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NEWSLETTER

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Academic festival to be held March 16

Approximately 4,000 juniors and seniors from 73 high schools in West Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky will participate in Marshall University's 13th annual SCORES Academic Festival on Saturday, March 16.

The festival is sponsored by the Marshall University SCORES (Search Committee on Recruiting Excellent Students) group which is composed of representatives from every academic department on campus.

Dr. Ralph W. Taylor, professor of biological sciences

Placement Services sponsoring Job Fair

More than 30 business organizations are expected to participate in Marshall University's 14th annual Business Career and Job Fair on Wednesday, March 13, from 1 to 4 p.m. in the W. Don Morris Room in Memorial Student Center, according to Reginald Spencer, placement services director.

"The fair provides an ideal chance for students to informally discuss the job market and opportunities with prospective employers, which is especially important due to the uncertain economic climate this spring," said Spencer.

Various types of businesses will be represented at the fair, according to Spencer who anticipates that more than 250 students and recent graduates will participate in this year's program.

A listing of businesses and their areas of interest will be available to persons planning to attend the fair.

Businesses, students and recent graduates interested in participating in the Business Career and Job Fair should contact Spencer at Marshall University's Placement Services Center located at the corner of Fifth Avenue and 17th Street, 696-2250.

ODK to hold ceremony

Marshall University's Beta Lambda Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa national leadership honor society will hold its spring initiation ceremony and banquet on Monday, March 11, beginning at noon at the ODK Circle.

Twenty students and five faculty members and administrators will be initiated during the ceremony, according to Dr. Don E. Robertson, ODK adviser.

The banquet will be held immediately following the initiation ceremony in the Shawkey Room in Memorial Student Center.

To obtain further details contact Robertson, 696-2282.

and SCORES director, described the festival as a spirited academic competition where gifted students vie for top honors in various contests designed to test their knowledge. Each participant must have at least a 3.0 grade point average in his or her chosen areas of competition.

Four of the festival's outstanding students will win scholarships for one year at Marshall, plus a stipend to help pay for books and other expenses. The three highest-scoring individuals in each subject area will receive awards of recognition.

Taylor said the most coveted prizes are the large trophies presented to the six schools with the highest point totals for all tests taken. The top two schools in each of the competition's three enrollment categories receive trophies. The trophies usually are placed in special display cases to demonstrate the school's commitment to academics, as well as athletics.

"The competition is a way to encourage and recognize academic excellence among high school students, cultivate relationships with high schools in the region and generate public awareness of academic achievement occurring in various communities surrounding Marshall," Taylor said.

Tests will be given in approximately 120 subject areas ranging from computer skills to drama performances.

Students will be invited to participate in activities on Friday evening prior to the competition.

Taylor said participants will be invited to a buffet dinner and will be able to visit a residence hall and attend a university drama production or dance. Current students in various Marshall University student organizations will

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'Picnic' scheduled

William Inge's Pulitzer Prize-winning play, "Picnic," will be presented by the Marshall University Theatre March 13-16 at 8 p.m. in Old Main Auditorium.

The play, which also received a Drama Circle Critic's Award, has been described as a "summer romance" that depicts the torrid events which occur when a drifter arrives in a small Kansas town.

K.C. Bragg, a senior acting/directing major from Huntington, will direct the production to meet his senior directing requirement.

Reserved tickets will be \$4 and will be available at the Box Office, Old Main Room B23. Special rates will be available for senior citizens and groups. Marshall students with valid identification and activity cards will be admitted free.

To make reservations or obtain further details contact the MU Box Office, 696-2787.

MU Senate discusses COB at meeting

(The following report on the Feb. 14 special meeting of the Marshall University Faculty Senate was submitted by Joseph M. Stone, secretary.)

The meeting was held Feb. 14 at 4 p.m. in the Faculty Lounge, Eighth Floor, Smith Hall. The special meeting was called by the president of the senate upon the written petition of 17 faculty members.

Present for the meeting were 30 senators. Fifteen

Employees may take religious holidays off

Marshall University will, in accordance with federal law, grant reasonable time off to employees who wish to observe religious holidays not included on the list of university recognized holidays, as long as it does not cause undue operational problems and hardships within the department.

Such time off will be charged to annual leave, according to Queen E. Foreman, director of affirmative action and human resources.

If no compensatory accrual exists or the employee does not wish to have the time off charged to annual leave, he/she may elect not to be paid for the time off; to make up the time missed, or, if possible within the unit, utilize flex time to provide time off without actually altering the 37.5-hour work week.

To obtain further details contact the Department of Affirmative Action and Human Resources.

Grant workshop changed

The grant workshop titled "Science Education Grants" featuring Don Darnton of the Eisenhower Math-Science Grants Program, originally scheduled March 14, has been postponed until Thursday, April 18.

The workshop will be held April 18 at 2 p.m. in Jenkins Hall Room 201.

