

RETIREES ASSOCIATION LEADERSHIP

A group of dedicated volunteers make up the current board and aid in planning and organizing activities. The goal of the leadership board is to build a strong program that meets the needs of our members.

Current board members include:

- Jill Ratliff, President
- Clyde James, Member at Large
- Lonnie Morris, Vice President
- Peggy Overly, Member at Large
- Latonya Hesterburg, Secretary
- Judy Yancy, Member at Large
- Jerry Brunker, Activities Coordinator



GET INVOLVED.

If you are interested in becoming a part of the leadership team, or would like to nominate an individual, we invite you to contact the Office of Alumni Relations and Development. Call 606-783-2033 to express interest or gather additional information.

Officer elections took place at the spring luncheon on May 25.

The Leadership Board meets quarterly to plan the Association’s events. All meetings are held at the Rowan County Public Library Conference Room. We encourage you to join us for these upcoming meetings to share your ideas and thoughts.

Meeting dates can be found online at alumni.moreheadstate.edu/retirees.



For a complete schedule of events, please visit ALUMNI.MOREHEADSTATE.EDU/HOMECOMING.



UPDATE YOUR INFO

Information on events and retirees gatherings will be shared most often via email, so make sure your contact information is up to date!

Name of retiree: _____

Department at time of retirement: _____

Retirement date: _____

Name of spouse/partner: _____

Address: _____

City, State & Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Please check if this is a new name or address: ☐ New name ☐ New address

Please return to: **MSU Retirees Association**
Morehead State University
121 E. 2nd Street, Suite 107
Morehead, KY 40351



MEMORIAL BRICK PROGRAM

MSU is proud to recognize the faithful years of service of our former employees who have passed on during or after their years of employment through the Memorial Brick Program. Through this program, these employees will be forever recognized in the center of campus along the Memorial Brick Walk.

The Memorial Brick Dedication Ceremony is held annually on the Friday of Homecoming Weekend. We invite you to help us identify and memorialize others whose names should be added in future years.

For more information, visit alumni.moreheadstate.edu/memorialbricks



Scan the QR code to watch the 2022 memorial brick ceremony or visit bit.ly/2022memorialbrick.

2023 MEMORIAL BRICK HONOREES

Clista Adkins	Mary C. Howard	Leota Quesinberry
Emma J. Barker	Dr. Gary B. LaFleur	Noel W. Reynolds
Dr. William M. Bigham	Dr. Virgie E. Lewis	Patricia A. Rigdon
Leo Blair	Dr. Ardyce S. Lightner	Dr. Marilyn Y. Sampley
Fred M. Busroe	Dr. Noah Logan	Thomas P. Sanders
Dr. Harold W. Cain	Louise T. Louder	Barry W. Spartman
Kathy C. Eldridge	Lula Maggard	Hattie A. Utterback
William W. Flint	Dr. Green R. Miller	Dr. Edie Whitfield
Jerry R. Franklin	Richard W. Perry	
Timothy W. Holbrook	Betty Jo Peters	

Honorees years of service will be shared on the memorial brick website and during our ceremony. Visit alumni.moreheadstate.edu/memorialbricks for the most up-to-date list of honorees.

MSU actively seeks information to honor and memorialize those who have passed. If you know of a retired or current faculty or staff member who has died, and have not been recognized in our list, please contact our office at 606-783-2033 or email alumni@moreheadstate.edu.

MEET YOUR RETIREES ASSOCIATION LIAISON



Greetings, MSU Retirees!

I am thrilled to be the new MSU staff liaison for the Retirees Association. As part of my position, Alumni & Donor Experience Officer, I specialize in building long-lasting connections with our alumni and friends. I am a proud MSU alumnae (Class of 1990, 1993, 1996, & 2003). I love planning events and sharing the good news about all of the great things happening at my alma mater.

I am a native of Bath County and longtime resident of Mt. Sterling. My husband, Gary Toy is also an MSU alum (Class of 1989 & 1992). Our oldest son Chase and his wife

Amber have blessed us with a granddaughter and MSU Legacy! We love taking her to MSU events and started recruiting early! Our youngest son, Garrison, graduated from MSU in 2022.

I am a retired school administrator from Montgomery County Schools. I am thrilled to have the opportunity to return to MSU's campus, as I enjoy a second career promoting the campus I call home. I also volunteer as an advisor for the Chi Omega Fraternity and teach First Year Seminar to Herron Scholars.

I'm so excited to work with the Retirees Association and keep our retirees engaged with MSU. I look forward to getting to know many of you!

Here's to a refreshed and revitalized MSU Retirees Association!

Go Eagles!

Leslee Toy
Alumni and Donor Experience Officer
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WELCOME, NEW RETIREES!

