

## Preparations underway for Madrigal Feaste

Once a year, MSU students, staff and faculty step back in time and place to medieval Europe to present "Ye Olde Madrigal Feaste."

The campus community is invited to spend an evening in the company of the lords and ladies, knights and naves, and jesters and jugglers. Preparations are now underway for the musical, visual and culinary celebration, scheduled to be held Thursday through Saturday, Nov. 29-Dec. 1.

The Feaste, the University's official holiday dinner, is a 21st century rendition of Renaissance feasts held in baronial halls throughout England, celebrating the 12 days of Christmas. The event will feature gourmet food, themed entertainment, vocal and instrumental music and roving performers.

It will be held in the Crager Room of the Adron Doran University Center at 7 p.m. each evening. The doors open at 6:30 p.m., with traditional holiday music.

The evening's activities will begin with the grand processional of the lords and ladies, minstrels and chanteuses and the "Lord of Misrule" – Dr. Bob Willenbrink, chair of the Department of Communication and Theatre and master of ceremonies for the feaste. Brass fanfare will introduce the madrigal singers, who will fill the "castle" with sounds of the season.

A meal "fit for a king" will be served, complete with wassail and topped off with festive flaming plum pudding. Those who attend are encouraged to come dressed in Renaissance festival costumes, or traditional holiday attire.

Sponsored by the MSU Arts & Humanities Council, Ye Olde Madrigal Feaste is presented by faculty, staff and students in the departments of art, music and communication and theatre. It is an annual fundraiser that supports educational opportunities for students enrolled in programs within the Caudill College of Humanities.

Several academic department and units collaborate for the celebration, including the Departments of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy, the Department of Geography, Government and History, the Office of Communications and Marketing and Morehead State Public Radio.

Advance reservations are necessary by Nov. 27. Individual tickets are \$30. Group tickets for tables of eight or more guests also are available.

Additional information on reservations or sponsoring this year's Madrigal Feaste is available by calling the communication and theatre office at 783-2134 or 783-2545, or by visiting the office at 111 Breckinridge Hall.

## Info session

MSU at Mt. Sterling will host an "Adult Student Open House" to help area residents achieve the dream of a college education.

The informational session will be held at the MSU at Mt. Sterling campus, located at the Clay Community Center, 3400 Indian Mound Drive, on Tuesday, Nov. 13, at 7 p.m.

Representatives will be available to explain how to apply for admission, how to return to the University if it has been a while since attending, how to transfer credits from another institution and how to access financial aid resources. Information about academic programs, including those offered in Mt. Sterling, will be available.

## Regents to meet for work session

The MSU Board of Regents will meet for a work session at 9 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 8, in 109 Breckinridge Hall.

During the work session, the Regents will discuss: presidential evaluation; general education redesign; academic program audits; and the proposed BOR Code of Ethics.

Following the session, Board members will join MSU administrators in Room 302 for a retreat related to the Business Plan.

## Online statement

A vital step in providing more privacy and convenience to students when accessing their financial accounts at MSU is now available online. Beginning with spring semester registration on Monday, Nov. 5, the Statement of Intent was accessible for students through MSU's Web site. It previously was only available in print to be signed and returned through traditional mail or hand delivery.

The completed statement confirms a student's intentions to return for the spring semester. It also offers them the option to defer paying their account balance in full. MSU's Office of Accounting and Budgetary Control lists full instructions in its "How to Pay Tuition and Fees" on the University's Web site ([www.moreheadstate.edu/abc](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/abc)).

The Statement of Intent must be filed electronically by each student after they register for classes each semester. This applies even if they plan to pay prior to the beginning of the semester, according to Carol Ford, assistant director of accounting and budgetary control.

"All students must complete the Statement of Intent, and either 'accept' or 'opt out' of the terms of the agreement," she said. "By agreeing to the conditions of the statement, students confirm they will attend classes at MSU and acknowledge their bill. It also will give them the choice of extending the period of time they have to pay their account in full."

The deadline for submitting a completed Statement of Intent is Jan. 7 for the spring semester. This requirement also applies to any student who receives financial aid or scholarships, or whose college expenses are being paid by an outside agency, Ford said. If a statement is not on file by Jan. 7, the student's class will be deleted from the system.

Ford said students are encouraged to read the Statement of Intent carefully and make sure they understand the requirements and deadline dates before agreeing to abide by the terms of this document. Statements are available online on WebAdvisor through [www.moreheadstate.edu](http://www.moreheadstate.edu).

