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High school bands compete in Blue and Gold Championship

Thirteen marching bands from across the Commonwealth of Kentucky competed in the Blue and Gold Championship of Marching Bands on Saturday, Sept. 29, at Jayne Stadium.

During the event hosted by Morehead State University each band performed to earn a Kentucky Education Association sanctioned rating of distinguished, proficient, apprentice or novice. The bands competed within their sanctioned class for first, second and third place. The band with the highest overall score won the MSU Blue and Gold Champion Award. Harrison County came in first place, Bourbon County came in second place and Campbell County came in third place.

“Hosting such a massive event takes a lot of workers and space to fit all the participants and audience members.” said Kyler Disney, graduate student and student supervisor of the event. “We have been very blessed to have such flexible coaches that allow us to use the stadium and practice areas to host such an incredible day.”

The top 10 finalists held a performance followed by Morehead State’s marching band exhibition show “Mission to Mars.”

MSU professor and associate dean of the School of Creative Arts, Jeanne Petsch said she loved the visual spectacle and that so many people came to support their students on the field.

“It’s just a good sense of camaraderie and coming together and achieving a really amazing goal that not only do they achieve for themselves, but for all of us.”

More information on MSU’s marching band is available at www.moreheadstate.edu/bands.

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Browning Orchard festival Held Sept. 30

MSU faculty, students and members of the community welcomed the start of fall at the annual Browning Orchard Festival, held Sunday, Sept. 30, at the orchard in Wallingford.

The event featured hayrides, apple picking, games and activities, live music from the Kentucky Center for Traditional Music and more. Several locally-produced items, including apples, cider and apple butter, were sold at the festival.

For information about MSU's Department of Agricultural Sciences, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/agriculture.

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Dr. Kouroush Jenab accepted to join the Chamber of Commerce Leadership Academy

Dr. Kouroush Jenab, assistant professor of engineering and technology management, has been accepted into the 2019 Morehead-Rowan County Chamber of Commerce Leadership Academy.

Jenab will be part of a group that will have an inside view of the community and learn what it takes to be an effective community leader. Through his involvement in the leadership academy, he will make new contacts within the community and work with other members of the leadership academy to plan and execute a large community project. He will also have the opportunity to attend training sessions on healthcare, education and local businesses and organizations.

Jenab said he hopes to take what he learns from the experience back to the Capstone class he teaches in the Department of Engineering and Technology Management.

“In this class, we explore the problems in Rowan County and apply problem techniques (scientific approach) to resolve the problems,” he said. “I want to acquire more knowledge that promotes teamwork and problem solving and creates awareness of community issues.”

He will be introduced at the Oct. 4 meeting of the Morehead-Rowan County Chamber of Commerce.

For information about programs in MSU’s Department of Engineering and Technology Management, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/etm or call 606-783-2418.

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MSU Concert Choir and Chamber Singers host lasagna dinner and concert fundraiser

Later this week, guests will be able to enjoy a bit of pasta and performance when the MSU Concert Choir and Chamber Singers host a lasagna dinner and concert on Thursday, Oct. 4, 2018, at First Baptist Church located at 123 East Main Street in downtown Morehead.

Dinner will take place from 5:30 to 7 p.m. The lasagna dinner will include salad, bread, desserts and drinks (sweet and unsweet tea, lemonade and water). The proceeds supporting the MSU Concert Choir and Chamber Singers' 10-day concert tour of Spain, which took place in May 2018.

The annual Morehead State University Fall Choral Showcase Concert will follow the dinner at 7:30 p.m. It will feature the MSU Concert Choir and Chamber Singers being joined by the Jazz Vocal Ensemble and Black Gospel Ensemble. Admission to the concert is free.

To reserve tickets to the lasagna dinner, leave a message with Kristan Birchfield at 606-626-0612. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$8 for students and free for those who donate a lasagna to the event. Please notify Kristan Birchfield if you are doing so.

For more information on Morehead State University's music programs, call 606-783-2473 or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/music.

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World-renowned Cuban artist exhibits and teaches this month at MSU

Students come from around the state, across the country and around the world to obtain a college education at Morehead State University. Soon, a world-renowned visual artist will be making a trip to MSU to both showcase his work and share his knowledge with students.

Alan Manuel González is an award-winning practicing artist and native of Cuba. González, whose work addresses the country's social and political issues, will be coming to MSU for a near-three-week period.

He will serve as Visiting Artist in Residence from Oct. 8 through Oct. 24 and have his exhibition "Crystal Glazing in Cuba" on display from Oct. 24 through Nov. 20 at the Golding-Yang Art Gallery. The exhibition's opening reception takes place from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 24, at the Golding-Yang Gallery.

In addition to a one-person exhibition, González will participate in numerous activities during his time at MSU. These activities include master classes, demonstrations/workshops, presentations and one-on-one/small-group conversational meetings. This includes an artist lecture scheduled from 4 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 24, at the Claypool-Young Art Building, Room 111.

"González's paintings contain many valuable components to enhance art and design students' education beyond the traditional classroom, from his technically superb painting skills to his easily accessible use of images to the personal, cultural and political meaning that drives his work," said MSU art professor Elizabeth Mesa-Gaido. "This will be González's first solo exhibition at a university in the United States, making this a point of pride for MSU."

He will build upon and expand departmental, college and University missions and goals, including supporting diversity initiatives, providing unique cultural perspectives, complementing curriculum within the classroom, providing experiential educational opportunities outside of the classroom and enhancing professional preparation.

"González's solo exhibition and associated programming will be an exceptional opportunity for MSU students, faculty, and staff," said Jennifer Reis, director of the Golding-Yang Art Gallery. "The Golding-Yang Art Gallery is honored to host the contemporary surrealist paintings of this renowned Cuban artist."

To learn more about Alan Manuel González, visit www.alanmanuelgonzalez.com. For more information about MSU's Department of Art and Design, call 606-783-2766 or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/art.

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Career Fair held Oct. 2

More than 100 employers were present at Morehead State's Fall Career Fair Tuesday, Oct. 2, where students expanded their professional network and got a foot in the door with different organizations.

The Career Fair allows students to connect with potential employers and explore internship and graduate school opportunities.

"So, I think for me it's just connecting with students and having that face-to-face contact is really important," said Betsy Macke, assistant director of admissions for the College of Pharmacy at the University of Cincinnati.

Students do not have to be seniors to attend the Career Fair; freshmen, sophomores and juniors can get experience from the opportunity as well.

"The Career Fair is a really great way for students to network, especially if they're freshman to juniors," said Alexis Mathews, an MSU Communications graduate student. "For seniors I think it's a really great way to get out there and see some jobs that they may not realize are available for them. But also, there are graduate schools here, too, and students may realize that graduate school is an option."

For more information about MSU's Career Services, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/career or call 606-783-2233.

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Registration open for STEM camp for girls

The [Craft Academy for Excellence in Science and Mathematics](#) at Morehead State University will host the 14th annual Girls in Engineering, Mathematics and Science (GEMS) Camp on Saturday, Nov. 10.

The camp features a day of workshops, presented by local women who work in STEM fields, that will give participants a chance to learn through activities that employ principles of science, engineering and mathematics.

The camp is open to all girls in grades 4-12 in Kentucky and is a collaborative effort between the Craft Academy and the Girl Scouts of Kentucky Wilderness Road Council. Girls do not have to be in Girl Scouts to participate in the camp.

Registration for the camp closes on **Saturday, Oct. 20**. The cost of the one-day camp is \$10 for Girl Scouts, \$15 for non-Girl Scouts and \$5 for adults. Chaperones may attend the workshops for free. Participants must be accompanied by at least one adult chaperone. One chaperone for every six participants is required.

For more information, call Katie Justice at 859-293-2621, email kjustice@gswrc.org or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/gems.

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Theatre opens season with Terra Nova

Morehead State University's Department of Music, Theatre and Dance began the theatrical season with the production of "Terra Nova" Thursday, Sept. 27.

Written by Ted Tally, "Terra Nova" draws from the journals found on the frozen body of Captain Robert Falcon Scott. The story is told through Captain Scott's life and the lives of the men that joined him during their fatal journey to the South Pole.

"It's a glimpse into what the men went through during that horrific time when they were starving and got caught by a blizzard," said Octavia Biggs-Fleck, director of "Terra Nova" and The Little Company theatre group. "It's about heroism and sacrifice and bravery."

Biggs-Fleck said when picking a production, she wants it to be educational and interesting for students as well as challenging for herself.

"I want them to be able to find something that they can identify with it. I want it to be something that's going to be exciting for me and a challenge for me."

She said the importance of a production like this is sharing the importance of the arts and keeping them alive and to benefit the students who want to learn about theatre.

"Arts are being cut all over the place and it's by far one of the most, if not the most important aspect to educating our society," She added. "This is a university, we have students here who are wanting to learn a trade and a craft and to be creative. One of my most exciting times of the day is when I see all the students are working, collaborating, creating, problem solving and designing."

With this particular production Biggs-Fleck wants the audience to know the story of what the men of "Terra Nova" accomplished.

"It is so powerful, this camaraderie that they have with these other human beings on this journey." The production will continue from on Oct. 6 at 7:30 p.m. and Oct. 7 at 2 p.m. in the Lucille Caudill Little Theatre in Breckinridge Hall. Tickets are \$11, \$6 for seniors and non-MSU students and free with ID to MSU students.

For more information on tickets contact the MSU box office at 606-783-2170.

For more information on MSU theatrical productions and the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/mtd.

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MSU's Master of Arts in Sport Management earns national ranking

As more and more students are considering online education as a viable and convenient way to earn a college degree, Morehead State University continues to get recognition for offering some of the best online degree programs in the country.

OnlineMasters.com – a nonprofit organization that ranks online degree programs – has selected MSU as having one of the best Master of Arts in Sport Management programs of 2018.

In addition to this award, the organization's research found the program to also have the "Best Career Services" for finding a job after graduation, stating "MSU's Career Services provides internship placement, resume preparation services, interview help, career planning and more for every student in the program."

OnlineMasters.com uses statistics and qualitative data from current students, noteworthy alumni, hiring managers and independent program rankings to objectively analyze information and present it in the form of user-friendly guides with the goal of personal and social advancement for students.

To learn more about Morehead State's MA in Sport Management, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/study/MA-sportmgmt or call 606-783-2176.

To learn more about other online degree programs, go to www.moreheadstate.edu/online.

