

News Items for 2013 - April

'Dollar War' slated April 2-4

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Morehead State University will present "All-Star Dollar War" April 2-4 from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Adron Doran University Center (ADUC) second floor lobby.

Eight popular MSU staffers are contestants. The MSU and Morehead community can deposit money in the name of one of these eight, earning them "points." The winner will receive bragging rights and a box of cookies.

All proceeds will go to "Lizastrong" project to help Liza Angelicchio, an MSU student, pay for Leukemia treatments.

The contestants are: Jaime Gordon, volleyball coach; Kevin Koett, dean of students; Shanté Hearst, coordinator of multiculturalism and inclusion; Sara Larson, assistant director of athletics; Tom Hodges, women's basketball coach; Rob Tenyer, football coach; Ricardo Nazario-Colón, director of student activities, inclusion and leadership development; and Jessie Roberts-Smith, a staff member from Aramark.

Students, faculty and staff can drop money into the container of their favorite all-star to increase their points, or put monies identified as negative points into the container of a rival. The winner will be decided on April 4 at 1 p.m.

Additional information is available by contacting Mike Esposito, coordinator of student organizations, Greek life and leadership, at 606-783-9401.

Opera Aquila to present 'Life is a Cabaret'

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Morehead State University's OperaWorks will christen its new name, Opera Aquila (Eagle Opera) with a special event.

"Life is a Cabaret" will be presented on Thursday, April 4, and Friday, April 5, in room 117 of Baird Music Hall. Doors will open at 7 p.m. each night, and the show will begin at 7:30 p.m.

The show opens with some familiar music from the German and French cabaret tradition. Guests will be seated at tables and treated to refreshments during the program. The evening will include operatic excerpts from "Street Scene," "The Pearl Fishers," "The Marriage of Figaro," and "The Merry Widow." Rounding out the program will be several selections from music theater, including "Showboat," "Cinderella," "Camelot," "The Sound of Music," "Les Miserables," and "South Pacific." All scenes are family friendly.

The opera program was founded by Dr. Roma Prindle in 1993 as OperaWorks. Recently, MSU OperaWorks and many other university groups of the same name were informed that they would no longer be able to use the title, because of a copyright owned by a California company.

All tickets are \$5, and will be available at the door, cash and checks only.

Additional information may be obtained by calling Dr. Prindle, at 606-783-2481.

Wounded Warrior run April 6

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Morehead State University's Sigma Pi Fraternity will host a 5K race to benefit the Wounded Warrior Project on Saturday, April 6.

Registration will be \$20 per runner and runners will receive a race shirt, goody bag and door prize.

Registration will begin at 7 a.m. in front of Jayne Stadium. The race will start at 9 a.m.

Proceeds from the event will go to the Wounded Warrior Project in honor of former MSU student James Kyle Potter.

Additional information is available by contacting Adam Clark at 606-465-4012.

Concert Choir and Chamber Singers free concert set for April 9

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Morehead State University's Concert Choir and Chamber Singers will present a free concert on Tuesday, April 9, at 8 p.m. at First Baptist Church, located at 123 East Main Street.

The 35-voice Concert Choir and 21-voice Chamber Singers are conducted by Dr. Greg Detweiler. The concert is part of a five-day concert tour throughout Kentucky, Ohio and Pennsylvania.

The program titled "I See the Heaven's Glories Shine," presents contrasts of darkness and light. It features the music of Dr. Frank Ticheli, who will be the guest artist-in-residence as part of the 2013 MSU Contemporary Music Festival.

Concert Choir will open with Handel's "How Excellent Thy Name" followed by Victoria's "O Magnum Mysterium." This first part of the program contains a variety of sacred selections including "Clap Your Hands" and "Grant us Peace" by Edwin Fissinger, "Pilgrims Hymn" by Stephen Paulus, and "I See the Heaven's Glories Shine" by Andrea Ramsey.

The Chamber Singers' portion of the program features Claude Debussy's "Trois Chansons." The group also will sing "A Western Ballad" by Tyler Kline, "Birds Are Never Soaring Too High" by Lars-Erik Larsson, and "Earth Song" by Frank Ticheli. Their set will end with Ray Liebaw's arrangement of "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" and Marlos Nobre's arrangement of the Brazilian folksong, "Muié Rendêre."

Concert Choir will conclude the evening with "Constellations" by Frank Ticheli and a variety of multicultural pieces. These include "Noche de Lluvia" by Sid Robinovich, "This Little Light of Mine" arranged by Moses Hagan, and "I'll Ay Call in by Yon Town" arranged by Mark Wilberg.

Concert Choir and Chamber Singers represent the University on regional, national and international tours. Recent trips have included an eight-day tour of Hungary and Austria, a 10-day concert tour of Costa Rica, and a five-day concert tour of Virginia. The groups have appeared at state and regional conventions of the Music Educators National Conference. The MSU Chamber Singers recently won their division with the gold diploma at the 2012 World Choir Games in Cincinnati.

The four-day Contemporary Music Festival is organized by Theta Pi Chapter of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia.

Dr. Ticheli is a well-known and prolific composer and crosses multiple mediums in wind band, choral, and chamber work literature. His pieces range from educational to professional and are performed by a wide range of ensembles all around the world. During his residency, he will offer workshops for the students in the Concert Band and Symphony Band, lectures on music theory and instrumental conducting, and classes in composition.

In conjunction with this festival, there will be a Chamber Music Concert on April 8, at 8 p.m. and the Concert and Symphony bands will perform at 8 p.m. on April 9 and April 10, respectively.

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

Two SOAR program dates still available

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Morehead State University will host Student Orientation, Advising and Registration (SOAR) programs in preparation for the 2013 fall semester. First-year and transfer students will register for their classes during these events.

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

Campus tours will be available.

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

The SOAR dates -- that still have openings -- are June 20 and July 16.

Preregistration for each SOAR program is necessary because of limited space.

There are two ways to register: visit the Web page at www.moreheadstate.edu/soar and complete the registration form; or register with the Office of First Year Programs by calling 606-783-5208.

Dunnewold to visit MSU April 10

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Renowned textile artist Jane Dunnewold will visit the campus of Morehead State University on Wednesday, April 10. The lecture "Jane Dunnewold: An Artist's Perspective on Creativity and Craft" will be hosted in room 111 of the Claypool-Young Art Building at 7 p.m., with a book signing in the art gallery to follow.

The event is free and open to the public.

While on campus, Dunnewold will jury the gallery's upcoming summer exhibition "7STITCH: Contemporary Textile Art from Kentucky and the Surrounding States," that will be on display June 1 – Aug. 30. She also will meet with students enrolled in the course "Intro to Arts Administration" on the dual nature of being a working artist as well as an arts administrator.

The author of "Art Cloth" published in 2010, Dunnewold is the former chair of the Surface Design Studio at the Southwest School of Art. She exhibits, teaches and lectures on art cloth internationally. Currently president of the Surface Design Association, she maintains Art Cloth Studios in San Antonio.

Her visit is sponsored by MSU's Department of Art and Design, Arts and Humanities Council, and the Kentucky Chapter of the Surface Design Association.

Additional information is available by calling Jennifer Reis, gallery director, at 606-783-5446 or email j.reis@moreheadstate.edu.

BGE to tour April 5-7

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Morehead State University's Black Gospel Ensemble will be taking its annual tour, April 5-7. Performance venues will include New Albany High School, in New Albany, Ind.; West Point Missionary Baptist Church, in Chicago; and Main Street Baptist Church, in Aurora, Ill.

Additionally, the BGE will perform for the Rainbow PUSH Coalition's "Saturday Morning Forum." This international broadcast will appear on the Word Network and be streamed live from the Rainbow PUSH website at 10 a.m.

