognized authority on presidential review in universities, colleges, systems, boards and commissions. The purpose of the review is to aid in the ongoing professional development of the President. It provides feedback about the perceptions of stakeholders and offers constructive suggestions to improve presidential effectiveness.

Although nearly 100 persons will be invited to participate, many of whom will be selected using a table of random numbers, there is an opportunity for any member of the university community to communicate in writing with the facilitator.

If you elect to do so, please address your sealed letter to Dr. John W. Moore, 1634 Monarch Drive, Venice, FL. It is necessary that you sign your letter and send it to Dr. Moore no later than Monday, Oct. 5.

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He was awarded the Appalachian Endeavor, Presidential, Alumni, and TRIO scholarships.

Jones, the son of Glenn and Joyce Jones, is a Morgan County High School graduate where he was class salutatorian. He received the Kentucky Occupational Skills Standard Certification and was named to the KHSAA Academic All-State First Team. During high school, Jones was the East Kentucky Technology Education Association president, the Morgan County TSA vice president, and a member of the National Honor Society.

To be eligible for the Appalachian Endeavor Scholarship, students must be biology majors from East Kentucky.

To be eligible for the Presidential Scholarship at MSU, a student must have outstanding grades and ACT test scores. Valued at full in-state tuition and on-campus housing for most recipients, a Presidential Scholarship is renewable for up to three years if the recipient maintains the required grade point average.

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She received the C. Louise Caudill Scholarship in Nursing and Allied Health and the C. Louis Caudill Scholarship for female students wishing to enter the medical profession.

Wise, a graduate of Edward Lee McClain High School in Greenfield, is an MSU senior enrolled in the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program. She is the daughter of Jack and Deb Wise.

A member of the National Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi since 2007, she has made the academic dean's list every semester of enrollment.

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Peters, the daughter of Larry and Barb Peters, is a Campbell County High School graduate.

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French, the daughter of Connie Barrett, is a Montgomery High School graduate where she was a member of the MCHS National Honors Society. French also served as a volunteer for the Bath County Relay for Life where she sang the national anthem and T.K.'s Gymnastics where she had oversight of cheerleading and competitions. She is an active member of the Owingsville First Christian Church Youth Group.

She was listed on the MSU dean's list for 2008-09 and is a new member of Phi Eta Sigma.

To be eligible for the Clara Bascom Lane Memorial Scholarship, applicants must be from Montgomery County and enrolled full time as an undergraduate student at MSU. Recipients are chosen on academic achievement, test scores and have unmet financial needs. Recipients must maintain at least a 2.5 GPA.

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Johnson, the daughter of Teresa Sheets Johnson, is a Morgan County High School graduate. She is a member of the Student Nurses Association, a volunteer at the People's Clinic in Morehead and was a counselor at Camp Smile.

The Clifford R. and Addie R. Rader Nursing Scholarship provides aid to full-time students enrolled in MSU's pre-licensure and post-licensure baccalaureate nursing program. To be eligible for this award, applicants must be Kentucky residents and maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0. on a 4.0 scale.

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Dickens, the son of Dr. Bill and Melody Dickens, is a Calvary Christian School graduate. A dean's list student, he is a member of Phi Eta Sigma and the MSU Academic Honors Program.

He is an active member of the Baptist Campus Ministries Council and a 2009 KBC/BCM Acts 1:8 team member which participated in an eight-week overseas mission trip, spending two weeks in the Dominican Republic. He performs with the Praise Team Band of Crosspoint Church in Morehead.

To be eligible for a Gary L. Bishop Scholarship, the student must have a cumulative high school GPA of at least 3.5, scored 20 on the ACT, and documented plans of pursuing a degree in a business-related area. Current students who apply must be undergraduates with a cumulative GPA of 3.0

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Brown's fiddle mentors include Bruce Molsky, Dirk Powell and Bruce Greene. He has played with Rhythm in Shoes, appeared as a guest artist with Tim O'Brien and Uncle Earl and currently tours the nation teaching and performing old-time music.