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Wolfe County High School students visit Eagle Scholars program

Students from Wolfe County High School visited Morehead State University's Eagle Scholars program, Friday, Oct. 5.

More than 60 high schools and technical schools are offering MSU Eagle Scholars classes this fall semester with nearly 3,000 high school students participating in the program.

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MSU ROTC Cadet helps bring aid to Uganda

Morehead State University is not only preparing today's students for future success. It is also preparing U.S. Army cadets to become future soldiers and impactful leaders through its esteemed ROTC program.

One of those cadets is junior exercise science major Blake White. Even though the Lexington native hasn't graduated and reported for active duty, he's already managed to help make a difference for people in another part of the world.

Cadet White went to various parts of Uganda with the Cultural Understanding and Leadership Program (CULP). CULP allows ROTC cadets to gain vital leadership skills and awareness of cultural differences throughout the world. Cadet White was able to represent MSU through many experiences on his journey in Uganda this past summer from June 12 to July 12. This included participation and observation in The Aids Support Organization (TASO) HIV Projects, training operations for Justified Accord 2018 and providing humanitarian aid to the Ugandans.

Cadet White said he hoped that when he applied for CULP, he would be sent to an impoverished nation like Uganda where he felt like he could do the most good. As he plans to compete for active duty in the hopes of serving in combat arms, he is thankful that MSU's ROTC program has already provided him with an opportunity he will never forget.

"Just the little time I was there for three weeks, I felt like I made an impact on people's lives," White said. "This is where I wanted to go, and they gave me and provided me with what was necessary to be able to go."

To learn more about MSU's ROTC and military science programs, call 606-783-2050 or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/military.

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Entrepreneurship Competition held Oct. 2

Students pitched their original business ideas to professional entrepreneurs during the Entrepreneurship Competition at the Innovation Launchpad on Tuesday, Oct. 2.

Four students competed to advance to the state competition where they will further develop their ideas and businesses. Students had one minute to pitch their ideas to the judges, who have experience in the real world in business. The judges had five minutes to ask questions about the product or service.

Ransom McCarty placed first, Trey Davis placed second and Alysa Coleman and Brody Eller placed third in a tie. The ideas pitched ranged from the pollination of vanilla plants using drones to an afterschool program for the arts.

“Our competition is a stepping stone to help locate the talent and interest because creating a business plan and establishing a business is hard work,” said Dr. Janet Ratliff, associate professor of management and entrepreneurship and campus advisor for Idea State U. Ratliff said students gain experiences such as teamwork, business skills and researching skills through the competition.

“They gain self-esteem, communication skills, abilities to articulate their idea very clearly and concisely,” she added. “Students gain a real-life experience with what it is to try to pitch your idea, to get the support necessary to be able to advance your idea, to be able to perhaps one day open doors to a new business creating a new product or service for the community in which you live.”

The Elmer R. Smith College of Business and Technology started the Entrepreneurship Competition four years ago to entice potential developers and entrepreneurs on campus.

“We were having difficulty finding people interested, so my college at the time and I developed the idea that maybe we could have a competition it might start interest from across campus in various disciplines,” Ratliff said.

For more information about the Smith College of Business and Technology, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/cbt or call 606-783-2174.

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Thomas to speak as part of McBrayer Lecture Series

Tim Thomas, federal co-chair of the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC), will be the speaker at the inaugural event of the W. Terry McBrayer Presidential Lecture Series in Government and Leadership on Tuesday, Oct. 16, at 3:30 p.m. in Button Auditorium.

ARC is a nonprofit regional economic development agency that is a partnership between federal, state and local governments. ARC provides funding for business development, education, job training and other economic growth initiatives in 13 Appalachian states. The mission of ARC is to “innovate, partner and invest to build community capacity and strengthen economic growth in Appalachia,” according to the organization’s mission statement.

A Kentucky native, Thomas will discuss his ideas about the vision and future of Appalachia and the regional economy. U.S. Congressman Hal Rogers (R-KY 5th District) will also attend the event.

The McBrayer lecture series is named in honor of MSU alumnus W. Terry McBrayer (59), who provided a generous gift to the University which supports the lecture series and student scholarships. McBrayer is a lobbyist, attorney and former politician in Lexington. He is a senior partner and lead lobbyist for the McBrayer, McGinnis, Leslie and Kirkland law firm. McBrayer is a native of Greenup County, and in addition to graduating from MSU, he also attended the Brandeis School of Law at the University of Louisville. He was elected to the MSU Alumni Hall of Fame in 1966 and was awarded an honorary doctoral degree in 1975.

The event is free and open to the public.

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Eagles return to their alma mater for Homecoming 2018

The bond students have with Morehead State University as an institution is one that never truly leaves even years after they graduate. This would explain why every year in October, so many people return to their “nest” to reconnect and represent their alma mater with pride at MSU Homecoming.

For Homecoming 2018, which takes place from Oct. 19 through Oct. 20, plenty of students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends of the University will once again come together through numerous events and festivities to celebrate all things MSU.

Prior to the Homecoming Weekend, the Campus Activities Board (CAB) will be sponsoring several Homecoming-related activities for faculty, staff and students in anticipation of the arrival of many Eagles eager to show their support for the blue and gold.

“Homecoming is the most exciting time of the year for alumni. Eagles from every generation return to campus to relive memories from the ‘good old days,’ reconnect with former classmates and interact with today’s students,” said Mindy Highley, assistant vice president for alumni relations and development. “This year’s schedule is packed full of activities and we anticipate that thousands of alumni will come home for a weekend of Eagle excitement.”

MSU Homecoming 2018

Friday, Oct. 19

- 10 a.m. – Memorial Brick Ceremony, Little Bell Tower Memorial Plaza
- 11 a.m. – Scholarship Campaign Kickoff, Dedication of Elmer R. Smith College of Business and Technology, and Adron Doran University Center (ADUC) Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony
- Noon – Tours of renovated ADUC

Saturday, Oct. 20

- 9:30 a.m. – Homecoming Parade, Main St.
- 11 a.m. – Homecoming Tailgate, Eagle Rally Zone, Academic-Athletic Center (AAC) Front Lobby
- 2 p.m. – Eagle Football, Jayne Stadium

For a full schedule of events for MSU Homecoming 2018, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/homecoming. For additional information on how to become an active alum, contact the Office of Alumni Relations and Development at 800-783-ALUM (2586), alumni@moreheadstate.edu or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/alumni.

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Collinsworth earns legal access award

MSU Legal Studies Associate Professor Kelly Collinsworth has been recognized as the Access to Justice Award recipient by Legal Aid of the Bluegrass. Dr. Collinsworth received the award at a ceremony held on Thursday, Sept. 27, in Ashland.

Collinsworth has long supported pro bono legal service in the Morehead State University service region. She began her career as a legal aid attorney and founded the region's only pro bono divorce clinic. Collinsworth came to MSU in 2008, and in 2012, she took over the clinic when it was threatened by budget cuts. She used it as a training ground for legal studies students and provided numerous other service learning opportunities.

In addition to teaching in Legal Studies and serving as the program's director, Collinsworth directs MSU's Education Abroad program. She is also assistant county attorney in Bath County, where she lives with her husband and children.

The Legal Studies Program at Morehead State University is ranked as the twelfth best such program in America by www.thebestschools.org.

For more information about MSU's Legal studies program, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/study/legalstudies.

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MSU announces candidates for 2018 Homecoming Court

Every October, Eagles from far and wide return to their beloved alma mater to reconnect and rekindle their school spirit for MSU's Homecoming Weekend. With this annual tradition comes the chance for alumni, students, faculty, staff and friends of the University to witness the crowning of this year's MSU Homecoming Queen and King.

The ceremony takes place at halftime during the Homecoming football match-up between MSU and Valparaiso, which begins at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20, at Jayne Stadium.

The following students will be a part of the 2018 Homecoming Court:

Queen Candidates:

Sydnee Bradley is a senior business management major from Louisville. Her parents are Ramona Pitts and Maurice Bradley. She is sponsored by Student Alumni Ambassadors.

Tessa Collins is a junior political science major from Morehead. Her parents are Mica and Allen Collins. She is sponsored by Kappa Delta Sorority.

Bethany Pace is a senior fine arts major from Morehead. Her parents are Lora and Joel Pace. She is sponsored by Morehead State Percussion Club.

Bailee Pennington is a senior double-major in accounting and finance from Morehead. Her parents are Jenny and Lee Pennington. She is sponsored by Delta Gamma Sorority.

Rylee Stafford is a senior strategic communications major from Mt. Sterling. Her parents are Belinda and Kevin Stafford. She is sponsored by Chi Omega Sorority.

King Candidates:

Nick Anderson is a sophomore double-major in political science and legal studies from Morehead. His parents are Julie and Kevin Anderson. He is sponsored by Student Alumni Ambassadors.

Waco Bays is a junior biology major from Pikeville. His parents are Marsha Bays and Waco Bays III. He is sponsored by Chi Omega Sorority.

Cameron Faudere is a junior strategic communications major from Owingsville. His parents are Claudette and Steve Faudere. He is sponsored by Delta Tau Delta Fraternity.

Sayyid Kanu is a senior radiology major from Columbus, Ohio. His parents are Paulina and Ansumana Kanu. He is sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc.

Peyton Pugh is a senior biomedical sciences major from Bowen's Creek. His parents are Andrea and Damian Pugh. He is sponsored by Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity.

For more information on MSU Homecoming 2018, contact the Office of Alumni Relations and Development at 800-783-ALUM, alumni@moreheadstate.edu or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/homecoming.

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MSU Fall Break is Oct. 11-12

Morehead State's annual Fall Break for students is Thursday and Friday, Oct. 11 and 12.

While classes will not meet, the University's administrative offices will be open regular business hours during the break, and the MSU Police Department will be available 24/7 throughout the break.

Some student services will have different operating hours during the break. They are as follows:

- Camden-Carroll Library: Regular hours Thursday and Friday, closed Saturday, Oct. 13.
- Kentucky Folk Art Center: Regular hours Thursday and Friday, closed Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 13-14.
- Recreation and Wellness Center, facility hours: Thursday, 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Friday, 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Sunday, 2-10 p.m.
- Recreation and Wellness Center, natatorium hours: Thursday, 6 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4-7 p.m.; Friday, 10a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4-6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to noon; Sunday, 4-8 p.m.
- University Store: Regular hours Thursday and Friday, closed Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 13-14.
- Rocky Adkins Dining Complex: Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 4-10 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., 4-9 p.m. and 10 p.m. to 1 a.m.
- Third Street Eats: Closed Oct. 11-14.
- Camden-Carroll Café: Closed Oct. 11-14.
- CHER a Cup: Closed Oct. 11-14.
- P.O.D.: Closed Oct. 11-13; open Sunday, noon to 1 a.m.

