

## Outdoor alert system added

With a new semester underway, MSU has added another component to its emergency notification protocol.

An outdoor, audible alert system which utilizes electronic tones and public address speakers has been installed and tested. It includes high powered amplifiers atop Cartmell and Ginger halls and is designed primarily to alert pedestrians on campus sidewalks and streets.

"Like other campuses, we have constant foot traffic and those individuals outdoors deserve to be notified in the same timely fashion as others who are indoors," said MSU President Wayne D. Andrews. "This gives us yet another means of warning our academic community of impending danger in weather or safety emergencies."

He also reported that MSU has prepared and distributed an emergency procedures handbook for all employees. In addition, the same information is available on the Web and on posters displayed in each classroom, laboratory and office.

"We are constantly reviewing our emergency communications procedures to protect the safety of our students, faculty, staff and visitors," Dr. Andrews added. "Our text messaging system has been in place for nearly two years and we continue to encourage members of our community to sign up."

In addition to the new outdoor, audible system, MSU also utilizes a number of other media strategies to communicate with its campus community. Depending upon the nature of the emergency, any or all of the following methods may be used:

Cell phone text messaging with e-mail (e2Campus); Sign up is voluntary but strongly recommended.

Mass e-mail to students and employees;  
Campus-wide voicemail;  
Postings on University Web site and portals;

Radio, TV, and other media outlets, including Morehead State Public Radio;  
Campus cable television override announcements;

Digital information system displays; and  
Printed notices in residence halls and administrative and academic buildings.

Additional information on MSU's emergency procedures can be found on the MSU Web page at [www.moreheadstate.edu/emergency](http://www.moreheadstate.edu/emergency).

## Fund drive

Morehead State Public Radio will hold its Spring Fund Drive March 8–14. As part of the spring fundraiser, MSPR will have its annual CD sale on Tuesday, March 11 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the first floor lobby of the Adron Doran University Center on the MSU campus.

This is a critical fundraiser for MSPR as funding levels from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting have dropped more than \$25,000 from 2007 to 2008.

Morehead State Public Radio will ask listeners to support programming with their financial gifts during the fund drive. These gifts to MSPR help support its student work-study program and the purchase of new equipment and supplies.

Gifts to MSPR are tax-deductible and may be made using the secure Web site at [www.msuradio.com](http://www.msuradio.com), or by calling 783-2001 or (800) 286-9659. "MSPR: The Sound of Your Community" will be a major theme during the spring fundraiser.

## Dr. Banks is Founders Day honoree

Dr. Marshall D. Banks, the first African American to earn athletically-related aid and coach at MSU, will be honored by his Alma Mater at Founders Day as MSU celebrates its 121st birthday.

The 2008 Founders Day Award for University Service will be presented to the career educator during the annual Awards Luncheon on Tuesday, March 11. The ceremony begins at 11:30 a.m. in the Crager Room of the Adron Doran University Center.

MSU was among the first non-traditionally black mid-southern institutions to accept a black student as a recruited student-athlete. Dr. Banks filled that role in the fall of 1958. He is a member of MSU's alumni and athletic halls of fame and received an honorary doctoral degree.

A native of Ashland, Dr. Banks earned a bachelor's degree from MSU in 1962 and received his master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Established in 1978 by the Board of Regents, the Founders Day award is presented annually to recognize those who have given superior service to the University over the years. James H. Booth of Inez, MSU board chair, will make the presentation.

After teaching one year of high school, Dr. Banks returned to MSU to begin his college teaching career in 1965. He served as an instructor in the Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation and also was the head track and cross country coach.

Dr. Banks has an extensive background of more than 40 years of teaching, student advising, research and grant writing, curriculum development and community service in the areas of health, physical education, and recreation.

A full professor, he has been on faculty at Howard University since 1978 where he also served as department chair for 20 years.

He currently is president of the Langston 21st Century Foundation, a non-profit organization devoted to providing boys and girls with opportunities to raise their self-confidence as well as academic performance through sports activities.

Dr. Banks was project administrator for the National Youth Sports Program (NYSP) for 15 years and received funded grants totaling \$900,000 to provide an annual summer sports and enrichment program for 400 inner city youth throughout the Washington, D.C. area.

He also is a founding board member of "Team Focus," a national, non-profit organization, founded by a Morehead State University graduate Mike Gottfried. Team Focus is devoted to improving the lives of young men without fathers.

## High school art

The gallery in the Claypool-Young Art Building on the Morehead State University campus will be the site of the "Kentucky Burley/Coal Regional High School Exhibition and Competition," March 5-12.

