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Journalism alumni will honor Johnson

The Marshall University School of Journalism Alumni Association will present its Distinguished Service Award to Bos Johnson, a former Marshall journalism professor and a long-time television news director, at a banquet Saturday, Oct. 20, at 6:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn-Gateway on U.S. 60 East.

Announcement of the award was made by Tom D. Miller, president of the MU School of Journalism Alumni Association.

Additional details and tickets for the banquet may be obtained by calling Teresa Grant at (304) 529-0072 or Miller at (304) 736-1321. Tickets are priced at $20 each. Proceeds will be used to assist Marshall's W. Page Pitt School of Journalism.

Checks should be made out to "MU Alumni Association--Journalism," Miller said.

Johnson currently serves as vice president for Huntington operations of Charles Ryan Associates, the state's largest public relations firm.

He worked for 16 years as news director and principal anchor at WSAZ-TV in the Huntington-Charleston market. He also worked at radio stations in Bluefield, Mогantown and Huntington before joining the television station's staff. He joined the Marshall journalism faculty

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McGahee named chairman

Dr. C. Leon McGahee has been made chairman of the Department of Psychiatry at the Marshall University School of Medicine, Dean Charles H. McKown Jr. has announced.

McGahee, who has been acting chairman of the department, joined the School of Medicine faculty in 1985.

He said his immediate priorities as chairman will be to further develop and improve the school's clinical training programs and to work with staff at the VA Medical Center on the expanded psychiatric program, including inpatient care, that will be made possible there through completion of the new $47.5 million clinical improvement addition.

Before coming to Marshall, McGahee was an associate clinical professor of psychiatry at the James H. Quillen College of Medicine in Johnson City, Tenn. He also has been an attending psychiatrist at Bristol (Tenn.) Memorial Hospital, associate director of psychiatry at Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center in New York, chief of the psychiatric outpatient division at Metropolitan Hospital in

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Nursing graduates score high on test

Marshall University's 1990 nursing graduates achieved a 97 percent passage rate on state licensing examinations, according to School of Nursing Dean Carolyn Gunning. The 97 percent rate compares to a 90 percent rate for West Virginia as a whole, Dr. Gunning said.

"We're particularly pleased to see such good results from our students because this is the first class that has graduated from our four-year baccalaureate degree program," she said. "It's very encouraging that the first group through the new curriculum has done so well."

Before 1986, Marshall had two separate but related nursing degrees: an associate degree program and an upper-division bachelor's degree program for registered nurses who were already licensed.

"I think this year's licensing exam results indicate that, despite shortages nationwide, we are attracting extremely well-qualified students and that we have a solid program that prepares them for success in nursing," she added.

The licensing exams are administered by the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses.

Faculty members can get free lunch

Marshall University's Office of Residence Life is once again sponsoring its Faculty Lunch Series during the fall semester, according to Linda Rowe, associate director of Residence Life.

Faculty members are invited to join students in the residence hall cafeterias for a friendly lunch and informal discussions. The program will continue through early May.

Lunches will be available in the Holderby and Twin Towers cafeterias. The cost of the faculty lunch will be covered by the Residence Life Office.

"We are committed to finding ways to integrate students' academic and residential experiences," said Ms. Rowe. "Our role is to ensure that campus living has educational value for residents. Faculty participation helps us fulfill that role. We have discovered that faculty members themselves find this lunch program professionally and personally rewarding."

Faculty members interested in making lunch reservations or residence hall students who would like to take a professor to lunch should contact Ms. Rowe or Pam Leonard in the Residence Life Office, 696-3183 or 696-6208.

Marshall University excused absences

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

OCT. 1-6 (night classes)--Kerry Albright.
OCT. 5--Timothy Atkins, Wayne Barker, Robert E. Bell, Leonard Rosanoff.
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OCT. 8--Angie Reynolds, Misty Saul, Denise Hicks, Kelly Melvin, Kelli Tackett, Stephanie Hooker, Cathy Mann, Andy Hayden, Maribeth Brooks, Joyce Merritt.
MU student program receives funding

Marshall University’s Student Support Services Program has received funding from the United States Department of Education for the 1990-93 funding cycle, according to Joe Dragovich, program director.