The Black Gospel Ensemble will present a free spring concert at 8 p.m. on Friday, April 12 on the MSU campus. This event is open to the public and will be held at Duncan Recital Hall inside Baird Music Hall.

The program, "The Best of BGE 3," will consist of selections from current and past repertoire. BGE alumni are invited to join the choir for the concert finale.

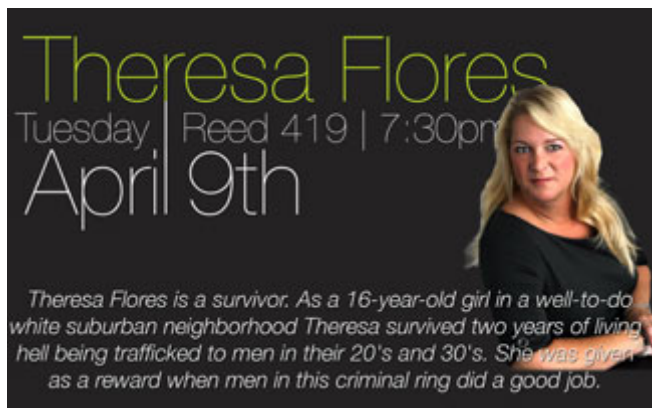
The Black Gospel Ensemble is a nonauditioned chorus open to all MSU students. The literature performed is drawn from the African-American religious experience.

Information on the ensemble or the concert is available by calling 606-783-2482 or by visiting www.moreheadstate.edu/music/bge.

Human Trafficking Task Force presents Theresa Flores April 9

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Morehead State University's Human Trafficking Task Force will present Theresa Flores Tuesday, April 9, at 7:30 p.m. in 419 Reed Hall.

A survivor and author, Flores travels the U.S. sharing her story of trafficking and being a sex slave while living in an upper-middle class suburb of Detroit.

At 15 years of age, she was drugged, raped and tortured for two long years. She was kept in bondage and forced to pay back an impossible debt as a sex slave, all the while living at home, attempting to keep her family safe.

She has written two books, "The Slave across the Street" and "Sacred Bath."

Flores has been a guest on The 700 Club, The Today Show, and MSNBC's Sex Slaves-The Teen Trade. She also has been featured on Nightline and America's Most Wanted as a sex slave survivor.

She is featured by the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center Museum in a traveling exhibit titled Invisible Slavery.

A licensed social worker for more than 20 years, she received her master's degree in counseling education from University of Dayton and a bachelor's degree in social work from Ball State University.

She is a much sought after international speaker and lectures on many aspects of Human Trafficking from both a personal perspective as well as a professional expert. She has trained children services workers, judges and probations officers, given guest lectures at universities across the U.S. and speaks with middle and high school students nationwide.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Elizabeth B. Perkins, assistant professor of criminology, at 606-783-5386.

Career Fair is a success

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Morehead State University held its annual Spring Career Fair with 79 organizations including employers and graduate schools attending. More than 400 students, alumni and community members networked with employers and graduate programs with the hope of landing an interview for an internship, part-time or full-time position.

“Employers and graduate programs like to attend the career fair to meet potential candidates in person. Candidates are evaluated on professional dress, knowledge of organization and ability to communicate,” said Ingrid McKinney, career fair coordinator.

Candidates attending a career fair need to make a great first impression and dressing professionally is one way to accomplish this. A competition for those dressed for success was part of the career fair preparation. The Division of University Advancement provided a 16 GB Samsung Galaxy Tablet 10.1 for the winner.

If candidates were dressed in professional business attire when they registered at the career fair, MSU Career Services offered them a ticket to enter a special drawing. The winner of the Samsung Tablet was Jon Moreland, who wore a black suit, gray shirt and silver tie. He is an agriculture business sophomore from Springboro, Ohio.

Moreland spoke with several employers including USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service and Whyne Supply/Walker Company and said it was “cool how many people were there.”

“Organizations who take the time to attend a career fair are particularly targeting our MSU students, alumni and community job seekers. In hard economic times, networking at a career fair is one of the best ways to get job leads and an interview,” said Megan Boone, career services counselor and employer liaison. “Current students need to begin applying for internships to help build skills. We encourage all job seekers to take advantage of the career fair.”

The next career fair will be Tuesday, Oct. 1.

KFAC to host reception in Whitesburg

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Morehead State University's Kentucky Folk Art Center and The Courthouse Café in Whitesburg announce a special preview of KFAC's major new exhibition of works by Letcher County painter David Lucas. The reception will be held on Saturday, April 20, 6-8 p.m. at The Courthouse Café in Whitesburg.

The event will feature several paintings by Lucas from the collection of Josephine Richardson, refreshments, and live music. The event is being staged in advance of the opening of a major exhibition of Lucas' works at Kentucky Folk Art Center. The exhibition will open May 31 in conjunction with KFAC's "A Day in the Country" folk art fair and will feature more than 60 paintings and drawings by Lucas.

"David Lucas is one of the most important and prolific self-taught painters that Kentucky has ever produced," said Adrian Swain, KFAC artistic director. "His portraits and landscapes capture the beauty and struggles of life in southeast Kentucky, and the composition of his paintings is remarkable."

"Josephine Richardson, who owns The Courthouse Café in Whitesburg, is a member of our board and a collector of David Lucas' work," said Matt Collinsworth, KFAC director. "This seemed like a unique opportunity to do something in David's home community to promote the exhibition and recognize his work. This is the first time we've ever planned an exhibition preview event like this, and we're excited about it. We look forward to making new friends in Whitesburg.."

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.

For more information, call 606-783-2204; visit www.kyfolkart.org or call The Courthouse Café at 606-633-9637.

Klecker elected chair of AERA NAEP SIG

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Morehead State University's Beverly McCauley Klecker of the Department of Foundational and Graduate Studies in Education was elected chair of the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) Special Interest Group (SIG) of the American Educational Research Association (AERA).

She will serve for 2013-14 and will begin her term at the annual international meeting of AERA in San Francisco, April 26 through May 2.

Dr. Klecker received her B.S., M.A., and Ph.D. degrees from The Ohio State University. Her Ph.D. was completed in the Quantitative Research, Evaluation, and Measurement in Education (QREM) Program.

She joined Morehead State University's faculty in July 2001, received tenure and promotion to associate professor in 2007 and promoted to professor in 2012. At MSU, opportunities beyond teaching have included serving as internal evaluator on two U.S. Department of Education multi-year grants, serving as Counseling Program Leader since 2008 and as a member of the Faculty Senate for six years.

Dr. Klecker was a Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education (CPE) "Faculty Fellow" for the Kentucky Adult Learner Initiative and also worked with a statewide team to design an evaluation plan for Kentucky's educational leadership master's degree redesign pilot.

She has authored/co-authored more than 30 published research articles and has presented more than 50 conference papers. In 2011, she presented her paper comparing U.S. and Singapore 4th-grade reading scores at the annual meeting of the Journal of Arts and Sciences in Rome, Italy. Her scholarly work has been cited by international and national researchers.

She has served as vice president for e-Folios and Assessment for the international Society for Instructional Technology and Teacher Education (SITE), and as vice-president of the Mid-South Educational Research Foundations Board. Other memberships include AERA, Kentucky Counseling Association, Phi Kappa Phi, American MENSA, and The Ohio State University Alumni Association (life member).

She was honored as MSU's "Distinguished Researcher" in 2008.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Klecker at 606-783-2536.

Grimes visits MSU

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Secretary of State Alison Lundergan Grimes visited with Morehead State University students, officials and local leaders Thursday to discuss the state's civic health and how it could become stronger.

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Grimes led a roundtable discussion on Kentucky's civic health - part of the statewide Civic Health Initiative - which has prompted similar discussions at colleges and universities across Kentucky.

