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# NEWSLETTER

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## Huntington company pledges \$50,000

Western Pocahontas Properties Limited Partnership, headquartered in Huntington, has pledged \$50,000 to The Campaign for Marshall, a \$10 million fund raising effort for endowment and capital projects at Marshall University.

Nick Carter, president of the coal and timber landholding company, recently presented the first installment on the company's pledge to Dr. Edward G. "Ned" Boehm Jr., Marshall vice president for institutional advancement.

Carter said Western Pocahontas Properties made its

pledge to Marshall in recognition of the university's role in the community. "Marshall contributes to the business community. We have a number of Marshall graduates on our staff. Others have attended classes or have children attending Marshall. We felt it appropriate to give back something to the university," Carter said.

"Western Pocahontas Properties is joining a number of companies in our area in providing opportunities to our students," Boehm said. "Their philanthropy is enriching our community. It's very rewarding to work with businesses which take an active role in bettering our area."

The Campaign for Marshall, led by National Chairman John R. Hall, chairman and chief executive officer for Ashland Oil, Inc., was launched in October 1989.

The campaign, the most ambitious fund raising effort ever conducted in behalf of Marshall University, has a goal of \$10 million for scholarship endowments, the faculty development endowment, and to complete funding for the first phase of the Fine and Performing Arts Complex.

## 'The Third House' will be given in Charleston

"The Third House," a political spoof of the West Virginia Legislature and state government in general, will be presented Wednesday, March 6, at 8 p.m. at the Capitol-Plaza Theatre, 123 Summers St., Charleston.

Again this year the W. Page Pitt School of Journalism Alumni Association is sponsoring the event, according to Tom Miller, president of the association.

All proceeds will go to the Marshall University School of Journalism.

Members of the State Capitol press corps will write the script and portray the governor, congressmen and legislative leaders in a collection of songs and skits.

Last year's performance was described by the Charleston Gazette as "off-color humor and off-key musical numbers...delivered with the subtlety of a 98-count conspiracy indictment." The Charleston Daily Mail said, "Its

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## Yard sale scheduled

The spring sale of surplus university equipment and supplies will be held the week of April 1, according to William J. Shondel, director of purchasing and materials management.

Departments that have material to sell should contact Carol Skaggs, manager of central receiving, 696-6678, to coordinate tagging and pickup.

All material will be displayed in the Central Receiving area and the parking lot on April 1-2 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Written bids will be accepted from faculty, staff, students and the general public until 8 a.m. April 3, when the bids will be sorted and tabulated.

Individuals with the highest bids will be contacted and asked to pay for and pickup their purchases by 4 p.m. on Friday, April 5.

## Awards lunch planned

The seventh annual Marshall University Service Awards Luncheon for university staff members will be held Tuesday, May 14, from noon to 2 p.m. in the W. Don Morris Room in Memorial Student Center.

Following is a tentative list of persons eligible to receive awards:

### For 15 Years of Service

Larry Artrip, Linda Bondurant, Barbara Jane Brown, Stephanie Gray, William Green, Earl Johnson, Carolyn Sue King, Ronald Larson, Rebecca Lewis, Elinor Midkiff, Ethel Pierson, Glenna Racer, Wilbert Roy Thomas, Sheila Wiley, Edwina Wippel and Vivian Wood.

### For 20 Years of Service

Gordon Black, Mary Covington, Eugene Crawford, Paul Dempsey, Barbara Ferrell, Marilyn Frame, Sharon France, Shirley Henson, Patricia Mulcahy, Barbara Phillips, Cal Stephenson, Therese Tweel, Jane Vickers and Paul Ward.

### For 25 Years of Service

Barbara Atkins, Elfriede Beaver, Jill Chapman and Barbara James.

### For 30 Years of Service

Marvin Fulton and John Hagan.

### For 35 Years of Service

Zanna Crager, Carnell Snow and Deloris Wise.

### Retirees (eligible as of May 1)

Mary Abrams, Mary Arigan, Dolores Brumfield, Patsy

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# Committee approves recommendations

(The following summary of the Feb. 14 meeting of the Marshall University Academic Standards and Curricula Review Committee was submitted by Dagmar Weill.)

