

# News Items for 2012 - November

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## MSU closed Tuesday, Nov. 6

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Morehead State University will be closed on Tuesday, Nov. 6, for the Presidential election.

Offices will reopen and classes resume on Wednesday, Nov. 7, at 8 a.m.

Any questions or concerns should be directed to the MSU Police Department at 606-783-2035.

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## Registration for the spring semester is Nov. 7-20

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With the fall semester winding down, it's time to prepare for registration for the Spring 2013 term at Morehead State University.

Spring semester classes begin Jan. 14 at Morehead State and registration will be available online Nov. 7-20.

Registration can be made easier by planning ahead. Students are encouraged to meet with their academic adviser prior to registering, and then register early when the best selection of classes is available.

Not yet enrolled at MSU? There is still time to submit an application for the spring term. Prospective students may call the Office of Enrollment Services at 606-783-2000 or 800-585-6781, option #1, for admissions assistance.

Students will register according to the established schedule (the number of hours earned does not include current semester credit hours) or during the after hour registration block:

### **Wednesday, Nov. 7:**

- Graduate students, with at least 21 credit hours earned, begin at 6 a.m. and end at 10 a.m.
- Graduate students, with less than 20 credit hours earned, as well as post baccalaureate students, begin at 10 a.m. and end at 2 p.m.

\*Nov. 7, 2 p.m. through Nov. 8, 6 a.m. – for any student who missed their designated time earlier in the day.

### **Thursday, Nov. 8:**

- Seniors with at least 110 credit hours earned begin at 6 a.m. and end at 10 a.m.
- Seniors with 90-109 credit hours earned begin at 10 a.m. and end at 2 p.m.

\*Nov. 8, 2 p.m. through Nov. 9, 6 a.m. – for any student who missed their designated time earlier in the day or on previous days.

### **Friday, Nov. 9:**

- Juniors with 75-89 credit hours earned begin at 6 a.m. and end at 2 p.m.

\*Nov. 12, 2 p.m. through Nov. 13, 6 a.m. – for any student who missed their designated time earlier in the day or on previous days.

**Monday, Nov. 12:**

- Juniors with 60-74 credit hours earned begin at 6 a.m. and end at 2 p.m.

\*Nov. 12, 2 p.m. through Nov. 13, 6 a.m. – for any student who missed their designated time earlier in the day or on previous days.

**Tuesday, Nov. 13:**

- Sophomores with 45-59 credit hours earned begin at 6 a.m. and end at 2 p.m.

\*Nov. 13, 2 p.m. through Nov. 14, 6 a.m. – for any student who missed their designated time earlier in the day or on previous days.

**Wednesday, Nov. 14:**

- Sophomores with 30-44 credit hours earned begin at 6 a.m. and end at 2 p.m.

\*Nov. 14, 2 p.m. through Nov. 15, 6 a.m. – for any student who missed their designated time earlier in the day or on previous days.

**Thursday, Nov. 15:**

- Freshmen with 1-29 credit hours earned begin at 6 a.m. and ends at 2 p.m.

\*Nov. 15, 2 p.m. through Nov. 16, 6 a.m. – for any student who missed their designated time earlier in the day or on previous days.

**Friday, Nov. 16:**

- Freshmen with no credit hours with the last name starting with P, J, W, L, O, R, F, and Z begins at 6 a.m. and ends at 2 p.m.

\*Nov. 19, 2 p.m. through Nov. 20, 6 a.m. – for any student who missed their designated time earlier in the day or on previous days.

**Monday, Nov. 19:**

- Freshmen with no credit hours with the last name starting with B, Y, U, C, V, E, H, A and Q begins at 6 a.m. and ends at 2 p.m.

\*Nov. 19, 2 p.m. through Nov. 20, 6 a.m. – for any student who missed their designated time earlier in the day or on previous days.

**Tuesday, Nov. 20:**

- Freshmen with no credit hours with the last name starting with M, N, S, I, D, G, K, T and X begins at 6 a.m. and end at 2 p.m.

\*Registration will be open after Nov. 20, 2 p.m. for any student who missed their designated time earlier in the day or on previous days.

The registration schedule also will be available on the registrar's Web site [www2.moreheadstate.edu/registrar](http://www2.moreheadstate.edu/registrar).

Students also may view and pay their bill online. Those who are registered for the spring semester will receive monthly e-billing statements via their MSU e-mail account. It is the student's responsibility to check their MSU email account on a regular basis as e-bills are the University's official means of delivering billing statements.

All students must pay their tuition and fees in full or enroll in an online Protect Class Schedule Plan before classes begin to activate meal plans and charge books. To prevent cancellation of your Spring class schedule, this must be done on or before Jan. 23. Students receiving financial aid, scholarships, or third party payments that will cover their entire balance are required to enroll in the "Financial Aid Plan," to prevent their class schedule from being cancelled. To view your bill or enroll in an online plan, log in to MyMoreheadState at [my.moreheadstate.edu](http://my.moreheadstate.edu), and choose the "finance" icon and select "My Billing Info."

Textbooks for the classes are available at the University Bookstore, located in the Adron Doran University Center on the Morehead campus. Orders may be placed by calling 888-STORE-05 or via the Internet at [www.bookstore.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.bookstore.moreheadstate.edu). Purchases will be shipped to the address specified by the student.

Meal plan selections for the spring semester are now available. To view and order a meal plan, go to either the Eagle Express Web page at [www2.moreheadstate.edu/eagleexpress/](http://www2.moreheadstate.edu/eagleexpress/) or the EagleCard Web page, [www2.moreheadstate.edu/eaglecard/](http://www2.moreheadstate.edu/eaglecard/). Additional information is available by contacting the EagleCard office at 606-783-2701. Bookstore and meal plan purchases can be added to the student's master bill.

Additional information is available by calling the Office of Enrollment Services at 606-783-2000, or the Office of the Registrar at 606-783-2008.

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# MSU to open an American Center in China

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Morehead State University's Office of International Education will open an American Center at Guangxi University (GXU), in Nanning, PRC.

Dr. James Masterson, the project director and the director of international education, secured a \$75,000 grant from the U.S. Department of State to provide programming to educate Chinese students at Guangxi University about American culture and address common myths and misperceptions that Chinese students may hold.

"The American Center will allow Morehead State to further several initiatives simultaneously. Through the grant, we will be able to continue to provide world-class education to students from disadvantaged backgrounds, only this time, in the Zhuang Minority region that is located in Guangxi Province," said Dr. Masterson.

"To do this the American Center will directly support our efforts to promote overseas teaching and scholarship experiences for our faculty. Through the Center, we will be able to expose more faculty members to the overseas experience that would otherwise not have the opportunity. Lastly, through outreach efforts by visiting faculty fellows, it will expose our university's programs more effectively in southern China to potential in-coming international students from the region."

The program started with the establishment of one center in Sichuan Province by Arizona State University in 2010. The next year, the U.S. Department of State funded 10 more centers. The Ohio State University, University of Chicago, Vanderbilt University and the University of Kentucky are four of the universities funded in 2011. This year, MSU joins six other institutions in creating a new wave of American Centers in China. MSU will have the only American Center in Guangxi Zhuang Semi-Autonomous Region.