## Incentive funds

MSU/ Rowan County's Adult Learning Center and MSU at West Liberty's Adult Education and Career Center were among the adult education programs to share more than \$1 million in incentive funds from Kentucky Adult Education for meeting or exceeding enrollment and performance goals in the 2006-07 fiscal year.

Only 70 Kentucky counties had adult education program to earn performance incentives. The MSU/Rowan County Adult Learning Center will receive \$9,588 while MSU West Liberty's center earned \$7,752.

To qualify for incentive funds, local adult education programs must meet or exceed enrollment goals and at least 50 percent of their performance indicators. The indicators for 2006-07 included family literacy enrollment, GED attainment, transition of GED graduates to postsecondary education or training, and increase in academic skills.

## CPE will seek \$174 million budget hike

The Council on Postsecondary Education approved its 2008-10 budget request, which recommends a funding increase of \$174 million, or 16 percent, for Kentucky's postsecondary education institutions over the biennium.

The funding request focuses on increasing access to postsecondary education and meeting state goals, including increasing the state's educational attainment by doubling the number of college graduates in the state and promoting research, economic and community development.

"Our new funding approach is designed to create a tighter contract with state policymakers to ensure they are clearly seeing the return on their investment in postsecondary education," said Brad Cowgill, interim president of the Council on Postsecondary Education.

The Council's budget request comes as the result of months of discussions with university presidents, chief budget officers, chief academic officers, state policymakers and others.

The request includes funding for strategic statewide investments including:

\$25 million for a new incentive funding program called the Double the Numbers Degree Fund. This fund would reward public four-year universities for increasing bachelor's degree production and the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) for increasing the number of associate degrees and transfers to four-year institutions.

\$22.5 million for the KCTCS Access Initiative to offset the costs of freezing tuition over the biennium at Kentucky's community and technical colleges.

\$200 million to fund the Bucks for Brains program, which matches private donations with state funds.

\$40 million to implement the recommendations from statewide task forces on developmental education and science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) to accelerate improvements in each of these areas.

The budget request also includes a recommendation of \$800 million for capital projects at Kentucky's public colleges and universities.

## New counselor

Donnell Murray has joined the staff of MSU's Office of Enrollment Services as an admissions counselor. In her position, she will provide information on the University's programs to prospective students, parents and school administrators in MSU's service region.

Murray will represent the institution in a variety of marketing events, including college nights and fairs, high school programs, individual school visits, MSU Open House days and Student Orientation, Advising and Registration (SOAR) sessions.

Her previous experience includes working as a recruiter at the Pennsylvania Culinary Institute in Pittsburgh and Spencian College in Lexington. She also has been active in Girl Scout leadership and as a youth minister for several churches. Murray, who holds a Bachelor of University Studies degree from MSU, is a member of Phi Kappa Phi honor society and Pinnacle, the honorary organization for non-traditional students.

## SOAR session

Morehead State University will hold a Student Orientation, Advising and Registration (SOAR) day on Friday, Nov. 9, to assist new and transfer students in getting acquainted with the University and its programs and register for the 2008 spring semester.

A student must be accepted to MSU before they can participate.

New and transfer students can check-in between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on the 1st floor of the Adron Doran University Center (ADUC).

Students will have their EagleCard photo taken and create their course schedule for the spring semester. Representatives from Student Housing, food services, and financial aid will be available to answer questions.

There are two ways to register: visit the Web at [www.moreheadstate.edu/soar](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/soar) and complete the registration form; or call the Office of First Year Programs at 783-5208.

## WWI program

In 1917-1918, 4.5 million Americans served in World War I; of that number, only a handful remain. Morehead State Public Radio (MSPR) will offer a special program for Veteran's Day on Monday, Nov. 12, from 1-3 p.m.

The "WWI Living History Project" honors the sacrifices and contributions of America's last surviving WWI veterans. The producers have traveled the country in search of the men and women who made the world (in President Wilson's words) "safe for democracy." Twelve of these veterans, aged 105 to 115, share their reminiscences, humor and wit on a two-hour radio special, hosted by award-winning CBS anchor Walter Cronkite.

The program begins with an introduction to the events of 1914-1917. It explores the political circumstances that precipitated the outbreak of the war and the advances in communication, armaments and transportation which led to an acceleration of hostilities far beyond the known bounds of continental warfare in Europe. The war went quickly from the drawing-rooms of the European aristocracy to the trenches, where the armies of Europe became enmeshed in a conflict in which the prevailing military strategy was to relentlessly deplete the manpower of the opposing army.

The second hour of the program offers a more intimate portrait of the veterans themselves, their experiences and their attitudes toward the war some 90 years after the fact. The program concludes with an essay by Will Everett on insights gained from meeting America's oldest veterans. He shares their lessons for the contemporary age on longevity, history and the future, as well as his feelings on the death of interview subjects during the period of program production.