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Space Science Center to host Observe the Moon Night events

MSU's Space Science Center (SSC) will host a free public event as part of International Observe the Moon Night, Thursday, Oct. 18.

The SSC will have a variety of telescopes set up on the patio for people to try out. There will be activities inside the Space Science Center, where the Geology Club will be selling hot dogs and chili and there will be a variety of children's activities. In addition, there will be several moon-themed presentations in the Star Theater during the event. The schedule is:

- 7 p.m. - Earth, Moon, and Sun Show
- 7:35 p.m. - Origin of the Moon Talk by Dr. Eric Jerde
- 8:10 p.m. - Lunar Ice Cube talk by Dr. Ben K. Malphrus
- 8:45 p.m.- Evidence that We Really Went talk by Dr. Eric Jerde
- 9:20 p.m. - Dark Side of the Moon Laser Show

"This provides people with an opportunity to learn about the moon," said Eric Jerde, chair of MSU's Department of Earth and Space Sciences. "The public has largely forgotten about it, and headlines about space are now focused more on the Space Station or Mars and other planets. The moon is something we all see very often, yet seldom think about." He added anyone who has ever had questions about the moon should attend the event.

To learn more about MSU's Space Science Center, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/ssc or call 606-783-2381.

For information about programs in the Department of Earth and Space Sciences, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/eass or call 606-783-2381.

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KCTM Sounds of Our Heritage Concert set for Oct. 17

The Kentucky Center for Traditional Music (KCTM) will host its Sounds of Our Heritage concert on Wednesday, Oct. 17, at 7 p.m. at the Rowan County Arts Center.

The event will feature performances by KCTM students and will feature bluegrass, old time, country, western swing, blues, gospel and ballads.

Raymond McLain, KCTM director, said the Sounds of Our Heritage concerts are held several times a year to not only let KCTM students gain experience performing in public, but to also highlight the skills of talented musicians.

“Everyone should come because they will hear Morehead State University Traditional Music Students at their best,” McLain said. “Some of the students who will be performing have represented Morehead State and mountain music and culture regionally and internationally at concerts, festivals and have been broadcast on television and radio.”

The event is free and open to the public.

For more information on the KCTM, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/kctm or call 606-783-9001.

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Two Craft Academy students named National Merit Scholar semifinalists

Two students from the Craft Academy for Excellence in Science and Mathematics at Morehead State University have been named National Merit Scholar semifinalists.

Nate Turner, a senior from Mt. Sterling, and Jake Williams, a senior from Union, have qualified for the semifinals for the National Merit Scholarship. Turner's home high school is Montgomery County High School and he is the son of Todd and Cathy Turner. Williams' home high school is Larry Ryle High School and he is the son of Ray and Jill Williams.

Established in 1955, National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) is an independent, not-for-profit organization that operates without government assistance. NMSC conducts the National Merit® Scholarship Program and the National Achievement® Scholarship Program—annual competitions for recognition and college undergraduate scholarships. The honors awarded by NMSC to exceptionally able students are viewed as definitive marks of excellence. Recipients of Merit Scholarship® awards, Achievement Scholarship® awards, and corporate-sponsored special scholarships have increased the nation's respect for intellectual accomplishments and have contributed significantly to its talent pool of future leaders.

The Craft Academy for Excellence in Science and Mathematics meets the unique educational needs of academically gifted and talented high school juniors and seniors in the Commonwealth. A college-level curriculum allows students to finish high school while also completing up to two years of university coursework. It offers a residential college experience and environment to promote innovation and a creative enterprise, developing the full potential of the state's brightest minds and most promising future leaders.

In addition, the Craft Academy offers unique, project-based STEM+X courses that will enrich educational experiences and develop competencies in entrepreneurship and innovation, design and creativity, and civic and regional engagement.

Students are selected based on ACT scores, academic grades from their first two years of high school, interest in advanced STEM careers, responses to application essay questions, interview by the Academy selection committee and recommendations from teachers and others who can attest to the student's need and preparedness for the program.

At the end of the two years, students will have earned a minimum of 60 credit hours, finished high school and have the opportunity to further their education at MSU or transfer to any other college/university in Kentucky or elsewhere.

Additional information on the Craft Academy for Excellence in Science and Mathematics is available by visiting www.moreheadstate.edu/craft-academy or call 606-783-2093.

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SEIS students attend International Manufacturing Technology Show

Faculty and students from Morehead State's School of Engineering and Information Systems (SEIS) attended the 2018 International Manufacturing Technology Show (IMTS) in Chicago, Illinois, Sept. 12-14.

IMTS attendees from MSU included: faculty members Dr. Jorge Ortega Moody, assistant professor of engineering and technology management, and Sam Mason, instructor of engineering and technology; graduate students Lindsay Childs, Sareh Ahmadi, Yosselin Castro Islas, Yevgeniy Byeloborodov and Molom-Ochir Mijid; and undergraduate students Justin Vanhoose and Kali Tackett. The group saw more than 2,500 companies covering 1.4 million square feet of exhibiting space. The trip provided many educational opportunities and employment opportunities for the students, allowing them to meet with manufacturing professionals from around the world and observe more than 15,000 state-of-the-art machine tools, controls, robots, computers, software, components, systems and other automated processes.

"ITMS is the largest manufacturing technology show in America and occurs every two years," said Dr. Ahmad Zargari, SEIS associate dean. "It provides a great opportunity to expose our students to the most current high-tech manufacturing and automation techniques offered in today's industry and allows the students to gain networking experience with the manufacturing professionals in their field."

The educational opportunities at the conference included learning about new additive and subtractive manufacturing techniques, exploring demos of new computer aided design (CAD) and computer aided manufacturing (CAM) software. Students were also provided with a new student version of Solid Edge. This software provided to the students includes free online instructional lessons and free certification exams. The educational element of this trip allowed the students to return with new and exciting information to share with their peers.

There were numerous networking and future employment opportunities at the conference, with many of the exhibiting companies recruiting for full-time employment and internships, accepting resumes in their booths. The students were able to speak with companies such as Boeing, MasterCAM, AutoDesk, Fanuc, Autocam Medical, Promess and Korloy America.

For more information about MSU's School of Engineering and Information Systems, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/seis or call 606-783-2418.

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Upward Bound at MSU awarded NSF grant

The Upward Bound programs at Morehead State University have been selected from a national pool of applicants as a Teaching Through Technology (T3) adopter as part of a National Science Foundation (NSF) grant administered through the University of Alaska Fairbanks in partnership with the Council for Opportunity in Education. The purpose of the grant is to increase the interest of Upward Bound students in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).

The "Teaching through Technologies (T3) Alliance" will use instruction in three novel technologies: unmanned aerial systems (UAS), 3-D printers, and codable digital devices, to attract Upward Bound students to science, technology, engineering and mathematics fields.

"In this area, STEM education within our high schools is often limited to the biological and medical fields," Upward Bound Director Amanda Lewis said. "We are excited to be able to provide our students with the opportunity to expand their STEM knowledge beyond those fields."

In addition to learning about the technologies, students will receive instruction in STEM communication and leadership, and will participate in community service projects using the technologies. The goal of the program is to develop a curriculum and support structure that can be widely adopted to increase students' interest in STEM.

For more information contact Amanda Lewis at 606-783-9329 or a.lewis@moreheadstate.edu.

For more information about Upward Bound at MSU, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/ub.

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SGA and CHS sign agreement to provide more care for students

Morehead State University's Student Government Association (SGA) is partnering with Counseling and Health Services (CHS) to provide health care services to students in need.

The SGA and CHS signed the agreement at a meeting held Monday, Oct. 15. Under the agreement, SGA committed \$2,000 to the SGA Health Care Assistance Fund. Money in the fund will be used to help student pay for copays and treatments. Half of the fund will be used for general health care and half will be used for mental health care. The assistance program will be capped at \$100 per person, per visit.

CHS Interim Director Tonia Socha-Mower said the assistance fund will help many students. She said approximately 50 percent of MSU students are on Medicaid and 25% percent have no insurance coverage at all, which means students who can't afford a trip to the campus clinic often go without care.

"We see about 20 patients a week who are in pain. When we ask these students why they did not come to see us earlier, most say the cost stopped them from seeking help," Socha-Mower said. "By removing the cost barrier for students who are concerned about the money, they will come in earlier before the condition or disease is exacerbated."

She added there is a direct connection between a student's wellbeing and how they perform in the classroom.

"The research is clear that students who are in poor health are more likely to be absent from class, more likely to fail and more likely to drop out. This makes sense since students who are in pain cannot focus on their academics. This donation will help us remove the financial barriers to help those students in need and keep all of our fees low."

SGA President Brandon Bryer said he worked over the summer to develop a strategic plan for the SGA that would allow the organization to have a broader effect on the entire campus community.

"We want to make true, impactful changes for the students whom we represent," Bryer said. "A fund that allows students to have their copays paid for by the SGA is something that can make the difference between being healthy or sick and goes far beyond a simple pizza party or a one-hour student organization event. One case of non-treatment is too many and we are seeking to address this."

SGA Vice President Colby Birkes said the SGA is proud to help fellow Eagles in need.

“We just want to help out as many students as we can,” he said. “It makes us feel really good that we’re in a position to help out our MSU family.”

Bryer added the SGA will still fund student organizations as it always has, and he encourages organizations across campus to contact the SGA if they have an initiative that would directly benefit students.

The SGA Health Care Assistance Fund will be available beginning Monday, Oct. 22.

For more information about SGA, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/sga or call 606-783-2071.

For information about MSU Counseling and Health Services, or to make an appointment, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/chs or call 606-783-2055.

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Costume class serves the community

A Morehead State University theatre department class used their knowledge of sewing to give back to the community through a local charity.

Every semester, the Costume Construction class does a charity project for the community. This semester students made pajama shirts and shorts to be handed out to kids in the community.