MSU has had an on-going relationship with Guangxi University for more than a decade. More than 30 visiting scholars from GXU have come to MSU's campus and 14 undergraduate and graduate students have taken classes here in the past year.

In the summer of 2011, Drs. Masterson and John Ernst led a group of eight MSU students on a study abroad program to Guangxi University.

"We travelled with eight students to Guangxi University and enjoyed a rich, rewarding experience both academically and socially. The faculty and students of Guangxi University welcomed us with open arms," said Dr. Ernst, executive assistant to the president and professor of history.

Through the work of the American Center it will help expose more MSU students to the region as well.

“I think it will create wonderful opportunities for our students and faculty to get to know our partners at Guangxi University,” said Dr. Philip Krummrich, chair of the Department of International and Interdisciplinary Studies.

This year, MSU’s China Summer Study Abroad program will visit the Center after studying in the north at Tianjin Normal University.

The American Center will provide programs of multi-disciplinary content. Faculty from each of the four colleges will deliver programs through the use of film, music and traditional lecture. Additionally, the Center will be comprised of a reading room where Chinese students can access a collection of books in English. A computer lab where students can receive ESL instruction and access other software that provides activities on American history and culture will be located in the reading room.

Dr. Masterson submitted the grant proposal to the Department of State in August and the project was awarded funding in September and will be in operation for one year under the grant.

“We will certainly work hard to find creative and innovative ways to sustain the American Center after the grant expires. This is a long-term project that will be an integral part of the long-term planning of the Office of International Education,” said Dr. Masterson.

Additional information about MSU’s American Center at Guangxi University is available by contacting Dr. Masterson at 606-783-2658 or email [j.masterson@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:j.masterson@moreheadstate.edu).

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## 13th Annual Art Student Juried Show, Nov. 1-30

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Morehead State University's Department of Art and Design and the Montgomery County Council for the Arts will present MSU's 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Student Juried Show, Nov. 1-30.

The show will be held in the main gallery of the Gateway Regional Arts Center, located 101 East Main Street, in Mt. Sterling.

A total of \$800 in prizes will be awarded – including a “Best of Show” prize, along with first and second place awards in each of five categories which are painting, printmaking and drawing, graphic/digital arts, sculpture/ceramic/textile, and photography.

An opening reception will be held Friday, Nov. 2, from 4-7 p.m., the gallery talk will be at 5 p.m. at the Gateway Regional Center for the Arts.

The gallery hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Tuesday through Friday and 11:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Additional information is available by contacting David Bartlett, professor of art, at 606-783-2868; or Dongfeng Li, assistant professor of art, at 606-783-2764.

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## Audible alert system test Monday

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Morehead State University will conduct the monthly test of its audible alert system on Monday, Nov. 5, beginning at 12:30 p.m.

The system consists of three speakers that use an alert tone as well as voice messages to warn the campus during an emergency.

The high powered amplifiers are located on Ginger and Cartmell halls along with Jayne Stadium.

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## MSPR to host CAB meeting, Nov. 15

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The Community Advisory Board for Morehead State Public Radio will conduct its quarterly meeting on Thursday, Nov. 15, at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting will be held in the MSPR studios, located in Breckinridge Hall on the Morehead State University campus. Meetings of the board are open to the public.

WMKY (90.3 FM) serves as the flagship station for the network. MSPR serves more than 40 counties in Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia.

Additional information is available on MSPR's website at [www.msradio.com](http://www.msradio.com) or from Paul Hitchcock, MSPR's general manager, by email at [wmky@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:wmky@moreheadstate.edu) or by telephone to 606-783-2001.

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## Nominations sought for 2012-13 Distinguished Teacher Award

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Nominations are now being accepted for Morehead State University's 2012-13 Distinguished Teacher Award.

MSU's Professional Development Committee is soliciting nominations from faculty, staff, students, alumni and the general public. The award, established in 1964 by the MSU Alumni Association, is given annually to recognize an outstanding teacher in the classroom.

The primary criteria for the award are that the recipient challenge and stimulate students in their academic pursuit and qualify as a full-time faculty member of tenured or special status. Nominations should include the name, address and telephone number of the person making the nomination along with a one-page letter detailing how the nominee meets the criteria. Previous recipients of the award are not eligible.

All nominations should be submitted to Dr. Karla Hughes, provost, by 4:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 19. Her mailing address is Morehead State University, 205 Howell-McDowell Administration Building, 150 University Blvd., Morehead, KY 40351.

Additional information and a detailed list of the criteria may be obtained in 205 Howell-McDowell or by calling 606-783-2002.

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## Regional MAT sessions planned

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College graduates who are interested in a career as a teacher may want to attend one of the upcoming information sessions on the Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) program at Morehead State University.

MSU offers three MAT programs (middle school/secondary/special education) in which degree holders with no prior teaching experience may obtain a master's degree and teacher certification, while employed as a teacher.

Orientation sessions for the MAT program at MSU will be held in various locations from Nov. 9-29. At the sessions, program design, including admission and application processes for middle, secondary and special education teaching, will be discussed. Interested persons are encouraged to bring transcripts, GRE/ACT scores and any PRAXIS test results they may have.

Sessions will be held on these dates and locations:

- Friday, Nov. 9, 3 p.m., Morton Middle School in Lexington;
- Monday, Nov. 12, 3 p.m., MSU at Prestonsburg;
- Tuesday, Nov. 13, 4 p.m., MSU at West Liberty;
- Thursday, Nov. 15, 3:30 p.m., UK's James W. Stuckert Career Center, Lexington;
- Thursday, Nov. 15, 4 p.m., MSU at Mt. Sterling;
- Monday, Nov. 19, 4 p.m., Main campus (601 Ginger Hall);
- Monday, Nov. 26, 4 p.m., Mason County High School;
- Tuesday, Nov. 27, 1 p.m., Kentucky State University, Frankfort;
- Thursday, Nov. 29, 4 p.m., MSU at Ashland.

On MSU's Morehead campus, orientation meetings are available by appointment.

Additional information on the Master of Arts in Teaching degree is available by calling the program office at 606-783-2079; or by sending email to Michelle Roberts, MAT admissions coordinator, at [m.roberts@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:m.roberts@moreheadstate.edu).

## SBDC to host workshop in Mt. Sterling

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Morehead State University's Center for Regional Engagement and the Morehead Small Business Development Center have announced a free workshop.

"Starting a Small Business" will be held from 6-8 p.m. at the Montgomery County Library, 241 West Locust Street, in Mt. Sterling Thursday, Nov. 8.

The workshop is designed for those who have thought about starting a business or who have already started a business and need guidance and support.

Topics that will be covered include: choosing a business, organizing a business structure, market analysis, the business plan and business financing options.

The East Kentucky Small Business Development Centers are located in Morehead, Pikeville, Paintsville and Ashland. The centers provide free one-on-one consulting services and training to new ventures and existing businesses.

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

To register, you can go to [www.ksbdc.org](http://www.ksbdc.org) or contact Mark Murphy at 606-783-2895 or email [m.murphy@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:m.murphy@moreheadstate.edu).

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## SBDC to offer free workshop in Salyersville

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Morehead State University's East Kentucky Small Business Development Center (SBDC) in Paintsville will host "Starting a Business in Kentucky 101", Thursday, Nov. 29, at 2 p.m.

