

Gniot named HR director

Morehead State University has announced that Phillip E. Gniot of Lexington has been named director of human resources. He began his new duties April 23.

The announcement was made by Michael R. Walters, vice president for administration and fiscal services.

"Phil Gniot is a human resources professional with successful experience in both a business environment and in higher education. His experience and enthusiasm, combined with his strong employee/customer service focus, will serve Morehead State University well," Walters said.

Gniot's diverse work history and proven record of achievement in human resources includes private and public companies in the insurance/service sector, manufacturing, and higher education. Prior to coming to MSU, he worked for nearly seven years at Kentucky State University as the executive director of human resources where he was involved with all areas of human resources and helped develop their market based compensation system and implemented many process and benefit improvements.

Before working in higher education, his varied experience included the dot-com sector and 14 years with Hughes/GM at the subsidiary and corporate levels.

He earned his bachelor's degree from Northeastern Illinois University and is a 2004 graduate of the College Business Management Institute.

Gniot is president of the Kentucky chapter of the College and University Professional Association (CUPA) and is a member of the Society for Human Resource Management.

He has served on the board of the Des Plaines United Way and was the recipient of the "Excellence in Private Section Management Award" from the Illinois Private Industry Council in 1992.

Gniot has three daughters and one grandson. He currently lives in Lexington with his wife, Beth.

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Steel Drums & Beach Bums is May 3

Morehead State University will take on a distinctly tropical theme on Thursday, May 3, for the President's Spring Concert, Steel Drums & Beach Bums.

Slated to be held from 5-9 p.m. in Button Auditorium, the event will feature a performance by the MSU Steel Band, followed by a set from Conch Republic, a tropical rock band.

The festivities will be held in conjunction with the SACyard BBQ, sponsored by the Student Activities Council.

In addition to the music, there will be food, door prizes and other activities. All events are free and open to the public.

Sponsors of the event include: the Office of the President, Caudill College of Humanities, Department of Music, Residence Hall Association, SAC, University Bookstore and University Marketing.

Additional information is available by calling the SAC office at (606) 783-2071.

Kulick claims USBC Queens title

Former Morehead State University bowler Kelly Kulick describes the past year as the most grueling of her life. All of her frustration, hard work and patience paid off Wednesday when she won the 2007 United States Bowling Congress Queens.

Kulick of Union, N.J., who a year ago made history by becoming the first woman to earn a full-time exemption on the Denny's Professional Bowlers Association Tour, defeated Diandra Asbaty of Chicago 192-143 at AMF Carolina Lanes to win the biggest and most prestigious title in women's bowling.

"I've worked very hard at my game for a long time," Kulick said. "I've had a full year of practice and that was a big time advantage. After the year that I've had, this is the icing on the cake. This is the big blowout of the candle."

Kulick made it to the Professional Women's Bowling Association Tour, earned the 2001 Rookie of the Year, and even won the 2003 U.S. Open, a major tournament on the professional level.

She was a three-time All-American and the 1997 and 1998 Collegiate Bowler of the Year while at MSU. In 1998, she helped guide veteran coach Larry Wilson's squad to the National Championship.

Kulick vaulted into the lead in the championship match after Asbaty left a 3-4-6-7-10 split in the eighth frame. Asbaty then left another split in the ninth frame, allowing Kulick to step up and seal the victory with two strikes.

"I didn't even look at the scoreboard, but after she left those splits I knew I just needed to step up and nail a couple shots," Kulick said. "That strike on the left lane in the eighth frame really put it away."

On the way to the title, Kulick defeated three-time Queens champion Wendy Macpherson of Henderson, Nev., and then knocked off Kristal Scott of Lawrence, Kan., in the semifinal. In the opening match, Macpherson advanced by defeating Team USA's Shannon O'Keefe of Rochester, N.Y.

Kulick took home \$30,000 for first place in addition to the Queens tiara, pendant and crystal trophy. Asbaty earned \$18,000 for second.

The USBC Queens, which is presented by Eldorado, Silver Legacy and Circus Circus, featured a field of 344 of the top female bowlers in the world competing for a total prize fund of \$200,000. The event will be rebroadcast on ESPN at 1 p.m. on May 20.

The MSU women won national championships in 1989, 1998, 2000 and 2002, were runner-ups in 1993 and finished in third place in 2006. The men's squad was runner-up in its 2003 tournament and took third place in 2005.

(Information for this article provided by bowl.com)

Septemberfest now being planned

The Morehead State University community will celebrate American Democracy Week with a variety of activities that involves a host of participants of all ages.

The celebration, which runs Monday through Thursday, Sept. 17 - 20, is being held in conjunction with the University's third annual Septemberfest, according to Dr. Beverly McCormick, coordinator of the event.

"A committee that includes members of the community and faculty, staff and students from Morehead State are working on the agenda for each day," she said. "The fall term will be here before we know it and we wanted to get the dates out so everyone could mark their calendars and start planning. Some of the

activities provide good learning experiences while others involve coordination by faculty in the elementary and high school systems.

"At the college level, the faculty is planning its syllabi and they appreciate the advance notice. Some of them will work on special projects during the summer months," Dr. McCormick added.

Kicking off Septemberfest will be a showing of the movie "An Inconvenient Truth" in Button Auditorium, beginning at 7 p.m. Written by Plantation Productions, the work focuses on the science of global warming and former Vice President Al Gore's personal history and lifelong commitment to reversing the effects of global climate change.

"This is a compelling story, full of facts and information, that allows the audience to draw its own conclusion," said director Davis Guggenheim. "It is not a story of despair, but a rallying cry to protect the one earth we share."

The movie was a 2006 Academy Award winner for Best Documentary Feature and Original Song. The film was premiered at the 2006 Sundance Film Festival and was the third-highest-grossing documentary in the United States.

The showing is free and open to the public. A question and answer session will follow with a panel representing environmental sciences, forestry services and MSU's Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy.

Septemberfest activities also being planned are:

A ceremony celebrating the Native American Peace Tree is on tap for Tuesday.

On Wednesday, students from area high schools will visit the campus as American Democracy Ambassadors. A number of presentations by MSU students and faculty members will host the group.

Programming for Thursday will follow the "We the People" theme. A Volunteer Fair, Meet the Candidates, musical interludes, and presentation of the Excellence in Civic Engagement Awards. Making a return will be the second American as Apple Pie contest with attendees invited to enjoy the desserts.

"We hope that you will watch the newspapers and visit the Web during the summer months to stay abreast of the activities as they are finalized," Dr. McCormick said.

Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-2027.

Patton to receive honorary degree

The man who is considered the father of Kentucky's higher education reform will receive an honorary doctoral degree from Morehead State University during the 2007 Spring Commencement ceremonies.

Former Gov. Paul E. Patton, of Pikeville, will be presented an honorary Doctor of Public Service degree by MSU Board of Regents Chair James H. Booth of Inez during the 10:30 a.m. ceremony at the Academic-Athletic Center on Saturday, May 12.

More than 1,100 students are candidates for degrees which will be conferred by MSU President Wayne D. Andrews.

Patton served as the Commonwealth's 59th governor from 1995 to 2003. He was the first governor in two centuries to serve two successive terms. During his eight years as governor, he was a national leader, particularly in higher education policy. Patton proposed and championed the successful passage of Kentucky's Higher Education Reform Act in 1997, an effort which has been recognized as a model of progressive higher education policy, and also made substantial improvements in Kentucky's pre-school and adult education programs, as well as successfully maintaining the momentum and funding for the Kentucky Education Reform Act.

The Lawrence County native also served as chairman of the National Governor's Association, the Southern Governor's Association, and state's co-chair of the Appalachian Regional Commission.

Patton was named deputy secretary of transportation by Gov. John Y. Brown Jr. in 1979. He was lieutenant governor (1991-95), under Gov. Brereton C. Jones, and prior to that was elected as Pike County judge-executive three times, serving 10 years as the county's top elected official.

Before entering public service, he had a successful career in business as a coal operator, and was actively involved in community and volunteer activities. Patton also served as secretary of the Economic Development Cabinet. He is an engineering graduate of the University of Kentucky.

Even in semi-retirement, he serves as a Distinguished Visiting Lecturer in Public Policy and Leadership at Pikeville College and the School of Osteopathic Medicine and is as a member of the Pikeville College Board of Trustees, a post that he has served for more than 30 years.

Since 1988, the MSU Board of Regents has awarded honorary doctoral degrees to outstanding individuals to recognize personal achievement and/or exemplary public service. The ad hoc Honorary Degree Advisory Committee screens nominations for such recognition and makes appropriate recommendations to the President and Board of Regents. The committee is composed of active and retired faculty and staff members and a representative of the MSU Alumni Association Inc.

Also on Saturday, an ROTC commissioning ceremony will be held at the Little Bell Tower lawn area beginning at 8 a.m. and an associate and baccalaureate degree nursing pinning ceremony is slated for 1:30 p.m. in Button Auditorium.

MSU's commencement exercises are open to the public. Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-2008.

Mynatt is Commencement speaker

Abby Mynatt of **London** will be the student speaker for Morehead State University's Spring Commencement on Saturday, May 12.

During the ceremony, that begins at 10:30 a.m. in the Academic-Athletic Center, President Wayne D. Andrews will confer degrees on more than 1,100 graduate and undergraduate students. MSU's Board of Regents Chair James H.

Booth of Inez will present the honorary Doctor of Public Service degree to Paul E. Patton, former governor of Kentucky.

Mynatt is a candidate for a Bachelor of Science degree in the College of Science and Technology. She is a chemistry major with a minor in integrated science.