“Knowing that it’s going to a child in need they feel very strongly that they have to do a good job on it,” Costume Shop supervisor, Rebecca Scott said. “It’s getting students to rise to that level on their own.”

The project is a four-week long process. The first few weeks of class, the students were taught basic sewing. At the end of the four weeks, a total of 12 pajama sets would have been made and donated to Helping Hands.

“It’s kind of exciting because something that I’m making is actually going to be used.” said Anna Morehead, a double major in creative writing and theatre.

Scott got the idea from a friend and fellow costume shop supervisor who had been doing similar projects. This makes the fifth semester, students have participated in the charity project. Many of the students involved feel proud about what they’ve accomplished for this cause.

“I’m proud of us.” said Eden Jordan, double major in theatre and convergent media. “It’s not much, but it’s a little something to give back.”

For more information on MSU’s Department of Music, Theatre and Dance visit www.moreheadstate.edu/mtd or call 606-783-2473.

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Board of Regents to hold work session

The MSU Board of Regents will hold a work session on Friday, Oct. 19, in room 329 of the Adron Doran University Center (ADUC.)

An audit committee meeting will begin at 2 p.m. All board members are invited to the audit committee meeting. At 3 p.m., the board will begin discussion of the fall 2018 preliminary enrollment report and will hear an update on the president's home.

No action will be taken by the board during the work session. The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be Thursday, Dec. 6.

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Smith College of Business & Technology to hold student conference

The Elmer R. Smith College of Business and Technology will host the “Beyond the Classroom” Student Conference on Wednesday, Oct. 24, from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Morehead Conference Center.

MSU President Dr. Jay Morgan will be the keynote speaker at the event, and there will be two panel discussions. In the first panel, recent Morehead State graduates will discuss career development, the importance of networking, the benefits and pitfalls of social media, effective resume and interviewing techniques and more.

The second panel will focus on leadership in a changing environment.

“Students will gain valuable information on lessons learned, both what to do and what not to do, from those who have been in the workforce,” said Keith Moore, assistant dean of the Smith College of Business and Technology and manager of the Innovation Launchpad, who coordinated the conference. “Students will see how what they’ve learned in the classroom translates into the real world.”

For information on the programs in the Smith College of Business and Technology, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/cbt or call 606-783-5158.

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MSU's online English program earns national ranking for value

Morehead State University has some of the best online educational programs in the country for both quality and affordability. Recently, one of MSU's graduate-level programs received recognition for being one of the country's best values for an online education.

Morehead State is ranked as one of the most affordable online colleges for English with its Master of Arts in English program. SR Education Group, an education research publisher, recently ranked the program 11th out of 25 colleges nationwide in its list of the 2019 Most Affordable Online Colleges for English. The entire rankings list can be viewed at www.onlineu.org/most-affordable-colleges/english-masters-degrees. The rankings represent online schools across the nation attempting to provide economical options for their students. Rankings were done through manually researching the tuition of every college offering fully online degrees to determine and rank the most affordable choices.

SR Education Group was founded in 2004, has been publishing rankings of online colleges since 2009 and awarding scholarships since 2010. The goal of the organization is to provide thorough research and fair assessment of all available online programs to help students make informed decisions toward pursuing an online degree.

To learn more about MSU's Department of English, call 606-783-9448 or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/english. For more information about other online degree programs, go to www.moreheadstate.edu/online.

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MSU scholarship established in memory of former student

Justin Chafin is best remembered for a contagious spirit as a student, family member and friend, not to mention a love for both his brothers from Sigma Phi Epsilon and his years spend in Morehead. Now, the Morehead State University Foundation Inc. is proud to announce the endowment of the Justin T. Chafin Memorial Scholarship, a fund established shortly after the unexpected passing of the former Morehead State student in May 2016.

During his time at MSU, the Paintsville native studied biomedical sciences. He later went on to attend the Bernard J. Dunn School of Pharmacy at Shenandoah University in Winchester, Virginia, where he pursued a doctorate degree in pharmacy.

Chafin's family gathered on Morehead State's campus to present a check to the MSU Foundation Inc. for \$16,331 to grow the fund to the \$25,000 endowment level. These funds will be invested indefinitely, with proceeds supporting scholarship opportunities for current MSU students who are members of the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity.

"Justin loved this University and his brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon. You could argue that his time here was the happiest of his life. It was clear to us that, in order to properly honor Justin, we had to take care of Morehead State first," said Robert Chafin, Justin's brother and President of the Justin T. Chafin Memorial Foundation. "As soon as this scholarship was announced, those here at Morehead went to work; marketing, promoting and soliciting contributions. We are extremely grateful for those efforts."

Funds for the scholarship were raised thanks to contributions from Chafin's family, friends and Sigma Phi Epsilon brothers, along with proceeds from the annual Justin T. Chafin Memorial Golf Scramble in Paintsville.

For more information on the Justin T. Chafin Memorial Scholarship, contact David Ray Gillum with MSU's Office of Alumni Relations and Development at 606-783-2033 or d.gillum@moreheadstate.edu. To learn more about other giving opportunities to MSU, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/giving.

Additional information about MSU scholarship opportunities is available at www.moreheadstate.edu/scholarships.

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MSU professor's research archive finds new home at Harvard

When Morehead State University's experienced and distinguished faculty are not making meaningful connections with their students, they are often conducting impactful research in their respective fields. In the case of recently retired MSU political science professor Dr. William Green, that research recently found a very prestigious new home.

Green donated his archive of documents on the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the contraceptive drug Depo-Provera to the Arthur and Elizabeth Schlesinger Library on the History of Women in America, located in the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study at Harvard University.

Over the past 32 years, Green acquired eight feet of 36 three-ring binders and six crates of 215 file folders from the FDA, a variety of private organizations and attorneys. He used these documents to publish a book, a book chapter, six law review articles and two encyclopedia essays on the FDA and Depo-Provera.

Kathryn Jacob, the Schlesinger's Curator of Manuscripts, told Green, "We're blown away with the level of detail you've created in the crate inventory. In the archival world, you've created what's known as 'item level description,' which is something most archives, including this one, do not have the time/staff/funds to do. It's fantastic—researchers will be grateful, as will we."

To make them useable for researchers, Green replaced his worn-out file folders with new hand-labeled folders while creating 11 sections for the folders, each with its own table of contents. The Schlesinger Library provided \$535 for Green to ship 340 pounds worth of research in 11 Bankers Boxes.

"I didn't go to Harvard," Green said, "but my FDA and Depo-Provera archive did."

For more information on MSU's political science program call 606-783-2655 or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/study/politicalscience.

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SGA to host mental health awareness panel

Morehead State University's Student Government Association is partnering with Counseling and Health Services to host a panel discussion to raise awareness about mental health issues on Tuesday, Oct. 23, from 6 to 8 p.m. in Button Auditorium.

The panel will consist of mental health professionals, including Dr. Shari Kidwell, MSU psychology professor; Dr. John Blackledge, MSU psychology professor; Carol Mauriello, a representative from the National Association for Mental Illness (NAMI); Emily Klotz, a NAMI worker with personal experience with mental illness and Tonia Socha-Mower, interim director of Counseling and Health Services.

Topics to be discussed include warning signs of eating disorders, suicide risk and prevention, depression and anxiety, breaking the stigma of mental illness and where to go for help, among others. The event will allow students to ask questions about mental health issues and get answers from informed, qualified professionals.

"College is a dramatic time of big changes in the lives of young adults," said Andrew Sexton, SGA vice president for campus involvement. "October is mental health awareness month, and we have decided to partner up with Counseling and Health Services to address mental health issues that students may actually face while at college. From the personal experiences and extensive education of the panel, they will be able to sufficiently address each issue in detail."

The event is free and open to anyone who wishes to attend. The event will also be live streamed on the SGA's Instagram account at @MSU_StudentGov and students can direct message the account to have their questions answered by the panelists.

Before the panel, there will be a mental health awareness march beginning at Mignon Tower at 5 p.m. The march will pass residence halls on the east end of campus before making its way down University Boulevard to Button. Students are invited to join the march as it passes their residence hall.

For more information about SGA, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/sga or call 606-783-2071.

For more information about Counseling and Health Services, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/chs or call 606-783-205

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MSU art student went to Colorado to hone her craft

Growing up in Hazard and as a student at Morehead State University, Darcy McDaniel was used to the sight of mountains. But as a senior working toward her Bachelor of Fine Arts in Art, McDaniel went from rolling green hills to jagged peaks to enhance her skills as a photographer.

McDaniel completed a weeklong photography workshop entitled “Visual Storytelling through Digital Photography” from Aug. 27 through Aug. 31 at the Anderson Ranch Arts Center in Snowmass Village, Colorado. The workshop was led by Ami Vitale, ambassador for Nikon cameras and photographer for National Geographic.

When McDaniel had talked to her art professors about potentially going to graduate school out of state, she was encouraged by Helen Otterson, assistant professor of sculpture, to look at artist residencies and weeklong workshops to give her a sample of what the experience may entail.

“It would be a really good opportunity to branch out a little bit and also invest in my education,” McDaniel said.

McDaniel decided to take her first-ever plane ride to Colorado. She recalled probably being the youngest member of the workshop and appreciated the opportunity to learn from a world-renowned photographer side-by-side with other more established photographers, who had also come to the workshop to fine-tune their craft.

“I got to just kind of network with people who do what I want to do, but they do it professionally and they succeed at it,” she said.

During the five days, McDaniel said she learned technical skills and different approaches to photojournalism while also getting to showcase her own work. As she prepares to graduate in May 2019, she said her experience makes her want to explore traveling for other workshops while she contemplates graduate school. She said the intensiveness of MSU’s BFA program, along with encouraging professors, have put her in a better position to find a successful career centered around her passion.

“Going to Morehead State and putting myself out there and talking about my work and applying to the BFA program has really showed me I can handle a lot more than I think I can,” she said. “By getting out of my comfort zone and pushing myself, I can really grow a lot and a lot of good things can happen.”

To learn more about MSU's Department of Art & Design, call 606-783-2766 or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/art.

For more information on internships and workshop opportunities, contact the Office of Career Services at 606-783-2233 or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/career.

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Social Work program hosts state board regional meeting

MSU'S Social Work Program hosted the Kentucky Board of Social Work Regional Meeting on Oct. 9, at the Center for Health, Education and Research.