The registration fee is \$30 (MSU students \$25 with valid student ID). Deadline to register is Friday, Oct. 9. To register for the workshop, visit www.kctm.info.

Additional information about the workshop is available by calling (606) 783-9001 or e-mailing Jesse Wells, music archivist/instructor of traditional music, at je.wells@moreheadstate.edu.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.--- Morehead State University has announced that Melissa Tackett of **Pikeville** is receiving an Irvin Lowe Scholarship and an MSU Foundation General Scholarship for the 2009-10 school year.

Tackett, the daughter of Bobby and Jane Tackett, is a Pikeville High School graduate. Named to the dean's list, she received the Sigma Alpha Iota Scholastic Award. Tackett is a member of Psi Chi psychology honor society, MSU Symphony Band, and Sigma Alpha Iota music fraternity. She is active in the Pikeville United Methodist Church.

To be eligible for the Irvin Lowe Scholarship, the applicant must be a Pike County student unconditionally admitted for study at MSU and have sufficient financial need. The scholarship is renewable if the student successfully meets University requirements.

The General Scholarship was made possible by donations to the General Scholarship Fund at MSU.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Jennifer Crisp, transfer/adult/GED enrollment services counselor, is among 10 Kentuckians that will embark on a special adventure this year as they bring the excitement of the Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games 2010™ to their local communities.

Crisp and the others were selected and commissioned by Alltech to represent the company and advance the message of Alltech, the Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games, and the company's related initiatives such as the Alltech Fortnight Festival.

"These 10 men and women were identified by Alltech as individuals who would represent Alltech well in their hometowns and surrounding communities," said Dr. Pearse Lyons, president and founder of Alltech. "Over the next year, they will broaden our reach in the Commonwealth by visiting schools, clubs, civic organizations, churches, clubs, and festivals to garner interest and enthusiasm in the Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games and the Alltech Fortnight Festival, while telling the story of the global animal health and nutrition company behind both events."

A two-time MSU graduate, Crisp has a passion for the preservation of the Appalachian culture and recently began working toward an Appalachian Studies degree at MSU. The Prestonsburg native is a member of the Kentucky Association of Secondary and College Admissions Counselors, the Big Sandy Area P-16 Council, and the MSU at Prestonburg Advisory Board, among others.

Others selected were: Jessica Byassee, Rosanne Radke, Heath Eric, Jeff Younglove, Rachel Shipley, Jeff Iker, John McGlone, Phil Smith and Ted Kuster.

Additional information is available by contacting Crisp at (606) 783-5421 or e-mailing j.crisp@moreheadstate.edu.

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Cutline:

The newly appointed Alltech Ambassadors are, first row from left, Phil Smith, Rosanne Radke and Jennifer Crisp. Second row from left, Jessica Byassee, Ted Kuster, Rachel Shipley and Jeff Younglove. Third row from left, Heath Eric, Paul Radke and John McGlone.

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Orchestra:

Brandon Coleman, guitar/mandolin, of **Pikeville**, is a senior jazz studies major. Coleman, a member of the Jazz I Ensemble, is the son of John and Pamela Coleman.

Janelle Galloway, cellist, from **Normal, Ill.**, is a sophomore kinesiotherapy-exercise science major. The daughter of Brian and Jan Galloway, she is in her second year as a member of MSU's University Orchestra.

Genevieve C. Jenkins, rehearsal accompanist-keyboards, of **Morehead**, is an MSU alumnus music education major. She is currently employed as the elementary gifted instructor for Rowan County Schools.

Joey Thieman, accordion, from **Kettering, Ohio**, is a senior trumpet performance major. In addition to playing the accordion and trumpet, he also plays the piano and drums. He is the son of Robert and Mary Thieman.

Amanda Wells, music director, of **Morehead**, is currently a Rowan County elementary music teacher. Wells has directed the music of other MSU productions such as Blood Brothers and Urinetown.

