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Marshall University classified staff employees will be honored during an awards luncheon on Wednesday, May 13, at noon in the W. Don Morris Room in Memorial Student Center.

Employees who will complete 15, 20, 25 or 30 years of service at Marshall as of May 1 will be recognized during the luncheon, which is being sponsored by MU President Dale F. Nitzschke.

Those who will receive awards include:
- Thirty years of service: Floyd McSweeney.
- Twenty-five years of service: Shirley Dyer.
- Twenty years of service: Willidean Chapman, Judy Gibson and Rosa Johnson.
- Fifteen years of service: Delana Adkins, Palmaneda Burcham, Opal Byrd, Emmett Dean, Nancy Filbert, Jim Glover, Eloise Johnston, Barbara Ransbottom, Kamal Samar, Judith Smith, Therese Tewel and Joe Wortham.

If you know additional employees who will complete 15, 20, 25 or 30 years of service at Marshall as of May 1 contact Jill Chapman, 696-3160.

Alumni Weekend activities scheduled

The premiere of the documentary television show “Marshall at 150” and a Sesquicentennial Ball are among an expanded list of activities planned for Marshall University’s Alumni Weekend, according to Linda S. Holmes, director of alumni affairs.

Early arrivals for Alumni Weekend may attend the documentary’s premiere at 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 22.

Marvin Stone to speak

“Is the Press Running the Country?” will be the topic of Marvin L. Stone, deputy director of the U. S. Information Agency, in a major address at Marshall University Monday, April 13.

Stone, former editor of U.S. News & World Report, will speak at 8 p.m. in the Morris Room, Memorial Student Center. A reception will follow in the nearby Shawkey Room.

Both events are open to the public according to Dr. Sam Clagg, Marshall Sesquicentennial chairman. Stone is one of four outstanding Marshall alumni invited to speak at the university during the year-long Sesquicentennial observance.

Clagg said Stone’s address will be followed by a question and answer session with the audience.

“Marvin Stone has brought great honor to Marshall University over the years and we’re very pleased he is able to play a significant part in the observance of our 150th anniversary,” Clagg said. “Of all the distinguished journalism students who have emerged from Marshall, Marvin was perhaps the one closest to the legendary Page Pitt, founder of our School of Journalism. He has remained dedicated to Marshall through the years and has supported the university not only financially, but through his work with students. We’re honored to have him return during this very special year.”

Stone’s journalism career, which began with the Huntington Herald-Dispatch, spans 40 years and includes service with International News Service as well as 25 years with U.S. News & World Report.

in the Alumni Lounge, Memorial Student Center. The WPBY-33 television production will be broadcast concurrently on Channel 33.

On Thursday, April 23, the Student Alumni Association will host a celebration of Marshall’s 150th birthday from noon to 1:30 p.m. on the Memorial Student Center plaza.

Thursday also is “Alumni Night at the Theatre.” The play, set for 8 p.m. in Old Main Auditorium, is Philip Massinger’s “A New Way of Paying Old Debts.”

A luncheon for the 50th-year class and the Grand Class (pre-1937 alumni) will begin at 11:30 a.m. Friday, April 24, in the Shawkey Room, Memorial Student Center.

Campus tours will originate from Memorial Student Center lobby at 1 p.m. Friday.

A champagne reception at the home of Marshall President Dale F. Nitzschke is scheduled for 2 p.m. Friday. Following the President’s reception is a “Happy Birthday Celebration” at 4:30 p.m. on Huntington’s Downtown Plaza. The Marshall Concert Band and the Jazz Ensemble will perform.

A “Celebrity Reception,” featuring music by McCall and Young, a variety group, will be held in the Huntington Civic Center, Suite A, from 8 to 11 p.m. Friday.

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Cap & gown orders due

Faculty and staff members who plan to participate in the university’s 150th Commencement on May 9 must order rental caps and gowns by April 13, according to Joseph L. Vance, manager of the MU bookstore.

“Due to requirements from our supplier, we cannot place phone orders for regalia, nor guarantee delivery for orders received after April 13,” Vance said.