To obtain further details contact Robert Barnett, director of grants and research, 696-3094.

Flute program planned

Marshall University's Flute Ensemble will present a program titled "Very Varied New Moods for Flutes" featuring Marshall faculty, students and community musicians in concert on Thursday, March 14, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

The ensemble, under the direction of Dr. Wendell Dobbs, will be accompanied by guitar, violin and piano during some of the pieces in the program.

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

senators were absent.

Kathryn Chezik chaired the meeting and Joseph Stone acted as secretary. A quorum of the senate being present and established, the chair called the meeting to order.

The agenda was limited to those items enumerated in the petition to wit: discussion of College of Business accreditation, special tuition assessment for the College of Business students and the disbursements therefrom, and the College of Business salary supplements.

Interim President Alan Gould and COB Dean Robert Alexander addressed the senate concerning the items in the petition.

Bady offered a resolution which was duly seconded. Without objection, the question was called. The resolution was declared defeated after a voice vote. The division of the house was called: eight voted for the resolution; fifteen voted against. The resolution was defeated.

Hensley offered a resolution on behalf of a constituent which was duly seconded. Hale offered an amendment which was subsequently withdrawn. Mewaldt offered an amendment which would delete all after "That" in the second "resolving clause," line 1 to line 15 before "the" and adding "regarding shared governance in matters of academic planning" following "institution." in line 18 of the second "resolving clause." The amendment was adopted.

Olson offered an amendment which was defeated.

The main motion was adopted as amended.

Baker made the following motion which was duly seconded:

"The Academic Planning Committee shall report to the senate with all dispatch its recommendation for the proper method of dealing with proposed new academic programs." The motion was adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Academic festival set

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serve as hosts and hostesses for the participants and provide social activities for the festival participants. A band has been engaged to entertain Friday and Saturday.

"We think these activities, held in a more casual atmosphere, will add a lot to the festival," said Taylor, "and perhaps help take away some of the students' anxieties about college and encourage more of them to give college a try."

The actual competition will begin after breakfast Saturday and continue throughout the morning. The tests will be graded and the results compiled while the students have lunch and attend activities that have been specially planned for them.

Results of the competition will be announced during the awards ceremony which will be held at 1:30 p.m. in Henderson Center.

To obtain further details about the Academic Festival contact the Marshall University SCORES Office, 696-6752.

Yale musicians to perform on campus

The third event of Marshall's "Mozart and More" celebration will feature two artists associated with the Yale School of Music in concert on Tuesday, March 12, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

Tenor Jerold Siena, associate professor of voice at the Yale School of Music, and pianist Donald Currier, Yale

professor emeritus, will present a program featuring Mozart's "Concert Aria: Misero! O sogno, o son desto? K. 431."

Other pieces by Erik Satie, Francis Poulenc, Robert Schumann and Samuel Barber also will be featured.

Three Marshall music faculty, Dr. Jeffrey Price, tenor; Kay Wildman, harpsichord, and Lois Blackburn, cello, will join the guest artists for Claudio Monteverdi's "Zefiro Torna."

Siena and Currier will present master classes on Tuesday and Wednesday during their two-day residency at Marshall.

"Mozart and More" activities, sponsored by the Birke Fine Arts Symposium, will be open to the public. Admission will be \$5 for adults and \$2 for students and senior citizens. Marshall students with valid identification and activity cards will be admitted free.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Department of Music, 696-3107.

Employee achievements

Interim Marshall University President ALAN B. GOULD has been elected to the board of directors of the Software Valley Development Board. Software Valley was founded in 1985 by U.S. Senator Robert C. Byrd to revitalize West Virginia's economy with advanced technology capabilities. The Development Board sets the policy and strategy for the Software Valley movement.

Dr. ROBERT ALEXANDER, dean of the College of Business, currently serves as chairman of the West Virginia Municipal League Legislative Committee and attended the organization's mid-winter conference held last month in Charleston. On Feb. 16, he conducted a workshop on "Parliamentary Procedures" at the regional conference of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. Approximately 20 national members were in attendance.

Dr. THOMAS J. MANAKKIL, professor of physics and university radiation safety officer, attended the joint annual meetings of the American Association of Physics Teachers and the American Physics Society held Feb. 19-24 at the Hilton Palacio Del Rio in San Antonio, Texas. He represented the Appalachian Chapter of the AAPT at the National Council. He also presided over a session titled "Symposium on National Interactive Media Project" held at the San Antonio Convention Center.

Library will be closed for break and holiday

Marshall University's James E. Morrow Library will be closed Saturday and Sunday, March 23-24, due to spring break, according to Josephine Fidler, director of libraries.

The library will be open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, March 25-28.

The library also will be closed Friday through Sunday, March 29-31 due to the Easter holiday.

Regular library hours will resume Monday, April 1.

Excused absences . . .