Grimes said her role is not just to oversee elections in the state but also to promote civic education and engagement among its citizens.

Panelists for the roundtable were Grimes; Rep. Rocky Adkins; Sen. Walter Blevins; Morehead Mayor David Perkins; Keith Kappes, newspaper publisher and Morehead Tourism Commission chair; MSU President Wayne Andrews; MSU Provost Karla Hughes; Margo Hunt, MSU Student Government Association president; Louise Cooper, coordinator of service learning, MSU Center for Regional Engagement; and Adrian Tapp, MSU SGA vice president for administration.

Grimes cited a study - which can be viewed on her office's website www.sos.ky.gov - called the 2011 Kentucky Civic Health Index that identifies the strengths and weaknesses in the state's overall public participation and civic literacy.

Grimes said there are three important areas to look at when measuring civic health:

- Political action involves being registered to vote, taking the action to vote, and keeping up with politicians.
- Social connection refers to people being helpful in their community, eating dinner with friends and family, and knowing their neighbors.
- Community engagement requires giving of one's time to be a part of local groups that help out a community.

Grimes began her civic health tour last November and will finish later this month.

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 April 16 through May 1. 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:

- Tuesday, April 16, 4 p.m., Main campus (601 Ginger Hall);
- Wednesday, April 17, 3:30 p.m., MSU at West Liberty;
- Wednesday, April 17, 4 p.m., MSU at Ashland;
- Thursday, April 18, 4 p.m., Mason County High School;
- Thursday, April 18, 4 p.m., MSU at Mt. Sterling;
- Monday, April 22, 3 p.m., MSU at Prestonsburg;
- Thursday, April 25, 2 p.m., UK's James W. Stuckert Career Center, Lexington;
- Friday, April 26, 1 p.m., Kentucky State University, Frankfort;
- Wednesday, May 1, 3 p.m., Morton Middle School in Lexington.

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.

Graduate Dean's Scholars honored

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Dr. Karla Hughes, provost and vice president for academic affairs, and Dr. Michael Henson, associate vice president for research and dean of the graduate school, hosted a reception recognizing the exemplary academic performance of the Graduate Dean's Scholars.

(View [photo gallery](#))

The reception was held Tuesday, April 2, in the Commonwealth Room of the Adron Doran University Center. The event was standing room only as parents and honored guests of the recipients attended the awarding of the honor medallions.

“It was a great pleasure to honor such a distinguished group of Graduate Dean's Scholars and to share the occasion with the family members and loved ones who are such integral parts of their success. I hope that this recognition will serve to open the door to a successful graduate career for many of these outstanding students,” said Dr. Henson.

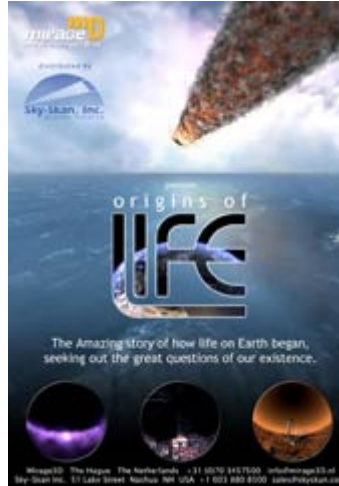
To qualify as a scholar, the student must be an undergraduate with 105 or more hours and a minimum 3.7 cumulative GPA. The program began in 2012 and is designed to encourage high performing undergraduate students to continue their academic career with MSU into Graduate School.

For more information, contact Susan Maxey, director of the graduate school, at 606-783-2317.

Star Theater announces April shows

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The public programs for Morehead State University's Star Theater for April will be "Origins of Life," "One World, One Sky," "Night Sky over Morehead" and "STARS."

"Origin of Life" will be shown Friday, April 19, at 6:30 p.m., followed by "Electrolaze" a new Laser show at 7:30 p.m. and "Fright Light" at 8:30 p.m.

Programs will continue on Saturday, April 20, with showings of "One World, One Sky" at 1 p.m., our new live program "The Night Sky over Morehead" at 2:15 p.m., and "STARS" at 3:30 p.m.

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

Selected laser music shows can contain unedited language.

General Public ticket prices are:

Planetarium programs

- \$2 – Adults
- \$1 – Students & Senior Citizens (60+)
- Free – 4 and under

Laser programs

- \$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.

CCL ranked as one of the top social media friendly college and university libraries

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Morehead State University's Camden-Carroll Library has been rated 73rd in the top 100 social media friendly college and university libraries as ranked by LibraryScienceList.com.

According to the website, "Librarians have come up with some innovative ways to use social media, from publishing pictures of edible book contest entries on Pinterest and Flickr to posting library-themed quotes and cartoons. But regardless of how each library uses their social media accounts, the end goal is the same: to get more students to visit the library."

The staff at LibraryScienceList.com searched the most popular social media platforms looking for libraries that are actively using their accounts to promote library events, notify students of new materials, or interact with patrons in other ways.

LibraryScienceList.com ended up with a list of 442 college and university libraries, which were evaluated based on their level of activity on various platforms. The highest possible score was 100, with 32 points for Facebook, 25 for Twitter, 18 for YouTube, 7 for Pinterest, 4 for Google Plus, and 14 for Flickr.

MSU received 26.7 from Facebook; 18.2 from Twitter; 14.5 from YouTube; and 13.5 from Flickr.

Camden-Carroll Library is opened Monday – Wednesday, 7 a.m. - midnight; Thursday, 7 a.m. - 11 p.m.; Friday, 7 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.; and Sunday, 1 p.m. - midnight.

Additional information is available by calling 606-783-2200.

MSPR wins AP awards

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Morehead State Public Radio was presented with 19 total awards at the 2013 Kentucky Associated Press Broadcasters Awards Banquet held at the Galt House in Louisville on Saturday, April 6.

“I am very proud of my staff for their accomplishments and recognition by their peers. It's a testament of their hard work and dedication to report the news to the communities we serve throughout eastern Kentucky,” said Paul Hitchcock, MSPR general manager.

MSPR earned five first place; seven second place; six honorable mentions; and one best of show (college).

MSU grads also earned awards for television including Tanner Hesterberg, Amber Philpott and Matthew Rand.

MSPR Winners in the College Division included:

Best in Show

Tyler Kline, Adult Spelling Bee

Best Radio Feature Story

1st Place -- Tyler Kline, Adult Spelling Bee

2nd Place -- Tyler Kline, Guest Composer

Honorable Mention -- Carly Lacey, Doughboy Statue

Best Radio Sports Coverage

1st Place -- Tyler Smith, MSU Rifle Team

2nd Place -- Tanner Hesterberg, 16th Region Tournament Preview

Honorable Mention -- Tanner Hesterberg, Storm the Court

Best Radio News Story

1st Place -- Matthew Rand, Carter County School District

2nd Place -- Tanner Hesterberg, Cuts to Governor's Scholars

Honorable Mention -- David Gillum, Northeast Jail Authority

Best Radio Newscast

1st Place -- Tanner Hesterberg, MSPR News

2nd Place -- Kelsey Bond, MSPR News

MSPR winners in the Professional Division included:

Best Sports Feature

Honorable Mention -- Tanner Hesterberg, Storm the Court

Best Play-By-Play

1st Place -- Chuck Mraz, Eagle Sports Network

Best Use of Sound

2nd Place -- Tyler Kline, Adult Spelling Bee

Best Website

Honorable Mention -- Greg Jenkins (www.msuradio.com)

Best Political Coverage

Honorable Mention -- Front Page with Chuck Mraz, Congressional Candidates Debate Coal

Best Continuing Coverage

2nd Place -- Dan Conti, West Liberty Tornado Coverage

Best Newscast

2nd Place -- Mountain Edition News - Tanner Boyd, Kelsey Bond, Tanner Hesterberg

Morehead State Public Radio broadcasts 24 hours a day from the campus of Morehead State University. WMKY (90.3 FM) serves as the flagship station for the MSPR network, which includes translator (88.3 FM) in Inez. MSPR serves more than 40 counties in Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia.