To obtain further details or place orders contact the Marshall University bookstore, 696-3622.
MU Council discusses teaching award

(The following report on the March 25 meeting of the University Council was submitted by Kelli Burns, stenographer.)

The Marshall University Council met at 2:50 p.m. in the President’s Conference Room in Old Main. Guests included Frances Hensley (BOR Representative) and Carole Vickers (chairwoman of the Marshall and Shirley Reynolds Award Committee).

The following items were discussed:

Status of the Librarians: Carol Smith, vice president for academic affairs, stated that the librarians will be classified as non-tenured faculty. She said the type of titles and pay schedules within this classification are still being determined. She also noted that the librarians would serve on the Faculty Senate.

Update on Marshall and Shirley Reynolds Award: Carole Vickers gave the Marshall and Shirley Reynolds Outstanding Teaching Award Committee report which included the following points:

Committee Structure: The committee will be composed of one elected representative from each of the colleges and the schools of medicine and nursing; and two student representatives, one from University Honors and one from Omicron Delta Kappa. The current award winner shall join the committee for a term of one year. Because this is the first year of the award and the time frame differs from that planned for future years, this year's committee will be reappointed for 1987-88 to refine the instruments and the process used.

-Time Frame: The following time frame will be used in the selection process beginning in 1987-88: announcement of the award, March 1; deadline for receipt of nominations, April 15; receipt of information from nominees, Aug. 1; first level screening, Dec. 1; second level screening, March 1; award presentation, Honors Convocation.

-Eligibility Requirements: All full-time faculty members with the rank of assistant professor or higher who have a minimum of three years of service at Marshall University in a teaching capacity at the time of nomination are eligible.

-Procedure: Nominations may come from Marshall University students, faculty, administrators, alumni, or by self-nomination. Nomination forms should be returned to the office of the vice president for academic affairs for verification of eligibility. After the verification, the nominees will be given a packet which will include a congratulatory letter, a faculty agreement form, an administrator or department committee's recommendation form, a faculty information form, and a sample copy of the student evaluation. The latter will be completed during the spring and/or first summer term. All information must be returned to the Office of Academic Affairs by Aug. 1. At the beginning of the fall semester, the Office of Academic Affairs will provide the committee with all of the completed files.

During the fall semester, the committee will conduct a blind review of nominations selecting the top candidates. During the spring semester, the committee will observe classes of the finalists and interview their students, colleagues and alumni as a basis of selecting the award winner. The extent of activity will be determined by the committee. The committee will inform the academic vice president of its selection. During the Honors Convocation, the annual winner will receive $3,000 and a plaque commemorating his/her selection as the Marshall and Shirley Reynolds Outstanding Teacher.

Council, after amending the report to read "an administrator or department committee's recommendation form" unanimously accepted the report of the committee.

Letter to AASCU:

Council members reviewed and signed letters drafted by Chris Dolmetsch which discussed the specific effects of President Reagan's cuts to Marshall's student aid programs. The letters, which made a plea for funding for higher education, were sent to West Virginia's senators and representatives in Washington, D.C.

Selection of Members to Serve on Evaluation Committees:

Don Chezik, Wayne Taylor and Marge McInerney were selected to serve on the Student Evaluation of Faculty Committee, an ad hoc committee of the Faculty Personnel Committee. Chris Dolmetsch was chosen to serve on the Ad Hoc Committee to Evaluate Administrative Offices.

Report from BOR's Faculty Advisory Committee:

Fran Hensley reported on a survey on the Faculty Improvement Fee, which was requested by the Advisory Council of Faculty to the BOR to get the sentiment of the faculties regarding the Faculty Improvement Fee. She also discussed merit guidelines. A resolution was passed by the Advisory Council of Faculty stating that any merit guidelines should be developed by a faculty institutional body in consultation with the vice president for academic affairs.

Concerts to be held

Several musical performances and recitals have been scheduled on the Marshall University campus next week.

Marshall University's Wind Symphony will appear in concert on Tuesday, April 14, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

The Marshall University Percussion Ensemble will perform on Wednesday, April 15, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall. The concert will feature the premiere of a composition by Scott Milam, instructor of percussion at MU, and guest guitarists from West Virginia State College.

