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News Letter

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Art Gallery to open Sept. 26

Marshall University's long-awaited new art gallery will open Sept. 26 with a special event—an exhibit of works by the internationally-known artist Harry Bertoia.

The display of graphics and sculptures will be unveiled at a reception hosted by the MU Art Department on Monday, Sept. 26, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the gallery, located on the first floor of Smith Hall on the 3rd Avenue side.

Anyone interested in a preview of the exhibit may attend the reception, according to Beverly Twitchell, MU art instructor and exhibition curator. The exhibit will continue through Nov. 24.

After the reception, the gallery will be open Monday through Friday from noon until 4 p.m., Ms. Twitchell said. Extended hours are under discussion.

The gallery, a dream of the Art Department for several years, is primarily for student exhibits, according to Mrs. June Kilgore, MU professor of art and departmental chairman. "This new facility will provide a more professional atmosphere for student shows," she said. An exhibition is one of the degree requirements for both undergraduate and graduate art students.

"Although its main use will be for these student shows, we hope to be able to schedule a professional exhibit each year and perhaps join with the Huntington Galleries in setting up cooperative exhibits," Mrs. Kilgore said.

Bertoia perhaps is best known in the Tri-State-Area for his bronze and copper sculpture, the Memorial Fountain, created in memory of the victims of the Nov. 14, 1970 jetliner crash near Tri-State Airport. The fountain is the focal point of Marshall's Memorial Student Center Plaza.

Bertoia has had exhibitions of his artworks at the Smith-

sonian Institute and New York's Museum of Non-Objective Art. His work is included in the permanent collections of the Museum of Modern Art and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

"We wanted to open the gallery with an exhibit by an artist who not only was well-known throughout the art world, but one who also had a special identity to our community," Ms. Twitchell said.

"We feel Bertoia has become a part of the university and community just as his fountain is fast becoming a symbol of Marshall," she added.

The Bertoia exhibit, funded by the Birke Fine Arts Symposium, includes 40 works, 12 graphics and 28 sculptures, including many from the artist's own collection, a few pieces loaned by area residents and the maquette of Memorial Fountain which is part of the Huntington Galleries collection.

The pieces on exhibit will be representative of work done by Bertoia from 1940 to 1977. There will be a free catalog for the exhibit, discussing the works and featuring 24 pictures.

The gallery, which cost approximately \$40,000, was created by enclosing a portion of Smith Hall's outdoor plaza area and provides 2,400 square-feet of space.

A contractor did the exterior work and Marshall's buildings and grounds staff did the interior work, including the lighting, temperature control and other special touches.

A security system—a complete intrusion alarm system based on the principle of ultra-sonic motion detection—has been tied into the campus Security Office. Round-the-clock guards may be assigned on various occasions, depending upon the nature of future exhibits.

MU appointments announced

Dr. Donald S. Robinson of the University of Vermont College of Medicine faculty has accepted an appointment with the Marshall University School of Medicine, Dr. Robert W. Coon, MU medical school dean, announced.

Robinson will serve as chairman of the Pharmacology Department and will hold the rank of professor. He will assume his duties at Marshall in December, Coon said.

A 49-year-old Massachusetts native, Robinson has been on the medical college's faculty since 1968. Currently he is associate professor of medicine and pharmacology and director of the clinical pharmacology unit at the Burlington, Vt., school.

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WILLARD K. BENTZ

Dr. Willard K. Bentz has been named acting chairman of the Department of Community Medicine in the School of Medicine, Dean Robert W. Coon announced.

Dr. Bentz is professor of community medicine. He received his B.A. degree from the University of Florida, and his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from Florida State University.

He came to Marshall July 21, 1975, from a staff position

with the Department of Psychiatry at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

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JEAN M. DE VOS

Mrs. Jeanne M. DeVos has been appointed acting director of the Associate in Science in Nursing degree program, Dr. Robert W. Coon, dean of the School of Medicine announced.

Mrs. DeVos was an instructor in the nursing program. She is a registered nurse and received her B.S. degree in nursing from Hamline University in St. Paul, Minn. and her M.A. degree in counseling at Marshall. She has been with the university three years and is married to Dr. Bradford R. DeVos, associate professor of music at Marshall.

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PETER M. FILE

Peter M. File of Huntington has been appointed Marshall University grants officer, Dr. Bernard Queen, director of development, announced.

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MU appointments announced

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RITA MANN

A 1965 graduate of Barboursville High School, File earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in economics from the University of Michigan in 1969. He served as senior governmental analyst for the Detroit (Mich.) Budget Bureau from 1969 to 1974 and was assistant budget director for Tampa, Fla., from 1974 to 1976. He presently is owner of The Plant House & Fish Shop in Huntington.