Dr. Wendell Dobbs, chairman, presented the reports of the meetings of the Curriculum Subcommittee. The motion to approve recommendations for additions, deletions and other changes was made, seconded and approved.

Dobbs also reviewed the proposal by his subcommittee to reduce the required paper work, and to change some procedures in the addition/deletion process.

Dr. David Woodward handed out copies of the new Withdrawal Policy with changes in the wording of the text to clarify some confusion over the dates. A motion was

made, seconded and approved to recommend the revised policy.

Dr. Edwina Pendarvis, chairwoman, discussed the requests made to the Standards Subcommittee. A policy change in weighting Honors courses was denied because no standards are developed by the university to measure degrees of difficulty in courses. The concept of "catalog of record" needs clarification and a more prominent exposure in the catalog to eliminate false assumptions by students.

A request to remove courses from the catalog which have not been offered for some years was denied.

A Graduate School request to change requirements in the GPA in both undergraduate and graduate catalogs so they conform with each other needs further investigation.

Woodward introduced a proposal of adding to the policy of excused absences the term "all major religious holidays." It was decided that the term needs to be further defined.

## Excused absences...

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

MARCH 4--Alice Ash, Joanna Bailey, Thomas Bias, Anne Bingham, Edwin Bingham, Shannon Browning, Steve Burnett, Justin Butler, Sean Calloway, Marc Carpenter, David Chaney, David Christie, Cynthia Cruz, Greg Dilley, Monica Egermayer, Cassandra Gallo, Henry Gernhardt, Chip Gue, James Hayslett, Laura Holton, Scott Jones, Sam Leffingwell, Robert Looney, Tracy Miller, Richard Myers, Keith Nance, Stacy Padilla, Matthew Parks, Jason Petrie, Elizabeth Read, Keith Simmons, Lisa Skeens, Sam Suiter, Greg Vance, Michael Williamson, Sherri Wilmoth, David Wood, Claudia Wooten.

MARCH 7-9--Chris Cobb, Jill McNeal, Derek Scott, Ed Rothman, Tom Roten, Kim Jefferson, Julee Kessler, Todd Agne, Pat Mills, Brad Williamson.

## Awards lunch planned

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Scott, Donald Vaughn and James Wallace.

If you are eligible or know of other persons who are eligible for awards who were not included on the preceding list, contact Jill Chapman, 696-2242.

To be eligible, persons must have completed 15, 20, 25, 30 or 35 years of service to Marshall University by May 1, 1991.

## 'Third House' slated

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caustic comedy hit the mark with its audience."

The MU Alumni Association and the Journalism Alumni Association will sponsor a reception following the performance from 9:30 to 11 p.m. at the United Bank Building Lobby, 500 Virginia St. East.

Tickets for the performance will be \$10 and tickets for the reception will be \$20. Tickets for "The Third House" and the reception will be available at the State Capitol and the MU Alumni Office. Tickets for the play also will be available at the door.

## Mrs. A.E. Harris dies

Mrs. A.E. (Virginia) Harris, 84, of Huntington died Sunday, Feb. 24, at her residence.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Dr. Arvil Ernest Harris, who was dean of Marshall's first Graduate School and chairman of the MU Social Studies Department. He also was a former Huntington Mayor.

Mrs. Harris was a retired school teacher. She received her bachelor's degree from Glenville State College in 1933 and her master's degree from Marshall in 1955.

She was a member of the First Congregational Church United Church of Christ where she also was a board member and president of the Woman's Association of the Church. She was a member of the Faculty Wives Club of Marshall University and the Marshall University Alumni Association. She also was a member of various community organizations.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. David A. Ambler of Lawrence, Kan., and Mrs. Charles Regula of Huntington; five grandchildren, Virginia, Elizabeth and Adam Regula of Huntington, Sarah Ann Ambler of Lawrence and Laura Ambler Higgins of Kansas City, Mo.; three sisters, Mrs. Evelyn Greenleaf of Canton, Ohio, Mrs. Sammie Curry of Akron, Ohio, and Mrs. Marjorie Veling of Ormond Beach, Fla.; and one brother, Jordan Brannon of Parkersburg.