The Kentucky Board of Social Work sets the public standards of professional performance for those engaged in the profession of social work by regulating the title and setting standards of qualification, training and experience for those who seek to engage in the practice of social work. Students pursuing their Bachelor of Social Work at MSU had the unique opportunity to observe a board meeting in real time, ask questions and network with the board members to learn more about policy and their profession. More than 50 students attended.

“We got really positive feedback from our students that they learned so much and they didn’t realize all the details that went into licensing,” said Dr. Lynn Guerin, associate professor of social work. “It was a compliment to our program that the board wanted to reach out to us and hold their meeting here.”

For more information about the Bachelor of Social Work at MSU, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/study/socialwork or call 606-783-2656.

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Thomas is first speaker in McBrayer Lecture Series

Tim Thomas, federal co-chair of the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC), was the first speaker of the McBrayer Presidential Lecture Series in Government and Leadership on Tuesday, Oct. 16. Thomas spoke on his vision for the future of Appalachia and the regional economy.

ARC is a nonprofit regional economic development agency that is a partnership between federal, state and local governments. It provides funding for business development, education, job training and other economic growth initiatives in 13 Appalachian states.

During the lecture, Thomas said the region faces many economic challenges as coal jobs are declining. He said advancing technology infrastructure and encouraging investment and entrepreneurship are some ways to improve the situation. He discussed efforts to establish high-speed internet throughout the region and how ARC is providing funds for job training and infrastructure while working to encourage investment of venture capital in the region.

“I believe Appalachia needs to do a better job of creating its own entrepreneurs,” Thomas said. “I have confidence in the people of Appalachia. There is a future in Appalachia and it’s your turn to shape it.”

Thomas also touched on the continuing opioid epidemic in the region, highlighting its economic impact. He said he wants to create a recovery infrastructure to help users get treatment and to help them with job placement.

“The commission hopes to use its resources to address the issue in ways other agencies haven’t,” he said. “Appalachia saw the birth of the opioid crisis and it is my hope it can serve as an example to the rest of the country for how to solve it.”

Prominent lawmakers attended the event, including U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers (R-KY 05) and Kentucky House Minority Leader Rep. Rocky Adkins (D-Sandy Hook), as well as other state and local officials. Also in attendance was W. Terry McBrayer, namesake of the lecture series who established the McBrayer Endowment to provide scholarships for MSU students.

The McBrayer Presidential Lecture Series is named in honor of McBrayer, a 1959 MSU graduate who provided a generous gift to the University that supports the lecture series and student scholarships. McBrayer is a lobbyist, attorney and former politician in Lexington. He is a senior partner and lead lobbyist for the McBrayer, McGinnis, Leslie and Kirkland law firm. McBrayer is a native of Greenup County and, in addition to graduating from MSU, he also attended the Brandeis School of Law at the University of Louisville. He was elected to the MSU Alumni Hall of Fame in 1966 and was awarded an honorary doctoral degree in 1975.

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Elgazzar's paper on mobile networks published in international journal

Dr. Heba Elgazzar, instructor of computer science in Morehead State's Department of Computer Science and Information Systems (CSIS), and Adel Elmaghraby of the Department of Computer Engineering & Computer Science at the University of Louisville published a paper in the September 2018 edition of the International Journal of Computer Science and Information Technology (IJCSIT).

The paper, "Evolutionary Centrality and Maximal Cliques in Mobile Social Networks," introduces an evolutionary approach to enhance the process of finding central nodes in mobile networks. This can provide essential information and important applications in mobile and social networks. This evolutionary approach considers the dynamics of the network and takes into consideration the central nodes from previous time slots.

"This research can improve the functionality of social networks," Elgazzar said. "Finding the central nodes, which are essential nodes in the network, will help in understanding the interactions between all nodes and improving the current services. This will also help in introducing new dynamic services and enhancing the security of the networks."

The pair also studied the applicability of maximal cliques algorithms in mobile social networks and how it can be used to find the central nodes based on the discovered maximal cliques.

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Paleontologist to be MSUTeach guest speaker

Dr. Don Haas of the Paleontological Research Institute will give a lecture on climate change on Wednesday, Oct. 24, at 3:15 p.m. in 419 Reed Hall.

The lecture, titled "The Obstacles Are Largely the Same: On Climate Change and Education Reform," is sponsored by the MSUTeach Noyce Scholars program. The talk will explore the parallels between challenges in education and climate change.

"Change in the energy system is hard in many of the same ways change is hard in the educational system. If we study the similarities of those challenges, we might be more successful at making changes in both systems - and others as well," said Dr. David Long, assistant professor of education. "Dr. Haas is a foremost scientist and science educator on how we best can overcome social resistance to sticky problems like climate change and educational reform."

Haas is director of teacher programming at the Paleontological Research Institute. He specializes in place-based earth science education, teacher professional development and curriculum materials development.

For more information about the Paleontological Research Institute, visit www.priweb.org.

For more information about MSUTeach, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/msuteach or call 606-783-9036.

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Russell High School students visit Eagle Scholars program

Students from Russell High School visited Morehead State University's Eagle Scholars program, Thursday, Oct. 18.

More than 60 high schools and technical schools are offering MSU Eagle Scholars classes this fall semester with nearly 3,000 high school students participating in the program.

“The Eagle Scholars program allows students to take challenging college courses during high school. The classes are the same classes that are offered on the Morehead campus. They are taught by local teachers who meet the high academic standards that are required of Morehead State faculty. These courses are challenging and allow students to be exposed to the academic rigor that comes with a college course,” said Joel Pace, program director.

Qualifying students are given the opportunity to prepare for the future while attending high school. In the program, students may enroll in a course taught in their high school and receive college credit for successful completion. The program allows qualified high school faculty, who meet accreditation standards, to teach the University courses.

Additional information and a list of participating schools is available online at www.moreheadstate.edu/eaglescholars.

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Board of Regents holds work session

The MSU Board of Regents held a work session on Friday, Oct. 19, in room 329 of the Adron Doran University Center (ADUC).

The board received a report on Fall 2018 preliminary enrollment and heard an update on the president's home. No action was taken by the board during the work session.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be Thursday, Dec. 6.

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MSU Homecoming celebrates philanthropy with naming of college, student center ribbon-cutting

Eagles from every generation returned to Morehead State University on Friday, Oct. 19, to kick off Homecoming 2018.

This year's activities included two historic celebrations in the life of the institution: the naming of the Elmer R. Smith College of Business and Technology and the ribbon-cutting ceremony re-opening the Adron Doran University Center after two years of significant renovations.

President Jay Morgan and MSU's Board of Regents honored one of the institution's most respected graduates with the official naming of the Elmer R. Smith College of Business and Technology. A native of Martin County and a graduate of MSU with a degree in business education, Smith (71) is a successful professional who has served in numerous positions within the educational field. He currently serves as the president of Interactive College of Technology in Atlanta, which specializes in computer-based training. He was inducted into the MSU Alumni Association Hall of Fame in 1999 and, to date, has donated nearly \$4 million to the University. Smith's contributions have been used to create an endowment to provide scholarships for MSU students.

After the naming ceremony for the Smith College, alumni, students, faculty, staff and friends of MSU were asked to turn their attention to the Adron Doran University Center (ADUC) just across the street. ADUC, originally known as the Doran Student House, opened in 1956 and was named in honor of MSU's seventh president, the late Dr. Adron Doran who served from 1954 to 1977. The building is situated on the site of the first building on MSU's historic campus and expanded in 1969 and later renovated in 2005.

In a response to changing student needs and based on the requests of MSU students, ADUC's latest renovation will double the size of the student center and provide additional meeting spaces, more restaurant-style dining options and lounges, an admissions welcome center and theater, a sports pub, and more student-oriented spaces to provide services in a one-stop environment.

During the construction and renovation process, MSU identified several naming opportunities within ADUC and worked with donors to create endowed scholarships as part of the expansion. Through the generosity of many individuals and businesses, these scholarships will contribute to the continued success of future Eagles in perpetuity.

"Morehead State University is a very special place. Our academic programming is vital and our facilities are extremely important. However, during my time here, I have learned that MSU is a special place primarily because of the people. The people, all of them Eagles, coming from every walk of life and every generation,

are the common thread of not only what makes MSU special, but also what we are here to celebrate today,” said President Morgan.

“Everything that has happened here in this ceremony centers around our people providing a path for the students of today and tomorrow, so they are able to soar to new heights. Both of these are momentous events in and of themselves, but today these two things come together to form cornerstones of a Scholarship Campaign that will provide much needed financial support to our student body.”

The Soar to New Heights Scholarship Campaign has a goal of \$15 million to be raised in three years, for the sole purpose of scholarships for Morehead State University students. These scholarships will address the priorities of recruitment, retention and degree completion. More than 90% of MSU’s student body receives some type of financial aid and private dollars are critical to meet the needs of these students.

For more information about the campaign, please visit www.moreheadstate.edu/soarcampaign.

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Dr. Fran Helphinstine (63), was the recipient of the MSU Founder's Award for University Service. Helphinstine recently retired from MSU earlier this year after more than 50 years as a professor of English. She taught undergraduate courses in Shakespeare, the English Renaissance, 17th century British literature and drama, as well as graduate-level courses in Shakespeare, drama and bibliography and served as the Graduate Program Coordinator. She also served as scholarship advisor for Epsilon Theta Chapter of Chi Omega sorority. [View video](#)

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MSU ranked in Best for Vets: Colleges 2019 rankings

Morehead State University has been recognized for its support of veteran and military students. Military Times released its Best for Vets: Colleges 2019 rankings on Oct. 22. In their ninth year, the rankings are based on the results of Military Times' annual survey – the most comprehensive school-by-school assessment of veteran and military student services and rates of academic achievement – as well as a detailed review of public data collected by federal agencies.

As is true for all Military Times rankings, Best for Vets: Colleges is an editorially independent, objective and rigorous news project. This feature evaluates the many factors that help make colleges and universities a good fit for service members, military veterans and their families. About 500 colleges took part in this year's survey.

"Military Times' Best for Vets designation is trusted throughout the veteran community as the mark of excellence for schools and other organizations that work with veterans, service members and military families. It can't be bought with advertising dollars – unlike some other supposedly veteran-friendly rankings – only earned through a record of steadfast service and dedication to those who have served," said George Altman, the Military Times editor in charge of the rankings.

"Fewer than half of the roughly 500 colleges and universities that competed for the recognition earned the right to call themselves Best for Vets in 2019. Their efforts should be commended."

