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Movie premiere to benefit Yeager Scholars

John Fiedler is coming back to Huntington—and bringing "The Beast" with him.

Fiedler, who has been involved in more than 150 motion pictures, is the producer of "The Beast" and will preside over a gala premiere of the film Saturday, Oct. 15, at the Keith-Albee Theatre here. Proceeds will go to Marshall University's Society of Yeager Scholars.

Curtain time for the premiere will be 8 p.m. It will be preceded by a buffet/reception—black tie optional—and followed by a dessert, both at the Radisson Hotel.

Huntington will be the first stop for "The Beast," a war action thriller, following its recent openings in New York and Los Angeles, Fiedler said. It has been described as the first American film to realistically dramatize the war in Afghanistan.

"The Beast" of the title is a Soviet tank trapped in a valley and pursued by Afghan rebels. The film received praise from reviewers following its opening.

USA Today, which gave it a three-star rating, said the movie "stands as an intelligent chase film set against a backdrop that is equal parts barren landscape, ruthless power, diminishing humanity, and eventual defiance.... The Beast' has been directed with admirable realism and an emphasis on action over political statement...."

Presentation of "The Beast" will be the centerpiece of this year's Yeager Symposium Oct. 13-15, according to Dr. William Denman, director of the Society of Yeager Scholars. Fiedler and cast members from the movie will discuss the making of the film during a session Saturday, Oct. 15, at 2 p.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2W22. The program is titled "Putting A Foreign Conflict on Film."

This year's symposium has "Conflict" as its theme, Denman said. He said other parts of the symposium schedule will be announced later.

Fiedler, a 1973 graduate of Marshall and former president of worldwide production for Columbia Pictures, now is an independent film producer. "The Beast" is being released through Columbia Pictures.

He will be accompanied to Huntington by his wife, Bess Armstrong, and several members of the film's cast, Denman said.

The premiere evening is being billed as "Hollywood (Continued on page 2)
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Comes to Huntington.” It will begin with the buffet/reception at 6:30 at the Radisson. The dessert scheduled after the premiere showing will begin about 10 p.m.

Tickets for the reception, priority seats at the premiere and admission to the dessert are priced at $50 per person; priority seats for the premiere and admission to the dessert, $20 per person, and for the premiere alone, $10 per person.

Tickets may be obtained from the Society of Yeager Scholars, Old Main 230, Marshall University, telephone, 696-6763, Denman said. They also are available at the Huntington Automobile Club, 1126 Sixth Ave.

“The Beast” is based on a play, “Nanawatai,” by William Mastroisimone, who also wrote the screenplay. It was filmed primarily in Israel.

Directed by Kevin Reynolds, the film features George Dzundza, whose film credits include “No Way Out,” “Best Defense,” “No Man's Land” and “The Deer Hunter”; Jason Patric, star of “The Lost Boys,” and Steven Bauer, Al Pacino's Cuban gangster friend in "Scarface" and star of “Thief of Hearts.”

“For the Afghans, resisting the Russians is a religious war,” Fiedler said, “whereas for the Russians it is a political one. The story is somewhat analogous to Vietnam, but on its own terms it is more about human beings caught up in a conflict—it shows the futility of their situation.”

A native of New Jersey, Fiedler was a speech major at Marshall. He serves as a member of the National Board of Directors of the Society of Yeager Scholars.

The Yeager Symposium is scheduled annually to coincide with the anniversary of General Chuck Yeager’s flight in which he broke the sound barrier and opened the way for manned space flight—Oct. 14, 1947—Denman said. The Society of Yeager Scholars was named in honor of the Lincoln County, W.Va. native.

Budget Committee meets

(The following report on the Sept. 23 meeting of the Marshall University Budget and Appropriations Committee was submitted by Ron Titus, secretary.)

The Budget and Appropriations Committee met at 1:11 p.m. in Smith Hall Room 810. Donald Williams presided.

Members present were: W. Don Williams, Donald Williams, Ralph Oberly, Charles Bias, Anne Todd, Jane Roberts, Ron Titus.