A memorial service will be held Sunday, May 26, at 2 p.m. at the First Congregational Church, 701 5th Ave.

## Wives Club to meet

The Marshall University Faculty Wives Club will have a dinner with husbands and guests on Saturday, March 9, at 6:30 p.m. in the Shawkey Room in Memorial Student Center.

Dr. Clair Matz, director of Marshall's Center for International Studies, will be the guest speaker. Kay Lotspeich and Elizabeth Weeks will be the hostesses.

Reservations will be due by March 5.

# Women's History Month to be observed

The Marshall University Women's Center will sponsor a variety of events during March in conjunction with Women's History Month, according to Donnalee Cockrille, coordinator of women's programs at Marshall.

A series of leadership programs will be held on Mondays, March 4, 11 and 18, at 7 p.m. in Prichard Hall Room 143. Registration will be required for the programs. To register contact Myra Crockett at the Women's Center, 696-3111.

## *OU professor will give lecture March 4*

Dr. Thomas W. Walker, one of America's foremost scholars on Nicaragua, will be the keynote speaker for Marshall University's observance of Hispanic Culture Awareness Week which will be held March 4-8.

Walker, a professor of political science and director of Latin American studies at Ohio University, will discuss "The United States and Central America" on Monday, March 4, at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Alumni Lounge.

"Dr. Walker really is one of the top two or three Nicaraguan experts in the country," said Dr. Clair W. Matz, director of Marshall's Center for International Studies. "He began doing field research there in 1967 and has made 18 trips to Nicaragua."

He has published six books about the country and was an official observer during the 1984 and 1990 Nicaraguan elections. He is a founder of the Latin American Studies Association's Task Force on Scholarly Relations with Nicaragua and formerly served as a consultant for the United Presbyterian Church.

His presentation, which will be open to the public free of charge, will open a weeklong series of events designed to give Tri-State area residents an entertaining and educational look at the Hispanic culture.

To obtain further details contact Matz at Marshall University's Center for International Studies, 696-2465.

## Young artist to perform here

Brian Chang, the 1991 winner of the Women's Club of Huntington Young Artist Competition, will perform with the Marshall University Symphony Orchestra on Thursday, March 7, at 7:30 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

A high school student from Morgantown, Chang will perform the first movement of the "Violin Concerto in g minor, Op. 26" by Max Bruch and selections by Mozart and Massenet.

The concert will be open to the public free of charge. To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Music Department, 696-3117.

The Women's Center will hold an open house throughout the day on Wednesday, March 6.

A film festival will be held Tuesday through Thursday, March 12-14. Each film will be shown at 7 p.m. in Prichard Hall Room 143.

"The Women of Summer," which explores an experiment held during the 1920s and 1930s, will be shown Tuesday, March 12. During the experiment, women from blue-collar backgrounds were given the opportunity to obtain an education at one of the finest women's colleges in the country.

Wednesday's film will be "Things Your Mother Never Told You." The film explores feelings about motherhood, marriage and careers through the experiences of 40 women.

"Women in War: Voices from the Front Lines" will be shown Thursday. The film looks at the devastation of war and the efforts of women toward bringing about a peaceful future.

To obtain further details contact the MU Women's Center, 696-3112

## Grant workshops open

Two special grant workshops for Marshall University faculty and staff have been scheduled, according to Dr. C. Robert Barnett, director of grants and research at Marshall.

"Grants from State and Local Foundations" will be held Tuesday, March 12, at 2 p.m. in Memorial Student Center Room 2W22. Barnett will instruct the program.

"Science Education Grants" will be held Thursday, March 14, at 2 p.m. in Jenkins Hall Room 201. Don Darn-ton of the Eisenhower Math-Science Grants Program will instruct the workshop.

To obtain further details about the workshops contact Barnett, 696-3094.

## 'Triptych' concert set

The musical ensemble "Triptych" will perform works by contemporary composers in a concert at Marshall University on Saturday, March 9, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

Ann Marie Bingham, clarinet; Ed Bingham, saxophone and flute, and J. Steven Hall, percussion, will play works by Frank Wiley, Mark Francis, Armand Russell and Norbert Linke.

