

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 19, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University will hold the Class of 2010 Graduation Fair on Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 23 and 24.

The Graduation Fair will be held from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Feb. 23 and 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Feb. 24. The event will be held on the first floor of the Adron Doran University Center.

Those planning to complete their degree in May or during the summer should attend the event. Those in attendance may apply for graduation early with the Registrar, purchase a cap and gown from the University Bookstore, order graduation announcements and class rings, and check their financial aid status.

Students in attendance also may learn about graduate programs offered at MSU, visit with Career Services and get information on the GRE, LSAT, MCAT, GMAT and other exams.

Refreshments will be available at the event and a number of prizes will be given away.

More information is available by calling alumni relations at (606) 783-2080.

#####

ajb

# News

Media Relations

www.moreheadstate.edu

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 12, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---During this filing season, Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) will be available at no charge to Morehead State University students and eligible employees.

Through the University's Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance, in conjunction with the Internal Revenue Service, the tax return assistance will be offered on Tuesdays from 3-6 p.m. in room 311 of the Combs Building on campus. It is free to students, and also to employees and members of the Morehead community with an annual income of \$46,000 or less.

No appointment is necessary. Taxpayers will be assisted on a first come, first-served basis, and no returns will be accepted for preparation after 5:30 p.m.

It will be necessary for taxpayers to bring with them documentation for any and all that apply:

- W-2(s);
- 1099(s);
- A copy of last year's return;
- Statements of other income;
- Information for deductions;
- Social Security cards for you, your spouse, and/or dependents;
- Proof of identification for yourself and/or spouse;
- Proof of account for direct deposit of refund (voided check);
- Proof of tuition paid during 2009 for yourself, spouse, and/or dependents;
- Cost of books for 2009;
- Amount of scholarships and/or grants awarded in 2009;
- If eligible for first-time homebuyer credit, proof of purchase price of home.

For proof of tuition and scholarships/grants, you should bring a copy of your account for the calendar year of 2009. This can be printed from your MSU account Web page.

Additional information is available from Sharon Walters, associate professor of accounting, by calling (606) 783-2725, or by e-mailing [s.walters@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:s.walters@moreheadstate.edu).

#####

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 23, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.--- Morehead State University will host five one-day Student Orientation, Advising and Registration (SOAR) programs in preparation for the 2010 Fall Semester. New first year and transfer students will register for their fall semester classes during this event.

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

Campus tours will be available.

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

The 2010 SOAR dates are April 16 and 17, June 11 and 22 and July 20.

Preregistration for the SOAR program is necessary due to limited space. There are two ways to register: visit the Web page at [www.moreheadstate.edu/soar](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/soar) and complete the registration form; or register with the Office of First Year Programs by calling (606) 783-5208.

#####

ajb

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 16, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Department of Nursing will offer an Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Track for Paramedics beginning the fall 2010 semester.

A student who has completed a National Standard Curriculum Paramedic course and holds an active paramedic national certification, with no restrictions, equivalent of one year experience as a paramedic, is eligible for the program.

MSU will offer "NURA 111 - Paramedic-ADNP Transition Course" beginning fall 2010.

Students will need all prerequisites listed on the admission criteria and course sequence completed with a "C" and above before they can register.

Students, who have earned a 19 or higher on the ACT, can apply to the program while completing the course. Participants must apply to the Associate Degree Nursing Program Paramedic Track within one year of completing NURA 111.

Application for spring admission is made in the fall semester prior to spring classes. The application deadline is the last Friday in October.

Application for fall admission is made in the spring semester prior to fall classes. The application deadline date is the last Friday in March.

Additional information is available by calling Misty Lilley, regional academic counseling coordinator, at (606) 783-2639 or Carla Aagaard, academic counseling coordinator, at (606) 783-2641.

#####

# News

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 4, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's ALLYance student organization will sponsor a Valentine's Day dance on Wednesday, Feb. 10, at 6:30 p.m.

The semi-formal event, which is open to everyone, will be held in the Crager Room of the Adron Doran University Center.

Tickets will be sold in ADUC the week before the dance for \$4. The cost will be \$5 at the door.

There will be free food and participants can register for door prizes for only \$1.

All proceeds will benefit ALLYance and the Hobbs Endowment for Equality.

ALLYance provides resources, education, awareness and support to MSU students, faculty, staff and the surrounding community. The organization works toward gay, lesbian, bisexual, transsexual and transgender equality throughout the community and envisions an institution where people are ensured of their basic human rights where they can be open, honest and safe.

Meetings are held every Tuesday in 312 ADUC and Wednesday in 302 ADUC at 5 p.m. on the Morehead campus. Meetings are open to the public and membership dues are \$15.

Additional information is available at [www.moreheadstate.edu/orgs/allyance](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/orgs/allyance) or by e-mailing Adam Wheeler at [aswhee01@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:aswhee01@moreheadstate.edu).

#####

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 10, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---The Morehead State University Alumni Association Inc., is accepting nominations for its most prestigious honor, the Hall of Fame Award.

“We are seeking to honor our most outstanding alumni,” said Tami Jones, director of alumni and constituent relations. “Candidates must have achieved excellence in their profession, or for community service, at the local, state or national level.”

Submissions will be accepted until Thursday, April 1.

To meet the criteria, the individual:

- must have graduated from MSU at least 10 years prior to the time of nomination;
- must be a responsible, respected citizen of good character in their communities and professions;
- must have remained in contact and shown support for Morehead State;
- must be in attendance to accept the award.

Nominations should include the name, address and graduation year of the nominee; reasons why this individual should be considered; honors and awards; and name and telephone number of the person making the nomination.

Materials may be sent to the Alumni Association, Morehead State University, Alumni Center, 150 University Boulevard, Morehead, KY 40351.

Individuals will be inducted into the Alumni Hall of Fame on Friday, Oct. 29, during the 2010 Homecoming Weekend.

Nomination forms may be accessed at:

[www.moreheadstate.edu/advancement/content.aspx?id=38370](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/advancement/content.aspx?id=38370).

Additional information is available by calling the Alumni Association at (606) 783-2080 or (800) 783-ALUM (2586).

####

# News

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 2, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

FRANKFORT, Ky.---Kathi Shrider has been named project director for the Appalachian Education Initiative, a collaborative effort to bring together postsecondary and K-12 educators to implement Kentucky's 2009 Senate Bill 1 education reforms in Appalachian Kentucky counties.

The program is funded by a grant from the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC).

"Kathi is uniquely suited to lead this effort to partner with Appalachian school districts to implement Senate Bill 1," said Dr. Gary S. Cox, president of the Association of Independent Kentucky Colleges and Universities (AIKCU), which is serving as grant manager for the collaborative project.

"As the daughter of an Appalachian coal miner, a nonprofit administrator and an educator at both public and private colleges and universities in the region, she has proven her dedication to living, working, volunteering, and serving in Appalachia. Kathi's background is emblematic of the public-private collaboration we hope to achieve in this grant."

Shrider is a certified public accountant (CPA), holds a Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree, and has an extensive background in nonprofit management, accounting, corporate training, and teaching at the college level. She is currently an adjunct professor at Berea College where she has taught courses in accounting, mathematics, business computer applications, and nonprofit leadership and management.

The Appalachian Education Initiative is the first project to grow out of a unique collaboration between Morehead State University, Eastern Kentucky University, AIKCU, and a number of eastern Kentucky nonprofits and service agencies. The collaborative was formed in 2009 under the leadership of MSU President Wayne D. Andrews, ECU President Doug Whitlock and AIKCU's Cox.

"This region has more issues that need to be addressed than any one of us can solve, given our limited resources," said Dr. Whitlock. "But working together, we have the ability to make a big difference for the people of Appalachia."

(MORE)

The group held a series of meetings that included major stakeholders from across MSU and EKU's combined 44-county service regions - including area community and technical college presidents, independent college presidents, and nonprofits like the Center for Rural Development – to identify how their combined efforts could most benefit the people and communities of East Kentucky. The collaborative unites 15 postsecondary institutions: two regional public universities, eight independent colleges and universities and five community and technical colleges.

The unique public-private collaborative ultimately decided to focus on three broad areas: education, economic development, and health care.

“The Appalachian Education Initiative is the first step in our effort to work together to impact the broader region,” said Dr. Andrews. “Developing strong partnerships between public and private postsecondary institutions and local school districts to improve school curricula and meet the goals of Senate Bill 1 will have long term benefits for the students and communities of East Kentucky.”