Additional information is available by calling MSPR at 1-800-286-9659 or 606-783-2001; or log on to MSPR's website at www.msuradio.com.

Relay for Life to host dance contest

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Morehead State University's Relay for Life team will host a dance contest on Sunday, April 21, from 5-10 p.m. at the Recreation and Wellness Center.

The evening will start with an hour of Zumba from 5-6 p.m. and then each half hour from 6-10 p.m. will be music from a different decade, starting with music from the 1950s. There will be a dance and costume contest for each decade with prizes.

Admission is \$3 for a single person and \$5 for couples and can be paid at the door on the night of the event. All proceeds will be donated for cancer research.

Kappa Sigma fraternity to host 'International Day of Service' April 13

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More than 30 members of the local Kappa Sigma chapter at Morehead State University will volunteer their time April 13 to help a variety of local nonprofit organizations including Helping Hands, Gateway House and Christian Social Services, as part of the organization's Spring Semester International Day of Service.

Across the U.S. and Canada, thousands of college undergraduate and alumni members of Kappa Sigma will participate in the event, volunteering their time for service projects and philanthropic fundraisers to benefit hundreds of nonprofit organizations within their local communities.

"By participating in the Kappa Sigma Day of Service, it shows the unity that our fraternity has not only in our local chapter but also in the nation. A day of service helps the community, while also building a strong relationship between our organization and our community," said Joshua Hardyman, president of MSU's Kappa Sigma chapter. "The importance of community service is to give back for all the support we receive from the community. Our community gives so much to our organization through fundraising, philanthropy, and sponsorship and this is just one of the ways we can give back."

The Day of Service was created as part of Kappa Sigma's "A Greater Cause" initiative, the international fraternity's ongoing commitment to promote volunteerism, citizenship and service to the community. Kappa Sigma held the first coordinated international day of service for any collegiate social fraternity in October 2012.

Since the launch of the A Greater Cause initiative in 2001, Kappa Sigma has achieved unprecedented levels of volunteerism and philanthropy among its members. During the 2011-12 academic year alone, Kappa Sigma contributed more than 470,000 volunteer service hours and donated nearly \$1.8 million collectively to those in need—a fraternity record and the most ever for a collegiate social Greek organization in a single year.

Founded in 1869 at the University of Virginia, Kappa Sigma Fraternity is the largest men's social fraternity in the world, having initiated nearly 300,000 members. With more than 17,000 undergraduates, at more than 300 chapters and colonies throughout the U.S. and Canada, the fraternity teaches its core standards and values through educational programming around the four pillars of Fellowship, Leadership, Scholarship and Service.

'Shamrock 5K Run' set for Saturday

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The Delta Tau chapter of Kappa Delta at Morehead State University is set to host its first Shamrock 5K Run on Saturday, April 13, to benefit Prevent Child Abuse America and the Sexual Assault Task Force of Rowan County.

The 5K will begin at 9 a.m. with registration and check-in on the Laughlin Lawn starting at 8 a.m. Kappa Delta will provide water and a light breakfast to all participants, as well as T-shirts to the first 30 who register that morning.

The registration fee is \$25. Prize will be awarded in these categories: Men and Women's first, second and third place; Most Spirited; 110 Percent Award for the student organization with the most participation.

For more information, contact Sarah Burkhardt, chapter vice president for community service, by email at shamrockrun5k_deltatau@yaho.com.

Retirees Association elects board

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At its recent annual meeting, the Morehead State University Retirees Association elected its new board members for the coming year. Serving on the board for 2013-14 will be, front row from left, Peg Jones, immediate past president and nominating committee; Loretta Lykins, volunteers committee; Jacquelyn Scott, secretary; Barbara Niemeyer, activities committee; Judith Yancy, local publicity, and Rosemary Hinton, vice president and nominating committee. Back row from left are Tami Jones, director of alumni and constituent relations; Ron Fiel, co-webmaster; Vincente Cano, president; Ken Sexton, co-webmaster; Gary Van Meter, volunteers committee; Jackie Bailey, activities committee; Maurice Esham, volunteers committee, and David Cutts, activities committee. Also serving on the board, but not pictured, are Sue Luckey, national publicity, and Merl Allen, volunteers committee, and Judy Carpenter, activities committee.

SEED to host MS Walk

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Morehead State University's Students Empowering Exceptional inDividuals (SEED) will host a MS (Multiple Sclerosis) Walk on Monday, April 22.

Registration will be at 4 p.m. at the Laughlin Lawn. Walk will start at 4:20 p.m. It will start and end at Laughlin.

The cost of the event is only \$5. All proceeds will go to the Kentucky MS Society. Participants will receive a wristband that is good for 20 percent off at Chickabiddy.

The student organization that brings the most members will receive 10 percent off next chapter screen print.

After the walk, there will be a bake sale, games and speakers.

Additional information is available by emailing seed.msu@gmail.com.

Senior art exhibition open through May 8

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The main gallery of Morehead State University's Claypool-Young Art Building will present "Make All Your Last Demands: Annual MSU Senior Juried Art Exhibition", through May 8.

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

Participating artists include: Marina Benham, Mt. Sterling; Tiffany Botts, Huntington W.Va.; Shauna Boyd, Russell; Kaleena Brown, Louisville; Stephanie Burchett, Grayson; Savannah Cable, Campton; Elizebeth Cantrell, West Liberty; Kelly Dean, Augusta; Renee Fecher, Mt. Sterling; Micah Fryman, Cynthiana; Sabrina Goble, Dana; Kaitlin Alfry Goss, Morehead; Brittany Hamilton, Morehead; James Henson, Harold; Matthew Jent, Hillsboro; Emily Johnson, Williamstown; Penny Johnson, McDowell; Kelsey Johnston, Louisville;

Justin Joseph, Atlanta, Ga.; Susannah Klooster, El Paso, Texas; Lauren McCoy, Mt. Sterling; Shane Pennington, Morehead; Annie Peterson, Owingsville; Whitney Phillips, Hazard; Meggan Sloas, Morehead; Cait Slover, Butler; Josh Smith, Stanford; Mallory Smith, Lancaster; Laurie Stoutenburgh, Central Point, Ore.; Dustin Sullivan, Dry Ridge; and Christina Underwood, Mt. Washington.

The gallery, within Claypool-Young, features contemporary art for 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, and is free and open to the public. Parking is available on Main Street and across campus after 5 p.m.

Additional information is available by contacting Jennifer Reis, gallery director, at 606-783-5446.

SOAR program held Friday

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Morehead State University hosted its first Student Orientation, Advising and Registration (SOAR) program Friday, April 19, in preparation for the 2013 fall semester.

First-year and transfer students register for their classes during these events.

SOAR programs that still have openings are June 20 and July 16.

Chief photographer Tim Holbrook captured some of the excited SOAR participants and has put them into a [photo gallery](#).

During future SOAR events, students will have their photographs taken for the University's identification card, the EagleCard, and meet with representatives from financial aid, student housing, food services, and accounting and financial services.

Campus tours also will be available.

Students must be accepted to MSU before they can participate in a SOAR program, and parents are encouraged to attend.

Preregistration for each SOAR program is necessary because of limited space.

There are two ways to register: visit the Web page at www.moreheadstate.edu/soar and complete the registration form; or register with the Office of First Year Programs by calling 606-783-5208.