Members absent were: Thomas Manakkil, Shirley Overholt, Tracy Hendershut.

Dr. Alan Gould reviewed with the committee the 1989-90 budget process and explained the changes that had been made in the budget request distributions over the past year.

W. Don Williams moved that “The Budget and Appropriations Committee approves the 1989-90 Budget Request as presented.” He also asked that President Nitzschke be urged to strongly deliver this request to the Board of Regents on behalf of the university.

The motion was seconded by Ralph Oberly and passed by a voice vote.

The minutes of the Aug. 5 meeting were approved as distributed.

Chairman Donald Williams commented on the need to be aware of the possibilities of other changes in the budget process and the review of the Salary Schedule. These will be discussed further at the October meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, Oct. 7, at noon in Smith Hall Room 810.

The meeting adjourned at 2:19 p.m.

Lunchbag seminar set

The Marshall University Women’s Center will sponsor a lunchbag seminar titled “Contraceptive Information” on Wednesday, Oct. 12, from noon to 1 p.m. in Prichard Hall Room 143.

To obtain further details contact the Women’s Center, 696-3112.

Mangione plays Oct. 20

The Chuck Mangione concert, originally scheduled for Oct. 6, has been rescheduled for Thursday, Oct. 20, at 8 p.m. at the Keith-Albee Theatre.

To obtain ticket information or further details contact the Marshall University Artists Series Office, 696-6656.

MERF is incorporated

The Marshall Education and Research Fund, better known as M.E.R.F., has been granted a Certificate of Incorporation by West Virginia Secretary of State Ken Hechler.

The certificate was granted Sept. 14 for the organization which now will be known as MERF Incorporated, according to Dr. Christopher Dolmetsch, co-coordinator.

MERF Inc. is seeking a clarification of its tax status through the office of the state tax commissioner. If the organization is designated a non-profit corporation, contributions made to MERF Inc. can be deducted from personal income tax.

The organization was originally founded in 1983.
Alcohol awareness activities scheduled

A variety of activities will take place on the Marshall University campus in conjunction with National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week, Oct. 16-22, according to Sharla Hofmann, substance abuse coordinator at Marshall.

This will be the fifth year National Alcohol Awareness Week will be observed at colleges and universities throughout the United States to promote awareness about alcohol related concerns.

Marshall's activities will begin Monday, Oct. 17, with an Awareness Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Memorial Student Center. Representatives from various community agencies and organizations will be present to answer questions and provide information about alcohol and related issues.

Organizations taking part in the Awareness Fair will include St. Mary's Hospital's Substance Abuse Unit, Eagle Distributing, Prextra Mental Health Center, Sullivan Distributing, Our Lady of Bellsonte Hospital, Pathways Mental Health Center, the City of Huntington, Marshall University's Women's Center, and Charleston Area Medical Center Care Unit.

Tuesday, Oct. 18, has been designated as "Natural High" day. Informational booths will be operated in Memorial Student Center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to explain positive alternatives to alcohol.

Organizations taking part in the activities on Tuesday will include the Huntington YMCA, Marriot Health Foods, the Huntington Convention and Visitors Center, Marshall University's James E. Morrow Library, and Marshall's Student Government Association.

Several attractions will be taking place throughout the day Tuesday. Demonstrations will include Tae Kwon Do, bicycling, dog training, energetics, dirt biking, scuba diving and juggling.

Alcohol related films will be shown Monday, Oct. 19, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Memorial Student Center. Also on Wednesday, the Marshall University Women's Center will present a lunch bag seminar titled "Women and Alcohol" from noon to 1 p.m. in Prichard Hall Room 143.

Several guest speakers will be featured Thursday and Friday, Oct. 20-21.

Presentations on Thursday will include "ABCC Regulations" by Bill Adkins at 1 p.m. in 436 Corby Hall; "Adult Children of Alcoholics" by Peggy Lewis at 3 p.m. in 436 Corby Hall, and "Alcohol Awareness for Returning Students" by Lola McGuire at 6 p.m. in 143 Prichard Hall.