Shrider will maintain an office on the campus of Berea College. She may be reached at (859) 353-1705.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Andrews at (606) 783-2022, Dr. Cox at (502) 695-5007 or Dr. Whitlock at (859) 622-2101.

####



# News

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 11, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Center for Regional Engagement and College of Business and Public Affairs have announced an "Arts Collaboration and Entrepreneurship" project.

The program will be coordinated by Michael Harford, management professor. In collaboration with individuals and organizations throughout the Commonwealth, he will conduct a series of learning events to support the development of vibrant arts collaboration and entrepreneurship.

Art galleries, theaters, literary publishers and writers, acting companies or actors, artisans, visual artists, musicians and music presenters are being sought for participation.

Interested persons are encouraged to contact Harford by Sunday, Feb. 28.

MSU operates out of five regional campus centers for delivery of college credit and noncredit courses, in Mt. Sterling, Prestonsburg, Ashland, West Liberty and Jackson.

In addition to practicing artists, the program will involve a select group of high school students. Teachers of the arts in the region are asked to nominate students for inclusion.

A limited number of participants will be selected for demonstrations and a juried process that may lead to publication, presentation, or promotion of their art.

"The goal of this project is to assist people in both broadening their network of the arts and arts business and explore possibilities," Harford said. "When people come together to work together, to learn and to celebrate the arts, examining ways to collaborate, progress is made and goals that might not have been achieved or would be delayed in achieving, are reached. Our hope is that the arts and businesses related to the arts will benefit."

Additional information is available by contacting Harford at (606) 783-2756, by e-mailing [harford@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:harford@moreheadstate.edu) or by mailing to UPO 1014, Morehead, KY 40351.

#####

Feb. 25, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

ASHLAND, Ky.---Morehead State University's Small Business Development Center in Ashland, along with Ashland Alliance and Ashland Community and Technical College, will host three business seminars in March.

All of the events will be held in the Jesse Stuart Foundation's first floor conference room, which is located on the corner of 17<sup>th</sup> Street and Winchester Avenue.

The workshops include:

"International Trade and Exporting" will be held Tuesday, March 16, from 1-3 p.m. Jeanine Duncliffe, of the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, will be the instructor. The workshop will demonstrate how small companies can participate in global marketing and overseas trade. Learn more about how the Cabinet for Economic Development can help your company become an exporter. Special focus on Mexico and specific examples of products that do and don't work in its marketplace will be discussed; along with an overview of the Mexican socio-economic structure and buying patterns.

"Using eBay to Start or Expand a Business" is scheduled for Wednesday, March 17, from 1- 3:30 p.m. Mark Johnson, of the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, will be the instructor. This workshop will introduce the basics of selling merchandise on eBay with a step-by-step breakdown of how to list, ship, and receive payments. Strategies and tips for successfully selling products on eBay will also be discussed. This is a classroom-only workshop and does not take place in a computer lab. The registration deadline is March 15.

"How to Start a Certified Home Day Care" will take place Wednesday, March 24, from 1-4 p.m. Nellie Jordan, of Northeast Child Care Resource and Referral, will be the instructor. This workshop will provide a detailed overview of the process to certify your home in order to care for children according to Kentucky law. By becoming certified, you can greatly increase your earning potential now and in the future. Deadline to register is March 22.

All workshops will have a question and answer session.

There is no charge for these workshops, and the events are open to the public. Seating is limited, so preregistration is required.

(MORE)

Ashland's SBDC to present workshops in March  
2-2-2-2

Training programs, sponsored or cosponsored 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 additional information or to register call (606) 329-8011; or register online at [kysbdc.ecenterdirect.com/Conferences.action](http://kysbdc.ecenterdirect.com/Conferences.action).

#####

MSU is an affirmative action, equal opportunity, educational institution.

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 1, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University will conduct the monthly test of its audible alert system on Monday, Feb. 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.

#####

ajb

# News

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 23, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Applications are now being taken for Morehead State University's Bachelor of Fine Arts in Creative Writing. The Department of English degree, which was established last year, 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.

Spring deadline for submission is Friday, March 26.

The program provides undergraduate students an opportunity to be taught through studio-oriented creative writing workshops in poetry, fiction and creative non-fiction by accomplished faculty members who are working writers.

Current faculty members include: George Eklund, Chris Holbrook, Crystal Wilkinson and Rebecca Howell. Other successful writers come to campus as guest readers and lecturers. Students also are 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 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 on MSU's campus may pick up an application packet in the Department of English.

Additional information is available by calling Holbrook at (606) 783-9448, 783-9448 or by e-mail [c.holbrook@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:c.holbrook@moreheadstate.edu).

#####

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 8, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Two bills directing impacting Morehead State University were filed last week in the General Assembly and an MSU-managed bill made headway in the House.

Senate Bill 127, sponsored by Sen. Ken Winters, R-Murray, would allow MSU and the five other comprehensive (regional) public universities in Kentucky to offer doctoral degrees in advanced nursing practice (DNP), subject to approval of the Council on Postsecondary Education (CPE).

If the bill becomes law, it would open the door to what would be MSU's second doctoral degree. The first, a doctorate in education, is expected to be approved this week by the CPE. It was authorized in December by the Board of Regents.

House Bill 374, sponsored by Rep. Jody Richards, D-Bowling Green, would allow faculty members at the rank of instructor to vote in elections for faculty seats on the governing boards of the six comprehensive universities and also would make them eligible to hold such seats. Current law restricts voting and election rights to faculty at the rank of assistant professor and higher.

Senate Bill 101, sponsored by Sen. Jimmy Higdon, R-Lebanon, was reported favorably by the Senate Education Committee and added to the consent calendar, meaning it likely will not be opposed on the Senate floor where it has received two of the three required readings.

The bill would allow university staff members serving on student disciplinary committees to have voting rights. At present, staff may serve but only faculty and student members are permitted to vote. MSU is managing the bill on behalf of the six institutions.

#####

Feb. 11, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---To be involved in the Olympics is a dream for many, but to participate in more than one is almost beyond belief. From his hotel room en route to the 2010 Winter Olympics, Morehead State University alumnus Brian Shimer talked about the excitement and wonder of the upcoming event. He couldn't be more enthusiastic about making a return trip.

As an athlete, Shimer competed in five Olympics and received a bronze medal at the Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City in 2002. As a coach, he is a World Cup and a World Championship medalist.

Shimer, men's head coach of the U.S. Bobsled and Skeleton Federation since 2006, is amazed that he is doing what he loves to do, is having so much fun, and it's his job. He is ready for the Olympics which get under way Feb. 12 in Vancouver.

In the four-man bobsled heat, the USA1 sled will be the first down the hill at the Olympics, thanks to the team's World Cup win earlier this year. Shimer believes his team is in shape and ready to participate. Steve Holcomb (who is ranked among the best four-man bobsled drivers in the world) will be at the helm, and training has gone as planned.

Last year ended on a record high for the coach of the four-man bobsled team that won the World Championship in Lake Placid. He hopes to duplicate that win and take home the gold in Vancouver.

"It was a great way to end the season. Winning the World Championship ended a 50-year drought for the U.S. in bobsledding," he said.

The American public gets reintroduced to bobsledding every four years during the Olympics, Shimer explained, when the athletes are continually competing. During the off years, they vie for the World Championship which is one race, four heats, during a weekend.

The World Cup is a series of races, completed throughout the year, against competitors from around the world in different countries. The one with the most accumulated points is the No. 1 seed at the Olympics.

(MORE)

After being involved in bobsledding for 25 years, Shimer said teaching great athletes to be great bobsledders is the easy part of the training process. As a coach, he is always looking for the fastest way down a track. “The start is important but medals are won at the bottom.”

However, the job does come with some challenges.

“One degree I didn’t get there at MSU was a psychology degree,” he jokes. “That would be a great tool when dealing with both male and female athletes. Everyone is different. Learning how to motivate, what it takes to make them be successful and how they can be the best they can be,” are among his major concerns.

With a nonstop travel schedule, Shimer may be overseas, in Canada, Europe, or somewhere in the U.S., at any given time. He believes the life is harder on his family, wife Annamarie, daughter Briana, 4, and son Bodie, 2.

“I have done this a lot,” he said. “But it gets harder when they say they ‘miss daddy’.”

A Florida native, Shimer was a running back and wide receiver on the football team. After completing his degree in 1985, he was recruited by the U.S. Bobsled Federation because of his athleticism and thus began his long association with the sport.