His experience in Detroit and Tampa includes work with many grant and subsidy programs including the Model City, Federal Revenue Sharing and Community Development Block Grants programs.

"We are very pleased to have Mr. File join our staff," Queen said. "The experience he has had in developing proposals, monitoring grants and submitting reports on them will be extremely helpful to the faculty, the Office of Development and the Marshall University Foundation."

File's duties at Marshall will include determining potential sources of grants and making members of the academic community aware of these sources, assisting faculty members in preparation of grant proposals, and reviewing all grant applications.

Rita Mann, admissions records officer for the College of Arts and Sciences at Marshall University, has been appointed MU coordinator of student conduct and welfare.

Mrs. Mann will assume her new duties Sept. 19, according to Dr. Richard G. Fisher, MU vice president and dean for student affairs.

As student conduct and welfare coordinator, Mrs. Mann's primary responsibility will be implementation of the university student code of conduct. She will also assist the Student Affairs Division in other student life areas and will report to Ann E. Zanzig, the newly-appointed director of residence life.

Mrs. Mann earned her B.A. degree cum laude in psychology from Marshall and is working toward an M.B.A. with management as her field of emphasis. Prior to joining the College of Arts and Sciences' staff in 1970, she was executive secretary for the President's National Committee on Jobs for Veterans in Arlington, Va.

Faculty and staff achievements, activities...

DR. MAURICE A. MUFSON, professor and chairman of the Department of Medicine, has been appointed to the program committee of the West Virginia State Medical Association's 1978 meeting. In August, he addressed the Michigan Health Officers Association's annual meeting in Bellaire, Mich., on "Vaccine Preventable Diseases." Diseases."

DR. CHARLES M. WOODFORD, associate professor of speech, is co-author of an article entitled "Acoustic Reflex Threshold and Loudness Discomfort Level: Relationships in Children with Profound Hearing Losses" appearing in the Journal of American Audiology Society of July, 1977. Dr. David W. Holmes of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is his co-author.

BARBARA F. HARROD, assistant professor of speech, and DR. CHARLES M. WOODFORD, associate professor of speech, have been named to the board of directors of the Cabell-Wayne Easter Seal Society.

DR. CARL S. JOHNSON, assistant professor of curriculum and foundations, helped to conduct an in-service workshop for Kanawha County mathematics teachers Aug. 29. Dr. Johnson's topic was "Enrichment and Motivational Activities for the General Mathematics Student."

DR. THOMAS E. WEAKS, associate professor of biological sciences, has been informed that an article he co-authored

entitled "Effects of L-canavanine on Pythium" has been accepted for publication in the journal, Physiological Plant Pathology.

DR. WARREN W. WOODEN, associate professor of English, has been appointed a staff contributor to Analytical and Enumerative Bibliography. His duties will include preparing the Renaissance portion of the journal's annual "Index to Reviews of Bibliographical Publications."

DR. ROBERT D. OLSON, director of the Speech and Hearing Center, has been invited to become a member of a Panel of Patient Care Audit Workshop Faculty, a recently organized program of the American Speech and Hearing Association. Olson has participated as a faculty member for association workshops and in August he participated in a meeting of the organization's Quality Assurance Committee in Washington D.C. He will also begin his third three-year term as a Legislative Councilor, representing West Virginia at the association's national convention in Chicago in November.

DR. DONALD C. TARTER, professor of biological sciences, conducted a water quality workshop for Cabell County high school science teachers in August.

Colleges list

voting results

Two colleges have announced results of elections:

The faculty of the College of Science has elected Dr. W. C. Sisarick, associate professor of mathematics, to the Faculty Personnel Committee for an unexpired term ending in 1981 and Philip E. Modlin, assistant professor of biological sciences, to a one-year term on the Student Conduct and Welfare Committee.

The College of Arts and Sciences has elected Dr. David C. Duke, assistant professor of history, and Mrs. Diana Waldron, assistant professor of English, to fill vacancies on the Academic Planning and Standards and the Student Conduct and Welfare committees, respectively.

NEED AUDITORIUM?

The scheduling of all auditoriums and theaters on campus is now the responsibility of Bruce Greenwood, MU technical director. Persons wishing to use Old Main Auditorium, Smith Recital Hall, Smith Hall 154 or the Science Hall auditorium may call Greenwood at 2306 or stop by his office, Old Main 107.

Events must be scheduled at least two weeks in advance. Approval of usage request will be based on availability of the facility.

Academic scheduling (for classes) in these locations will continue to be the responsibility of Registrar Robert H. Eddins.

Campus announcements...