Morehead State Public Radio broadcasts 24 hours a day from the campus of MSU.

Additional information: 783-2001.

## Job vacancies

### INTERNAL

**Customer Service Coordinator**, Office of Enrollment Services. To ensure consideration, apply by Nov. 8.

### EXTERNAL

**Secretary Specialist (Nursing)**, Department of Nursing. To ensure consideration, apply by Nov. 8.

**Chair #1517**, Department of Psychology. Review of applications will begin Nov. 9 and will continue until the position is filled.

**Site Coordinators (Two Positions)**, Gear Up Kentucky Program. Review of applications will begin Nov. 9 and will continue until positions are filled.

**Career and Technical Education (CTE) Coordinator and Assistant/Associate Professor**, Department of Agricultural and Human Sciences and Industrial and Engineering. To ensure consideration, apply by Nov. 15.

**General Manager**, University Bookstore. To ensure consideration, apply by Nov. 19.

**Academic Departmental Specialist**, Department of Agricultural and Human Sciences. To ensure consideration, apply by Nov. 19.

**Secretary (Fixed-Term)**, Department of Industrial and Engineering Technology. To ensure consideration, apply by Nov. 22.

**Assistant Professors of Education (Tenure Track, Two Positions)**, Department of Curriculum and Instruction. Review of candidate materials will begin Dec. 14 and will continue until positions are filled.

**Building Services Technician**, Office of Facilities Management. Applications will be accepted through Dec. 31 to fill positions if they become available.

**Assistant or Associate Professors of Science Education and Physical Science or Earth/Space Science (Tenure Track, Two Positions)**, Department of Physical Sciences beginning Aug. 7, 2008. Review of applications will begin on Jan. 30 and will continue until positions are filled.

Internal applicants should obtain a copy of the job opportunity posting from the Office of Human Resources indicating the application materials required for each position. Official transcripts are required for administrative positions.

A keyboarding exercise is required for secretarial, clerk/typist and dispatcher positions and must be completed prior to the position closing date. To register for this exercise, contact OHR at 783-2097. MSU is an equal opportunity/affirmative action educator and employer with a strong commitment to community engagement.

## Meal changes

Students may now select or change their meal memberships for the spring semester.

To make changes, those with memberships should visit the Eagle Express Lane (step 5) online for instructions, or stop by the EagleCard office, located in room 107 of the Adron Doran University Center.

## Happenings

### Thursday, Nov. 8

Folk art exhibit: "Hotbed, Folk Art from Elliott County," Kentucky Folk Art Center; exhibit runs through Dec. 30.

Registration for Spring 2008 term, online, all campuses, assistance available in academic departments from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; transfer student registration, Nov. 9.

Board of Regents Work Session, 109 Breckinridge Hall, 9 a.m.

Recital: MSU Trombone Studio, Duncan Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

### Saturday, Nov. 10

Third Annual Tri-State Honor String Orchestra Clinic, for middle and high school students, Baird Music Hall, all day.

Diversity Day, for prospective minority students, on campus.

MSU Open House, for potential students, Adron Doran University Center, 9 a.m.

Football: Eagles vs. University of San Diego, Jayne Stadium, 1 p.m.

Basketball: Lady Eagles vs. Duquesne University, Academic-Athletic Center, time TBA.

Rifle: Eagles vs. Virginia Military Institute, Button rifle range, 9 a.m.

### Monday, Nov. 12

48th Annual Choral Festival and MSU Choirs Concert, First Baptist Church, Morehead, 7 p.m.

### Tuesday, Nov. 13

Basketball: Eagles vs. Western Illinois, AAC, 7 p.m.

Adult Student Open House, MSU at Mt. Sterling, Clay Community Center, 3400 Indian Mound Dr., 7 p.m.

### Wednesday, Nov. 14

Human resources seminar: "Prioritizing Skills," 312 ADUC, 1:50 p.m.

Art exhibit: "2007 Annual MSU Art Faculty Exhibition," main gallery, Claypool-Young Art Building; opening reception 6-8 p.m.; exhibit runs through Dec. 12.

Concert: Black Gospel Ensemble, DRH, 8 p.m.

### Thursday, Nov. 15

Faculty recital: Dr. Paul Taylor, piano, DRH, 8 p.m.

### Saturday, Nov. 17

Tri-State Middle School Honor Band, for seventh and eighth grade students, BMH, all day.

### Sunday, Nov. 18

Senior recital: Eric Siereveld, trumpet, DRH, 3 p.m.

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