“I enjoy what I do,” Shimer said. “I have been blessed. It has been my life for so long.”

He was inducted into the MSU Alumni Hall of Fame in 2002.

Shimer apologized for not making it back to the MSU campus as often as he would have liked. He keeps in touch with a number of folks and corresponds with his football team by e-mail and Facebook.

“My heart is there in Morehead and I hope to go to Vancouver and make everybody proud!”

#####



# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 10, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Due to weather conditions, Morehead State University's Department of Music, Theatre and Dance has canceled MSU's 2010 Concert Band Clinic.

"We regret the inconvenience, however, the safety issues dealing with students and directors traveling to and from the event warrant caution," said Dr. Richard Miles, professor of music and director of bands.

All clinic concerts presented by MSU ensembles also have been canceled.

"According to our records, this is perhaps the only time in 52 years that this event has been completely cancelled. It was not possible to find an alternate date for the clinic later in the month," said Dr. L. Curtis Hammond, interim chair. "The safety of the clinic participants and MSU students were our foremost concern."

Full refunds will be processed as soon as possible.

Music scholarship auditions slated for Saturday, Feb 13, from 1-3 p.m. are still scheduled. If students are unable to attend, they should contact Paula Wing at (606) 783-2473 or e-mail [p.wing@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:p.wing@moreheadstate.edu) to arrange a special audition time.

#####

# News

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 11, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---For the first time since gaining university status in 1966, Morehead State University is authorized to award its first doctoral degree.

Starting this fall, MSU will enroll graduate students in pursuit of a doctorate in education (Ed.D.) in education leadership. The Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education gave final approval of the new degree program at its meeting today (Thursday).

MSU President Wayne D. Andrews described the CPE's action as "an historic milestone for an historic institution."

"This is exciting and wonderful news that holds great potential for this institution and for professional educators throughout our region and state who will have access to this unique, job-embedded degree program for teacher leaders," Dr. Andrews said.

MSU's first doctorate will have two tracks – Administrative Education Leader and Educational Technology Leader. The program stresses regional stewardship, student achievement and strengthening the workforce through improvements in the educational system at all levels.

Provost Karla Hughes and Dr. Cathy Gunn, dean of the College of Education, told the Board of Regents at its December meeting that 175-200 students have already shown interest in the new program.

Morehead State becomes the latest of Kentucky's regional public universities to offer doctoral degrees, the highest level of formal education. Until a few years ago, doctorates were available only at the state's two largest institutions.

A proposal to allow the six regional institutions to offer doctorates in nursing practice is pending in the current session of the Kentucky General Assembly.

####

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 3, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Dance Team will host the 2010 Eagle Dance Clinic on Saturday, Feb. 6, from 10 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. in Laughlin Health Building.

The participants will perform a dance routine (learned at the clinic) at halftime of the Eagle basketball game against Tennessee Tech that evening.

The clinic is open to dancers from four-years-old and up. Participants will be grouped according to their grade level (K-3, 4-7 and 8-12). The cost is \$25 for registration.

In addition to the clinic, the cost includes a T-shirt and admission for the participant to the game that evening.

Register by contacting Sarah Wilson at [sewils01@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:sewils01@moreheadstate.edu). Details also are available at [www.moreheadstate.edu/dance](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/dance).

#####

ajb

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 24, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Dr. Jennifer Dearden, associate professor of health, was elected vice president of the General Division for the Southern District American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD ) for a three-year term during its annual convention in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

She is currently the president of the Kentucky Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (KAHPERD) and will serve as a delegate to the AAHPERD convention in Indianapolis, March 16-20.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Dearden at (606) 783-2467.

#####

Feb. 8, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Dr. Cathy Gunn, dean of Morehead State University's College of Education, will take part in an historic event in Kentucky education on Wednesday, Feb. 10, in Frankfort.

She will be part of the Kentucky Education Professional Standards Board, Board of Education and Council on Postsecondary Education's meeting to formally adopt a resolution implementing the Common Core State Standards in English/language arts and mathematics.

"It is important to note that there will be fewer standards, with high and clear expectations," said Dr. Gunn. "These standards will help the P-20 community ensure that students develop critical thinking skills and will meet college and work expectations when they graduate."

Dr. Gunn was reappointed by Gov. Steve Beshear to the Kentucky Education Professional Standards Board for a four-year term in 2009.

With this action, Kentucky will be the first state to adopt the academic standards. Higher, clearer and more in-depth academic standards are required by Senate Bill 1, passed by the 2009 Kentucky General Assembly and codified as KRS 158.6451.

The meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. at the Kentucky Community and Technical College Central Office at 300 North Main Street in Versailles.

Gov. Beshear will attend the meeting, and U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan will provide greetings and support via video link. Sen. Ken Winters, chair of the Senate Education Committee, and Rep. Carl Rollins, an MSU alum, chair of the House Education Committee, also will attend.

Launched in 2009, the Common Core State Standards Initiative is a state-led effort coordinated by the National Governors Association Center for Best Practices (NGA Center) and the Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO). Governors and state commissioners of education from 48 states, two territories and the District of Columbia are committed to developing a common core of state standards in English/language arts and mathematics for grades K-12.

(MORE)

Dr. Gunn to take part in historic education event

2-2-2-2

The Common Core State Standards will enable participating states to:

- articulate to parents, teachers and the general public expectations for students;
- align textbooks, digital media and curricula to the internationally benchmarked standards;
- ensure professional development for educators is based on identified need and best practices;
- develop and implement an assessment system to measure student performance against the common core state standards;
- evaluate policy changes needed to help students and educators meet the common core state college and career readiness standards.

Dr. Gunn earned her Ph.D. degree in 1990 from the University of Oregon at Eugene in curriculum and instruction with emphases in reading/literacy and educational technology and educational anthropology. She received the M.A. degree in 1988 from the University of Illinois at Springfield in educational administration, and a B.S. of Education degree in 1971 from Illinois State University at Normal.

Dr. Gunn, who has been with MSU since July 2005, holds membership in several professional organizations including the International Society for Technology in Education, the Kentucky Association of Colleges of Teacher Education, and the American Association of Colleges of Teacher Education.

Kentucky Education Television also recently taped an interview with Dr. Gunn for its “Education Matters” program. It is scheduled to air on Tuesday, Feb. 23. The topic of the show is new approaches to quality teaching.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Gunn at (606) 783-2040.

#####

# News

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 28, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University will host two opening round games in the Ohio Valley Conference basketball tournaments at Johnson Arena Tuesday night.

Both the men's and women's teams finished the regular season as the No. 2 seeds as will host first-round games.

Mike Bradbury's bombers will open up postseason action Tuesday night at 5:30 p.m. against Murray State (13-16).

MSU (21-9) is the top team in the nation in three pointers made and three-pointers attempted this season while junior guard Chynna Bozeman set the MSU and OVC career mark for three-pointers. She also set the OVC single season mark this year with 109.

The Eagles won both games against the Racers in the regular season.

In the nightcap, MSU (21-9) will square off against Jacksonville State (11-18) on the men's side of the tournament.

For the first time in men's history, the Eagles finished with back-to-back 20 win seasons and set a record for most conference wins in a season (15). Donnie Tyndall's troops swept the regular season matchup against the Gamecocks.

Junior center Kenneth Faried is the nation's top rebounder (13 rpg) and leads MSU scoring 16.8 per contest.

Tip off time is set for 7:45 p.m.

Tickets will be \$10 at the door.

The first 300 MSU students will be admitted free.

Additional ticket information is available from MSU's Athletic Ticket Office at (606) 783-2386.

####

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 10, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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

The ultrasound examinations will be given until Feb. 25 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.

#####

ajb



# News

Media Relations

www.moreheadstate.edu

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 2, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Interfraternity Council (IFC) and Panhellenic Council (PHC) inaugurated their executive officers for 2010 in a formal ceremony in the Adron Doran University Center.

Meaghan Dill, **Fort Thomas** senior and member of Chi Omega sorority was christened president of PHC. Glenn Means III, **Mt. Sterling** junior and member of Pi Kappa Phi will lead IFC.

Dill said her goals were to promote cooperation among sororities and improve recruitment to better serve Greek women. Means indicated he plans to get more collaboration between all Greek organizations, maintain a stronger presence on campus, and promote a positive image of Greek life.