Formed four years ago, "Triptych" has presented a variety of programs in North Carolina, Kentucky, Ohio and Texas, including a recent appearance at the South-west Contemporary music Festival and Conference at the University of Texas at San Antonio, where two works commissioned by the group were premiered.

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



# Marshall faculty/staff achievements

Dr. PAUL F. LUTZ, assistant professor of social studies, has been awarded a \$2,000 grant by the West Virginia Humanities Council to further his research into the life and times of Gov. Bill Marland of West Virginia (1953-1957) who was discovered in 1965 driving a taxi in Chicago.

Dr. DAVID P. SWAIN, associate professor of health, physical education and recreation and director of the Human Performance Laboratory, has had two papers accepted for presentation at the 1991 convention of the American College of Sports Medicine which will be held May 29-June 1. The papers are "Heart Rate and Oxygen Consumption Responses to Incremental Exercise in Men versus Women" and "Efficiency of Uphill Cycling as a Function of Cadence and Position."

Dr. CRAIG MONROE, professor of speech, has been

informed that his article, "Behavioral Antecedents to Employee Turnover," has been accepted for publication in a forthcoming issue of The Journal of Social Behavior and Personality.

KENNETH E. BLUE, associate dean of student affairs, and QUEEN FOREMAN, director of affirmative action and human resources, presented four sessions of a workshop titled "Multicultural and Multi-ethnic Sensitivity" for the personnel of Shepherd College on Feb. 5-6.

Dr. CHRISTOPHER L. DOLMETSCH, professor of modern languages, attended the 19th annual Twentieth Century Literature Conference held Feb. 21-23 at the University of Louisville (Ky.). He chaired a session on "New Approaches to Contemporary German Drama and Fiction."

## *Musician to perform*

Acoustic guitarist and composer Jim Scott will perform at Marshall University on Monday, March 4, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

He also will present an afternoon residency in the Music Department.

Scott, who performs more than 150 concerts a year, was called "some kind of magician" by folk singer Pete Seeger.

He is known to many as the voice on the Paul Winter Consort's "Common Ground" and his composition "A Song for the Earth" became one of the environmental anthems of the 1980s. "A Concert for the Earth" was recorded live in 1984 at the United Nations.

Tickets will be \$3 and will be available at the door.

## CIS information available

Marshall University's Center for International Studies has information on AASCU/Taiwan scholarships funded by the Ministry of Education in Taiwan and information for graduating students who might be interested in teaching English in Japan.

To obtain further details contact Dr. Clair W. Matz in the Center for International Studies, Old Main Room 227, 696-2465.

### Letter of appreciation

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

The family of Dale Vickers wishes to thank our friends for their many expressions of sympathy and their gifts to the Marshall Foundation in his honor.

Sincerely,  
Jane Vickers

## Artist will visit MU

Jim Flahaven, whose "Artifacts from Western PA" will be on exhibit in the Birke Art Gallery beginning March 8, will present a slide lecture on Monday, March 11, at 7:30 p.m. in the gallery.

The lecture will be open to the public free of charge and will be followed by a reception in honor of the artist.

Flahaven, who says his art deals with survival and land, prefers that his work not be viewed in the context of modern art and the modern museum. Instead, he says, he'd like the experience of the viewer to be more like being in a museum of natural history, where one would see items relating to our history, survival and relationship with the land.

## *WMUL going to tourney*

Marshall University's public radio station, WMUL-FM (88.1 MHz), will broadcast the Southern Conference women's basketball tournament live from Johnson City, Tenn., March 7-9, according to Chuck G. Bailey, WMUL faculty manager.

The student-operated station will be the only station, radio or television, to provide complete five-game coverage of the tournament.

## 'JOBS/2000' scheduled

The Huntington Area Labor-Management Committee will present a national teleconference titled "JOBS/2000" at Marshall University's Research and Economic Development Center, 1050 Fourth Ave., at 11 a.m. on Friday, March 8.

The goal of the teleconference is to raise community awareness of the need for higher levels of skill, education and training in the work force, according to Thomas McChesney, committee coordinator.

To obtain further details contact McChesney at 696-6797.