Military Times' annual Best for Vets: Colleges survey asks colleges and universities to disclose academic outcome and input data, describe many aspects of veteran culture on campus and meticulously document a wide array of services, special policies, accommodations and financial incentives offered to students with military ties. Military Times also factors in data from the Veterans Affairs and Defense departments, as well as three Education Department sources: the IPEDS Data Center, College Scorecard data and the Cohort Default Rate Database.

To view the full rankings, visit <https://rebootcamp.militarytimes.com>.

MSU also has been previously recognized as a military/veteran-friendly university by GI Jobs magazine, Military Advanced Education journal, the Military Times, the U.S. News & World Report and Veterans National Honor Society.

MSU's Veterans Resource Center was named in honor of Lt. Col. Alan R. Baldwin. A former assistant to the provost, Baldwin joined MSU in 1978 as an assistant professor of military science. After leaving briefly, he returned in 1985 and was named chair of the Department of Military Science. During his tenure, he held numerous titles. He also served on the Morehead City Council for 13 years.

Other ways MSU assists our military and veteran students include:

- Application fee waived
- Priority registration
- Credit for military training and service
- No academic penalty upon documented deployment
- Participation in the Yellow Ribbon Program
- Student Veteran Association

Veterans, National Guardsmen and Reservists, and military families interested in learning more about MSU can get additional information by calling Litteral at 606-783-9267 or email d.litteral@moreheadstate.edu. He can connect military and veteran students with the services made available for them across campus.

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MSU to host Double Reed Day

Morehead State University Double Reed Day will be Saturday, Nov. 3, from 12:30 to 5 p.m. at Baird Music Hall. Registration begins at noon.

A welcome recital by Dr. David Oyen and Dr. Thomas Pappas with William Murphy, piano, will kick off the event, followed by a day of performances, workshops and clinics, including:

- Oboe/Bassoon Fundamental Clinics (Topics to include: hand position/posture, breathing, embouchure, articulation, and more)
- Oboe/Bassoon KMEA All-State Audition Workshop
- Double Reed Choir
- Performances by MSU students with William Murphy, piano
- Visit vendors
- Instrument repair session
- Repair specialist on site for minor repairs and adjustments

The event is free and participants will receive a free t-shirt.

Sponsors of the event include MSU's Department of Music, Theatre and Dance, Miles Ahead Music, Hurst Music, Morehead State Public Radio and the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and the Boyd County Band Boosters.

For further information, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/doublereeday or contact Dr. David Oyen at d.oyen@moreheadstate.edu or call 606-783-2404 or Dr. Thomas Pappas at t.pappas@moreheadstate.edu or call 606-783-2487.

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Let's Do the Time Warp Again! MSU's Costume Contest and "Rocky Horror" screening happens Halloween night

MSU students may take pride in sporting blue and gold on campus most of the academic year. But this Halloween, an annual tradition will have some students sporting some truly unique attire and feeling a bit "Rocky."

The annual MSU Costume Contest and Rocky Horror Picture Show will be held from 6 to 10 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 31, in the Golding-Yang Art Gallery inside the Claypool-Young Art Building. The event is free and open to the public.

The event opens with food and refreshments in the form of pizza, candy and "Rocky Horror Picture Show"-themed mocktails students can purchase, with proceeds benefiting Emerging Arts Leaders of Eastern Kentucky (EALEK).

This will also be the time students can sign-up for the costume contest, which will begin later at 7 p.m. in Claypool-Young Art Auditorium (CY 111). Costumes must be original and created by the students. A panel of jurors will award prizes for first, second and third place in the form of \$75, \$50 and \$25 gift cards, respectively, to the University Store.

At approximately 7:30 p.m., a free screening of the "Rocky Horror Picture Show" begins with subtitles so students and attendees can recite every line and lyric while offering popular reactions and new ones that seem emerge each year.

Jennifer Reis, director of the Golding-Yang Art Gallery, said this event has taken place for roughly 15 years, which is a testament to both the popularity of the film and the exhilarating evening it offers Eagles. "This has consistently been an event where students create amazing costumes. It's an opportunity for them to be self-expressive in a way they don't have in other venues," she said.

The event is sponsored by MSU's Golding-Yang Art Gallery, the Department of Art and Design, Spectrum, EALEK, and the Buckner and Sally S. Hinkle Endowment for Humanities.

For more information on the annual MSU Costume Contest and Rocky Horror Picture Show screening, contact Jennifer Reis at 606-783-5446 or j.reis@moreheadstate.edu. Visit www.moreheadstate.edu/art for additional information about the Department of Art and Design.

To learn more about the authentic MSU experience as a student, go to www.moreheadstate.edu/authentic-MSU.

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Advance Registration begins Nov. 1

Advanced registration for the 2018-19 winter session and the spring 2019 semester will be held Nov. 1-13. Students should meet with their academic advisors prior to advance registration. For questions about academic advising, contact your academic department, or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/advising.

Students register for classes at my.moreheadstate.edu. Once they've logged on, students can visit the Student Self-Service page, click "Student Planning," then click "Go to Plan and Schedule." Once they arrive at the registration page, students can search for classes by term, course number or subject and filter their results to find the specific courses they need.

For more information, including a tutorial on registering for classes, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/self-service, call the Office of the Registrar at 606-783-2008 or email registrar@moreheadstate.edu.

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Redwine wins NACAS service award

The National Association of Collegiate Auxiliary Services (NACAS) the largest auxiliary and ancillary services support organization serving higher education, named longtime member and past president Bill Redwine (79) winner of “The Robert F. Newton Award for Distinguished Service” at the 2018 NACAS Annual Conference in Orlando.

Redwine, assistant vice president for auxiliary services at Morehead State University, has served as president at both the regional level with NACAS South and national level with NACAS. He currently serves on the NACAS Foundation Board of Directors.

Redwine has been with MSU for 37 years has an accomplished record on campus and throughout the state. He founded and continues to champion the Kentucky Auxiliary Services Association (KASA). According to a press release from NACAS Redwine has impacted NACAS in fundamental ways through his leadership of the NACAS board and his leadership of the Organizational Structure Review Task Force that led to the finalization of Regional Affiliation Agreements. NACAS South has grown exponentially in recent years - building on the solid foundation that Redwine provided during his years on the South Board.

"This association has meant a tremendous amount to me. We've seen a lot of things grow," Redwine said while accepting the award. "We've developed friendships. We've laughed together, we've celebrated together, we've cried together. And, like here, celebrated again. To be recognized by your peers at this level, with this type of award, is both thrilling and humbling. I look back at individuals who have mentored me through the years, people like Charlie Figari, Frank Mumford, Ken Ramey, Jim Morgan, and Jim Hudson. It's incredible."

The Robert F. Newton Award for Distinguished Service is the most prestigious award given by NACAS, recognizing an individual who has displayed extraordinary and outstanding service to NACAS and to the profession.

For more information on Auxiliary Services at MSU, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/auxiliary or call 606-783-2081.

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MSPR Fall Fundraiser and membership drive is Oct. 29-Nov. 2

Morehead State Public Radio (MSPR) kicks off its annual fall fundraiser and membership drive Oct. 29 to Nov. 2 and is asking for support in providing quality programming to listeners in Eastern Kentucky, West Virginia and Southeast Ohio.

MSPR (WMKY-90.3FM) is the nonprofit public radio service from Morehead State University. WMKY has served Eastern Kentucky since 1965, broadcasting to more than 20 counties throughout the region with locally-hosted news, public affairs and a variety of music programs including bluegrass, classical, folk and jazz. WMKY also partners with KET to broadcast several statewide news programs including “Comment on Kentucky.”

The goal is to raise \$15,000 and 200 members. Every dollar goes directly towards programming and student work-studies. The number of members is important to receive grants from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting. Every gift counts as financial and membership support.

To contribute, use the secure, online “pledge now” form under the “support us” tab at the top of WMKY’s website at www.wmky.org, call 606-783-2001 or mail checks to: WMKY Radio, Box 903, Morehead State University, Morehead, KY, 40351.

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MSU welcomes prospective Eagles at Open House this November

Morehead State University has opened plenty of doors to opportunities for Eagles through its excellent academic programs and resources geared toward student success. Next month, potential future Eagles will get a glimpse of what the authentic MSU experience through MSU Open House events.

Morehead State University's Office of Enrollment Services will host an Open House program beginning at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3, in Button Auditorium on the main campus in Morehead.

At MSU Open House events, University representatives will be available to meet students and their families, answer questions, lead campus tours and share information concerning college life. These events are an excellent opportunity for future students and their families to discover why MSU has been named one of "America's Best Colleges" by U.S. News and World Report for the past 15 years, and was recently named one of the best universities in Kentucky and one of the most affordable in the nation by College Consensus.

MSU also is home to one of five space science programs in the country, a nationally-ranked Recreation and Wellness Center and produces graduates accepted into professional schools – including medical, dental and pharmacy programs – at rates well above state and national averages.

"Families will hear success stories about our graduates and statistics that demonstrate the academic quality and personal attention offered at MSU," said Holly Pollock, director of undergraduate admissions. "Our goal is to make it convenient to get answers to questions about starting college by bringing deans, department chairs and faculty from our academic programs – as well as staff from admissions, financial aid, housing and many more services – together in one place."

Application fees for high school seniors will be waived for those in attendance. Transcript and test scores must be turned in at the event to qualify for the fee waiver.

Students and families are encouraged to register for the Open House. To learn more about this event or to register online, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/openhouse.

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

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Grammy Award winner joins MSU Jazz Ensemble for upcoming concert

Morehead State University's music programs have a long-standing reputation for graduating both world-class musicians and impactful educators. Now, MSU is bring a world-class musician to perform alongside its own talented students.

The upcoming MSU Jazz Ensemble Fall Concert will feature Grammy Award-winning composer, arranger and musician Bill Cunliffe at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 30, at the Duncan Recital Hall inside Baird Music Hall. The event is free and open to the public. Cunliffe will also hold a master class prior to the concert at 3 p.m. Monday, Oct. 29, in 214 Baird Music Hall.

Bill Cunliffe is a jazz pianist who began his musical career as a pianist and arranger with the Buddy Rich Big Band and went on to work with notable artists like Frank Sinatra, Freddie Hubbard and James Moody, among others. He later established himself as a solo artist and band leader who has recorded more than a dozen albums. A multiple Grammy Award nominee, he won the 2009 Grammy Award for Best Instrumental Arrangement for "West Side Story Medley" on the album "Resonance Big Band Plays Tribute to Oscar Peterson."