An honors graduate, she is continuing her education by pursuing a degree in pharmacy at the University of Kentucky, beginning in the fall. This is a program that she is familiar with as her older brother, Ryan, a Morehead State graduate, is currently pursuing the same degree in UK's College of Pharmacy.

The daughter of Michael and Lisa Mynatt of London, she is a graduate of North Laurel High School, Mynatt was named the University's 2004-05 Outstanding Chemistry Student of the Year and the 2005-06 Outstanding Organic Chemistry Student of the Year.

During her college experience, Mynatt was the recipient of the Ria Johnson Seba Memorial Scholarship for 2006-07. She will graduate summa cum laude with a cumulative grade point average of 4.0 and has been on the dean's list every semester at MSU.

Active in student organizations, Mynatt is a member of the George M. Luckey, Jr. Academic Honors Program, Order of Omega honor fraternity, Phi Kappa Phi honor society, Delta Gamma fraternity and MSU's Panhellenic Executive Council.

For the commencement exercises, the grand marshal and mace bearer will be 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, who received the 2007 Distinguished Teacher Award.

Faculty marshals will be Dr. Frances L. Helphinstine, professor of English, and Kathryn C. Mincey, associate professor of English.

Student marshals will be Morgan L. Smith of **Waterford, N.Y.**, and David T. Tarvin of **Mason, Ohio**, Graduate Programs; James Higdon of **Morehead** and Lisa A. Patton of **Mt. Sterling**, College of Science and Technology; Derek W. Orme of **Maysville** and Chandra N. Turner of **Langley**, College of Business; Caitlin Lippo of **Rolling Meadows, Ill.**, and Venus Pegg of **Morehead**, College of Education; and Margaret Gulley of **Flemingsburg** and Emily J. Howard of **Morehead**, Caudill College of Humanities.

Following the ceremony, the newest alumni will be inducted into the MSU Alumni Association Inc. by its president, Gary Adkins of Morehead.

Refreshments for graduates and their families, hosted by each college's dean and faculty, will be served immediately after the ceremony. The reception is co-sponsored by the Alumni Association.

During the afternoon, MSU's Nursing Program will host a pinning ceremony for those students who have completed degree requirements. The pinning will begin at 1:30 p.m. in Button Auditorium. Earlier in the day, the ROTC students were commissioned as second lieutenants in a ceremony that began at 8:30 a.m. at the Little Bell Tower lawn area.

Additional information on Spring Commencement exercises is available by calling (606) 783-2008.

Liles to head Enrollment Services at MSU

Morehead State University has announced that Jeffrey R. Liles, assistant vice president for university relations, has accepted the position of assistant vice president for enrollment services. He began his new duties May 1.

In this new position, Liles will provide leadership for the recruitment, admission, scholarship and financial aid services of the University.

"Having worked closely with Jeffrey on important enrollment management issues, I respect the perspective he will bring to the position and look forward to having him as a member of the Student Life leadership team," said Madonna Weathers, vice president for student life, of the appointment.

Liles was an assistant vice president for marketing at MSU from 2001-2004. He was responsible for developing and implementing marketing strategies to enhance the reputation of the University and support institutional priorities.

During that time, he was a member of the Scholarship and Retention task forces and the Transfer/Adult/GED Committee.

In 2005, Liles was named the Outstanding Faculty/Staff Fundraiser for his work with the Campus Giving Campaign. A member of the President's Leadership Academy steering committee and Intercollegiate Athletics Committee, Liles has chaired or co-chaired numerous task forces and committees, including the Strategic Enrollment Management Task Force.

Before coming to MSU in February 2001, Liles was market research manager at the Lexington Herald-Leader. In that role for nine years, he produced marketing materials and worked closely with clients to acquire and retain advertising customers. His previous experience also included six years as a senior field account representative for Burke Marketing Research in Cincinnati.

Liles earned a Bachelor of Science degree in administrative management from the University of Cincinnati in 1990 and a Master of Business Administration degree in 1991 from Wright State University.

Active in the community, he was president of the Parish Pastoral Council of St. Patrick's in Mt. Sterling and served as a volunteer for United Way of the Bluegrass, where he completed a perception benchmark study. He was named outstanding alumnus of the year for Beta Theta Pi fraternity at Wright State, in recognition of tutoring and advising efforts with at-risk students.

He lives in Mt. Sterling with his wife, Carmen and children: Paige Stamper, Tucker Liles, Trent Liles, Grace Liles and Nate Liles.

President Andrews is going on the road

Morehead State University President Wayne D. Andrews is going on the road to deliver "the good news of MSU" through a news media tour of University's service region and the Lexington and Louisville media markets.

"It is important for news media organizations to have timely, accurate information about the University and to have convenient access to those of us who lead the institution," Dr. Andrews said. "I am pleased and proud to share the good news of MSU and to answer questions from the press."

The sessions will include meetings with newspaper editorial boards and news conferences for print and broadcast journalists. At each stop, President Andrews will discuss the "Aspire To Greatness" strategic plan aimed at moving MSU closer to its goal of becoming the best public regional university in the South.

"We will concentrate our message on the communities served by our five regional campuses while also visiting urban media outlets that send print and broadcast news into our service region," Dr. Andrews said. "We have a great story to tell and we intend to be more assertive in that effort."

MSU's regional campuses are located in Ashland, Jackson, Mt. Sterling, Prestonsburg and West Liberty. Hazard, Maysville and Pikeville also will be visited.

The first three stops on the media tour are May 8 in Ashland, June 7 in Mt. Sterling and July 10 in Lexington.

Rigsby completes IBMA program

Don Rigsby, director of Morehead State University's Kentucky Center for Traditional Music, was among the graduating class of the International Bluegrass Music Association's Leadership Bluegrass 2007.

The annual event is an intensive, three-day program of advanced level, interactive learning experiences that invites participants to examine the challenges and opportunities facing Bluegrass music, along with related leadership issues.

Leadership Bluegrass 2007 was hosted in March at BMI in Nashville, Tenn., and was facilitated for the eighth year by Fred Bartenstein, a noted Bluegrass historian and broadcaster as well as a professional meeting facilitator.

Each year approximately two dozen individuals are selected to participate in Leadership Bluegrass, a program designed to build commitment, motivate talents and instill enthusiasm for addressing the future of the Bluegrass music industry. Class members represent a cross section of current and future leaders from various parts of the industry, as well as diverse regions of the country and world.

Rigsby, an internationally-recognized Bluegrass musician and singer, shared the "Album Of The Year" honors with other artists for a collaboration titled "Celebration Of Life: Musicians Against Childhood Cancer" during the 17th Annual International Bluegrass Music Association Awards last September. He also has captured two IBMA awards (Recorded Event of the Year and Album of the Year) in 2005 for his part in Larry Sparks' "40" album on which the Elliott County native produced, played and sang.

The Society for the Preservation of Bluegrass Music in America's 2001 male vocalist of the year, Rigsby shared two IBMA awards while performing with Longview and also sang on a Grammy-winning album by rocker John Fogerty.

Additional information is available by calling KCTM at (606) 783-9001. To review Rigsby's recording career, visit his Web site at www.donrigsby.com.
In photo:

The graduating class included, front row from left; Gary Davidson, Jessie Law, Karen Byrd, Stephanie Taylor, Neil Rosenberg, Craig Havighurst, Jim Roe, and Garian Vigil. Back row from left are, **Rigsby**, Regina Derzon, Cindy Baucom, Carolyn Hotte, Dana Romanello, Geoff Albert, Richard Tucker, Tina Potter, Larry Klein, Larry Stephenson, and Pat Flynn. Back row, from left; Lawson Peets, Aaron Harris, Bill Smith, Mike Mickelson, Kevin Kehrberg, Tim Stafford, and Dagfinn Pedersen.

Changes coming to student billing

Several changes will be made to student billing and payment options at Morehead State University, effective with the Fall 2007 semester.

The University's computing system is being replaced by Datatel Colleague, and as a result, students will be able to view and pay their bill online via Datatel Web Advisor.

Shortly after July 1, students registered for the fall semester will begin receiving monthly paper billing statements to keep them informed of their account status. Account balances are now due in full one week prior to the start of class - Aug. 13 for the fall term.

Although MSU no longer offers a deferred payment plan, students may now take advantage of a different option to pay their bill at a later date, while at the same time, confirming that they will be attending

classes. If any student is unable to pay their full balance prior to the deadline, he or she may complete and return a Statement of Intent, which explains payment requirements, according to Carol Ford, assistant director of accounting and budgetary control. Statements are available on WebAdvisor, or by accessing www.moreheadstate.edu/abc/.

"By agreeing to the conditions of the statement, students confirm they will attend classes at MSU and acknowledge their bill due for the upcoming semester. It will give them an extended period of time to pay their bill," Ford said. "These statements must be printed, signed and returned to the Office of Accounting and Budgetary Control by Aug. 13 to prevent class schedules from being cancelled."

This requirement also applies to any student who receives financial aid or scholarships, or whose college expenses are being paid by an outside agency.

Additional information is available by calling the Office of Accounting and Budgetary Control at (606) 783-2019.

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BOR work session slated for May 10

EVENT: Board of Regents Work Session
DATE: Thursday, May 10, 2007
TIME: 9 a.m.
SITE: Heritage Room, Adron Doran University Center

During the work session, the Regents will discuss several items including the University's Emergency Preparedness Plan, and receive an update on the 2007-08 Operating Budget, Intercollegiate Athletics, and Enrollment Services.

Prior to the session, the Board's Audit Committee will meet at 8 a.m. in the Riggle Room, Adron Doran University Center.

Media representatives planning to attend the session should call the Office of University Communications at (606) 783-2030 before 4 p.m. on Wednesday, May 9.