Friday's presentations will include "Marshall's Alcohol Policy" by Dr. Neil Bailey at 1 p.m. in 130 Harris Hall and "HPD Talks DUI" by a representative of the Huntington Police Department at 3:30 p.m. in 130 Harris Hall.

Walk to aid student injured in car wreck

The Army Corps of Engineers Wives will sponsor a special "Walk for Matt" on Sunday, Oct. 23, between 1 and 4:30 p.m. to help pay medical and rehabilitation bills for Matt Matthews, a former Marshall University student.

Matthews was seriously injured and paralyzed in an automobile accident last July. Since then, he has been in the University of Maryland Shock Trauma Center and Craig Hospital in Denver, Colo.

He would have been a senior at Marshall this fall. His parents and two older sisters are graduates and supporters of Marshall. Mr. and Mrs. Matthews are members of the MU Parent's Association and Mrs. Matthews currently is secretary of the executive committee. His sister Samantha and her husband are graduate students at Marshall this fall.

Marshall faculty and staff members and students are being asked to participate in the walk by pledging to participate in the walk itself, making a monetary pledge of support for a participant (so much money for each mile a participant walks), or making a donation.

Pledge forms are available in the following offices: Student Affairs, Old Main Room 116; Student Activities, Memorial Student Center Room 2W38; Residence Life, Twin Towers East; Student Life, Memorial Student Center Room 2W31; Student Development Center, Prichard Hall; Memorial Student Center Information Desk, and Alumni Affairs, Memorial Student Center Room 2W19.

The walk will begin at 1 p.m. at the picnic shelter at Ritter Park (12th Street E.).

To obtain further details contact Alice and Ed Stone, 525-1729, or Dr. Neil C. Bailey, vice president/dean for student affairs, 696-6423.

Grant workshop planned

A free public workshop will be offered at Marshall University Wednesday, Oct. 12, describing grant funding available from the West Virginia Department of Health.

Dr. David Heydinger, the department's director, will outline funding opportunities available and tell participants how to apply for them. He also will meet with individuals by appointment.

The workshop will be at 1 p.m. in Room 2W37 of Marshall's Memorial Student Center. Individual appointments may be made by calling Dr. Robert Barnett, MU grants officer, at 696-6797.

Additional workshops are scheduled with: the West Virginia Department of Education (Oct. 19); the Arts and Humanities Division of the West Virginia Department of Culture and History (Oct. 26); the Water Resources Institute (Nov. 11); and the Employment and Training Division of the Governor's Office of Community and Industrial Development (Nov. 16).

The series is sponsored by the Marshall University Office of Grant and Research Development, and is funded by the Marshall University Foundation.
Council discusses early retirement

(The following report on the Sept. 15 meeting of the Marshall University Staff Council was submitted by Zanna L. Crager, secretary.)

Members present were: Michael Adkins, Panda Benford, Thelma Blake, Belinda Calicato, Jill Chapman, Roberta Chenoweth, Edna Cole, Zanne Crager, Sharron France, Barbara Jones, Edna Justice, Gina Kates, Bill Lewis, Donna Mohr, Sheila Myers, Rowena Napper, Elizabeth Nickell, Sherri Noble, Gloria Rickman, Jane Vickers, Debbie Whitt, Ruth Workman, Mark Rhodes.

Members absent were: Linda Bondurant, Ruth Carter, Charles Edwards, Charlotte Hardin, Christine Qualls, Cal Stephenson.

Staff Council President Barbara James called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

The minutes of the Aug. 18 meeting were approved as corrected.

Filling of Vacancies:

Sheila Myers moved and Gloria Rickman seconded that council accept Roberta Chenoweth to serve from the School of Medicine, Professional Group. This position has been vacant for some time.

The motion by voice vote.

Elizabeth Nickell moved and Gloria Rickman seconded that council accept Roberta Chenoweth to serve from the School of Medicine, Professional Group. This position has been vacant for some time. Council approved the motion by voice vote.

President Bucklew of West Virginia University requested that the council support his recommendation to the Board of Regents that those employees not receiving a $1,000 raise be given such and the money to come from increased tuition charges to the students.