Ryan McGillicuddy, visiting assistant professor of jazz studies, first met Cunliffe when he was working out in Los Angeles and has long wanted to bring him to campus to collaborate with MSU students. He thinks when Cunliffe joins the 19 members of MSU's traditional jazz big band to play piano, it will certainly provide some inspiration.

"I think for them, it's a real treat to work with somebody in the music industry that is out there performing and composing on a professional level," McGillicuddy said. "As a teacher, it's great to see their eyes light up and their attention be more focused."

For more information on MSU's Department of Music, Theatre and Dance, call 606-783-2473, email mtd@moreheadstate.edu or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/mtd.

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MSU announces \$15 million fundraising campaign for scholarships

Morehead State University officials announced Friday that the University is launching a \$15 million fundraising campaign over the next three years for the sole purpose of expanding scholarship opportunities for students.

The campaign, branded as the “Soar to New Heights Scholarship Campaign,” was announced to hundreds of alumni and members of the MSU community at a ceremony dedicating the Elmer R. Smith College of Business and Technology and the ribbon-cutting ceremony re-opening the Adron Doran University Center after two years of significant renovations.

“Morehead State University is a very special place. Our academic programming is vital and our facilities are extremely important. However, during my time here, I have learned that MSU is a special place primarily because of the people. The people, all of them Eagles, coming from every walk of life and every generation, are the common thread of not only what makes MSU special, but also what we are here to celebrate today,” said President Morgan. “Everything that has happened here in this ceremony centers around our people providing a path for the students of today and tomorrow, so they are able to soar to new heights. Both of these are momentous events in and of themselves, but today these two things come together to form cornerstones of a Scholarship Campaign that will provide much needed financial support to our student body.”

These scholarships will address the priorities of recruitment, retention and degree completion. More than 90% of MSU’s student body receives some type of financial aid and private dollars are critical to meet the needs of these students. For more information about the campaign, please visit www.moreheadstate.edu/soarcampaign.

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ARC and Gateway ADD directors visit MSU campus

Morehead State University has always been an institution that wanted to positively impact Eastern Kentucky and the entire Commonwealth. On Thursday, Morehead State welcomed esteemed guests with very similar goals.

MSU hosted Karen Fabiano, incoming program director at the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) and former ARC POWER Initiative manager, along with several Gateway Area Development District (ADD) directors from across the state Thursday afternoon. The directors came to campus to receive tours of the newly renovated Adron Doran University Center (ADUC), which is scheduled to open later this year, and the Space Science Center.

Among the ADD guests in attendance were Amy Kennedy, Buffalo Trace ADD (Maysville); Sherry McDavid, FIVCO ADD (Grayson/Ashland area); David Duttlinger, Bluegrass ADD (Lexington); Whitney Chestnut, Cumberland Valley ADD (London); Darryl McGaha, Lake Cumberland ADD (Russell Springs); Michelle Allen, Kentucky River ADD (Hazard); Terry Trimble, Big Sandy ADD (Prestonsburg); Eric Sexton, Barren River ADD (Bowling Green); Joshua Farrow, Gateway ADD (Morehead); and Mike Miller, outgoing Kentucky River ADD (Hazard).

The Appalachian Regional Commission is a regional economic development agency representing a partnership with federal, state and local government. It was established by a 1965 act of Congress and is composed of governors in 13 Appalachian states and a federal co-chair, who is appointed by the president.

The Gateway Area Development District has served Bath, Menifee, Montgomery, Morgan and Rowan counties since 1969. This multi-county organization helps plan, promote and coordinate programs for regional economic and social development in eastern and central Kentucky.

For more information on the ARC, visit www.arc.gov. To learn more about the Gateway Area Development District, go to www.gwadd.org.

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Ivanka Trump, Gov. Bevin visit MSU Space Science Center

Due to the unique programs at MSU's Space Science Center, the facility has hosted officials ranging from NASA administrators to local and state lawmakers to former U.S. presidents. On Friday, a family member and adviser from President Donald Trump's administration paid the center a visit.

Ivanka Trump, President Trump's daughter and adviser to his administration, came to the Space Science Center for a tour this afternoon (Friday, October 26), along with Kentucky Governor Matt Bevin. It was the last of three stops made at Eastern Kentucky training centers that also included the eKentucky Advanced Manufacturing Institute in Paintsville and the Big Sandy Community and Technical College in Prestonsburg.

Her visit to MSU primarily focused on Kentucky's growing aerospace industry. In addition to touring the Space Science Center and speaking with students from MSU's Craft Academy for Excellence in Science and Mathematics, Trump expressed her own love of space and the administration's focus on space exploration.

"Today, the whole purpose for us was to think about different pathways to the American dream," Trump said. "When you think about the future of work and you think about the jobs that will be in demand in the future economy, you think about STEM fields and you think about space exploration."

"The skills are here, the minds are here, the workforce is here," Gov. Bevin said. "This is what we are striving for. How can we tap into a workforce that is begging and waiting for a job; to tap into the workforce of the 21st century."

The Space Science Center is home to one of only five space science programs in the country and has gained recognition in aviation, aerospace and space science thanks in part to research in nanosatellite technologies. MSU has been involved in the launch of five NASA-funded satellites: CXBN, CXBN-2, Lunar ICEcube, Ky-Sat 2 and the DM-7 Flight Demonstration.

For more information on MSU's Department of Earth and Space Science, call 606-783-2381, email eass@moreheadstate.edu or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/eass.

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Cuban artist Alan Manuel González shares his art and experience with MSU students

The Golding-Yang Art Gallery hosted the opening reception of world-renowned Cuban artist, Alan Manuel González Wednesday, Oct. 24, at the Claypool-Young Art Building.

“We couldn’t take 50 students to Cuba and instead we brought him here,” said Elizabeth Mesa-Gaido, professor of art and curator of this event. “It’s like a cultural exchange. He’s learning about the U.S. and about us and we’re learning about him and his country in many different ways.”

González served as a Visiting Artist in Residence at Morehead State for nearly three weeks (Oct. 8 through Oct. 24). He participated in several activities during his time at MSU such as demonstrations, presentations and one-on-one/small group conversational meetings.

“Through visual arts you are touching the inner part of their hearts and minds,” said González. “Once you already know the letters of the alphabet then you know the words, but then you have to learn how to make poetry out of that. That’s what visual arts is for me, it’s visual poetry.”

González is an award-winning artist whose work addresses the social and political issues of Cuba. This is his first solo exhibition at a university in the United States.

“It’s been fruitful for both entities,” said Mesa-Gaido. “He’s getting some exposure and learning about how to enter the university gallery system, but for our students they have really been able to connect with what he does in so many ways.”

Mesa-Gaido said she would like to extend her gratitude to all of the people who made this possible. “I see it as a cross-campus collaboration and it really does show that if we all pull together our funds, which are limited, we can make something amazing happen at not a huge cost that’s impactful for our students and the community.”

The exhibition, “Crystal Glazing in Cuba,” will be on display in the Golding-Yang Art Gallery until Nov. 20.

To learn more about Alan Manuel González, visit www.alanmanuelgonzalez.com. For more information about MSU’s Department of Art and Design, call 606-783-2766 or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/art.

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Rogers receives Angelicchio Memorial Scholarship

The Morehead State University Foundation, along with the Morehead Area Chi Omega Alumni Chapter members, have announced that Gloria Sue Rogers of Mt. Sterling is the recipient of the Liza Angelicchio Memorial Scholarship.

The scholarship namesake, Liza Angelicchio, is a former MSU student who lost her battle with cancer on July 9, 2016. To honor her life, her love for everything Morehead State, Chi Omega and the Greek community, the Morehead Area Chi Omega Alumni Chapter started the scholarship in her memory with the financial assistance of Angelicchio's family and friends. The scholarship is a one-time award and is awarded to a new recipient annually pending available funding, with preference given to female students who have exhibited proven leadership ability on MSU's campus.

Rogers is a sophomore at MSU majoring in health promotions with a minor in business management. She is the daughter of Michelle Rogers.

"There are no words to express how honored and proud I am to have received this scholarship," Rogers said. "I feel so much closer to Chi Omega, and even though I've never met Liza, I feel so close to her and like we would be friends. I am forever thankful to her family for blessing me with this scholarship."

To make a donation to the Liza Angelicchio Memorial Scholarship, visit fund.moreheadstate.edu/liza. For more information on the scholarship, contact MSU's Office of Alumni Relations and Development at 606-783-2033 or email alumni@moreheadstate.edu.

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MSU Vocalists Hit High Note at State Competition

Morehead State University vocalists traveled to Bellarmine University in Louisville, Oct. 12-13, for the Student Auditions for the Kentucky Chapter of the National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS).

Jackson Hurt, Richmond, finished second in Underclass Music Theatre - Men, while Janessa Broadhurst, Louisville, brought home third place in the category Junior Women.

“This event is highly competitive” stated Dr. Roma Prindle, MSU associate professor of voice. “I am very proud of how all of our students represented themselves and Morehead State.”

Seven MSU students from the voice studios of Dr. Eric Brown, visiting instructor of voice, and Prindle made the trip to Bellarmine University. They were accompanied by MSU Instructor of Music and Pianist William Murphy. In addition to Hurt and Broadhurst, five other students also competed: Noah Bruce, Louisville (Semi-Finalist, Sophomore Men;); Aarika Castle, Taylorsville (Semi-Finalist, Sophomore Women;); Noah Colley, Portsmouth, Ohio, (Semi-Finalist, Advanced Men;); Bailey Hobbs, Shepherdsville (Underclass Music Theatre – Women;); and Jasmine Wheeler, Morehead (Advanced Women).

“The success of our students at this event speaks highly of not only their talent, but also of their hard work and dedication,” added Brown.

For more information on the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/mtd or call 606-783-5447.

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MSU earns national ranking for graduate-level online education program

Morehead State University consistently receives high rankings for its affordable and high-quality online degree programs. Now, MSU can lay claim to having one of the best online Master's in Adult Education programs in the nation.

Best Colleges.com ranked MSU's Master in Adult Education No. 19 in its list of Best Online Master's in Adult Education Programs. It was the highest-ranking Kentucky university to make the list. Go to www.bestcolleges.com/features/top-online-masters-in-adult-education-programs/#best-schools to see a full list of rankings.