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Nineteen inducted into Pinnacle

Nineteen students were recently inducted into Pinnacle International, an honorary for non-traditional students at Morehead State University.

The new members included:

*Anya Marie Costello of **Saldee**. A business administration management major, she was formerly the vice president of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society. The Dean's List student volunteers at a child care service center.

*Sherry Fannin of **West Liberty**. A university studies major with a minor in social work, she has been named to the Dean's List and was a member of Delta Mu Delta National Honor Society in business administration. A volunteer with Domestic Violence Emergency Services (D.O.V.E.S.), she is a community representative at Gateway Headstart Policy Council and a Retired Senior Volunteer Program policy council member.

*Christy Camille Howle of **Lexington** . A university studies major with a minor in marketing, she is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and was named to the Dean's List. Prior to coming to MSU, she attended Lexington Community College where she was the recipient of several scholarships, including the Key Contributor award from St. Joseph Hospital.

*Chasity Lynn Mitchell of **Beaver** . A social work major, she is a Dean's List student and recipient of St. Martha's scholarship. She is a member of the Student Association of Social Workers (SASW), and a social values and DePaul Linguistics tutor through the Floyd County extension office.

*Missie Pelfrey of **Soldier** . A nursing major, she is a member of Phi Kappa Phi honor society, the Student Nurses Association, Chemistry Club, and Student Support Services. A recipient of the Regents Scholarship, she was formerly president of Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) and volunteers at health fairs, community clean-ups, and a local nursing home.

*Delores Ann Rigdon of **Clearfield** . A nursing major, she is a member of Theta Pi sorority and the Student Nurses Association. She was a volunteer for Cave Run Clean Up, Morehead/Rowan County Recycling Center and Hands Across America.

*Mayra Sexton of **Pikeville** . She is a social work major.

*Kristen Steele of **Ashland** . An elementary education major, she was named to both the National Dean's List and the MSU Dean's List. Prior to coming to MSU, she attended Ashland Community College where she was a member of Phi Theta Kappa. She was a volunteer for Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital and various church functions.

*Dorrenna L. Thacker Hess of **Ivel** . She is pursuing a Bachelor of Social Work at MSU Prestonsburg, and has been named to the Dean's List several times. A member of SASW, she has been a volunteer for the organization's activities.

*Anthony Dean Thomas of **Jeffersonville** . A social work major, he earned an Associate of Arts degree with distinction and has been named to the Dean's List. He is a member of Phi Kappa Phi honor society and volunteers at Windsor Care Nursing Home.

*Chad E. White of **Cynthiana** . Recipient of the CSAM Scholarship and the National Smart Grant, he is pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree with an area of concentration in secondary mathematics. A member of the Math and Computer Science Club and Mathematics Association of America, he tutors students needing assistance with math and works with his church youth group.

*Tamera Wright of **Hager Hill** . The Dean's List student is an elementary education major. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa. Prior to coming to MSU, she attended Big Sandy Community and Technical College where she received an Associate of Arts degree and an Associate of Science degree, both with high distinction.

Dr. C. Nelson Grote, MSU president emeritus, was the guest speaker at the induction ceremony. Jacquelyn Scott, non-traditional and commuter student coordinator, serves as the chapter's adviser. Rachel Abernathy of Owingsville is the chapter's president.

To qualify for membership, students must be classified as non-traditional according to University guidelines and preferably have senior status, though exceptional juniors may be selected. Inductees must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale; demonstrate leadership, persistence, and future promise; and have participated in at least three campus and/or community activities.

The Pinnacle chapter, founded by Dr. Frank Julian at Murray State University, was established at MSU in 1991. The organization seeks to provide non-traditional and adult students, 23 years or older, with the type of recognition that outstanding traditional students have always received, according to Scott.

Additional information on the chapter is available by calling (606) 783-2102.

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Free workshop to be offered

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 Tuesday, May 22. 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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Spring Commencement held at MSU

Morehead State University's student speaker at last week's spring commencement exercises told the audience that graduation represents both a closure and a beginning.

Abby Mynatt of **London** said the commencement "is a celebration of what we have already accomplished. But graduation goes on until the last day of your life. You truly graduate when you show compassion, when you show love and when you show your humanity."

MSU President Wayne D. Andrews conferred degrees on more than 1,100 candidates, including Mynatt, during the ceremony at the Academic-Athletic Center. A chemistry major, Mynatt was a candidate for a Bachelor of Science degree.

Mynatt said the recent tragic events at Virginia Tech reminded her that every day is a miracle and each is special. She credited Morehead State's faculty for preparing students not only academically, but also in the areas of compassion and humanity.

"There lies a dedication to each other that we can't always sense, but it's this link that binds us all to one another in momentous occasions like these or in tragedies like Virginia Tech. These bonds will connect us no matter what direction in life we each decide to take."

Board of Regents Chair James H. Booth of Inez, presented the honorary Doctor of Public Service degree to Paul E. Patton, former governor of Kentucky.

Patton was the Commonwealth's 59th governor from 1995 to 2003. He was the first governor in two centuries to serve two successive terms. The Lawrence County native was a national leader, particularly in higher education policy.

In accepting his degree, Patton noted that while such honors are always appreciated, receiving recognition from MSU was particularly rewarding for him.

Patton said he has enjoyed a long and close relationship with MSU. "Morehead in many ways is my University. In fact, if you had had an engineering program in the mid 50s, I would be an alum."

Before the remaining degrees were conferred, Dr. Andrews recognized Shannon Niki Martin of **Louisville**, an ROTC student and candidate for a Bachelor of Arts degree in health promotion. Martin will be commissioned a second lieutenant in a special upcoming ceremony at the White House.

MSU's Summer I term will begin on Monday, June 4. Additional information about attending classes is available by calling the Office of Enrollment Services at (606) 783-2000 or (800) 585-6781.

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Students to study volcanoes in Hawaii

Seven Morehead State University students will travel to Hawaii this month to get a first-hand look at volcanoes they have been learning about in the classroom.

The students, all enrolled in GEOS 399 (junior Honors Seminar), will accompany Dr. Marshall Chapman, associate professor of geology and director of the George M. Luckey Jr. Academic Honors Program, to the Big Island of Hawaii May 18-24. They will sample lava and sulfur fields and view volcanic activity at the Kilauea Volcano Observatory. They also will monitor seismic activity, ground deformation, and gas emissions at the site and at Mauna Loa.

The students will stay in a U.S. Army camp barracks at Kilauea, which is closer to the study area, and a cost-saving measure, according to Dr. Chapman.

"These students will have an opportunity to go places and see things that no tourist can see," he said. While in the islands, the group will have some leisure time to tour the area and attend a traditional luau.

The students scheduled to go on the Hawaii trip include: Tabitha Aldridge, **Lawrenceburg** sophomore physics/geology major; Timothy (TJ) Evans, **Owingsville** senior biology/philosophy major; Megan Groh, **Amelia, Ohio**, junior education (biological science) major; Sable Janney, **Germantown, Ohio**, junior chemistry major; Miranda Smith, **Sandy Hook** junior chemistry major; Wayne Staggs, **Ransom** senior industrial technology major; and Kendall Vance, **West Liberty** senior psychology major.

Dr. Chapman generally makes the Hawaii trip with the honors students every other spring. He has directed MSU's honors program since 2003.

He holds a master's degree in geology and a doctoral degree in geosciences (high-temperature geochemistry) from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. Additionally, he earned a bachelor's degree in religion from the University of the South in Sewanee, Tenn. Additional information is available by calling Dr. Chapman at (606) 783-2807.

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Deadline is today for postcard workshop

Have you ever sent or received art through the mail? Lorese Harper, textile artist and owner of Photographic Memory in Louisville, will teach "Put Fun Back in the Mailbox" Fiber Art Postcard workshop on Saturday, June 2, at Morehead State University. The workshop will run from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. in Room 216 of the Claypool-Young Art Building.

During the session, participants will create an 8" x 5" one-of-a-kind fabric and mixed media art postcard. Registration, accompanied by the \$25 workshop and materials fee, must be received by Jennifer Reis, gallery director, by Friday, May 25.

Space is limited to 10 participants. Students will need to bring their own sewing machine with related accessories (a full list of sewing supplies will be provided to participants at time of registration).

Those attending the workshop are encouraged to bring a small photograph (4" x 4" or smaller) and various mementos like buttons, beads and old jewelry to personalize their work. Additional information on the instructor is available on her Web site at www.photographicmemoryart.com.

The workshop is held in conjunction with the "Louisville Area Textile and Fiber Association: A Juried Selection" Art Exhibition, which will open with a reception from 3 - 5 p.m. on the same day in the main gallery of Claypool-Young. Juried by University of Kentucky professor Arturo Sandoval, an internationally renowned textile artist, the exhibition features contemporary textile artworks ranging from art quilts to embroidered works to found object sculptures created by artists living and working in the greater Louisville area.

Additional information and registration are available from Reis at (606) 783-5446, by sending a message to j.reis@moreheadstate.edu, or by sending a note to her office in 108 Claypool-Young Art Building, Morehead State University, Morehead, KY 40351-1689.

Salazar is field reader

William Salazar, research associate for Morehead State University's Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy (IRAPP), recently participated as a field reader for National Science Foundation grant proposals in Washington.

Salazar served as reader for scholarship in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (S-STEM) competitive grant proposals submitted to the NSF by colleges and universities across the nation.

As a member of a national pool of participants, Salazar read and evaluated 12 grant proposals during a three-day period. Field readers were required to judge grant proposals in their suitability to be funded, as well as provide in-depth critiques and recommendations to those that were not recommended for funding.

The S-STEM scholar grant awards approximately 40 per cent of the grant proposals submitted. Amounts of \$600,000 are awarded to colleges and universities to provide scholarships to students interested in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics, who, because of financial constraints, would not pursue a rigorous science program.

