

SBDC will hold QuickBooks workshops

Morehead State University's Small Business Development Center (SBDC) will offer a series of QuickBooks workshops designed to help business owners, without previous accounting experience, manage their company finances.

The seminars will be held from 6-8:30 p.m. in room 302 of the Combs Building on the Morehead campus: QuickBooks Basic, April 12; QuickBooks Intermediate, April 19; and QuickBooks Questions and Answers, April 26.

QuickBooks Basic will cover the entire setup of QuickBooks as a designated accounting software system. From creating a company to setting up a chart of accounts, vendor list, and customer list within QuickBooks, company leaders may begin to manage their finances more effectively through the proper installation and setup of QuickBooks.

The Intermediate QuickBooks workshop will cover in-depth data entry of sales and invoices and the receiving of payments and deposits. The question and answer session will focus on addressing specific issues and concerns as it pertains to participants' businesses.

There is a \$25 per person, per workshop fee to participate, with a six-person minimum enrollment for each session. Online registration is preferred, and is available at www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc.

Additional information and details on registering by telephone are available by calling SBDC at (606) 783-2895.

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SGA presents awards

Morehead State University's Student Government Association recently presented its awards for the month of February. Kimberly Jackson, **Warsaw** senior, Chris Preece, **Pilgrim** senior, and Dr. Emma Perkins, associate professor of art, received recognition.

The announcement was made by Brian Gay, SGA president and a Cincinnati graduate student.

Jackson was named the "Student of the Month." She is an elementary education major that not only is active in university activities, but also in the community through her volunteering with the Big Brother/Big Sister Program.

She is a member of the Order of Omega Greek honors fraternity and Kappa Delta Pi education honor fraternity, as well as an officer in Delta Zeta social sorority. Jackson served as an MSU Alumni Ambassador and a delegate and officer for the Panhellenic Council. She has been named to the Dean's List numerous times.

Preece was the recipient of the "Senior of the Month" award. He is vice president of the Chemistry Club and a member of the Morehead State University Honors Program.

The chemistry major has been commended for his superior work ethic and his service to friends and the community. Preece also has been named to the Dean's List numerous times.

Dr. Perkins was the recipient of the "Flying High Award" which recognizes faculty and staff members that have gone above

and beyond the call in their profession. According to Gay, she goes above and beyond the call of teaching.

"Dr. Perkins has an incredible willingness to meet with students outside of office hours and is always ready to listen to her students and assist them in areas in which they require special attention," he said.

"She is not afraid to help students even when it creates more work for her. Dr. Perkins is widely regarded by students as not only as a distinguished educator, but also a friend."

A description of each award and an application form is available online at www.moreheadstate.edu/sga. Additional information is available from the SGA office at

(606) 783-2298; or by e-mail to sga@moreheadstate.edu .
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Social work conference to be held on campus

Morehead State University will host the Fourth Annual Social Work Conference on Friday, May 4, at the Adron Doran University Center on the Morehead campus.

The day-long conference will be broken into two sessions. Participants may register for either the morning (9 a.m. - noon) or afternoon (1-4 p.m.) workshops or both.

Continuing Education Units (CEUs) will be offered in four areas: Grant Writing, Living with HIV/AIDS, Ethical Decision Making in Social Work, and Stress Management.

The cost per session is \$25 or \$40 for all day.

To access a brochure and registration form online, visit <http://irapp.moreheadstate.edu> . MSU's Department of Sociology, Social Work and Criminology, Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy, Caudill College of Humanities and Training Resource Center are sponsors of the event.

Additional information on registration or the conference is available from April Miller, director of the Training Resource Center, at (606) 783-2566; or Kim Compton, consortium coordinator, at (606) 783-2232.

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MSU police offers campus safety tips

As the spring semester begins to wind down, Morehead State University's Police Department offers this advice to the campus community: Be aware of your surroundings and take the necessary precautions to avoid loss of your belongings.

"It is not uncommon to see an increase in crime at this time of year," said MSU Police Chief Joseph S. Cline. "On the campus, everyone is busy with the end of the year activities and fail to adhere to the safety rules that they usually follow."

Purses, wallets and textbooks are among the list of items that are reported missing most often.

Always on the lookout for suspicious activity, an increase in the number of reports of theft has police officers being ever more vigilant. Students, as well as faculty and staff, are urged to take all necessary measures to secure and protect personal belongings in residence halls, offices and vehicles, in addition to office equipment and other vulnerable items.

"We want to remind you to take the extra time to secure items in the trunk or under the seat before leaving your automobile," Chief Cline said. "The threat of a break-in is reduced if your belongings are not visible. Remember to lock your vehicle before leaving it in the parking area."

University police remind students to also practice safety in the residence halls:

- Make sure your door is locked when leaving your room, even if you are only going next door. It takes less than 10 seconds for a thief to enter an open room and steal property.
 - Do not leave messages indicating how long you will be away or when you expect to return.
 - Follow the safety in numbers rule when going out at night and arrange to go with friends/roommates. It is a good practice to scan your surroundings whether walking on campus, traveling by automobile or enjoying a shopping excursion.
 - Do not leave valuables or property (purses, backpacks, books, personal identification, etc.) visible in or around the office or living area.
 - Keep emergency numbers by the phone. Call 911 to report any suspicious person or activity.
- Everyone should take the time to be aware of their surroundings and any unusual activity.

Additional information is available by calling the [MSU Police Department](#) at (606) 783-2035.
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Social work students may receive free tuition

Morehead State University students desiring a career in social work with a certification in Public Child Welfare can have their last three or four semesters paid and receive a \$1,300 per semester stipend, under the Public Child Welfare Certification Program (PCWCP).

The PCWCP was implemented by the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services in 10 university's undergraduate social work programs to better serve the children and families in the state.

The goal of this program is to fill the ranks of child welfare workers with the most competent and well-trained employees who can provide high quality services immediately upon employment.

Once accepted in the program, students must maintain a social work grade point average of 3.0 and overall GPA of 2.5; attend retreats each spring and fall; take courses SWK358 and SWK458 electives; successfully complete a practicum with the Department of Community Based Services; attend extra training during your practicum semester; and work for Community Based Services for two years after graduation.

To be eligible for the program, the student must apply and be accepted into the social work program; have an overall grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale; have a social work GPA of 3.0 (if classes apply) and have only three or four semesters left of coursework toward a Bachelor of Social Work degree

The deadline for admission for the 2007 fall semester is May 4.

Additional information is available from Dr. Cynthia Faulkner, assistant professor of social work, at c.faulkner@moreheadstate.edu or by calling at (606) 783-2702.
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Leslie County Superintendent gives presentation at MSU

Morehead State University students pursuing a superintendent certification are provided a variety of opportunities to learn from those in the field about real life situations. Recently, Larry W. Sparks, right, superintendent of Leslie County Schools, shared his experiences by giving a presentation on finance to leadership students enrolled in the superintendent class. Dr. Sam Wright, assistant professor of professional programs in education, is the course instructor.

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AK Steel hosts MSU

employment team

An employment team from Morehead State University recently met with AK Steel Corporation about its future recruiting efforts.

Phil Fultz, general manager of AK Steel Ashland Works, and Susan Lester, human resources manager, hosted Dr. Ahmad Zargari, chair of MSU's Department of Industrial and Engineering Technology, Sam Mason, instructor of industrial technology, and Julia Hawkins, career services director, to discuss their needs for securing student interns and full-time employees.

The MSU group considers the meeting productive and hopes it will provide a worthwhile contact for the University and its graduates. Last year, AK Steel Ashland Works hired 26 managers with the potential of finding candidates from Morehead State again this year. The jobs are highly lucrative with salaries between \$50,000-60,000.

AK Steel is a fortune 500 company and the industry leader in production of flat-rolled carbon, stainless and electrical steel products for use in automotive, appliance, construction, and manufacturing markets.

According to Fultz, candidates must have a college degree, desire a position in management and be motivated.

The MSU team took notes and listened carefully to the requests of AK Steel's presentation. Dr. Zargari said that his department is committed to enhancing the Internship Program to develop a continuous solid co-op program with the company. Several IET interns are currently working at the Ashland facility.

"We hope to build inter-departmental teams to build bridges to employment with local companies and organizations," said Hawkins.

Additional information is available by calling the [Office of Academic and Career Services](#) at (606) 783-2233.
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Employees honored for service

Several Morehead State University employees were honored recently for attaining milestones in their years of service with the University. MSU President Wayne D. Andrews congratulated each employee as he presented them with a service pin symbolic of the achievement. Among those participating in the ceremony were, front row from left, Sherry Adkins, 5; Jeanette Johnson, 10; Penny Bond, 10; and Dr. Andrews. Back row from left are Nick Pickett, 5; Dale Duvall, 5; David Barnett, 5; and Steve Leitz, 20.

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Celebration of Student Scholarship slated for this week

A Morehead State University alumnus and noted researcher in biotechnology will be the featured speaker at an annual event honoring academic achievement.

Dr. Jude Grosser, who is among the world's leading researchers in his field, will speak at the Celebration of Student Scholarship, slated for Thursday through Saturday, April 12-14, at MSU. The event showcases scholarship, research and creative productions of undergraduate students in all academic disciplines.

"This showcase provides an outstanding opportunity for the university and the public to see the quality of work accomplished by these students," said Dr. David Magrane, chair of the Department of Biological and Environmental Sciences and coordinator of the event.

To kickoff the celebration, Dr. Grosser will give a talk on "Biotechnology: An Evolving Tool Box for Improving Modern Agriculture," at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 12 in the Reed Hall auditorium. He is one of the top researchers in the development of citrus plant cultivars. A 1979 graduate of MSU, he earned a master's degree in biology. He currently is professor of plant cell genetics at the University of Florida.

The research efforts by Dr. Grosser have received worldwide acclaim. He has teamed with entomologists, pathologists, and physiologists to develop a somatic hybridization program that is the most successful in the world, according to Dr. Magrane. Within a few years, new somatic rootstocks will be available with improved disease resistance, better adaptation to poor soils, improved tree size control, improved nursery characteristics, and higher and more consistent productivity, that will provide growers with new market opportunities

The Ft. Thomas native has published extensively and has been an invited research collaborator in various countries of South America and Asia, and in Australia. He has received numerous awards including the University of Florida Research Foundation Professorship, Outstanding Career Researcher Award, the Step Professorship, and the Provost Merit Award. Dr. Grosser is co-director of the Core Citrus Transformation Laboratory at UF.

The celebration continues on Saturday, April 14. From 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. on the third floor of the Adron Doran University Center, more than 100 students will be giving oral and poster presentations of their work. The event is free and open to the public.

Student accomplishments in the performing arts also will be showcased at various times and venues in the month of April.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Magrane at (606) 783-2945.

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Earth Day activities begin with unveiling

Morehead State University's Earth Day celebration kicked off on Wednesday (April 4) with the unveiling of a bronze globe sculpture created by Stephen Tirone, professor of art. The piece of art, which was supported and funded by MSU President Wayne D. Andrews, had been a work in progress for nearly a year and was a collaborative effort of Tirone and his students. It is installed near the Little Bell Tower.

Helping with the work were:

June Savage-Adams, **Morehead** graduate student; Brandi Alicie, **Worthington** graduate student; Ryan Andersons, **Charlton, N.Y.**, sophomore; Casey Arnold, **Catlettsburg** sophomore; Megan Brown, **Letcher** senior; Scott Clevenger, **Morehead** senior; Stephen Creech, **Mt. Sterling** graduate student; Amy Cummings, **Brookville, Ohio**, sophomore; John Feather, **Clay City** sophomore; Kourtney Hall, **Ashland** senior; Jordan Hampton, **Pikeville** junior; Emily Harrison, **Taylorville** sophomore; Susan Hawkins, **Florence** senior; Jessica Hill, **Hazard** senior; Kendrick Holbrook, **Olive Hill** junior; Amanda Keathley, **Prestonsburg** sophomore; Rachel Kendall, **Sissonville, W.Va.**, junior;

Rebekah Kendall, **Sissonville, W.Va.**, junior; Michael Lauletta, **Galloway, Ohio**, sophomore; Alisha Lawhorn, **Lexington** freshmen; Casey McCown, **Cynthiana** senior; Andrew McDonald, **Mt. Sterling** junior; Tiffany Oldaker, **Hilliard, Ohio**, junior; Steve Quinn, **Greenup** sophomore; Walter Sabon Jr., **Elliottville** graduate student; Joelle Schultz, **Cincinnati** junior;

Caleb Spenser, **Owingsville** junior; Casey Stamatias, **Mt. Sterling** junior; Mark Stevens, **West Chester, Ohio**, senior; Stephen Waddles, **Ashland** senior; and Katie Williams, **Chesapeake, Va.**, freshmen.