MSU team wins prize at Statewide Business Plan Competition

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Two students from Morehead State University won an award in the sixth annual business plan competition for Kentucky university student entrepreneurs. The Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development developed the statewide program and funds the annual event, called “Idea State U,” to help identify and support the next generation of Kentucky innovators and entrepreneurs.

Kayla Keeton, Louisa senior, and Elizabeth Richmond, Morehead junior, together received \$1,000 for their entry in the competition’s undergraduate concept category. The proposed venture, *Belles of the Bluegrass*, is developing a high-tech event planning service.

Advisors Bev McCormick and Janet Ratliff spent months helping the students refine their business plan.

“The Idea State U business plan competition held this past weekend demonstrates the tremendous amount of entrepreneurial talent we have all across Kentucky,” said Gov. Steve Beshear. “Many of the innovation-based student ventures that were showcased will go on to form real companies that contribute real jobs to help our economy grow.”

MSU students were among more than 50 participants in the competition. In all, “Idea State U” featured six teams of graduate students and 12 teams of undergraduates from Kentucky’s universities. In addition to Morehead State University, students participated from Kentucky State University, University of Kentucky, University of Louisville, Northern Kentucky University, Western Kentucky University and Murray State University.

Approximately \$100,000 in prizes were awarded to the teams of students who conceived and developed plans for new Kentucky companies. Prizes were weighted to provide larger awards to those teams whose entries are more fully developed and therefore more likely to succeed in the real world. This emphasis on readiness to compete in the marketplace offers the greatest opportunity to earn a return on the state’s investment by creating real companies that provide real jobs for Kentuckians.

In response to this annual competition, several schools enhanced their existing programs or established new entrepreneurship courses to develop business plans to compete at future “Idea State U” events.

The Cabinet hosts the “Idea State U” competition to encourage a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship that will help sustain Kentucky’s future economy in the global marketplace. The \$100,000 in awards makes

Kentucky's "Idea State U" one of the nation's top state-sponsored business plan competitions.

Kentucky Space announces Space Tango: business accelerator

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Kentucky Space LLC has announced the creation of Space Tango, one of the nation's first business accelerators specifically for space enterprises and entrepreneurs. Space Tango is an early-stage venture fund, business accelerator and community of entrepreneurs for space-driven startups, with the goal of assisting businesses in developing innovations, novel applications and diverse markets.

The global space marketplace is now poised for significant growth and opportunity. Unprecedented access to space coupled with the rapid advancement of micro technologies and other innovations are combining to create a dynamic space industry. The 2013 report from the Space Foundation noted, "The global space economy grew by nearly 7 percent in 2012 reaching a new record of \$304.31 billion. As in previous years, the vast majority of this growth was in the commercial sector, which now constitutes nearly three-quarters of the space economy, with government making up the rest."

Selected companies will have access to a full team of advisors (scientists, engineers, entrepreneurs, sales and marketing professionals, investors, etc.) and facilities.

These other assets include the Exomedicine Institute, technical and ground operations centers at Morehead State University Space Science Center (21 meter tracking station) and the University of Kentucky Space Systems Lab and offices at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida and NASA Ames Research Center in Silicon Valley (Mountain View, Calif.).

"Space Tango is an extremely innovative concept--a business accelerator for space ventures. Through the Kentucky Space initiatives, we have been able to develop a significant amount of talent and research infrastructure in space systems engineering in Kentucky. Space Tango builds on these investments and will no doubt open the door for business development in the space sector in Kentucky," said Dr. Ben Malphrus, director of MSU's Space Science Center and chair of the Department of Earth and Space Sciences.

Opportunities (including adjacent applications) lie in developing entrepreneurial ideas, companies and products that enable the further exploitation of space. Possibilities involve small high-value satellites and space platforms, the International Space Station (ISS) and opportunities in biotechnology, exomedicine, novel materials, energy, education, and game design and development...as well as areas and applications not yet imagined.

"The successful development of a commercial and sustainable space marketplace is in large part dependent on disruptive thinking and novel experimentation outside of the traditional boundaries," said Kris Kimel, president of Kentucky Space.

In the initial round, Space Tango will invest in up to six companies from across the U.S. These enterprises will participate in an intensive 12 week on-site program, centered in Lexington, that will provide a complete constellation of services, advisors and networks necessary to successfully start and grow a space-driven

business. Companies will be selected primarily on the basis of their idea, science, technology, market fit, customer understanding, management team and readiness level.

“The Office of Commercialization and Innovation is excited about playing a role in the further development of a global space marketplace...as well as a dynamic entrepreneurial space industry cluster in the region” said Gene Fuqua, executive director of the Kentucky Office of Commercialization and Innovation.

Further details and contact information be found at www.spacetango.com.

MSPR airs 'West of Memphis' documentary

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Morehead State Public Radio will present "West of Memphis: Voices For Justice" Sunday, May 5, at 4 p.m.

In 1994, three teenagers were convicted for the murders of three young boys in West Memphis, Ark. The children's bodies were discovered in a wooded ditch known as the Robin Hood Hills and three teens, Jessie Misskelley, Damien Echols and Jason Baldwin, were accused of sacrificing the three children in a satanic ritual.

The documentary "West of Memphis: Voices For Justice" follows the storyline of the three teenagers and their arrest for the murders of 8-year-olds, Christopher Byers, Steven Branch, and Michael Moore. The teens were found guilty and Damien Echols was sentenced to death, Jessie Misskelley and Jason Baldwin were sentenced to life in prison.

In 2010, new DNA evidence from the crime scene was brought into question, casting doubt on the original conviction. The three men were released from prison as part of an Alford plea deal where the prosecution reserved the right to maintain innocence despite sufficient evidence to secure the conviction. The three men spent 18 years and 78 days in prison before their release. Even more provocative than the documentary itself, is bringing into question the effectiveness of the overall justice system.

The one-hour radio special from Public Media Service, will highlight the film and its soundtrack, including music by Bob Dylan, Lucinda Williams, Citizen Cope and Eddie Vedder. Plus, personal comments from Echols, and supporters Henry Rollins, Natalie Maines and Johnny Depp.

Morehead State Public Radio broadcasts 24 hours a day from the campus of Morehead State University. WMKY (90.3 FM) serves as the flagship station for the MSPR network, which includes translator (88.3 FM) in Inez. MSPR serves more than 40 counties in Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia.

Additional information is available by calling MSPR at 1-800-286-9659 or 606-783-2001; or log on to MSPR's website at www.msradio.com.

Hornbuckle joins LTS Board of Trustees

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Morehead State University's Jami M. Hornbuckle, assistant vice president for communications and marketing, has been named one of the newest members of the Class of 2015 of the Lexington Theological Seminary Board of Trustees.

Also named to the board was William Bramblet. He is the CEO/Board Chair at Traditional Bank Inc.

"Hornbuckle and Bramblet bring exciting skills and abilities to the board and both are tremendous people of faith," said LTS President Charisse L. Gillett. "I look forward to working with them as the Seminary continues to find ways to educate and train pastors and laity for 21st century ministry."

Hornbuckle has led MSU through a complete rebranding effort and celebrated two record enrollments under her watch.

A member of MSU's Society of Fellows and Visionary Society, she was named the 1999 Faculty/Staff Fundraiser of the Year, and was nominated as one of MSU's "Influential Eagles" as part of the institution's 125th Anniversary. A graduate of the 2007 President's Leadership Academy, she remains active in various community groups as well as her sorority. She has presented at seminars and conferences on leadership, marketing to adult learners, social media, web marketing and branding.

She is a two-time graduate of MSU.

"This is time of significant transformation for LTS and the church," said Board Chairman Gary Kidwell. "I am pleased to be part of a board made up of dynamic and thoughtful people who are passionate about the well-being of the Seminary and its mission."