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

MARCH 4--Elizabeth Bledsoe, Jay Offenberger, Eugene Saunders, Paul Shamansky;

MARCH 12-17--John Adkins, James Bach, Amy Hodapp, Susan Shumate, Mark Sachleben, Eric Kaltenecker, Sherri Stapleton.

Smoking class forming

Marshall University's Office of Student Health Education Programs will sponsor "Fresh Start," a smoking cessation class developed by the American Cancer Society, beginning Monday, March 11, at 5 p.m. in Memorial Student Center.

One-hour classes will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays for two weeks, according to Carla Lapelle, coordinator of Student Health Education Programs.

The course will be open to the public free of charge, however enrollment will be limited.

To register or obtain further details contact the Office of Student Health Education Programs at Marshall University, 696-4800.

Letters of appreciation

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

Your beautiful basket of glads, purple irises and yellow pompons touched us deeply during our great loss of John.

Thank you for remembering. It was very comforting.

Sincerely,
Giovanna Morton

Dear Marshall Faculty and Staff:

The family of James Moloney would like to thank the Marshall community for the flowers and sympathy extended to the family upon the death of his father.

Sincerely,
James Moloney family

Graduate student waivers available

Applications for a limited number of graduate student tuition waivers for Marshall University's intersession and summer terms will be accepted through April 19 in the Graduate School Office, Old Main Room 113, according to Dr. Leonard J. Deutsch, dean of the school.

In line with West Virginia Board of Trustees Policy Bulletin 49, priority will be given to faculty and staff of the state's colleges and universities and to West Virginia residents. A small number of waivers will be awarded to nonresident students.

Deutsch said academic merit will be the major consideration in awarding waivers, which cover tuition, registration and Higher Education and Faculty Improvement fees. Student Activity fees must be paid by the recipient.

Academic merit will be determined by grade point average and Graduate Record Examination scores. Students must list their GRE scores in order to be eligible for consideration.

Up to three hours of waivers for graduate course work will be awarded to qualified applicants.

Students interested in being considered for a waiver based on financial need criteria should contact the Graduate School to obtain the proper application procedures.

Students who previously held waivers must reapply to be considered for intersession/summer term waivers.

Approved waivers can be picked up beginning April 26. Waivers not claimed by Friday, May 10, will be assigned to other qualified applicants.

To obtain further details contact the Marshall University Graduate School, 696-6606.

Minority scholars sought

The American Association for the Advancement of Science is sponsoring a program to attract more minority scholars to do research on ethics and values studies in science and technology, according to MU Graduate School Dean Leonard Deutsch.

The program is open to minority scholars who have an advanced degree in any field of science, engineering, medicine, law or the humanities.

To obtain further details contact the MU Graduate School Office, Old Main Room 113.

Lunchbag seminar set

The Marshall University Women's Center will sponsor a lunchbag seminar titled "Structure of Intimate Relationships" on Wednesday, March 13, at noon in Prichard Hall Room 143.

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



Jack R. Brown Scholarship Awarded

Jamie L. Schneider (second from left) of Germantown, Tenn., is the first recipient of The Jack R. Brown Memorial Scholarship in English. Dr. Brown, a member of Marshall's faculty for 28 years, was chairman of the English Department, 1967-74, and was a founder of Marshall's Honors Program and the university's Research Board. He died in 1987. The scholarship in his memory is awarded to the sophomore English major with the highest overall grade point average. With Ms. Schneider are, from left, Dr. Carolyn B. Hunter, assistant vice president for institutional advancement; Dr. Edward G. "Ned" Boehm Jr., vice president for institutional advancement; Dr. Joan T. Mead, chairwoman of the English Department, and Dr. Barbara R. Brown, widow of Jack R. Brown and an MU English professor.

Personnel personal...

Staff Sgt. Timothy R. Stephenson of Wayne, son of Cal and Margaret Stephenson, has been awarded the Bronze Star by the United States Air Force.

The citation accompanying his Bronze Star read:

"Staff Sergeant Timothy R. Stephenson distinguished himself by meritorious achievement as Station Chief, Fire Protection Branch, 24th Civil Engineering Squadron, Howard Air Force Base, Republic of Panama, while engaged in Operation JUST CAUSE, on 20 December 1989. During blacked out conditions, while recovering battle damaged C-130 aircraft on Howard Air Force Base, Sergeant Stephenson disregarded his own safety and personal injury to plug holes in C-130 aircraft wings.

His actions exposed him to a continuous flow of JP-4 fuel and totally drenched his clothing for the entire time that he provided emergency repairs to five aircraft. His unselfish actions and courage in the face of extreme danger eliminated the potential for explosion and fire to more than 20 aircraft and crews during this intense operation. By his heroic actions and unselfish dedication to duty, Sergeant Stephenson has reflected great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force."

Cal Stephenson has been employed in Marshall's Buildings and Grounds Division for 20 years. His son is a 1981 graduate of Wayne High School and attended Marshall University.