For their assistance, Tirone thanked MSU alumnus Jodi Stacy of Morehead, along with Jennifer Bell and Anita Carney-McNeal, instructors of art; Greg Penner, assistant professor of art; and April Haight, director of the environmental education center.

The Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy's Center for Environmental Education (EEC) will host a variety of Earth Day events that will include: presentations of research by MSU faculty, staff and students on the state of Triplett Creek on Wednesday, April 11, in 302 Breckinridge Hall; a round table discussion on local food on Wednesday, April 18, in 302 Breckinridge Hall; a community clean up will take place on Friday, April 20, from 3-6 p.m. with registration on the lawn at the Academic-Athletic Center; the Student Government Association will host a debate on logging in the Daniel Boone National Forest on Wednesday, April 25, in Button Drill Room; and from 9 a.m. - noon on Saturday, April 28, the annual Cave Run Lake clean up is scheduled with registration at Warix Run boat ramp.

The Cave Run event is being co-organized by the EEC, Rowan County Solid Waste Department and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service.

Additional information is available by calling Haight at (606) 783-5268.

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Dr. Bates to speak during International Studies program

Dr. Benjamin R. Bates, assistant professor of communication studies at Ohio University, will speak on "Rhetoric of Investigation: The British Construction of Palestine in the White Paper of 1939" at Morehead State University's International Studies Academic program on Friday, April 20.

Dr. Bates will speak to the general campus at 3 p.m. in 2 Breckinridge Hall with a reception to follow. He will address some smaller groups at other times that day.

"In addition to being of interest to IST students, I think this speaker will be good for history, communication, religion, and many other interest groups on our campus who have an interest in the Middle East," said Dr. Robert Frank, director of the international studies program and associate professor of speech communication.

Dr. Bates has had articles in communication journals, including *Quarterly Journal of Speech*, *Journal of Health Communication*, *Communication Studies*, *Howard Journal of Communications*, and *Argumentation & Advocacy*. He also has published in several journals devoted to the biomedical sciences such as *Journal of Genetic Counseling*, *Community Genetics*, *Clinical Genetics*, *Journal of the National Medical Association*, *Genetics in Medicine*, and the *American Journal of Medical Genetics* and has focused on journals committed to the intersection of communication and science, including *Public Understanding of Science*, *Journal of Medical Humanities*, *Social Science & Medicine*, as well as other outlets. His research is in the public understanding of complex policy formation. Specifically, he investigates public understanding of medical genetics and biotechnological sciences; the construction of race in/and medicine; and, public presentation of British and American foreign policy.

Dr. Bates earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in speech, theatre and dance and political science at the University of Richmond ; and received a master's and Ph. D. degrees from the University of Georgia.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Frank at (606) 783-9369.

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Earth Day Committee to host roundtable discussion

Morehead State University's Earth Day Committee will host a roundtable discussion on local foods on Wednesday, April 18, at 6 p.m. in 302 Breckinridge Hall.

The goal of the event is to encourage the use of locally grown foods in area restaurants. There will be three guest speakers: Stella's Kentucky Deli, Kentucky Proud and Sheltoewe Farms.

"Not only does eating locally grown food benefit the environment by reducing the impact of transporting and storing our foods, it helps local farmers and the local economy," said April Haight, director of the environmental education center.

According to the Worldwatch Institute, food transportation is among the biggest and fastest growing sources of greenhouse gas emissions worldwide. One example, a head of lettuce grown in California and transported across country requires about 36 times as much fossil fuel energy in transport as it provides in food energy when it arrives. The average food item consumed in America travels approximately 1,491 miles from farm to plate.

Stella's Kentucky Deli, located in downtown Lexington, is dedicated to local farmers and to supporting local food economies. Their mission is to produce simple, high quality foods that emphasize the superior flavors and textures of fresh, local ingredients. To achieve this, they make all of their sandwiches, salads, soups and desserts by hand, in house, using whatever ingredients are seasonally available.

Sheltowee Farm of Salt Lick was founded in 2001. The family owned and operated mushroom farm offers year-round organic shiitake and oyster mushrooms. Seasonally, the farm offers morels, chanterelles, hen of the woods, and chicken of the woods. In addition to promoting their own farm products, Sheltowee Farm works with other farmers to assist with the marketing of produce.

Kentucky Proud, which is part of the Department of Agriculture, is a state-led initiative dedicated to providing assistance to bluegrass farmers in converting to alternative crops and products other than tobacco. It has several programs to promote the purchasing of Kentucky products as well as incentives to producers and restaurants to stimulate the purchasing and availability of Kentucky grown farm products.

A variety of other activities will be held for Earth Day. To review the list, access the Web at <http://eec.moreheadstate.edu> or www.moreheadstate.edu/earthday.

Additional information is available by calling Haight at (606) 783-2455.

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MSU is the new owner of Eagle Trace Golf Course

It's official. Morehead State University is the new owner and operator of Eagle Trace Golf Course.

"Generous, wonderful friends of the University provided \$1.3 million in gifts and local government agencies added \$300,000 in public funds to assist in preserving this valuable resource for economic development," said MSU President Wayne D. Andrews. "We are deeply grateful to the previous owners who offered the property at such an attractive price and to all others who shared our commitment to making this happen for the good of our community and this institution."

He said the course already has opened for the 2007 season and will honor all of the event bookings made by the previous owners.

Dr. Andrews also announced that the University is closing Sunny Brook Golf Course, its nine-hole layout east of Morehead on U.S. 60. It has been operated by MSU since it was purchased from the Ernest Patton family in 1965. The last day of play at Sunny Brook will be Saturday, April 14.

The 150-acre property will be sold at the appropriate time with part of the proceeds used to restore Eagle Trace to its original championship condition, according to Dr. Andrews. He added that MSU staff members at Sunny Brook are being transferred to Eagle Trace and the current Eagle Trace staff members are being retained.

Assisting MSU financially with the project were the MSU Foundation Inc., Morehead City Council, Rowan County Fiscal Court, Morehead Tourism Commission, Morehead-Rowan County Economic Development Council Inc., and the recently-formed Friends of MSU Golf. All supporters will be recognized permanently at the Eagle Trace clubhouse.

The MSU president said the University had four primary reasons for acquiring the 18-hole course west of Morehead: (1) to create a venue for fund raising, athletic, teaching and recreation activities of MSU's alumni, faculty, staff, students, parents and other friends; (2) to preserve the par 72, 6,902-yard layout as a tourism and economic development asset; (3) to support "quality of life" measures to make the area more attractive to prospective MSU employees and others; and (4) to take advantage of an incredible business opportunity because it would cost an estimated \$5 million to replicate Eagle Trace.

Opened in 1995, Eagle Trace was developed by a group of local and regional investors. It was designed by noted golf course architect David Pfaff.

The course hosted the Kentucky Men's State Amateur in 1998 and 2000 and the Kentucky Women's State Amateur in 1999. It is the home course of MSU's men's golf team. MSU is expected to start a women's golf team in the near future.

Eagle Trace occupies 135 wooded, rolling acres off Ramey Ridge Road and Farmers-Sharkey Road (KY 801) near Exit 133 of I-64. It features tees and greens of bent grass and has a clubhouse with 4,800 square feet of interior space, an attached event pavilion of 2,400 square feet and a storage and maintenance building for golf carts and turf equipment.

The course is irrigated by water pumped from the nearby Licking River into manmade ponds.

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'Chicago' to be staged at MSU

A musical tale of murder, corruption, greed, violence and treachery will be told when the popular jazz musical "Chicago" is performed at Morehead State University.

The production will be staged Thursday through Saturday, April 19-21, at 7:30 p.m. each evening in Button Auditorium.

Based on the book by Fred Ebb and Bob Fosse, "Chicago" is considered among the theatre world's most daring and exciting musicals. Set in Chicago in the prohibition era, it is a satirical story of corruption in the justice system and the concept of the "celebrity criminal."

The story features accused murderesses Roxie Hart and Velma Kelly and their sensational trials. They are defended and the system is manipulated by their lawyer, Billy Flynn.

The musical is marked by hit songs such as "All That Jazz," "Cell Block Tango" and "Razzle Dazzle," and is an homage to the early days of Vaudeville entertainment. Performed on stages around the world, it garnered six Tony awards in 1997. It was adapted into a major motion picture in 2002, and won numerous Academy Awards.

Among the student actors featured are: Brittany Behn, **Kyle, Texas**, junior, as Velma Kelly; Beth Anne Humphrey, **Elkins, W.Va.**, graduate student, as Roxie Hart; and Cal Harris, **Cincinnati** sophomore, as Billy Flynn.

Admission is \$8 for adults and \$4 for non-MSU students and senior citizens. MSU students will be admitted free with a valid EagleCard ID. Reservations are suggested.

Additional information and reservations are available by calling the Theatre Box Office at (606) 783-2170.

"CHICAGO" CAST AND CREW

Stephanie Adams, **Florence** sophomore, dancer/chorus. A theatre major and the daughter of Rick and Sarah Adams, she is active in Theta Alpha Phi theatre honorary and the Little Company.

Brittany Behn, **Kyle , Texas** , junior, as Velma Kelly. A business administration and marketing major, she is the daughter of Judy Behn.

Jolene Brewer, **Falmouth** freshman, as Kitty. A theatre major, she is involved in Gamma Phi Beta sorority and Student Support Services. She is the daughter of Gary and Connie Brewer.

Amanda Garyette Carter, **Catlettsburg** senior, chorus member. She is a theatre education major, the historian of Theta Alpha Phi theatre honorary and a member of the Little Company. Her parents are Gary and Nancy Carter.

Matthew Caudill, **Carcassonne** senior, as Sgt. Fogarty/Alvin Lipschitz. A biology and criminology major, he is a member of the Caving Club and active in the Army's 207th Engineering Company in Hazard. His parents are Michael and Marcia Caudill.

Andrew Chang, **Morehead** junior, as Mary Sunshine. A theatre major, he is active in Theta Alpha Phi. He is the son of Charlene Tackett of **Ashland** .

Travis Clark, **Ashland** junior, as Fred. A theatre major, he is active in the Little Company. He is the son of Mark and Becky Clark.

Cody Dermon, **Ghent** sophomore, as Hunkak. A theatre major, he is the son of Clayton and Rachel Dermon.

Lauren Dickerson, **Hustonsville** senior, costume designer. A theatre major, she is vice president of Theta Alpha Phi theatre honorary. She is the daughter of David and Marti Dickerson.

Bryan Edmonds, **Louisville** sophomore, as Judge. He is a vocal education major and a member of the Concert Choir, Concert Band and the Color Guard. He is the son of Sandra Edmonds.

Kacey Gill, **Ashland** sophomore, assistant stage manager. She is the daughter of Walter and Rebecca Gill.

Cal Harris, **Cincinnati** sophomore, as Billy Flynn. A communications major, he is active in the Little Company and Theta Alpha Phi theatre honorary. He is the son of Marc and Sharon Harris.

Christina Jeans, **Falmouth** sophomore, as June/Squish. A theatre major, she is active in Theta Alpha Phi. Her parents are Randy and Debbie Jeans.

Suzanne Long, **Richmond** sophomore, as Annie/Six. A biology major, she is the daughter of Tracy Long.

Zach March, **Falmouth** sophomore, as M.C. He is the son of Matt and Tina Shearer.

Molly Maynard, **Catlettsburg** junior, as Mama Morton. A theatre and music major, she is a member of Theta Alpha Phi, Concert Choir and Chamber Singers. She is the daughter of Paul and Shirleen Maynard.

Kayla Leighann Meadows, **Lawrenceburg** freshman, assistant stage manager. A theatre major, she is a member of the George M. Luckey Jr. Academic Honors Program and the Little Company. She is the daughter of Cheri Meadows of **Lawrenceburg** and Kelly Meadows of **Los Angeles** .