Marshall University's Symphony Orchestra will present a Young People's Concert for children of all ages on Thursday, April 16, at 7:30 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall. The program will feature great literature written for and about children.

Brenda Jean Graves, a candidate for the Bachelor of Arts degree in music education, will present a recital on the euphonium on Friday, April 17, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

All of the programs are open to the public free of charge. To obtain further details contact Roberta Walters, Marshall University Institute for the Arts, 696-3107.

Manchin to speak here

West Virginia State Treasurer A. James Manchin will attend the monthly meeting of the Marshall University Emeritus Club on Wednesday, April 15.

Manchin will be the club's guest at a noon luncheon in the Shawkey Room in Memorial Student Center. Following the noon luncheon, Manchin will make a public address in the W. Don Morris Room in Memorial Student Center, according to Dr. Walter C. Felty, a member of the Emeritus Club.

"A. James Manchin is particularly well-known for his spirited defense of West Virginia and also is forthright in speaking his mind on any subject, particularly our own state government," said Felty. "Since these are troubled times in West Virginia, we can expect some interesting comments and views from a man who knows our state from every angle."

Felty said Manchin's address following the luncheon is open free of charge to the public and Marshall students, faculty and staff.

Foreign films ending

Marshall University's Foreign Film Series will conclude with a film titled "El Norte" on Thursday, April 23, at 7 p.m. in Smith Hall Room 154.

The film focuses on two young people fleeing the terror and violence of their world for the "promised land" to the north. Their perilous journey to the United States and life as illegals is poignantly presented by director Gregory Nova.

To obtain further details about the film, which is open to the public free of charge, contact the Marshall University Art Department, 696-6760.
Byrd sponsors procurement conference

Senator Robert C. Byrd will host a "Defense Day" procurement conference at Marshall University Monday, April 13, according to MU Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs Robert F. Maddox.

The program, scheduled for Marshall’s Memorial Student Center, will begin at 9 a.m. and continue until about 2 p.m. Marshall’s Small Business Development Center is assisting in the arrangements.

“This conference represents a golden opportunity for business and industry officials, as well as local government representatives, to meet with representatives of the federal government on procurement matters,” Maddox said. “In addition, Marshall’s faculty and staff can benefit from discussion of the methodology of obtaining grants and contracts from various federal agencies.”

Byrd said the conference will be open to all interested persons, free of charge.

He said representatives of the Office of the Secretary of Defense, Defense Logistics Agency, Army, Navy and Air Force will attend to provide pointers on military procurement business. Also, officials from the General Services Administration and the Small Business Administration will discuss how small businesses can bid on other government contracts for goods and services.

“In addition to the procurement side of the conference, the U.S. Department of Commerce will have representatives present to talk with interested company officials about prospects of retooling their manufacturing lines for product diversification,” Byrd said. “I have heard from several small businessmen about their desire to find additional, or alternative, products that could be manufactured in their plants. I am hopeful the Department of Commerce officials may be able to provide helpful information to the business executives on this important matter, or follow up after the conference with suggestions.”

Additional details may be obtained by calling Byrd’s Charleston Office, (304) 342-5855, or his Washington Office, (202) 224-3954.

Computer graphics workshop scheduled

“Applications of Computer Graphics and Technical Presentations” will be the topic of a workshop presented by Alan Paller, one of the nation’s top computer graphics experts, at Marshall University on Friday, April 24, in Memorial Student Center Room 2W22.

The program has been divided into two sections, according to Robert L. Lawson, director of continuing education at Marshall University’s Community College.

In the first section, Paller will show participants how to make effective presentations and how to benefit from computer graphics.

“Every information processing professional, at some time, must speak to management, peers and users,” said Lawson. “Those who do it well excel. This workshop provides proven techniques that will help make those presentations successful. The first section will focus on such issues as dealing with tough questions, making an audience want to believe you, and how to use visuals effectively.”

The second section will teach participants how to make personal computers, mini-computers and mainframe computers into effective sources of graphic information.


The workshop will be limited to 25 participants. Registration and fees will be $189 per individual or $175 per individual for three or more persons from the same organization. Registration and fees will be $205 per person after April 20.