The S-STEM funds underrepresented ethnic groups and women, as well as students from regions with low science matriculated populations, such as Appalachia.

A graduate of Northern Arizona University, Salazar has presented several papers at state and national conferences on the areas of ethnicity, cultural diversity as they relate to issues in education, mentoring and retention. He has conducted various workshops on cultural issues to social workers and educators.

At IRAPP, he works with faculty on the areas of health care access, demography and remote sensing. Additionally, he serves on the board of *Abroad View*, a global education magazine for students.

Additional information is available by calling Salazar at (606) 783-5437.

Hornbeck is 2007 Gallaher winner

Matthew Hornbeck of **Ironton , Ohio**, won the 20th annual A. Frank and Bethel C. Gallaher Memorial Music Performance Competition at Morehead State University. The award, presented each spring to a junior music major, includes a \$1,000 cash prize and the honor of performing at MSU's Academic Awards Convocation.

The first jazz studies major to win the competition, Hornbeck presented a collaborative performance with Dr. Steven Snyder, assistant professor of music, at the awards program.

Hornbeck, the son of Ken and Anita Hornbeck, is pursuing the Bachelor of Music degree in performance with emphasis in jazz studies.

A 2004 graduate of St. Joseph High School (Ironton, Ohio), he said the most influential teachers in his life have been Nevada Hart, the man who introduced him to the guitar, Chris Kitchen, Clancy Hatfield, Alan Robinson and his guitar professor Glenn Ginn, assistant professor of music. While all have helped him grow in leaps and bounds, Hornbeck credits Ginn's instruction as the most profound to date.

He has played with several groups in the area while at Morehead State. Among them are the Baptist Christian Ministries' Tuesday Night Live Band, the MSU Pep Band, MSU Jazz Ensemble I, and the MSU Guitar Ensemble.

Hornbeck has been a guest musician three years running for the annual Madrigal Feast, performed at the 2006 Rocktubafest, and has been a student ambassador for Morehead State at the International Association of Schools of Jazz (IASJ). At IASJ, he was able to interact and play with some of the top jazz students in the world. He also has performed in the pit orchestra for MSU's spring theatre productions of "Aida" and "Chicago."

Among his many accomplishments, Hornbeck was honored in 2006 with the Jamey Aebersold Award that recognizes the most outstanding musician in the jazz studies program. He will represent Morehead State as a member of the 2007 Kentucky Music Educators Association (KMEA) Intercollegiate Jazz Band, and while on tour with MSU's Jazz Ensemble, Hornbeck received a Distinguished Soloist award at both the Louisville and Elmhurst Jazz Festivals.

In addition to winning the Gallaher competition, Hornbeck was named the 2007 Outstanding Undergraduate Student in Music and a Theodore Presser Undergraduate Scholar.

The Gallaher competition, endowed in 1987, was named for the late Ashland businessman A. Frank Gallaher and his wife, who were the parents of Dr. Christopher Gallaher, former chair of MSU's Department of Music.

All full-time junior level music majors, with at least a 2.5 grade point average, may compete for the Gallaher Scholarship. To participate, a student must perform from memory a work that is eight to 10 minutes in length. Preliminary auditions are held in December with the final competition in April.

Contributions to the A. Frank and Bethel C. Gallaher Memorial Music Performance Competition may be made through the MSU Foundation Inc., by calling (606) 783-2033.

Additional information on the competition is available by calling the [Department of Music](#) at (606) 783-2473.

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Professor develops scholarship program for area youth

It is Saturday morning at Sterling Lanes in Mt. Sterling. Amid the sound of crashing bowling pins, the Youth Scholarship League is in action.

Dr. L. Curtis Hammond, associate professor of music at Morehead State University, is the director of youth bowling. The members of the league range from age six through high school.

"Being around these kids is a blast. They really can energize you," Dr. Hammond said. "Bowling is really popular in the north. I am originally from South Dakota and most members of my family are avid league bowlers. My dad bowls on leagues two and three nights a week and he coaches youth on Saturday mornings. I bowled quite a bit in high school, but then not much for more than 20 years."

Dr. Hammond became more involved with the sport when his oldest daughter, Abigail, who was seven years old at the time, wanted to join a youth league.

"I turned to my dad for assistance. He sent videos and handouts to me. The next thing I knew, I had a ball, bag and shoes so I could practice with my daughter and help her out.

"One of the things that excited me about youth bowling was that kids have opportunities to bowl at the state and national level for college scholarships. Here was my seven-year-old already thinking about going to college plus having the chance to start earning money for her education."

Dr. Hammond's wife Cathy, a physician, works at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center. It wasn't long before she and their younger daughter, Meghan, were bitten by the bowling bug as well. They all are active in leagues in Mt. Sterling.

"Bowling has become a great family activity for us. We bowl together several times a week and even do adult/youth tournaments. It's a lot of fun and it's nice to find something that we can all do together. Both of our children have already earned money for college," said Cathy Hammond.

Dr. Hammond has taken several coaching courses given by the United States Bowling Congress and has earned bronze level coach certification.

Dr. Hammond was asked to run the youth league and knew that he would need some help. His wife and Eric Spurlock, manger of Sterling Lanes, agreed to assist him. The two have completed USBC Level I and Level II coaching certifications.

"I really began to wonder if there was more we could do to motivate the bowlers and attract more kids. Some of these kids will never play football or be able to shoot a basketball, it would be nice if we could give them another way to begin earning money for college," said Dr. Hammond.

Enter the idea of the scholarship league.

"We did some fundraising activities on our own as a league and ended up with a prize fund of \$1,300 for our first annual league scholarship tournament. We awarded six scholarships at our first tournament.

"It is exciting that we now have 7, 8 and 9 year-olds thinking about going to college and more exciting that we can provide the opportunity for these kids to start earning money for their college education."

According to Dr. Hammond, the coaching staff with the help of some members of the Mt. Sterling business community hopes to increase the annual scholarship fund next year.

"We really want to increase the amount of each scholarship awarded while increasing the number of awards that the kids can compete for in the end-of-season tournament each year."

Additional information is available from Dr. Hammond by calling (606) 783-2496.

First annual Sterling Lanes Youth Scholarship League Tournament winners: Boys division, back row from left, Skyler Martin, first place; Devin Vallejo, third place; and Zack Blevins, second place. Girls division, front row from left, Emily Wright, third place; and Faith Berry, third place.

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Martin receives gold bars in White House ceremony

Morehead State University ROTC's Battalion Commander Shannon Niki Martin of Louisville was among the 55 Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) cadets and midshipmen commissioned in the East Room of the White House today (Thursday, May 17).

President George Bush participated in the ceremony. In his remarks, he told the crowd:

"The young men and women we honor today represent the great diversity of the American people. You come from different backgrounds; you represent all 50 states and the District of Columbia, as well as Guam, Puerto Rico, American Samoa and the U.S. Virgin Islands. And when you leave here today, you will wear on your shoulders the same powerful symbol of achievement: the gold bars of an officer of the United States Armed Forces.

"As part of this preparation, you have been taught a way of life that elevates service above self. You have learned that honor is not just a word -- it is a sacred inheritance to be preserved and handed down. You have learned that courage is not the absence of fear -- it is the ability to do the right thing in spite of your fears. And you have learned that much is expected of our military officers. For most of you, an ROTC scholarship helped pay for your college

education. The American people provide these funds willingly. And in return they ask one thing: when their sons and daughters are put in harm's way, they will be led by officers of character and integrity."

The ceremony was part of continued activities in the month of May recognized as National Military Appreciation Month. For this event, participants represented each of the 50 states, four territories and the District of Columbia.

Martin is the highest ranking cadet in Morehead State's ROTC history and has been top of her class for four years. She received a ranking of third out of 3,806 cadets from 272 universities across the nation, not including West Point.

The North Bullitt High graduate earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in health promotion during MSU's Spring Commencement. Martin was involved in the Kappa Delta sorority and Raider Company (ROTC fraternity), and president of Scabbard and Blade (national military honors society) which she re-established on campus. She is a member of the Eta Sigma Gamma (national health honors society) and was a workstudy for two years.

A replay of the ceremony can be viewed on the Pentagon Channel (www.pentagonchannel.mil).

[Click here to view the ceremony](#)

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Appalachian Arts & Crafts Fair to be held June 2

On Saturday, June 2, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., the Kentucky Folk Art Center will sponsor the summer Appalachian Arts & Crafts Fair which will be held on First Street in Morehead.

The fair was traditionally held on the last Saturday of June on the MSU campus, but this year it has been rescheduled to coincide with the annual Bluegrass n' More music festival and A Day in the Country folk art show.

The Appalachian Arts & Crafts Fair will feature dozens of artists and craftspeople from throughout the region. Visitors will find jewelry, antiques, quilts, woodcrafts, toys and pottery.

"This is the best weekend of the year to be in Morehead," said KFAC director, Matt Collinsworth. "By moving the Appalachian Arts & Crafts Fair to the first Saturday in June, visitors also will get to enjoy great acoustic music and some of America's finest folk art. And our vendors get access to thousands of potential customers. There's no downside to this move. We're very excited about the event."

Also on June 2 will be A Day in the Country which will be held adjacent to the craft fair at the Morehead Conference Center. This event features many of America's finest folk artists offering their works for sale.

Bluegrass n' More: A Celebration of American Music will feature numerous performances of Bluegrass, traditional, acoustic and other music, showcasing regional talent, as well as nationally-recognized musicians and songwriters, Friday through Sunday, June 1-3. A complete schedule of events is listed at www.moreheadstate.edu/kctm/bnm/ .