Morganne Mackassy Meaney, **Columbus , Ohio** , freshman, assistant choreographer. She is the daughter of Jim and Wendy Meaney.

Maggie Morris, **Charleston , W.Va.** , freshman, as Hunyak "Uhuh" the Hungarian. A theatre major, she is the daughter of Tom and Ann Morris.

Jessica Moulis, **Maysville** senior, as Pop/Liz. A theatre major, she is secretary of Theta Alpha Phi. Her parents are Scott Moulis and Betsy Palmer.

Heather Pennington, **Louisville** junior, chorus/dancer. An elementary and special education major, she is a member of the Student Government Association and the Student Life Committee. Her parents are Gary Pennington and Jennifer Pennington.

James Alan Pleiman, **Prospect** freshman, as Bernie. A member of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity, he is the son of Jack and Cheryl Matthews.

Sherre Robirds, **Inez** graduate student in communications, production stage manager. A Theta Alpha Phi alumnus, she is the daughter of David and Judith Robirds.

Sarah Beth Robinette, **Catlettsburg** sophomore, chorus. A theatre major, she is a member of the Little Company. She is the daughter of Keith and Julie Robinette.

Brittany Stacy, **Jackson** senior, chorus. A theatre education major, she is president of Theta Alpha Phi. She is a peer adviser for MSU 101 and involved with Rowan County Theatre and Diversion. Her parents are Greg Stacy and Nancy Combs.

Justin Stallkamp, **Covington** sophomore, as Amos. A sophomore music education major, he is a member of the Symphony Band. He is the son of Julia Stallkamp.

Anthony Sublett, **Morehead** sophomore, as Ezekiel Young/Six. He is the son of Mike and Lorita Sublett.

Amanda Wells, **Morehead** alumnus, as Mora Lipschitz. A member of the Morehead Theatre Guild Board, she is a music educator at Rodburn and Clearfield elementaries. Her husband is Jesse Wells.

Lacey Annette Whitley, **Frenchburg** junior, dancer/chorus. A theatre and art major, she is the daughter of Howard and Diane Whitley.

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Chinese educators visit MSU

Four Chinese educators have spent the spring semester visiting Morehead State University's campus to enhance their language teaching skills and to get a taste of American life.

The group members are all on the faculty of the College of Foreign Languages at Guangxi University in China where they teach English as a second language. At Guangxi, they are among more than 100 instructors of English in the College of Foreign Languages, which employs more than 200 faculty members. They arrived in late January for what is their first-ever visit to the U.S., and are slated to return to China on April 22.

On campus, the group has been busy attending classes, conducting research in the Camden-Carroll Library and collaborating one-on-one with various faculty and staff.

"We were sent by our dean to be here to do some research work and to explore the American culture," said Ruan Shaoqing. "It is important to experience new things in teaching. We need 'new blood' to generate new ideas for teaching."

Her colleague, Lu Quji, agreed, based on his own observations. "In fact, I find it is interesting that there are obvious differences in instruction at the postgraduate level here," he said. "The students here are very active as far as discussion and they are not afraid to challenge the professor, and making their ideas heard by others."

The third member of the Chinese faculty is Bi Fuchun, who has been participating in an online course and learning the ins and outs of the BlackBoard system as an instructional method.

"This BlackBoard has been very helpful," he said, explaining that at his university, they don't have a comparable system. He has been working specifically with Deanna Mascle, instructor of English, about online teaching procedures, and said that other faculty members have also shared information with him.

Ruan said that what they have learned at MSU will give them a professional edge.

"In the future in China, maybe we'll have a change in our online learning," she said. "This is a good chance for us to learn about it beforehand." She has spent time with Dr. Tim Miller, associate professor of education, examining curriculum design.

Part of Lu's research time has been spent at the library working on his master's dissertation. "I am searching topics on Chinese-styled English or Chinese-colored English," he said, adding that speaking and listening to the language here has been professionally enlightening.

"Before we came here, we taught textbook English, which is quite different from daily life English," he said. "When we came here, we were afraid we would sound like textbooks."

In her studies at Morehead State, Ruan says she turns on the television to "practice" her ears.

Bi says hearing English here has been an adjustment, particularly with slang or informal speaking.

"At first, I paid much attention to grammatical mistakes, because it didn't make sense to me," he said. "But everyone has been helpful, and I would like to gratefully acknowledge our friends in America for their help."

Chen Bing, the fourth member of the group, took advantage of the library resources and has spent much time researching her areas of interest.

Since the group arrived in Morehead, they have attended various events, from a local Bluegrass music show to a visit to the Newport Aquarium. Early in their visit, they were delighted to experience snow for the first time, since they live in a much warmer climate.

"I would like to express a hearty appreciation to all the help we get here," Ruan said.

Their visit has been coordinated by Dr. Janet Gross, professor of nursing and interim director of the Office of International Education.

According to Dr. Gross, MSU faculty members who are interested in participating in the visiting scholars program at Guangxi University may contact her for details.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Gross at (606) 783-2096, or by sending an electronic message to j.gross@moreheadstate.edu.

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Graduate student accepts Detroit internship

Leeann Tanner, Morehead State University graduate student from **Flat Gap**, has accepted a summer internship with Detroit Public Radio. She will use the position to fulfill her master's degree requirement.

"This is a great opportunity for Leeann to augment the experience she received from working in Morehead State Public Radio's news department with a chance to learn how reporting issues are handled in major metro areas of the U.S. She did a great job here and I fully expect her to be just as successful at WDET," said Chuck Mraz, MSPR news director.

During her internship, Tanner will be interviewing newsmakers at events and news conferences, performing telephone interviews, writing news copy and researching news topics for a daily show.

As an undergraduate, she worked at MSPR as a news reporter, anchor and board operator. During that time, Tanner was awarded MSPR's Outstanding Student Award, the Student Achievement award and two Associated Press awards for her work.

After graduating from MSU with her bachelor's degree in theatre and a minor in creative writing, she chose to pursue her master's degree while serving at MSPR as a graduate assistant in the news room. Her current duties include news interviews, live news broadcasting, producing feature segments, co-hosting for the 30-minute magazine show, Mountain Edition, and guest hosting for the talk show, The Front Page.

Tanner is a graduate of Johnson Central High School. She currently resides in Morehead with her four-year old son, Wiley.

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

10th Annual Monster Concert to be held May 5

The 10th Annual Monster Concert for keyboard instruments will be held on Saturday, May 5, at Morehead State University.

Scheduled for 8 p.m. in Duncan Recital Hall within Baird Music Hall, the event will feature guest artists, MSU alumni and faculty, and amateur and student performers from the region. Additionally, several students from the Downing Academy of Music in Maysville will perform.

These artists will perform solos, piano duets, trios and a 10-keyboard arrangement of Gustav Holst's "Mars, Bringer of War" from his orchestral suite "The Planets." This work is arranged for large keyboard ensembles using both acoustic and synthesized sounds as well as a percussion section, according to Dr. Paul Taylor, associate professor of music and coordinator of the Monster Concert.

The percussionists also will be featured in a marimba arrangement of Dmitri Shostakovich's fugue in e-flat minor.

Two guest artists will be featured on the program - Jennifer Hughes and Steven Young. Young, a doctoral candidate in composition at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music, will premier one of his piano pieces on the program. He and his wife, Chia-Ling Hseih, instructor of music at MSU, will perform a piano duet.

Hughes, an MSU graduate and chair of Pikeville College's music department, will perform a piano sonata of Joseph Haydn, and a two-piano sonata with Dr. Taylor.

The event is free and open to the public. Additional information is available by calling Dr. Taylor at (606) 783-2405.

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MSU to compete in USBC nationals

Morehead State University will be represented by its [women's and men's bowling teams](#) during the 2007 United States Bowling Congress Intercollegiate Team Championships, which is set for April 19-21 at Northrock Lanes in Wichita, Kan.

The MSU women's team will be making its 22nd appearance and 15th straight in the nationals. Last season, the Lady Eagles finished third while the men's squad finished in a tie for fifth.

The top 16 men's and top 16 women's teams in the country will gather for the championships. The finals will be televised nationally on College Sports Television (CSTV) on a tape-delayed basis.

The MSU women's team consists of: Amy Corbin, **Cincinnati** junior; Deirdre Criddell, **Huber Heights, Ohio**, freshman; Kami Ebersole, **Eldorado, Ohio**, freshman; Andrea Lucente, **Youngstown, Ohio**, sophomore; Marissa Martinek, **Colonie, N.Y.**, freshman; Tiffany Murray, **Cincinnati** freshman; and Lauren Swanson, **Freeport, N.Y.**, junior.

The MSU women took top honors in 1989, 1998, 2000 and 2002 and were runners-up in 1993.

The MSU men's team consists of: James Bryant, **Fairfield, Ohio**, senior; Colin Daugherty, **Longbranch, N.J.**, junior; Scott Doyno, **Wellington, Fla.**, junior; Ross Hinzman, **Elkins, W.Va.**, senior; Michael Johnson, **Austintown, Ohio**, freshman; Matt Laurin, **Anchorage, Alaska**, sophomore; Johnny Petraglia, **Manalapan, N.J.**, junior; Jason Reynolds, **Cincinnati** freshman; and Kyle Wogatske, **Germantown, Md.**, senior.

Saginaw Valley State won the Chattanooga Sectional to advance to the national finals for the fourth straight year. The Cardinals are ranked No. 1 in the [National Collegiate Bowling Coaches Association](#) and [Bowling Writers Association of America](#) polls. Other qualifiers from the men's division, which features six past champions and eight returning teams from the 2006 event, include sectional champions Nebraska, St. John's and Fresno State.

Also advancing were Morehead State, Wichita State, William Paterson, Robert Morris (Pa.), Pikeville, Central Florida, Florida State, Missouri Baptist, Lindenwood, California-Davis, West Texas A&M and Calumet College of St. Joseph (Ind.), which will be making its USBC Intercollegiate Team Championships debut in the program's inaugural season.

In the women's division, Lindenwood finished second in the Las Vegas Sectional to advance for the fifth time in the program's five-year history.

Other qualifiers from the women's division, which features six former champions and 13 returning teams from 2006, include sectional champions Wichita State, Pikeville, Morehead State and Fresno State. Joining them will be Penn State, Shippensburg, Hudson Valley Community College, Central Florida, Ohio State, Ball State, McKendree, Purdue, Western Illinois, Newman and West Texas A&M.

Seven schools qualified both their men's and women's teams from sectionals, which consisted of 32 Baker System games each day for a total of 64 Baker games.

The Sectional Qualifier competitions were held March 24 and 25.

Additional information, during the tournament, will be available from the Web site www.Bowl.com.

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Day of Silence set for April 18

Get ready for Morehead State University's campus to be a little quieter on Wednesday, April 18, when MSU students join those from across the nation in a Day of Silence. The event is to protest the bullying, harassment, and name-calling faced by lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) youth every day.

The Day of Silence at MSU will be observed from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Participants will be silent, wearing T-shirts and buttons while passing out "speaking cards" that read:

"Please understand my reasons for not speaking today. I am participating in the Day of Silence, a national youth movement protesting the silence faced by lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people and their allies at Morehead State and across the country. My deliberate silence echoes that silence, which is caused by harassment, prejudice, and discrimination. I believe that ending the silence is the first step toward fighting these injustices. Think about the voices you are not hearing today. What are you going to do to end the silence?"

Informational tables will be available throughout the day, and events will include a Day of Silence dedication at 8 a.m. in the Adron Doran University Center's lobby, a silent lunch at noon in the ADUC cafeteria, and breaking the silence discussion at 5 p.m. in the ADUC lobby.

A candle will be lit at the dedication and placed in the Little Bell Tower to represent those who have been silenced and discriminated against. The candle will be extinguished at 5 p.m. prior to the discussion.

Students, faculty and staff of all sexual orientations and gender identities/expressions are invited to participate, and the event carries the support of the Student Government Association and the ALLYance.

Brian Gay, SGA president, supports the events, "Growing up with the last name Gay, I recognize the bullying that one can face even by association. I commend the efforts of the organizers for The Day of Silence as they are drawing attention to a social inequity that so many ignore."

According to local organizer Brian Stephens, **Sandy Hook** sophomore, The Day of Silence is especially relevant to Morehead State because of the very diverse campus community in which many members are silenced daily. He hopes that the event will work towards ending some of the silence and hatred students face.