Jennifer Downey of Kappa Delta, a **West Liberty** junior, will be the vice president administration for PHC. Her counterpart on IFC is Christopher Melton, **Hazard** junior, a Kappa Sigma member. Melton will serve as the executive vice president for IFC.

Other members of the PHC include: Danielle Suit, **Flemingsburg** sophomore, vice president of programming; Kelly Morrell, **Louisville** junior, records; Cortney Conley, **Ashland** sophomore, treasurer; Sarah Caudill, **Hazard** senior, assistant recruitment; and Nichole Young, **Huntingburg, Ind.** sophomore, junior panhellenic.

Members of the IFC are: David Ray Gillum, **Sandy Hook** sophomore, vice president of recruitment; and Chris Darnell, **Mt. Sterling** junior, recorder.

Mike Esposito, director of student activities and Greek life, said he is excited about the forthcoming year. "The chapters have chosen outstanding student leaders. This will be a transformative year for both organizations and I am eager to work with them to bring about positive change."

Currently, 650 students participate in Greek life at Morehead State University.

Additional information about student organizations and activities at MSU is available by calling the Office of Student Activities at (606) 783-2071.

#####

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 22, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.--- Dr. Cathy Gunn, dean of Morehead State University's College of Education, will be featured on Kentucky Educational Television's "Education Matters" program on Tuesday, Feb. 23, at 9 p.m.

The topic of the show is new approaches to quality teaching.

Host Bill Goodman, KET's public affairs reporter, will interview educators, experts, policy makers and parents about Kentucky schools and students. KET visited the MSU campus to interview Dr. Gunn and also filmed in some of the new state-of-the-art classrooms.

Dr. Gunn earned her Ph.D. degree in 1990 from the University of Oregon at Eugene in curriculum and instruction with emphases in reading/literacy and educational technology and educational anthropology. She received the M.A. degree in 1988 from the University of Illinois at Springfield in educational administration, and a B.S. of Education degree in 1971 from Illinois State University at Normal.

Dr. Gunn, who has been with MSU since July 2005, holds membership in several professional organizations including the International Society for Technology in Education, the Kentucky Association of Colleges of Teacher Education, and the American Association of Colleges of Teacher Education

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Gunn at (606) 783-2040.

#####

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 9, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Due to the weather, the higher education rally scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 9, in Frankfort has been postponed. No new date has been announced at this time.

Additional information is available by calling MSU's Student Government Association office at (606) 783-2298.

#####

# News

Media Relations

www.moreheadstate.edu

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 15, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Area residents will have an opportunity to travel abroad this spring as the Highlands Light Opera will sponsor a trip to mystical Scotland.

Participants may audition for a spot in the company's touring production or may choose to simply travel with the group. The tour is scheduled for May 16-25.

Folk and classical musicians are encouraged to audition for the production, which features American music and dance. Family members and friends are welcome to travel with the group.

The program begins in Glasgow with trips to Glasgow Cathedral, the famous Loch Lomond, and historic Stirling Castle. A tour of the Highland follows, famous for its distilleries because of crystal clear waters that abound within its stunning scenery. A voyage to the beautiful Isle of Skye also is featured.

The next stop is Aberdeen, with one of Scotland's most enchanting skylines, and an Old Town that has a magical air of time gone by. This segment of the program includes visits to King's College and St. Machar Cathedral. Then it's on to St. Andrew's Cathedral, once the largest in Scotland, and St. Andrew's Castle, built for the bishops of the town in 1200.

The tour winds on to Edinburgh, one of Britain's most beautiful cities and home of the new Scottish Parliament and Edinburgh Castle. Other major sights include Princes Street, Sir Walter Scott Monument, the Georgian New Town, the legendary King Arthur's Seat and the medieval Royal Mile, ending with St. Giles Cathedral, the High Kirk regarded as the mother church of Presbyterianism and dating back as far as 1120.

University students may qualify for student loans. The cost for the trip is \$2,495, but may be less if there are more than 30 participants. Only 40 seats are available, and will be reserved on a first come, first served basis.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Roma Prindle at (606) 783-2481 or by e-mail at [r.prindle@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:r.prindle@moreheadstate.edu). The deadline is Feb. 25.

#####

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 15, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's George M. Luckey Academic Honors Program will host the Kentucky Honors Roundtable, Feb. 19-20.

There will be presentations on a wide variety of topics by Honors students from universities across the state, beginning at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 20, and concluding at 3:15 p.m.

All events will be held on the third floor of the Adorn Doran University Center.

Members of the campus and community are invited to attend. The schedule of events is available at [www.moreheadstate.edu/honors/index.aspx?id=1698](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/honors/index.aspx?id=1698).

#####

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 27, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---House Speaker Greg Stumbo and other House Democratic leaders pledged here Friday to do their best to maintain current state funding of public higher education but warned that the eight universities and KCTCS will be held more accountable for statewide goals such as improved graduation rates.

Describing the 90-minute meeting in his office with the nine presidents, CPE President Robert King and CPE Chairman Paul Patton, Speaker Stumbo said:

“It was a very lively and open exchange. We told them that we want to help them, that we’re going to try to help them, that in exchange we expect results and that we’re going to start asking tougher questions and demanding more from them.”

MSU President Wayne D. Andrews characterized the session with Stumbo and other House speakers as “very positive and most informative.”

“We left the meeting with a better understanding of the incredible challenge the House is facing in balancing the budget and with an agreement to provide the General Assembly with better information on the achievements of all of our institutions,” Dr. Andrews said.

He added:

“Our legislative leaders made it clear that they understand the complexities of financing our institutions in these difficult times and that they recognize and value our role in the state’s future. I am confident they will do all they can to maintain our base funding.”

The House Democratic leadership includes two MSU alumni – Majority Floor Leader Rocky Adkins of Sandy Hook and Majority Whip John Will Stacy of West Liberty.

#####

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 16, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Clay Howard has been named director of instructional services at Morehead State University's Camden-Carroll Library.

Prior to his new assignment, he was distance instruction librarian and came to MSU in 2007 as a library specialist in special collections and archives.

Howard received his bachelor's degree from Centre College and a law degree from the University of Louisville. He earned his M.S. degree in library science in 2007 from the University of Kentucky.

He has worked in academic libraries in special collections and reference services. He has instructed courses for the government and paralegal studies programs at MSU.

Howard serves as liaison to the Department of Mathematics, Computer Science and Physics and the Department of Information Systems.

Additional information is available by calling Howard at (606) 783-9343.

#####

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 8, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's 2009 spring graduates of the Department of Industrial and Engineering Technology achieved a 100 percent pass rate on the Certified Technology Manager (CTM) exam.

This exam, administered through the Association of Technology, Management, and Applied Engineering (ATMAE), is a requirement of all expected graduates, although passing the test is not required. The IET department has been accredited by ATMAE since 1998, with reaccreditation achieved through 2014.

"MSU's industrial and engineering technology students are required to take the CTM exam prior to graduation in their senior year. With the average national pass rate of 51 percent, this is a great achievement for the IET students and the faculty," said Dr. Zargari.

CTM is the initial certification status awarded to eligible applicants. Holders may report continuing education activity to qualify for certified senior technology manager (CSTM) status.

CTM holders who report 30 PDU may upgrade to CSTM status. ATMAE Certification recognizes expertise in a specific field, a mark of distinction that sets the certification holder apart. ATMAE Certification provides external validation of knowledge and competence among others not familiar with the profession, improving marketability.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Zargari at (606) 783-2425 or by e-mailing [a.zargari@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:a.zargari@moreheadstate.edu).

####



# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 11, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Interdisciplinary Women's Studies Program will host a panel discussion "Real Men and Popular Culture: Perspectives on Masculinity" on Wednesday, Feb. 17, at 6:30 p.m.

The event will take place in 002 Breckinridge Hall.

Panelist will be Dr. Ric Caric, professor of government; Dr. Kristina Durocher, assistant professor of history; and Aaron Nelson, student.

Additional information is available from Dr. Ann Andaloro, director, at (606) 783-2714.

#####

# News

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 1, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Kentucky artists are invited to participate in the Bluegrass Biennial 2010, a juried exhibition of contemporary artworks of Kentuckians, which will be displayed in the main gallery of Morehead State University's Claypool-Young Art Building.

The opening and award reception will be held on Saturday, June 5, from 3 - 5 p.m., in conjunction with the Clack Mountain Festival.

The exhibition, which will run through July 30, is a collaborative effort of MSU's Department of Art and Design, Caudill College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, Cave Run Arts Association and the Morehead Art Guild.