The event will be held at the Magoffin County Health Department, 132 Mountain Parkway, Salyersville.

If you have thought about starting your own business, this workshop will walk you through the essentials to starting a business in Kentucky.

"Small businesses are the engine that drives the American economy," said Michelle Spriggs, SBDC consultant. "This is an excellent and affordable opportunity for individuals to learn more about entrepreneurship in Kentucky."

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

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

For a list of upcoming events, you may visit the MSU SBDC Web site at [www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc).

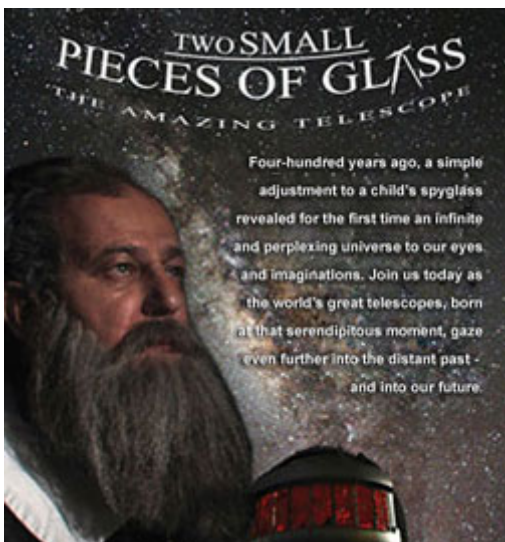
Additional information and pre-registration are available by contacting Spriggs at the Paintsville Small Business Development Center at 606-788-7272 or by email at [m.spriggs@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:m.spriggs@moreheadstate.edu).

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## SSC's Star Theater to offer public programs, Nov. 16-17

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The Morehead State University Space Science Center's Star Theater will present the laser planetarium programs "Cosmic Journey" and "Two Small Pieces of Glass," followed by laser shows on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 16 and 17.

"Cosmic Journey" will be featured on Friday, Nov. 16, at 6:30 p.m. to be followed by "Laser Pink Floyd – The Wall" at 7:30 p.m. and "Laser Pink Floyd – Dark Side of the Moon" at 8:30 p.m.

On Saturday, Nov. 17, planetarium shows will include "Two Small Pieces of Glass" at 1 p.m.; the new live program "The Night Sky over Morehead" at 2:15 p.m.; and "Cosmic Journey" at 3:30 p.m.

Programs continue with laser shows on Saturday evening starting at 7 p.m. with "Laser Magic" and at 8 p.m. "Laser Spirit."

Selected laser music shows can contain unedited language.

Planetarium Programs:

- \$2-Adults
- \$1-Students and senior citizens (60-plus)
- Free-four and under (must sit in parent/guardian lap)

Laser Programs:

- \$5-Adults
- \$4-Students and senior citizens (60-plus)
- Free-four and under (must sit in parent/guardian lap)

Seating is limited to 90 per program and tickets (cash only) for all shows are available at the door. No advance tickets or reservations are available.

Additional information is available by calling the Space Science Center's Star Theater at 606-783-9593 or visiting its website at [www.moreheadstate.edu/startheater](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/startheater).

## Dr. Janet Kenney wins 2012 Educator of the Year Award

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Dr. Janet Kenney, director of Morehead State University at Mount Sterling, has been honored with the 2012 Educator of the Year Award by the Mt. Sterling-Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce.

The award was presented during the Chamber's annual banquet on Friday, Nov. 2.

In the introduction, it was said: "Janet Kenney is truly the heart and soul of Morehead State University at Mt. Sterling. She has nurtured the campus and made it an integral component in the life of Montgomery County and the surrounding counties. Janet is an outstanding educator who is devoted to serving her students and her community. She cares about each student and goes out of her way to help each student to be successful."

The annual Educator of the Year Award is presented to a citizen who has exemplified leadership in the education field for several years in many ways. Dr. Kenney was recognized not only for her efforts in helping educate the community's future workforce, but also for working tirelessly to make the community better in every aspect.

In 2009, she was the recipient of the Leadership Award by the Mount Sterling-Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. Kenney, who has been with MSU since July 1994, is a former chair of the Department of Communication and Theatre and an associate professor of communications.

She became the first full-time director of MSU at Mt. Sterling in July 2003.

Dr. Kenney is a graduate of Temple University and received a master's degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She earned her Ph.D. degree from the University of Oregon.

Dr. Kenney currently serves as president of the Montgomery County Arts Council. She is a past president of Rotary International in Montgomery County, parish council president at St. Patrick Catholic Church, Literary



arts coordinator for the Gateway Regional Arts Center, and advisory board member for the Montgomery County Area Technology Center.

Under her leadership, MSU at Mount Sterling has grown to be Morehead State University's largest regional campus.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Kenney at 859-499-0780.

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## Retirees Association to tour Toyota Plant

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The Morehead State University Retirees Association will tour the Toyota Plant in Georgetown on Thursday, Nov. 15, with cars leaving the Food Lion parking lot at 10:30 a.m.

Prior to the 2 p.m. plant tour, the retirees will have lunch at the Wilshire Restaurant which is located in the historic home of Gen. John Payne. The house was originally built about 1790 by Payne and his wife “Betsy” Johnson Payne. The 11-room home is considered to be an excellent example of Kentucky’s pre-Federal period stone architecture and has been a Scott County landmark for more than 200 years.

The reservation deadline is Tuesday, Nov. 13. To reserve a spot, call 606-783-2080 or 800-783-2586. Email responses may be sent to [t.jones@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:t.jones@moreheadstate.edu).

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## MSU to host OVC volleyball tournament

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Morehead State University will host the 2012 Ohio Valley Conference volleyball championship tournament at Wetherby Gym, Nov. 15-17.

The tournament begins Thursday with quarterfinal matches and continues on Friday with the semifinals. The championship match is set for Saturday afternoon.

In Thursday's first round matches, third-seed Belmont plays sixth-seeded Eastern Illinois at 11 a.m. while second-seeded Southeast Missouri State takes on seventh-seeded Jacksonville State at 1:30 p.m. At 4:30 p.m., fourth-seeded Austin Peay battles fifth-seeded Tennessee State and at 7 p.m., top-seed Morehead State faces UT Martin.

The semifinal round will be held Friday at 4:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.

The championship match will be played Saturday at 6 p.m. The winner receives the league's automatic berth into the NCAA Tournament field of 64.

Tickets for each session of the tournament are \$5, and students at any participating school can receive free admission with a valid student ID.

The parking lot in front of the Space Science Center and the old Rowan County courthouse lot will be used for tournament parking.

## MSU student serves his country

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Somewhere in Afghanistan, there is a young man, whose back aches under a 50-pound pack, sweating underneath his long sleeves and pants in 120-degree weather. He is a Marine and a Morehead State University sophomore.

In the reserves from 2009 to 2011, Matt Prater and his battalion, stationed at Fort Knox, were called into action in April and sent to Afghanistan, leaving behind his mother Mary Alice, father Phillip, and brothers James and Dan.

“We’re very proud, nervous parents,” said Dr. Phillip Prater, Matt’s father and co-chair of MSU’s Department of Agricultural Sciences. “The Marine Corps is extremely well organized; they keep us updated and provide information every other week.”