The Day of Silence project is one of the largest student-led events in the country, involving thousands of high school and college students. Additional information may be obtained by contacting Stephens at bcstep01@moreheadstate.edu; visiting the ALLYance Web site at www.moreheadstate.edu/orgs/alliance ; or www.dayofsilence.org .

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RESCHEDULED- Relay for Life Team cookout is April 24

The Morehead State University "Soaring Eagles" Relay For Life Team will host a cookout fundraiser on campus on Tuesday, April 24, from 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Lunch will include choice of a hamburger, cheeseburger, pork barbeque sandwich, hot dog or chili dog, along with chips, dessert and a drink for \$3.50. On-campus deliveries will be available for an additional donation of 50 cents.

The event will be held on the lawn in front of Allie Young Hall. Door prizes will be available as well. All proceeds from the cookout will benefit the American Cancer Society Relay For Life.

Additional information is available by calling Sharon Reynolds at (606) 783-2053.

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Three make presentation at SSCA convention

A Morehead State University professor and two graduate students were panel presenters at a recent communication professionals' convention in Louisville.

Dr. Robert E. Frank, associate professor of speech communication, was joined by David Tarvin of **Mason , Ohio**, and Andrew LeRoy of **Murrayville , Ga.** , on a three-person panel at the Southern States Communication Association meeting, March 28-April 1. Their presentation, made in the political communication division, was titled "Political Relationships in the Digital Age: 3 Case Studies."

Tarvin, who was an undergraduate student in Spanish, spoke on "Political Domination through News: Hugo Chavez and his Telesur Station." LeRoy, an undergraduate student in French, delivered "The Role of New Communication Technologies in Political Movements: The Case of the Quebec Separatist Movement."

Dr. Frank's panel paper was "Creating Tolerance in the Digital Age: The Reelection Campaign of Berlin's Gay mayor."

The panel was moderated by Dr. David L. Sutton of Auburn University.

Also at the convention, Dr. Frank was elected vice chair-elect of the rhetoric and public address division of the association. This is the largest division within the organization, with more than 200 members. In this leadership role, he will assist in planning next year's division panels and papers and in 2009, will be in charge of plans for the division's portion of that year's conference in Norfolk, Va.

Dr. Frank also serves on the association's nominating and resource development committees.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Frank at (606) 783-9369.

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SIFE wins regional competition

Members of the Morehead State University SIFE (Students In Free Enterprise) Team returned to Morehead winners after participating in the Cincinnati SIFE USA Regional Competition on March 20.

The event was one of 17 SIFE USA Regional Competitions being held across the United States in March and April.

After a year of designing and implementing projects that work to make the region and state a better place through business education, six of the MSU SIFE members put together the annual presentation and with much practice made their way to Cincinnati.

The presentation team included: Nathan Mills, **Pikeville** sophomore chemistry major; Brooke Scroggins, **Miramar, Fla.**, senior management major; Maurice Thompson, **Louisville** sophomore marketing major; Jessica Valentine, **Glasgow** senior management major; Savannah

Slone, **Pikeville** sophomore biology major; and Neil Arnett, **Salyersville** junior business information systems major.

"It was a great honor to work with such a team that was excited about making a difference in our community, the service region of Morehead State University, and our world," said Arnett, president of MSU's SIFE chapter.

"A great deal of gratitude and respect must also be given to our Sam Walton Fellows and advisors, Janet Ratliff, center director, Center for Economic Education, and Debbie Madden, instructor of accounting, economics, and finance, as well as our presentation coach, Dr. Lola Smith, instructor of information systems. None of this would have been possible without the guidance of these three distinguished faculty."

SIFE is an international non-profit organization active on more than 1,400 university campuses in 48 countries. SIFE teams create economic opportunities in their communities by organizing outreach projects that focuses on market economics, entrepreneurship, personal financial success skills, and business ethics. During this academic year, the Morehead State University SIFE team used more than 900 hours of effort to organize nine projects around the University's service region in East Kentucky. Although all of these projects were based in Kentucky, many had a global connection.

In May, the presentation team will be representing MSU at the SIFE USA National Exposition in Dallas.

Additional information is available by contacting Ratliff at (606) 783-2390; or by visiting the team Web site at www.moreheadstate.edu/orgs/sife .

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Class scheduling process to be reviewed

Is the class scheduling process at Morehead State University the best that it can to serve students?

The Strategic Enrollment Management Committee on Course Scheduling, chaired by Dr. Yvonne Baldwin, invites all involved in the creation and implementation of MSU's class schedule to share their ideas, suggestions and concerns. Sessions are scheduled for room 312 in the Adron Doran University Center for Tuesday, April 17, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. and 3-4 p.m.; and Wednesday, April 18, from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 3:30-4:30 p.m..

President Wayne D. Andrews charged the committee with examining whether the current MWF1/TThF2 schedule enables the institution to provide the most effective and desirable class schedule and whether it facilitates a delivery system that meets the needs of students and provides the best possible teaching and learning environment.

The MSU community also is invited to participate in a university-wide survey. The surveys, one for faculty, another for students, and a third for chairs and other administrators, were designed to examine whether changes need to be made in the way classes are scheduled and offered on the Morehead campus and at the five regional campuses.

Participants can access the survey at morehead.facilitate.com. Students, as individuals or members of a class, will log on with the userid: schedules and the password: msu; Faculty userid is: schedulef and the password is: msu; Department chairs and other administrators will use: schedulea and the password: msu.

The committee is working with faculty to identify sections of general education and upper division courses from each academic unit that will allow students to complete the surveys in class.

The surveys will be available until April 30. Following analysis of the data, the committee will make recommendations to the Strategic Enrollment Task Force, chaired by Dr. Dayna Seelig and Jeffrey Liles.

Additional information is available from Dr. Baldwin at y.baldwin@morehead-st.edu, or at (606) 783-2655

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MSC hosts devotions night

Morehead State University faculty and staff are invited to attend a special night of devotions tonight at the Methodist Student Center, located on the corner of University Street.

MSC students and Drew McNeill, campus minister, will host faculty and staff at 8:30 p.m. for a "thank you" event honoring campus employees for their service to MSU and the community during this academic year.

The celebration will include music and sharing. Dress is casual and refreshments will be served after devotions.

Additional information is available by calling McNeill at (606) 784-7293.

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Back, Ingold win MSPR awards

Morehead State Public Radio has named Nicole Back, **Mt. Sterling** senior, the recipient of the 2007 Outstanding Student Award, and Stanley Ingold III, **Morehead** senior, the winner of the the 2007 Student Achievement Award.

The pair will be recognized at the Caudill College of Humanities Awards Luncheon in May.

Back, who has worked for MSPR since 2005, is a news reporter, feature producer and board operator. She is a senior story reporter and feature producer, as well as host of MSPR's local Morning Edition.

"Nicole has demonstrated excellent leadership abilities. She is very dependable and has shown the initiative needed to be a great reporter," said Paul Hitchcock, MSPR general manager.

Ingold, who has worked for MSPR since 2003, is a news reporter and board operator. He is active at Morehead State and in the community, volunteering his time for a number of projects and activities.

"Stan is a valuable member of our staff and a gifted individual who volunteers his time to enrich campus life and in the community," said Hitchcock.

The Outstanding Student Award is presented to an individual who has worked at MSPR for at least one semester, maintained an overall GPA of at least 3.0, and demonstrated leadership abilities, dependability, initiative and personal development, showing quality work for an overall commitment to MSPR.

The Student Achievement Award is presented to an individual who has worked at MSPR for at least one semester, maintained an overall grade point average of at least 3.0 and demonstrated achievements and leadership at MSU and in the community.

The winners will receive a gift certificate from the University Bookstore, their name placed on a plaque and an individual gift from MSPR.

MSPR relies on the help of many MSU students. An average of 20 students work at the station each year, performing a variety of tasks including as reporter, copy editor, board operator, music host, and production and marketing assistants.

Additional information is available by calling MSPR at (800) 286-9659 or (606) 783-2001; or log on to MSPR's Web site at www.msuradio.com .
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Students included in prestigious Mission Design Team for KySat 2

KentuckySat (KySat) has announced the names of students, which includes two from Morehead State University, who will comprise the prestigious Mission Design Team for KySat 2.

KySat, begun in 2006, is an ambitious joint enterprise involving public organizations, colleges and universities and private companies. It is a student-led initiative involving the design, build, payload development, launch and on-orbit operation of small satellites.

KySat2 is the second orbital mission for the project and will extend the complexity and payload capability of KySat1 (the inaugural mission) scheduled to be launched in 2008. A five-year mission strategy is now being completed and will be discussed at the upcoming KySat conference scheduled for May 3 in Lexington.

The goal of KySat, of which MSU is a member, is to promote science, technology, engineering, innovation and education in Kentucky.

The new student design team members from Morehead State include Andrew Crowe, **Danville** junior, and Prabhakara Eluru, **India** graduate student.

Other student members of the team represent the following institutions: University of Louisville, Murray State University, University of Kentucky, Jefferson Community and Technical College and Western Kentucky University. Mission Support Team members are from those and various other schools throughout the state.

The team selected last year, working toward next year's launch of KySat1 also includes an MSU graduate student, Jennifer Carter of **Olive Hill**.

In addition to MSU, KySat Enterprise members are: UK, WKU, U of L, Murray State, the Kentucky Space Grant Consortium, the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education, Kentucky Science and Engineering Foundation, Kentucky Science and Technology Corporation (managing partner), the Kentucky Community and Technical College System.

Lead supporting partners include: Kentucky Virtual Campus, Stanford University Space Systems Development Laboratory, NASA Ames Research Center and California Polytechnic State University.

Posted: 4-17-07

Music festival to be held on campus April 23-27

Morehead State University's Theta Pi of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia will host its second Contemporary Music Festival, April 23-27, on the campus.

Dr. Dana Wilson, composer and Charles A. Dana professor of music at Ithaca College's School of Music in Ithaca, N.Y., will serve as a guest composer throughout the week.

Evening concerts are scheduled at 8 p.m. in Duncan Recital Hall within Baird Music Hall: April 24, Choir and Chamber Music Concert; April 25, Concert Band Concert; and April 26, Symphony Band Concert. The events are free and open to the public.

The works of Wilson have been commissioned and performed by such diverse ensembles as the Chicago Chamber Musicians, Detroit Chamber Winds and Strings, Buffalo Philharmonic, Memphis Symphony, Washington military bands, Netherlands Wind Ensemble, Syracuse Symphony, and Tokyo Kosei Wind Orchestra. Solo works have been written for such renowned artists as hornist Gail Williams, clarinetist Larry Combs, trumpeters James Thompson and Rex Richardson, and oboist David Weiss.

He has received grants from the National Endowment for the Arts, New York Foundation for the Arts, New England Foundation for the Arts, New York State Council for the Arts, Arts Midwest, and Meet the Composer.

His compositions have been performed throughout the United States, Europe, and East Asia. They have received several awards, including the International Trumpet Guild First Prize, the Sudler International Composition Prize, and the Ostwald Composition Prize. They have been published by Boosey and Hawkes, Ludwig Music Publishers, and Dorn Publications; and can be heard on Klavier, Albany, Summit, Centaur, Innova, Meister Music, Elf, Open Loop, Mark, Redwood, Musical Heritage Society, and Kosei Recordings.

Wilson, who holds a doctorate from the Eastman School of Music, is co-author of *Contemporary Choral Arranging*, published by Prentice Hall/Simon and Schuster, and has written articles on diverse musical subjects. He has been a Yaddo Fellow (at Yaddo, the artists' retreat in Saratoga Springs, New York), a Wye Fellow at the Aspen Institute, a Charles A. Dana Fellow, and a Fellow at the Society for Humanities, Cornell University.

Additional information about the [Contemporary Music Festival](#) is available by calling (606) 783-BACH (2224).

The Contemporary Music Festival at Morehead State University provides students, faculty, and guests of MSU an opportunity to interact and work with a contemporary composer. Guest composers spend several days with students in class lectures, ensemble rehearsals, and concert performances. The festival provides students with critical exposure to music making, history, and composition.

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Coach Ballard to be keynote speaker during 'Men for Change'

Morehead State University Head Football Coach Matt Ballard will be the keynote speaker at a special event aimed at raising funds and awareness for efforts to end violence against females.