To obtain further details about the workshop contact Lawson at Marshall University’s Community College, 696-3646.

Lunchbag seminar set

The Marshall University Women’s Center will present a lunchbag seminar titled “Single Parenting” on Wednesday, April 15, from noon to 1 p.m. in Prichard Hall Room 143.

Patricia Matters, coordinator of women’s programs at Marshall, will discuss the stages and phases of being a single parent, common concerns and coping strategies.

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

Staff to hold meeting

There will be a special meeting for all Marshall University classified staff employees on Wednesday, April 15, at 3 p.m. in Old Main Auditorium.

The primary item of business will be the election of representatives to the Board of Regents Advisory Council of Classified Employees and the Marshall University Institutional Board of Advisors.

Nominees for the BOR Advisory Council are: Nina L. Barrett of the Comptrollers Office and Jill Chapman of the Admissions Office.

Nominees for the Institutional Board are: Ann Henson of the Health Science Library, Barbara James of the Regents BA Program Office, Joyce Ray of the Department of Medicine, and Ken Reffeitt of James E. Morrow Library.

President Nitzschke also will address the classified staff employees and reports concerning Staff Council activities will be made during the meeting.

Classified staff members unable to attend the entire meeting can vote from 3 to 3:30 p.m. just inside the auditorium. President Nitzschke has requested that supervisors release and encourage personnel to attend the meeting.

To obtain further details about the election contact Georgia Childers, election chairwoman, 696-6608.
Panel will focus on religion's role

A panel discussion on "The Role of Religion in Personal Decision-Making: Obedience and the Right to Dissent" will be held at Marshall University Monday, April 13, at 7:30 p.m. in the Campus Christian Center.

Panelists will include Rev. Susan Carse-McLocklin, United Methodist campus minister at Marshall; Rev. Boyd McLocklin, Southern Baptist minister, and Sisters Barbara Ferraro and Patricia Hussey, Roman Catholic nuns (Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur).

Sisters Ferraro and Hussey recently received national attention when they refused to retract their signatures on the 1984 document titled "A Catholic Statement on Pluralism and Abortion," despite intense pressure from Roman Catholic officials.

Rev. Philip G. Browne, Episcopal chaplain at Marshall, will moderate the panel discussion.

The program is being sponsored by the Marshall University Women's Center, the United Methodist Campus Ministry and the Huntington chapter of the National Organization for Women. To obtain further details about the program contact the Marshall Women's Center, 696-3112.

Excused absences...

Absences have been excused by the respective college deans for the following:

MARCH 27-29--Golf Team.
MARCH 31-APRIL 4--Golf Team.
APRIL 1-4--Women's Tennis Team.
APRIL 1-5--Amy Callaway, Chris Cobb, Brian Kline, Paula Thomas, Susan Curry.
APRIL 2-2-Scott Ransbottom, Bruce Decker, Amy Perry.
Shelda Duffield, Symphony Radcliffe.
APRIL 2-3--ROTC Cadets attending mini-camp at Fort Knox.
APRIL 3--Soccer Team.
APRIL 9-10--Marshall University Wind Symphony Band members.
APRIL 8-13--Robert O'Quinn, Tom Lucas, Charles Tew, Chris Derrow, Hassan Haidar, Mark Stehle, James Schmautz, Scott Brunetti, Sherry Thomas, Michele Ross, Deanna Viars, Angela DeCoy, Christi Fox, Angela Jones, Susan Harris, Elizabeth Roberts, Leigh Epperharte, Melissa Seacrist, Judy Mullarky, Stephanie Young.

Greenbook changes due

The last date to make changes, deletions or corrections in the supplement to the Greenbook will be April 15, according to Dr. Walter Felty.
Send changes to Dr. Felty, Department of Educational Media, through campus mail by April 15.

Library hours set

James E. Morrow Library will be open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Good Friday, April 17. The library will be closed Saturday, April 18, and Sunday, April 19. It will resume regular hours Monday, April 20.

Brach's candy on sale

Brach's Bridge Mix will be on sale at the main desk in Memorial Student Center the week of April 13-19.

The price will be $2.94 for one-fourth pound; $1.84 for one-half pound and $3.68 for one pound.