

## MSU's SBDC will present annual business forum

Warren Nash III, deputy commissioner of state's Department of Innovation and Commercialization Center, and Matt McGarvey of the Kentucky Science and Technology Corporation will be the keynote speakers for the 2006 Regional Entrepreneur Conference on Tuesday, Sept. 12, at the Morehead Conference Center.

This year's event, titled "Maximizing Today's Opportunities For Tomorrow's Future," is being presented by Morgan County Regional Technology Center and Morehead State University's Small Business Development Center. The forum will bring together entrepreneurs and small business owners from across Kentucky and surrounding states for training on various topics. The conference will begin with registration and breakfast from 7:30 -8:15 a.m.

Nash will be the morning speaker, 8:15-9:30 a.m., while McGarvey will be featured during lunch, 11:45 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

Nash's department helps lead the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development's efforts to recruit and support high-tech and knowledge-based companies. He previously served as the cabinet's deputy commissioner of the Department of Financial Incentives where he was involved in writing grants to help new economy companies and other businesses locate and expand operations within the Commonwealth.

A graduate of Georgetown College, Nash also worked for that institution where he developed and implemented the college's \$96 million capital campaign as director of planned giving and senior assistant to the president.

McGarvey also served in various executive financial accounting positions at Verizon Communications. He holds a B.A. degree from Lambuth University in Jackson, Tenn., and is a licensed Certified Public Accountant.

The conference registration fee is \$45 per person, which includes all sessions and meals.

Additional information is available by calling 783-2895; or by accessing the SBDC Web site at [www.kysbdc.ecenterdirect.com](http://www.kysbdc.ecenterdirect.com).

## Film screening

"Lost Boys of Sudan" will be presented on Monday, Sept. 11, at 7 p.m. in MSU's Button Auditorium. Winner of an Independent Spirit Award and nominated for two Emmys, "Lost Boys of Sudan" is a documentary that follows two Sudanese refugees on an extraordinary journey from Africa to America.

"The timing of the screening on Sept. 11 is a poignant reminder that people from other countries still see the promise of a better life in America despite the attempts by some to destroy the very fabric of our diverse society," said M. Noelle N'Diaye, MSU assistant professor of government. "The fact that the Sudanese youth in this film came to America is a powerful illustration of what this country represents -- freedom."

Orphaned as young boys in one of Africa's cruelest civil wars, Peter Dut and Santino Chuor survived lion attacks and militia gunfire to reach a refugee camp in Kenya along with thousands of other children.

Remarkably, they were chosen to come to America where they found themselves confronted with the abundance and alienation of contemporary American suburbia.

"Lost Boys of Sudan" is sponsored by MSU's Department of Geography, Government and History; Model International Criminal Court; and Student Activities Council. The event is free and open to the public.

## Degree program gets accredited

The master's level sport management degree program at MSU recently received notice of accreditation from the Sport Management Program Review Council (SMPRC), an independent council of the North American Society for Sport Management (NASSM) and the National Association for Sport and Physical Education (NASPE).

Morehead State becomes one of only two Kentucky universities that have been awarded NASSM/NASPE approval of both its undergraduate and graduate programs. This is the first time that the master's program has received this distinction, which will continue through 2013.

The NASPE-NASSM program standards were developed to meet the contemporary needs of the sport industry to allow students studying sport management the educational background to function effectively within a sport management setting.

The approval process included submitting a comprehensive application which documented how MSU's degree program met established standards in 10 areas: management, leadership, organization, research in sport, legal aspects of sport, marketing, sport law, finance management, ethics and field experience.

"We are thrilled that our master's level sports management program has been approved by NASPE/NASSM," said Dr. Lynne E. Fitzgerald, chair of the Department of Health, Physical Education and Sport Sciences. "Drs. Julia Ann and Michael Hypes (assistant professors of HPER) put together all the graduate program accreditation materials needed. They worked very hard on this project which contributed to this program's success."

## Book discussion

The Camden-Carroll Library at MSU is inviting students, staff and faculty and members of the Morehead community to join in a book discussion group to learn more about the state's authors and their works.

The group will meet on Thursday, Sept. 21, from 6-7:15 p.m. on the fifth floor of the library to discuss "Yates Paul, His Grand Flights, His Tootings," a novel by James Baker Hall. The book, a coming-of-age novel that takes place in Lexington, has been compared to J.D. Salinger's "Catcher in the Rye."

The discussion will be moderated by Chris Holbrook, assistant professor of English and author of numerous short stories. The library received a grant to sponsor the discussions and to buy copies of the books for public use.