Due to the pandemic, we were unable to host our annual retirees luncheon in 2020, 2021 and 2022. We revived the event in 2023 and recognized those who had retired since our last luncheon in 2019.

If we have inadvertently left off anyone off of this list, please let us know by calling 606-783-2033.

2019

Rita Calhoun
Donald Grant
Wilma Tate
Angela Whitley
Pamella Jaisingh

2020

Bob Albert
Dana Baldrige
James Botts
Barry Cox
Mona Cundiff
Sandra Elam
Terry Elliott
Gregory Gilliam

Michael Henson
Suzanne Hogge
Joe Hunsucker
Robert Kroll
Barbara Lyons
Dennis McKay
John Modaff
Brenda Porter

Jill Ratliff
Timothy Smith
David Smith
Douglas Snedegar
Paul Taylor
Gwen Trusty
Lucy William

2021

Darlene Allen
Peggy Breeze
Shannon Colvin
John Crawford
Vivian Cyrus
Evangeline Day
Wretha Goodpaster

Teresa Howell
Debby Johnson
Teresa Judd
Wade Kerr
Marie Kroll
Lonnie Morris
Steven Reid

Marcia J. Rice
Gregory Russell
James Shaw
Linda Stamper
Mark Stidam
Linda Waugh

2022

Richard Blanton
David Bolin
John Ernst
William Grise

Shellie Hallock
Mindy Highley
Lloyd Jaisingh
Teresa Lindgren

Raymond McLain
Robert Royar
Paula Wing

AWARD NOMINATIONS

As faculty and staff, you had the opportunity to build relationships with MSU students - now alumni. We know many of you have maintained those relationships far beyond their walk across the stage or your retirement.



We invite you to nominate an Eagle who has made a significant impact in their profession or community at alumni.moreheadstate.edu/alumniawards.

ALUMNI HALL OF FAME

The Alumni Hall of Fame provides recognition to those individuals who have achieved excellence in their profession, community service, or education at the local, state, or national level.

NOTABLE ALUMNI

Notable Alumni recognition is given to Individuals who have demonstrated success in their career fields and/or are making a difference in their communities or profession.

RISING EAGLE

The Rising Eagle Award is given to a recent graduate of the last 10 years who has demonstrated early career and/or community service achievement.

EAGLE SPIRIT

The Eagle Spirit Award is given to an alum who is an excetionally proud and active Eagle.

FOUNDERS AWARD FOR UNIVERSITY SERVICE

The Founders Award for University Service was established by the Board of Regents in 1978. The award provides recognition to individuals who have given superior service to MSU through their time as a University employee or volunteer.

2023 RECIPIENTS

Founders Award for University Service :
Jerry Gore (Class of 1971, 1972, 1975)

Rising Eagle:
Shannon Callihan (Class of 2015)

Alumni Hall of Fame:
Dr. Roger Cleveland (Class of 1986)
Sean Shumate (Class of 1996)
Dr. Frank Spaniol (Class of 1984, 1986)

Eagle Spirit:
Peggy Osborne (Class of 1979) &
Madonna Weathers (Class of 1971, 1972)

Notable Alumni:
Robert Moore (Class of 1998)

MSU RETIREES GIVE BACK: YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

*"Do more than belong: participate.
Do more than care: help. Do more than
believe: practice. Do more than be fair:
be kind. Do more than forgive: forget.
Do more than dream: work."*

- William Arthur Ward



EAGLE ESSENTIALS & MSU RETIREES ASSOCIATION

For many years now, the MSU Retirees Association has been involved in sponsoring the Eagle Essentials Store on campus. This "store" provides students with everyday items, at no cost, including non-perishable food items, hygiene products and school supplies. Academic performance is significantly affected when students struggle to meet their basic needs, as well as their physical and mental health. We encourage you to consider helping and making an incredible impact on the lives of MSU students! Learn more about the program at moreheadstate.edu/student-life/wellness-safety/eagle-essentials.

HOW CAN YOU PARTICIPATE?

DONATE ITEMS

- Items encouraged include non-perishable food and toiletry items, hygiene items, school supplies and seasonal items such as gloves and umbrellas.
- Items can be dropped off at the Office of Alumni Relations and Development, 121 E. 2nd Street, Suite 107A, Morehead, KY 40351.

MAKE A MONETARY DONATION

- Donations can be mailed to the MSU Foundation, P.O. Box 628 Morehead, KY 40351. Please designate "Eagle Essentials" in the memo line.
- Donations can be made online at alumni.moreheadstate.edu/give. Select "Choose your fund" and type "Eagle Essentials Store Fund."

Retirees are encouraged to make donations to
help stock the store for the upcoming school year!