Additional information about the Appalachian Arts & Crafts Fair is available by calling KFAC at (606) 783-2204.

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Drake installed as SAEOPP secretary

Gera Lynn Drake, associate director of the Commonwealth Educational Opportunity Center at Morehead State University, was recently installed as secretary of the Southeastern Association of Educational Opportunity Program Personnel's Board of Directors. Her term will continue until February 2009.

She has been with CEOC since it was first funded in 1995.

For the past two years, she served on the SAEOPP Board as president of the Kentucky Association of Educational Opportunity Program Personnel. Drake also served as KAEOPP vice president and chaired and served on numerous committees for KAEOPP and SAEOPP.

She participated in the Emerging Leaders Institute on both the state and regional levels. From 2000-05, she chaired the Technology Committee for the National Educational Opportunity Centers Association (NEOCA).

Drake earned her Master of Arts degree in Adult and Higher Education with a counseling emphasis from Morehead State and currently is working on her doctorate at the University of Kentucky. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree in English/technical writing from Southern Connecticut State University.

"I had one reason to seek the office of SAEOPP secretary and it is to leave this world a little better off than what it was when I came into it," said Drake. "The passion I have for the TRIO programs and what they mean for so many individuals who would not have educational opportunities without these programs, guided me to seek the office.

"I feel it is my duty and responsibility to speak up for the educationally unrepresented to ensure that the TRIO Programs continue to have a strong voice and presence at the state, regional and national levels, that the TRIO Programs continue to expand and provide their valuable services, and that we continue to grow our TRIO professionals, enabling them to empower individuals via education."

Additional information is available by calling Drake at (606) 783-2063.

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SGA presents April awards

Morehead State University's Student Government Association recently presented its awards for the month of April to Trevor Fannin, Louisa graduate student; Patrick Scott, Cincinnati senior; and Dr. Martha "Mattie" Decker, assistant professor of education.

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

Fannin was named "Student of the Month." He graduated with a Bachelors of Arts degree in theatre from MSU and is pursuing a master's degree in communications. He has been active in the theatre program, performing in six main stage productions and receiving recognition and awards as both an actor and a director. A member of Theta Alpha Phi national theatre honor fraternity, Fannin has been named to the Dean's List numerous times. He has been heavily involved at campus religious organizations including the Methodist Student Center, Baptist Collegiate Ministries and the Newman Center.

Scott received the "Senior of the Month" award. A communications major, he has been an active member of the MSU community during the last four years. Scott has served on the Residence Hall Council where he has garnered many regional, state, and national honors and advocated for the residential needs of students at Morehead State and beyond. He has served as the RHA national communications coordinator and, this past year, was recognized as the Kentucky Association of Housing Officers Student of the Year. Scott worked with NewsCenter where he was program director and technical director, served as the president of the MSU chapter of the National Broadcasting Society, and is a member of the Student Media Board Committee. He helped developed and launch the student online radio station "The Bird."

Dr. Decker 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.

"She is a diligent instructor, but works hard to make sure that she is available outside of the classroom to assist students and listen to their concerns. Dr. Decker is a frequent volunteer at the Adult Learning Center where she also encourages her students to volunteer and sharpen their own educational skills," he said.

Gay added, "Dr. Decker is a friendly and approachable faculty member and is not afraid to advocate for the concerns of her students. She embodies what it means to be an excellent educator and more specifically the SGA faculty/staff member of the month."

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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A Day in the Country will be June 2

A Day in the Country folk art show and sale will be held at the Morehead Conference Center on First Street in Morehead from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 2.

For many years, A Day in the Country had been held on the property of folk artist Minnie Adkins in Isonville. In 2003, the Kentucky Folk Art Center took over operation of the event at Ms. Adkins' request.

A Day in the Country 2007 will bring more than 60 self-taught artists together to display and offer their work for sale. Artists from across Kentucky will be in attendance, as well as artists from several surrounding states. Among the participating artists are Tim Lewis and Adkins of Isonville; Ronald and Calvin Cooper of Flemingsburg; Lavon Williams of Lexington; William Miller of Louisville; Shane Campbell and Jo Neace Krause of Tennessee; and Cher Shaffer and Eric Pace of North Carolina.

Visitors to the show can expect to find a variety of works including wood carvings, stone carvings and paintings.

"A Day in the Country continues to draw new artists from other states," said KFAC curator Adrian Swain. "We're committed to making the show as diverse and exciting as possible. While artists from East Kentucky are the backbone of the event, it's interesting to include the work of those from other regions and cultural backgrounds. It makes for a dynamic mix of talent and personalities."

The 2006 show drew more than 1,200 visitors to Morehead. "We're very excited about this year's event," said KFAC director Matt Collinworth. "A Day in the Country drew visitors from 23 states last year. The event is gaining in prominence nationally, and we truly believe that this is the best event of its kind anywhere in the region."

An auction of works donated by participating artists will be held to raise funds for KFAC to offset costs associated with the event. Jim Gary Phillips, a self-taught painter and auctioneer from Edmonton, will conduct the auction.

An exhibition, titled "Who Am I? Self Portraits by Self-taught Artists," opens at KFAC, 5 - 7 p.m. on Friday, June 1, before A Day in the Country. This exhibit includes works by 47 folk artists.

These events are being held in conjunction with the Bluegrass n' More: A Celebration of American Music festival and the Appalachian Arts and Crafts Fair.

Additional information is available by calling KFAC at (606) 783-2204 or on the Web at www.kyfolkart.org. The Kentucky Folk Art Center is a cultural, educational and economic development service of Morehead State University. The center is open Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sundays, 1-5 p.m.

Sundown at Moonlight Concert Series returns

A family-friendly event will return to downtown Morehead starting on Friday, June 1, as Morehead State Public Radio (MSPR), the Kentucky Center for Traditional Music, Kentucky Folk Art Center and Morehead Tomorrow presents the "Sundown at Moonlight Concert Series."

Morehead Conference Center, Morehead Tourism Commission and the city of Morehead also support the third-year series.

Music lovers are invited to bring lawn chairs and a picnic supper to enjoy the live music on five separate occasions. The free concert will be held at the Moonlight Stage, located next to the Moonlight School on First Street. In case of rain, the event will move to the Morehead Conference Center.

This year's event will kick off with folk-rock and blues performer Pieta Brown.

Brown's own blend of folk, rock, country and blues has garnered numerous comparisons to musical forebearers like Rickie Lee Jones, Bobbie Gentry and Bob Dylan. Lyrically and musically poetic, Brown's deceptive simplicity and seductive purity combine to create songs that meet somewhere between the Carter Family and Tom Waits.

The daughter of two preacher's kids, Brown spent her childhood in Iowa and Alabama. Her 2005 debut album, *In The Cool*, was universally acclaimed. It was named one of the year's top 10 by newspapers across the country and was chosen as one of the best CDs of 2005 by Amazon.com.

Brown has recently started collaborations with independent band Calexico and is also currently working on her next album, due in 2007.

Other scheduled entertainers will be: Clay McClinton, blues, rock, Americana, (July 6); Mother Jane, acoustic, folk (Aug. 3); and Royal Pine, folk, acoustic (Sept. 7).

All shows will run from 7 - 9 p.m. Parking and concessions will be available.

Additional information is available by calling MSPR at (606) 783-2001, Morehead Tomorrow at (606) 780-7441, KCTM at (606) 783-9001 or KFAC at (606) 783-2204.

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'Core Four Workshop' to be held

A special workshop at Morehead State University will teach participants ways to strengthen and tone their mid-section.

"The Core Four Workshop," offered at the Wellness Center, will concentrate on four specific exercises, all designed to help tone the abdominal muscles. The class will be offered on Monday, June 18, at 7 a.m. and on Wednesday, June 20, at noon.

The instructor for the workshop will be Jennifer Eddlemon, exercise science intern. It will be taught in the center's aerobics room.

There is no charge to take the class, but it is open to Wellness Center members only. Membership enrollment is available by stopping by the center's office and completing necessary paperwork and/or fees, if applicable.

The Wellness Center hours are 6-9 a.m.; 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.; and 4-7 p.m. Also, Saturday mornings from 9 a.m. - noon and on Sunday from 4-7 p.m.

For June 2-30, the schedule will change on Tuesdays and Thursdays (closed between 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.) and on Fridays (closed 4-7 p.m.).

Additional information is available by calling Melinda L. Melendez, assistant director of the center, at (606) 783-5161.

Students initiated into Phi Eta Sigma

The 360th chapter of Phi Eta Sigma, a national honor society for freshmen, recently was installed at Morehead State University.

Dr. John Sagabiel, national secretary/treasurer of the organization, spoke to the group about the history of the society. He also presented the charter and inducted the officers into Phi Eta Sigma; in a brief ceremony, the officers then inducted the charter members.

Future initiation ceremonies will be held in the fall, with letters of invitation going in the summer to eligible students (full-time undergraduate students with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher in their first year).

Dr. Philip Krummrich, chair of MSU's Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy, serves as chapter adviser.

Rebecca Green of **Pee Wee Valley** is president. Also assuming leadership roles were: Gregory Howard of **Van Lear**, vice-president; Amy Cummings of **Brookville, Ohio**, secretary; and Elliott DeAtley of **Flemingsburg**, treasurer.