This is the last in a series of four book discussions sponsored by the library, the Kentucky Humanities Council, MSU's Interdisciplinary Women's Studies Program, Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy, Office of Multicultural Student Services, and MSU's Appalachian Heritage & Studies Program.

A limited number of copies of the book are available for borrowing.

## People in the News

A paper by **Xiaolong Li**, assistant professor of industrial and engineering technology, has been accepted by the IEEE (International Conference on Computer Communications and Networks). "Influence of Time-Varying Channel on the Performance of IEEE 802.11 MAC Protocols" will be presented at the Oct. 9-11 event in Arlington, Va.

## Award-winning writer is visiting faculty member

Award-winning author and poet Crystal Wilkinson will be a visiting professor and writer at MSU for the 2006-07 academic year.

Wilkinson joined the Department of English, Foreign Languages and Philosophy as a teacher, writer in residence and adviser.

Raised in Casey County, Wilkinson describes herself as a "country girl," and much of her work draws from her experiences growing up in Appalachia. She is the author of two books, "Blackberries, Blackberries," and "Water Street," and numerous short stories and poems.

Wilkinson was the recipient of the Chaffin Award for Appalachian Literature, which was presented to her at MSU's Appalachian Celebration in 2002. "Blackberries, Blackberries" was named best debut fiction by "Today's Librarian" magazine, and "Water Street" was a finalist for both the Orange Prize and the Zora Neal Hurston/Richard Wright Foundation Legacy Award in fiction.

Wilkinson has been published in various literary anthologies and has presented at workshops and readings. A founding member of the Lexington-based writing collective The Affrilachian Poets, she is a former creative writing faculty member at Indiana University-Bloomington and at Spalding University in Louisville.

Additionally, she is the former creative writing chair of the Kentucky Governor's School for the Arts and assistant director of The Carnegie Center for Literacy and Learning. She earned a bachelor's degree in journalism from Eastern Kentucky University and is a graduate of the Master of Fine Arts in Writing program, with an area of concentration in fiction, from Spalding. Her latest novel, "Opulence," will soon be published.

## Online music

Morehead State Public Radio is expanding its broadcasting services and launching two new webstreams. Listeners may now connect to either a classical or jazz webstream 24 hours a day, seven days a week at [www.msuradio.com](http://www.msuradio.com).

MSPR will continue to provide the webstream of the live broadcast of its regular on-air programming. The classical and jazz webstreams will be provided at no cost to listeners.

"We are very excited to be able to expand our programming and provide our listeners with a variety of options in the way they listen to MSPR, with the newest technology available," said Greg Jenkins, MSPR operations director.

The new services are designed to supplement MSPR's current audio archives and program podcasts.

Additional information is available by calling MSPR at 783-2001 or (800) 286-9659.

Several Educational Talent Search staff members assisted with a technology camp for area high school students this summer. Participating staff included: **Carolyn DeHoff**, project director; **Sandy Hall**, program specialist; **Kim Cox**, **Lisa Keeton**, **Suzanne Mantooth** and **Cindy McDermott**, counseling coordinators.

## Singers sought

The MSU Chorus program is inviting singers from the community and the University's faculty and staff to join the MSU University Chorus.

The choir rehearses every Monday evening from 7-9 p.m. in Baird Music Hall, throughout the semester. Interested singers should plan to begin singing on Monday, Sept. 11.

The University Chorus will be one of the choirs participating in the Septemberfest Mass Chorus. Singers who cannot commit to the University Chorus season, can be part of the Septemberfest Mass Choir which will perform on Tuesday, Sept. 19, at 7 p.m. in Button Auditorium.

The Mass Choir will consist of the MSU Choirs, local church choirs, local high school choirs, and other interested singers.

Septemberfest, a part of the American Democracy Project, provides an opportunity for MSU and the surrounding area to come together to celebrate democracy and the American community.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for singers to get to know each other and do something excellent for our community," said Dr. Greg Detweiler, MSU director of choral activities. "We had a wonderful experience last year with the combined community and student choir for the Septemberfest patriotic program. Many of the singers said they were looking forward to doing more combined choir projects so we decided to once again offer the Septemberfest Mass Choir opportunity," he said.

For the Mass Choir, the schedule includes:

Monday, Sept. 18, rehearsal, 7 – 9 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 19, joint rehearsal, approximately 4:30 p.m.; 6 p.m., eat dinner; 7 p.m., present program.

The choir will perform: "America the Beautiful" – arr. Buryl Red; "Homeland" – Holst/Stroope; "Battle Hymn of the Republic" – arr. Wilhousky; the national anthem, and "My Old Kentucky Home."