Designers and Crew:

Stephanie Adams, choreographer/scenic painter, of **Florence**, is a senior theatre/psychology major. The daughter of Richard and Sarah Adams, she has designed, choreographed, and acted in several MSU productions. President of University Players, Adams also is a member of Theta Alpha Phi.

Lee Ann Fryman, costume designer, from **Cynthiana**, is a senior theatre/french major. Fryman has been in several MSU productions and is a member of Theta Alpha Phi. She is the daughter of Dale and Karen Fryman.

Delilah Gamble, stage manager, from **Ezel**, is a senior theatre/mathematics major. Gamble participates in Baptist Campus Ministries and the Methodist Student Center. She is the daughter of Marvin and Burma Gamble.

Shayla Menville, props designer, of **Morehead** is a theatre/communications major. She is a news anchor and reporter for Morehead State Public Radio and a member of Theta Alpha Phi. She is the daughter of Chere Menville, Helen Rowe, and Duane Dillow.

Corinne Patterson, assistant props designer, of **Cameron Park, Calif.**, is a sophomore Theatre major. She is the daughter of Guy and Ruthie Patterson.

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Seth, the daughter of Daniel and Jyotsna Seth, is a graduate of Canyon High School. Named a Superintendent Scholar, she was a member of the National Honor Society and the University Interscholastic League in social studies.

Active in community service, she joined other youths and adults to paint a mobile home, fed the homeless, and assisted as a server at the Honor Marriage Banquet at the Methodist Church.

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The Gussie Webb Snapp Scholarship is named in honor of a teacher from Jenkins, who died in 1955. To be eligible for this award, the applicant must be a full-time student at Morehead State University, be of good character and making satisfactory academic progress.

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Schack, the son of Mark and Edna Schack, is a Rowan County Senior High School graduate. A dean's list student, he was named Outstanding Computer Science Student this year and is a member of the Sigma Pi fraternity where he has held the positions of scholarship chair and webmaster since 2007.

The purpose of The Hildreth Maggard Scholarship is awarded to a graduate of a Kentucky high school with Rowan County students given first preference. Recipient must maintain a 3.5 GPA.

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Orchestra:

Brandon Coleman, guitar/mandolin, of **Pikeville**, is a senior jazz studies major. Coleman, a member of the Jazz I Ensemble, is the son of John and Pamela Coleman.

Janelle Galloway, cellist, from **Normal, Ill.**, is a sophomore kinesiotherapy-exercise science major. The daughter of Brian and Jan Galloway, she is in her second year as a member of MSU's University Orchestra.

Genevieve C. Jenkins, rehearsal accompanist-keyboards, of **Morehead**, is an MSU alumnus music education major. She is currently employed as the elementary gifted instructor for Rowan County Schools.

Joey Thieman, accordion, from **Kettering, Ohio**, is a senior trumpet performance major. In addition to playing the accordion and trumpet, he also plays the piano and drums. He is the son of Robert and Mary Thieman.

Amanda Wells, music director, of **Morehead**, is currently a Rowan County elementary music teacher. Wells has directed the music of other MSU productions such as Blood Brothers and Urinetown.

Designers and Crew:

Stephanie Adams, choreographer/scenic painter, of **Florence**, is a senior theatre/psychology major. The daughter of Richard and Sarah Adams, she has designed, choreographed, and acted in several MSU productions. President of University Players, Adams also is a member of Theta Alpha Phi.

Lee Ann Fryman, costume designer, from **Cynthiana**, is a senior theatre/french major. Fryman has been in several MSU productions and is a member of Theta Alpha Phi. She is the daughter of Dale and Karen Fryman.

Delilah Gamble, stage manager, from **Ezel**, is a senior theatre/mathematics major. Gamble participates in Baptist Campus Ministries and the Methodist Student Center. She is the daughter of Marvin and Burma Gamble.

Shayla Menville, props designer, of **Morehead** is a theatre/communications major. She is a news anchor and reporter for Morehead State Public Radio and a member of Theta Alpha Phi. She is the daughter of Chere Menville, Helen Rowe, and Duane Dillow.