The Bluegrass Biennial exhibition is open to all artists 18 years who are residing in Kentucky. Awards will be presented for Best in Show (\$300) and Merit (\$100 each).

Gwen Heffner, of the Berea Artisan Center, will be the juror for the exhibition. Her experience in the arts encompasses 30 years of overlapping careers as a studio potter, gallery owner and independent curator.

Heffner's porcelain works are published in nine books and she regularly serves as a juror and panelist across the U.S. She has curated exhibitions which have traveled to such national venues as the American Museum of Ceramic Arts, Asheville Art Museum, Ohio Craft Museum, Kentucky Museum of Art and Craft and Southern Highland Craft Guild.

The submissions, along with an entry form and \$15 entry fee, must be postmarked by Friday, March 12.

A prospectus PDF is available on the Web at [www.moreheadstate.edu/art/](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/art/) or by sending an e-mail to Jennifer Reis, gallery director, at [j.reis@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:j.reis@moreheadstate.edu).

The Claypool-Young art gallery, an educational resource of the art and design 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 Reis at (606) 783-5446.

#####

MSU is an affirmative action, equal opportunity, educational institution.

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 28, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Thousands of faculty and professional staff at five regional universities and the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) and certain of their retirees will pay more into the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System medical insurance fund under a bill filed here Friday in the General Assembly.

House Bill 540, sponsored by Rep. Carl Rollins, D-Midway, would require KTRS active members and their employers to pay more each year for six years until the rate reaches 3.75 percent of annual salaries. Currently, the rate is three-fourths of one percent. In addition, KTRS retirees under age 65 would resume paying into the fund until they reach 65.

The bill affects KTRS members and under 65 retirees at Morehead State, Murray State, Eastern Kentucky, Western Kentucky and Kentucky State universities and KCTCS. It is the result of lengthy negotiations involving KTRS and the institutions in the face of rapidly escalating health care costs for KTRS retirees. KTRS originally proposed that the higher rate be reached in three years.

Kentucky's three other public universities participate in private retirement plans and make their own arrangements for retiree medical insurance.

House Bill 540 also impacts KTRS members in the state's 174 public school districts who likewise pay into the retiree medical insurance fund.

#####

# News

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 12, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Office of Enrollment Services has announced four "Meet MSU Days" for students of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) interested in learning more about Morehead State.

Representatives will be present from academic departments, financial aid, and enrollment services. Information also will be available about 2+2 agreements (completer degrees), KCTCS transfer scholarships and online programs.

The dates, times, and locations of the programs are:

Tuesday, March 2, Student Lounge-Administration Building, Southeast Kentucky Community and Technical College (Whitesburg Campus), 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.;

Tuesday, March 9, Calvert Center, Maysville Community and Technical College, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.;

Thursday, March 11, A.T. Building, Bluegrass Community and Technical College, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.;

Tuesday, March 16, Community Room-Harold Rogers Student Commons, Somerset Community College, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

MSU offers online bachelor's degree "completer" programs designed primarily for graduates of KCTCS. These programs allow KCTCS graduates to earn bachelor's degrees while continuing to meet work and family obligations and 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.

Emphasis will be placed on seamless transition from KCTCS to Morehead State University and no registration is necessary for this event.

Additional information is available by contacting Jen Crisp, transfer senior enrollment services Counselor, at (606) 783-5421 or e-mail [j.crisp@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:j.crisp@moreheadstate.edu).

#####

# News

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 25, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State Public Radio's Spring Fundraiser and Membership Drive are scheduled for March 8-12. During this time, MSPR will ask listeners to support award-winning regional news, educational and entertainment programming including classical, Bluegrass, folk, jazz and blues.

The goal is to raise \$30,000 through listener gifts and business challenges. MSPR has an overall goal of 500 members and 150 new members.

"This will be a shorter fundraiser than in years past," said Paul Hitchcock, MSPR general manager. "Our plan is to meet our goals and resume regular programming as soon as possible. We know our listening community will help us, and we expect that they will also appreciate a quick return to regular programming."

On June 15, WMKY will celebrate 45 years of broadcasting. Starting in a classroom in the Combs Building at Morehead State University as a small, 100 watt radio station has now grown to serving 40 counties throughout east Kentucky, southern Ohio and western West Virginia. WMKY and the Morehead State Public Radio (MSPR) network also are worldwide by streaming live on the Internet, making MSPR a vital part of the community.

"Since 1965, we've offered programming which is educational, informative and entertaining with an emphasis on preserving and promoting the region's cultural heritage from the campus of Morehead State University," said Hitchcock.

One of the highlights of the week will be MSPR's 2nd Annual "Cookout on the Patio" on Monday, March 8, from 11a.m. to 2 p.m., in front of MSPR. Enjoy Chef Sam Mason's Hot Tchaikovsky or Cheesy Mozart Burgers and Sous Chef Greg Jenkins' Barbeque Bach Burgers. Listeners will be able to meet the MSPR staff and sample the finest canned meat burgers this side of the Licking River.

Morehead State Public Radio broadcasts 24 hours a day in digital audio from the campus of Morehead State University. MSPR's Web site offers live webstreaming, podcasts, archived audio and videos. Fans can stay connected with MSPR through Facebook and Twitter.

Gifts to Morehead State Public Radio are tax deductible and may be made online at [www.msuradio.com](http://www.msuradio.com). Additional information is available by calling MSPR at (606) 783-2001 or (800) 286-9659.

#####

# News

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 3, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State Public Radio will offer a variety of programming to celebrate Black History Month in February.

Among the specials are:

Friday, Feb. 12, "Race and the Space Race," 10 a.m. The Space Age began when America was going through a wrenching battle over civil rights. And because the heart of the old Confederacy was chosen as its base, NASA played an unintended role in civil rights history. The show tells the stories of people whose lives soared from the cotton fields to the launch pad. We hear how this happened and we hear the stories of the people who broke the color line at NASA -- their stories of frustration and their stories of perseverance.

Friday, Feb. 19, "A Beautiful Symphony of Brotherhood: A Musical Journey in the Life of Martin Luther King Jr.," 10 a.m. Dr. King grew up listening to and singing church songs, and saw gospel and folk music as natural tools to further the Civil Rights Movement. In this hourlong special from WNYC, host Terrance McKnight follows the musical biography of Dr. King, interweaving examples from his own speeches and sermons to illustrate the powerful place that music held in his work and how Dr. King harnessed the power of music to build a movement and change the world.

Friday, Feb. 19, "Grant Alden's Field Notes: African American Traditions in Country Music," at 7 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 26, "Memories of the Movement," 10 a.m. Tavis Smiley shares some of the poignant and very powerful memories of the Civil Rights Movement, as experienced by a few of the men and women who served on its front lines or played vital roles behind the scenes. Guests include Rev. Jesse Jackson, Ruby Dee, Dick Gregory and Dr. Julia Hare, among others.

Saturday, Feb. 27, "Truckin' My Blues Away," 8 p.m. Prime Time Radio presents an irresistible look at the music and musicians of the drink houses and juke joints of the rural South.

MSPR broadcasts 24 hours a day from the campus of Morehead State University. WMKY (90.3 FM) is the flagship station for the MSPR network, which includes WOCS in Booneville and a translator in Inez.

Additional information is available by calling MSPR at (800) 286-9659 or (606) 783-2001, or by visiting [www.msuradio.com](http://www.msuradio.com).

####

ajb

Feb. 5, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's President Wayne D. Andrews announced Friday (Feb. 5) that there will be changes in the 2010 Spring Commencement.

"For the first time in the institution's history, our Spring Commencement ceremony on May 8 will be divided into two programs – one at 9 a.m. and another at 2:30 p.m.," said Dr. Andrews in an campus wide e-mail to all students, faculty and staff.

Both programs will be held in the Academic-Athletic Center. Students from the Caudill College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences and College of Education will participate in the 9 a.m. program. Students from the College of Science and Technology and College of Business and Public Affairs will participate at 2:30 p.m.

Each program will feature a student speaker and include participation by faculty and deans from the graduating students' respective colleges. In subsequent years, there will be a rotation of colleges for the 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. programs.

"The primary reason for making this change is to ensure the safety of all individuals who attend Spring Commencement. For the past several years, attendance at Spring Commencement has increased to capacity levels resulting in both internal and external safety issues for the University," he added.