Interested singers may contact Dr. Detweiler at [g.detweiler@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:g.detweiler@moreheadstate.edu) or by calling 783-2480.

## Visual Basic

Employees with Visual Basic programming skills are in demand in the business world. Visual Basic is the most widely used programming language and Visual Basic 2005 is a popular development tool, not just for creating Windows applications, but also for automating existing programs.

MSU's Office of Continuing Education is giving students a chance to take this course from the comfort of their own home or office any time of the day or night.

Additional information on this course, which is a part of a growing catalog of more than 300 other instructor-facilitated online courses, may be obtained by calling MSU's Office of Continuing Education at 783-2875.

## Job vacancies

### EXTERNAL

**Inventory Management Specialist #1387**, University Store. To ensure consideration, apply by Sept. 14.

**Staff Psychologist #1382**, Carl D. Perkins Comprehensive Rehabilitation Center (CDPCRC) in Thelma (Johnson County), Kentucky. To ensure consideration, apply by Sept. 15. Position is renewal on an annual basis.

**Institutional Research Analyst (two positions) #1389**, Office of Institutional Research and Assessment. To ensure consideration, apply by Sept. 18.

**Instructor of Social Work/Facilitator #1392 (Non-Tenure Track)**, Department of Sociology, Social Work, and Criminology. To ensure consideration, apply by Sept. 21. Position is a Fixed-Term appointment and renewal on an annual basis. Position is based at the MSU at Mt. Sterling's off-campus facility in Mt. Sterling.

**Environmental Health and Safety Technician II (Environment) #1393**, Office of Environmental Health and Safety. To ensure consideration, apply by Sept. 21.

**Library Specialist I #1377**, Camden-Carroll Library. To ensure consideration, apply by Sept. 21.

**Assistant Professor of Management #1362 (Tenure Track – Two Positions)**, Department of Management, Marketing, and Real Estate. To ensure consideration, apply by Sept. 30.

**Chair of Psychology #1376 (Tenure Track)**, Department of Psychology. To ensure consideration, apply by Oct. 13.

**Assistant Professor of IET #1378 (Tenure Track)**, Department of Industrial and Engineering Technology. To ensure consideration, apply by Oct. 20.

**Police Telecommunicator #1327**, MSU Police Department. This announcement is to invite applications for the purpose of establishing a pool of applicants from which to select as Police Telecommunicator vacancies that occur through Dec. 31. Applications will continue to be accepted until this date.

**Police Officer #1293**, MSU Police Department. This announcement is to invite applications for the purpose of establishing a pool of applicants from which to select as Police Officer vacancies that occur through Dec. 31. Applications will continue to be accepted until this date.

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

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## Happenings

Thursday, Sept. 7

Faculty recital: Dr. Stacy Baker, tuba/euphonium, Duncan Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 8

Volleyball: Eagles vs. Western Carolina, Wetherby Gymnasium, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 9

Volleyball: Eagles vs. Central Arkansas, WG, 12:30 p.m. Volleyball: Eagles vs. Air Force, WG, 7 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 10

Faculty recital: Larry Keenan, keyboard, DRH, 3 p.m.

Senior recital: Diana Knoll, voice, DRH, 5 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 11

Documentary screening: "Lost Boys of Sudan," Button Auditorium, 7 p.m.

University Chorus rehearsal, open to area singers, Baird Music Hall, 7-9 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 12

2006 Regional Entrepreneur Conference, "Maximizing Today's Opportunities For Tomorrow's Future," Morehead Conference Center, 7:30 a.m.

American Red Cross blood drive, Button Drill Room, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Concert: MSU Music Faculty Showcase, DRH, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 13

Concert: Black Violin, Button Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 14

Board of Regents meeting, Riggle Room, Adron Doran University Center, 9 a.m.

Visiting artist presentation: Dean Brown, painting, 111 Claypool-Young Art Building, 10:20 a.m. and 12:40 p.m.

Retirement reception for Wanda Littleton, 701 Ginger Hall, 2 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 15

Family Weekend, featuring talent show, golf scramble, football game, picnic, concert and more, various on and off-campus locations, through Sept. 17.

Saturday, Sept. 16

Football: Eagles vs. Valparaiso (Family Weekend), Jayne Stadium, 1 p.m.

## Reception set

A retirement reception will be held in honor of Wanda Littleton, secretary specialist in the testing center, on Thursday, Sept. 14, from 2-4 p.m. in the lobby of 701 Ginger Hall.

Littleton has been an MSU employee since 1985, and has worked at the testing center since 1988. Everyone is invited to attend the event.

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