Ballard will speak at a "Men for Change" dinner at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, April 25. He will discuss violence prevention as a community issue, not just a women's issue, and will address the responsibility that men hold in ending violence against women and girls.

The event, to be held in the Adron Doran University Center grill, is a fundraiser for the Until the Violence Stops Festival, to be held Aug. 25-31, according to Sherrie Bennett, site coordinator of GEAR-UP Kentucky at MSU, and Morehead UTVS project liaison.

"The festival is founded on the core belief that education, inspiration, thought and action can have a far-reaching social and cultural impact," she said. "Kentucky is one of two locations worldwide to host the 2007 festival, and will be a model for future events."

The Morehead UTVS Festival Planning Committee is a group of local community members and agencies, as well as MSU students and staff.

Earlier this month, MSU Head Basketball Coach Donnie Tyndall and the basketball Eagles supported a tournament fundraiser for the cause, providing the scorekeeping, officiating and other support.

In addition to Ballard's address, the night's activities will include dinner and raffles for various prizes. Primary sponsors are the MSU chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity, Aramark Food Services and the football Eagles.

"There is an emphasis on involving men in our fundraiser and the festival activities, because we believe that we need to promote men's role in ending violence," Bennett said.

Tickets are \$10, and all proceeds will benefit the UTVS festival. Ticket details are available by contacting Farrah Curtis, **Winchester** senior social work major, by sending her an electronic message to fdcurt01@moreheadstate.edu.

Additional information is available by calling Bennett at (606) 783-2249.

Posted: 4-18-07

Vigil slated for Monday

Morehead State University will remember the victims of Monday's shootings at Virginia Tech with a vigil on Monday, April 23, at the Little Bell Tower.

The vigil, co-sponsored by Student Government Association and campus religious student organizations, will begin at 4 p.m.

On Wednesday (April 18), a wreath was placed in front of the bell tower. This will serve as the gathering place for students, faculty and staff to express their sympathy.

President Wayne D. Andrews has updated his blog concerning the tragedy. His reflections can be found

at <http://blog.moreheadstate.edu/vtechresponse/>.

Posted: 4-18-07

Senior art exhibition closes today

The main gallery in Claypool-Young Art Building on the Morehead State University campus will be the site of the annual "Senior Art Exhibition," April 23 - May 9.

There will be an opening reception on Wednesday, April 25, from 6 - 8 p.m. with live jazz music and refreshments. The event is free and open to the public.

All art students of senior rank are required to participate in the exhibition, allowing them an opportunity to exhibit their work in the professional realm. Students participating in the 2007 exhibition are:

Amy Allen of **Milford, Ohio** ; Amanda Barnett of **Morehead** ; Kelly Black of **Morehead** ; Scott Clevenger of **Morehead** ; Austin Collier of **Campton** ; Brandon Davis of **Morehead** ; Grace Duncan of **Leesburg**,

Ohio ; Terry Earehart of **Tollesboro** ; Valerie Fields of **Morehead** ; Erin Fraley of **Inez** ; Jeanie Gee of **Olive Hill** ; Betty Kelly of **Olive Hill** ;

Daniel Keltner of **Kettering, Ohio** ; Eric King of **Tollesboro** ; Brenna Lyon of **Sandy Hook** ; Casey McCown of **Cynthiana** ; Erin O'Mara of **Louisville** ; Kevin Oakley of **Mt. Sterling** ; Autumn Reed of **Aflex** ; Mark Stevens of **West Chester, Ohio** ; Don Williams of **Madisonville** ; and Diana Wilton of **Paris** .

The gallery in Claypool-Young Art Building serves the Morehead State University community as well as the University's service region. The gallery is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. or by appointment. Visitation is free and open to the public. Parking is available on Elizabeth Avenue and Main Street.

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

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Physician Assistant program to hold information sessions

Would you like to be a physician assistant or learn more about what education is needed to become a PA? Students interested in the University of Kentucky Physician Assistant Extension Program at Morehead State University may attend an information session about the program. The first session will be held from 3 - 5 p.m. on Friday, April 27, in 430 Reed Hall on the MSU campus.

Future meetings will be held on May 18 and June 15.

A person may become a PA in East Kentucky without leaving the area. The PA program, established on the MSU campus in 1996, is a cooperative effort between Morehead State, University of Kentucky's Chandler Medical Center and St. Claire Regional Medical Center.

Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-2636.

Posted: 4-19-07

Americana Crossroads Live concert set for May 4

Bluegrass band James Reams and the Barnstormers, along with contemporary folk duo Mother Jane, and Americana songwriter Tracy Grammer will perform at the next edition of "Americana Crossroads Live."

Morehead State Public Radio (MSPR) and the Kentucky Center for Traditional Music will present the program on Friday, May 4, at the Morehead Conference Center, located on First Street. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. with the music to start at 7 p.m.

Originally from southeastern Kentucky, Reams has been in New York City since the early 1980s, playing traditional Bluegrass music with an old-time edge. James Reams and The Barnstormers offer an exciting, soulful performance with powerful three-part harmonies.

The band's latest album "Troubled Times" was released in February 2005. Bluegrass Unlimited called it "delightfully unadorned 1950s-style Bluegrass that draws heavily on, yet doesn't mimic, the best-loved bands of that era."

The Barnstormers include Mark Farrell, who has played Bluegrass and old-time music for many years, recording with Major Contay and The Canebrake Rattlers, and is a well-respected old-time string band. He joined the Barnstormers in 1998 and is a triple-threat, contributing great mountain-style fiddling, mandolin and harmony vocals. Doug Nicolaisen has been playing banjo with bluegrass bands in the New York tri-state area for the past 17 years. His music incorporates many of the best elements of all the major banjo players yet his style reflects an individuality of its own and adds to the hard-driving energy of the band. Reuben Radding has played upright bass for 15 years, performing

all kinds of music, from Bluegrass to jazz, from klezmer to free improvisation, in 14 countries and across the United States. His powerful sound and true tenor voice mix the right amount of the old and the new.

Beth Burden, a former MSU student and Paris native, is the founder of Mother Jane and queen of the sassy, soulful vocals. Lisa Raymond completes the duo with a fusion of vocals and jammin' six strings. For these two, it has been six years, four albums and hundreds of live shows.

During the course of four albums, they have gradually completed the progression of becoming a full-fledged electric folk-rock duo. Their most recent release, "This Time Tomorrow," has a wash of electric guitars and basses, a full drum kit and even a Hammond B-3 organ.

Born in Homestead, Fla., and raised in southern California, Grammer comes from a musical family. Cousin Leo Fortin played double trumpets in Lawrence Welk's band, while her grandmothers and mother played keyboards and accordion. But it was her guitar-playing father who was her first true inspiration.

At the age of nine, Grammer began choral and classical violin studies and led regional and school orchestras until she left home for the University of California, Berkeley. Once there, she gave up music while earning an English literature degree and serving as an administrator and graphic designer for the University.

"Flower of Avalon" is the first full-length album since her musical partner Dave Carter died in July 2002. The work captured International Folk Music and Business Alliance's Album of the Year, while Grammer was awarded Solo Artist of the Year, and "Gypsy Rose" won Song of the Year.

"Americana Crossroads Live" is supported by Toyota Motor Manufacturing of Kentucky, Morehead Conference Center and Morehead Tourism Commission. Community partners include the Kentucky Folk Art Center, Morehead State University's Caudill College of Humanities and Arts and Humanities Council, Root-A-Baker's Bakery and Papa John's. The series is now heard on 38 radio stations across the United States, Canada and in the Philippines.

Concessions and door prizes will be available. Admission is \$5 per person, or \$20 for a Family Pack of five. Children, 12 and under, are admitted free.

Additional information on "Americana Crossroads Live" is available on MSPR's Web site at www.msradio.com or by calling MSPR at (606) 783-2001 or (800) 286-9659.

Posted: 4-19-07

Bowling teams start play in USBC championships

After qualifying on Thursday, Morehead State University men's and women's bowling teams saw their first action today in the 2007 United States Bowling Congress Intercollegiate Team Championships at Northrock Lanes in Wichita, Kan.

In Friday's action, the MSU men's team defeated Pikeville in the opening round before losing to Robert Morris in the second round. The men were scheduled to take on Calumet College, in the third round, at 4:15 p.m. The women's squad dropped back-to-back decisions to Purdue University and Ohio State, and was eliminated.

The semifinals will be conducted Saturday morning with the top two men's and women's teams advancing to the nationally-televised finals, which will be shown on a tape-delayed basis on College Sports Television (CSTV).

During the "Night of Champions" banquet held Wednesday, it was announced that Morehead State's Amy Corbin, **Cincinnati** junior, was selected for the second straight year as honorable mention to the National Collegiate Bowling Coaches Association All-American team.

Posted: 4-20-07

OperaWorks will present comic operetta

Local audiences can spend a night in old Vienna when Morehead State University's OperaWorks present Johann Strauss' comic operetta "Die Fledermaus" on Tuesday, May 1, at 8 p.m. in Duncan Recital Hall. The production will be performed in English, but will be presented with traditional Viennese customs and fanfare.

Admission to the performance is \$5 for adults and \$3 for students. The audience will be invited to a sparkling "champagne" reception as part of the show.

"Die Fledermaus," or "The Revenge of the Bat," was first performed at the Theater an der Wein in Vienna in 1874. The story, which takes place in Vienna on New Year's Eve, is a complicated tale of love, adventure and mischief. Part of the traditional escapades is the appearance of mystery guests who perform for the attendants at Prince Orlofsky's party. Local personalities are expected to appear as mystery guests, as well.

Starring in the role of Gabriel von Eisenstein is Clark Walker, **Vinton , Ohio** , senior music education major. Kristen Brown, **Richmond** sophomore vocal performance major, will play Eisenstein's wife, Rosalinda. Amy Trautwein, **Louisa** senior psychology major, performs Adele, the chambermaid to the Eisensteins. Her sister Sally, the ballerina, will be played by Grace Rhenals, a **Columbia , South America** , voice major.

In the role of Alfred, the tenor will be Manuel Castillo, **Austin , Texas** , vocal performance major. Matthew Leonard, a **Winchester , Ohio** , graduate student in vocal performance, will play Dr. Blind, the lawyer. Dr. Falke, who creates the entire domestic comedy, will be performed by Mitch Copley, **Louisa** freshman voice major. William Murphy, **Hawesville** sophomore music education major, will present the role of Prison Warden Frank. Melanie Everman, **Mt. Sterling** junior music education major, will portray the Prince Orlofsky. Kyle Bentley, a **Pikeville** sophomore voice major, will portray Frosch, the jailer.

Dr. Mark Minor, MSU professor emeritus, will appear as Ivan, Orlofsky's Major-Domo. Guests at Orlofsky's party include Heather Arrington, **Louisa** freshman; Alicia Zegelian, **Mt. Sterling** junior music education major; Dustin Stevens, **Morehead** sophomore voice major; Andrea Mitchell, **Portsmouth , Ohio** , freshman; and a few surprise guests.

Dr. Roma Prindle, associate professor of music, directs OperaWorks. Chia-Ling Hsieh, instructor of music, is the pianist. Paul Robinson, **Dillsboro , Ind.** , senior, is the music director. Molly Maynard, **Catlettsburg** sophomore, is the stage manager.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Prindle at (606) 783-2481.