A jury, comprised of art faculty and a member of the Kentucky Art Education Association, will present Best in Show awards for both two-dimensional and three-dimensional artwork as well as ribbons for first place in each art media category.

In conjunction with the exhibition, MSU's Department of Art will host its annual High School Art Day on Wednesday, March 12.

There will be activities and demonstrations throughout the day as well as a sculpture competition.

To make viewing the exhibition more convenient for high school students, friends and family, the gallery will be open special hours on Saturday, March 8 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Dr. Banks has an extensive publication record including more than 20 major journal publications and a book in the field of physical fitness and leisure studies.

At 4 p.m., Dr. Banks and special guests will lead a panel discussion.

Also during the luncheon program, new members will be inducted into the Society of MSU Fellows and new Visionaries will be honored. Dr. Clarendia Phillips and Carol Johnson will be recognized as Faculty/Staff Fundraisers of the Year. Andy Parker is the recipient of the 2008 Volunteer Fundraiser of the Year.

The day begins with the recognition of retired faculty and staff members, starting at 8:30 a.m., also in the Crager Room. President Wayne D. Andrews will offer congratulations to those retiring this year.

Deceased former faculty and staff members will be remembered at the memorial brick dedication beginning at 10:30 a.m. at the Little Bell Tower. The tolling of the bell will follow the reading of the names and years of service of the honorees.

Tickets for the luncheon, at \$10 per plate, must be ordered and purchased in advance. The deadline is Friday, March 7.

Founders Day activities will continue after lunch with a dedication of the Dr. David T. Magrane Molecular Biology Laboratory in Lappin Hall at 2 p.m. In the Laughlin Health Building, the Larry Wilson University Bowling Lanes will be dedicated at 4 p.m.

Visitors attending Founders Day events are encouraged to park at the Academic-Athletic Center where a shuttle bus will carry them across campus with stops at the Little Bell Tower and ADUC.

Additional information and tickets to the awards luncheon are available by calling the Office of Development at 783-2033 or (877) 690-4483.

## Geology talks

The impact of asteroids, comets and other celestial bodies on the Earth, moon and Mars will be the subject of two guest lectures by a Scottish geologist at Morehead State University this week.

Scott Neil David Thackrey will present "Bolide Impacts on Earth; past, present and future," at 6 p.m. on Thursday, March 6, in 419 Reed Hall. For the lecture, he will introduce his research on the study of bolides (projectiles that form large craters) in a talk suitable for general audiences.

Thackrey will discuss processes, extinctions, likely frequency and other issues. The event is free and open to the public.

He also will give a more scientific or "technical" talk to faculty and students in the physical sciences at 3 p.m. on Friday, March 7 in 130 Lappin Hall. His Friday presentation is titled "Unravelling the secrets of impact craters and associated ejecta through geological analysis."

Thackrey is a doctoral student at the University of Aberdeen in Scotland. He is chairman of the Aberdeen Geological Alumni. For the past two summers, he has worked with Charles Mason, MSU professor of geoscience, and a group of his students in the Canadian High Arctic, studying the Haughton Impact Crater on Devon Island.

From March 10-14, Thackrey, Mason and three MSU students will attend the 39th Lunar and Planetary Science Conference in Houston.

Thackrey will present two papers on his research, including one in collaboration with Mason. The students and Mason will co-present two papers on their research.

## Trumpet event

Morehead State University's trumpet ensembles have been invited to compete in this year's Trumpet Ensemble Division at the National Trumpet Competition March 13-16 at George Mason University in Fairfax, Va.

This year, MSU assembled a second ensemble for the first time. Both groups submitted recordings to a preliminary committee for review and consideration in December.

"We are thrilled that so many more students will be involved in this national and prestigious competition. Just to be invited to compete is a wonderful honor. I couldn't be more proud," said Greg Wing, assistant professor of trumpet and director of both ensembles.

The National Trumpet Competition (NTC) was formed in 1992 and is the largest instrument competition in the world. NTC has provided performance and educational opportunities for nearly 3,000 students.

Last year, Wing was invited by the Executive Board of the National Trumpet Competition to become a member of its advisory board. Wing has chaired several adjudication panels and assisted with guest artists in workshops.

Additional information is available by calling Wing at 783-2401 or visiting the NTC Web site at [www.nationaltrumpetcomp.org](http://www.nationaltrumpetcomp.org)

## SGA funds

MSU faculty and staff who serve as advisers to student organizations are invited to view online funding applications from the Student Government Association.

Three types of funding request are available, with a \$500 maximum each: general funding grant; travel grant match; and event grant.