EMERITUS MEETING

The Marshall Emeritus Club will have its first meeting of the new term Wednesday, Sept. 21, at 12:15 p.m. at the UpTowner Inn. Dr. Charles Moffat will be the speaker.

FLUTE RECITAL

Tana B. Roquemore, a Marshall University graduate student in music, will present a flute recital Sunday, Sept. 18, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall. Assisting her will be Dr. Paul Balshaw, MU professor of music; Larry B. McCain, music director at Huntington's Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church; Robert Brooks, MU string bass instructor, and Jeffrey Myers, graduate assistant. A flute instructor at Marshall, Mrs. Roquemore earned her baccalaureate degree from Ohio University.

RESEARCH, ANYONE?

Professors desiring to do a research project in the humanities are encouraged to contact Dean Paul Stewart, Graduate School, as soon as possible. Marshall University is

\$200 contributed

Marshall University's Gamma Chi Chapter of Phi Alpha Theta, national history honorary, has donated \$200 to the Herschel Heath Scholarship Fund.

The fund was established in 1971 as a memorial to the late Dr. Heath, long-time member of Marshall's History Department.

The chapter conducted various fund raising activities during the past year to earn the money for the gift, according to Brandon Brossy, Gamma Chi president and Grosse Pointe, Mich., graduate student.

The chapter advisor is Dr. Robert F. Maddox, associate professor of history.

NEWCOMERS

New to the campus are:

DORA B. TURNER, custodian; JUDITH P. PHILLIPS, clerk, Accounting; BERNIE L. WALDEN, custodian; PAMELA A. FERRELL, secretary, Financial Aid; PEGGY WOOD, secretary, College of Business; ANNA B. KING, histologic technician, Anatomy Department; EDYTHE WAYBRIGHT TAYLOR, reading specialist, Special Services; JUDITH LYNN SELLERS, clerk-receptionist, College of Education; ILA DUTTA, key punch operator, Computer Center, and ROBERT G. ADAMS, information specialist, University Relations. Welcome to Marshall!

Absences excused

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

SEPTEMBER 8 - Terri Miller, Bert Chenoweth, Sue Goodrick, Lisa Gergezy, Lynda Nutter, Jill Duncan, Regina Skeens, Cathie Heck, Kim Reichenbach, Barbara Duggan and Debbie Proveromo.

permitted to nominate three persons to the National Endowment for the Humanities for the two-month, \$2,500 research grants. Interested persons should contact Dr. Stewart not later than October 3.

ACCEPTING CLIENTS

The Marshall University Speech and Hearing Clinic is now accepting clients for the fall semester, Dr. Robert D. Olson, clinic director and MU professor of speech, announced. The clinic, located in Smith Hall 151, provides a full range of speech and hearing services to area adults and children. Among the services provided are speech and hearing evaluations and therapy assistance for language disorders, including voice and articulation problems, stuttering and aphasia. Additional information or appointments may be obtained by calling the center at 696-3640.

CHESS TOURNAMENT

The Marshall University Chess Club will sponsor the Marshall Tornado Chess Tournament on Saturday, Sept. 17, in the Memorial Student Center, Dr. Neil L. Gibbins, professor of educational administration and club advisor announced today. Registration will be held from 8 to 8:45 a.m., with rounds scheduled for 9 a.m., noon, 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. There will be a \$5 registration fee. The tournament is open to chess players of all ages who are members of the U.S. Chess Federation. Memberships in the federation will be available at the registration table, Gibbins said. The rate of play will be 40 moves per hour. A first prize of \$50 will be awarded, if there are 20 or more competitors, Gibbins added.

RATE INCREASE

Notice has been received from the Public Employees Insurance Board that effective September 1, 1977, increased rates will be necessary due to the increased cost of the program as a direct result of rising medical costs. The rate schedule for all employees currently paying premiums is: Single coverage \$9.10 per month, Family coverage \$19.90 per month.

Choral Union's rehearsals set

The Marshall University Choral Union will begin rehearsals for its fall season Sept. 19 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 150, Smith Music Hall.

Dr. Paul A. Balshaw, professor of music and director, said the group will perform the oratorio "Messiah" by Handel, with orchestra and soloists, in preparation for the Christmas season.

The group is a mixed choir of men and women from the university faculty and student body and the surrounding communities.

Dr. Balshaw said rehearsals are held each Monday and persons who wish to participate may do so by coming to rehearsals. Auditions are not required for membership and there is no membership fee.

Balshaw said the Choral Union project for this fall season should be of interest to many area singers as the "Messiah" is the "best known and most popular choral composition in the oratorio repertoire." At Marshall, it is presented every four or five years, Balshaw said.

Those wishing further information should call Dr. Balshaw at 696-3127.