The Advisory Council voted against this proposal as they felt it was not in the best interest of the students and it would jeopardize additional funding for the salary schedule.

George Cameron, personnel director for the BOR, discussed the matter of classified staff who are taking early retirement and being paid for the holidays through Dec. 31.

Much was said of interest.

The recommendation for the Personnel Committee to discuss and report the president had disapproved the recommendation of the Athletic Department requiring a contribution before season tickets could be purchased for basketball.

The recommendation was rescinded by Belinda Calicato, Council approved the motion by voice vote.

Ms. Chapman moved that the recommendations be approved by council and Donna Mohr seconded the motion.

Council approved by a voice vote the following chairs of the standing committees:

Committee, Gina Kates; Service Committee, Belinda Calicato; Service Awards Committee, Jill Chapman; Legislative Committee, Jane Vickers and Jill Chapman (co-chairs); Constitution Committee, Sherri Noble; Membership Committee, Debbie Whitt; Personnel Committee, Rowena Napper; Election Committee, Mark Rhodes, and Discount Committee, Gloria Rickman.

Jill Chapman moved “that a letter be sent to all classified staff asking if there are any persons interested in serving on various committees contact the chairs. The chairs will have authority to select members, at least one from each division, and bring the names to council for approval.” Donna Mohr seconded and council approved the motion by a voice vote.

Sexual Harassment Grievance Hearing Panel:

Queen Foreman, affirmative action officer, requested that council recommend six individuals to serve on the Hearing Panel for Sexual Harassment Grievances.

The Executive Committee recommended the following: Academic Affairs, Judy Gibson; Financial Affairs, Barry Beckett; Institutional Advancement, Edna Justice; School of Medicine, Cindy Warren; Student Affairs, Sue Wright, and Support Services, Kamal Samar.

Mark Rhodes moved to accept those recommended, Gloria Rickman seconded the motion, which was approved by council by a voice vote.

AIDS Policy for Classified Staff:

The recommendation was approved by the Personnel Committee for further investigation and a recommendation.

Discussion followed a question asked concerning the lack of funds to pay for overtime work that is required. This concern will also be delegated to the Personnel Committee to investigate.

Much concern was expressed over the athletic ticket situation. It was reported the president had disapproved the recommendation of the Athletic Department requiring a contribution before season tickets could be purchased for basketball.

The president said the action would be left alone for this year and he would appoint a committee to investigate the matter.

Members expressed that if the contribution was allowed after a year, they feared they would not be able to get their old seats back.

Concern also was expressed that if the contribution was allowed to stand, this could increase year after year. Members agreed that some faculty and staff do take advantage of purchasing additional season tickets, but this could be handled by restricting each family to just two season tickets in the choice area.

Gloria Rickman moved “that council send a letter to President Nitzschke voicing strong objection to the Athletic Department’s procedure of handling season ticket sales for faculty and staff.” Thelma Blake seconded the motion, which was approved by voice vote with one abstention.

Council also approved Edna Justice and Barry Beckett to serve on the president’s committee to investigate the matter.

Concern was expressed over the interviewing process and what is allowed and what is not allowed during the interview. The matter was discussed and it was the consensus of the group that this was another concern for the Personnel Committee to investigate.

Committee Chairmen Recommendations:

Ms. James stated the recommended chairmen were selected from the questionnaires submitted by council members. She asked if there were any other persons to be considered.

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MU Children's College starts Oct. 15

The fall session of Children's College, conducted by Marshall University's Community College, will begin Saturday, Oct. 15 and feature a variety of enrichment courses for students in grades one through nine, according to Robert L. Lawson, director of continuing education at Marshall.

All classes will be held from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays from Oct. 15 through Dec. 10. There will be no class Nov. 26.

"The courses have been designed to be entertaining as well as educational and have been separated into four sections for students of different ages," said Lawson.

"This year, we've joined with the Marshall College of Fine Arts to offer some new courses which will focus on two and three dimensional approaches to thematic art expression," explained Lawson.