The Student Support Services Program, which received $127,727 from the Department of Education for the 1990-91 academic year, provides academic, personal and career counseling for 175 Marshall students who are financially disadvantaged, disabled or first generation college students.

Dragovich said the grant allows the staff to provide a supportive atmosphere to students as well as offer the needed academic and personal assistance that will help ensure successful college matriculation.

Marshall’s program has achieved a 76 percent overall retention rate. During the 1989-90 academic year, 81 percent of the program’s students remained in good standing with a cumulative grade point average of 2.53.

“We have an excellent program and have produced some impressive student statistics,” said Dragovich. “The U.S. Department of Education’s grant readers were impressed with the university’s Student Support Services Program and its record.

“In fact our grant graded out at 94.5 percent, the highest scoring Student Support grant submitted by the university during the program’s 20-year history.”

U.N. Day will be observed at Marshall

Marshall University will mark the 45th anniversary of the United Nations with a Friendship Circle around Memorial Fountain on Wednesday, Oct. 24, at 1:45 p.m., according to Dr. Clair W. Matz, director of the Center for International Studies.

“We’ll gather around the fountain, hold hands and sing a verse of ‘Let There be Peace in the World,’” said R. Dwayne Johnson, president of Marshall’s Model U.N. Club. “Then we’ll have a minute of silence for world peace.”

The United Nations Day observance is being sponsored by the International Students Club, the Model U.N. Club, the Campus Christian Center and the Center for International Studies.

To obtain further details contact Matz at the Center for International Studies, 696-2465.

SOM faculty honored

Marshall medical students honored a dozen faculty members and departments during the school’s opening exercises in September.

Recognized by last year’s first-year students were Dr. Stephen E. Fish, professor of the year, and Dr. Mitchell Berk, Dr. Susan DeMesquita, Dr. Vernon Reichenbecher, Dr. Marie Veitia and Dr. Panos Ignatiadis.

Last year’s sophomore class honored the Department of Pharmacology as the best department 1988-1990, Dr. Maurice Mufson as the outstanding clinical instructor and Dr. Terry Fenger as outstanding basic science instructor.

Third-year students named Dr. Joseph Evans faculty clinician of the year, Dr. Paulette Wehner resident of the year, and Dr. Ben Edwards as volunteer clinician of the year.

Flute concert planned

The Marshall University Flute Ensemble, under the direction of Dr. Wendell Dobbs, will present a concert on Tuesday, Oct. 23, at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

Several works by J.S. Bach transcribed for flute will be featured during the performance.

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

'Trialog' will be held

The Marshall University Campus Christian Center will observe United Nations Day on Oct. 24 with a student "trialog" between the three Abrahamic faiths at 2 p.m. in the Campus Christian Center Fellowship Hall.

"We are not seeking to convert anyone," said Rev. James McCune, CCC campus minister. "We are only seeking similarities and points of mutual belief. So much is heard about the divisions in the world, we are trying to find commonalities."

McCune said it is no accident the panel is being held on United Nations Day. He said the idea behind scheduling the panel on this date was to draw attention to the diversity and variance of the human condition while at the same time affirming the common humanness of all peoples.

The panel discussion is being sponsored by the International Students Association, the CCC and the Center for International Studies.

The program will be open to the public free of charge. To obtain further details contact Rev. McCune in the Campus Christian Center, 696-3054.

Smoking to be topic

Marshall University’s Office of Student Health Education Programs will sponsor “Fresh Start,” a smoking cessation class developed by the American Cancer Society, beginning Tuesday, Oct. 30, at 3 p.m. in Prichard Hall.

Classes will meet for one hour on Tuesdays and Thursdays for two weeks, according to Carla Lapelle, coordinator of Student Health Education Programs.

The program 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.
**Marshall faculty/staff achievements**

Dr. JAMES E. DOUGLASS, professor of chemistry, is the author of an article titled "Tautomerism in Quinoidal Sulfoxides" which was published in the Journal of Heterocyclic Chemistry.

Dr. STEVEN MEWALDT, professor of psychology, co-authored an article titled "Benzodiazepines and Human Memory," a review which was recently published in Anesthesiology.