Even though the Prater family is informed, it is still a nerve-racking scenario when a loved one goes to war. With Matt’s older brother James, a Calvary Scout in the military, his parents had already dealt with the news that their son was going to war.

It was during family day at Fort Knox that one of Matt’s commanding officers told his parents that the battalion would be called into action. While they were prepared for this, saying goodbye to a child in the armed forces is not an easy task, but the Praters have faith that everything will work out for the best.

“We’ve only gotten to speak with him three times by satellite phone,” said Dr. Prater. “They [the troops] are in a tight spot but I know that Matt’s faith will keep him strong and help him endure.”

In the Combat Engineering Battalion, the young Marine is known as a “Bomb-Dog Handler.” This means that he has taken a masterfully trained bomb-sniffing dog into his care. It is Matt’s job to ensure the well-being and safety of his partner, a yellow Labrador named “Docker.”

Docker has been trained to locate IEDs (Improvised Explosive Devices) that humans and robots cannot identify. From potholes and bags on the side of the road to soda cans and backpacks, many mundane objects can hold an IED and Docker must find them before anyone is harmed. After the explosive device has been “sniffed” out, a robot will disarm or trigger the bomb as men and dogs wait at a safe distance.

Pursuing a bachelor’s degree in animal sciences makes the task of caring for Docker a very personal one for Matt. During his training as a Bomb-Dog Handler, he noticed that no first aid training was given and took it upon himself to learn how to suture wounds and give fluids intravenously to dogs. This training he learned from

his father, Dr. Prater, who is qualified to teach such procedures. He noted that Matt “has already used what he’s learned.”

Knowing that Matt has the skills needed to be a successful Bomb-Dog Handler allows the Prater family to breathe a little easier. Now they must focus on when Matt will be coming home and how best to encourage him while he is gone.

If there is one thing that keeps Matt’s spirits up, it is receiving letters from home said his father. “They [letters] keep Matt connected to the life he is used to, he appreciates the sentiment, and letters are easily portable,” said Dr. Prater.

Many people are tempted to send overseas care packages, but most don’t realize that these soldiers (especially Marines) have to carry most of their things with them on various missions. A large care package is difficult to carry in addition to a 50-pound pack.

Apart from receiving letters, the most encouraging thing for Matt is knowing that his family and MSU are waiting for his return.

“Matt loves MSU and can’t wait to get back to class,” said Dr. Prater.

Whether it is “roping” with his friends in the department or having a meal at Alumni Tower, Matt is missing cherished moments at MSU to protect his country, moments that he is putting on hold until he returns.

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## Holiday closings at MSU

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Administrative offices will be closed and there will be no classes at Morehead State University during the Thanksgiving holiday, Wednesday through Friday, Nov. 21-23.

Offices will reopen and classes will resume on Monday, Nov. 26, at 8 a.m.

The University Post Office will be closed during the holiday break. It will reopen on Monday, Nov. 26.

The Camden-Carroll Library will close at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 20, and remain closed Wednesday through Saturday. The library will reopen (1 p.m.) Sunday, Nov. 25, on its regular fall schedule.

The Kentucky Folk Art Center will be closed during the Thanksgiving break. It will reopen Monday, Nov. 26, with regular hours.

Any questions or concerns should be directed to the MSU Police Department at 606-783-2035. They will distribute all calls to the appropriate units.

## MSU, UPike to collaborate for GCIPL session

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 From left, MSU President Wayne D. Andrews; Bev Raimondo, GCIPL director; and Gov. Steve Beshear.

Gov. Steve Beshear Monday announced an important initiative to engage and educate parents to be strong and effective leaders in Kentucky schools.

The Governor's Commonwealth Institute for Parent Leadership (GCIPL) will be an independent nonprofit organization, building on the 16-year record of the Commonwealth Institute for Parent Leadership, developed by the Prichard Committee for Academic Excellence. The Institute's mission is preparing parents to take leadership roles in parent-teacher organizations, school councils and committees, local school boards and in other roles that can positively influence student achievement.

"We know how important it is to invest in education for the future of Kentucky, and we can't overlook parents as a critical resource," Gov. Beshear said. "Engaging families in improving schools has benefits that extend far beyond the students whose parents participate in the training. We have parents in our communities who want to help our schools and our students achieve excellence. The Governor's Commonwealth Institute for Parent Leadership will help them do that."

The Institute teaches and mentors parents over a 24-month period to understand what Institute leaders call "the business of education" – such as how to read aggregated test scores to understand trends, then recommend steps to help struggling students based on that data. The Institute unlocks educational jargon and technical language so that teachers, administrators and parents can speak with a common understanding of tools and goals. Parents will also learn to understand how a school's budget works and how to maximize resources. The goal is to train parents specifically in partnering with educators and administrators to enhance student achievement. Institute administrators estimate that every CIPL graduate mentors another 20 parents, which exponentially enhances the program's impact on Kentucky students.

The existing Commonwealth Institute for Parent Leadership (CIPL), which has garnered national attention and served as a model for other states, has engaged about 1,600 Kentucky parents, teaching them how to have a positive impact on student achievement. Many have gone on to serve in key leadership positions: At least 750 have served on local site-based councils, 47 have served on local school boards and two have served on the state Board of Education.

"Begun in 1997, the impact of CIPL fellows, parent leaders with information, skills, and data that prepares them to partner with schools to improve student achievement, is being felt across the state," said Bev Raimondo, director, Governor's Commonwealth Institute for Parent Leadership.

"In this era of high quality reform taking place in our nation, it is more important now than ever to have parent leaders deeply involved with our schools," said Stu Silberman, executive director, Prichard Committee for Academic Excellence. "The Governor's Institute will be a gold standard for this leadership training for our parents. Once again, Kentucky steps up and takes the lead."

In its most recent sessions, the Institute this past year held three regional classes for parents – in Hazard, Florence and Henderson. Those parents then share their knowledge with others, as peers and mentors.

The announcement extends the reach of the Commonwealth Institute for Parent Leadership, taking the program statewide and formally recognizing its efforts. The program will remain a private, independent, nonprofit corporation funded by donations. While it is not a state agency, the new name demonstrates the Governor's

commitment to the program. Since there is no state funding available, the program is seeking private support from individuals, corporations and foundations.

Morehead State University President Wayne Andrews and University of Pikeville President Paul Patton announced a collaboration that will conduct the first Governor's Commonwealth Institute for Parent Leadership session, to be held in east Kentucky next fall.

"Morehead State University is exceedingly pleased to partner with the University of Pikeville in support of the Governor's Commonwealth Institute for Parent Leadership," said Dr. Andrews said. "We understand the significance of parents being involved in their children's education. This unique initiative engages parents at the grassroots level in improving academic achievement for all students in East Kentucky schools and will prepare parents to become strong partners with their school districts in the education of our young people."

The new program's goal is to fund and schedule at least two more institutes in 2013, and eventually offer five to six per year throughout Kentucky. Each program is three sets of two-day sessions, with follow-up coaching.

For additional information, or to become involved in the Institute for Parent Leadership, visit [www.kygovcipl.org](http://www.kygovcipl.org).