Best Colleges.com is a website that partners with HigherEducation.com to help connect students to academic programs and colleges to meet their needs through user-friendly guides, proprietary research and hundreds of independent college rankings.

MSU's Master's in Adult Education program joins other online degree programs that recently earned national rankings. The University's Master in Sport Management was selected as one of the best Master of Arts in Sport Management programs of 2018 by OnlineMasters.com, and MSU was declared one of the 2019 Most Affordable Online Colleges for English by SR Education Group (www.onlineu.org) for its Master of Arts in English program. AffordableCollegesOnline.org also highlighted MSU for Best Online Master's in Educational Technology (ranked No. 9 out of 50), Best Online Business Programs (ranked No. 17 out of 50), Best Online Master's in English (ranked No. 5 out of 50) and Best Online RN to BSN Programs (ranked No. 17 out of 50).

For more about MSU's College of Education and its programs, call 606-783-2162, email Dr. Chris Miller, dean of the College of Education, at c.miller@moreheadstate.edu, or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/education.

To learn more about Morehead State's online degree programs, go to www.moreheadstate.edu/online.

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MSU's Little Company makes big impression at Edinburgh Fringe Festival

The Little Company, MSU's touring theatre troupe, usually travels the region to educate children and immerse them in the world of theatre. This past summer, The Little Company traveled quite a bit farther from campus to showcase the quality and talent of MSU's theatre program on an international stage.

Department of Music, Theatre and Dance faculty, staff and students made the trip across the pond this past August to Edinburgh, Scotland, to perform at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival. Known as the world's largest arts festival, last year's festival spanned 25 days and featured performance of nearly 4,000 shows in 300 venues by representatives of 40 countries.

During the 12 days at the festival, 22 students helped produce The Little Company's version of "Einstein's Dream," an adaptation from an Alan Lightman novel, for four full performances at Central Hall and a condensed, 20-minute version the group showcased at Edinburgh's renowned Royal Mile between Holyrood Palace and Edinburgh Castle.

Octavia Biggs-Fleck, director of The Little Company, said she could not have been prouder of the students' level of professionalism and the way they positively represented MSU, the state of Kentucky and their country.

"I was moved to tears on a daily basis watching some of these students from Eastern Kentucky that had never been out of Eastern Kentucky get on a plane and travel thousands of miles overseas and experience an art festival that is nothing they've ever experienced before in their lives," Biggs-Fleck said. "Everybody there supports the arts and being in an environment like that is something every artist needs to experience so they know they're not alone in the world fighting to do their craft."

For more information on The Little Company, call 606-783-2545 or email thelittlecompany@moreheadstate.edu, or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/thelittlecompany.

To learn more about MSU's theatre and dance programs, call 606-783-5447 or email mtd@moreheadstate.edu, or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/theatre.

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MSU earns national ranking for online, graduate-level counseling program

MSU has long seen the value in online education for its quality, convenience and affordability. It also seems like more national rankings indicate that receiving that online education through MSU may be an invaluable decision. Now, you can add MSU's Master of Arts in Counseling to that list of nationally ranked online programs.

Morehead State is ranked as one of the most affordable online colleges for counseling.

SR Education Group, an education research publisher, recently ranked the program 11th out of 25 colleges nationwide in its list of the 2019 Most Affordable Master's in Counseling Online. The entire rankings list can be viewed at www.onlineu.org/most-affordable-colleges/counseling-masters-degrees.

SR Education Group was founded in 2004, has been publishing rankings of online colleges since 2009 and awarding scholarships since 2010. The goal of the organization is to provide thorough research and fair assessment of all available online programs to help students make informed decisions toward pursuing an online degree.

MSU's Master of Arts in Counseling program joins other online degree programs that recently earned national rankings. SR Education Group also declared MSU to have one of the 2019 Most Affordable Online Colleges for English for its Master of Arts in English program (also ranked No. 11 out of 25). The University's Master in Sport Management was selected as one of the best Master of Arts in Sport Management programs of 2018 by OnlineMasters.com.

AffordableCollegesOnline.org also highlighted MSU for Best Online Master's in Educational Technology (ranked No. 9 out of 50), Best Online Business Programs (ranked No. 17 out of 50), Best Online Master's in English (ranked No. 5 out of 50) and Best Online RN to BSN Programs (ranked No. 17 out of 50).

For more about MSU's Master of Arts in Counseling program, contact the Department of Foundational and Graduate Studies in Education at 606-783-2261, FGSE@moreheadstate.edu or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/fgse.

To learn more about Morehead State's online degree programs, go to www.moreheadstate.edu/online.

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Flute Day set for Nov. 3

Morehead State University Flute Day will be Saturday, Nov. 3, from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Baird Music Hall.

Registration begins at 10:30 a.m. A special guest artist recital with Dr. Karen McLaughlin Large will take place at 11 a.m. in Duncan Recital Hall. Assistant Professor of Flute Karen McLaughlin Large teaches flute lessons, flute ensemble, low flutes, Baroque flute, and Wind and Percussion Pedagogy at Florida State University's College of Music. Large previously served as Associate Professor of Flute and Music Theory at Kansas State University. She enjoys performing in concerto, solo, chamber and large ensemble settings. She plays regularly with Traverso Colore: Baroque Flute Ensemble, Tornado Alley Flutes, and the Florida Flute Orchestra.

Flutists will have the opportunity to attend performances, workshops and ensemble sessions on Flute Day, including:

- Beginners and band directors embouchure clinic led by Allyson Rawlings.
- Flute KMEA all-state audition workshop led by Dr. Ellen Johnson Mosley.
- Visit our vendors.
- Get a free headshot.
- Play in a flute choir reading session.

The event is free and open to the public.

Sponsors of the event include MSU's Department of Music, Theatre and Dance, the Buckner and Sally S. Hinkle Endowment for the Humanities, Miles Ahead Music, Morehead State Public Radio and the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

For more information about the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/mtd or call 606-783-2473.

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Dr. Phil Prater earns KVMA award

Dr. Philip Prater, a professor of veterinary technology at MSU, has been awarded the 2018 Kentucky Veterinary Medical Association (KVMA) Distinguished Service Award of the Year. He received the award at the 2018 KVMA Mid-America Convention, held in Louisville in September.

Prater earned his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DMV) from Ohio State University (OSU) in 1984. Before coming to MSU, Prater interned at OSU and did his residency at the University of Tennessee before going into private practice. He began teaching at MSU in 1998, and currently serves on:

The organizing committee for the Buffalo Trace Clinic Days CE Meeting which supports the MSU Vet Tech student scholarships.

The KVMA Legislative Committee, the KVMA Food Animal Committee and as chair of the KVMA Emergency Preparedness Committee.

The advisory boards of the Kentucky Cattleman's Association, the Kentucky Beef Network, and the Kentucky Department of Agriculture Market Development.

He has authored and co-authored several peer-reviewed articles and two book chapters on large and small animal reproduction. Prater serves as faculty advisor to pre-veterinary medicine students and the Pre-Vet club and has served as chair of the Department of Agricultural Sciences. Prater teaches veterinary technology classes at the Derrickson Agricultural Complex, MSU's 250-acre farm.

"I was truly shocked and humbled to receive this award," Prater said.

This adds to a long list of awards and recognitions for Prater. In 2006, he was named the Veterinarian of the Year by the KVMA, and he also received the Outstanding Senior Teacher Award from the American Association of Colleges of Agriculture and Renewable Resources. In 2008, Prater earned the Morehead State University Distinguished Teacher Award.

For more information about MSU's Department of Agricultural Sciences, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/agriculture or call 606-783-2662.

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SGA to host informational student forum

Morehead State's Student Government Association (SGA) will host a forum with campus officials designed to answer questions about facilities and services on Thursday, Nov. 1, at 5 p.m. in 112 Rader Hall.

Panelists at the forum will be Russ Mast, vice president for student affairs; Kim Oatman, assistant vice president for facilities and operations; Bill Redwine, assistant vice president for auxiliary services and Luke Holbrook, MSU Dining/Aramark general manager. The panelists will answer questions from the audience about campus services, on-campus dining services and campus facilities.

The forum is open to the public and all respectful questions are welcome.

For more information about SGA, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/sga or call 606-783-2071.

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Lecture to discuss #MeToo movement

Dr. Lisa Huebner will be the speaker at a lecture about sexual assault and the #MeToo movement on Thursday, Nov. 8, at 4:30 p.m. in 002 Breckinridge Hall.

The lecture is called "Bad Sex, Sexual Assault and #MeToo: The Personal is Political and What to do About It." During the talk, Huebner will discuss the importance of making social change that is survivor-based, intersectional and visible. Huebner draws on social movement theory and gender studies theory to describe how the #MeToo movement is different from other social movements.

"#MeToo is different because each individual social media post is a personal outing from a survivor," Huebner said. "Each #metoo breaks the silence that is normally associated with intimate violence and each post is both personal and political. In this way #MeToo is very similar to other identity-based social justice movements like Black Lives Matter. They are based on personal and painful experiences of violence that are also political in how this violence is either remedied or it is not."

Huebner is a feminist sociologist of gender and professor in the Department of Women's and Gender Studies and West Chest University in Pennsylvania who has been giving lectures on the #MeToo movement since September 2017. Her publications include "Catheters, Slurs, and Pickup Lines: Professional Intimacy in Hospital Nursing" and "Fear, Fraud, and Frank Complexities: The Influence of Gender on Human Trafficking" in the journal *Human Trafficking: Interdisciplinary Perspectives*. Huebner said she hopes students who attend the lecture gain some perspective about the ties between race, gender and violence.

"I want students to understand how identity-based norms such as those that shape our understandings of race, gender, and sexuality bolster significant forms of violence," she said. "I want students to see the connections between mundane life and extreme harm. I want students to leave the talk better understanding themselves and our society and see when and how there is potential to make positive social change."

The lecture is sponsored by the Caudill College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, the Department of Nursing, the Interdisciplinary Gender Studies program, the Hinkle Endowment for the Humanities, the Office of Diversity and Inclusion, the Justice Center and the School of Humanities and Social Sciences.

For more information, contact Dr. Ann Andaloro, director of Gender Studies, at a.andaloro@moreheadstate.edu or 606-783-2714.

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