Cast of Characters for "Die Fledermaus"

- Heather Arrington, **Louisa** freshman music education major. The daughter of Greg Arrington and Lisa Robinson, she is a member of the Concert Choir and Concert Band;
- Kyle Bentley, **Pikeville** sophomore music major. The son of Mickey Bentley and Cam Bentley, he is a member of the Concert Choir and OperaWorks;
- Kristen Brown, **Richmond** sophomore vocal performance major. The daughter of Dan and Kelli Brown, she is a member of the Concert Choir, OperaWorks, and the Students National Association of Teachers of Singing;

- Manuel M. Castillo, **Austin , Texas** , senior vocal performance major. He is a member of the Concert Choir, OperaWorks and Lexington Singers;
- James Clark, senior vocal music education major. He is a member of Students National Association of Teachers of Singing, OperaWorks, and Chamber Singers;
- Mitch Copley, **Louisa** freshman vocal music major. The son of Linda and Mitchell Copley, he is a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity, College Republicans, Concert Choir and Student Activities Council;
- Melanie Everman, **Mt. Sterling** senior music education major. The daughter of Mike and Rhonda Everman, she is a member of Students National Association of Teachers of Singing, American Choral Directors Association and Collegiate Music Educators National Conference. An Undergraduate Research Fellow, she is soprano section leader at the First Christian Church in Mt. Sterling and president of the MSU choir;
- Matthew Leonard, **Winchester , Ohio** , graduate student majoring in vocal performance. The son of Harry and Jane Leonard, he is a member of OperaWorks, Concert Choir, and Students National Association of Teachers of Singing;
- Andrea Mitchell, **Portsmouth Ohio** , freshman music education major. The daughter of Rebecca Mitchell, Tom Mitchell and Billy Vanhooose, she is a member of OperaWorks and University Chorus;
- William Murphy, **Hawesville** sophomore music education major. The son of Alan and Linda Murphy, he is a member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, OperaWorks, Concert Choir and Chamber Singers;
- Paul W. Robinson, **Dillsboro , Ind.** , senior music education major. The son of Dr. Harley and Jascia Robinson, he is a member of the Concert Choir and Chamber Singers and student conductor for Orchestra and University Chorus.
- Dustin Stevens, **Salt Lick** sophomore music performance major. He is the son of Brenda and David Stevens.
- Amy Trautwein, **Louisa** senior psychology major. The daughter of Jack Trautwein and Beth Green, she is vice president of the Students National Association of Teachers of Singing.

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Wellness Center to host Stress Management workshop

Get a handle on your stress by participating in the Morehead State University Wellness Center's Stress Management workshop.

The seminar is designed to help you understand the different types of stress and how to control them. Learning where your stress comes from and proper stress management techniques can help you focus more on the good things in life.

The Stress Management workshop will be held on Tuesday, May 1, at 6 p.m. in the Wellness Center classroom. The session is free and open to all MSU students, faculty and staff, and community members from the surrounding area. Dr. Teresa Hardman, associate professor of health, physical education and sport sciences, and Niki Martin, wellness center intern, will share the science of why we have stress and strategies on how to manage it.

The Wellness Center's hours of operation for finals week will be Monday - Thursday, 6 a.m. - 8 p.m. and Friday, 6 a.m. - 7 p.m. The Wellness Center will be closed on Saturday, May 12. The schedule for May 13-31 will be: Sundays, 4-7 p.m.; Monday through Fridays, 6-9 a.m., 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 4-7 p.m.; and Saturdays, 9 a.m.-noon. Additional information is available by calling the [Wellness Center](#) at (606) 783-2083.

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Guest lecture set for April 25

Dr. Michael Watkins, professor of philosophy at Auburn University and author of "Rediscovering Colors," will present a lecture on the campus of Morehead State University.

The lecture, titled "Why Colors Are Real, And Not in the Way You Might Think," will be presented at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, April 25, in room 405 of the Combs Building.

The lecture is free and open to the public.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Scott Davison, professor of philosophy, at s.davison@moreheadstate.edu or by phone at (606) 783-2273.

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Celebration program will feature lecture and awards

Dr. Jody Graham, associate professor of philosophy and former chair of the women's studies program at Auburn University, will present a lecture on the Morehead State University campus on Tuesday, April 24.

Her lecture, titled "Feminist Approaches to Integrity," will be held in 002 Breckinridge Hall, beginning at 5 p.m.

The lecture is part of the annual women's studies spring celebration and awards ceremony. Outstanding student achievement will be honored during the celebration, which begins at 4:30 p.m.

This event is free and open to the public.

The program is sponsored by MSU's Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy, the Haynes Philosophy Fund and the Interdisciplinary Women's Studies Program. Additional information is available from Dr. Sylvia Henneberg, director of women's studies, by sending a message to s.henneberg@moreheadstate.edu; or Dr. Scott A. Davison, professor of philosophy, at s.davison@moreheadstate.edu or by calling him at (606) 783-2273.

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Lykins is student speaker for Academic Awards Convocation

For Nicholas Shawn Lykins, graduating from Morehead State University is just one of the major milestones that will occur in his life in the next couple of months. Lykins, the son of Jack and Brenda Lykins of **West Liberty**, will be the student speaker at the 23rd annual Academic Awards Convocation on Sunday, April 29. During the program, which begins at 2 p.m. in Button Auditorium, the University will recognize the scholarly achievements of its students, faculty and staff. Active in the George M. Luckey Jr., Academic Honors Program, he has made presentations or was part of a panel discussion or roundtable at various conferences: "Thoreau's Walden Pond and the Honors Learning Environment" and "Noam Chomsky and the Grammar of Liberty," in Philadelphia, 2006; "On the Nature of Evil," in Louisville, 2005; "Shipwrecked! An analysis of the Ship of the Theseus puzzle," at Murray State University, 2005; and "Analysis of Beowulf," Eastern Kentucky University, 2004.

He also is a member of the Academic Honors Student Association, Phi Kappa Phi and Gamma Beta Phi honor societies, and the Student Alumni Ambassadors.

Lykins is a candidate for a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in philosophy and government and minor in English. He has been awarded a full tuition scholarship to Ohio University in Athens where he will be a graduate student in the Philosophy Department.

While he is excited to be finishing his four-years at MSU, there is another important date coming up. On July 7, he will marry his fiancé, Chelse Long.

Students with perfect grade point average, student authors and presenters, and graduating seniors from the Academic Honors Program will be honored at the convocation, which will launch a week long tribute to academic excellence, April 30-May 4.

Each academic department will present awards to its outstanding graduate and undergraduate students, and recipients of the University's most prestigious faculty and staff honors - Distinguished Teacher, Distinguished Researcher and Distinguished Creative Production awards - will be recognized at the convocation.

Morehead State University has been recognized as one of the top public universities in the South in 2005, 2006 and 2007 issues of "America's Best Colleges" by U.S. News & World Report.

U.S. News notes MSU offers 50 percent of classes with less than 20 students, which earned a third place ranking among top tier public universities on that key factor of student success. Only 3 percent of MSU classes have 50 or more students. The magazine shows 88 percent of MSU faculty members are full-time, a number surpassed by only four other listed public institutions.

Additional information about the Academic Honors Convocation is available by calling (606) 783-2807.

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Student achievement to be recognized at convocation

Morehead State University will recognize scholarly achievements of its students, faculty and staff during the 23rd Academic Awards Convocation on Sunday, April 29, beginning at 2 p.m. in Button Auditorium.

The convocation will launch a weeklong tribute to academic excellence that continues through May 4. Each academic department will present awards to its outstanding graduate and undergraduate students, and recipient of the University's most prestigious faculty and staff honors - Distinguished Teacher, Distinguished Researcher, Distinguished Creative Production and Distinguished Service awards - will be recognized.

Students with perfect grade point average, student authors and presenters, and graduating seniors from the George M. Luckey Jr., Academic Honors Program will be honored. Entertainment will be provided by the recipient of the A. Frank and Bethel C. Gallaher Memorial Music Performance Competition.

The convocation speaker will be Nicholas Shawn Lykins of **West Liberty**. (Lykins is speaker) During MSU's Spring Commencement on May 12, he will be a candidate for a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in philosophy and government and minor in English. He has been awarded a full tuition scholarship to Ohio University in Athens where he will be a graduate student in the Philosophy Department in the fall.

Receiving Outstanding Graduate Student awards from their departments will be: Jason K. Barker, **Olive Hill**, Art; R. Clinton Hackney, **Sitka**, Biological and Environmental Sciences and Regional Analysis and Public Policy; Heather N. Dufour, **London**, Business Administration; David T. Tarvin, **Mason, Ohio**, Communication and Theatre; Kelly N. Harris, **Russell**, English, Foreign Languages, and Philosophy;

Steven D. Wilson, **Midway**, Health, Physical Education, and Sport Sciences; Ariana Gracia-Medrano, **Mexico City, Mexico**, Industrial and Engineering Technology; Nicholas R. Denham, **Maysville**, Music; Kara R. Travis, **Shelbyville**, Physician Assistant Program; Tina Stafford-Baldwin, **Olive Hill**, Professional Programs in Education; Luke K. Sherrill, **Jacksonville, Ill.**, Psychology; Desiree P. Willis, **Morehead**, Sociology, Social Work and Criminology.

Recognized as the Outstanding Undergraduate Student from their department will be: Ginger Yeary, **Hindman**, Accounting, Economics, and Finance; Charlotte U. Adkins, **Raccoon**, Agricultural and Human Sciences; Grace O. Duncan, **Leesburg, Ohio**, Art; Alecia C. Sturgill, **Sandy Hook**, Biological and Environmental Science; Brooke N. Ballard, **LaGrange**, Communication and Theatre;

Katrena N. Engle, **Lebanon, Ohio**, Curriculum and Instruction; Ann-Marie Montgomery, **Morehead**, English, Foreign languages, and Philosophy; Shannon C. Smith, **Vine Grove**, Geography, Government, and History; Shannon N. Martin, **Louisville**, Health, Physical Education, and Sport Sciences and Military Science; Amy N. Owens, **Hazard**, Imaging Sciences; Daniel K. Watson, **Raceland**, Industrial and Engineering Technology; Jonathan F. Hopson, **Wooton**, Information Systems; Chelsea M. Peters, **Dayton**, Management, Marketing, and Real Estate;

Catrinia M. Druen, **Morehead**, Mathematics and Computer Science; Matthew C. Hornbeck, **Ironton, Ohio**, Music; Whitney R. Frizzell, **Salt Lick**, Nursing; Rebecca L. King, **Washington, W.Va.**, Physical Sciences; Joseph

A. Mayhorn, **Freeburn** , Psychology; Stephanie A. Webb, **Prestonsburg** , Regional Analysis and Public Policy; Wanda F. Wells, **Ashland** , Sociology, Social Work, and Criminology; and James W. Atwood, **Clearfield** , Space Science.

Following the ceremony, MSU President and Mrs. Wayne D. Andrews will host a reception, which is free and open to the public, on the lawn of the President's Home. In case of rain, the reception will be moved to the Button Drill Room.

The weeklong celebration of academic excellence will continue with activities to be held in the Adron Doran University Center: Research and Creative Productions Luncheon, Commonwealth Room, 11:30 a.m. Monday, April 30; the Caudill College of Humanities Luncheon, Crager Room, 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, May 1; College of Education Luncheon, Crager Room 11:30 a.m., Wednesday, May 2; College of Science and Technology Dinner, Crager Room 6 p.m., Thursday, May 3; and College of Business Honors/Scholarship Banquet, Crager Room 6:30 p.m., Friday, May 4.

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Cynthiana student receives multiple awards

Britton L. Sloat of Cynthiana has one more year of schooling before she is a college graduate. One thing she will not have to worry about is financial assistance as she is the recipient of three awards that will pay her expenses.

Sloat, a Morehead State University junior, received the Kentucky Business Society award of \$300, available to accounting majors; will accept the Kentucky CPA Foundation award, a \$1,000 scholarship, on April 27; and MSU's 2007 William G. McGowan full tuition scholarship which will be presented on May 4 during the annual Academic Awards week..

On the campus, Sloat is active in various organizations that accompany her major. She was vice president of program and historian for the Accounting Club and a KYCPA student member. Active in Phi Beta Lambda, she will attend the organization's state meeting on April 20 where she will compete in business law.

She recently completed a stint with VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) which offers assistance for low-income taxpayers.

A Dean's List student, she was recently invited to join Beta Gamma Sigma international honor society. The highest honor afforded to business students, the invitation is available only to the top 10 percent of the junior class. Sloat was co-chair of the coat drive and the Thanksgiving basket drive and a former member of the Leadership Club, which provides academic and networking skills.

The daughter of Ben and Terry Sloat, she is looking forward to graduating in May 2008, completing a Bachelor of Business Administration degree with a concentration in accounting. She plans to become a certified public accountant and complete a real estate license with the prospect of one day owning her own business.

After graduating from Harrison County High School, she enrolled at Morehead State with a Regents Scholarship and a Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship.

Sloat chose to attend MSU "because it was a small school with small classes." It was also close to home and that's good for her as she works at 3M in Cynthiana, as part of temporary services through Volt Services Group.

In her spare time, she enjoys riding horses. That's something she has been doing for a very long time. At 6 years of age, she started working with 4-H as a volunteer, which continued until she was eligible to join at 9 years, and for many years after that.