Other LTS Board of Trustees officers are: Richard G. Griffith, vice chair; and Kristen Bale, secretary. Board members include: Greg Alexander, Julie Richardson Brown, Manny Collazo, Joe Gardner, Leslie Geoghegan, Betsy Goehrig, W. Gordon Hamlin, Larry Jackson, Ralph B. Jahnige, William Lee, Douglas N. Lofton, William H. McDonald, Richard McQuady, Michael Mooty, Forrest Roberts, Warren Rogers, James Sullivan and Nancy Walton.

LTS officers are President Charisse Gillett; Vice President and Dean Richard Weis; Chief Financial Officer Laura Davis; and Vice President for Advancement Mark Blankenship.

CPE caps tuition increase at 3 percent

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Kentucky's Council on Postsecondary Education approved a 3 percent ceiling for tuition increases for the coming academic year for in-state undergraduate students at Kentucky's public colleges and universities. This represents the smallest average tuition increase for Kentucky public institutions in 15 years.

"Students and families across the state are struggling to keep up with ever-increasing tuition and fee payments for college, and today's vote shows the Council recognizes the challenge of paying for education. I congratulate the Council on today's vote, which will help to keep college education within reach for more Kentucky families," said Gov. Steve Beshear.

"Given the challenging economic environment that our students face, the Council felt it was appropriate that tuition increases be as minimal as possible next year, while still allowing institutions some revenue to meet growing fixed costs," said Bob King, CPE president.

King said the additional tuition and fee revenue of \$31.5 million will address only about half (51.3 percent) of the estimated \$61.4 million increase in fixed costs next year, resulting in an estimated budget shortfall of \$29.9 million.

"Our campuses are doing their part to constrain costs without sacrificing academic quality," he said. "It is clear that if Kentucky wants a healthy and vibrant economy, it can only do so with a well-educated workforce. We are hopeful our elected officials will find a way to reinvest in higher education."

In other tuition action, the Council maintained the current floor for nonresident, undergraduate tuition and mandatory fees at two times the resident, undergraduate rate. For graduate and online tuition and fees, the Council allowed the public universities to submit market competitive resident and nonresident rates.

The Council will vote on complete campus tuition proposals at its June 20 meeting.

The next meeting of the Council is set June 19-20 at Kentucky State University, Frankfort.

Meeting materials are available on the CPE website at www.cpe.ky.gov/about/cpe/meetings/2013/April+18+Meeting.htm.

Katie Fryman Memorial Scholarship announced

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The Morehead State University Foundation has announced the establishment of the Katie Fryman Memorial Scholarship.

Fryman, 17, passed away earlier this year. She is survived by her parents, Angela Runner Fryman and Larry Dewayne Fryman, along with her brother Ethan.

A student at Rowan County Senior High School, she was an avid supporter of the RCSHS basketball team, loved going to school and being with her special friends.

The recipient must be a full-time MSU incoming freshman, who is a RCSHS graduate and had a 3.5 grade-point-average or above.

Applicants should submit applications along with two letters of recommendation and a personal story of influence. The recommendations should include one from RCSHS faculty or staff and a member of the Morehead community. The personal influence should reflect on experiences of the applicant in relation to how someone has made a difference in their life.

Scholarships will be awarded in the amount of \$500 and may increase if additional funding is available. The recipient will be selected by a committee and is a one-time award (not renewable).

Deadline for applications is Monday, May 6.

Donations may be made to MSU Foundation Inc., Katie Fryman Scholarship Fund, Palmer Development House, Morehead.

Additional information is available by contacting the RCSHS guidance counselor or MSU's Enrollment Services at 606-783-2000.

Guidelines set for UB Summer Food Services

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Morehead State University's Upward Bound Program will again host the Summer Food Service Program during the 2013 Summer Academy which will run June 2 until July 5.

Meals will be provided to all eligible participants free of charge. To be eligible, children must be in households that receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits, or benefits under the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), or Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF).

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.

Meals will be provided in the Alumni Tower Cafeteria on the MSU campus on a schedule: breakfast, 7:30 – 9 a.m.; lunch, 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.; and supper, 5:15 – 6:15 p.m.

To file a complaint of discrimination, call toll free at 866-632-9992 or write USDA, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-9410.

For more information, call Jennifer Cady, MSU program director, at 606-783-2611.

Rucker to be honored by YMCA

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Morehead State University's Tashanna Rucker, senior enrollment services counselor for diversity, will be honored April 27 at the YMCA Central Kentucky Black Achievers Program Honors and Awards Ceremony as Volunteer of the Year.

"Tashanna Rucker has been a fantastic addition to our team of volunteers. She has connected us to key staff within Morehead State University and other colleges and universities throughout the state," said Roxanna Brown, director of the Black Achievers of the YMCA of Central Kentucky. "When crossing the paths of our Achievers, she has given them a sense of hope and responsibility for their future and that of those around them. We will forever be grateful for the work Ms. Rucker does in our community."

The ceremony will start at 6 p.m. at the Embassy Suites, 1801 Newtown Pike in Lexington.

Rucker has held several positions in higher education since the start of her professional career (2006). She is known for her commitment to student success and academic achievement by encouraging students to pursue postsecondary education. She has been instrumental in developing student success by getting the students to focus on their strengths, to enhance their leadership skills, and to understand and realize their full potential. But most importantly, Rucker strives to positively impact the lives of youth she encounters daily.

With her current job, she aligns the annual minority student recruitment strategic marketing plan with MSU's enrollment goals. Additionally, she organizes and facilitates innovative recruitment initiatives targeting diverse student populations. Morehead State's prominent minority student recruitment initiatives include Diversity Day and Evening with the Eagles. As an integral member of the University's recruitment team, Rucker also represents the University at area high schools, national and local college/career fairs, and community outreach programs and events.

Since beginning her tenure at Morehead State, Rucker has effectively built relationships, trust and rapport with school administrators, parents, students, community organizations, and community leaders, particularly a strong partnership and alliance with the Central Kentucky YMCA Black Achievers Program.

Morehead State is a corporate partner, program supporter, and scholarship sponsor of the Black Achievers Program and Rucker serves as liaison between the two. She is diligent in educating achievers about the full tuition the Black Achievers Scholarship offers at MSU. Rucker's strong advocacy and involvement with the Black Achievers Program allowed her to serve as a member of the 2011 Advisory Committee and chaperone the 2012 Spring Break College Tour.

Prior to MSU, Rucker spent nearly three years as a financial aid and scholarship counselor at Missouri State University in Springfield. While there, she assisted students in funding their college education and managed all Missouri Department of Higher Education financial assistance programs. Also during that time, she educated students and their families on financial aid eligibility, options and processes.

Raised in St. Louis, Rucker holds a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice degree with the emphasis in corrections and a minor in developmental psychology from Southeast Missouri State University and a Master of Science in Public Administration and Policy Analysis degree with an emphasis in nonprofit administration from Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville.

Additional information is available from Rucker at 606-783-2000.

Paintsville SBDC to offer free workshop May 14

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Morehead State University's East Kentucky Small Business Development Center (SBDC) in Paintsville will host "How to Start a Business in Kentucky," Tuesday, May 14, from 5-7 p.m.

Have you thought about starting your own business? If so, this workshop will walk you through the essentials to starting a business in Kentucky. It will be held at the offices of the Paintsville Small Business Development Center, 224 Main Street in Paintsville.

"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 free workshop is 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.

For a list of upcoming events, you may visit the MSU SBDC website at www.moreheadstate.edu/sbdc.

Additional information and pre-registration are available by contacting Spriggs at 606-788-7272 or by email at m.spriggs@moreheadstate.edu.