Members of Phi Eta Sigma are:

Vanessa Adams of **Brodhead**; Summer Blevins of **Sitka**; Susan Brown of **Ft. Thomas**; Jessica Burchett of **Ashland**; Amberlee Byrd of **Morehead**; Emma Donselman of **Cincinnati**; April Fannin of **Grayson**; Gregory Justin Fickey of **Belfry**; Courtney Forbis of **Horse Cave**; Nathan Gregory of **Newport**; Brad Henry of **Morehead**; Jacob Hensley of **Verona**; Hayley Marie Hoyng of **Morehead**; Casey Hufford of **Wilmington, Ohio**; Natalie Hurd of **Flemingsburg**; Sable Janney of **Germantown, Ohio**; Anna Ellen Louise Johnson of **Booneville**;

Kendra McQuerry of **Paint Lick**; Rachel Messer of **Dry Ridge**; Kelly Murphy of **Nicholasville**; Ciara Noel of **Butler**; Brandon Powell of **Ashland**; Meghann Randolph of **Liberty**; Heather Robinson of **Ashland**; Kiersten Sandfoss of **Alexandria**; Ruthmarie Sarros of **Edgewood**; Savannah Slone of **Pikeville**; Stephen Slone of **Mallie**; Jessica Tackett of **Morehead**; Courtney Ward of **Mt. Sterling**; and Brittany Wells of **Frenchburg**.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Krummrich at (606) 783-2726.

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Students honored at EDEE Picture Book Awards Ceremony

Education students at Morehead State University were recently recognized by the Camden-Carroll Library for their writing and illustrations of children's picture books.

In the first ever EDEE Picture Book Awards Ceremony, held May 7 at the library's Learning Resource Center, students from two EDEE 327 (Literature and Materials for Young Readers) classes were presented with Best Picture Book award certificates for their work. The students then read their book aloud to those attending the ceremony.

Kari Quinn, **Phoenix** senior, won for her "Pigs Can Fly!" composition. She was a student of Krista Barton, instructor of education.

Melissa Barnett, **Flemingsburg** junior, was presented with the award for "You Are My Sunshine." She was enrolled in a section of EDEE 327 taught by Dr. Mattie Decker, assistant professor of education.

A third student, Allieshae Prater, **Grayson** junior, received an honorable mention for "May I Try Your Nose?" She also was one of Barton's students.

The award-winning book titles will be added to the library's permanent collection.

The program is a joint project between the library and the College of Education's Department of Curriculum and Instruction.

Additional information is available by calling Jennifer Little, librarian III and head of access services at Camden-Carroll, at (606) 783-5352.

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CPE action will affect incoming freshman

The Council on Postsecondary Education approved a regulation revision yesterday that raises the minimum requirements on the ACT college-entrance exam for students to be guaranteed admission to credit-bearing courses at Morehead State University and other Kentucky institutions.

Effective in fall 2009, incoming freshmen at MSU will need a score of 19 in math and 21 in reading on the exam to be placed into a credit-bearing course. The current math and reading score is 18.

"This is another important step toward upgrading the standards of education in Kentucky," said Tom Layzell, president of the CPE.

The increase in minimum scores is one of several recommendations that grew out of the Council's Development Education Task Force's Report, "Securing Kentucky's Future: A Plan for Improving College Readiness and Success."

Council officials project that the increase in scores may affect between 4,000-5,000 students. While more students will require developmental education or supplemental instruction at least initially, students who receive the help will have a much better chance of actually leaving with a degree. The Council's previous reports show that students who fall below the state readiness standards are twice as likely not make it to their second year.

Under the change, institutions will continue to administer a subject placement test to all underprepared students as well as to increase the range of developmental support services available during their first term. Institutions will be required to continue developmental programs until students have demonstrated competence in the subject area and are placed in college-level coursework immediately following completion of their developmental courses.

Additional information about admissions requirements at MSU is available by calling the Office of Enrollment Services at 783-2000, or (800) 585-6781.

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'Mapping Your Life Through TEXTiles' offered June 18-29

A two-week workshop at Morehead State University will give area educators an opportunity to explore life themes through texts and textiles.

"Mapping Your Life Through TEXTiles" will be offered from June 18-29, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. weekdays in room 216 of MSU's Claypool Young Art Building. The workshop provides an opportunity for teachers to develop themselves as writers and artists and to experience techniques that can be used in their classrooms.

The class is open to any currently employed Kentucky teacher, and will be taught by textile/assemblage artist Jennifer Reis, gallery director with MSU's Department of Art, and Liz Mandrell of the Morehead Writing Project.

Participants will draw on their individual, family and cultural histories to create narrative artwork mapping their lives through the media of writing and hand-worked embellished textile assemblage. Through the creation of the work, techniques such as hand sewing, quilting, and appliqué will be learned along with embroidery and embellishment skills, including incorporating participants' individual objects such as buttons, costume jewelry and photos. Painting, drawing and writing on fabric, as well as creating unique embellishments out of shrink polymer, will be covered.

Teachers need not be expert at writing or sewing to attend. All techniques will be taught and all materials will be provided. The workshop costs \$50 and participants should bring a brown bag lunch daily. Professional development credit is available.

Registration materials are available online at www.moreheadstate.edu/mwp . The deadline to register is June 1. Enrollment is limited to 20 teachers, and participants will be selected on a first-come, first-served basis.

Additional information is available by calling the Morehead Writing Project office at (606) 783-2426, or by sending an electronic message to Dr. Nancy Peterson, associate professor of English and Morehead Writing Project director, at n.peterson@moreheadstate.edu .

Fiber and Textile Artists Exhibition now open

The Louisville Area Fiber and Textile Artists Exhibition: A Juried Selection will open with a reception on Saturday, June 2, from 3 - 5 p.m. in the Claypool-Young Art Building on the Morehead State University campus.

Juried by University of Kentucky professor and internationally renowned textile artist Arturo Sandoval, the exhibition features contemporary textile artworks ranging from art quilts to embroidered works to found object sculptures created by artists living and working in the greater Louisville area.

Participating artists in the exhibition include Mary Jane Allen, Lisa Austin, Brad Cape, Mary Craik, Vicki Danser, Susie DeZarn, Tiffany Embry, Judy Goodwin, Louise Halsey, Gloria Kemper-O'Neil, Kathleen Loomis, Sallie Manassah, Pamela Mattei, Alyce McDonald, Martha Plager, Kathleen Reno, Felice Sachs, Marilyn Sommer, and Joanne McCarten Weis.

The exhibition, which runs until Friday, July 27, is free and open to the public.

In conjunction with the exhibition, Lorese Harper, textile artist and owner of Photographic Memory of Louisville, will teach a "Put Fun Back in the Mailbox" Fiber Art Postcard workshop on Saturday, June 2. The workshop will run from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., in Room 216 of Claypool-Young.

Participants will create an 8 x 5" one-of-a-kind fabric and mixed media art postcard. Registrations, accompanied by the \$25 workshop and materials fee, must be received by Jennifer Reis, gallery director, by Friday, June 1. Space is limited to 10 participants.

Students will be required to bring their own sewing machines with related accessories (a full list of supplies will be provided upon registration), and are encouraged to bring a small photograph (4 x 4" or smaller) and small mementos like buttons, beads and old jewelry to personalize their work.

Additional information about Harper is available at www.photographicmemoryart.com.

To register or receive more information, contact Reis at (606)783-5446, sending a message to j.reis@moreheadstate.edu, or 108 Claypool-Young Art Building, Morehead State University, Morehead, KY 40351-1689.

The main gallery in the Claypool-Young Art Building features contemporary art for the Morehead State University community as well as the University's service region of East Kentucky. The gallery is open weekdays, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. or by appointment. There is no charge for viewing. Parking is available on Main Street and Elizabeth Avenue, behind Claypool-Young.

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Musical genres will be offered during weekend

Bluegrass 'n More: A Celebration of American Music will be held on First Street in Morehead on Saturday and Sunday, June 2 and 3.

Bluegrass 'n More features live acoustic music by some of America's finest artists in folk, traditional, and Bluegrass music including Dave Carroll and New River Line, Pete and Joan Wernick, Clack Mountain String Band, Grass Towne, Kenny and Amanda Smith, Don Rigsby and Midnight Call, Bobby Osborne and Rocky Top Express.

The FolkFest stage on Saturday will offer Mark Eubank, Carla Gover, Rob McNurlin and Daniel and Amy Carwile. The festival includes Bluegrass gospel on Sunday with Salvation Rain and the Easter Brothers. Instrument workshops, including Pete Wernick's Jam Camp, also are part of Bluegrass 'n More. A complete schedule can be found on the Web at www.bluegrassnmore.org.

This year's festival includes three art exhibits: "ConTextual: A Juried Exhibition of Contemporary Textiles," main gallery of the Claypool-Young Art Building on the MSU campus; Exhibit: "Quilts-Hand Needled," quilters in Rowan, Bath, Fleming, Carter, Elliott, Morgan, Menifee and Lewis counties; Rowan County Arts Center on Main Street; and "Who Am I?: Self-portraits by self-taught artists," Kentucky Folk Art Center, First Street.

On Saturday, the Kentucky Folk Art Center will sponsor A Day in the Country Folk Art Show and Sale at the Morehead Conference Center from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

This year's festival also will include a living history demonstration by the 5th Kentucky Infantry Company E, a Civil War re-enactment group. They will exhibit artifacts and period weapons, as well as

demonstrations on camping and cooking. The group will camp on the lawn of the Rowan County Arts Center.

"We're very excited about this year's festival," said Terri Cline, Morehead Tomorrow director. "Bluegrass 'n More is simply one of the best free music festivals in the nation. Plus, there are many other activities in addition to the music, like art exhibitions, folk art and crafts. This year we're excited to add the Appalachian Arts and Crafts Fair to our festival. Arts and crafts vendors will be set up along First Street on Saturday with a variety of art, jewelry, woodwork, and other crafts. If you want to have a wonderful time, come to Morehead on the first weekend in June."