She would remain involved with 4-H and was coach of the State Horse Bowl Competition which won at the state level. It was her work with this group that became the subject of her essay that won the award.

In Harrison County, she was a member of the fairgrounds clean-up group through the 4-H Saddle-N-Spur Club. She also was a volunteer tutor, helping home school students with their algebra work and was the 2004 National 4-H Congress Kentucky delegate.

"I just want to be a good role model," Sloat said of her community service work.

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Physics professors elected to KAPT offices

Two physics professors at Morehead State University have been named to officers' posts within a state professional organization.

Drs. Jennifer J. Birriel and Ignacio Birriel were recently elected to two-year terms as president and secretary-treasurer, respectively, of the Kentucky Association of Physics Teachers (KAPT).

KAPT is the only state organization that is exclusively for people interested in teaching physics and related courses at the introductory and upper division levels. It has a membership of more than 100 high school, community college and university faculty across the state of Kentucky.

Dr. Jennifer Birriel, assistant professor of physics, succeeds former KAPT president Dr. Capp Yess, MSU associate professor of physics. She teaches courses in physics, pre-engineering and astronomy. An astrophysicist by training, she is the author of more than 40 scientific and popular papers. Additionally, Dr. Birriel is a contributing editor to Mercury magazine, the international publication of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific.

She holds the Ph.D. degree and a master's degree in physics from the University of Pittsburgh, and a bachelor's degree, also in physics, from the University of Missouri at Kansas City.

Her professional memberships also include the American Astronomical Society, the American Society of the Pacific, the American Physical Society and the American Association of Physics Teachers.

Dr. Birriel previously had a graduate student research fellowship from NASA during her studies at the University of Pittsburgh. Prior to this, she had a GAAAN grant fellowship while pursuing graduate studies in physics at Iowa State University.

Dr. Ignacio Birriel, assistant professor of physics, teaches physics and pre-engineering courses. A nuclear structure physicist, his work has been printed in more than a dozen scientific and popular publications in nuclear physics.

He also holds the Ph.D. degree and a master's degree in physics from the University of Pittsburgh, and also is a bachelor's degree graduate in physics from Lebanon Valley College. He is a Ford Foundation Fellow with the National Academy of Sciences, and previously was awarded a Dean Tuition Fellowship at Pittsburgh, and a Debroski-Alumi Travel Fellowship. He also holds membership in the American Physical Society and the Kentucky Academy of Science.

The Birriels have both been on MSU's faculty since August 2001. Prior to this, both held visiting faculty positions at Carleton College in Northfield, Minn.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Jennifer Birriel at (606) 783-2924; or Dr. Ignacio Birriel at (606) 783-2178.

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SBDC to hold workshop in Paintsville

A free workshop for prospective small business owners, "Business Start-up Basics," will be offered by Morehead State University's East Kentucky Small Business Development Center (SBDC) in Paintsville.

The workshop will be presented by Phil Greene, general management consultant of the Paintsville SBDC, on Monday, April 30. The two-hour session will begin at 6 p.m. at the Kentucky Highlands Entrepreneur Center, located at 120 Scott Perry Drive which is off of Teays Branch Road.

Topics to be covered at this workshop include: how to write a business plan, name registration, license and permit requirements, loan and lender requirements and legal forms of business structure.

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

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

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

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Four to be inducted into Alumni Hall of Fame

Morehead State University will induct four new members into the MSU Alumni Hall of Fame in a special ceremony set for Friday, May 11, in the Crager Room of the Adron Doran University Center. The event will begin at 7 p.m.

Alumni inducted into the Hall of Fame are recognized for achieving professional prominence. The four alumni to be honored this year represent diverse career paths.

Dr. Walter Blevins Jr. (1972), a dentist, who has served as a State Senator since 1992. His leadership positions have included President Pro Tem, Democratic Majority Floor Leader and Majority Whip. Before being elected to the Senate, he served 10 years in the House. He is a Morgan County High School (Upward Bound Program), MSU and the University of Kentucky College of Dentistry graduate. A veteran, he was a captain in the U.S. Army Dental Corps.

Blevins, a past president of the Morehead Jaycees and the Morehead Optimist Club, is a member of the El Hasa Shrine Temple in Ashland, the Elks, Scabbard and Blade, the Masons and OKU, an Honorary Dental Fraternity and has received numerous awards, including the Earth Day Award on the 25th anniversary of Earth Day. He received the Democrat nomination for Congress in 1994. Blevins, the father of three daughters -- Kristen and twins, Lacy and Leah, resides in Sandy Hook.

Lillard E. "Bud" Gilbert (1959) has been called the nation's leading expert on warhead characterization. Gilbert grew up on the family farm near the Greenup and Carter County line. He graduated from Wurtland High School in the spring of 1948 and began his college career at Berea. However, he enlisted in the Air Force in 1951 and was honorably discharged in 1954.

Gilbert attended MSU from 1955 to June 1959. He earned his B.S. degree with majors in physics and mathematics and a minor in chemistry. After graduation, he spent one year as a high school teacher in Indiana before starting to work as a U.S. Air Force Civil Servant at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio, in June 1960. He held that post until his retirement in 1986. During that time, he developed the first functional uniaxial straight field generator, developed the prediction model for dynamic, structural failure, developed the methodology for evaluation the nuclear vulnerability of satellites and other spacecraft,

developed and designed the prototype model for the first space bomber, developed the first accurate threat model for an anti-aircraft missile, conventional high explosive warhead.

Even after retirement, he still worked on numerous projects and conducted seminars. By 2000, he had written 31 book-length technical reports. Recently, he managed and operated a 600-acre hardwood timber farm. Gilbert and his wife, Marjorie, reside in Riverside, Ohio.

Wayne L. "Box" Miller (1979) is a sportscaster, public speaker, musician and an author. Miller earned a degree in broadcasting from MSU, where he worked for WMKY and the campus TV station. His award-winning radio show "Prime Time Sports Show" has aired on 1230 AM, The Buzz (Cincinnati) for the past six years. On Sundays, Miller co-hosts "Sports Rock," a fast-paced sports magazine show on WLWT, Channel 5. He also runs a successful consulting firm that specializes in minority marketing and public and community relations.

In addition, he is an in-demand speaker in the tri-state area, bringing candid and mind-stirring messages geared to various age groups and social circles. In the spring of 2006, Miller was honored for his community service at the annual Cincinnati Human Relations Commission dinner and awards ceremony.

Miller also is a published author. His first literary work, "*From the Soul of a Man*," is a book of poetry that represents an insightful ride through the author's mind and the thoughts love evokes. It presents a three-part journey from finding love, to sharing love, to losing love. Miller lives in Cincinnati.

Daragh L. Porter (1977) spent her childhood in Olive Hill, graduating from West Carter High School in 1974. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in accounting and a master's degree in business administration from MSU. Porter also is a graduate of Indiana University's Executive Development Program, Harvard Business School's Finance for Senior Executives and Wharton School of Business' M & A for Executives. She is a certified public accountant.

Porter has served on numerous professional and civic organizations' boards and committees. She joined Ashland Inc., in 1977, and has held a variety of positions. In May of 2005, she was named vice president of finance and treasurer, with the added responsibility for investor relations. In 2007, Porter's responsibilities were expanded to include global insurance services for Ashland.

She and her husband reside in Loveland, Ohio.

Tickets are \$15 per person and should be ordered by May 2.

Additional information, or to purchase tickets for the event, is available by calling the MSU Alumni Association at (800) 783-2583 or (606) 783-2080; or by sending an electronic message to s.leadingham@moreheadstate.edu.

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Students to participate in 2007 Displace Me

Several Morehead State University students will soon know what it feels like to be an internally displaced person, at least for a day. MSU students will travel to Nashville on Saturday and Sunday, April 28-29 to attend "Displace Me." For this two-day event, students will sleep outside, be sustained on minimal "food rations" and experience the realities of living as a refugee.

"Displace Me" is a national initiative of the Invisible Children campaign to raise awareness and support for people in Northern Uganda driven from their homes and livelihood because of armed conflict and conscription of child soldiers. The people are forced to resettle in Internally Displaced Persons (IDP) camps where conditions permit survival, but little else.

This event will be an opportunity for MSU students to imagine for 24 hours what it is like for the millions of people in Northern Uganda who have been displaced for more than 10 years. The Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) has abducted thousands of children who were subjected to torture or sexual violence, then forced to fight in a violent guerilla army.

Samantha Yaeckel, **Olive Hill** junior, is helping coordinate the University's participation in the event. "My heart breaks for the generations of Ugandan youth who have never known peace or security. I pray, hope, and faithfully expect that 'Displace Me' will inform and motivate the public and government to take a stand and make each 'invisible' person of Uganda visible-through peace treaties, funding, and public awareness-so that Uganda might have a chance to heal from this terrible humanitarian crisis," she said. Fifteen cities across the nation will host "displacement camps." MSU's coordinators are working to provide transportation for every student who wishes to attend.

Student who would like to participate in "Displace Me" should sign up at a registration table at the Adron Doran University Center. Those who attend the event should remember to bring a sleeping bag, toiletries, extra clothing for cool weather, an unopened bottle of water and a package of unopened saltine crackers.

The trip is being sponsored by the Student Government Association, the Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy and the assistant provost for diversity. Additional information may be obtained on the Web at www.invisiblechildren.com/displaceme, or by contacting Joe Means, **South Point, Ohio**, sophomore, at (606) 783-4177 or atjmean01@moreheadstate.edu.
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'Managing Risk in Small Businesses' workshop to be held

Morehead State University's East Kentucky Small Business Development Center in Pikeville and The Elite Insurance Agency will offer the workshop "Managing Risk in Small Businesses."

The seminar will be held at the Big Sandy Community and Technical College, 120 S. Riverfill Drive in Pikeville, on Tuesday, May 15, from 6 - 8 p.m. Topics to be covered are business liability insurance, fire and theft insurance, buy sell agreements, employee health insurance, retirement and business continuation insurance.

This workshop will be free to the public but limited to available space. Special arrangements will be made for those with disabilities if requested in advance.

Additional information or to pre-register, you may call Mike Morley, district director of EKSBDC in Pikeville, or Linda Casebolt at (606) 432-5848.
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Spring Concert to be presented on April 30

The Morehead State University Women's Chorus, Men's Chorus, University Chorus and Chamber Singers will present the Spring Concert on Monday, April 30, at 8 p.m. at First Baptist Church, 123 E. Main St., Morehead.

The Women's Chorus, under the direction of Adam Luebke, lecturer, will sing "Tantum Ergo" by Gabriel Faure, "Heart, We Will Forget Him" by James Mulholland, and "May" by Eugene Butler. Brandy Collins, **New Carlisle, Ohio**, senior, will be the saxophone soloist for "Heart, We Will Forget Him."

The Men's Chorus, under the direction of Dr. Greg Detweiler, associate professor of music, will sing "Ave Maria" by Franz Biebl and "Antiphon" from Ralph Vaughan Williams' Five Mystical Songs.

The Chamber Singers will open the program with "Star-Spangled Banner" arranged by Darmon Meader, and "She'll Be Comin' Round the Mountain" arranged by Emma Lou Diemer.

Paul Robinson, **Dillsboro, Ind.**, graduate student, will conduct the University Chorus on James Mulholland's "There is a Vale Which None Hath Seen." Robinson is the recipient of the undergraduate fellowship in choral music.

University Chorus and Chamber Singers will join together to perform the featured piece of the evening, "Missa brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo," by Joseph Haydn. The mass is known as the "Little Organ Mass" because of the centerpiece "Benedictus" for soprano solo and organ obbligato.

Dr. Roma Prindle, associate professor of music, will be the soprano soloist and Larry Keenan, professor of music, will be the organist.

Admission to the concert is free, and it is open to the public.

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

Posted: 4-27-07

Five receive 'Distinguished Awards' at MSU

Morehead State University's annual Academic Awards Convocation honored achievements by outstanding students as well as the recipients of the distinguished faculty and staff awards. After the ceremony, the honorees posed for an official photograph with MSU President Wayne D. Andrews. They included, from left, Dr. Brian C. Reeder, professor of biology and executive director for the Center for Environmental Education in the Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy, Distinguished Teacher Award; Dr. Dan Connell, associate provost for academic outreach and support, Distinguished Staff Service Award; Dr. Brenda K. Wilburn, associate professor of nursing, Distinguished Faculty Service

Award; Dr. Suzanne Tallichet, professor of sociology, Distinguished Researcher Award; George Eklund, associate professor of English, Distinguished Creative Production Award; and Dr. Andrews.