The new courses, "Lands of Make Believe," "New Frontiers," "Space Voyages" and "Calligraphy," will introduce children of different age levels to painting, drawing, sculpture, writing styles, printmaking and other artistic processes.

Courses for first-graders include: "Lands of Make Believe," "Storytelling," "Fun With Math," and "Creatures, Fossils and Things."


The cost per student will be $35 for one class, $50 for two classes and $65 for three classes. Families registering two or more students for three classes each will receive a 10 percent discount.

There will be an additional lab fee for materials for "Lands of Make Believe," "Space Voyages," and "New Frontiers." There will be an additional fee of $12.50 for the "Calligraphy" class, which will be used to purchase a special calligraphy kit for the course.

To obtain further details on classes, meeting times and registration contact Lawson at the Marshall University Community College, 696-3646.

MU Med School alumni to attend Homecoming

Marshall University School of Medicine alumni will gather for their second Alumni Weekend Friday and Saturday (Oct. 7 and 8) in conjunction with Marshall University's Homecoming.

Events will be based at the Holiday Inn Gateway, and will lead off with an alumni/faculty mixer at 8 p.m. Friday. A continuing medical education conference from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saturday morning will feature three School of Medicine faculty members; alumnus John Toney, M.D., and guest speaker Donald W. Wilson, M.D., of the State University of New York.

Toney, now an assistant professor at the University of South Florida College of Medicine at Tampa, will speak on AIDS. Wilson, nationally known for his research on peptic ulcers, will speak on the protection of the stomach's mucosal lining.

Faculty members making presentations are Dr. Berel Held, chairman of obstetrics and gynecology, Dr. Henry Driscoll, assistant professor of medicine, and Dr. Carl Gruetter, associate professor of pharmacology.

Beginning at 11:30 a.m., alumni will gather for a kick-off brunch at Prindle Field. A wine and cheese reception, set for 4:30 p.m. at the Radisson Hotel, will follow the MU/Furman football game.

All events are open to present and former School of Medicine faculty, clinical faculty, and staff, as well as to alumni. Participants are responsible for their own football game tickets, and there is a $5 charge for the pre-game brunch. Other events are free.

For more information call Peggy Theis at 429-6741, ext. 2771.

Health program set

Marshall University's Office of Student Health Education Programs will present a Self-Care Series program titled "AIDS: Why Should I Care" on Tuesday, Oct. 11, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2W37.

To obtain further details contact the Office of Student Health Education Programs, 696-4800.

Christian Center plans two lunchbag meetings

Marshall University's Campus Christian Center will sponsor two informal lunchbag meetings to give faculty and staff members the opportunity to discuss trends and values in modern American Education on Friday, Oct. 14, and Friday, Oct. 21, at noon in the Campus Christian Center.

The discussions will be led by Rev. Karl Gustafson, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Huntington. The resource book for the discussions will be "The Closing of the American Mind" by Dr. Allan Bloom.

Rev. Robert K. Bondurant of the Campus Christian Center said the book looks at the modern student, education, politics, music, marriage and religion, analyzing our openness, which has evolved into a closedness, wherein we fail to understand ourselves or relate to others.

Bondurant said portions of the lunchbag meetings will deal with the erosion of our culture, faith and values and the possibilities of the university to restore meaning to the nation and our personal lives.

The Campus Christian Center will provide tea and coffee. To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Campus Christian Center, 696-3052.
Marshall faculty/staff achievements

Dr. THOMAS MANAKKIL, professor of physics and university radiation safety officer, presented an invited seminar titled “Nuclear Radiation and Safety” to the post-graduate students and faculty at the Cochin University of Science and Technology, Cochin, Kerala State, while on sabbatical in India.

Dr. CHRISTOPHER L. DOLMETSCH and Dr. NANCY STUMP, associate professors of modern languages, Dr. DOUGLAS ROBERTSON, assistant professor of modern languages, and SARA HENRY, instructor of modern languages, attended the combined semi-annual meetings of the West Virginia Foreign Languages Teachers Association (WVFLETA) and the American Associations of Teachers of French, Spanish and Portuguese, and German held Sept. 24 at Parkersburg Community College. DOLMETSCH currently serves on the WVFLETA Executive Board. He presided as chapter president at the meeting of the American Association of Teachers of German and gave a slide presentation titled “A Trip Through Austria.”