The Sundown at Moonlight concert series is making a return Friday, June 1, with Pieta Brown, singer-songwriter, daughter of songwriter Greg Brown. The musical event, which begins at 7 p.m., is sponsored by Morehead State Public Radio, Kentucky Folk Art Center, Kentucky Center for Traditional Music, City of Morehead and Morehead Tomorrow.

Bluegrass 'n More is sponsored by Morehead Tomorrow, the Kentucky Center for Traditional Music, Morehead State Public Radio and the Kentucky Folk Art Center.

Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-9001 or on the Web at www.bluegrassnmore.org .
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Quilts of Hope donations due today

Members of the Morehead State University community are encouraged to help raise awareness about violence towards women, and to create homespun works of art at the same time.

Quilts of Hope is an early project of the Until the Violence Stops (UTVS) Festival, slated for fall 2007. The Quilts of Hope project will illustrate the ways quilts can be employed to educate the public and to provide emotional support to victims of violence by breaking the silence. The mission of the festival is to end violence against women and girls

"This project also provides quilters an opportunity to celebrate the transformation from victim to survivor in a powerful statement of solidarity," said Sherrie Bennett, MSU's GEAR-UP site coordinator and Morehead UTVS liaison. "Quilts are a good way to pour energy into something creative, beautiful, colorful and supportive of a good cause."

Quilters of all skill levels are invited to submit finished quilt blocks, either on their own or as a group effort, which will be stitched together to create finished wall hangings. The theme for the quilt blocks is "Imagine a World Without Violence."

The colors for the blocks should be purple, white, yellow, grey, blue and teal. An additional color may be added if desired, but the blocks should be dominated by the theme colors. Finished (when sewn into the main quilt) blocks should measure 12 inches, or about 12 and one-half inches when initially submitted.

Participants may include other information, such as a name, date, title of the quilt, methods used to create it, the number of participants who worked on it and the story behind the quilt.

The quilt hangings will be on display in the "Imagine a World Without Violence Art Show" to be held at the Rowan County Arts Center during the festival. After the festival is over, these wall hangings will remain in the community as a reminder to the importance of making Kentucky a safe place for women and girls.

All quilt blocks or wall hangings may be dropped off or mailed to Christy Herring, museum educator at the Kentucky Folk Art Center, 102 W. First St., Morehead, KY 40351. The deadline for submissions is **July 12** .

Additional information is available by calling Bennett at (606) 783-2249, or Jean Cline at (606) 784-4579.

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Guidelines for UB Summer Food Services

The Upward Bound at Morehead State University is participating in the federally funded Summer Food Service Program for children below the age of 19. The program operates under guidelines similar to those of public school food service programs. Participation in the program enables sponsors to provide lower program costs.

Children who are part of households that receive food stamps, or benefits under the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), or Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) are automatically eligible to receive free meals. Acceptance and participation requirements for the program and all activities are the same for all regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service.

The federal income scale is the current criteria for determining eligibility of free meal service to children at camp sites:

Total Family Size	SFSP Maximum Yearly Income Eligibility Standards
1	\$ 18,130
2	24,420
3	30,710
4	37,000
5	43,290
6	49,580
7	55,870
8	62,160
For Each Additional Family Member, Add	6,290

Any person who believes he or she has been discriminated against in any USDA related activity should write immediately to USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Room 326-W, Whitten Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call (202) 720-5964 (voice and TDD). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer. Pursuant to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 USC 2000d and 7 CFR part 15.

Additional information is available by calling Jennifer Cady, program director, at (606) 783-2611.

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'A Prairie Home Companion' returns to MSPR

Garrison Keillor and "A Prairie Home Companion" will return to Morehead State Public Radio on Saturday, June 9, just one of the programming changes for MSPR in June.

"Blending comedy, music and storytelling, A Prairie Home Companion is tailor-made for public radio. We're very pleased to offer this fine program to our family of listeners," said Paul Hitchcock, MSPR general manager.

The nationally acclaimed show will air on MSPR Saturdays from 6-8 p.m.

For more than 30 years, A Prairie Home Companion has won the hearts of the public radio audience. At the center of the show is host Keillor's humor-writing talent and unrivaled ear for great radio. He is the creator of hilarious skits like the weekly adventures of "Guy Noir, Radio Private Eye" and "The Catchup Advisory Board," as well as the stories from "the town that time forgot and the decades cannot improve" in Keillor's signature monologue, "The News from Lake Wobegon." The show offers a blend of comedy sketches, topical subjects and music. Musical guests range from legends like Emmylou Harris and Taj Mahal to church choirs, rockabilly bands, and accordionists.

On Sunday nights from 6-8 p.m. beginning June 10 will be "American Routes." Host Nick Spitzer guides listeners through a two-hour weekly excursion into American music, spanning eras and genres, roots, rock and soul, blues and country, jazz and gospel. "Sunday Night Jazz" will air at 8 p.m. following "American Routes."

"Marketplace Morning Report" will start on Monday, June 11, at 8:50 a.m. This is a nine-minute business news service that will air weekday mornings. Presented during Morning Edition, this timely report delivers a global business newscast and a special feature report.

"More individuals today are controlling their personal finances and 'Marketplace Morning Report' is a great tool, offering business and economic news in a fresh and lively manner. We're excited to offer this on MSPR," said Hitchcock.

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

Additional information is available by calling MSPR at (800) 286-9659 or (606) 783-2001; or log on to MSPR's Web site at www.msuradio.com.

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Dance instructor to perform in Cincinnati

Morehead State University's dance instructor will perform in a contemporary dance event Friday and Saturday, June 8-9, in Cincinnati.

Ashley Suttlar, assistant professor of dance, was among seven regional choreographers who were selected to participate in the Contemporary Dance Theater's Choreographers Without Companies, to be presented in the Jarson-Kaplan Theater.

Now in its 13th year, the program showcases the best new work by the tri-state's leading independent choreographers. The annual concert is one of the highlights of the dance season, giving local artists a chance to create new work.

Suttlar will perform a solo work, "Soulsurfacing."

She holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in dance performance and choreography from Virginia Commonwealth University, and a Master of Fine Arts degree in dance from Temple University.

From 2001-05, she worked as a performance artist in Philadelphia and is a former member of both Paule Turner's Court and Charles O. Anderson's Dance Theatre X. She also has performed with Tania Isaac Dance Projects, Darla Stanley, Melanie Stewart Dance Theater and Kariamua Welsh.

Suttlar's work has been presented at Philadelphia and Cincinnati Fringe Festivals, Dance House, Moving Collective Concert Series, Painted Bride's Divine Women, Divine Work Series, American College Dance Festivals, Black College Dance Exchange, International Association of Blacks in Dance Conference and at other venues.

The Contemporary Dance Theater has received national and regional recognition for its innovative work, and is an original partner member of the National Performance Network. "Choreographers Without Companies" will be performed at 8:30 p.m. both nights. Ticket information is available by calling (513) 621-2787, or by accessing www.cincinnatiarts.org.

Additional information about MSU's dance program is available by calling the Department of Communication and Theatre at (606) 783-2134.

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JSF to receive Appalachian Treasure Award

For the first time in its 20-year history, Morehead State University's Appalachian Treasure Award is being presented to an organization - The Jesse Stuart Foundation Inc.

The presentation will be Saturday, June 2, at 4:30 p.m. during the Bluegrass 'n More festival at the Moonlight Stage in downtown Morehead. Accepting for the JSF will be Dr. James M. Gifford, chief executive officer and senior editor of the Ashland-based publishing house.

The Appalachian Treasure Award was initiated in 1988 to honor contributions to the arts and culture of Appalachian Kentucky, including the fields of art, craft, dance, literature, and music. It is sponsored by MSU's Kentucky Folk Art Center and Kentucky Center for Traditional Music.

"We are pleased and proud to honor the Jesse Stuart Foundation this year because of the great work it does and because the University has been so involved in the organization's preservation and revitalization," said Matt Collinsworth, director of KFAC and chair of the award selection committee. "Few are aware that the foundation was in danger of collapse in 1985 when MSU and Ashland Inc., stepped up to provide financial assistance and new staff leadership."

Founded in 1979 and relocated six years later to Ashland, the Jesse Stuart Foundation has flourished as a non-profit publishing house dedicated to preserving and promoting the writings of its namesake and other Appalachian authors. The Foundation has published more than 50 regional classics by some of Appalachia's finest writers, including Jesse Stuart, Billy C. Clark, Harry Caudill, and Loyal Jones, and more than 20 books by new regional authors.

The Jesse Stuart Foundation also has donated more than \$500,000 in books to colleges, public schools, libraries, and children throughout the region. The foundation sponsors several special events annually, including the Jesse Stuart Weekend at Greenbo Lake State Resort Park in Greenup County.

Housed in the historic former U.S. post office in downtown Ashland, the JSF has become an international marketer of books through the Internet (www.jsfbooks.com) and its association with amazon.com and other major booksellers. The Foundation owns the publishing rights to virtually all of Jesse Stuart's literary estate.

As the 2007 Appalachian Treasure Award recipient, the Jesse Stuart Foundation joins some of the great figures in the cultural history of East Kentucky, including Tom T. Hall, Ronald and Jessie Cooper, Loyal Jones, James Still, Gurney Norman, Minnie Adkins and Jean Ritchie.

Other events taking place that day as part of the Bluegrass 'n More festival include A Day in the Country folk art show, the Appalachian Arts and Crafts Fair, and performances by some of the top Bluegrass and traditional musicians in America.

Additional information is available from the event Web site at www.bluegrassnmore.org or by calling (606) 783-2204. KFAC, located at 102 West First Street in Morehead, is open Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sundays, 1-5 p.m.