[Click here to view awardees bios](#)

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'Distinguished' awards presented at convocation

Morehead State University recognized five who have distinguished themselves in their respective fields during the University's Academic Awards Convocation on Sunday, April 29.

Presentations were made to Dr. Brian C. Reeder, professor of biology and executive director for the Center for Environmental Education in the Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy, Distinguished Teacher Award; Dr. Suzanne Tallichet, professor of sociology, Distinguished Researcher Award; and George Eklund, associate professor of English, Distinguished Creative Productions Award.

The annual distinguished service awards were presented to: Dr. Dan Connell, associate provost for academic outreach and support, Distinguished Staff Service Award; Dr. Brenda K. Wilburn, associate professor of nursing, Distinguished Faculty Service Award.

Dr. Reeder, who has been at MSU since 1989, holds the Ph.D. and M.S. degrees in environmental biology from the Ohio State University. He received M.A. and bachelor's degrees in biology from Marshall University and Youngstown State University, respectively.

He follows Dr. Ted Pass, becoming the second person to earn all three of MSU's faculty awards, having received the Distinguished Researcher Award in 1994 and the Faculty Service Award in 2004. Students recognize Dr. Reeder for his dynamic and enthusiastic lectures, exciting field trips, rigorous course requirements, and positive disposition.

Active in environmental causes, Dr. Reeder has involved both undergraduate and graduate students in extensive research projects in wetland ecology, ecology and management of reservoirs and hatchery ponds, and investigations of the impact of pollution on the Licking River. His students have gone on to success in Ph.D. programs, or are employed by the private sector or government agencies in prestigious environmental positions.

Dr. Reeder is a strong proponent of maintaining high academic standards, and in getting students involved in activities that enhance both their learning and growth as citizens. He has published scholarly articles on how to enhance student learning using environmental monitoring and natural history.

A leader in developing new programs at MSU, he is a founder of MSU's Program of Distinction, IRAPP, and the founder and executive director of the Environmental Education Center. He has been involved in revisions of majors in environmental science, and in developing degree programs in IRAPP, including the Master of Public Administration degree.

Dr. Reeder has obtained more than \$4 million in grants and contracts, including grants to train teachers and enhance environmental education. One of his teacher training workshops, Reading the River, received an Earth Day Award from the Kentucky Environmental Quality Commission. This program is recognized nationally as a model in place-based teacher training. He also has worked with local schools as part of the Professors in the Classroom and Tiered Mentoring programs.

Dr. Tallichet received her B.A. degree in psychology from Franklin and Marshall College, her M.A. degree in journalism and Ph.D. degree in rural sociology from Pennsylvania State University. She has been on Morehead State's faculty since 1993 and has moved up the ranks from assistant to associate to professor of sociology. Prior to MSU, she was an instructor at Penn State.

Currently she is serving a one-year term chairing the Professional Communications Committee of the Rural Sociological Society (RSS). In this capacity, she also is a member of the RSS Council and of the Editorial Board for the organization's policy series, Rural Realities. A former Faculty Senate delegate, she also has been a member of the Appalachian Studies Advisory Council and the University's liaison for Kentuckians for the Commonwealth, Affirmative Action and University's Diversity Committees, a past chair of the tenure committee and co-chair of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools principal committee on Institutional Effectiveness.

Dr. Tallichet has published numerous peer-reviewed articles, has works under review and in progress and received a grant to study factors related to Appalachian college student's health and social well-being. Her areas of research are concentrated in gender inequality in the workplace and animals in society.

Her book, "*Daughters of the Mountain: Women Coal Miners in Central Appalachia*," was published in 2006 by Pennsylvania State University Press.

Eklund, who began teaching at MSU in 1989, has received several awards for his poetry. Awarded the Al Smith Fellowship in Poetry along with professional assistance grants by the Kentucky Arts Council in 1990 and 2004, he also received the Iowa Arts Council Poetry Award and Mississippi Valley Poetry Award.

He was a featured poet in Ireland Writers in Ireland in 2004 and 2005. His published chapbooks include "Gone West of Sunrise Highway," "The Sorrow of the King," and "Assemblage Without Technique."

His poems have been published in numerous journals including The American Poetry Review, The Massachusetts Review, The Laurel Review, Crazy Horse, Willow Springs, Plainsongs, Widener Review, Poet and Critic, and The Midwest Quarterly. In 2005, his poetry manuscript, "Each Breath I Cannot Hold," was runner-up in the Poets & Writers National Poetry Contest.

Eklund has served as an editorial board member of the Jesse Stuart Foundation First Book Award Contest. He was an education consultant for Region 7 Service Center and appointed academic committee chair at Antioch University's Individualized Master of Arts Program.

He earned a B.A. degree in English education from the University of Dubuque (Iowa) and the M.F.A. degree in English from the University of Iowa.

He started his educational career in 1974 as a high school English teacher in Massapequa, N.Y., and has made stops in New York City, Dubuque, Iowa, and Iowa City at the University of Iowa from 1987-89.

Eklund has been a "visiting teacher" at local elementary, middle and high schools for writing workshops as well as a presenter and speaker at numerous events. He has been an adviser for Inscape, Morehead State University's literary and visual arts publication, along with the Fine Arts Network and Non-Traditional Eagle Society.

Dr. Connell has oversight of the regional campuses and distance learning programs where nearly 40 percent of MSU's enrollment has been attributed. He also is administrator of the University's continuing education, academic advising, career services and academic support and retention programs.

He was recognized for his tireless efforts to remove educational barriers for disadvantaged students when he was presented with the Walter O. Mason Award during the annual conference of the Council Opportunity in Education.

He has oversight of the TRIO programs at MSU: Educational Opportunity Center, Student Support Services, Talent Search and Upward Bound. In addition, he supervises outreach and public service programs, including GEAR UP Kentucky, MSU AmeriCorp, KET-GED Connection, Today's Youth, Retired Senior Volunteer Program and Kentucky Seniors Saving Medicare.

He served the Southeastern Association of Education Opportunity Program Personnel (ASEOPP) as a past president, vice president and conference chair. Additionally, he is a past president of the National Educational Opportunity Center Association (NEOCA) and the Kentucky Association of Educational Opportunity Program Personnel (KAEOPP). Dr. Connell served on the Council for Opportunity in Education Board of Directors.

Other professional, institutional and community affiliations include various MSU committees, the Kentucky Association of Continuing Higher Education, the TENCO Workforce Investment Board and Youth Council, University Center of the Mountains, Montgomery Community Development and Morehead Habitat for Humanity.

Dr. Connell received a bachelor's degree in sociology and secondary education, and a master's degree in school psychometry from Ball State University. He earned a doctoral degree in educational policy studies from the University of Kentucky.

Dr. Wilburn earned the Doctor of Public Health (Dr.P.H.) degree with a focus on health behavior in December from the University of Kentucky. She primarily teaches within the Baccalaureate Nursing Program (BNP). A licensed nurse since 1979, a registered nurse since 1986 and an advanced practice nurse since 1995, Dr. Wilburn has earned National Certifications as a Nurse Educator from the National League of Nursing and Family Nurse Practitioner and School Nurse Practitioner from the American Nurses Credentialing Center.

She was awarded her original diploma in practical nursing from Ashland State Vocational School, an associate degree in nursing from Ashland Community College (now Ashland Community and Technical College) and a bachelor's degree in nursing from Bellarmine College in Louisville.

Dr. Wilburn earned a master's degree in nursing with an area of concentration as a family nurse practitioner at Marshall University in Huntington, W.Va., and then completed post-master's requirements for School Nurse Practitioner.

She has been on the faculty for the Nurse Residence Program through King's Daughters Medical Center in Ashland. She is the preceptor for nurse practitioner students from the University of Kentucky and Frontier School of Nursing in Hazard.

Faculty positions prior to the current BNP, include assistant professor of nursing in the associate degree nursing program at MSU and instructor and coordinator of the Health Occupations Department at the Ashland State Vocational Technical School.

Dr. Wilburn was a member of the inaugural class of MSU's President's Leadership Academy, and will provide quality professional development, mentorship and internships to selected faculty, staff and administrators who show potential to become more effective leaders.

She is a member of the Faculty Senate and has participated on numerous committees, including the Task Force on Student Success, Retention Task Force and Women's Studies Advisory. Her community involvement includes working with various district health departments and juvenile and adult detention centers.

Dr. Wilburn was recently recognized for her work with FIVCO advisory councils on aging and serves as medical adviser and chairperson of the FIVCO ombudsman council. She also is active in international medical mission services.

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Dr. Cetiner receives Department of Defense grant

A Morehead State University faculty member has secured a grant from the Department of Defense that will fund the development of instruments to enhance wireless communications for the U.S. Army.

The DoD recently announced grants totaling more than \$41 million to academic institutions to support the purchase of research instrumentation. Dr. Bedri A. Cetiner, assistant professor of electrical engineering, was awarded a \$184,950 Defense University Research Instrumentation Program (DURIP) grant. Dr. Qingzhou Xu, assistant professor and micro fabrication engineer, was the co-investigator for the grant.

The DURIP enables university researchers to purchase scientific equipment to conduct defense-related research. The 199 grant awards to 112 academic institutions range from \$50,000 to \$950,000. Morehead State is among the participating universities, representing some of the most prestigious schools in the nation, including Duke, Columbia, Yale, Stanford, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, University of California-Berkeley, Princeton and Harvard Medical School.

Other than MSU, the University of Kentucky was the only other institution in the state to receive a DURIP grant.

At MSU's Ronald G. Eaglin Space Science Center, the faculty has several active research and educational activities in the areas important to Department of Defense missions, according to Dr. Cetiner.

"These activities fall into the area of electromagnetics and RF (radio frequency)/microwave systems with emphasis on multifunctional and adaptive mobile radio communications systems," he said.

"We are developing mobile wireless communications systems that are adaptive, multifunctional and reconfigurable, in response to the Army's transformation to a lighter, more rapidly deployable force."

Dr. Cetiner said the grant project "effectively integrates research and education with the excitement of discovery, allowing our students to explore the most forefront antenna systems."

Specifically, Dr. Cetiner's grant monies will be used to develop instruments that will enable measuring/testing of distortion in the systems.

"This will support our teaching activities in the areas of RF microwave engineering and antennas where the students are exposed to innovative device concepts and microfabrication technologies," he said. "These activities will ultimately benefit our national defense efforts."

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Cetiner at (606) 783-9478.

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Chi Omega grants wish

The Morehead State University chapter of Chi Omega granted a wish for the Make-A-Wish Foundation for the second year in a row.

Chi Omega, in conjunction with the Make-A-Wish Foundation, held a wish party at Gatti-Land in Ashland on March 28 for three-year-old Kathryn Black and her family, informing them that her wish was coming true. Her wish was to go to Disney World in Orlando, Fla.

The sorority raised \$7,000 last fall through the annual Chi O Follies and silent auction. All proceeds from the events were donated to the foundation, which is the national philanthropy project for Chi Omega.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation was founded in 1980 and its goal is to grant the true wishes of children with life-threatening illnesses. The Greater Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana chapter grants 110 wishes per year.

For additional information, contact chapter president Katie Hurst, **Flemingsburg** senior, at klhur01@moreheadstate.edu .

SGA to host rally May 2

Morehead State University's Student Government Association will host a student rally on Wednesday, May 2.

According to Brian Gay, SGA president, the purpose of the event is to request Gov. Ernie Fletcher to call the Kentucky General Assembly into special session for the purpose of restoring capital projects, including \$17 million for a student recreation center and \$10 million for housing renovations.

More than 75 students have confirmed their attendance at the rally, which will begin at 12:30 p.m. at the Little Bell Tower and conclude at 1:45 p.m. in front of Gov. Fletcher's regional office on the MSU campus.

President Wayne D. Andrews, along with Rep. Rocky Adkins, D-Sandy Hook, Rep. John Will Stacy, D-West Liberty, Sen. Walter Blevins, D-Sandy Hook, and Gay are scheduled to speak.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting Gay at (513) 305-8338; or e-mail him at bngay01@moreheadstate.edu .

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