JUNE KILGORE, professor of art, currently has an exhibition of her works at Cuyahoga Community College, Western Campus, Parma, Ohio. She has the following exhibits scheduled: Bluefield State College, November; West Virginia Institute of Technology, this spring, and she will present a workshop at the University of Charleston March 31-April 2, 1989.

The following faculty, students and graduates are represented in the Tri-State Arts Association Exhibition 1988 held recently at the Huntington Museum of Art: BARBARA BLUMBERG, MARLALIE BOYD, DENNIS BOZIC, SUSANNAH BRABENDER, GARTH BROWN, FERN CHRISTIAN, ROBERT CLARK, TIM DECKER, RUTH ETTLING, RUBY HALL, VERNON HOWELL, ROBERT HUTSON, PENNY JONES, BILL MEADOWS, PATRICIA MILLER, SALLY ROMAYNE, and CARYL TOTH.

The following faculty, students and graduates were represented in the Allied Artists Juried Exhibition 1988 which will be on display through Nov. 12 at the Sunrise Art Museum in Charleston: LINDA ANDERSON, PAMELA SPURLOCK BOGESS, CLAIRE MARIE EARL, STEVEN HOLSCLOW, BARRIE KAUFMAN, JUNE KILGORE (prize winner), BARBARA ROUSH LANDSALE, BILL MEADOWS, SUSAN POFFENBARGER, SALLY ROMAYNE, CARYL TOTH, DIANE WHITE-GIBSON, LAURA WIJK, and R. COLLIN WILLS.

Purchasing to be topic

Charles Racer, assistant director of purchasing, will present a Purchasing Workshop on Tuesday, Oct. 11, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. in the Human Resources Conference Room, Old Main 207.

The workshop has been designed primarily for new employees, but others who would like to know more about the purchasing process may attend.

To register or obtain further details contact the Training and Development Office, 696-2594.

‘Nunsense’ scheduled

“Nunsense,” a comic musical set in a convent, will be presented by the Marshall Artists Series on Monday, Oct. 10, at 8 p.m. at the Keith-Albee Theatre.

During the musical, disaster strikes the convent when the chef, Sister Julia, Child of God, serves tainted vichyssoise, wiping out 52 nuns.

The five nuns who live (they were out playing bingo) put on a show at the Mount St. Helen's High School Gym to raise the funds to dispose of the “blue nuns” they’ve got stacked in the freezer.

To obtain ticket information or further details contact the Marshall Artists Series Office, 696-6656.

Broadway show planned

The Marshall University Departments of Theatre and Music will present the Broadway show “Guys and Dolls” Oct. 12-15 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 16, at 2 p.m. in Old Main Theatre.

General admission will be $5, or $4.50 for MU students, faculty and staff, children and retired faculty who purchase tickets before Oct. 12.

To obtain further details call 696-2787.

Software meeting set

The Southwest Chapter of Software Valley will meet at Marshall University on Monday, Oct. 10, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2W22.

The meeting will be open to the public free of charge.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Center for Regional Progress, 696-6797.

Fulbrights available

The 1989-90 competition for grants for graduate study abroad offered through the Fulbright Program, foreign governments, universities and private donors will close Oct. 31.

Approximately 700 awards in 70 countries will be presented through the program, according to Dr. Terence McQueeny, MU Fulbright Program adviser.

The grants will provide transportation, tuition and maintenance for one academic year.

Applicants must be a United States citizen, hold a bachelor’s degree or its equivalent and should be proficient in the language of the host country. Except for certain specific awards, candidates may not hold a doctorate.

Creative and performing artists are not required to have a bachelor’s degree, but must have four years of professional study or experience.

To obtain application forms or further details contact Dr. McQueeny, Smith Hall Room 714. The deadline for applications will be Oct. 15.