"Approximately a year ago, I asked a committee composed of Academic Affairs and Student Life personnel to study the issue. During this process, the committee surveyed our students to determine their participation in graduation and also the number of guests whom they desired to invite to celebrate this significant milestone in their academic careers.

According to Dr. Andrews, nearly 75 percent of the students indicated that they planned to invite five or more individuals with about 50 percent indicating 10 or more. Based on this information, the committee recommended that Spring Commencement be split into two programs to resolve the safety issues and also to help meet the needs of our students.

MSU has no current plans to change the format of Winter Commencement since it has fewer graduates and fewer safety issues.

The deadline to apply for May graduation is March 15.

Additional information is available by contacting the Office of the Registrar at (606) 783-2008 or by visiting its Web site [www.moreheadstate.edu/registrar](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/registrar).

#####

Feb. 2, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---The Morehead State University challenge to Eastern Kentucky University to see which school can log the greatest number of community service hours is going strong.

The challenge will end when the basketball Eagles host ECU on Wednesday, Feb. 17. There will be a trophy presentation and bragging rights for the most involved school on that night.

The Student Government Association came up with the idea and partnered with MSU's Office of Athletics and Center for Regional Engagement to encourage students, faculty and staff to participate in community service and gain experience in their field of study as they improve their communities.

The Gateway Homeless Shelter will benefit from the event as individual student organizations "Adopt a Room" in the house. They will paint, refurbish furniture and bedding, and decorate the rooms for the residents.

One student group is making garden boxes, and another group is creating toiletry bags to send to Haiti. Area churches and organizations have been contacted to provide names of residents who need assistance with yard work or snow removal and the Rowan County Recycling Center will use students in processing.

Students are assisting with a blood drive on that continues today (Feb. 2) at Button Auditorium, and also going on Feb. 2 at the Carl Perkins Center, and Feb. 10 at the Jesus Our Savior Catholic Church.

Students who donate blood will qualify for one hour of service towards the challenge.

The community can get involved by donating to a canned food drive at the MSU Eagles games on Feb. 4 and a clothing drive on Feb. 6. Drop boxes for both drives will be located in residence halls.

Donnie Tyndall, men's basketball coach, will participate in Samaritan's Feet Text-4-Shoes program on Feb. 4. Tyndall will be barefoot at all press opportunities – Eagles Sports Coaches Show (Feb. 2) and Lunch with the Eagles (Feb. 3) - leading up to the game.

Fans can text the word "shoes" to 85944 and \$5 will be added to their next month's bill and an impoverished child will be given a new pair of athletic shoes.

Any student interested in participating may contact Melisa McBrayer-Pratt at (606) 783-2274 or [mm.pratt@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:mm.pratt@moreheadstate.edu), or Kyle Yarawsky at [kyle.yarawsky@gmail.com](mailto:kyle.yarawsky@gmail.com).

Members of community organizations that would like to register for volunteers can call the CRE at (606) 783-9327.

####



# News

Media Relations

www.moreheadstate.edu

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 19, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University students were victorious over Eastern Kentucky University in a monthlong student service hour competition in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King.

Winning overwhelmingly with a total of 1,244 volunteer service hours, MSU took the trophy during halftime of Wednesday's MSU/EKU men's basketball game.

Despite events being canceled due to weather, student organizations, athletes and individuals made a real difference in the surrounding Rowan County community.

Led by the Student Government Association and MSU's Center for Regional Engagement, the student body raised more than \$1,000 for Haitian relief, made hygiene kits for Haiti, gave 130 pints of blood, held a Text-4-Shoes event for Samaritan's Feet, volunteered at the Rowan County Recycling Center, Rowan County Arts Center, Hospice and DOVES domestic violence shelter.

They also performed an "extreme makeover" on the Gateway Homeless Coalition Shelter and made garden boxes for the community. A canned food drive and a clothing drive were held at home basketball games and in the residence halls.

Many students performed volunteer projects in their home communities and spread the impacted area further.

MSU's Center for Regional Engagement offered a "thank you" to all organizations and individual students who took part in the Challenge-for-Change.

Additional information is available by calling the CRE at (606) 783-9327.

####

## Cutline:

President Wayne D. Andrews presented the Challenge-for-Change trophy. From left, Dr. Andrews; Lindsay Adkins, SGA vice president for campus involvement; Kyle Yarawsky, SGA president; Melisa McBrayer-Pratt, CRE community service and marketing coordinator; and Dr. J. Marshall, CRE director.

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 5, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Ashland Small Business Development Center honors and recognizes small businesses and advocates in three Northeast Kentucky counties of Boyd, Carter, and Greenup each year.

Nominations for the 2010 Northeast Kentucky Small Business Awards are currently being accepted.

The public is encouraged to nominate outstanding small business owners and/or advocates (individuals who deserve recognition for their efforts to promote the interest of small business).

Nominations will be accepted through Friday, March 5.

“2010 will mark our 13<sup>th</sup> year for this wonderful program that sets aside a day in May to honor and celebrate local small business success,” Kim Jenkins, event coordinator.

All nominees will be honored during an awards breakfast on Thursday, May 20. One winner will be selected as the best in each category.

Jenkins also expressed the importance of event sponsors and financial contributors saying “we count on our sponsors to offset the expenses associated with the cost of the awards, printing, promotions, postage, breakfast and we offer a variety of benefits to our financial contributors.”

To make a nomination or to learn about sponsorship opportunities, call (606) 329-8011 or visit [www.nekysba.com](http://www.nekysba.com).

#####

# News

Media Relations

www.moreheadstate.edu

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 17, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.--- Morehead State University is seeking nominations for its 2010 Award for University Service. The award will be presented as part of Homecoming 2010.

Individuals who have provided extensive service to the University throughout their time as a University employee or volunteer are eligible for nominations.

“We encourage our faculty and staff members, students, alumni and other friends to nominate deserving candidates who have demonstrated superior service to Morehead State University,” said President Wayne D. Andrews.

The Homecoming Banquet will be held on Friday, Oct. 29, at 7 p.m. in the Crager Room of the Adron Doran University Center. The ceremony will include the presentation of the University Service Award and the induction of the Alumni Hall of Fame recipients.

“On this special day, we will recognize and honor many of those whose efforts have contributed to making this institution what it is today,” said Dr. Andrews.

Nominations for the 2010 award should be submitted in writing to the Office of Alumni and Constituent Relations, Morehead State University, Alumni Center, Morehead, KY 40351.

Current full-time employees of MSU are not eligible. Nominations must be received by April 1.

The award for University Service was established by MSU’s Board of Regents in 1978.

Recipients have included W. E. Crutcher, 1978; Linus A. Fair, 1979; U.S. Rep. Carl D. Perkins, 1980; Dr. Warren C. Lappin, 1981; Dr. Ted L. Crosthwait, 1982; Monroe Wicker, 1983; Lloyd Cassity, 1984; Grace Crosthwaite, 1985; Boone Logan, 1986; Dr. Rondal Hart, 1987; George T. Young, 1988; John E. Collis, 1989; Dr. Wilhelm Exelbirt, 1990; Dr. R.H. Playforth, 1991; Dr. Mary Northcutt Powell, 1992; Sen. Woody May, 1993; Dr. J.E. Duncan, 1994; Harlen L. Hamm and Sherman R. Arnett, 1995; Dr. Adron Doran, 1996; Robert S. Bishop and K. Martin Huffman, 1997; Dr. Charles J. Pelfrey, 1998; Carolyn S. Flatt, 1999; Dr. Earl J. Bentley, 2000; Mrs. Mignon M. Doran, 2001; Dr. C. Nelson Grote, 2002; Merl Fair Allen, 2003; Dr. John C. Philley, 2004; Dr. Charles M. Derrickson, 2005; Dr. John R. Duncan, 2006; Steve Hamilton, 2007, Dr. Marshall Banks, 2008; and Dr. Randall Wells, 2009.

Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-2080 or (800) 783-ALUM.

#####

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 26, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University sophomore Elena Pedersen will travel to Albuquerque, N.M., in March to compete as a National Finalist in the MTNA Woodwind Young Artists Competition.

The daughter of Scott and Janine Pedersen, she earned the opportunity after winning the Southern Division of the Woodwind Young Artists Competition. Pedersen has been studying saxophone for eight years and is currently a student of Dr. Nathan Nabb, assistant professor of music.