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Free workshops will highlight map changes and GIS

Two geography professors in Morehead State University's Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy (IRAPP) will present three free workshops describing a rapid, inexpensive means of using computer processed aerial photographs to map urban tree cover and impervious surfaces. These variables are important for city and county planners and others concerned with city/county development and the environment.

"As the 21st century moves forward, there is an ever-increasing amount of information available to help communities, businesses and individuals manage day-to-day operations and plan for future growth," said Dr. Christi McMichael, assistant professor of geography.

"Modern and historical aerial photographs are a widely available, inexpensive (often free) data source for mapping cities and counties, and seeing how land cover has changed over time," added Dr. Zach Bortolot, assistant professor of geography.

Workshop participants will receive free GIS data layers from the region, including recent color aerial photographs, land cover, streams, roads, elevation and soils, as well as a copy of a free GIS software package that allows users to display this data. Instructions for obtaining additional (mostly free) GIS datasets throughout Kentucky also will be provided.

"This workshop will assume no knowledge of aerial photography or geographic information systems (GIS)," Dr. Bortolot continued. "While everyone is welcome to attend, the workshop should be of particular interest to city and county government officials, and state and federal government employees whose jobs focus on the environment or land use planning."

The workshops will be presented on consecutive Wednesdays: June 6 in the Lloyd Cassity Building on the MSU campus, June 13 at the Technology Center at West Liberty, and June 20 at MSU at Mt. Sterling. All workshops begin at 10 a.m. and will run approximately 90 minutes.

Additional information on the workshops is available from Dr. Bortolot at (606) 783-9436 or Dr. McMichael at (606) 783-5442. Preregistration is necessary as space is limited.

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Singers will provide entertainment for Folkfest

Singers Mark Eubank, Carla Gover and Rob McNurlin, along with Daniel and Amy Carwile, will provide the entertainment for Folkfest, which will be held on Saturday, June 2, in conjunction with Bluegrass 'n More.

Folkfest will be staged adjacent to the Kentucky Folk Art Center, located on First Street. The music may be heard from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and each performer will present one 45-minute set.

Eubank will take the stage at 11 a.m., Gover will follow at noon, McNurlin will begin at 1 p.m., while the Carwiles will wrap things up at 2 p.m.

During Folkfest, the musicians will discuss their craft, instruments and history of the music while performing traditional and original music.

Admission to Folkfest and Bluegrass 'n More is free.

Kentucky Folk Art Center, Kentucky Center for Traditional Music, Morehead State Public Radio along with MSU's Caudill College of Humanities, Arts and Humanities Council and the Buckner and Sally S. Hinkle Endowment for Humanities are sponsors of Folkfest. Additional information on Folkfest is available by calling KCTM at (606) 783-9001; MSPR at (800) 286-9659 or (606) 783-2001; or log on to MSPR's Web site at www.msuradio.com. Information on Bluegrass 'n More is available on the Web at www.bluegrassnmore.org.

'Who Am I' exhibit open at KFAC

The Kentucky Folk Art Center announces the opening of "Who Am I? Self-portraits by Self-taught Artists ." "Who Am I?" will remain on display through Aug. 12. The exhibition will present 48 works by self-taught artists from Kentucky and across the nation.

The artists invited to participate in the exhibition created self-portraits in a variety of forms and materials. Included in the show are representational and abstract paintings, stone and wood carvings, and multi-media assemblages. The works represent a remarkable range of emotional responses to the theme of self-portraiture, ranging from the comical to the tragic.

Some of the artists participating in the exhibition include Minnie Adkins and Tim Lewis of Isonville, Ronald and Calvin Cooper of Fleming County, William Miller, Joel Pinkerton, and Tad Desantos of Louisville, Lavon Williams of Lexington, Jo Neace Krause and Shane Campbell of Tennessee, Eric Pace and Cher Shaffer of North Carolina, and T. Marie Nolan of Missouri.

"Art can, unconsciously or inadvertently, reveal aspects of the artist's inner world," said KFAC curator Adrian Swain. "But self-portraits are, of course, conscious attempts to portray oneself. They can work

like smokescreens, concealing identity like carnival masks, or they can be calculated and self-promoting. Albeit unintentionally, self portraits sometimes expose some of the illusions we hold about ourselves. They can also yield real insights, the bitter-sweet, honest, gritty fruits of self-examination."

Kentucky Folk Art Center is a cultural, educational and economic development service of Morehead State University. The center is open Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, 1 -5p.m.

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Greenup student receives TRIO scholarship

Derek Holston, a recent graduate of Greenup County High School, has received one of the four scholarships awarded through the TRIO Programs which will be used for the 2007-08 academic year at Morehead State University.

Holston, the son of Bill and Christy Holston of Greenup, plans to study photography at MSU.

While in high school, Holston was active in various organizations including Upward Bound, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Student Government, FBLA, and the Diversity Club. Additionally, he received a distinguished rating on CATS testing in Arts and Humanities.

He is active in Lloyd Baptist Church, where he has received several awards for being a Royal Ambassador Leader. He has organized a clothes drive which continues to serve more every year. He has helped feed the elderly and has played Santa Claus for a local community service program.

Amanda Lewis, associate director of Upward Bound East, nominated Holston for the scholarship.

The TRIO Programs at MSU include Upward Bound Central and East, Student Support Services, Talent Search I and II, Educational Opportunity Center (EOC), and Upward Bound Math and Science Center.

Additional information on the University's TRIO programs is available by calling Jennifer Cady, director, at (606) 783-5197.

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Teacher of Tomorrow scholarship recipients announced

Morehead State University's College of Education has announced that five high school seniors are among those students receiving a Teacher of Tomorrow Scholarship for the 2007-08 academic year.

To be eligible for the scholarship, the candidate must live within the MSU service region, be admitted as an entering freshman, have a minimum ACT composite of 24, a 3.0 or above grade point average and plan to major in education.

The award winners are:

- Lindsay Jay Ellis of Morehead. A Rowan County Senior High School graduate, she is the daughter of John and Debbie Ellis.

- Rebecca Nicole Jefferson of Germantown. A Mason County High School graduate, she is the daughter of the Rev. John W. and Laura M. Jefferson.
- Emily Liles of Portsmouth. A Greenup County graduate, she is the daughter of Roch and Marlene Liles.
- Brittany Muncy of Louisa. A Lawrence County High School graduate, she is the daughter of David and Kimberly Muncy.
- Jessica Lynn Smith of Rush. Smith, whose guardian is Nickie Smith, is a Boyd County High School graduate.

The award, coordinated by teacher recruitment and financial aid offices, is renewable for up to four years of undergraduate study at \$1,000 per year. Students must have a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 each semester and complete the coursework necessary for admission to the Teacher Education Program.

Additional information about the Teacher Recruitment Program is available by calling Joan Callaham, coordinator, at (606) 783-9446.

Applications and information on scholarship programs at MSU are available on the Web at www.moreheadstate.edu/scholarships or by calling toll-free at 1-800-585-6781.

SBDC to host free marketing workshop

A free workshop for prospective and current small business owners, " Business Marketing 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, director of the Paintsville SBDC, on Tuesday, June 26. The two-hour session will begin at 6 p.m. at the Kentucky Highlands Entrepreneur Center, located at 120 Scott Perry Drive, off Teays Branch Road in Paintsville.

Topics to be covered at this workshop include: Marketing defined, the Marketing Concept, and how to use the Marketing Concept.

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

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 Sabrina Jude at (606) 788-6022 or Greene at (606) 788-6008 at the Paintsville Small Business Development Center.

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INSIGHT arrives on campus

Morehead State University is hosting INSIGHT, a postsecondary preparation program designed to provide blind or visually impaired students with an opportunity to experience some of the challenges encountered when entering a university or community college. The program will run through June 9.

The first INSIGHT Postsecondary Preparation Program in Kentucky was held last year at MSU. To be eligible, students must have completed their sophomores or junior years in high school.

On Wednesday, May 30, participants took part in a Vendor's Fair, which showcased some of the newest technology used by those who are blind or visually impaired and received an orientation to the campus environment which will assist them in becoming acclimated with the entire campus before classes begin on Monday, June 4.

Orientation and mobility instruction continues as needed throughout the entire experience on campus. O and M instructors and interns, along with other staff are readily available to meet individual student needs at all times.

MSU President Wayne D. Andrews along with Dr. Dan Connell, associate provost for academic outreach and support, were among the speakers to welcome the group to the University. MSU issued the students an IBM laptop for use during their stay. They brought their own assistive technology devices which were loaded onto the MSU laptops.

INSIGHT provides students with an increased awareness of the educational, recreational, and social challenges of the postsecondary environment. The components of the program planned include budgeting, time management, study skills, advocacy skills, orientation and mobility, and exploration of various assistive technologies.

Participants also will learn how to manage other areas of independent living skills such as nutrition, hygiene, clothing care, and recreational/leisure activities.

The partners in the venture are the Big East Educational Cooperative, Kentucky School for the Blind, Kentucky Office for the Blind, University of Louisville and MSU.

Adult staff personnel from partnering agencies, along with university resident assistants and student teachers will provide instruction and supervision throughout the 11-day program.

Instructing the classes will be several from Morehead State: Dr. Gina Blunt, assistant professor of HPES; Greg Carlisle, instructor of communications; George Eklund, associate professor of English; Dr. John Ernst, professor of history; Dixon Ferrell, associate professor of art; Dr. Hillary Iwu, associate professor of business education; Charlie Mason, associate professor of geoscience; Dr. David Peyton, assistant professor of biology; Tim Reding, instructor of English; Dr. Sean Reilley, assistant professor of psychology; and Kristina Wilson, assistant professor of history.

Additional information may be obtained by calling MSU's Office of Continuing Education at (606) 783-2875.

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