Student organizations who request funding will be required to describe the request in detail, including its own fundraising efforts toward the project, and to list and describe recent service projects the group has sponsored at MSU.

The link may be found at <http://www.moreheadstate.edu/files/units/sga/form/FUNDINGREQUEST.doc>

## Concert to air

Lorin Maazel and the New York Philharmonic performed in Pyongyang, Democratic People's Republic of Korea on Feb. 26.

The WFMT Radio Network has produced a two-hour concert that will air on Morehead State Public Radio on Friday, March 7 at 10 a.m.

The concert, which was the centerpiece of a 48-hour visit, took place at the East Pyongyang Grand Theatre. The concert program will include Gershwin's "An American in Paris," and Dvorák's "Symphony No. 9," From The New World.

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

## Job vacancies

### EXTERNAL

**Distance Instruction Librarian I or II**, Camden-Carroll Library. To ensure consideration, apply by April 11.

**Building Services Technician**, Office of Facilities Management. This is to establish a pool of applicants from which to select for future vacancies; position will be open until Dec. 31.

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, contact the Office of Human Resources at 783-2097.

Morehead State University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action educator and employer with a strong commitment to community engagement.

## Guest recital

Morehead State University's Department of Music will host guest artist Mark Snyder in a recital on Wednesday evening, March 12 at 8 p.m. in Duncan Recital Hall in Baird Music Hall.

The concert is free and open to the public. Snyder is a composer, performer and teacher living in Cleveland, Miss.

He has written for orchestra, choir, wind ensemble, various chamber combinations, multi-media, film, theatre and dance.

He has received commissions from The Monroe Foundation, The University of Mary Washington Music Department, The Ohio University Flute Choir, Scot Fitzsimmons, Greg Sigman, Blas Gonzalez and Lily Afshar.

His music has been performed throughout the U.S., in Argentina and Taiwan, and selected for festivals and conferences that include Electronic Music Midwest, National Flute Association;

West Virginia Festival of Trumpets, North American Saxophone Alliance, SCI, Ocean, Imagine and the Imagine 2 Electro-Acoustic Festival which Snyder founded and directed.

Snyder's work has been supported by generous grants from several organizations including the National Endowment for the Arts.

As a performer, he has recorded and toured the U.S. with with an eclectic list of ensembles: One Ring Zero, Dirtball, Easy Chair, Spike the Dog, Klezalachia, GB, J.D. Hutchinson and Billy Rhinehart.

He is an assistant professor of music production and technology at Delta State University.

Snyder earned his D.M.A. degree from the University of Memphis, an M.M. degree from Ohio University and a B.A. degree from Mary Washington College.

Additional information is available by calling the department of music at 783-2473.

## Happenings

### Thursday, March 6

Guest recital: Diana Amos, soprano, Duncan Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

### Friday, March 7

Softball: Eagles vs. Oakland University, softball field, doubleheader, 2 p.m., also March 8, 4 p.m.

Baseball: Eagles vs. Canisius College, Allen Field, 3 p.m., also March 8, 1 p.m. and 4 p.m., and March 9, noon.

### Saturday, March 8

Fourth Annual MSU String Day, Baird Music Hall, all day.

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

Softball: Eagles vs. West Liberty State College, softball field, 10 a.m., also March 9, 2 p.m.

Tennis: Lady Eagles vs. University of the Cumberland, Sadler Courts, noon.

### Sunday, March 9

Softball: Eagles vs. University of Dayton, softball field, 4 p.m.

Spring concert: Trombone Choir and Trumpet Ensemble, DRH, 5 p.m.

### Monday, March 10

Art exhibit: "Kentucky Burley/Coal Regional High School Exhibition and Competition," main gallery, Claypool-Young Art Building, through March 12 (High School Art Day).

### Tuesday, March 11

Founders Day, including retiree breakfast, awards luncheon, dedication of biology lab and bowling lanes, presentation of service award, memorial brick dedication, more, on campus, all day.

Guest presentation: "Sexy or Sexist? Images of Women and Men in Popular Culture" by Dr. Gail Dines, Button Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Tennis: Eagles vs. Vincennes College and Georgetown College, Sadler Courts, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

12th Annual Opera Day, DRH, 9 a.m.

Baseball: Eagles vs. Cleveland State University, AF, 3 p.m., also March 12, 3 p.m.

Concert: Symphony Band and Percussion Ensemble Tour, DRH, 8 p.m.

### Wednesday, March 12

Kentucky Music Educators Association Large Group Vocal Ensemble Festival, Baird Music Hall, 8 a.m.

Guest recital: Mark Snyder, electro acoustic, DRH, 8 p.m.

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