The Sanford, Fla., native is the soprano saxophonist in the Phoenix quartet and has been invited to perform at the 2010 Society of Composers (SCI) National Convention. Along with the quartet, she has been featured in recent masterclasses with James Bunte and Debra Richtmeyer. Pedersen also is a member of the Symphony Band, Jazz Band, and Marching Band.

The Woodwind Young Artists competition will take place on Monday, March 22, during the MTNA National Conference. The national winner of this competition receives a cash prize and will perform in a Winners Concert during the conference.

The three-tiered MTNA competitions begin at the state level. Winners of each state competition advance to the division competition. Division winners then proceed to the National competition finals.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Nabb at (606) 783-2498.

####

Feb. 25, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University has been named to the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for exemplary service efforts and service to disadvantaged youth by the Corporation for National and Community Service.

"The University proudly accepts this award in honor of all of our faculty, staff and students who are involved in community service. We have been practicing good citizenship for more than 120 years and will continue to do so," said MSU President Wayne D. Andrews.

Launched in 2006, the President's Honor Roll recognizes institutions of higher education that support innovative, effective, and exemplary community service programs. Honorees for the various award levels, including the Presidential Award, were selected based on a series of factors, including scope and innovation of service projects, percentage of student participation in service activities, incentives for service, and the extent to which the school offers service-learning courses.

MSU's application for inclusion in the 2009 Honor Roll highlighted the University's involvement in Rowan County Christmas, Service Saturdays, and Rodburn Elementary School's Fall Festival. The fall festival is the primary fundraiser for the school and the money raised is used to purchase classroom supplies and help stock the Family Resource Center. MSU LEAD students play a large role in planning and running the festival each year.

Service Saturdays, run through MSU's Center for Regional Engagement, allowed students to plan service projects to benefit their home county. One of the highlights in the application was a fall festival held at Greenbo Lake State Park benefiting NECCO and the foster children it serves. Students in Dr. Cathy Thomas' speech courses participated in this past year's Rowan County Christmas by collecting nearly 400 toys and raising nearly \$1,000. In 2009, Rowan County Christmas served approximately 765 families.

"Congratulations to Morehead State and its students for their dedication to service and commitment to improving their local communities," said Patrick Corvington, CEO of the Corporation for National and Community Service. "Our nation's students are a critical part of the equation and vital to our efforts to tackle the most persistent challenges we face. They have achieved impactful results and demonstrated the value of putting knowledge into practice to help renew America through service."

(MORE)

President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll  
2-2-2-2

The Honor Roll includes six colleges and universities that are recognized as Presidential Awardees, with an additional 115 named to the Distinction List and 621 schools named as Honor Roll members.

The Honor Roll is jointly sponsored by the Corporation, through its Learn and Serve America program, and the Department of Education, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, USA Freedom Corps, Campus Compact, and the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation.

College students make a significant contribution to the volunteer sector; in 2009, 3.16 million students performed more than 300 million hours of service, according to the Volunteering in America study released by the Corporation. Each year, the Corporation invests more than \$150 million in fostering a culture of service on college campuses through grants awarded by its programs; the education awards that AmeriCorps members receive at the conclusion of their term of service to pay for college; and through support of training, research, recognition, and other initiatives to spur college service.

Additional information is available by calling CRE at (606) 783-9327.

#####

ajb

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 18, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Kentucky Folk Art Center is featuring a new exhibition titled "Red River: The Narrative Works of Edgar Tolson, Carl McKenzie, Earnest Patton, and Donny Tolson"

The exhibition is on display until July 3. A reception will be held on Thursday, March 11, 6-8 p.m.

Red River was funded in part by a Folklife Program grant from the Kentucky Arts Council.

Guest-curated by Larry Hackley, the exhibition features at least 10 major works by each of artists, for 46 works in all.

The focus is on their narrative work, so most of the carvings are complex, multi-figure scenes, including six Garden of Eden pieces by Edgar Tolson. Hackley's longtime association with all four artists, dating back to the mid-1970s, made him the ideal choice as curator for the exhibition. The exhibition will include an extensive, color catalog with an essay by Hackley.

After being displayed at KFAC, the show will then be at the Kentucky Museum of Art and Craft in Louisville (July through October) and at the Huntington (W.Va.) Museum of Art (November until February 2011).

"This exhibition was assembled to illustrate the connections, influences, styles, sources, and evolutions of the four major sculptors of the Campton School," writes Hackley in the exhibition essay. "It establishes that Appalachian Kentucky's visual arts tradition is equally as rich and vibrant as the region's music and literature. The work of these artists addresses universal themes and celebrates a particular sense of place."

"When we first visited longtime folk art dealer and collector Larry Hackley in Berea to discuss a possible exhibition of works by the prominent artists from the Red River area, we were delighted by his suggestion narrative as a theme for this exhibition," said Adrian Swain, KFAC artistic director. "Not only did this theme effectively define our process of selecting works, it drove straight to the heart of Kentucky folk art and the region's culture."

"In the end, this project grew and became more exciting with each passing day. We consider it amongst the most important exhibitions that the Kentucky Folk Art Center has ever presented," said Matt Collinsworth, KFAC director. "All of these artists, four of the most important in contemporary American folk art, came out of the same place and were influenced by the same local culture. In one way or another, the other three followed Edgar Tolson's lead, but all realized something unique and made his work distinctively his own."

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 visiting the Web site at [www.kyfolkart.org](http://www.kyfolkart.org).

#####

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 4, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Jennifer Reis, director of the main gallery in the Claypool-Young Art Building at Morehead State University, has been selected by the Kentucky Arts Council as one of 18 professional arts administrators and artists for its roster of arts consultants in the Kentucky Peer Advisory Network program.

Through this program, arts organizations, community groups, schools and eligible artists can receive low-cost advisory assistance in areas of board development, grant writing, planning, fundraising, marketing, promotion and more. Eligible artists are those who have been accepted into the Kentucky Arts Council marketing programs.

Reis came to MSU as gallery director in 2000. She has worked and/or consulted at numerous arts and educational institutions, including Miami University of Ohio, University of Kentucky, Kentucky School of Craft, Columbus Museum of Art, Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art at Cornell University, Lowe Art Gallery at Syracuse University, the Louisville Visual Arts Association, and most recently at Cincinnati's Contemporary Art Center and Cincinnati Art Museum.

Her areas of experience include exhibitions and arts programming, arts education, art collection management, and arts marketing. She has served on several boards and committees to advance the arts, including Americans for the Arts and the Kentucky Guild of Artists and Craftsmen, and has lobbied in the United States Senate for national arts funding. She exhibits her award-winning artworks nationally, and is published in the Lark Books publication "Creative Quilting for Beads."

She earned a B.F.A. degree in studio art from the Columbus College of Art and Design in Columbus, Ohio, an M.A. degree in museum studies from Syracuse University and an M.A. degree in studio art with an art education emphasis from MSU.

(MORE)



Reis named art consultant by KAC

2-2-2-2

The new peer advisers are Betsy Adler, Lexington; Dan Neil Barnes, Lexington; Angela Bartley, Louisville; April Brumfield, Richmond; Marcie Christensen, Lawrenceburg; Mylinda Dockery, Lexington; Scott Dowd, Louisville; Brad Downall, Madisonville; Darrell Edwards, Bowling Green; Judith Egerton, Louisville; Jeff Jamner, Louisville; Joe LaMay, Burnside; Vicki Middlesworth, Lexington; Kathleen O'Brien, Harrodsburg; Phil Shepherd, Lexington; Anita Streeter, Louisville; and Mary Margaret Villines, Munfordville.

The Kentucky Peer Advisory Network roster offers services from 52 Kentucky arts professionals.

For more information about the Kentucky Peer Advisory Network program, contact Charla Reed, partnerships and initiatives director, at (502) 564-3757, ext. 485, or [charla.reed@ky.gov](mailto:charla.reed@ky.gov).

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

Additional information is available by calling Reis at (606) 783-5446.

#####

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 9, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University Retirees Association's event scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 9, has been postponed due to bad weather.

No make-up date has been scheduled as of this time.

Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-2080.

#####

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 3, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's Student Athlete Advisory Council will accept donations at all remaining regular season home basketball games for the American Red Cross International Relief Fund for victims of the earthquake in Haiti.

Checks should be made payable to American Red Cross with International Relief Fund or IRF in the memo line.

Show your Eagle spirit and help out a good cause.

Additional information is available by calling the Office of Athletics at (606) 783-2088.

#####

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 9, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Former Morehead State University football player Phil Simms was part of television history during Sunday night's Super Bowl XLIV on CBS.