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## Dr. Thomas G. Moore to deliver International Education Week keynote lecture

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Dr. Thomas G. Moore, associate professor and the director of undergraduate studies in the Department of Political Science at the University of Cincinnati, will kick off International Education Week by delivering the week-long celebration's keynote lecture Monday, Nov. 12, at 7 p.m. in the Commonwealth Room of the Adron Doran University Center.

Dr. Moore's lecture, "The Future of the United States' 'Strategic Pivot' toward Asia and its Implications for Sino-American Relations," will discuss U.S. foreign policy in the East Asia region with an emphasis on China.

"I think Dr. Moore's lecture could not come at a more important time," said Dr. James Masterson, assistant professor and director of international education. "China's economy is not only growing at great rates every year, it's also growing more complex and it's growing more interdependent with the US economy.

"As such what happens inside their domestic economy affects the lives of millions of Americans, and vice versa. And, understandably, as their economy grows, the Chinese will want what American's have, a military commensurate with the size of their economy; which, by the way, is the second largest in the world. Dr. Moore will surely shed light on how the U.S. has reacted to recent developments in and by the Chinese."

Dr. Masterson teaches classes at MSU on International Relations, Asian Politics, and Globalization and China and annually leads a study abroad program to China.

Dr. Moore received his B.A. degree from Hamilton College (N.Y.) and his doctorate from Princeton University. He is the author of the book, "China in the World Market: Chinese Industry and International Sources of Reform in the Post-Mao Era" (Cambridge 2002) and more than a dozen book chapters and peer-reviewed journal articles published in such outlets as Routledge, Rowman and Littlefield, the Washington Quarterly, Asian Perspective and the Journal of East Asian Affairs.

Tuesday's event for International Education Week will be a panel directed by Dr. Adrian Mandzy on Post-Colonial Africa. It will be held in the Eagle Dining Room at 1 p.m. In the evening, Dr. Ann Andaloro and Dr. John Secor will present clips of a film on the oppression of women titled, "Half the Sky." The film will begin at 6 p.m. in 302 Breckinridge Hall.

On Wednesday, various faculty members will be available in ADUC from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to speak with students about study abroad opportunities. Students curious about how to go about studying abroad and what programs are available are encouraged to stop by the student dining area in ADUC to speak with faculty about these opportunities.

Activities will wrap up Thursday, Nov. 15, with International Education Week's potluck dinner from 6-8 p.m. to be held in the Crager Room. Various international dishes will be available for tasting during music played by international faculty and students. Three area nonprofit organizations sponsoring the night's event, Morehead Sister Cities, Blessing Hands, and Morehead Woman's Club, also will give short presentations about how they

are furthering international relations within Morehead. The event will conclude with a raffling of various international items donated by faculty members who have traveled abroad.

Events were planned by the Internationalizing the Curriculum Learning Community in conjunction with U.S. State Department and U.S. Department of Education promoted International Education Week. All events are free and open to the public.

Additional information is available from Dr. Masterson by calling 606-783-2658.

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## Johnson Arena to host WNIT consolation rounds

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Morehead State University will host the consolation rounds of the 2012 Preseason Women's National Invitation Tournament, Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 17-18.

The Eagle women will tangle with Kennesaw State Saturday at 5:30 p.m. In the second game scheduled for 7:30 p.m., Davidson will face Northern Illinois.

The winners and losers will square off in the double-elimination format on Sunday. MSU will play at 5 p.m. on Sunday, regardless of the results from Saturday.

Kennesaw State fell 87-45 at Middle Tennessee in the first round. The Owls were picked to finish third in the Atlantic Sun Conference this season after a 14-17 record last season.

Davidson dropped a 70-59 contest at North Carolina in the opening round. The Wildcats were 22-10 last season.

Northern Illinois lost 63-40 to Iowa. The Huskies were 14-17 in 2011-12.

All women's games will feature general admission seating for \$5. Tickets for the men's game Sunday are the normal single-game price of \$13 for reserved chairback; \$11 for general admission chairback; and \$8 for general admission bleachers.

Fans purchasing a men's ticket on Sunday (against Lafayette) are encouraged to stay for both women's games. Patrons wishing to only purchase tickets to the women's games may still buy a general admission pass for \$5, and those will be on sale near the conclusion of the men's game. Fans may note that if they wish to enter the arena prior to the start of the women's-only ticket sales, they will need to purchase a full-price men's ticket.

Additional information is available by contacting MSU's ticket office at 606-783-2386 or 606-783-2088.

## Board of Regents work session set for Nov. 15

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**EVENT:** Board of Regents Work Session

**DATE:** Thursday, Nov. 15, 2012

**TIME:** 9 a.m.

**SITE:** Riggle Room, Adron Doran University Center

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

Prior to the work session, the Audit Committee will meet at 8 a.m.

### Agenda

1. Update on Strategic Enrollment Plan – Jeffrey Liles
  2. Report on Draft Technology Master Plan – Michael Walters
  3. Discussion of Draft Weapons Policy – Jane Fitzpatrick
  4. Comprehensive Report on Employee Benefits – Michael Walters
  5. Other Business
- Quarterly BOR Meeting – 9 a.m., December 6, 2012
  - Fall Commencement – 10:30 a.m., December 15, 2012
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## MSU kicks off public phase of Comprehensive Campaign

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Morehead State University has officially kicked off the public phase of its first-ever Comprehensive Campaign. The announcement was made by President Wayne D. Andrews during the 2012 Homecoming Banquet.

“With the approval of the Board of Regents and the MSU Foundation, I’m pleased to announce that Morehead State University has established a \$25 million goal for this campaign. This is aggressive and exceeds our consultant’s recommendation by several million dollars, but we are confident of success. This money will be used to fund initiatives that are outside the scope of the state and tuition funded budget, but are imperative to our ability to move forward toward becoming the best public regional university in the South.”

The “Much More Opportunity: The Campaign for Morehead State University” will ensure MSU’s continued success in delivering high-quality education and building pathways for outreach, research and excellence in East Kentucky and beyond.

“This is by far the largest fundraising effort in our history and our first-ever Campaign,” the president said. “The current economic climate has led us to a place where now, more than ever, donor generosity will be necessary to help us fulfill our mission of educating young people and serving this region.”

Dr. Andrews stated that the quiet phase of the campaign began in 2007 when MSU secured the funding for the acquisition of Eagle Trace Golf Course. He explained how this fundraising initiative aligned with one of the four initiatives of the campaign, Athletic and Recreational Enhancements. The other campaign initiatives include: Growing our Annual Fund, Arts and Community Outreach, and Advancing Academic Excellence.

Currently, the MSU Foundation administers nearly 250 scholarships, providing more than \$600,000 annually in privately funded student aid. Through “The Much More Opportunity Campaign,” many of these funds will grow and many new scholarships will be created.

As part of the Capital Campaign kick-off, Dr. Andrews announced the newest scholarships created through the quiet phase of the Campaign: the Buford Crager Scholarship Endowment and the Clyde I. James Scholarship Endowment.

The two scholarships were created because of the vision of MSU alumnus Kevin Porter, a 1979 graduate, and his wife Monica Lidral. The couple contributed \$25,000 and encouraged other MSU alumni to help them recognize Dean Cramer and James' commitment to MSU.

Through this gift and the contributions of many others, these two endowments totaled \$50,000, each at the \$25,000 level.