KCTM to perform semester finale April 30

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Morehead State University's Kentucky Center for Traditional Music will present an evening of traditional music at the Rowan County Arts Center Tuesday, April 30, at 7 p.m.

The event is free and sponsored by Whitaker Bank.

This "Sounds of Our Heritage" event is the final concert by all sections of band classes offered this semester. Ensemble classes are offered in several styles, Bluegrass, Old Time String Band, Old Time Country, and groups that address those styles plus Western Swing, Celtic, Blues and Gospel and a Traditional Vocal Ensemble.

KCTM students have represented MSU and the music and culture of the Appalachian Mountains regionally and internationally at such venues as the Paramount Performing Arts Center in Bristol, Tenn., Marion Theater in Marion, Va., City Winery in New York and concert tours in Ireland and China.

MSU was first to offer a minor in traditional music (in 2000) and now offers a four-year degree in traditional music, approved by the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM). This degree, officially titled Bachelor of Arts in Music (Traditional Music), is the first baccalaureate degree with robust traditional music curriculum focusing on musical styles including Bluegrass, old time and country music offered in the Commonwealth and the first with NASM approval.

In addition to the academic program in traditional music and active performance schedule, the Center also houses the "Traditional Music Archives" that supports the academic program and where students and the public can access a unique catalogue of audio, video and printed traditional music materials.

For additional information, call KCTM at 606-783-9001.

Textbooks buy back schedule announced

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College textbooks are expensive. Although students may deem some of their books valuable and keep them for future reference, most books end up back in the system.

Students at Morehead State University's regional campuses will have an opportunity to sell back their 2013 spring semester books.

The following schedule will be followed:

MSU at Ashland, Tuesday through Thursday, May 7-9, from 3-7 p.m.

MSU at Mt. Sterling, Tuesday through Thursday, May 7-9, from 3-6 p.m.

MSU at Prestonsburg, Wednesday, May 8, and Thursday, May 9, from 3-6 p.m.

MSU at West Liberty, Wednesday, May 8, from 3-6 p.m.

Buy backs on the Morehead campus will be held on the first floor of the Adron Doran University Center: May 1-3 from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Monday through Thursday, May 6-9, from 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Friday, May 10, from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; and Saturday, May 11, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Student ID is required.

Additional information is available by calling the University Bookstore at 606-783-2081.

'Night at the Derby' recap

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The 420 guests were all winners at Morehead State University's annual Spring Gala on Saturday for a "Night at the Derby."

For this evening of laughter and fun, there was a multitude of gala-goers in their finest Derby attire with an abundance of hats, hats and more hats, in a variety of designs and colors. The bugler with his "call to the post" made it authentically Kentucky.

Beginning with the hors d'oeuvres' at a welcoming reception in the Adron Doran University Center, the party never ended. From the silent auction, dinner, special entertainment performance, and dessert and dancing in Button Drill Room, laughter was abundant as attendants shared the camaraderie.

A highlight of the evening was the "All Things Kentucky" extravaganza of the Morehead State Opry on the stage at Button Auditorium. The show included a variety of musical genres performed by the University's faculty, staff and students and included musicians from the Kentucky Center for Traditional Music.

The proceeds from this event, which raises approximately \$125,000 annually, provides educational opportunities for MSU students.

Chief photographer Tim Holbrook captured some of the flavor of the evening and has provided this [photo gallery](#).

Pidluzny and McBrayer named to Academic Fellowship in Terrorism Studies

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Morehead State University's Dr. Gregory McBrayer and Dr. Jonathan Pidluzny, assistant professors of government, each have been named an "Academic Fellow" for 2013-14 by the Foundation for the Defense of Democracies (FDD), a non-partisan policy institute headquartered in Washington, D.C.

Both will travel to Israel in June for an intensive course in terrorism studies, and in particular, how democracies can defeat the worldwide terrorist threat.

"Terrorism remains the greatest threat today to the world's democracies, including the United States and our allies around the globe," said Clifford May, president of FDD. "To win the war against terrorism, we must win the war of ideas by promoting democracy and defeating the totalitarian ideologies that drive and justify terrorism."

The FDD Academic Fellows program provides a 10-day learning experience to U.S.-based teaching and research professionals to provide them with cutting edge information about defeating terrorist groups. The 2013 program, which will be conducted at Tel Aviv University from June 16-25, includes lectures by academics, and military and intelligence officials, as well as diplomats from Israel, Jordan, India and the United States. It also includes "hands on" experience through visits to police, customs, and immigration facilities, military bases, and border zones to learn the practical side of deterring and defeating terrorists.

Dr. McBrayer began at MSU in the fall of 2012. He received his bachelor's degree from Emory University, a master's degree from the University of Georgia and his Ph.D. degree from the University of Maryland.

“This is an exciting opportunity to learn from various types of experts in a field of growing importance, and I look forward to being able to teach courses on International Terrorism in upcoming years,” said Dr. McBrayer.

Dr. Pidluzny joined MSU in 2009. He received his Ph.D. from Boston College.

“I’ve followed FDD’s work for years and have learned a great deal about terrorism and democracy. It’s a privilege to have this opportunity to interact with FDD scholars in person. I’m looking very forward to the workshop, which will support both my teaching and research,” said Dr. Pidluzny.

Drs. McBrayer and Pidluzny both teach within MSU’s School of Public Affairs.

For more information on the Foundation for the Defense of Democracies or the Academic Fellowship program, contact Dana Murphy, campus programs coordinator, at 202-207-0190.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. McBrayer at 606-783-2920 or Dr. Pidluzny at 606-783-9431.

Last Performance of 'Mr. E of Imagination' set for May 3

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The Rowan County Arts Center will host a performance and workshop by Morehead State University's The Little Company Friday, May 3, at 6:30 p.m.

The performance will be the troupe's final public showing of "Mister E of Imagination: Tales of Edgar Allan Poe" written by Vivian Snipes of the Lexington Children's Theatre.

Tickets are \$5 or pay what you can, and can be purchased at the door. Audience members are also invited to participate in a post-show drama workshop conducted by the show's cast members.

This spring, The Little Company has conducted 34 performances of the play reaching out to more than 5,000 middle and high school students.

Feedback received from schools has been very positive.

"I wanted to let you know how much of a joy The Little Company was today! The kids and teachers thought they were fantastic. We loved working with them and would love to work with them again. ... they were great and the kids would love to have them back again sometime," said David Sweet, performing arts teacher at Whitley County High School.

Octavia Biggs, who directs The Little Company, is popularly known for directing educational theatre programs for children through Lexington Children's Theatre Shooting Stars Youtheatre. Recently, she begun teaching children's theatre classes at MSU. Biggs also serves on the board of directors for the Morehead Theatre Guild.

Mister E of Imagination is the creation of Snipes and was originally produced by LCT.

Poe became well known as the father of modern mystery. His life was one filled with tragedy. Snipes has creatively taken scenes from several of Poe's chaotic and gruesome stories and poems and has interwoven them into a recollection of his life just prior to his untimely death.

Funded by the W. Paul and Lucille Caudill Little Foundation, The Little Company is MSU's theatre touring troupe composed of students.

This performance is not intended for young audiences and is suggested for middle school grades and up.

For information on the Rowan County Arts Center, visit www.rcartscenter.org/ or call 606-783-9857.

Additional information about the Little Company is available at 606-783-2545.

MSU receives ECCC grant

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Gov. Steve Beshear and the Governor's Office of Early Childhood has announced \$196,600 in funding for four regions to establish or strengthen Community Early Childhood Councils (CECC) across Kentucky to promote school readiness for children.

Morehead State University will anchor the grant that includes Bracken, Lewis, Lawrence and Martin counties.

"Morehead State has a reputation for producing strong educators and a history of serving communities in eastern Kentucky. We are proud to partner with them in the important work of supporting our communities to ensure that all children enter school ready to succeed," said Terry Tolan, executive director of the Governor's Office of Early Childhood.