The New Orleans victory became the most watched program in TV history, overtaking the 27-year-old record set by the final episode of the comedy MASH.

The Saints' 31-17 win over the Indianapolis Colts attracted 106.5 million viewers to CBS, according to preliminary Nielsen TV ratings.

A four-year letterman, Simms was the Ohio Valley Conference's (OVC) Offensive Player of the Year in 1977, and finished his MSU career with 5,545 passing yards and 32 touchdowns. After his playing days at Morehead State, he was the Giants' first selection (seventh overall) in the 1979 NFL Draft.

Simms, the Super Bowl XXI MVP, played 15 seasons in the NFL. He joined CBS Sports in January 1998 as lead analyst and this year's Super Bowl was his fourth for CBS and sixth overall.

Sunday's broadcast also was the first televised sports event to top 100 million viewers, beating last year's 98.7 million for Super Bowl XLIII, which saw the Pittsburgh Steelers score a last minute touchdown over the Arizona Cardinals to win 27-23.

#####

Feb. 22, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Are you a Morehead State University student, alum or community member and looking for full-time work, a part-time position, or even an internship? Are you considering graduate school or would you simply like to get your name out to employers?

If so, the Spring Career Fair at MSU may have the opportunity for which you have been searching.

The fair will be held in the Crager Room on the second floor of the Adron Doran University Center from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesday, March 2. Employers from a variety of fields will be in attendance, including both the private and public sectors.

Participants should research the employers, come professionally dressed, and bring several copies of their resume.

Organizations may still register. If you are interested in targeting MSU students, alumni, or community members, you may download the registration form or call (606) 783-2233.

Employers who have registered to be on MSU's main campus include:

21st Mortgage Corporation; AK Steel Corporation; AmeriCorp VISTA; Appalachian College of Pharmacy; Asbury College Master of Social Work; Buckhorn Children and Family Services; Campbellsville University Graduate Admissions; Citizens National Bank; Clark Regional Medical Center; Department of Income Support (Federal Agency); Eastern Kentucky University Graduate School; Eastern Kentucky Returned Peace Corps Volunteers; Eastern State Hospital; Enterprise Rent-a-Car; Family Dollar Distribution Center; Federal Correctional Institution; First Investors Corporation; Forever Communications;

Goodwill Industries of Kentucky Workforce Development Department.; Internal Revenue Service-Criminal Investigation; Kentucky Division for Air Quality; Kentucky Farm Bureau Insurance companies; Kentucky State Police; Kentucky Transportation Cabinet; Morehead State University's Master of Public Administration Program, MSU Upward Bound Programs; MSU Army ROTC; MSU Office of Graduate Programs; Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital; Pattie A. Clay Regional Medical Center; Peebles/Stage Stores;

(MORE)

Spring Career Fair set for March 2  
2-2-2-2

Physician's Assistant Program at MSU; Rite Aid; Sherwin Williams; Social Security Administration; Southern Ohio Medical Center; Speedway SuperAmerica; St. Claire Regional Medical Center; Summit Engineering; SurePoint Lending; Tipton Staffing; Total Quality Logistics;

United States Marine Corps; University of Kentucky 4-H Summer Camps; University of Kentucky Health Professions Colleges; University of Kentucky MBA Center; USDA-Rural Development; Waffle House; Walgreens; and WDKY Fox 56.

####

# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

---

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 22, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---With 31 legislative days behind them, members of the General Assembly went home Friday after receiving a broad outline of a two-year state spending plan based on targeted cuts, including higher education, the hope of additional federal stimulus dollars and less state spending.

Elementary and secondary education would be spared from cuts in their SEEK funding but higher education would surrender two percent each year. For Morehead State University, the cuts would total almost \$2 million.

Some capital projects could be authorized for K-12 schools but no new facilities are planned for public universities and KCTCS. Finding maintenance and operating funds for campus buildings opened since 2008 remains a shared objective, according to legislative leaders. MSU needs \$2.9 million for two facilities opened in 2009, another coming in 2010 and yet another to be finished in 2011.

Among the cuts would be state funding of two instruction days in the public schools and reduced health insurance benefits for teachers and state employees.

The plan would shift money from the state Medicaid program to cover much of the revenue gap in the budget's first year. This assumes a six-month extension of federal stimulus dollars help to help meet Medicaid costs with increased reimbursement rates.

House Speaker Greg Stumbo, D-Prestonsburg, said the House intends to vote on its version of the budget late next week. By law, the 60-day session must end on April 13 with a balanced budget enacted.

####

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 11, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---The Morehead State University/Eastern Kentucky University Challenge for Change is heading down the homestretch.

Bad weather has forced several events to be postponed. Activities are planned until the announcement of the winning school during the MSU/EKU men's basketball game at Johnson Arena on Wednesday, Feb. 17.

Some of the events include:

On Saturday, Feb. 13, starting at 9 a.m. five student organizations, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Campus Crusade for Christ, Delta Tau Delta, Pi Kappa Phi and Delta Zeta will descend on Gateway Homeless Shelter to perform an "Extreme Makeover" type event. Each group will "Adopt a Room" and completely transform a bedroom or bath by painting, refinishing furniture, purchasing new décor and giving everything a new look. The goal is to make the residents feel nurtured and give them somewhere they can be proud of to live and help them look toward the future. The students will also perform various odd jobs including re-hanging doors and installing additional smoke detectors.

The Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority will be working at the domestic violence shelter (DOVES) and do top to bottom deep cleaning.

The Environmental Club will create garden boxes for community use.

Students will again be serving at the Rowan County Recycling Center on Saturday.

The Center for Regional Engagement has provided the supplies for hygiene kits to be made for the Haitian relief effort. Student-athletes will combine to make 100 kits.

Food and clothing drives will continue in the residence halls until Feb. 17. Items may also be dropped off at CRE, 320 University Street.

Any student interested in participating may contact Melisa McBryer-Pratt at (606) 783-2274 or mm.pratt@moreheadstate.edu.

#####



# News

---

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 12, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---The Upward Bound programs at Morehead State University are seeking applications for instructors to teach in the summer component, June 7-July 9.

Creative, enthusiastic people are needed in mathematics, language arts, sciences, foreign languages, drama, dance, physical education, art, critical thinking, music, photography, psychology, crafts and other elective areas.

Instructors teach between nine and 15 hours per week, depending on subject.

Applicants must have at least a bachelor's degree; teaching experience and/or experience working with teenagers is preferred.

The deadline to apply is Feb. 26. To obtain an application, contact the Upward Bound office at (606) 783-2611 or visit 108 Waterfield Hall on the Morehead campus. The application also is available online at [www.moreheadstate.edu/ub](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/ub).

#####

# News

Media Relations

[www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu)

Morehead State University

UPO Box 1100

Morehead, KY 40351-1689

(606) 783-2030

Feb. 19, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University's choirs will sponsor an evening of tasting, eating and song during the Winter Choral Concert Showcase and Chili Cook Off at the First Baptist Church, 123 East Main St. in Morehead, on Thursday, Feb. 25, beginning at 5:45 p.m.

The menu includes all different types of chili, along with bread, desserts, coffee, tea and water.

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

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under.

The fee to enter your chili in the cook-off is \$10. All proceeds will go to help fund the 2010 choir tour to Central Europe, May 10-17.

Tickets also will be available at the door.

The Concert Choir will open the concert portion of the evening with "Down to the River to Pray" arranged by Marc Hafso. They also will sing "Ascendit Deus" by Peter Philips, "Jesus sprach zu dem Blinden" by Melchior Vulpius, "With a Lily in Your Hand" by Eric Whitacre, and the traditional spiritual, "There is a Balm in Gilead" arranged by Brian Fairbanks. The University Chorus will follow with "Viva la musica" by Ivan Eröd and "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" by Gilbert Martin.

Chamber Singers will present a set of pieces about flowers including "in time of daffodils" by David Dickau and "Rozsa Madrigal" by Ferenc Farkas, which will be sung in Hungarian. The group also will perform a jazz arrangement of "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" by Ray Liebau.

The Black Gospel Ensemble will close the concert with "Imagine Me" by Kirk Franklin and "You've Been Good" by Joe Pace II.

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 and Vienna and will include five concerts in universities and cathedrals including the famous St. Stephen's Cathedral in Vienna. A number of educational activities will allow the performers to experience the cultures of Hungary and Austria.

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

Additional information and tickets are available by calling (606) 783-2473.

####