RETIREEES ASSOCIATION: CAMPUS BENEFITS

As a retiree of MSU, did you know you can receive special benefits? From a complimentary parking pass to discounted admission to campus events, we hope you will join us on campus soon!

- **Free Annual Parking Pass:** Register online at alumni.moreheadstate.edu/retireeparking or request a pass in-person at the MSU Police Department, 100 Laughlin Health Bldg. (\$180 value).
- **MSU Theatre Tickets:** \$6 Visit moreheadstate.edu/academics/colleges/humanities/creative-arts.
- **MSU Star Theater Shows:** \$4 Regular Shows, \$5 Laser Shows
See the full schedule at moreheadstate.edu/startheater.
- **Barnes & Noble MSU Bookstore:** 10% Discount. Shop online at moreheadstate.bncollege.com.
- **MSU Recreation & Wellness Membership:**
 - **KTRS Retirement:** Free Membership with Proof of Insurance and Valid Eagle ID; or
 - **\$240 Annual Membership:** Must have ID Card. First-time memberships completed in person at 100 Evans Branch. Renew online at recreation.moreheadstate.edu/home/signin. (\$160 savings).
- **MSU Athletic Events:** Discount on individual season tickets.
 - **Basketball:** \$80 per ticket (bleacher seating)
 - **Football:** \$40 per ticket
 - **Baseball/Softball/Soccer/Volleyball:** \$35 per ticket

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Stay up to date with not only retirees' events, but all MSU events. Here's a look at what's coming soon.

AUGUST 17 (THURSDAY)

REGIONAL MSU ALUMNI ENGAGEMENT EVENT*

Castle & Key Distillery | Frankfort, KY
6 – 9 p.m.

SEPTEMBER 16 (SATURDAY)

MSU FAMILY WEEKEND

Morehead State University

OCTOBER 14 (SATURDAY)

DAY TRIP TO THE ORCHARD*

Eckert's Orchard | Versailles, KY
9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

NOVEMBER 2-4

(THURSDAY-SATURDAY)

MSU HOMECOMING

Morehead State University

To register and see more details on
these and other events, visit
alumni.moreheadstate.edu/events.

* pre-registration is required

SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT HIGHLIGHT

MSU Retiree, Dr. Fran Helphinstine, is continuing her legacy of impact by supporting a scholarship endowment.

Dr. Frances Helphinstine, known commonly as Fran, came to MSU as a student in 1959 to pursue a Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics and English and graduated in 1963. She later earned a Master of Arts in English from MSU and a Ph.D. in Renaissance and Dramatic Literature from Indiana University Bloomington.

She became an instructor and faculty member in the Department of English, where she served for 52 years. Fran retired in 2018 and was that year's recipient of the Founders Award for University Service.

Shortly after her retirement, she established a scholarship with the MSU Foundation that supports junior and seniors majoring in English.

"Someone else was always looking out for me from the very beginning," said Helphinstine. "I'm just honored to be able to give back to Morehead State



Dr. Helphinstine, right, and her scholarship recipient, Ariana Alexander

University because it has given so much to me."

Fran recently had the opportunity to meet the 2022-2023 recipient of her scholarship, Ariana Alexander. Ariana is a rising senior from Manchester, Ohio. She is majoring in English, Teaching Area.

"Growing up in a rural small town right on the Ohio River, I was raised with a close-knit family. My paternal grandmother was a High School English teacher and

growing up she would often take me to her classroom or afterschool meetings and let me watch," said Ariana.

"I am honored to be the recipient of this scholarship to be able to follow in my grandmother's footsteps and Dr. Helphinstine's footsteps."

YOUR LEGACY. THEIR FUTURE.

Gift planning helps you discover ways to leave a legacy that reflects your values and priorities. Whether it is student scholarships, research or program support, planned gifts are integral to ensuring a bright future for MSU and our students.

Here are some planned giving options to consider:

- Include a bequest to MSU in your will or trust.
- Name Morehead State University as a beneficiary of your IRA, 401(k) or another qualified plan.
- Transfer appreciated stocks, bonds or mutual fund shares you have owned for one year or more to MSU.
- Transfer ownership of a paid-up life insurance policy to Morehead State.
- Deed your home, vacation home, undeveloped property or a commercial building to MSU.
- Transfer a valuable painting, antiques or other personal property to MSU.
- Other planned giving options include Charitable gift annuities, deferred gift annuities, charitable unitrust and Charitable annuities trust.



To speak to a member of the MSU team who specializes in Planned Giving, please call **606-783-2033**.

INTERESTED IN ESTABLISHING A SCHOLARSHIP?

If you are interested in establishing a scholarship to support current and future Eagles, please contact the Office of Alumni Relations and Development at **606-783-2033**.