Dr. KEITH E. BARENKLAU, Safety Technology Program director, made a presentation titled "What Managers Should Be Monitoring in Their Plants" at the National Refractories Meeting held Sept. 27 in Charlottesville, Va. The audience included refractories executives and managers from throughout the United States.

Dr. PAMELA MITCHELL of the Department of Communication Disorders was an invited speaker at the annual Mountain State Advocacy Conference held Sept. 15 in Parkersburg. Her presentation was titled "Augmentative Communication and Assistive Technology: A Parent and Consumer Perspective." The theme of the conference, which was sponsored by the West Virginia University Affiliated Center for Development Disabilities, the West Virginia Advocates, and the West Virginia Developmental Disabilities Planning Council, was "The '90s: A Decade for Action."

Dr. CRAIG MONROE, professor of speech, presided over the annual convention of the West Virginia Communication Association held Oct. 5-6 in Parkersburg. He chaired a panel on 'Personality Constructs in Communication Research' and presented a paper titled "The Difficult Personality: An Overview." KEITH SPEARS, chairman of the Speech Department, chaired a panel on 'Technology and Communication' and presented a paper on "Distant Learning Strategies." Other presenters from Marshall included Dr. BERTRAM GROSS, "Organizational Argumentation" Dr. DOROTHY JOHN­SON, "Television in the Classroom"; CHUCK BAILEY, "Radio in the Classroom," and JUDI HENNEBRY, "Alternatives to Personality-Based Communication Research." Other attending the convention from Marshall were Dr. ROBERT EDMUNDS, EDWIN MCCARNES, CINDY STOUT, ODZETTA OWEN and TIM DOLIN.

Dr. MARJORIE McNERNEY, associate professor of management, and Dr. CHONG KIM, professor and chair­man of the Management Department, co-authored a paper titled "Management Policies Toward Working Couples: Alternatives to Current Practices" which was presented at the Conference of the Changing Roles of Men and Women in the Work Place held Oct. 5 at the Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago. KIM and Dr. CHANDRA AKKIHAL, MBA director and professor of economics, participated in the Business Administration Accreditation workshop sponsored by AACSB Sept. 23-25 in St. Louis. KIM also recently coordinated the selection and awarding of the Monica Ann Lucas Health Care Management Scholarship.

**Library Committee meets**

(The following report on the Oct. 2 meeting of the Marshall University Faculty Library Committee was submitted by Sara B. Staats, secretary.)

The Faculty Library Committee met Tuesday, Oct. 2, at 2 p.m. with 15 members present and three absent. Josephine Fidler, director of libraries, gave her State of the Library Report, 1989-90.

She reported on the filling of staff vacancies, the establishment of committees to address various library issues, the provision of additional technology, the establishment of a new student lounge on the second floor and the installation of a new security system. The Law Alcove has become a reality and the Rosanna Blake Library of Confederate History was dedicated.

Ms. Fidler presented the budget for 1990-91. Ed Dzier­zak presented the Health Sciences Library budget.

Martin Faigel, head of Technical Services, reported plans for more automation of records and the serious problem of serial price increases. A fact sheet on serial prices will be distributed to department chairs.

**Halloween party slated**

Children of Marshall University faculty and staff members are invited to attend a Halloween party sponsored by the residents of Buskirk Hall and Twin Towers West on Tuesday, Oct. 30, from 7 to 9 p.m.

Activities such as trick or treat, costume judging and a haunted house will be held in both resident halls. Persons who have children who would like to attend the activities should call the residence halls at 696-2421 or 696-2576 on or before Monday, Oct. 29.

**Grants to be awarded**

Information pertaining to the Morris Doctoral Fellowship Program at Southern Illinois University is available in the Marshall University Graduate School Office, Old Main Room 113, according to Dr. Leonard Deutsch, Graduate School dean.

Grants of $12,000 per year, plus tuition, will be awarded to outstanding college seniors or post-baccalaureate students in arts and sciences, business administration, communications, education, engineering and rehabilitation.

**Lunchbag seminar set**

The Marshall University Women's Center will sponsor a lunchbag seminar titled "The Asian Woman" on Wednesday, Oct. 24, from noon to 1 p.m. in Prichard Hall Room 143.

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