To learn more about the campaign and how you can contribute, visit [www.moreheadstate.edu/muchmoreopportunity](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/muchmoreopportunity) or call [MSU's Office of Development](#) at 606-783-2033.

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## Death Row exoneree Randy Steidl to speak at MSU

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Morehead State University's Interdisciplinary Forum will host death row exoneree Randy Steidl on Tuesday, Nov. 27, at 7 p.m.

MSU, American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Kentucky and the Kentucky Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty will present the event in 002 Breckinridge Hall.

The event, sponsored by the Department of International and Interdisciplinary Studies, is free and open to all MSU students, faculty and staff.

Steidl and his co-defendant were convicted for the 1986 murder of newlywed couple Dyke and Karen Rhoads in the small town of Paris, Ill. The two maintained their innocence but it was not until some college journalism students got involved that the case received a proper review.

With in-depth investigative journalism conducted by Northwestern University students, new information was uncovered and old evidence invalidated. Aided by a local police officer, students were able to present enough evidence of Steidl's innocence to call for a new trial.

Eventually, all charges were dropped and he became the 18th person to be released from Illinois' death row because of a wrongful conviction.

Steidl's visit comes weeks after the Kentucky Commission on Human Rights called on state lawmakers to abolish the Death Penalty and less than one year after a team of Kentucky legal experts published a 400-page report outlining the serious flaws within the state's Death Penalty system.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Ric Caric, professor of interdisciplinary studies, at 606-783-2144 or [r.caric@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:r.caric@moreheadstate.edu).

## Craft Bizarre slated for Nov. 29-30

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The third annual “Craft Bizarre,” a student-run art and craft sale, will be held Thursday and Friday, Nov. 29-30, in the gallery of Morehead State University’s Claypool-Young Art Building.

The event is free and open to the public.

Featuring art and craft by MSU students, recent graduates, faculty and staff, the event is an opportunity for the campus and community to purchase locally produced jewelry, paintings, prints, knitwear, ceramics, holiday ornaments and more.

"Craft Bizarre" hours will be Thursday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Students, recent graduates (five years or less), and faculty and staff interested in participating can contact the event sponsors to learn how to be involved. For additional information about the sale, contact faculty sponsors Jennifer Reis at [j.reis@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:j.reis@moreheadstate.edu) or Bethany Kalk at [b.kalk@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:b.kalk@moreheadstate.edu).

“Like” the event on Facebook via “MSU Annual Craft Bizarre” for updates.

The gallery in Claypool-Young provides cultural and educational programming to the MSU community as well as the University’s service region. The gallery is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. or by appointment.

There is no charge for viewing and the public is invited to attend. Parking is available on Main Street during the day, and on the campus after 5 p.m. weekdays, and all day on weekends.



## Thanksgiving specials to air on MSPR

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Morehead State Public Radio will offer several special programs on Thanksgiving, Thursday, Nov. 22, and Friday, Nov. 23.

On Thursday, Nov. 22, MSPR's broadcast schedule will consist of:

**9-9:30 a.m.** "Gift of Gratitude" - Join the Mormon Tabernacle Choir for "Now Thank We All Our God;" "All Things Bright and Beautiful;" Prelude on "Simple Gifts;" "Bless This House;" and "Prayer of Thanksgiving."

**9:30-10 a.m.** "Songs of Thanksgiving" - The Mormon Tabernacle Choir performs "Thanks Be to God!" from Elijah; "Look at the World;" "We Gather Together;" and "Because I Have Been Given Much."

**10-11 a.m.** "Thanksgiving with Cantus" - Alison Young is joined by Cantus, one of America's best all-male ensembles, for singing and story telling about gratitude and what it is to be thankful.

**11a.m.-noon** "Song of America: Places That Sing To Us"- There are places in the American landscape that are part of our collective consciousness, thanks to music. In this program, we listen to songs that have helped shape the way we see our country.

**Noon - 1 p.m.** "Americana Symphony" by Mark O' Conner - A special recording of the Americana Symphony "Variations on Appalachia Waltz," composed and orchestrated by Mark O' Connor in 2006. Performed in 2008 by the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Marin Alsop.

**1-3 p.m.** "Giving Thanks with John Birge" - With music and stories for Thanksgiving, host John Birge creates a thoughtful, contemporary reflection on the meaning of the holiday, featuring: a grateful tribute to the great writer Nora Ephron; original Thanksgiving music in the studio with pianist Jacqueline Schwab; a Thanksgiving blessing from Baxter Black; and a visit from poet and former NEA chairman Dana Gioia.

**7-8 p.m.** "Now and Again" with Steve Young – Join Young in a program of thoughtful features and nostalgic music guaranteed to put a smile on your face!

**8-9 p.m.** "Joel Rafael: America Come Home" - Rafael's new album "America Come Home" along with interviews with Graham Nash, David Crosby, Nora Guthrie and Jack Tempchin.

**9-10 p.m.** "Stories of the American Ballad" -The songs that come out of the stories of the American people are a mirror to our society. American Ballads offers a way to hear those stories, where they came from from, and how they remain an active and relevant part of our culture.

On Friday, Nov. 23, MSPR will offer:

**7-8 p.m.** "Rodriguez: Searching for Sugar Man" - When Sixto Rodriguez emerged from Detroit in the early 70s, he made two albums that didn't catch the ears of the public in the United States. But in South Africa, Rodriguez became a household name – up there with Bob Dylan and Elvis Presley. South Africans didn't know much about his life, but it was an accepted rumor that he had committed suicide. Some 25 years later, a couple of fans decided to search for information, and they discovered their hero alive and well – doing manual labor and completely unaware of his impact and success half a world away. In this one hour radio special, you'll hear from the producers of his records, the people who found him and the director of a documentary about how it all happened, and from Rodriguez himself.

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, and includes 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 website at [www.msuradio.com](http://www.msuradio.com).

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## Forum slated for Dec. 4

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Morehead State University's Interdisciplinary Forum will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 4, at 7 p.m. in 002 Breckinridge Hall.

The topic will be "Debating Santa and Jesus."

Special guests will be Rev. Drew McNeil, MSU's Wesley Foundation; Rev. Kimberley Gibson, Republican Christian Church; Rev. Tanya Tyler, Lexington Theological Seminary; and Dr. Ric Caric, professor of interdisciplinary studies.

The event, sponsored by the Department of International and Interdisciplinary Studies, is free and open to all MSU students, faculty and staff.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Caric at 606-783-2144 or [r.caric@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:r.caric@moreheadstate.edu).

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## Dr. Taylor to present recital

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Dr. Paul Taylor, associate professor of music at Morehead State University, will present a recital of piano music about death, beginnings, dancing, jokes, arguments, nothing, objects, and the vernacular.”

The event will be Sunday, Nov. 18, at 5 p.m. in the Duncan Recital Hall of the Baird Music Hall.

It is free and open to the public.

The recital will include a lecture and the works of 21 composers including Beethoven, Zappa, Mozart, Scarlatti, Palmer, Bartok, Prokofiev, Schoenberg, Mignone, Moszkowski, Brahms, Debussy, Crumb, Ravel, Count Leo Tolstoy and Gershwin.

A bachelor’s degree graduate of the University of Texas at Austin, Dr. Taylor holds a master’s degree from the University of Illinois and a doctoral degree from the University of Wisconsin.