The grants are part of Gov. Beshear's ongoing commitment to improve education and health services for Kentucky's youngest citizens.

Each area of the state has a regional coordinator or anchor that helps surrounding counties create or improve local councils. The local school district in each anchor county is responsible for implementing the program.

Other regions awarded a \$49,150 grant were:

Clinton (anchor county), Adair, Cumberland and Russell counties; Madison (anchor), Estill, Powell and Lee counties; and Todd (anchor), Christian, Muhlenberg and Hopkins counties.

Gov. Beshear formed the Governor's Task Force on Early Childhood Development and Education in February 2009 to study the state's system of early childhood services. As a result of the task force's recommendations, he created the Early Childhood Advisory Council.

"We created the Council to unite community leaders behind common strategies, standards and goals for Kentucky's early childhood system," said Gov. Beshear. "These grants are a direct result of its work to provide and support our communities."

The purpose of the Community Early Childhood Councils is to bring local people together to assess the unique needs of each early childhood community, build upon current strengths and explore creative ways to meet those needs, Beshear said.

Active councils in 105 counties across the state include community representatives from local school districts, public health departments, childcare providers, Head Start, local libraries and others.

"Local Community Early Childhood Councils are an important part of our work to improve kindergarten

readiness in Kentucky,” said Tolan. “Utilizing a strong regional coordinator helps each of these areas maximize local community growth, bring stakeholders together and coordinate delivery of services from birth until children enter school.”

2014 President's Leadership Academy announced

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Members of the 2014 class of the President's Leadership Academy at Morehead State University were introduced at a reception on April 23.

"Our people are our most important assets, and it is always important to build our leadership capacity," said MSU President Wayne D. Andrews, who welcomed incoming members at the event.

Leadership Academy class members are:

Dr. Dora Ahmadi, chair of the Department of Mathematics, Computer Science and Physics; Dr. Lee Skallerup Bessette, instructor of English; Lauren Buck, business manager, university center and conference services; Dr. Carol Christian, assistant professor and director of the P-16 program; Dr. Scott Davison, chair of the Department of History, Philosophy, Religion and Legal Studies; Dr. Kristina DuRocher, associate professor of history; Dr. Shannon Harr, research integrity and compliance director; Yvette Kell, director of recreation and wellness center; Dr. Tyler Mark, assistant professor of agribusiness;

Dr. Jim Masterson, assistant professor and director of international education; Amy Moore, operations manager, information technology; Melisa Patrick, community service and marketing coordinator for the Center for Regional Engagement; Dr. Nancy Preston, director of Morehead State University at Ashland; Tashanna Rucker, senior enrollment services counselor/diversity; Dr. Kimberlee Sharp, associate professor of middle grades and secondary education; Dr. Marjorie Shavers, assistant professor of education counseling; and Dr. Ilsun White, professor of psychology.

Academy members were named after a competitive nomination and selection process that included interviews conducted by groups of community leaders.

The President's Leadership Academy provides quality professional development, including a case study, readings, field trips and internships to selected faculty and staff showing leadership potential.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Janet McCoy, interim director of the Center for Leadership and Professional Development, at 606-783-9363 or by email to j.mccoy@moreheadstate.edu.

Retirees to visit Maysville

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Retirees Association

Morehead State University staff and faculty retirees will tour the Maysville Community and Technical College Culinary Institute at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 2.

While in the Maysville area, the group will visit the Cox Building and have a Dutch treat lunch at Chandler's followed by a tour of the Kentucky Gateway Museum at 1:30 p.m.

Cars will leave from the old Food Lion parking lot at 9:30 a.m.

There will be a \$9 per person admission fee for the museum and those attending are asked to make reservations by Wednesday, May 1, by calling Tami Jones, director of alumni and constituent relations, at 606-783-2080 (toll-free 1 800-783-ALUM) or email t.jones@moreheadstate.edu.

Other "Mark Your Calendar" dates for retirees to take note of include:

A visit to Beefalo's Farm in Flemingsburg and the Covered Bridge Museum on Thursday, June 20;

A visit to Reed Valley Orchard in Paris, including berry picking opportunities, a tour of the Hopewell Museum and Cane Ridge Meeting House on Thursday, July 11;

A tour of Augusta and the Rosemary Clooney Museum as well as the Augusta Ferry on Thursday, Aug. 22.

A walking tour of Owingsville with lunch at the Kentucky Market Pavilion.

More details on these events will be announced closer to the time. These events are open to all retired staff, faculty and their guests.

Dr. C. David Adair to receive honorary degree

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COMING TO CAMPUS FOR COMMENCEMENT TODAY?: Eastbound I-64 closed due to crash; Traffic will be rerouted to Morehead at Farmer/Sharkey Exit

Dr. C. David “Mugsy” Adair, a nationally recognized physician and researcher, will be presented an honorary degree of Doctor of Science at Morehead State University’s Spring Commencement, May 11.

During the ceremony that begins at 10 a.m. in the Academic-Athletic Center, MSU President Wayne D. Andrews will confer degrees on graduate and undergraduate students from the College of Business and Public Affairs and College of Science and Technology.

A second program will begin at 2 p.m. for students in the Caudill College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences and the College of Education.

A 1986 graduate of MSU, Dr. Adair is a leading researcher and innovative developer in the field of obstetrics and gynecology. He is professor and vice chair of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Tennessee College of Medicine and director of Women’s Services at Erlanger Hospital. In addition to these positions, Dr. Adair is founder and chief science officer of Glenveigh Medical, a pharmaceutical company committed to OB/GYN issues, and co-founder and CEO of Regional Obstetrical Consultants.

The focus of both Dr. Adair’s practice and research is high-risk pregnancies. He has been nationally recognized for his success in improving the care and outcome for mothers and babies in highly complicated pregnancies. Currently, his efforts relate to the treatment of preeclampsia and eclampsia.

Dr. Adair received his undergraduate degree in biological sciences, his medical degree from Marshall University, residency in obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Florida Health Science Center in Jacksonville, and fellowship in Maternal-Fetal Medicine at Wake Forest University. He received training at Henry Ford Hospital, National Maternity Hospital in Dublin, Ireland, and at the Renal Unit Mass General Hospital.

Dr. Adair has continually been a strong supporter of MSU. He resides in Chattanooga, Tenn., with his wife Lisa and their three children.

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

Early Graduate School Program announced

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Morehead State University's Graduate School has announced the addition of the Early Graduate School Program. The program provides an opportunity for MSU undergraduate students who have completed 90 or more credit hours toward the completion of the baccalaureate degree to be considered for admission to the Graduate School and to enroll in graduate coursework. Students may earn up to a maximum of 12 graduate credit hours while holding undergraduate concurrent admission.

To be eligible for the program, the student must meet the following criteria:

- Have an overall undergraduate grade point average of at least 3.0 at the time of admission.
- Maintain an overall undergraduate grade point average of at least 3.0 and a graduate grade point average of at least 3.0 to continue in the Early Graduate School Program.
- Submit an Early Graduate School Program application and a graduate program admission application (there is a \$30 application fee for the graduate application).
- Be approved by the program specific department representative and the Graduate Dean and undergraduate concurrent admission to the Graduate School.

All undergraduate students who participate in this program must submit a graduate application at the beginning of the semester requested and go through the official admission process.

Students must meet admission criteria to their chosen program and admission will be decided by the department. Participants are ineligible for a graduate assistantship and will be billed at the undergraduate tuition rate for graduate courses.

Additional information is available by calling 606-783-9580, stopping by its office in basement of Fields Hall (Seminar 001 room); or visit www.moreheadstate.edu/earlygradschool/.