Corinne Patterson, assistant props designer, of **Cameron Park, Calif.**, is a sophomore Theatre major. She is the daughter of Guy and Ruthie Patterson.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.--- Morehead State University has announced that Marilyn D. Barnett of **Clay City** was awarded the Ted and Jean Crosthwait Scholarship, an MSU Foundation Award, and the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) Transfer Scholarship for the 2009-10 school year.

A Bath County High School graduate, Barnett is the daughter of Geraldine Carmichael of Sharpsburg and the late Henry A. Carmichael of Owingsville. A dean's list student, she maintained a 4.0 GPA from fall 2003 to fall 2008, and a 3.978 thereafter.

Active in the community, Barnett is president of the Powell County Parents and Professionals Autism Support Group.

To be eligible for the Ted and Jean Crosthwait Scholarship, the student must be unconditionally admitted for study at MSU with sufficient financial need. The MSU Foundation Award recipient is chosen by committee selection.

To be eligible for the KCTCS Transfer Scholarship, applicants must be admitted to MSU as a transfer student from any institution in the Kentucky Community and Technical College System. The student must have completed 36 hours of college coursework and have a minimum cumulative GPA of at least 3.5. The scholarship is renewable if the recipient maintains a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 and consecutive full-time enrollment.

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MOREHEAD, Ky. ---Morehead State University has announced that two **Vanceburg** students are receiving a Mary Logan Gilmer Scholarship for the 2009-10 school year.

Receiving the scholarship are: Kayla Dawn Polley, the daughter of Donald Ray and Carla Polley, and Clay Stamm, the son of Randy and Lisa Stamm. They are graduates of Lewis County High School.

Polley, salutatorian of the 2009 class, was listed in Who's Who Among High School Students, and president of the Beta Club during her senior year.

Stamm was a member of Beta Club for three years and participated in the 4-H Club for nine years where he was active in the Livestock Club, Horse Club, and the Shooting Sports Club where he won numerous awards during this time. He was involved in the American Private Enterprise System and Future Farmers of America where he was recognized for his accomplishments.

To be eligible for the Mary Logan Gilmer Scholarship, the student must have been born in Lewis County or have lived there at least five years, have a minimum 2.5 GPA in high school and have sufficient financial need. The award is renewable if the student maintains at least a 2.0 GPA.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Kentucky Center for Traditional Music will host a workshop by renowned fiddler Matt Brown. "Fiddle Tunes and Beyond" will be held on Saturday, Oct. 17, from 12-3 p.m. at KCTM on Main Street.

Brown's fiddle mentors include Bruce Molsky, Dirk Powell and Bruce Greene. He has played with Rhythm in Shoes, appeared as a guest artist with Tim O'Brien and Uncle Earl and currently tours the nation teaching and performing old-time music.

The registration fee is \$30 (MSU students \$25 with valid student ID). Deadline to register is Friday, Oct. 9. To register for the workshop, visit www.kctm.info.

Additional information about the workshop is available by calling (606) 783-9001 or e-mailing Jesse Wells, music archivist/instructor of traditional music, at je.wells@moreheadstate.edu.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.--- Morehead State University has announced that Maggie Romance of **Cub Run** is receiving the Ruth Boggs Shannon and E.L. Shannon Jr. Endowment and the Larry Stephenson Memorial Scholarship for the 2009-10 school year.

Romance, the daughter of Matt and Debbie Romance, is a graduate of Hart County High School. At MSU, she was elected vice president of the Morehead Geographical Society and the Collegiate Middle Level Association. She has maintained a 3.9 GPA on a 4.0 scale.

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Gilliam, the daughter of David and Beverly Gilliam, is a graduate of Rowan County Senior High School. She has been on the dean's list all four years at MSU.

The Lindsay R. and Hazel R. Ellington Scholarship is awarded to full-time, undergraduate students attending MSU. Candidates must be majoring in a field directed toward a teaching objective and have expressed a desire to teach in primary, secondary, or postsecondary educational systems following graduation from MSU.

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