At MSU, Dr. Taylor teaches piano, music history and various other courses. He has been published in numerous music education journals, and has performed at many festivals, recitals and workshops around the world.

Addition information is available by calling Dr. Taylor at 606-783-2473.

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## KACE elects new leadership

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Kentucky Association of Colleges and Employers (KACE) elected officers, board members and committee chairs during its annual fall conference at the Radisson Hotel Riverfront in Covington.

The officers for 2012-13 are: Mary Raider, Eastern Kentucky University, president; Kevin Ryan, Sherwin-Williams, president-elect; Megan Boone, Morehead State University, past-president; Emily Whitworth, Eastern Kentucky University, secretary; and Todd Reale, Bellarmine University, treasurer.

The officers also will serve as board members. Additional board members and committee chairs are: Julie Saifullah, Sullivan University-Lexington, website; Sam Mannino, Sullivan University, College of Technology and Design, communications, Jason Clayton, Asbury University, research and innovations; Mary Andrade, University of Louisville, membership; Elizabeth Heller, Western Kentucky University, awards and scholarship; and Regina Hudspeth, Murray State University, long range planning,

Additional information is available by contacting Megan Boone, career counselor/employer liaison, at 606-783-5458.

# Appalachian Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair set for Dec. 1

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Morehead State University's Kentucky Folk Art Center will host its annual Appalachian Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair at the Laughlin Health Building, on Saturday, Dec. 1, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

With more than 100 artists and craftspeople from Kentucky and other states, arts and craft fair is the largest and most diverse event of its kind in the region.

The Appalachian Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair offers visitors a wide and varied selection of regional arts and crafts, ranging from the traditional to the cutting edge, including many holiday decorations and gifts.

Admission to the fair is \$3 per person; children under 12 are admitted free.

"There's something for everyone," said Tammy Stone, one of the event coordinators. "Visitors will find traditional crafts, holiday decorations and handmade furniture. It's the best opportunity in the region to find unique, handmade holiday gifts."

"This is certainly one of our most successful and well-attended events," said Matt Collinsworth, KFAC director. "After decades in operation, it stands as one of the most significant events in eastern Kentucky. People come from all over the state and across the region. The fair is a special time during the holidays around here."

The Kentucky Folk Art Center is a cultural, educational and economic development service of Morehead State University.

Additional information is available from the Center's website at [www.kyfolkart.org](http://www.kyfolkart.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.

## Dr. Edna O. Schack wins M.E.S.A. Award

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Morehead State University's Dr. Edna O. Schack, professor of education, received the 2012 Mathematics Education Service and Achievement Award (M.E.S.A. Award).

The award was presented by the Kentucky Council of Teachers of Mathematics (KCTM) during its fall conference which was held at the Griffin Gate Marriott Resort in Lexington.

The Kentucky Council of Teachers of Mathematics has honored educators, administrators and other professionals with the MESA Award since 1991. The awardees are nominated by KCTM members and are chosen by an awards committee. This state-level award is KCTM's highest honor. Award winners are selected for outstanding work in their area of expertise and service to the mathematics community.

In 2011, Dr. Schack was awarded a \$102,907 grant from the National Science Foundation to research the pedagogical content knowledge preparation of preservice elementary teachers in mathematics across Kentucky.

Dr. Schack graduated with an Ed.D. degree from Illinois State University. She received her B.A. and M.S. degrees from Northwestern State University.

She joined the MSU faculty in fall 1987.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Schack at 606-783-2501 or email at [e.schack@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:e.schack@moreheadstate.edu).



## Breathitt County students visit Early College Program

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Students from Breathitt County High School visited the Morehead State University campus recently, as part of the Early College Program, Nov. 15.

More than 40 high and technical schools are offering MSU classes during the fall semester with more than 2,000 high school students participating in the program.

“This program is truly a win-win opportunity. Students get to earn college credit for free or at a much reduced rate, parents have less financial burden for a college education and schools get challenging new courses which fully optimize the talents of their high schools,” said Joel Pace, director of adult and early college programs.

MSU and the partner schools are collaborating to meet a goal of 24 college credits for all high school students before they graduate.

School systems taking part are: Bath, Boyd, Carter, Elliott, Estill, Fleming, Jessamine, Johnson, Knott, Lee, Lewis, Martin, Menifee, Montgomery, Morgan, Owsley, Paintsville, Pike, Powell, Rowan and Wolfe counties; as well as Ashland Paul Blazer, Frankfort, Jackson, Maysville’s St. Patrick, Pikeville, Russell, Raceland-Worthington independents; Lakeside Christian, and Central High School in Wise, Va.

A minimum 3.0 grade point average and an 18 composite ACT score are necessary to be admitted to the program. Students also must meet specific requirements that are course related.

Students enrolled in courses taught by MSU faculty on the Morehead campus, at one of our regional campuses, or online during the spring semester will receive a 60 percent scholarship and would be responsible for the remaining tuition for their courses. Students enrolled in courses instructed by approved faculty in their school system will continue to receive a full waiver for the cost of tuition.

Additional information is available by calling Pace at 606-783-2995 or you can find an application at [www.moreheadstate.edu/earlycollege/](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/earlycollege/).



## MSU sets fall enrollment mark

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For the second consecutive year, Morehead State University has set a record for fall enrollment with 11,172 students, President Wayne D. Andrews announced at the Board of Regents work session on Nov. 15.

In fall 2011, MSU had an enrollment of 10,971.

“My sincere appreciation goes out to the entire University community,” said Dr. Andrews. “Accomplishments like this are the result of a deliberate team effort and cannot be achieved through individual efforts alone.”

Fall enrollment was bolstered by a 20 percent increase in first-time freshmen on campus.

MSU’s Class of 2016 grew this fall by more than 277 additional freshmen compared to last year. The 1,649 first-time freshman enrollment is the largest in school history.

He continued:

"We have developed and are implementing a comprehensive multi-year enrollment and retention plan with strategies identified to improve the marketing and recruitment processes, as well as improve student success. A record enrollment is a sure sign that prospective students and families believe Morehead State University is an outstanding place to pursue higher education and a college experience that is second to none."

The fall numbers also include record enrollment in the Early College Program which enables academically-qualified students to dual enroll in college-level courses during their junior and senior years of high school.

While MSU has offered dual enrollment opportunities for several years, the efforts to enhance and expand the Early College Program was a direct initiative in support of Senate Bill 1, passed by the General Assembly in 2009 to strengthen the college-going rate of Kentucky high school graduates and to better align the curriculum between K-12 and postsecondary education.

“The Early College Program is an incredible opportunity for high school students to be better prepared as they enter postsecondary education as full-time university students,” said Dr. Andrews. “The program not only allows them to get a jump-start on courses, reducing their time to degree, but also increases affordability. It is possible for a student to complete as many as 24 lower-division college credit hours prior to graduating from high school and do so at no cost to the student.”

A total of 1,630 students from more than 40 high schools are participating in Early College in the fall 2012 term.

The number of students choosing to attend MSU isn't the only area where the University experienced growth and improvement during the last year.

"We are especially pleased that along with the increase in the size of the freshman class, the average ACT composite score also has improved to 22," said Jeffrey Liles, assistant vice president for enrollment services.

The University's campus community also is more diverse this fall. The number of minority students seeking a degree increased by almost 10 percent during the past year and represents nearly five percent of the total student population.

Morehead State also continues to focus on internationalizing the campus, recently announcing plans to open an American Center at Guanxi University in Nanning, PRC. This fall, MSU enrolled 122 international students from 31 nations.

"Achieving future enrollment objectives will continue to require the dedicated efforts of the entire MSU community," said Liles. "Faculty, staff, students, parents and alumni know the value of an education. They all play a significant role in maintaining the excellence of Morehead State and helping us share our story with future students."

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## CPE awards \$265 K to MSU

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For the 11th consecutive year, Kentucky's Council on Postsecondary Education awarded federal grant funds to improve P-12 educator quality through professional development programs.

The Improving Educator Quality (IEQ) grants, totaling \$895,000, were awarded to four lead institutions, including Morehead State University, Murray State University, Northern Kentucky University and University of Kentucky.

Included in the proposals are partnerships with the University of Louisville, Hazard Community and Technical College, Madisonville Community College, the Kentucky Center for Mathematics, Thomas More College, as well as local high-need school districts.

"These partnerships are breaking new ground in priority content areas, and as a result, more high school students will graduate college and career ready," said Council President Bob King.

The focus of the program this year is on fully integrating the Common Core Standards by assisting teachers in providing intervention in content areas for students in need of accelerated learning, which helps successful students advance to the next stage and helps struggling students catch up.

MSU was the lead institutions on two grant awards.

### **Reading for the 21st Century: Improving Reading Comprehension through Project-Based Learning, \$135,000.**

MSU, in collaboration with Hazard Community and Technical College, will engage with 60 science, social studies, reading and collaborating special needs teachers in a professional development delivery system that begins with on-site data assessment meetings in every school followed by a summer institute. The project will enhance skills in recognizing reading difficulties and making appropriate content-based interventions or referrals for assistance in reading instruction. The project will also help teacher implement instructional practices, informed by scientifically based research, for teaching reading for comprehension in social studies and science.

### **Algebraic Dynamic Duo: Integrating Hands-On Learning and Problem Solving to Increase Student Achievement, \$130,000.**

MSU will engage 40 middle and high school math and math-collaboration special education teachers. The project's objectives are (1) identify students in need of accelerated learning through rigorous and scientifically researched assessment practices to make appropriate content-based interventions for assistance in algebra instruction, especially students beyond 8th grade still struggling with Algebra concepts, (2) implement instructional practices, informed by scientifically based research, for teaching algebra with a focus on depth of knowledge in algebraic concepts as defined by Common Core Standards, (3) fully integrate EPAS professional development that assists teachers in analyzing EPAS scores to inform instruction and strategies to assist students achievement on these tests, and (4) empower teachers through self-reflection and analysis in the creation of individual action plans.

Krista Barton, director of the 21st Century Education Enterprise, is the principal investigator on both grants.

Additional Information is available by contacting Barton at 606-783-2393.

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## MSU is part of first Veterans Treatment Court in Kentucky

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Veterans in Jefferson County now have access to a specialized court that focuses on the unique needs of those who have issues with substance abuse and mental health.

Morehead State President Wayne D. Andrews was in attendance Nov. 20, as local officials announced the launch of the Jefferson County Veterans Treatment Court, the first of its kind in Kentucky.

“Many of the men and women coming back from war today are coming back with lots of challenges,” said Dr. Andrews. “The Treatment Court is a way to help them toward rehabilitation, so they can still be productive members of society.”

Dr. Andrews served two tours in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War.

The Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) is collaborating on this project with the Office of the Jefferson County Attorney, the Robley Rex Veterans Administration Medical Center, Seven Counties Services, Jefferson County Drug Court and Morehead State University.

The JCVTC is being funded by a three-year, \$350,000 grant from the Bureau of Justice Assistance of the U.S. Department of Justice.

“Our goal is to change lives,” said MSU graduate David L. Holton, Jefferson County district judge. “Through treating veterans, it is a way of giving back to them, who have given so much to our country.

“Morehead State is one of our partners of the program. I am very proud of that. MSU will be doing the evaluations of our results.”

MSU’s part in the Veterans Treatment Court project will be evaluating the implementation and associated outcomes. A process and outcome evaluation will be conducted by Dr. Lisa Shannon, assistant professor of

social work. The goals of the evaluation are to examine the achievement of program goals as well as program effectiveness.

Speaking at the news conference were: Holton, Chief Justice of Kentucky John D. Minton Jr., Jefferson County Attorney Mike O'Connell, State Rep. Tanya Pullin and Supreme Court of Kentucky Justice Will T. Scott.

According to Holton, he would like to see additional Veterans Treatment Courts throughout Kentucky.

“This is not a get out of jail free card, this is not a free pass, but instead it is an opportunity for these men and women to get their lives back together,” Holton added.

Lexington, Fort Knox and Fort Campbell have shown interest in starting Veterans Treatment Courts.

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## Star Theater announces December shows

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Morehead State University's Star Theater public programs for December will be "Season of Light" and "Laser Holiday."

"Season of Light" traces the history and development of many of the world's most endearing holiday customs, all of which involve lighting up the winter season. The show also recounts not only the historical religious and cultural rituals practiced during the time of winter solstice but takes a look at some of our more light-hearted seasonal traditions: from gift-giving and kissing under the mistletoe, to songs about lords a-leaping and ladies dancing, and the custom of decking the halls with greenery and candles. St. Nicholas, Sinterklaas, Kris Kringle, Father Christmas and Santa Claus all drop by as well. Narrated by National Public Radio correspondent and bestselling author Noah Adams and produced by Loch Ness Productions, "Season of Light" is visually rich, musically satisfying, and as soothing as a warm drink on a cold winter's night.

Featuring classic holiday favorites like "Carol of the Bells," "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," "Frosty the Snowman" and modern hits like "Jingle Bell Rock," "All I Want for Christmas," and "Christmastime." Laser Holiday is a unique re-imaginings of timeless songs, in an animated Holiday light display like no other you've ever seen!

The Star Theater's public programs will be held nightly beginning on Friday, Dec. 14, with "Season of Light" at 7 p.m. and "Laser Holiday" at 8 p.m.

On Saturday, Dec. 15, programs will begin with the afternoon showings of "Season of Light" at 2 p.m. and "Laser Holiday" at 3 p.m. The evening showing of "Season of Light" will start at 7 p.m. with "Laser Holiday" to follow at 8 p.m.

There will be no programs on Sunday, Dec. 16.

Programs will continue nightly Monday through Friday, Dec. 17-21, with "Season of Light" at 7 p.m. and "Laser Holiday" at 8 p.m.

General Public ticket prices are;

### **"Season of Light"**

- \$2 – Adults
- \$1 – Students & Senior Citizens (60+)

- Free – 4 and under

**“Laser Holidays”**

- \$5 – Adults
- \$4 – Students & Senior Citizens (60+)
- Free – 4 and under

Seating is limited to 90 per program and tickets (cash only) for all shows are available at the door. No advance tickets or reservations are available.

Additional information is available by calling the Space Science Center’s Star Theater at 606-783-9593 or visiting its website at [www.moreheadstate.edu/startheater](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/startheater).

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